

One might assume a journalist employing deliberate censorship to protect a major interview subject would be a topic of concern for a think tank commission on media disinformation. It might even be a scandal if the interviewer was the chair of said commission.

But members of the Aspen Institute's Commission on Information Disorder, co-chaired by Katie Couric, remain silent on the major revelation this week that Couric purposefully [omitted](#) major condemnations of NFL kneeling protests during the national anthem from since-deceased U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

In her forthcoming book, "Going There," Couric revealed she selectively censored a 2016 interview with the 83-year-old justice to tone down Ginsburg's criticisms because she "was elderly and probably didn't understand the question."

While the [original interview](#) in Yahoo News made [headlines](#) when Ginsburg called 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick's kneeling stunt "dumb and disrespectful," Couric left out the left-wing icon's most seething criticism.

Below is an excerpt of what Couric said was omitted in an effort to "protect" the elderly justice, first reported by the [Daily Mail](#):

[Not standing for the anthem shows a] contempt for a government that has made it possible for their parents and grandparents to live a decent life ... which they probably could not have lived in the places they came from. ... As they became older, they realize that this was youthful folly. And that's what education is important.

"I think it's a terrible thing to do," Ginsburg added, a line included in the interview's first publishing. "But I wouldn't lock a person up for doing it. I would point out how ridiculous it seems to me to do such an act."

The Aspen Institute did not respond to The Federalist's inquiries. Not a single member of its 18-person commission, except for Couric, has addressed the selective censorship publicly. Chris Krebs, another co-chair of the commission who, as a former senior Homeland Security official, [proclaimed](#) the 2020 election "the most secure in American history," did not respond to a direct request for comment. Neither did commission member Kathryn Murdock, a left-wing megadonor and wife of Rupert Murdock's liberal son, James.

According to campaign finance reports [chronicled](#) by OpenSecrets, the pair gave "roughly \$12.2 million to federal committees, ranking 25th on OpenSecrets' list of top donors."

"She also donated \$540,000 to the Democratic Future Forward PAC, and \$300,000 to Unite the Country, a pro-Biden PAC," reported the financial transparency outlet.

The Aspen Institute's commission, which also [includes Prince Harry](#), the Duke of Sussex, who

believes the First Amendment is “[bonkers](#),” is expected to soon release a report on disinformation with recommendations for government and corporate leaders to enhance their crusade on political dissidents.

Couric’s recent revelation that she concealed sharp criticism to pursue a preferred political narrative is on-brand for the longtime media activist.

In 2016, Couric [deceptively edited](#) a gun documentary to feature a silence stripped from an unrelated question to frame an awkward pause when asking a group of gun rights activists about background checks for buyers.

Now the author, who in January called for efforts to “[deprogram](#)” Republicans, is playing a pivotal role in the Aspen Institute’s anticipated report as co-chair of its commission.

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