

Why is the NYT allying with Islamists against women?

And who is Noah Feldman? What does choosing him as an expert in the impeachment hearings tell us about the current Democratic Party?

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Harvard Law Professor Noah Feldman last week stated in [challenged Feldman to a debate](#) about the Islamic headscarf. He did not rise to the occasion. I suggested that the *New York Times*, his bully pulpit, sponsor the debate. I did not hear from the Gray Lady either.

In 2008, Professor Feldman praised hijab, the Islamic headscarf, and claimed that if Erdogan (!) could lift

Ataturk's ban on it, that he'd bringing Turkey that much closer to democracy. Allowing the Islamic headscarf would be a "case study of religious freedom against coercive secularism."

Feldman wrote this article in the *New York Times*, the very venue that devotes three separate [page Under a Scarf, a Turkish Lawyer Fighting to Wear It.](#)"

Feldman and the *Times* are totally out of touch with the reality of Muslim girls and women who are routinely beaten and sometimes honor killed because they refuse to wear hijab. To Feldman, the politically correct narrative is one which is pro-Islam and anti-Judaism.

Feldman once wrote a [an article](#) that is so cleverly cobbled together than most readers do not understand that it is meant as a devastating attack on the heroic Ayaan Hirsi Ali.

Tariq Ramadan, the genetic and intellectual heir to the man who founded the Muslim Brotherhood is, again and again, glowingly profiled, reviewed, published, and shown wearing trendy western dress in these same pages.

Young, attractive women wearing headscarves are shown and they are quoted saying sophisticated, friendly things.

Steadily, slowly, inexorably, Western readers have been softened for the "kill," seasoned and habituated to accept the subordination of women as an inviolate cultural and religious reality.

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