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Keith Fimian, the Republican candidate for Virginia's 11th Congressional District, has been targeted by the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC) in a series of mailings and video clips. He is accused of "rolling back women's rights." The basis of the accusation is Fimian's membership in a Catholic organization, Legatus.

Speaking to this issue today is Catholic League president Bill Donohue:

"Keith Fimian, whom I have never spoken to, is accused by the DCCC of being anti-women because he belongs to Legatus. Legatus is an organization of Catholic CEOs and other leading businessmen and women dedicated to bringing their faith-based values to the workplace. Actually, one of their supporters said it better: 'The world needs genuine witness to Christian ethics in the field of business, and the Church asks you to fulfill this role publicly and with perseverance.' Those are the words that Pope John Paul II used when he addressed Legatus.

"According to the DCCC, then, Pope John Paul II was extending his support to an organization that wants to rob women of their rights. I don't think that the DCCC's president, Nancy Pelosi, really wants to go there, especially coming on the heels of being slammed by the Catholic bishops' conference for

misrepresenting Catholic teaching on abortion.

“The DCCC is also guilty of lying. To wit: It says Legatus ‘promotes groups supporting a radical agenda.’ In fact, Legatus doesn’t promote any group. Like many other organizations, it has a ‘Links’ section on its website that lists other groups. What the DCCC doesn’t say is that Legatus explicitly states that it does ‘not necessarily endorse all of the content or the views contained in the sites.’ The DCCC knows this, but chose to lie anyway.

“Fimian’s challenger, Gerald Connolly, should tell the DCCC to cease and desist with the Catholic bashing immediately. That Connolly himself is Catholic is irrelevant—what matters is that he denounce anti-Catholic bigotry, especially when he stands to benefit from its dissemination.”

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