## STAMPEDE TO COME CLEAN IN ALASKA

Rut roh. Looks like Steve Branchflower will have a busy week, between now and when he releases his report on Friday.

> Seven Alaska state employees have reversed course and agreed to testify in an abuse-of-power investigation against Republican vice presidential nominee Sarah Palin.

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Lawmakers subpoenaed seven state employees to testify in the inquiry but they challenged those subpoenas. A judge rejected that challenge last week. Because of that ruling, Alaska Attorney General Talis Colberg says the employees have decide to testify.

As I'm sure you've heard, the AK Supreme Court agreed to take the appeal of the Republicans trying to bury this. But local observers think the chance that the Supreme Court will rule in favor of a Palin cover-up is slim.

The Supreme Court only agreed to take this case due to public interest and establishing a precedent so the next time the lawmakers want to sue themselves they won't burden the court.

What is the most absurd about this whole process of wasting time and money is the lawsuit was filed by some of the same Republican lawmakers like Fred Dyson who have long berated Alaskan judges for legislating from the bench.

The Supreme Court will toss this out and then Branchflower will put his report out. So there seems to be a stampede of staffers attempting to look like they didn't ignore a proper subpoena.

Remind me—around Thursday, say, to start asking how the McPalin's campaigns efforts to cover up these results prove their awareness there was a problem there? Thanks.