

CN Morning Rundown: 'Religious Liberty Is in Danger of Becoming a Second- Class Right'

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Alito Sounds Alarm: 'Religious Liberty Is in Danger of Becoming a Second-Class Right'

Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito is sounding an alarm about ongoing actions that undermine religious liberties and individual freedoms in America, whether from COVID or from pro-LGBT hardliners.

Alito told The Federalist Society that America has never faced such extreme limitations on freedom as it has this year due to the coronavirus restrictions.

"The pandemic has resulted in previously unimaginable restrictions on individual liberty," Alito said in a virtual address to the conservative Federalist Society. "We have never before seen restrictions as severe, extensive and prolonged as those experienced for most of 2020."

Michael Brown: I'm Not Buying Obama's Portrait of Racist America

I don't doubt for a moment we still have race issues to address in America. And I don't believe that, to date, we have fully overcome the legacy of hundreds of years of slavery and segregation.

At the same time, I do not accept former President Barack Obama's claim that the 2016 election of Donald Trump was, in part, a reaction to having a Black man in the White House.

In a widely reported excerpt from his forthcoming book *Promised Land*, Obama claims that “millions of Americans” were “spooked by a Black man in the White House.”

To quote him more fully, he argued Trump “promised an elixir for the racial anxiety” of “millions of Americans spooked by a Black man in the White House.”

32 Ohio Clergy Proclaim Support Through Israeli Bond Investment

Thirty-two Ohio clergy have banded together to proclaim their support of Israel in a recent letter sent to Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. The state of Ohio has invested in Israel bonds since 1993, making it known as the largest state holder of Israel bonds in the United States.

In October, nine more counties invested for the first time in Israel bonds, bringing the total number of counties in Ohio investing from six to 15 in a single month, adding \$ million in county investments in Israel bonds.

The letter from the pastors was copied to Knesset speaker Yariv Levin, U.S. Ambassador David Friedman and U.S. Secretary of State Michael Pompeo. {eo}