

Today's Washington Post report shows that the National Park Service has both the means and motivation to act on rule and regulation changes with great expediency if it is in their interests. [Today's article](#) details how Washington Redskins owner Dan Snyder managed to get approval to remove trees from NPS land despite

Parks Official Is Blamed In Snyder Tree Cutting

By Tim Craig

A high-ranking National Park Service official improperly helped Washington Redskins owner Daniel M. Snyder broker a deal to cut down more than 130 trees on a hillside between his Potomac estate and the C&O Canal, according to a report by the Interior Department inspector general's office...[Remainder of today's article here.](#)

This is the 462nd day that the Department of the Interior has infringed the 2nd, 4th and 5th Amendment rights of citizens and off duty law enforcement officers since VCDL and the over 1 million co-petitioners delivered the Petition for rule making to amend the Parks regulations to decriminalize lawful self defense. The Interior Department's Inspector General report shows that the National Park Service acts in it's own self perpetuating interests notwithstanding the safety and well being of the public.

It is long past time for this situation to be resolved. The Department of the Interior needs approve VCDL's petition without delay. It's obvious from today's Washington Post that there is clearly no compelling reason for delay.

We need answers as well. Congress needs to find out why ridiculously trivial items are being addressed by Interior and Parks, while critical public safety concerns are not. The Acting Secretary of the Interior needs to answer these questions AND provide Congress a written commitment to publish VCDL's Petition and implement the changes to the National Parks regulations immediately.

It is time to act now.

Best regards,

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