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From: Koskinen John A
Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2014 3:33 PM
To: Lemons Terry L; Vandivier David P; Dalrymple John M; Sherry Margaret Ann; Philcox Crystal; Wilkins William J; Duval Catherine; Oursler Leonard T; Eldridge Michelle L
Subject: RE: NY Times letter

Now if you can just find the positive comments supposedly made by Donald Trump, my day is complete.

Many thanks.

John

From: Lemons Terry L
Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2014 8:10 AM
To: Koskinen John A; Vandivier David P; Dalrymple John M; Sherry Margaret Ann; Philcox Crystal; Wilkins William J; Duval Catherine; Oursler Leonard T; Eldridge Michelle L
Subject: NY Times letter

Fyi, a letter to the editor in the Times today:

Integrity of the I.R.S. Chief

To the Editor:

Re "[Republicans, at Hearing on Lost Emails, Accuse I.R.S. Chief of Lying](#)" (news article, June 21):

On Friday, the integrity and honor of a distinguished American, John Koskinen, was challenged by radical members of the House of Representatives. Mr. Koskinen is serving in the thankless position of commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, by law the government agency mandated to raise the revenues to fund the operations of our government.

I graduated 50 years ago with Mr. Koskinen as a member of the Yale Law School class of 1964, which happened also to include Robert Rubin, a former Treasury secretary, and Gov. Jerry Brown of California.

I have never met a more honorable, decent and honest American than John Koskinen. For partisan members of an extremely partisan House of Representatives to question his honor or integrity is loathsome and disreputable.

John Koskinen is above reproach. And his head will be held higher than the undistinguished politicians who sought to demean him. A generation of young Americans will be driven from the ideal of public service by the behavior of members of Congress, and our country will be poorer for it.

GARY HART
Kittredge, Colo., June 21, 2014

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