



Revised History

Don't Even Think About A "Plantation Wedding" You Evil Racist!

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There are some good Southern folks, conscious to some degree of their Southern heritage, who, when they plan to get married, they think it would be pleasant to exchange their marriage vows in the atmosphere of an old Southern plantation. I have been to a few Southern plantations over the years and they are interesting places with an atmosphere all their own, and, contrary to the opinions of some, that is not all bad.

So I was a bit surprised when someone sent me an article about "Louisiana plantation weddings" soon becoming "a thing of the past." My first thought was "well, I guess we are about to see one more bit of Southern heritage get trashed." The left has gone after everything else Southern, flags, monuments, school and street names, so why not plantation weddings?

I read an article for December 7th on <https://wwl.radio.com> by Don Ames which said, in part, "Five popular wedding websites have announced they will no longer push plantation weddings, in response to a campaign asking for the wedding industry to stop romanticizing plantations... That's the basis of a campaign by national civil rights non-profit **Color of Change**, which asked the wedding industry to re-think the way it views marriages at historical slave plantations."

Never heard of **Color of Change**? You can even find them on Wikipedia and pick up a bit of basic information if you know what to look for. The organization was founded back in 2005, after Hurricane Katrina, supposedly to "strengthen the voice of African Americans."

Its founders were James Rucker and Van Jones. Its current director is Rashad Robinson. While most of you all may not have even heard of Rucker and Robinson, you certainly should have heard of Van Jones. If you recall, he was one of Obama's "czars" in the early days of his Marxist administration. Turns out Van Jones was a communist, an admitted one. He described himself that way in a publication called *East Bay Express*. He said: "I spent the next ten years of my life working with a lot of those people I met in jail trying to be a revolutionary. I was a rowdy nationalist on April 28th, and then the verdicts came down on April 29th. By August, I was a communist."

A perfect fit for the Obama administration and also a perfect fit as the co-founder of a "civil rights" organization.

So this self-identified communist is the co-founder of an organization that is trying to get the wedding industry to discontinue plantation weddings in Louisiana.

Well, we know a little now about Van Jones, but what about James Rucker? Turns out James Rucker is a former director of **MoveOn.org** and has also been involved with the **Southern Poverty Law Center**. The names of those two organizations ring any bells. If you've been paying attention at all over the past few years, they should.

Then there is the current executive director of **Color of Change**, Rashad Robinson. Seems that this sterling individual is in tight with the **Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation** and the **Right to Vote Campaign**.

According to <https://www.discoverthenetworks.org> “From its inception, COC has aimed its criticisms chiefly at prominent conservative and Republican figures.” So it should come as no surprise that this “civil rights” (not really) organization should set its sights at the destruction of any aspect of Southern history and culture. The people at the apex of this organization are all on the far left politically and so the trashing of any part of Southern culture has got to be near the top of their to do list.

But folks here in Louisiana and in our sister Southern states should realize who the people in this supposed civil rights group really are and how far to the left they really are. I doubt they are really all that concerned about giving ordinary black folks any real voice, but they *are* concerned about trashing Southern culture and history and giving the far left a political voice here in the South that they should never have. The people in the wedding industry should be apprised of who this group really is and what they stand for.