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Former KGO host and child porn convict Bernie Ward recalls Kavanaugh school

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WARD/C/17AUG95/CD/LS BERNIE WARD OF KGO RADIO

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Bernie Ward, the “Lion of the Left,” as he was known for years on KGO radio before his 2008 conviction for possession and distribution of child pornography, popped up in a Washington Post story this week on embattled Supreme Court nominee **Brett Kavanaugh**.

Ward recounted his years as a marriage and sex education teacher at Washington’s Georgetown Prep, where his students included both Kavanaugh and sitting Justice **Neil Gorsuch**.

Ward described how an atmosphere of excess pervaded the Jesuit boarding school where he taught in the early 1980s.

“The drinking was unbelievable,” Ward told the Post. “It was part of the culture. A parent even bought the keg and threw one of the parties for the kids. They took umbrage when I compared their rooting around with girls to dogs in heat.”

The once-talkative Ward has mostly been silent since his release from federal prison in December 2014 after serving a six-year sentence for the child pornography conviction.





Judge Brett Kavanaugh has submitted a calendar he kept in the summer of 1982 as evidence in the Senate Judicial Committee's confirmation hearings.

Photo: U.S. Senate

Ward, who is back living at his family's westside home in San Francisco these days, was not available for comment Monday and apparently he isn't interested in giving any more interviews.

"I don't think he wants to do that again," his wife told us when reached by phone.

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