

Q. L. Patrick Gray III, President Nixon's new FBI director—what does the "L" stand for in his name? Also does he hate the press, and is he a Republican?

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a longtime Nixon associate who charged some weeks ago in Santa Ana, Calif., at the Law Day banquet of the Orange County Bar Association that American journalists "are becoming too much a part of the culture of disparagement which threatens to destroy all respect for established institutions." Like other Nixonians he targeted his attack on The New York Times, The Washington Post, the NBC and CBS networks, accusing them of sacrificing "accuracy and objectivity to partisan bias and prejudice." Gray, however, does not hate the press. He is merely suspicious of it.