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Who is the Man Behind the Curtain? It's Russell Vought!

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"We want the bureaucrats to be traumatically affected ... When they wake up in the morning, we want them to not want to go to work because they are increasingly viewed as the villains." – Russell Vought

Public service was viewed as an honorable profession. In 1986, Ronald Reagan uttered words that were designed to divide The People from their Government. Those words were: *"The nine most terrifying words in the English language are: I'm from the Government, and I'm here to help."*

Through the decades, these words have been **disastrously effective**. Now, neighbors and families have been successfully divided and many see public servants as villains.

This will be an important show with a very **courageous guest**. Did you know that there is an informal organization called the "Civil Servants Coalition" comprised of federal employees who are on the front lines directly watching the harm being done to your government? Jenna

Norton, a federal employee herself, will join “Be Bold America!” in her **PERSONAL CAPACITY** to explain the most devastating actions the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Russell Vought, is doing to the National Institutes of Health, Science, and other departments throughout the federal government.

Interview Guest:

Jenna Norton, PhD, MPH is a public health scientist. She became a Program Director at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, where she supported efforts to implement health equity research, with special emphasis on the role social determinants play in kidney and urologic health; disease; and racial, ethnic and socioeconomic disparities. When the Trump Administration began implementing harmful policies at NIH, she spoke up internally to no avail. **She was a lead organizer of the Bethesda Declaration, a whistle blower letter to the NIH Director and members of Congress** detailing unlawful activity, mismanagement, and risks to public health created by new administration policies. In November 2025, she was placed on [retaliatory](#) (See *NYT article*) administrative leave and labeled a “radical leftist” for her criticism of the Trump administration's harmful NIH policies. In May 2026, Jenna was [reinstated](#) (see *NYT article*) to her role at the NIH without explanation. **Despite this, Jenna remains a vocal critic of the administration’s abuses at NIH.** Her whistleblower saga has drawn significant attention on social media, where she has amassed a substantial following.

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