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IS THE GOVERNMENT BEING WEAPONIZED AGAINST YOU?

UNEQUALLY APPLYING THE LAW SUBVERTS JUSTICE FOR ALL

Government agencies too often use their authority and power, appearing to unequally target groups and individuals based on their political and ideological views. Below is a list of recent abuses of executive authority, which point to an urgent need for reform and congressional oversight.



Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg leveraged his office's prosecutorial powers by bringing dubious charges against former President Trump, all while largely ignoring the violent crime epidemic plaguing the citizens of New York City.



The Intelligence Community was weaponized against former President Trump during and after his 2016 Campaign, representing the clearest example of government resources being deployed to pursue an ideological and political opponent.



The IRS was more likely to investigate conservative non-profits applying for tax-exempt status in 2013, and now, lower- and middle-class Americans are the primary target of the Big Socialism Bill, with 87,000 new IRS agents to increase audits on hardworking taxpayers.



The **Department of Homeland Security** created a dystopian **Disinformation Governance Board** in an attempt to **silence political opponents** and determine what **Americans** are **allowed** to consume.



Federal prosecutions against political violence could not be more divergent. Upwards of 90% of charges or citations against BLM rioters were dropped, dismissed, or went unfiled, while more than one-third of Jan 6. perpetrators have pled guilty to federal charges.



Progressive prosecutors seek to **subvert the rule of law** by **decriminalizing** whole categories of offenses, leading to **more crime** and **social dysfunction**.



The **Department of Education** has investigated **Religious-Affiliated Institutions** for **alleged discrimination** against LGBT students, even though the colleges are permitted to, under the **religious exemption** of current **Title IX regulations.**



Churches and Crisis Pregnancy Centers across the country were hit with violence, vandalism, and disruptions in 2022, and the Department of Justice neglected to protect them and has yet to investigate these acts of religious discrimination.



The **Department of Justice** targeted **Parents** at **School Board Meetings** after the **Secretary of Education** solicited the **National School Board Association** to call on the **DOJ** to use the **PATRIOT Act** against parents' "threats" of "domestic terrorism."

BOTTOM LINE: Justice for All can only happen when laws are applied equally to all Americans. For more details and information on the weaponization of government, you can read AFPI's Issue Brief HERE.