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MADISON - America knows that Brett Kavanaugh is angry. No sooner did the judge open his mouth at Thursday's hearing than he started blaming everyone but himself for every problem with his nomination. And the fire-and-fury opening remarks he used to energize Republican senators probably did more to demonstrate his unfitness for the job than anything Dianne Feinstein or Democrats on the Judiciary Committee said.

Accusing Democrats of crafting a "smear campaign" undermines every commitment Kavanaugh's ever made to the neutrality of his would-be office. It's hardly the first time he's revealed himself as a political operative sneaking around in a black robe. There are many reasons Kavanaugh's nomination must be withdrawn in the light of Thursday's hearing. But his illegitimate and venal partisanship was one he freely admitted to.

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