

Bad Wolf: A Primer

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Lawyers bad. Real bad.

Coming to a theater near you. See U.S. Chamber of Commerce film. Two minute-movie trailers in Colorado, Washington, D.C. and Louisiana. Lawyers mean frivolous lawsuits. Chamber says lawyers mean "end of American dream." Lawyers mean "litigation horror film."

Outlaw lawyers. Lawyers real bad.

And trial lawyers? Trial lawyers evil. Seventh level in Dante's hell. A while back, the American Trial Lawyer Association changes its name to American Association For Justice. Got rid of that "trial lawyer" moniker, distanced itself from wicked trial lawyer name.

Newspapers bad too, but messengers are dying off. See e.g., *Albuquerque Tribune*, *Rocky Mountain News*. See fading *Boston Globe*. See any Texas major daily. No more kill the messenger, for messengers dead or dying.

For definition of dead, see "Class action, Texas." Now focus back on awful lawyers.

Lawyers so bad, no trials allowed. See Fifth Circuit ruling on *Citigroup Global Markets Inc. v. Bacon*. Manifest disregard of the law is not grounds for vacatur. Arbitrators are better than Courts who have lawyers and, *shudder*, juries.

Lawyers laid off everywhere, so clap hands. Several thousand since the market crash. Clap hands harder.

But starving lawyers now roam streets as lone wolves or ravenous packs. Very dangerous. Must get rid of their food: Torts. Send them to Missouri.

Torts in Texas developed for centuries under English common law. But Texas elite now enlightened: torts are not for the common. Must turn all into statutes, statutes that create a maze with dead end for those bewildered souls who believe they've been wronged. See Texas Residential Construction Commission Act. What's left send again to Missouri, or the wizard.

Those who say toys with lead are hazardous are committing crimes against capitalism. Damaged by Hurricane Ike? Obviously God is mad at you, and insurance coverage should not be tapped.

Must purge U.S. legal system. Must stop thousands of law students that graduate and leap into the legal ecosystem, the tainted tyros that join and tag behind laid off law-scivious lawyers.

Rule of law? There's something wrong with what you're saying. The rule of law equates with lawyers and lawsuits. Bounce with the bouncing ball. Chaos and anarchy better. No remedies allowed, except non-public arbitrations between major corporations. Lawyers not simply unacceptable; they offensive. All corporations larger than the definition of consumer in the DTPA are good kings. And kings do no wrong.

Did you say DTPA? Sacrilege. Blasphemy. Wash mouth out with soap and pepper spray. Say five Hail Allstates.

Repeat again. Lawyers bad.