

# Wall Street as Voter Suppression in Texas

*This statement is posted on the campaign [website](#) of Texas Democratic Senate primary candidate Kesha Rogers.*

For 20 years, longer than any other state, the Democratic Party of Texas has not won a single statewide race. In fact, in the March 4, 2014 primary election, 21 counties across West Texas and the Panhandle did not even have access to a Democratic ballot; if there is no county party to coordinate primary balloting with the Texas Secretary of State, then none is available for voters. As a result, *nearly 60,000 registered voters in Texas could not vote in this primary, and had no voice.* This is up from 13 counties in the 2012 primary, and 3 counties in 2008.

What had been a slow decline of the Party since Gov. John Connally left office, became a precipitous collapse, once President Barack Obama entered the White House. This collapse in the Texas Democratic Party signals the absolute necessity to overhaul its values, platform, and outreach strategy. It must reinvent itself, or it will soon collapse as completely as the Texas Republican Party did after Reconstruction. The insurgent candidacy of Kesha Rogers, the La-Rouche Democrat currently engaged in a runoff election for the U.S. Senate, best represents this new direction for the Texan and national Democratic Party. Rogers' Democratic primary nominations for U.S. Congress in 2010 and 2012—in a district considered one of the most Republican districts in Texas—and her entrance into the U.S. Senate run-off election May 27, despite heavy attacks, censorship, and zero financial support from her own Democratic Party's establishment, demonstrate that her strategy is what works, to recruit disenfranchised Democratic voters, independents, and also Republicans, back to the Democratic ballot.

## Reclaiming the FDR-JFK Tradition

The defining thrust of Kesha Rogers' campaign is her denunciation of Barack Obama as the culmina-

tion of Wall Street's usurpation of the Democratic Party, put in to finally destroy the accomplishments of Presidents Franklin Roosevelt and John Kennedy. Even more so than the assassination of Kennedy, his brother Robert, and Dr. Martin Luther King, it was the cover-up of these assassinations that marked a moral downshift for the party and nation. Courageous and visionary leadership such as theirs, which charted a course for scientific and cultural greatness, over the objections of the monetary oligarchs of Wall Street and Europe, had been buried. The warning was clear: "Go along to get along, or you will suffer the same fate."

The cultural paradigm-shift of the late 1960s and 1970s marked a clear departure from the FDR-JFK outlook, as Wall Street interests bought up both parties. Where FDR and JFK reined in the abusive power of the Wall Street speculators and the fiat money of the Federal Reserve, the new Democratic Party embraced free-trade agreements and "globalization." Where FDR and JFK promoted nationwide construction of infrastructure, through the building of dams, nuclear power plants, agriculture, etc., and rejected Malthusian concepts of radical environmentalism, the new Democratic Party embraced the "zero growth" policy that has collapsed living standards. Where FDR and JFK passed legislation protecting society's most vulnerable, the above shifts in policy by the New Democratic Party undercut the ability to pay for our social safety nets, even as more people needed them because of the effects of this shift.

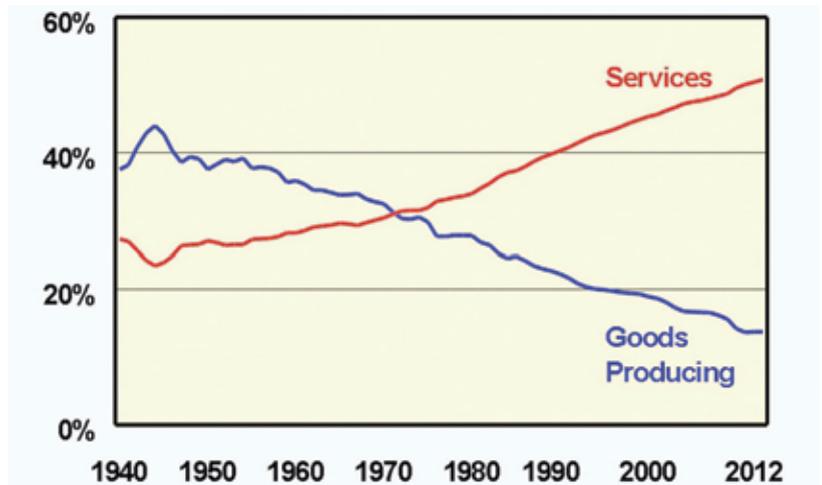
This shift in practice has collapsed the physical productive output of labor over the past 40 years, while the mere appearance of wealth has been maintained by an increasing reliance on gambling with the value of the dollar, importing cheap goods from abroad, and speculative swindles like Enron and wind farming. The power of cheap money and cheap talk, at the expense of generating real wealth through real jobs, has caused our standard of living to disintegrate.

This entire paradigm collapsed in 2007, but rather than abandon it, both the Bush and Obama administrations have engaged in massive abuses of the Constitution to perpetuate this bankrupt system. Bailouts, wars, budget cuts, and demands of party loyalty *über alles* have replaced production, leadership, and critical thinking. The Wall Street usurpation of the Republican and Democratic parties has suppressed the vote,

in Texas and nationwide, by transforming the political process by which citizens participate in creating their nation's future, into a fraudulent debate over social issues that do nothing to address the devastating economic collapse. The county structure for voting in Democratic ballots collapsed, because citizens see nothing but shallow politicians, hypocrites who sell themselves for election money. The citizens of America are dying, for money.

World War II veteran and economist Lyndon LaRouche, throughout this entire process, has been intervening to revive the FDR-JFK tradition. LaRouche's repeated economic forecasts warned of the impending global collapse of the Wall Street and European corporatist oligarchy, and his repeated campaigns for President brought real policy solutions, in line with the Constitution and natural law. In 1983, he succeeded in recruiting former FDR-Democrat Ronald Reagan to the Strategic Defense Initiative. For this, attempts were made by the

FIGURE 1  
**Employment, by Activity**  
(% of total)



CIA to assassinate both LaRouche and Reagan, and LaRouche was made a political prisoner by George H.W. Bush, for five years. But he never sold out, and is still, at age 91, intervening against the same shadow government and financier oligarchy, to reclaim our republic.

Kesha Rogers is a LaRouche Democrat, and has been in this same fight for ten years. She represents the real Democratic Party tradition of Roosevelt, Kennedy, and LaRouche, while Obama, and those who adhere to his administration, even while disagreeing with it, do not. The choice is to move with Kesha and her platform, or be destroyed.

### NAWAPA XXI, Space Exploration, Glass-Steagall

It is not a coincidence, that the counties hit hardest by the physical economic collapse from drought, are also the counties where the local Democratic Party has disappeared. How could anyone seriously believe in "protecting the environment," when the environment is what is killing them, and we could intervene to protect human life? Mankind should not have to live at the mercy of drought; we must subdue the Earth, and replenish it.

It is also not a coincidence, that in this area, over 50% of the counties that could vote a Democratic ballot in this area, went for the only candidate discussing a continental drought relief infrastructure program: LaRouche Democrat Kesha Rogers. A thorough overview

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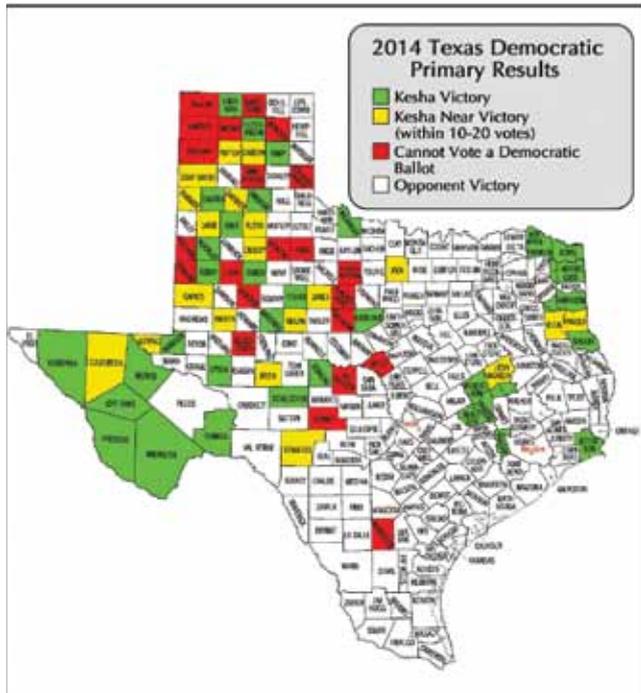
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*"The point is, we need Glass-Steagall immediately. We need it because that's our only insurance to save the nation.... Get Glass-Steagall in, and we can work our way to solve the other things that need to be cleaned up. If we don't get Glass-Steagall in first, we're in a mess!"*  
—Lyndon LaRouche, Feb. 11, 2013

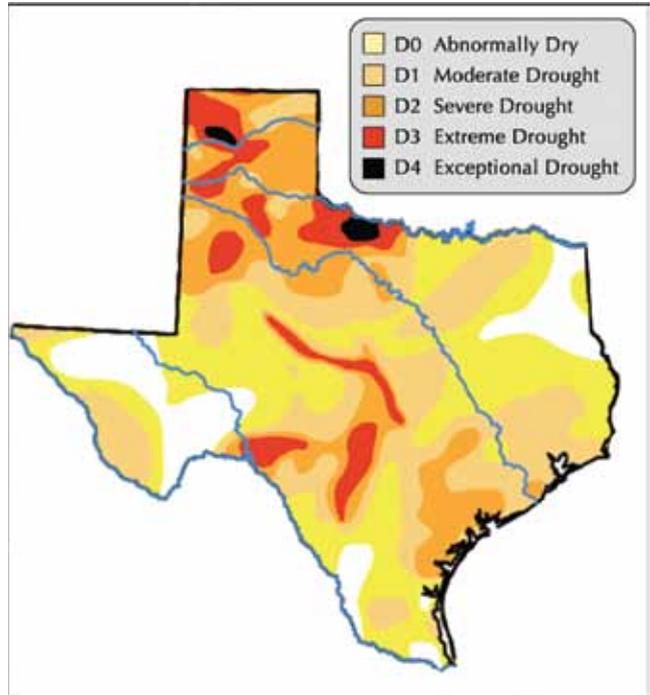
FIGURE 2  
**2014 Texas Democratic Primary Results by County**



of the 21st-Century version of the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA XXI) is available on Rogers' website, and a comprehensive presentation is available on the [LaRouchePAC website](#). Once operational, NAWAPA XXI will increase surface fresh water availability in western Texas and the Panhandle by 12 million acre feet per year, or more than 137%. This will save our farms, ranches, towns, industries, and rivers from drying up into dust. Combined with nuclear desalination plants, connected extensions from the north, east, and south (and an end to Cheney's and Obama's schemes of poisoning the water table with hydraulic fracturing, burning up the food supply with biofuels, and destroying the energy use per capita with low-output solar and wind farms), Texas is poised to become the most irrigated, most plentiful, and most technologically advanced state in the nation. NASA satellites looking at crop formations and weather patterns, already help us monitor the current and future health of our land.

Kesha Rogers recently held a policy forum on planetary defense from asteroids and space weather, across the street from the Johnson Space Center in

FIGURE 3  
**The Texas Drought**



*Rogers, who campaigned for the NAWAPA water-infrastructure program, pulled in over 50% of the votes in the drought-stricken areas where primaries were held.*

Houston, on the first anniversary of the Chelyabinsk meteor, which blew up in the sky over Russia.<sup>1</sup> Scientists from UC-Boulder and UT-Arlington presented clear indications that society is in no manner prepared to deal with threats from asteroids, or geomagnetic storms that could easily melt our electric grids. A fully funded space program, in conjunction with NAWAPA XXI, would create tens of millions of real jobs throughout Texas and the nation.

This was the intention of the Democratic Party only two generations ago, when the FDR-JFK tradition was more than just words in a party platform, as it is today. Great projects like these can be paid for easily, once FDR's Glass-Steagall Act is reinstated, undoing the catastrophic damage that Sen. Phil Gramm [R-Tex.] unleashed by his 1999 repeal of that law. Simply cancel the ability for Wall Street speculators to hold commercial assets (e.g., mortgages, public budgets, pensions, deposits) as collateral for

1. See [EIR](#), Feb. 28, 2014.

losses in their investment portfolios, and issue regulated Federal credit for the purpose of building them. Language supporting Glass-Steagall is part of the Texas Democratic Party platform, but the party itself is not making an issue out of it, because President Obama is opposed to reinstating Glass-Steagall.

Kesha Rogers has been loudly advocating Glass-Steagall's reinstatement. None of this can happen as long as Obama remains in office, because his commitment is to perpetuating the bankrupt power structure of "Too Big To Fail/Jail" Wall Street and European financiers. Instead, he is collaborating with former Republican contenders for his office, like Sen. John McCain and Rep. Paul Ryan, in pushing new wars around the planet, and new rounds of austerity at home. This power structure needs a world war to stay in control, and Russia is the obvious target, whether it starts in Ukraine, Syria, Iran, or somewhere else. This would be a thermonuclear war of extinction.

Obama must be impeached now, and Democrats must lead the way. This is the message Kesha Rogers has taken directly to the population, bypassing the normal methods of campaigning at party functions, to organize on street corners and public venues. It proves one does not need large sums of money, the "right" endorsements, or party support to engage people and create meaningful political change. If she can do it, so can you.

### **What the Texas Democratic Party Leadership Intends To Do**

A growing minority within the elected Party membership recognizes the existential truth of this assessment. The party leadership however, from Obama on down, fully intends to continue a censorship and slander campaign against Kesha Rogers, to intimidate the party membership into obedience, and to confuse, demoralize, or enrage the voting public. Blogs like the Burnt Orange Report, Texpatriate, and Progress Texas, in direct coordination with the Democratic National Committee, the Texas Democratic Party, and a host of other Democratic media outlets, will continue to spew lies and defamations: from the mild ("She's not a 'real'

FIGURE 4  
**NAWAPA XXI**



Democrat") to the dangerously absurd ("She wants to 'execute Obama'"): anything to keep people whipped up and hysterical.

Rogers' run-off opponent, a millionaire dentist, David Alameel, has begun to shape his campaign rhetoric around her platform, knowing this is the sentiment in the population; but unlike Rogers, he has no concrete policies to act on. Alameel talks about jailing Wall Street bankers, but won't call for Glass-Steagall. Alameel talks about good jobs and a living wage, but has no blueprint for creating them. Alameel talks about ending the wars, but has no concept of how to create peace. Alameel talks, and spends lots of money on advertisements, but he has no real substance. That is why he could not win the nomination outright, despite spending \$3.5 million in the primary, coupled with an hysterical slander campaign against Kesha Rogers. The Party leadership is more concerned with defeating Kesha Rogers, than the real world effects their policies are having on Texas. If you do not get involved, and help turn out the vote for Kesha Rogers in the May 27th Democratic Runoff election, they could succeed, but at what cost?

Their strategy will not just further collapse the Democratic Party. Your life is on the line.