



## Bye Felicia: WaPo Fires Triggered Reporter Over Public Spat

### Description

USA: The *Washington Post* has reportedly **fired journalist Felicia Sonmez** after a week of infighting between reporters that aired the *Post*'s dirty laundry in front of the world.



Sonmez, who was previously suspended for **dancing on Kobe Bryant's grave** and then went on to sue the paper in a **now-dismissed lawsuit** claiming that she faced job discrimination after going public with her claim to have been sexually assaulted, was fired **after stoking heated online arguments between reporters** over the paper's new policy on social-media use, the *Daily Beast* reports.

The dramatics started after journalist David Weigel retweeted a sexist joke which read: "Every girl is bi. You just have to figure out if it's polar or sexual."

Sonmez tweeted an image of Weigel's retweet, saying "Fantastic to work at a news outlet where retweets like this are allowed!"

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— Felicia Sonmez (@feliciasonmez) [June 3, 2022](#)

**In addition to Weigel's one-month suspension without pay, the incident prompted a memo from Executive Editor Sally Buzbee** telling employees to play nice – to which *WaPo* video technician Breanna Muir cheered on Sonmez in a 'reply all.'

Tension at *WaPo* remains high today. Video technician Breanna Muir, who was misidentified in a tweet from a colleague as "Breanna Taylor," sent the following note to the entire newsroom this morning, replying all to Sally Buzbee's Sunday memo.  
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— Oliver Darcy (@oliverdarcy) [June 6, 2022](#)

*On Tuesday, Buzbee [sent out](#) yet another company-wide memo, stating that the paper does "not tolerate colleagues attacking colleagues." Sonmez, meanwhile, continued to tweet, highlighting critical posts from her colleague as a [mockery](#) of Buzbee's claim to a "collegial workplace."*

*Veteran Post reporter Lisa Rein then stepped in to [publicly plead](#) with Sonmez: "Please stop."*

*That same afternoon, several high-profile Washington Post reporters, including [Josh Dawsey](#) and [Ashley Parker](#), tweeted about how "proud" they are to work at the newspaper. - Daily Beast*

And finally, on Thursday, Sonmez posted a lengthy Twitter thread in which she noted how "the reporters who issued synchronized tweets this week downplaying the Post's workplace issues have a few things in common," adding that they are "All white," and "They are among the 'stars' who 'get away with murder' on social media."

Please stop

— Lisa Rein (@Reinlwapo) [June 8, 2022](#)

Lessons from the *WaPo* meltdown:

- The heart of wokeness is envy.
- The domain of wokeness is inter-elite competition.
- The incentives of wokeness lead the privileged to adopt victim identities.

-The results of wokeness are personal neuroticism and institutional dysfunction.  
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— Christopher F. Rufo ?? (@realchrisrufo) [June 9, 2022](#)

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