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I was going to put in my two cents on the Black Lies - oops, Lives - Matter bowel movement and the obscenity of France's dip shit president François Hollande announcing he will accept 30,000 refugees over the next 2 years after making like Joan of Arc and declaring "*guerre*" on the Muslim "refugees" he welcomed in response to the Friday attacks in Paris by ISIS which left 129 dead and 352 injured. Then Charlie Sheen came to my rescue.

Good Time Charlie is set to reveal tomorrow on "*Today*", of all venues, he is HIV-positive. I doubt this will be received with half the sympathy or the slavish press fellow poon hound Magic Johnson got when he announced in 1991 he was HIV-positive. I always knew Johnson was a prick and the slicker-than-Slick-Willie PR blitz by his management confirmed it: It wasn't Magic's fault he couldn't keep his Johnson in his pants, the spin went, it was those damn hos! Why women's groups didn't storm The Great Western Forum, the then-home of Johnson's team, the Los Angeles Lakers, with pitchforks is beyond me! Indeed, he went to great pains to assure the world that he contracted HIV from one of those damn hos and not from - God forbid! - another man. Why gay "rights" groups didn't storm The Great Western Forum with pitchforks is beyond me (irony of ironies, his son, Earvin III, a cast member of the reality show "*Rich Kids of Beverly Hills*", came out as gay in 2013). Even more-disgusting than The-Damn-Hos-Made-Me-Do-It shtick (a damn ho made him father her son?), and a radio spot released by his foundation in which a young man gushed: "Magic, you're still my hero", was his insistence on putting the NBA on the spot by playing for the Lakers in 1996 after he tried his hand at coaching the team (and failing miserably). The utter selfishness of this stunt, at a time when it was still uncertain if HIV could be transmitted by means other than unprotected sex, dirty needles, or transfusions with tainted blood, must have infuriated Commissioner David Stern. That Stern figured out how to dribble Magic out of the league without actually giving him the heave-ho is reason enough to put him into the Basketball Hall of Fame. Johnson played 32 games before he finally got the message and quit.

The train-wreck that is Carlos Irwin Estévez began in earnest at age 15 when he used daddy's credit card to pay for an escort for the purpose of losing his virginity, which daddy Martin Sheen only made worse by refusing to take Junior to the proverbial woodshed. The litany of bad behavior would make the Marquis de Sade blush. Hit on your director's underage daughter? Check. "Accidentally" shoot your fiancée? Check. Hit a girl for refusing to have sex with you? Check. Blow \$53,000 on hookers in 15 month? Check. Dump Wife #1 with the immortal words: "You buy a bad car, it breaks down, what are you gonna do"? Check. Smash your girlfriend's face into the kitchen floor? Check. Suffer a stroke during a coke binge? Check. Strangle Wife #3 and hold a knife to her throat? Check. Up-end your Mercedes at the bottom of a cliff? Check. Trash your hotel suite in a stark naked blow-and-booze-fueled rage as a hooker is locked in the bathroom AND Wife #2 and your kids are across the hall? Check. Wind up in the ER after a 36-hour bender of booze, broads, and

blow? Check. Slam the creator of your TV show and kill the goose laying your \$1.8 million per episode golden eggs? Check. Declare yourself a "warlock" with "tiger blood" and "Adonis DNA"? Check. Launch a webcast to prove to what a raving nutter you are? Check. Hit the road with a profanity-laden rant called "My Violent Torpedo of Truth"? Check. Call Wife #2 a "washed up piglet"? Check. Enter rehab for the umpteenth time? Check.

The pundits are giddy with anticipation of the lawsuits waiting to be tossed, just as when Rock Hudson's estate was sued by an ex-Boy Toy. But there is a difference. The estate acknowledged Hudson never disclosed his status. Sheen can point out that none of those damn hos are nuns. He even went a step further and made his damn hos sign an NDA before each got to hop onto his Violent Torpedo of Truth. Moreover, lawmakers saw fit in 1998 to give Good Time Charlie and his damn hos an out -- more proof The Golden State is turning into The Golden Turd (Health and Safety Code § 120291(a)):

"Any person who exposes another to HIV by engaging in unprotected sexual activity when the infected person knows at the time of the unprotected sex that he or she is infected with HIV, has not disclosed his or her HIV-positive status, and acts with the specific intent to infect the other person with HIV, is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for three, five, or eight years. Evidence that the person had knowledge of his or her HIV-positive status, without additional evidence, shall not be sufficient to prove specific intent".

Get that? Intentionally expose your spouse or partner to HIV or any other STD? It's all good. Somewhere in Hell, the Marquis is kicking himself!

You may recognize the title of this essay. "*A Rake's Progress*" was a group of paintings by English artist William Hogarth chronicling the "adventures" of a privileged young man who winds up in Bedlam after a life of debauchery. To many, Magic Johnson and Charlie Sheen are, as Sheen would put it, "winning": rich, famous, adored, envied. But, as did Hogarth's "hero", each chose to reject the moral code which has guided humanity for 2,000 years. And, as Hogarth's "hero", each is now doomed to pay a horrible price. NOT "winning".

UPDATE: Sheen's ex-girlfriend Bree Olson told Howard Stern he never disclosed his status; ex-fiancée Scottine Ross was reportedly also not informed. "*Access Hollywood*" reports Wife #2 Denise Richards has known for "a number of years", and that she and her two daughters by Sheen are HIV-negative. Wife #3 Brooke Mueller announced that she and her two sons by Sheen are HIV-negative. Martin Sheen praised his son's courage for going on "*Today*". Among those supporting Sheen is Johnson, who tweeted: "I hope he joins me in educating the world about HIV/AIDS". [November 17, 2015]