

## **Stop Strutting**

*Letter to the Editor, Brunswick Beacon, 11.03.21*

Congressman Rouzer, since you won't face your constituents in Town Halls, I'll address you here. You don't get to strut around in your job as if nothing extraordinary happened on January 6, when you sided with Insurrectionists. You objected to electoral college results, insinuating that the 2020 election was rife with fraud — it wasn't. You tried to disenfranchise the legitimate votes of millions because they didn't support your man. Your goal, and Trump's, was to maintain your party's hold on power, the truth and democracy be damned.

You wrap yourself in the trappings of our democracy, claiming to support our military. Yet you've kissed the ring of a disgusting despot who recently insulted General Colin Powell in death. General Powell's service to our country was exemplary. His humanity and integrity were unmatched.

The day after General Powell died, the former president released this statement: "Wonderful to see Colin Powell, who made big mistakes on Iraq and famously, so-called weapons of mass destruction, be treated in death so beautifully by the Fake News Media.... He was a classic RINO, if even that, always being the first to attack other Republicans. He made plenty of mistakes, but anyway, may he rest in peace!" That's the narcissistic egomaniac you and your ilk continuously pander to.

You reap what you sow, Mr. Rouzer. Your vote on January 6 was a slap in the face to veterans like me, who fought for their country, and to law enforcement, who fought a violent mob to protect you and the 146 other craven Republicans who chose party over country that day. It continues to be a slap in the face to all of us who don't subscribe to the cult of Trump, and who choose democracy over lies, disrespect, and fascism. We will never forget your betrayal.

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