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Blagojevich told FBI of 'firewall'



It could almost be called the forgotten charge against Rod Blagojevich, the 24th and final count in his corruption indictment, the one that accuses the former governor of lying to the FBI in an interview in March 2005.

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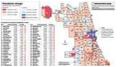
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Anthony Ward Sr at 4:28 AM July 7, 2010

I thought this mope knew nothng about how to operate a computer "Firewall" Indeed

I for one will bw glad when the jury convicts on all counts and maybe he is put away for a long time.

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ChicagoDave at 12:16 AM July 7, 2010

Hey Tribune, can you at least try to hide your contempt for Blagojevich in your news coverage?

... the governor dangled a multibillion-dollar road-building scheme

... a new ethics law that would all but eliminate the governor's ability to hit up state contractors for donations

... prosecutors have accused Blagojevich of trying to press Krozel for \$500,000 in donations in the shakedown.

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Reet Wow at 12:09 AM July 7, 2010

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