

# The Delray Democrat

## An Elephant in Donkey Attire<sup>1</sup>

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Ron DeSantis is paying his tributes to the Mobster in Chief, the man who will soon be facing the rightful scarring of impeachment. This is part of DeSantis's indentured servitude for the support he received during his equally questionable election as Florida's Governor in 2018. Paying his debts include both raising money for Trump's TV blitz of deceit as well as carrying out the rigging of Florida's election apparatus in preparation for the 2020 Presidential election. And at the core of this is the disenfranchisement of voters, particularly those from communities of color.

And this is inextricably "Linked" to the office of the PBC Supervisor of Elections, which was hijacked by DeSantis following his election. He replaced the duly-elected Supervisor, Susan Bucher, with a Palm Beach socialite and lifelong Republican. Following this coup, DeSantis's devotee made a cameo appearance as a re-registered NPA (publicly citing disinterest in running for the position in 2020) before making an 11th hour decision to re-affiliate with our party (but only after a FL Supreme Court decision that changed the SOE to a partisan election).

Now, why would this be the case, unless this person was going to run for SOE in 2020? And why would she then introduce a new SOE website ([pbcelections.org](http://pbcelections.org)) that looks more like a personal branding page than a government services page? Go visit the site and take note of the very GOP-looking and self-promoting motif - can you say dog whistle? Also, take note of the obfuscating lack of party identification on the 2020 Candidates page (even though the races are partisan and will go through the primary process). It's a very skillful setup for a future "change of heart".

But we who have persevered and toiled for our party over decades know the difference between a true Democrat and an elephant in donkey attire. Therefore, let it be known that, in the words of Pete Townsend, "We won't get fooled again".

N.B. This article expresses the opinion of the author and should not be construed as an official position of the Democratic Club of Delray Beach or the Palm Beach County Democratic Party.

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