

# Trump, You Lost. Now Go!

Every honest person sees that Donald Trump lost the vote. But for him an election is a contract to be broken, then hammered with lawsuits. “No rules for me” is the essence of Trump.

**Rules matter.** Workers know that the core of a trade union is their contract. The first thing a newly recognized union does is get one. We fight for the best terms. The contract becomes the law between the workers and the boss. He always pokes at it here and there. Every day we must watch closely and enforce every clause. Mr. Boss, if you break enough rules, we will do one thing above the private law of the contract: we will walk out.

Capitalist democracy is the contract of the United States. It is the Constitution, the laws, regulations, precedents, and customary norms. This is not a good contract for working people – but it is better than *no contract*. It is better than government and corporate bosses doing whatever they want regardless of the law. What were Hitler and the Nazis if not rabid dogs who ruled with lawless terror, threw radical workers into concentration camps, and gassed millions to death?

**Capitalists can't maintain capitalist democracy.** Trump in four years has hacked at our national contract day after day, and the capitalist class barely restrains him. A handful of savage businessmen even got behind

him and profit from being in his gang. Trump's postmaster general dealt crippling blows to the postal service this summer. Trump made it nearly impossible for the Centers for Disease Control and other public health agencies to do their job – and so the U.S., with less than 5% of the world's people, has suffered 20% of the COVID-19 deaths.

**The working people of the United States cannot afford another round of President Donald Trump.** He is not Hitler, but his impulse to authoritarian rule is the step off the cliff for capitalist democracy. We were close enough already. In 2000 dirty lawyers and Florida officials paralyzed the election. Nine Supreme Court justices decided that George Bush would be the next President.

Trump is out to destroy the plain work of counting the votes. If he succeeds, he will continue to hack away at capitalist democracy. Then in 2024 or a few years later, some circle of businessmen will put a real Hitler into the White House with ease.

We are not strong enough now to replace capitalist democracy with rule by working people. But we *can* push back against authoritarianism, against rule without rules. We are the true patriots. **Trump, you lost. Now go!**