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Subject: **Winning "The Case for Defunding NPR" and PBS by Making it an Irrebuttable Nonpartisan Issue -- Feb. 18, 2025 Letter to House DOGE Subcommittee Chair Greene & FCC Chair Carr**

Attachments: [cja-2-18-25-ltr-to-greene-carr.pdf](#)

TO: [National Review Senior Writer Noah Rothman](#)

I am director and co-founder of the national, nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens' organization, Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), based in New York.

Your excellent April 2, 2025 article "[The Case for Defunding NPR Just Got Stronger](#)" is in need of clarification – and doing so will win the case for defunding NPR and PBS, long advocated by [National Review](#), as recently as [yesterday](#), by making it an irrebuttable nonpartisan issue.

Your article states:

"NPR attempted to smear our own Rich Lowry by initially [accusing him of almost](#) (yes, *almost*) saying a racial slur — a slander that NPR's public editor felt [compelled to call out as inaccurate](#)".

This sentence implies that NPR's public editor is a functioning safeguard against its "inaccurate" journalism, with the second of your two links, to Editor in Chief Lowry's [October 4, 2024 column](#), reinforcing it.

That the NPR public editor is NOT a functioning safeguard – nor the PBS public editor – is proven, irrebuttably, by my above-attached February 18th letter to House DOGE Subcommittee Chair Marjorie Taylor Greene and Federal Communications Commission Chair Brendan Carr entitled "Defunding NPR, PBS – & Firing the CPB's Inspector General, for starters", chronicling the fully-documented complaints of "*knowingly* false, corruption-abetting, election-rigging journalism" by local New York NPR and PBS stations that I filed with the NPR and PBS public editors – and proposing, as a methodology, that Chair Greene and Chair Carr examine how NPR and PBS "handle complaints of biased and *knowingly* false journalism" – a letter I sent them three times, by e-mail, on [February 18th](#), [February 28th](#), and [March 21st](#), without response.

On March 24th, I tried to send the February 18th letter and three e-mails to the [National Review](#), but was unable to do so because its website has no e-mail address for tips and its "[Submit a Tip](#)" web-portal has no feature for attachments. To overcome the problem, I constructed a webpage on CJA's website and then sent a web-portal message at about 11:19 pm, which I believe read:

"NEWS TIP: Behind-the-Scenes – March 26th House DOGE Subcommittee Hearing on NPR & PBS Bias See:

[media/alert-page.htm](#). Please send me your e-mail address, so I can directly furnish you with the summary & evidence.”

I received no response.

Fortunately, [your National Review webpage](#) includes your e-mail address. So, too, is an e-mail address included on the [National Review webpage of James Lynch](#), whose March 26th article “[NPR Admits Error on Refusing to Cover Hunter Biden Laptop Story in 2020](#)” also referenced NPR’s public editor, in stating, with a hyperlink to the [New York Post](#), “Four years later, NPR’s public editor [claimed](#) it did not cover the laptop story because of its ‘tabloid nature’”.

I am cc’ing Mr. Lynch with a request – which I am also making to you – to forward this e-mail to Editor in Chief Lowry so that he can authorize, on a priority basis, an investigative expose of the [February 18th letter](#) and my transmitting and subsequent e-mails, posted on and accessible from [CJA’s EVIDENTIARY webpage for the letter](#). This includes my e-mails to press and academia – the first of which was my [March 22nd e-mail to Hillsdale College Dow Journalism Program Director John Miller](#), who is, additionally, [National Review’s national correspondent](#).

I look forward to answering your questions – and those of Editor in Chief Lowry. I invite your calls, no matter how early or late.

Thank you.

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