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Dear Brian:

I was hoping you would ask Chris Matthews and David Gergen, who were wringing their hands about how terrible, terrible the Gennifer Flowers story was, if they could remember what they had to say about the Gary Hart story in '88. All I can remember is a lot of commentary about how it showed Hart had poor "judgement" and thus, it was a good thing that the Miami Herald staked out his apartment.

Watching C-SPAN, I have seen so many panel discussions and call-ins where big shot journalists are so upset about the Gennifer Flowers story, like they really would be for some form of official censorship. I think it is a load of baloney. As a regular person, the issues are the same as Anita Hill's issues: character, judgement, truthtelling, abuse of office (Thomas case - harassment of employee/Clinton case - fishy state job for paramour, use of state police as beards for dates with Flowers). Anita Hill (who admitted she might not have spoken out if she wasn't tenured) was a "heroine," and I thought the reason was that she was testifying that Thomas was not of the high caliber we want on the Supreme Court. Gennifer Flowers is "cash for trash," and I think the reason is that the news people didn't want to hear that about their favorite, Clinton.

I don't know what the rules the journalists have are and I don't have any confidence that their rules are fair or that their rules will be applied equally to all public figures. I think the public just gets jerked around.

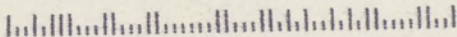
Thank you for C-SPAN. I read the New York Times Magazine article and you really are responsible.

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