Transcript: 'True-blue' Democrat leaves party, backs Trump: This was the 'final straw'

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**[00:00:04]** >> A FORMER CALIFORNIA DEMOCRAT

**[00:00:04]** LAWMAKER REVEALING SHE'S DITCH

**[00:00:07]** ING HER PARTY FOR THE

**[00:00:08]** REPUBLICANS NOW BACKING DONALD

**[00:00:09]** TRUMP.

**[00:00:11]** GLORIA RAM ROW ADMITTING, QUOTE,

**[00:00:13]** I WAS A DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL

**[00:00:15]** CONVENTION DELEGATE FOR JESSE

**[00:00:17]** JACKSON AND BARACK OBAMA.

**[00:00:19]** AND STATE CO-CHAIR FOR PRESIDENT

**[00:00:21]** OBAMA'S REELECTION.

**[00:00:23]** BIG TIME DEMOCRAT.

**[00:00:23]** BUT I'VE SAID GOOD-BYE.

**[00:00:25]** ED A ADIOS, I DON'T RECOGNIZE IT

**[00:00:31]** ANYMORE.

**[00:00:32]** SHE JOINS US NOW WITH MORE ABOUT

**[00:00:34]** HER BIG DECISION GLORIA THANK

**[00:00:37]** YOU FOR BEING HERE.

**[00:00:39]** IT TAKES --

**[00:00:39]** ABSOLUTELY IT TAKES A LOT OF

**[00:00:42]** COURAGE TO TAKE A STAND LIKE

**[00:00:44]** THIS CONSIDERING WHAT A PROM

**[00:00:48]** PROMINENT POSITION YOU'VE HAD

**[00:00:49]** YOU CHAIRED THIS SENATE

**[00:00:51]** DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS YOU REMEMBER

**[00:00:52]** THE SENATE MAJORITY LEADER THREE

**[00:00:53]** YEARS AS A DEMOCRAT.

**[00:00:55]** YOU'RE SWITCHING WHEN DID YOUR

**[00:00:56]** MINDS START TO SAY I NEED TO

**[00:00:58]** LEAVE?

**[00:00:58]** WAS IT A MOMENT OR WAS IT A

**[00:01:00]** SERIES OF THINGS?

**[00:01:01]** >> IT'S BEEN A SERIES OF THINGS,

**[00:01:03]** I MEAN, IFTION VERY DISTURBED AS

**[00:01:05]** A FORMER MEMBER OF THE SOUTHERN

**[00:01:07]** CALIFORNIA EXECUTIVE BOARD OF

**[00:01:09]** THE ACLU I WAS VERY DISTURBED BY

**[00:01:11]** THE LAW FAIR THAT WAS BEING

**[00:01:14]** LEVELED AGAINST PRESIDENT TRUMP.

**[00:01:15]** I DID NOT LIKE IT.

**[00:01:16]** HE WAS WRONG.

**[00:01:17]** I'VE BEEN VERY DISEFFECTED BY

**[00:01:19]** DEMOCRATIC PARTIES CONTINUED

**[00:01:21]** DENIAL OF SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

**[00:01:23]** FOR LOW INCOME CHILDREN.

**[00:01:26]** THEY'VE JUST THROWING OUT 14

**[00:01:28]** MILLION VOTES IN THE DEMOCRATIC

**[00:01:30]** PRIMARIES, BUT FINALLY I THINK

**[00:01:32]** THE FINAL STRAW WHEN I SAW RFK

**[00:01:35]** SAY YOU KNOW WHAT, I AM LEAVING

**[00:01:36]** THE PARTY.

**[00:01:37]** I AM GOING TO SUPPORT TRUMP AND

**[00:01:39]** I SAID I'M GOING TO JOIN HIM AND

**[00:01:41]** SUPPORT PRESIDENT TRUMP AS WELL.

**[00:01:43]** THERE'S A NUMBER OF ISSUES BUT

**[00:01:44]** OVERALL THE PARTY LEFT ME.

**[00:01:46]** I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS ANYMORE.

**[00:01:48]** IF THIS IS THE NEW WAY FORWARD

**[00:01:50]** FOR DEMOCRATS, GOOD LUCK.

**[00:01:51]** MANY OF US WILL BE LEAVING.

**[00:01:55]** PETE: GIVE ME YOUR GUESS OF WHAT

**[00:01:56]** IT IS YOU SAID THE PARTY LEFT

**[00:01:57]** YOU.

**[00:01:58]** WHAT IS IT THAT HAS CHANGED THE

**[00:02:01]** DEMOCRAT PARTY YOU WERE ONCE SO

**[00:02:02]** DEDICATED TO?

**[00:02:03]** >> IT'S JUST GONE COMPLETE WOKE.

**[00:02:06]** IT IS ABANDONINGED KEY ALLIES

**[00:02:08]** SUCH AS ISRAEL, FOR EXAMPLE.

**[00:02:10]** I THINK ALSO WELL IT WAS

**[00:02:12]** ECONOMIC PLAN A LAWN IS NOT A

**[00:02:15]** PLAN.

**[00:02:15]** IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU GROW UP

**[00:02:17]** MIDDLE CLASS OR WORKING CLASS IT

**[00:02:18]** IS NOT A PLAN OVERALL.

**[00:02:20]** BUT I THINK TO ME THE DEMOCRATIC

**[00:02:23]** PARTY HAS JUST LURCHED TO THE

**[00:02:25]** EXTREME LEFT IT'S BEEN CAPTURED

**[00:02:27]** BY, YOU KNOW, MANY CALL IT THE

**[00:02:29]** HAMAS CAUCUS OF THE DEMOCRATIC

**[00:02:31]** PARTY IN ORDER TO WIN A SWING

**[00:02:33]** STATE.

**[00:02:34]** THOUGH, THE USING OF WHAT WE

**[00:02:37]** CALL IN LATIN AMERICA TO

**[00:02:39]** BASICALLY APPOINT A SUCCESSOR

**[00:02:41]** IGNORING WILL OF THE VOTERS

**[00:02:44]** THERE'S SO MANY REASONS AND

**[00:02:45]** AGAIN TOO AS SOMEBODY WHO GREW

**[00:02:47]** UP DURING VIETNAM, SEEING THE

**[00:02:49]** DEMOCRATIC PARTY MARCH ENDLESSLY

**[00:02:51]** TOWARDS WAR, SACRIFICING

**[00:02:53]** AMERICAN SOLDIERS LIKE THOSE 13

**[00:02:55]** INNOCENT SOLDIERS WHOSE LIVES

**[00:02:58]** AND NAMES THE VP CANNOT EVEN

**[00:03:00]** ACKNOWLEDGE.

**[00:03:00]** ALL OF IT AND UNDER DONALD TRUMP

**[00:03:03]** AND REPUBLICAN PARTY IT REALLY

**[00:03:04]** HAS BECOME I BELIEVE, AN AGENDA

**[00:03:07]** FOR AN AMERICA THAT WE ALL WANT

**[00:03:09]** TO SEE FOR OURSELVES AND OUR

**[00:03:10]** CHILDREN AND OUR FUTURE.

**[00:03:12]** KEEPING US SAFE INCLUDING HAVING

**[00:03:15]** A SECURE BORDER.

**[00:03:16]** >> WELL SAID.

**[00:03:17]** IF I MAY, WHAT HAS THE REACTION

**[00:03:20]** BEEN FAMILY, FORMER COLLEAGUES?

**[00:03:22]** WHAT'S LIFE LIKE RIGHT NOW SINCE

**[00:03:24]** YOU CAME OUT SUPPORTING DONALD

**[00:03:25]** TRUMP AND REPUBLICANS?

**[00:03:26]** >> WELL YOU KNOW IN POLITICS YOU

**[00:03:27]** HAVE TO HAVE A THICK SKIN WHICH

**[00:03:29]** I DO SO YOU GET THE USUAL YOU

**[00:03:31]** KNOW STUFF THROWN AT YOU BUT YOU

**[00:03:32]** WOULD BE SURPRISED.

**[00:03:33]** THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF

**[00:03:35]** DEMOCRATS WHO HAVE REACHED OUT

**[00:03:36]** TO ME SAYING YOU KNOW, I'M GOING

**[00:03:39]** TO LEAVE TOO HOW DID YOU DO IT

**[00:03:41]** OR I'VE ALREADY LEFT SO IT IS

**[00:03:43]** ACTUALLY BEEN VERY, VERY

**[00:03:44]** INTERESTING.

**[00:03:45]** AND I INTEND TO TRY TO RECRUIT

**[00:03:47]** ALL OF THEM OVER TO SAY, LET'S

**[00:03:49]** BECOME PART OF THE NEW

**[00:03:51]** REPUBLICAN PARTY UNDER THIS BLUE

**[00:03:53]** COLLAR BILLIONAIRE BUSINESSMAN

**[00:03:55]** THAT WE WANT TO SEE PROTECT AND

**[00:03:57]** OUR FAMILY AND OUR COUNTRY.

**[00:03:59]** PETE: GLORIA I SALUTE YOU FOR

**[00:04:02]** YOUR COURAGE.

**[00:04:03]** I HOPE YOU'LL COME BACK HELP

**[00:04:05]** EXPLAIN A LOT OF DEVELOPMENTS.

**[00:04:06]** WE APPRECIATE IT

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