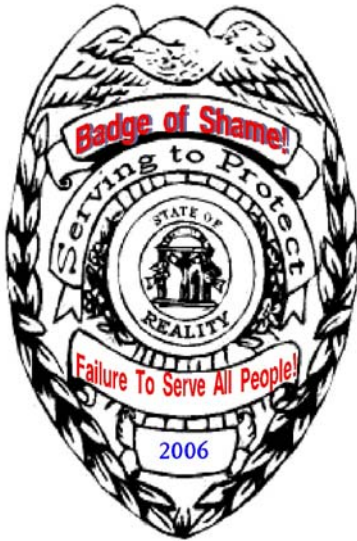


NAACP: Badge of Shame Award Winner



QUOTE: Many people who observe the flag's display; especially in official capacities, view it as totally abhorrent because of the residual pain of slavery, racism and oppression that was suffered. The "Knights" of the Klu Klux Klan, the Aryan Nation, and The World Church of the Creator, are all groups that are the living embodiment of these words. And its members have all carried The Confederate Battle Flag while representing their respective organizations on countless number of occasions and now our grand Ole state desires to join with them. This is a tragedy and shame because the Confederate Flag serves to unite you under a common banner for a common cause.



HOW TRAGIC AND SHAMEFUL

Governor Blunt is awarded the Badge of Shame for willfully and knowingly: **supporting raising The Confederate flag; (a well-recognized, international symbol of racism, slavery, hatred, murder and white supremacy) despite objections to it flying at any publicly financed location; knowing many raised the flag to show that they opposed desegregation;** not supporting civil rights, social justice in this state ;and having a clear track record that opposes the underlying principles of the civil rights movement. Shame on you for being unwilling to match your words with your deeds and take the right steps; when we need you the most. Shame on you, who pass on the opportunity to demonstrate courage and commitment; instead of comfort and convenience. Through your actions, you make yourself eligible to receive the NAACP Badge of Shame.

