

Bill Carraway

Subject: GrassrootsSeeds Call Tony Rand

Hi Bill:

Welcome back.

Sorry but I do not agree with you on your Lobbying Reform position. There should be no (zip, zero, nada) money or gifts given to legislators.

Your, and many others, idea that everything be reported is open to too much graft. Too many gifts are under priced on paper.

I worked many years in the countries at the very low end of the Corruption Perception Index (Nigeria, Cote d'Ivoire, Congo, Angola, Niger, Chad, Mexico, etc) and although I, or the people who worked with me, never did anything, I know how it works. The US law (Foreign Corrupt Practices Act) is very clear. I never thought it worth my time to go to jail, as is called for in the law.

Politics should be handled on a business like basis, not on a payoff basis.

Look at how things are today. Many of the State legislators are collecting their per diem "as they "are answering their constituents Email". See the Durham Herald Sun (8/19/05, an AP story on Page B 8) "Most legislators take per-diem checks while in recess" . They may be Dim but they are getting rich and we are paying for it. Makes me wonder who is Dim?

Comments from Tom Hauck a Good Loyal Republican from Chatham County