



Do criminal charges sway voters?



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1. What are these cartoons saying about recent fraud and bribery cases involving former President Donald Trump and Sen. Bob Menendez, D-N.J.?
2. A judge ruled last week that Trump committed fraud by inflating his assets. After four criminal indictments, why is Trump still the top GOP presidential candidate?
3. Last week, Menendez pleaded not guilty to corruption for a second time in a decade. Why did voters reelect him after his first corruption trial ended in a hung jury?
4. Why would Senate Democrats be urging Menendez to resign while Republicans are saying he should not quit?

Between the lines

“The Department of Justice has a troubling record of failure and corruption in cases against public figures, from Ted Stevens to Bob McDonnell to Donald Trump to Bob Menendez the last time around.” - Sen. Tom Cotton, R-Arkansas.

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