

The Flaming Right by paul murphy

About Mr. Obama's birth certificate

The Obama campaign in one guise or another has offered two different, final, complete, and authentic birth certificates for him. The first one, an image of a Certification of Live Birth [COLB] by the State of Hawaii surfaced on far left advocacy site The Daily Kos during the 2008 democratic primaries - right after the Clinton campaign pointed out that Mr. Obama is not a "natural born citizen".

Mr. Obama's media supporters responded to the COLB by triumphantly announcing it as the final, definitive, and only legally possible proof of Mr. Obama's complete legitimacy. In reality, however, the COLB might establish his American citizenship at birth (if Brennan's infamous Plyler v. Doe footnote is given precedence over the plain language specifications of the Immigration and Naturalization Act 1948, '52, and '58,) but has little or nothing to do with the fact that he cannot claim both a British father and status as a natural born American.

After about three years the Obama White House released what it described as a hand delivered, scanner produced, digital image of a long form birth certificate also supposedly issued and certified by the State of Hawaii - which Mr. Obama's media supporters then heralded as the final, definitive, and only legally allowable proof of Mr. Obama's complete legitimacy.

However, when examined by others this image turned out to contain [numerous digital artifacts proving](#) that it could not have been produced by scanning an original document - something that makes it, in the eyes of many, an obvious forgery.

Both the COLB and the later long form certificate image triggered enough lawsuits and claims of forgery to allow the Obama media to almost completely bury typical birther issues such as Mr. Obama's general lack of documentation and British citizenship at birth, in floods of mockery and contempt focused on the allegation that he was born in Kenya.

The "issued in good faith" component requires an assumption: that Hawaii still uses software produced as part of a 1990s document management fad built around using Microsoft SQL-Server to store documents as a combination of non-redundant text and small image segments that could then be recombined on the PC to produce printable output.

Although long since replaced in most applications by technology that maintains image integrity by storing and retrieving entire document images, the assumption that Hawaii still uses it explains image artifacts like the NT kerning, misaligned text, multiple fonts, and misaligned image placement - and thus sets the Obama campaign up to legitimize the document simply by saying that the people who claimed the image came from a scanner weren't techies and didn't understand how Hawaii actually put it together.

An actual, unmodified, high-resolution, long form birth certificate image produced by scanning an original maintains with accurate fidelity the appearance of an original document that was scanned.; but the one delivered by the White House was clearly not produced in this way and differs from its claimed original in, at the very least. The fonts used, the spatial relationships between components, the letters comprising the text of the form itself and its boxes, are perfect digital replicas in multiple instances demonstrating that a single exemplar was used to minimize storage requirements because of the high cost of digital memory when the software was written.

Both the COLB and the long form image carry an identification number affixed during records processing using a mechanical stamp that automatically increments by one when used. The well authenticated long form certificates for the Nordyke twins, born at Kapiolani the Saturday after Mr. Obama's claimed Friday birth, [were processed three days after Mr. Obama's](#) - but stamped with lower registration numbers.

Since the bureau of vital statistics normally put [registration numbers on the documents immediately on receipt](#) it should not be possible for a certificate processed on August 8th to have a higher number than two processed on August 11th.

[To get to the truth it's necessary to learn who Obama's registration number was original issued to. It's been conjectured that it belonged to a baby that didn't survive long.]

The White House may be just waiting until October to pull the rug out from under birthers, and thus bury the the more substantive issue of not being constitutionally qualified under an avalanche of contemptuous media dismissal, merely by having senior Hawaiian officials "certify" that the state did in fact issue the birth certification posted only by the White House.

[that would go beyond Hawaiian Health Dept. employees merely supplying the counterfeiter with original files but finally committing a public form of perjury by claiming either that the pdf was issued by them, or obfuscating the issue with the release of a hard-copy fake containing the state seal and seemingly genuine. That would silence the doubts of fence-sitters].

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