

Democracy

Yet [Patrick] Byrne
had the germ of the right idea.

The best way to steal a presidential
election would indeed be through a staged
display of democratic process backed by
elaborate precooked 'evidence' of foreign
conspiracy and simplified by Fox News,
social media, and other media.

This is the upside-down shape of a
successful American coup.

Democracy is destroyed by the enactment
of its protection. Conspirators succeed
by foiling a "conspiracy."

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