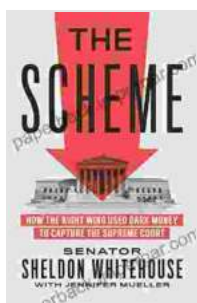


The Capture of the Supreme Court: How the Right Wing Used Dark Money to Control America's Highest Court

The Supreme Court of the United States is the highest court in the land, and its decisions have a profound impact on American society. In recent years, the Court has become increasingly conservative, and this shift has been largely due to the influx of dark money into judicial elections.



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Dark money is money that is donated to political campaigns without disclosing the source of the donation. This makes it difficult to track where the money is coming from and how it is being used. As a result, dark money has become a major source of corruption in American politics.

The conservative movement has been particularly adept at using dark money to influence judicial elections. In the 2016 election cycle, conservative groups spent over \$100 million on judicial races, and much of this money was dark money. This spending has helped to elect

conservative judges to state and federal courts, including the Supreme Court.

The Impact of Dark Money on the Supreme Court

The influx of dark money into judicial elections has had a significant impact on the Supreme Court. The Court's conservative majority has now overturned or weakened a number of landmark decisions, including *Roe v. Wade* and *Citizens United*.

The overturning of *Roe v. Wade* has had a devastating impact on women's rights. The decision has led to the banning of abortion in several states, and it is likely to lead to further restrictions in the future. This will have a profound impact on the lives of millions of women.

The *Citizens United* decision has made it easier for corporations and wealthy individuals to influence elections. The decision has led to a surge in dark money spending, and it has made it more difficult for ordinary citizens to have their voices heard.

The conservative majority on the Supreme Court is also likely to have a significant impact on other important issues, such as voting rights, LGBTQ rights, and environmental protection. The Court is poised to overturn or weaken a number of important precedents, and this will have far-reaching consequences for American society.

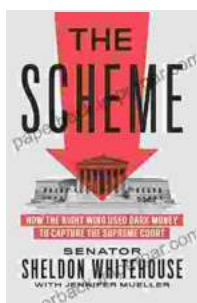
The capture of the Supreme Court by the right wing is a serious threat to American democracy. The Court is now controlled by a conservative majority that is committed to overturning or weakening landmark decisions

that protect our rights. This will have a profound impact on American society, and it is essential that we take action to stop it.

There are a number of things that can be done to address the problem of dark money in judicial elections. One is to pass legislation that requires groups to disclose the source of their donations. Another is to provide public financing for judicial elections. These reforms would help to level the playing field and make it more difficult for outside groups to influence the outcome of elections.

It is also important to educate voters about the dangers of dark money. We need to make sure that voters understand how dark money is being used to undermine our democracy. Once voters are aware of the problem, they can demand that our elected officials take action to address it.

The capture of the Supreme Court is a serious threat to our democracy, but it is not too late to stop it. By taking action to address the problem of dark money, we can help to ensure that the Court remains an independent body that protects the rights of all Americans.



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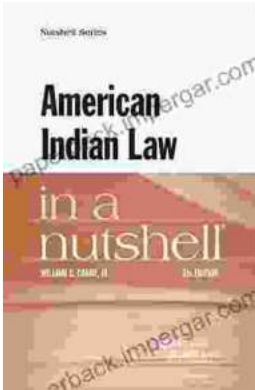
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