

# Lies and Torture Cover-up: U.S. State Secrets Doctrine Is a Fraud

Covers up embarrassments and unlawful behavior

By [Judge Andrew P. Napolitano](#)

Global Research, October 14, 2021

[The Washington Times](#) 13 October 2021

Region: [USA](#)

Theme: [Intelligence](#), [Law and Justice](#)

All Global Research articles can be read in 51 languages by activating the “Translate Website” drop down menu on the top banner of our home page (Desktop version).

Visit and follow us on Instagram at [@crg\\_globalresearch](#).

\*\*\*

*“Three people can keep a secret if two of them are dead.” — Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790)*

Last week, President George W. Bush’s torture regime reared its head in an unusual argument before the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 2002, [Abu Zubaydah](#) was captured by a militia in Pakistan and handed over to the [CIA](#), which brought [him](#) to Poland. Under the supervision of [CIA](#) agents and American psychologists, [he](#) was brutally tortured until [his](#) removal to the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base in Cuba in 2006.

The Bush administration argued Mr. [Zubaydah](#) was a high-ranking member of al-Qaida who possessed information needed to fight the war on terror. After [his](#) torture produced no actionable information, the [CIA](#) told the Department of Justice and the Senate that Mr. [Zubaydah](#) was not a member of al-Qaida. It had no evidence of wrongdoing by [him](#).

[His](#) lawyers filed a criminal complaint with the European Court of Human Rights against the [CIA](#), its psychologists, and the Polish intelligence agents who carried out the torture.

That court concluded that the torture occurred, and it referred to Polish prosecutors to proceed criminally against the defendants. During that criminal proceeding, Polish prosecutors asked the DOJ for the names of those who tortured Mr. [Zubaydah](#) and documentation of what they did to [him](#).

In the Supreme Court last week, the government's lawyer conceded that the names of the torturers and the nature of their horrible deeds are already known — the psychologists wrote a book about it — but the government will not confirm any of it because it constitutes state secrets.

\*

Note to readers: Please click the share buttons above or below. Follow us on Instagram, [@crg\\_globalresearch](#). Forward this article to your email lists. Crosspost on your blog site, internet forums. etc.

*Featured image: [Abu Zubaydah](#) is a citizen of the Palestinian territories held in Guantanamo Bay. (Source: Public Domain)*

The original source of this article is [The Washington Times](#)  
Copyright © [Judge Andrew P. Napolitano](#), [The Washington Times](#), 2021

---

[Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page](#)

[Become a Member of Global Research](#)

Articles by: **[Judge Andrew P. Napolitano](#)**

**Disclaimer:** The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: [publications@globalresearch.ca](mailto:publications@globalresearch.ca)  
[www.globalresearch.ca](http://www.globalresearch.ca) contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: [publications@globalresearch.ca](mailto:publications@globalresearch.ca)