



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Malcolm Smith

Statement From Austin Shafran, Press Secretary For Senate Majority Leader Malcolm A. Smith

[MALCOLM A. SMITH](#) June 8, 2009

“This was an illegal and unlawful attempt to gain control of the Senate and reverse the will of the people who voted for a Democratic Majority. Nothing has changed, Senator Malcolm A. Smith remains the duly elected Temporary President and Majority Leader. The real Senate Majority is anxious to get back to governing, and will take immediate steps to get us back to work.”