

 **TODAY'S "SHORT TOPIC":**
IT'S NOT THE
E-MAIL ACCOUNT
IT'S THE SERVER!



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Here's what provoked me:

It puzzles me why people aren't more upset with the whole Clinton e-mail debate. And we've lost track of what started it all! Remember Benghazi? While that investigation continues, we've become mired in the conduct of Secretary Clinton in terms of how she respected national security issues in her routine communications. One must admit that she has wandered into dangerous territory on this one. Did she put political ambitions ahead of national security? I don't know, but it's worth a look!

Here's my response:

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Secretary Clinton is unapologetic about her "email issue," while proceeding "joyfully" with her campaign – I get it! I can't blame supporters for proclaiming "nothing has or will be found actionable." A writer on 9-8 (Tom Hammond) can't be blamed for reminding us of rumors, innuendo, distortions and lies, and: "In America, a person is innocent until proven guilty." I get it all!

Let's face it though, candidate Clinton has chosen a life that is certainly "risky." She's experienced frequent attacks. She's "battle tough" from walking the "wild-side"!

Recap:

- During the Watergate hearings, the Democratic chief counsel for the House Judiciary Committee gave this controversial evaluation of Clinton: "She was a liar. She was an unethical, dishonest lawyer." She was "pushing the envelope" even then, while impeaching Nixon.
- In 1996, iconic NYT columnist William Safire concluded: "She has good reasons to lie; she is in the longtime habit of lying and she has never been called to account..."
- Marrying Bill was predictably risky – another "walk on the wild-side."

Her e-mail "saga" is now dominating attention. She's claiming she did nothing wrong – no classified e-mails and nothing wrong with having a second e-mail account – for convenience of course. But she's cleverly steering us to the wrong issue!

Whatever was on those e-mails (it's generally agreed that highly classified information was on them), that's NOT the real transgression! Secretary of State Clinton purchased and PERSONALLY maintained a server with highly classified information, but only limited security – that's the big deal!