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Dear Brian,

I've been an occasional listener to C-SPAN since about '87 (Oliver North) but a regular listener for about 4 years.

My vote:

I have not called in because of little funds; if sometime I am able to call - I call in as a citizen - not as a representative of a party. I would not have the funds to debate with another caller - some might not be prepared to debate and some would be smarter than other callers or as informed. And I might not want to tell them I don't want to debate. I would not want to debate --because I call in to give my opinion.

I belong to a party that I feel is the closest to what I believe - and I would not want to ID myself - because I would be calling as a citizen, not to promote a party.

I am sorry now that one must identify their party before calling in - that is screening to the ultimate - and cutting one group off - when the Reform Party, Libertarian, as well as Republicans are mostly conserv-

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atives. Most of America is conservative now. It was humersous when the lady complained you were being "fair". I knew what she meant. Four out of five callers you say are Republicans - that should be conservative to be accurate. And to make it 50-50 sounds fair and equal in numbers - but that is not fair to the 4 out of 5 who call in and are cut to 50%. It is like what we have done terribly wrong to blacks - 12% of the population cannot be physically forced to meet 50-50% in all areas.

I have often heard you say in the past that more Democrats should call in - they have the opportunity just like anyone else -- if they care enough they will get through. *They need Affirmative action?*

Special help?
To cut off or downsize conservatives - can only be interpreted as helping Clinton's and biased. And don't forget we get as upset about the liberal bias (confirmed by the Freedom Forum) as you do about being being accused ~~of bias~~.

This personal note. SC was Democratic 30 years ago; today it is very strong conservative and Republican. A year and a half ago the local newspaper cut off conservatives who wrote on a regular basis, letter-to-editor, supposedly to encourage others. I've written occasional letters over 40 years, about 6 a year the last --no, from early '92 through Jan'95 - I'm sure it was to help liberals, Democrats.

-The '94 election! I just got a confirmation now - 1 1/2 year later - mine will be published. my vote NO! Thank you

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