Remember the “Fiscal Cliff?” That was nothing compared to now...total government disarray! Your “do-nothing Washington” is immersed in the immigration/amnesty debate, the debacle at the National Security Agency (NSA), an incompetent Attorney General, an “out-of-control” Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Americans simply not trusting their government!

Further, we are all wondering: “who’s at the helm of the government?”

Many Americans are fearful we will lose international creditability. The real problem, where is the top-leadership?  While all this chaos continues where is our Chief Executive...our Commander-in-Chief? On a brighter note, the repeal of the “Former Spouse Protection Act (USFSPA)” still concerns Members of Congress. Weekly, I take a litmus test on USFSPA with different Members. ARA’s on-going activity to “educate” new and senior Members of Congress is effective. While in Ohio, I spoke with Congressman Jim Jordon (R-OH) who is totally for repeal. However, he’s been distracted with both the IRS debacle...and sad testimony of the IRS Commissioner and the head of the FBI.

Surrounding the “Hill” mess, there are positive actions: the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) was passed. This year the NDAA includes a 1.8% pay increase for the military. In the months ahead, I foresee more Washington gridlock and “partisan” politics. We’ve yet to hear any tangible follow-up and credible answers to the horrible Libya “Benghazi” issue. Congressional hearings will get more intense. Debate will be “hot” over keeping Attorney General Eric Holder, tracking down NSA security analyst Snowden....not to mention who at the IRS was accountable for “targeting” conservative groups. However, most disturbing is the recent Presidential use of our White House Marines. If you didn’t catch it...during the visit of the Turkish prime minister, it rained in the Rose Garden. The President asked his Marine honor guards to hold umbrellas. Many fellow military colleagues complained that this inappropriate duty made the guards look like butlers. Marine regs forbid Marines to carry or use umbrellas while in uniform. In the current White House anything goes...there are no regs for presidential theatre. Obama’s instincts range from detached to preachy to imperious; only now, it seems, have people begun to notice.

More fireworks ahead on Pennsylvania Avenue and Capitol Hill...stay tuned!
Is the US Senate directing our attention away from the Pentagon’s service personnel suicide epidemic? The Senate Armed Services Committee expressed outrage, during recent hearings, regarding the Pentagon’s personnel sex assault epidemic.

Recent testimony summarized sex assault activity at 71 assaults per day, total. Personnel reporting assaults are 6% female personnel and 1% males. Females represent 17% of our nation’s military force; 20% of them are officers. Some, in Congress are wondering: “Is the Pentagon doing everything it can, except ending these assaults?” Others are declaring, “this is a self-imposed wound that has no place in the military community.”

If there is no place in the military for self imposed sex assault wounds, where do congressionally imposed USFSPA provisions belong? Where is Congress’ outrage regarding the 22 veterans and upwards of 1 military service member suicides that occur every day, is noticeably muted; Seven in 10 of the military personnel suicide casualties leave dependent spouses and children behind; some surviving spouses are the “former” variety.

The US Army linked military divorce actions to these tragedies, before they were buried by an unimaginable variety of interpersonal relationship issues. US Army Premarital Interpersonal Choices and Knowledge (PICK) briefings, are effective; only three in ten military suicide casualties are single. We urge the Pentagon to provide this training to all in-processing personnel. Divorce laws vary from state to state.

The Cox II commission reported a lack of equal justice for military personnel who are abused by their dependent spouses, in 10USC1408(h) provisions. Congress’ response to that? Silence!

Ask your congressional representatives how are they representing your efforts on Capitol Hill. If you share their responses with me, I will publish the text in the next edition of our newsletter.

At your service,
Dennis Egge, President, ARA BOD

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Female Senate Armed Services Committee members are (taking blame for) asking military personnel sex assault, divorce and suicide questions. Because their male counterparts are not interested? Sex assault epidemic questions are distracting the public’s attention away from the “frustrating” personnel suicide question? Seven in ten military suicide casualties leave dependent spouses and children behind for Secretary Hagel to care for. One in five female service personnel are officers. Directing them to care for no more than four subordinates makes good sense, at least till their numbers performing creditable service doubles from 17% to 35%.

*It is now estimated* that over 190,000
thousands of our Career Military members are currently subject to monthly garnishment under the provision of the Uniformed Services Former Spouses’ Protection Act (Public Law 97-252). At the time of marriage, no one ever expects to become divorced. However, the fact of the matter is that nearly 50 percent of American marriages end in a divorce. The percentage of military members becoming divorced is even higher.

Governor Scott has vetoed the alimony bill here in Florida at the last minute. He stated the main reason was that it was retroactive. This is the reason why none of us will ever see our retired pay again. Are you glad you served the best years of your life to protect and defend your country only to be betrayed?

USFSA was made effective on 25 June 1981, thanks to the 97th Congress: The intention was to preserve the interests of a divorced dependent spouse’s right to receive court ordered awards of subject military retired pay, as jointly earned marital property. While regulations governing personnel who are invited to serve indefinitely at their respective service secretary’s pleasure, define the compensation received as “pay”, the military retirement system is managed as a non-contributory defined benefit pension plan, without annuity law protection for the intended service member beneficiaries. The Pentagon’s Defense Business Bureau tried unsuccessfully to correct this dual definition issue, with its thank you for your service defined contribution pension plan for all personnel. The Pentagon does not have a problem with this dual definition. Seven out of ten military personnel who commit suicide do…

So Oregon is the next state in the line to make a mockery of the Military Retirement and the USFSPA. North Carolina (NC) has been doing this since the ‘90s. IAW NC Law GS 50-20 equitable distribution includes the “non vested” portion of the Military Retirement Pay. I divorced as a W1 and am now a W4 likely to retire at this rank, and yes, my former spouse will get a portion of my earned Retirement Pay calculated at W4. The President has publicly stated that our soon to be elder community will soon become a burden on the Government and budget. I wonder what portion of that is our Retired Military.

MRP earned under contract to Uncle Sugar by the service member, is treated as joint property in the marriage. This has led to the misguided perception by the courts, that the former spouse was entitled to an “earned” asset of the union. This then detracts from any, “it’s not fair” arguments against the ex spouse in future conduct. As long as these awards continue and are accepted, the law will stand. Like
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male on female violence making it the
least of the problem.
• In younger couples, women are
two to three times as violent as their
male partners.
• Lesbian relationships are the most
violent of all intimate relationships.
• On average, there are as many
mentally-disturbed women as men.
• While biology requires sex to cre-
ate a child, civilization requires marriage
and families to raise the child.
• Under current laws and practices
a man has to be functionally insane to
marry and a drooling idiot to sire a child,
the antithesis of civilized necessity.
• The well-intentioned efforts of
many to reduce family violence has
been perverted by redfems (used here
as a synonym for neo-Marxist radical
feminists) to virtually eliminate families.
As of 2012 well over 40% of children are
born to single mothers.
• Finally, Erin Pizzey, who pioneered
the shelter for battered women move-
ment in 1971, states that “Any country
that has tried to create a political solution
to human problems has ended up with
concentration camps and gulags.”

Make no mistake, we are engaged in
an epic battle between two incompatible
ideologies with fundamentally different
views of the rights of the individual and
the power of the state, with the future
of civilization at stake. These compet-
ing ideologies are generally categorized
under the headings of “patriarchy,”
representing the present system; and
“matriarchy,” representing the return
of the goddess and earth mother, and
a more primitive relationship between
man and woman and their children.
And the return of the matriarchy is to be
imposed by the power of the State when
reason and logic fails.
It is basic to our premises to under-
stand that we are not speaking here of
those individuals who consider them-
selves “feminists” because they support
equal opportunity in employment and
education, equal rights under the rule
of law, equal protection under law, and
protection from violence for all persons.
These positions are supported by those
on the right and the left and certainly by
the Equal Justice Foundation. However,
equal rights also demands equal respon-
sibility and that has been sadly lacking
in radical feminism.

In the radical feminist ideology there
is no distinction between potential
and probability. An allegation suffices for
proof and we must “believe the victim,”
if, and only if, she is female. Hearsay is
taken for gospel. The terms “accused”
and “accuser” are therefore, inadmis-
sible. As defined by these ideologues,
the only acceptable terms with refer-
ence to males are “abuser,” “batterer,”
“offender,” or “perpetrator.” And women
are always, and only, “victims,” and
violence by a woman is exclusively and
dogmatically “self defense.” Efforts to
stop domestic abuse have therefore
been fundamentally focused on simply
blaming males.

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Obummercare, we need to kill it at the
root.

Right now, the Defense of Marriage
Act (DOMA) prevents the federal gov-
ernment from granting more than half
of the military retired pay benefits to the
opposite sex dependent military spouses.
Some benefits have been concessionarily
granted, since the fall of Don’t Ask, Don’t
Tell (DADT) in the military. The fall of
DOMA will necessitate granting a portion
of Military Retired Pay (MRP) to divorced
former dependent spouses of a same sex
military marriage. Right now, the only
states that can “try” to do this would be
those that allow same sex marriages. But,
“the laws must be equally applied across
the spectrum” and the other states can’t
yet do it.

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Experience and common sense tell us that violence is common behavior with many women. When she founded the first shelter for battered women in 1971, Erin Pizzey found that: “…62 women out of the first hundred women who came to the refuge were as violent or more violent than the men they left. Also, many were prostitutes taking refuge from their violent pimps.” Pizzey also notes that such violent women abuse their children as well.

Lesbian relationships are the most commonly violent. More than 50% of couples in some surveys report acts of domestic violence. That single fact puts the lie to the feminist mantra that it is always men who batter and women are always the innocent victims. Abuse of the elderly and children is also linked to female perpetrators more commonly than not. Family violence is therefore a human problem, not a gender issue.

Demographic data for Colorado do not support a correlation between divorce and domestic violence. One of the most likely explanations for this lack of correlation being that less than half of the couples involved in such incidents are married. An examination of the police reports in Colorado Springs for the fifteen-year period 1990-2004, bridging the passage of the current domestic violence law in 1994, shows the principal discernible effect of current law is to deter citizens from calling for help in domestic disturbances. Data from the Colorado Bureau of Investigation show that as of 2010 only 29% of domestic violence incidents reported to the police involved married couples.

A widely quoted survey suggests 1.8 million women a year are seriously assaulted, yet the same study states that 2.2 million men are equally assaulted during the same period. Abused men are the victims of not only their intimate partners, but the police, the courts, and the social system if they dare report the abuse or fight the charges against them. Current laws, led by the Federal Violence Against Women Act 4 (VAWA), are based on the radical feminist ideology that violence against women is inherent in a patriarchy. Thus, the male is guilty until proven innocent once a woman charges him. As a result, a man is currently punished both while trying to prove his innocence, and even afterwards. Government and private funds directed toward curbing domestic abuse are for the exclusive benefit of women or directed toward the punishment of men. This is not equal justice for all and addresses less than 25% of the problem!

Solberg Report (summarized)

These latest April 2013 data confirms the USFSPA casualty count has increased 10% since October 2008; nearly all of the new casualties are male personnel serving in pay grades E7-10.

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