

# Capitol Insurrection At Center Of Conservative Movement: At Least 43 Governors, Senators And Members Of Congress Have Ties To Groups That Planned January 6<sup>th</sup> Rally And Riots.

**SUMMARY:** On January 6, 2021, a rally in support of overturning the results of the 2020 presidential election “[turned deadly](#)” when thousands of people stormed the U.S. Capitol at Donald Trump’s urging. Even Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell, who [rarely](#) broke with Trump, has explicitly [said](#), “**the mob was fed lies. They were provoked by the President and other powerful people.**”

These “other powerful people” include a vast array of conservative officials and Trump allies who perpetuated [false claims](#) of fraud in the 2020 election after enjoying critical support from [the groups that fueled the Capitol riot](#).

In fact, **at least 43 current Governors or elected federal office holders have direct ties to the groups that helped plan the January 6<sup>th</sup> rally**, along with at least 15 members of Donald Trump’s former administration.

*The links that these Trump-allied officials have to these groups are:*

**Turning Point Action**, an arm of right-wing Turning Point USA, claimed to send “[80+ buses full of patriots](#)” to the rally that led to the Capitol riot, claiming the event would be one of the most “consequential” in U.S. history.

- The group spent over [\\$1.5 million](#) supporting Trump and his Georgia senate allies who [claimed](#) the election was fraudulent and supported efforts to [overturn](#) it.
- The organization hosted Trump at an event where he claimed Democrats were trying to “[rig the election](#),” which he said would be “[the most corrupt election in the history of our country](#).”
- At a Turning Point USA event, Rep. Lauren Boebert (R-CO) [said](#) the Second Amendment “has nothing to do with hunting, unless you’re talking about hunting tyrants, maybe.” Boebert was seen with a “large” group in the Capitol just days before the insurrection, when several lawmakers reported seeing conservative members of Congress giving “[reconnaissance](#)” tours.
- Group leader Charlie Kirk [financially supported](#) Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL), who [pushed](#) false claims about voter fraud, used [violent imagery](#) as he vowed resistance to the vote certification, spread a debunked [conspiracy theory](#) about the Capitol riot, and ultimately voted to [overturn](#) the election.
- Just three weeks before the Capitol riot, Turning Point USA hosted Rep. Madison Cawthorn (R-NC) at an event where he told attendees to “[lightly threaten](#)” lawmakers over voter fraud claims.
- Turning Point USA held its winter gala at Trump’s Mar-A-Lago club shortly before the insurrection, hosting who [three prominent officials](#) who all kept pushing false voter fraud claims well after the 2020 presidential election.

**The Rule of Law Defense Fund**—an arm of the Republican Attorney Generals Association (RAGA) formerly [chaired](#) by Trump’s [disgraced](#) EPA administrator Scott Pruitt—made [robocalls](#) urging a march on the Capitol the day before the deadly insurrection occurred there. RAGA’s executive director, who previously “spearheaded” RLDF, promptly [resigned](#) following backlash over the group’s role in the riots.

- The group’s events have featured [Sen. Ted Cruz \(R-TX\)](#), who has been condemned for efforts to “[fan the flames](#)” over the 2020 election, and [Sen. Marco Rubio \(R-FL\)](#), who has tried to distance himself from the Capitol riot while [not publicly opposing](#) those who tried to overturn the election.

- RLDF has given a platform to [Gov. Kristi Noem \(R-SD\)](#), who has [joined](#) pro-Trump lawsuits alleging election fraud—following the Capitol riot, Noem’s office even pushed back against deleting [insurrectionist comments](#) on her Parler page that called for hanging government officials and backed a “much-needed civil war.”
- The group hosted Trump Education Secretary [Betsy DeVos](#) for a “fireside chat”—DeVos’ family has backed the group behind “the Honest Elections Project,” which sprung up in 2020 and “[started stoking fears about voter fraud](#).”

**Tea Party Patriots**, which [claims](#) to be the “largest and most effective national umbrella group within the Tea Party movement,” is led by Jenny Beth Martin. Ahead of the Capitol riot rallies, Martin [tweeted](#), “We must demand Congress to challenge the Electoral College votes and fight for President Trump!”

- It has [featured](#) Reps. Paul Gosar (R-AZ) and Mo Brooks (R-AL), who [colluded](#) with the “Stop The Steal” organizer to “put maximum pressure on Congress” during the election certification vote.
- The group has [repeatedly hosted](#) Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), who has been condemned for his efforts to “[fan the flames of anger](#)” over the election.
- It [hosted](#) Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH), known for “[leading \[the\] charge](#)” to block the election certification and “[singled out](#)” by Trump for his efforts.
- It featured a [video](#) with Sen. James Lankford (R-OK)—who spent weeks trying to [reverse](#) the election and was [forced to publicly apologize](#) for stoking efforts to undermine the 2020 presidential election.
- The group was in a [coalition](#) with nearly a dozen senators to boost runoff election campaigns for Sens. Kelly Loeffler (R-GA) and David Perdue (R-GA)—both of whom [claimed](#) the election was affected by fraud and supported efforts to [overturn](#) it (before [not](#) voting to decertify it).

**The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles**, spawned from the notorious legacy of [anti-feminist and Equal Rights Amendment opponent](#) Phyllis Schlafly, promoted the rally by comparing it to [D-Day](#). The group has given platforms to some of the most high-profile officials and Trump allies who sought to undermine the election, including:

- A 2018 “[Gateway Eagle Council](#)” event which hosted Rep. Andy Biggs (R-AZ) alongside a [noted white supremacist](#)—Biggs reportedly collaborated with “Stop the Steal” organizers to “[put maximum pressure on Congress](#)” while it was voting to certify the election.
- An “[America on the Brink](#)” event featuring Sens. Cruz (R-TX), Grassley (R-IA), Daines (R-MT), Trump Housing Secretary Ben Carson, and Trump’s [QAnon acolyte](#) campaign lawyer Sidney Powell.
- A 2020 Collegians Summit featuring [Rep. Jim Banks \(R-IN\)](#); Trump ambassador, former Senator, and former Governor [Sam Brownback \(R-KS\)](#); Trump’s [QAnon acolyte](#) campaign lawyer; and a [anti-voter fraud group founder](#) who earned a high honor from [CPAC](#).
- A [previous Collegians Summit](#) in 2018 hosted several high-profile conservative members of Congress, including Sens. Roy Blunt (R-MO) and Rand Paul (R-KY), Then-House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA), Then-House Majority Whip Steve Scalise (R-LA), and Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH).
- Featured an interview with [Sen. Marsha Blackburn \(R-TN\)](#), who planned on voting to [overturn the election](#) but only changed her mind after the capital riot.
- Spent over \$481,000 on Trump’s 2016 campaign and over \$3,800 on Sen. Roy Blunt’s (R-MO) race in that same cycle. (Details below)

**The Black Conservatives Fund** once counted right-wing conspiracy theorist and “Stop the Steal” organizer Ali Alexander as one of its [senior advisors](#). The group [promoted](#) the rally that led to the Capitol riot to its 80,000 followers but then deleted the post after a major news outlet asked about it.

- The group has given [\\$10,000](#) to and has endorsed Sen. Tim Scott (R-SC), who has tried to distance himself from efforts to overturn the election despite introducing a bill to examine what he called “[rushed and ill-planned changes](#)” to 2020 election processes on the very day the Capitol riot occurred.

- The group first “[emerged](#)” to back Sen. Bill Cassidy’s (R-LA) 2014 campaign, spending over [\\$85,000](#) for him that cycle. Cassidy has since tried to [distance](#) himself from the effort to overturn the 2020 presidential election.

**Moms for America** was an early promoter of post-election conspiracy theories, referring to them as “[conspiracy fact](#).” The group has touted endorsements, provided platforms, and given awards to some of the most ardent leaders of the movement to overturn the election.

- It held a “[Save the Republic Rally](#)” the day before the Capitol riot where Rep. Mary Miller (R-IL) said “[Hitler was right on one thing](#).” The rally also hosted known QAnon advocate Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA), who was suspended from Twitter for election fraud claims that posed “[a risk of violence](#).” Also among the rally’s speakers was [MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell](#), who appears to have visited Trump to apparently push a [QAnon-inspired plot](#) to stall the transition of power by using the U.S. military.
- The group gave a “[Mother of Influence](#)” award to Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD), who joined a lawsuit alleging fraud in the 2020 election and whose office resisted deleting [violent insurrectionist Parler comments](#), even after the Capitol riot.
- Moms For America touted an endorsement from Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH), who helped in “[leading the charge](#)” to block certification of the 2020 election and was [praised by Trump](#) for his efforts.

**Women For America First’s** Chair Amy Kremer was on the [permit](#) for the rally that led to the Capitol riot and the group encouraged a “[caravan](#)” there. Not only did the group help promote “Stop the Steal” protests alongside [white nationalist groups](#) as early as November 2020, Kremer [amplified](#) the movement by promoting her daughter’s own “Stop the Steal” Facebook group and [supercharging](#) its prominence before it was [banned](#).

- The group’s November 2020 “Stop the Steal” rally hosted Reps. Paul Gosar (R-AZ), Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA), and Mike Kelly (R-PA). Gosar reportedly colluded with January 6<sup>th</sup> rally organizers to “[put maximum pressure on Congress](#)” during election certification; [QAnon acolyte](#) Greene was blocked from Twitter for fraud claims that posed “[a risk of violence](#)”; and Kelly voted to [overturn](#) the election even after the Capitol riot.
- In December 2020, the group hosted Rep. Bob Good (R-VA) as he called Coronavirus a “[phony pandemic](#)”—Good later voted to [overturn](#) the election even after the insurrection and doubled down on claims of electoral fraud.
- Hosted [Gov. Kristi Noem \(R-SD\)](#) at a “Stop the Steal” event. Noem had [pushed](#) false claims of voter fraud well after the election and her office pushed back against a call to delete [violent insurrectionist Parler comments](#), even after the Capitol riot.

**Eighty Percent Coalition**, formed only [weeks](#) before the Capitol riot, was founded by Cindy Chafian. In November 2020, Chafian was on the permit for Women for America First’s post-election protest (detailed above) held alongside events promoted by [White Supremacists and other right-wing extremists](#).

Some of the Trump-allied officials tied to these groups have doubled-down on their falsehoods and [voted to overturn](#) the election despite the Capitol riot, while others have [tried](#) to [distance themselves](#) from the riot despite their previously incendiary rhetoric. Regardless of what they did following the insurrection, these officials must be held accountable both for their deep ties to the groups behind the rallies and for the election fraud falsehoods they spread well before January 6, 2021, a new date that “[will live forever in infamy](#).”

## **Conservative Groups Organized The “March To Save America” To Protest Certification Of The 2020 Election Results, After Which The Crowd Marched To The Capitol At President Trump’s Urging And Then Stormed The Building, Resulting In Multiple Deaths.**

### **Groups Including Turning Point Action, The Rule Of Law Defense Fund, Phyllis Schlafly Eagles, Women For America First, Tea Party Patriots, And The Black Conservatives Fund Organized The “March To Save America” To Dispute The Presidential Election Results As Congress Sought To Certify Them**

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*Conservative Groups Including Turning Point Action, The Rule Of Law Defense Fund, Phyllis Schlafly Eagles, Women For America First, Tea Party Patriots, The Black Conservatives Fund, Peaceably Gather and Eighty Percent Coalition Organized A Rally In Washington DC To Dispute The Presidential Election Results*

**A Series Of Conservative And Right Wing Groups Organized The January 6th “March To Save America” In Washington DC To Dispute The Results Of The 2020 Election.** “Thousands of people will visit Washington, DC, Tuesday and Wednesday to demonstrate their support for President Trump, who lost the November election to Joe Biden but continues to pretend he did not. Authorities expect Trump fans to occupy large swathes of downtown DC both days and have closed many streets and restricted parking. Mayor Muriel Bowser has asked local residents to avoid the demonstrations, and we compiled more reasons to stay away [...] March for Trump/Save America.” [Washingtonian, [1/05/21](#)]

**These Groups Were Stop The Steal, WildProtest.com, Turning Point Action, Rule Of Law Defense Fund, Phyllis Schlafly Eagles, Moms For America, Women For America First, Tea Party Patriots, Peaceably Gather, Eighty Percent Coalition, And The Black Conservatives Fund.** “RLDF appeared in a [list of groups](#) “Participating in the March to Save America” on the March to Save America website alongside entities including Stop the Steal, Turning Point Action, Tea Party Patriots and others. (MarchtoSaveAmerica.com has been taken down but an [archived version of the website](#) can be accessed through the Internet Archive Wayback Machine.)” [Documented, [1/11/21](#)]

### **After A Speech From Trump At The Rally, The Protestors Marched On The Capitol And Became Violent—Storming The Building In A Bid To Stop The Counting Of Electoral Votes— A Riot That Ended In Multiple Deaths.**

*President Trump Spoke At The March And Encouraged The Crowd To March To The Capitol Building Where Congress Was Certifying The Election*

**President Trump Spoke At The March To Save America, Making Claims That The Election Was Stolen From Him, And Said He Would March With Them To US Capitol Building From White House.** “Several thousand protesters cheered President Donald Trump and his baseless claims of election fraud at a rally near the White House on Wednesday ahead of Congress’ vote to affirm President-elect Joe Biden’s victory. ‘We will



not let them silence your voices,' Trump told the protesters, who had lined up before sunrise to get a prime position to hear the president...From the Ellipse south of the White House, the protesters planned to march to the Capitol before the vote. Trump said he would be with them." [CBS Local Baltimore, [1/06/21](#)]

*At The Capitol The Crowd Turned Into A Violent Mob, Storming Past Blockades Into The Building—Police Later Found Weapons Caches And Discovered Some In The Group's Intentions To Murder Members Of Congress*

**At The Capitol, The Crowd Turned Violent And Stormed Past Police Blockades And Entered The Building In A Bid To Stop The Certification.** "Later at the U.S. Capitol, throngs of people pushed past police who were trying to block them from entering the building as lawmakers inside debated counting electoral college votes confirming Biden's victory. A mob was able to breach security and successfully enter the building, where one person was shot and later died." [Washington Post, [1/06/21](#)]

**Multiple Bombs And A Car Full Of Guns Were Found Near The Capitol, And A Pro-Trump Supporter Expressed To A Friend He Traveled To DC To Murder Speaker Of The House Pelosi.** "An Alabama man allegedly parked a pickup truck packed with 11 homemade bombs, an assault rifle and a handgun two blocks from the US Capitol building on Wednesday for hours before authorities ever noticed, according to federal prosecutors. Another man allegedly showed up in the nation's capital with an assault rifle and hundreds of rounds of ammunition and told acquaintances that he wanted to shoot or run over House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, prosecutors said." [CNN, [1/09/21](#)]

- **During The Siege The FBI Found Bombs Near The Republican National Committee And Democratic National Committee Headquarters.** "Wednesday, federal agents were working at the same time to detonate two pipe bombs found just blocks away at the offices of the Republican and Democratic national committees. The focus on the insurrection shifted public attention away from the explosives threat — which experts say remains a primary concern for law enforcement ahead of next week's inauguration of President-elect Joe Biden. Investigators are increasingly worried about the potential for attacks on soft targets in the nation's capital." [Seattle Times, [1/12/21](#)]

*The Riot Ended In The Deaths Of Five People, Including A Capitol Police Officer Beaten To Death By The Mob*

**Five People—including An Officer Beaten To Death By The Rioting Mob And A Woman Shot As She Violently Entered The Building—Died During The Siege Of The Capitol.** "These five people from disparate backgrounds and different corners of the country now share one fate: Their lives all ended last week as a mob incited by Mr. Trump stormed the Capitol. Federal prosecutors have opened investigations into the deaths of two — the officer beaten by pro-Trump rioters, and the California woman shot inside the Capitol. But the authorities have released limited information about the deaths of the others, while families and friends have been grappling with scattered accounts of their final actions that day." [New York Times, [1/11/21](#)]

**Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY): "The Mob Was Fed Lies. They Were Provoked By The President And Other Powerful People."**

On January 19, 2021, Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) Said Of The Capitol Riot, "The Mob Was Fed Lies. They Were Provoked By The President And Other Powerful People."



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McConnell on the Capitol attack: "The mob was fed lies. They were provoked by the President and other powerful people."

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**Including Two Other Pro-Trump Rallies Held The Day Of The Capitol Riot, Conservative Groups Booked Controversial Trump Allies As Speakers—Including Rudy Giuliani, Roger Stone, Alex Jones, Jack Posobiec, And George Papadopoulos.**

**In Addition To The March To Save America, Conservative Groups Got Permits For Two Other Events That Day And Booked Controversial And/Or Criminally-Charged Trump Allies Like Rudy Giuliani, Roger Stone, Alex Jones, Jack Posobiec, And George Papadopoulos.**

The “March For Trump/Save America,” The Event Largely Associated With The Capitol Riot, Was Expected To Include Donald Trump, Rudy Giuliani, Roger Stone, And Diamond And Silk As Speakers. “March for Trump/Save America [...] Number of people expected: 30,000 (the original permit was for 5,000 people; Trump reportedly plans to address the crowd at this event) Possible speakers: The permit lists Rudy Giuliani, Roger Stone, Diamond and Silk. Organizer: Kylie Jane Kremer of Women for America First.” [Andrew Beaujon, “[Here’s What We Know About the Pro-Trump Rallies That Have Permits](#),” *Washingtonian*, 01/05/21]

- **Roger Stone Trump’s “Longtime Informal Adviser And Friend,” Received A Pardon From The President For His Role In The Investigation Into Russian Meddling In The 2016 Election.** “One recipient of a pardon was a family member, Charles Kushner, the father of his son-in-law, Jared Kushner. Two others who were pardoned declined to cooperate with prosecutors in connection with the special counsel’s Russia investigation: Paul Manafort, his 2016 campaign chairman, and Roger J. Stone Jr., his longtime informal adviser and friend.” [Maggie Haberman and Michael S. Schmidt, “[Trump Gives Clemency to More Allies, Including Manafort, Stone and Charles Kushner](#),” *The New York Times*, 12/23/20]
- **Rudy Giuliani Is Donald Trump’s “Personal Lawyer.”** “President Donald Trump’s personal lawyer Rudy Giuliani personally voted in the 2020 election using a voting method he publicly disparaged and bashed in his attempts to overthrow the presidential election results, a CNN KFile investigation has found.” [Em Steck and Andrew Kaczynski, “[Rudy Giuliani voted with an affidavit ballot, which he bashed in failed effort to overturn election](#),” *CNN Politics*, 01/18/21]
- **Diamond And Silk, “Conservative Media Personalities,” Have Been Called Misinformation “Superspreaders.”** “Two weeks ago, the conservative media personalities Diamond and Silk falsely claimed on their Facebook page that people who were not eligible to vote were receiving ballots in Georgia’s special elections next month. Their post was shared more than 300 times. [...] A small group of ‘superspreaders’ is responsible for the vast majority of that misinformation, according to new research by Avaaz, a global human rights group.” [Sheera Frenkel and Davey Alba, “[Misinformation Amplifiers Target Georgia Senate Races](#),” *The New York Times*, 12/22/20]

The “Rally To Revival,” Associated With The March To Save America, Had A Permit For The Same Day—Speakers Included George Papadopoulos, Alex Jones, Jack Posobiec, Bernard Kerik, Roger

**Stone.** “Rally to Revival [...] Possible speakers: George Papadopoulos, Alex Jones, Jack Posobiec, Bernard Kerik, Roger Stone Listed organizer: Cindy Chafian. Chafian was previously part of Women for America First, which organized the permits for DC rallies in November and December, but she now appears to be also (or perhaps instead) associated with an entity called Eighty Percent Coalition. The event’s permit lists what sound like three rallies-within-the-rally: March to Save America (though, the permit notes, there will be no marching) from 1-2 PM, Stop the Steal from 3:30-5 PM , and the Eighty Percent Coalition from 5-8:30 PM.” [Andrew Beaujon, “[Here’s What We Know About the Pro-Trump Rallies That Have Permits](#),” *Washingtonian*, 01/05/21]

- **George Papadopoulos, A Former Trump Campaign Aide, Received A Pardon From The President For His Role In The Investigation Into Russian Meddling In The 2016 Election.** “President Donald Trump granted a full pardon on Tuesday to George Papadopoulos, a former campaign aide who pleaded guilty as part of the investigation into Russian meddling in the 2016 presidential election.” [Steve Holland, “[Trump grants full pardon to Russia probe figure George Papadopoulos](#),” *Reuters*, 12/22/20]
- **Alex Jones Is A “Right-Wing Conspiracy Theorist.”** “When FRONTLINE first aired the documentary *United States of Conspiracy* in July 2020, months before the attack on the U.S. Capitol, President Donald Trump and Alex Jones had already helped weave once-fringe conspiracy theories into the highest levels of American politics. Then came January 6 and a vivid illustration of the consequences of the conspiracies the president and the right-wing conspiracy theorist had been promoting.” [“[What Conspiracy Theorist Alex Jones Said in the Lead Up to the Capitol Riot](#),” *Frontline*, 01/12/21]
- **Jack Posobiec Was “A Trump Supporter Known For Advancing Conspiracy Theories Such As ‘Pizzagate.’”** “The rallying cry that unaccountable companies run by liberal elites are silencing conservative voices has been taken up by everyone from Jack Posobiec, a Trump supporter known for advancing conspiracy theories such as ‘Pizzagate,’ to Andrew Anglin, founder of the neo-Nazi *Daily Stormer* website.” [Jessica Guynn, “[‘They want to take your speech away,’ censorship cry unites Trump supporters and extremists after Capitol attack](#),” *USA Today*, 01/15/21]
- **Bernard Kerik, A Former New York Police Commissioner, Was “Sentenced To Four Years In Prison For Failure To Pay Taxes And Lying To White House Officials.”** “[...] former New York City Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik, who was sentenced to four years in prison for failure to pay taxes and lying to White House officials.” [Erik Larson, “[Why Presidential Pardons Are Normal, Trump’s Less So](#),” *The Washington Post*, 01/19/21]

**The “Silent Majority” Event, Held The Same Day, Only Listed “”Conservative Activist And Real Estate Developer” James Epley As A Speaker.** “The Silent Majority [...] Possible speakers: The only listed speaker is organizer James Epley, who plans to deliver addresses at noon, 2 PM, and 5 PM each day. Organizer: Epley is a conservative activist and real estate developer from South Carolina.” [Andrew Beaujon, “[Here’s What We Know About the Pro-Trump Rallies That Have Permits](#),” *Washingtonian*, 01/05/21]

### **Although The Trump Campaign Claimed It Had No Direct Role In The Rally, At Least Three Senior Trump Campaign Staffers Were Listed On The Event’s Permit.**

**The Trump Campaign Claimed It “Did Not Organize, Operate Or Finance” The Rally That Led To The Capitol Riot And Claimed No Campaign Staff Members Were Involved.** “Women for America First, which applied for and received the Park Service permit, did not respond to messages seeking comment about how the event was financed and about the Trump campaign’s involvement. The rally drew tens of thousands of people. In a statement, the president’s reelection campaign said it ‘did not organize, operate or finance the event.’ No campaign staff members were involved in the organization or operation of the rally, according to the statement. It said that if any former employees or independent contractors for the campaign took part, ‘they did

not do so at the direction of the Trump campaign.” [Richard Lardner and Michelle R. Smith, “[Records: Trump allies behind rally that ignited Capitol riot](#),” *Associated Press*, 01/18/21]

**Megan Powers, One Of The Rally’s Two Operations Managers, Claimed To Be The Trump Campaign’s Director Of Operations As Of January 2021.** “At least one was working for the Trump campaign this month. Megan Powers was listed as one of two operations managers for the Jan. 6 event, and her LinkedIn profile says she was the Trump campaign’s director of operations into January 2021. She did not respond to a message seeking comment.” [Richard Lardner and Michelle R. Smith, “[Records: Trump allies behind rally that ignited Capitol riot](#),” *Associated Press*, 01/18/21]

**Caroline Wren, A “VIP Advisor” For The Rally And A “Veteran GOP Fundraiser,” Was Paid \$20,000 A Month By The Trump Campaign As A National Finance Consultant As Recently As Mid-November 2020.** “Caroline Wren, a veteran GOP fundraiser, is named as a ‘VIP Advisor’ on an attachment to the permit that Women for America First provided to the agency. Between mid-March and mid-November, Donald J. Trump for President Inc. paid Wren \$20,000 a month, according to Federal Election Commission records. During the campaign, she was a national finance consultant for Trump Victory, a joint fundraising committee between the president’s reelection campaign and the Republican National Committee.” [Richard Lardner and Michelle R. Smith, “[Records: Trump allies behind rally that ignited Capitol riot](#),” *Associated Press*, 01/18/21]

**Maggie Mulvaney, Niece Of Former White House Chief Of Staff Mick Mulvaney, Was A “VIP Lead” For The Rally—Mulvaney Was Collecting \$5,000 Every Two Weeks From The Trump Campaign As A Director Of Finance Operations.** “Maggie Mulvaney, a niece of former top Trump aide Mick Mulvaney, is listed on the permit attachment as the ‘VIP Lead.’ She worked as director of finance operations for the Trump campaign, according to her LinkedIn profile. FEC records show Maggie Mulvaney was earning \$5,000 every two weeks from Trump’s reelection campaign, with the most recent payment reported on Nov. 13. Maggie Mulvaney had taken down her Twitter account as of last Monday, although it reappeared after an AP reporter asked her about the account’s removal. On Sunday, the same day the AP published this report, she blocked that AP reporter on Twitter.” [Richard Lardner and Michelle R. Smith, “[Records: Trump allies behind rally that ignited Capitol riot](#),” *Associated Press*, 01/18/21]

- **Former White House Chief Of Staff And Then-Special Envoy To Northern Ireland Mick Mulvaney Resigned From The Trump Administration Following The Capitol Riot.** “The insurrection at the Capitol prompted Mick Mulvaney to quit his position as Trump’s special envoy to Northern Ireland. He told CNBC a day after the assault that remaining in the post would prompt people to say ‘Oh yeah, you work for the guy who tried to overtake the government.’” [Richard Lardner and Michelle R. Smith, “[Records: Trump allies behind rally that ignited Capitol riot](#),” *Associated Press*, 01/18/21]

### **List Of Speakers And Organizers On January 6, 2021 Rally Permits:**

Name	Permit	Role	Notes
Alex Jones	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Conspiracy Theorist, InfoWars
George Papadopoulos	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Trump Ally
Jack Posobiec	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Pizzagate Conspiracy Theorist
Bernard Kerik	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Trump Ally
Roger Stone	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Trump fixer
Cindy Chafian	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Person In Charge/Speaker	Leader Of 80% Coalition



Greg Locke	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Leader Of Peacably Gather
Robert Patrick Lewis	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	
Chis Lippe	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	1776 Forever Free
Tracy Diaz	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Undercover DC
Alex Phillips	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	American Priority
Kenny And Kieth	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	MAGA Drag The Highway
Bianaca Gracia	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Latinos For Trump
Ali Alexander	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Stop The Steal Founder, Noted Conspiracy Theorist
Brand Straka	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Walkaway
Scott Pressler	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	
Rose Tennen	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Women For Trump
Ed Martin	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Eagle Forum
Vernon Jones	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	
Cordie Williams	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	1776 Forever Free Founder
Joe Flynn	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Brother Of Former Trump National Security Advisor Michael Flynn
Owen Schroyer	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Infowars, Leader Of Anti-Lockdown protests in Texas
Karyna Turk	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	
Scott Pressler	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	
Rogan O'Handley	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	
Christie Hutcherson	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Women Fights For America
Gina London	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Real America's Voice
Bryson Grey	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	
Angela Stanton King	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Reality Star
Brian Gibson	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Pastor
Rep. Lauren Boebert	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Qanon-promoting congresswoman

Julio Gonzalez	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Member Of Trump's Tax Roundtable
Mark Burns	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Pastor, CEO Of Now Network
George Flynn	<a href="#">Rally To Revival</a>	Speaker	Son Of Former Trump National Security Advisor Michael Flynn
James Epley	<a href="#">The Silent Majority</a>	Person In Charge	
Kylie Jane Kremer	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Person In Charge	Women For Trump/Women For America First Leader
Amy Kremer	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Listed As An Organizer/Contact	Women For Trump/Women For America First Leader
Justin Caporale	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Listed As An Organizer/Contact	Event Strategies Inc.; <a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a>
Maggie Mulvaney	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	VIP Lead	<a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a> ; Niece Of former Chief of Staff Mick Mulvaney
Megan Powers	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Operations Manager for scheduling and guidance	<a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a>
Hannah Salem	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Operations manager for logistics and communications	
James Oaks	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Operations Associate	<a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a>
Kiran Menon	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Operations Associate 2	
Tim Unes	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Stage Manager	<a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a>
Mao Clemens	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Stage Assistant	
Ron Holden	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Backstage Manager	<a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a>
William Wilson	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Backstage Assistant	<a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a>
Caroline Wren	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	VIP Advisor	<a href="#">Former Trump campaign staffer</a>
Rudy Giuliani	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Speaker	Trump Lawyer, Ally, Advocate

Diamond And Silk	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Speaker	Right-wing entertainers
Roger Stone	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Speaker	Trump fixer
John Eastman	<a href="#">March To Save America</a>	Speaker	Senior Member Of The Federalist Society

## Turning Point Action And Turning Point USA Have Deep Ties To Trump And Provided Platforms To His Allies Who Fanned Flames Over Election Fraud Falsehoods

Official Linked to Group	Official's Relationship To Group
Fmr. Pres. Donald Trump	Turning Point spent <a href="#">over \$1M</a> in support of his 2020 campaign; Hosted Trump at multiple events, including one where he made claims about <a href="#">election rigging</a> ; High level <a href="#">access</a> and <a href="#">cross-promotion</a> ; Attended Student Action Summit*
Fmr. Vice Pres. Mike Pence	Attended Turning Point's Student Action Summit*
Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)	Attended Turning Point's Student Action Summit*
Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY)	Attended 2020 Turning Point Winter Gala*; Attended Student Action Summit*; Fmr. Chief of Staff <a href="#">attended</a> Trump family event alongside group leader
Sen. Tom Cotton (R-AR)	Appeared on Charlie Kirk's podcast
Fmr. Sen. Kelly Loeffler (R-GA)	Turning Point spent nearly <a href="#">\$257K</a> for her 2020 campaign
Fmr. Sen. David Perdue (R-GA)	Turning Point spent over <a href="#">\$232K</a> for his 2020 campaign
Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL)	Turning Point held event where Gaetz used <a href="#">violent and aggressive imagery</a> while discussing election certification; Group leader directly gave <a href="#">\$1000</a> ; Attended Student Action Summits*
Rep. Madison Cawthorn (R-NC)	Turning Point hosted Cawthorn at event where he told attendees to " <a href="#">lightly threaten</a> " lawmakers over the election results*
Rep. Lauren Boebert (R-CO)	Turning Point held event where Boebert told interviewer the 2nd Amendment was for " <a href="#">hunting tyrants</a> "*
Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX)	Attended Turning Point's Student Action Summit*
Rep. Liz Cheney (R-WY)	On TPUSA's " <a href="#">Speaker's Bureau</a> "*
Rep. Brian Steil (R-WI)	On TPUSA's " <a href="#">Speaker's Bureau</a> "*
Fmr. UN Ambassador Nikki Haley	On TPUSA's " <a href="#">Speaker's Bureau</a> "*
Fmr. WH Press Secretary Kayleigh McEnany	<a href="#">Attended</a> Turning Point's 2020 Winter Gala*;
Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD)	<a href="#">Attended</a> Turning Point's 2020 Winter Gala*; Attended Student Action Summits*

\*Indicates ties to Turning Point USA (TPUSA), [closely affiliated](#) with Turning Point Action

**Turning Point Action, An Arm Of The Conservative Turning Point USA, Helped Organize The Rally That Led To The Capitol Riot—The Groups’ Leader Charlie Kirk Claimed Turning Point Action Was Sending “80+ Buses Full Of Patriots” To The Rally, Asserting It Would Be One Of The Most “Consequential” In U.S. History.**

**Turning Point Action, An Arm Of College Conservative-Focused Group Turning Point USA, Helped Organize The Rally That Led To The Capitol Riot.**

**Turning Point Action, An Arm Of Turning Point USA Led By TPUSA’s Founder Charlie Kirk, Was Listed As An Organizer Of The January 6, 2020 Rally That Led To The Insurrection.** “Charlie Kirk, a firebrand conservative activist and staunch supporter of President Donald Trump, is preparing to unveil a nonprofit that will allow his organization to campaign against Democrats during the 2020 election season. CNBC discovered Kirk’s new organization, called Turning Point Action, after reviewing an embedded donor link that shows the soon-to-be-finalized group targeting Rep. Ilhan Omar, D-Minn.” [CNBC, [5/20/19](#)]



[Documented, [1/11/21](#)]

**Turning Point USA Seeks To Organize College Aged Conservatives.** “In 2012, Kirk founded Turning Point USA, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit grassroots organization that encourages conservative college students to rally for causes such as free market policies. The [Internal Revenue Service](#) prohibits 501(c)(3)s to participate, either directly or indirectly, in political campaigns.” [CNBC, [5/20/19](#)]

**Turning Point USA Founder Charlie Kirk Claimed Turning Point Action Was Sending “80+ Buses Full Of Patriots” To The Event, Which He Said Would Be One Of The Most “Consequential” Events In American History.**

**Turning Point USA And Turning Point Action Founder And Leader Charlie Kirk Prominently Promoted The More Than 80 Buses They Organized To Bring Supporters To The Rally:**



Charlie Kirk [@charliekirk11](#) [Sivre](#) ✓

This historic event will likely be one of the largest and most consequential in American history

The team at [@TrumpStudents](#) & Turning Point Action are honored to help make this happen, sending 80+ buses full of patriots to DC to fight for this president

Kylie Jane Kremer



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[Twitter Archive, [1/04/21](#)]

**Turning Point Action Spent Over \$1.5 Million Supporting Trump And Both GOP Georgia Senate Candidates In 2020, Who Both Tried To Distance Themselves From The Capitol Riot After Claiming The Election Was Fraudulent And Supporting Efforts To Overturn It.**

**Turning Point Action, Affiliated With Turning Point USA, Has Spent Over \$1.5 Million Supporting Trump And Georgia Senate Candidates Kelly Loeffler And David Perdue—Both Of Whom Claimed The Election Was Affected By Fraud And Supported Efforts To Overturn It (Before Not Voting To Decertify It).**

Turning Point Action Spent Over \$250,000 In Support Of Kelly Loeffler's 2020 Senate Campaign, Over \$230,000 On David Perdue's 2020 Senate Campaign, And Over \$1 Million On Trump's 2020 Campaign.

Year	Candidate	State	Office	Total
2020	Trump, Donald	National	President	\$1,044,673
2020	Loeffler, Kelly	GA	US Senate	\$256,690
2020	Perdue, David	GA	US Senate	\$232,108
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$1,533,471</b>

[Open Secrets, [Accessed 1/12/21](#)]

**Turning Point Action Is An Affiliate Of Turning Point USA.** "Teenagers, some of them minors, are being paid to pump out the messages at the direction of Turning Point Action, an affiliate of Turning Point USA, the prominent conservative youth organization based in Phoenix, according to four people with independent knowledge of the effort." [Washington Post, [09/15/20](#)]

- **Turning Point Action Was Launched By Charlie Kirk In Mid-2019.** "Charlie Kirk, a firebrand conservative activist and staunch supporter of President Donald Trump, is preparing to unveil a nonprofit that will allow his organization to campaign against Democrats during the 2020 election

season. CNBC discovered Kirk's new organization, called Turning Point Action, after reviewing an embedded donor link that shows the soon-to-be-finalized group targeting Rep. Ilhan Omar, D-Minn." [CNBC, [5/20/19](#)]

**Sens. David Perdue (R-GA) And Kelly Loeffler (R-GA) Claimed The November 2020 Election In Election Was Affected By Fraud, After Trump Reportedly Urged Them To Do So.** "But the position of Sens. David Perdue and Kelly Loeffler, R-Ga., on federal interference in their own state's electoral processes is unfaithful to that tradition; it is neither conservative nor effective. [...] The joint statement of Perdue and Loeffler claiming mismanagement and corruption in their state's elections reflects both bad temper and bad judgment. [...] And, since their initial statement, neither has provided any specific evidence of fraud. (On Thursday, Georgia finished a hand recount of ballots in the state showing Joe Biden had indeed won presidential race.)" [Stuart M. Gerson and Edward M. Larson, "[Georgia's Republican senators falsely claimed election fraud occurred just to stay in power](#)," *NBC News*, 11/20/20]

- **Donald Trump Reportedly Demanded That Perdue And Loeffler "Undermine The Credibility Of Georgia's Election Results" And Called For The Georgia Secretary Of State's Resignation.** "Indeed, reports indicate that Trump demanded that Perdue and Loeffler undermine the credibility of Georgia's election results and call for Raffensperger's resignation. Hoping to retain the president's support during their runoff campaigns, they apparently dutifully complied." [Stuart M. Gerson and Edward M. Larson, "[Georgia's Republican senators falsely claimed election fraud occurred just to stay in power](#)," *NBC News*, 11/20/20]

**Sens. Perdue And Loeffler Both Backed A Texas Lawsuit To Overturn The Results Of Georgia's Presidential Election While Georgia's Attorney General Said The Suit Was "Constitutionally, Legally And Factually Wrong."** "Georgia's two U.S. senators and more than a dozen Republican state lawmakers are backing a lawsuit brought by the state of Texas on Tuesday seeking to overturn the certified results of Georgia's presidential election. U.S. Sens. David Perdue and Kelly Loeffler, both Republicans, said in a joint statement late Tuesday that they support the Texas lawsuit despite opposition from Georgia Attorney General Chris Carr's office, which called the suit 'constitutionally, legally and factually wrong.'" [Beau Evans, "[U.S. Senators Kelly Loeffler, David Perdue back Texas lawsuit to overturn Georgia presidential election results](#)," *The Augusta Chronicle*, 12/09/20]

**Sen. Kelly Loeffler Planned To Vote Against Certifying The Electoral College Vote, But Ultimately Switched Her Position.** "Georgia Sen. Kelly Loeffler (R) plans to object to electoral college votes when they're counted in Congress on Wednesday, joining at least a dozen other Senate Republicans in a last-gasp bid to oppose President Donald Trump's election loss — a decision that comes one day before Loeffler faces off against Democrat Raphael Warnock in a tight runoff election." [Joe Walsh, "[Sen. Loeffler Will Object To Electoral College Results](#)," 01/04/21]

- **Sen. Loeffler Reversed Her Position On Voting To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election, Citing The Capitol Riot.** "GOP Sen. Kelly Loeffler has ditched her plans to object to President-elect Joe Biden's electoral win, citing the violent break-in of the Capitol by rioters supporting President Donald Trump. 'When I arrived in Washington this morning, I fully intended to object to the certification of the electoral votes,' the Georgia Republican said. 'However, the events that have transpired today have forced me to reconsider and I cannot now in good conscience object to the certification of these electors.'" [Matthew Choi, "[Loeffler reverses on challenging Biden's win after riot at Capitol](#)," 01/06/21]

**Sen. David Perdue Released A Statement Condemning The Capitol Riot.** "US Senator David Perdue like many other elected officials, has released a statement on the recent protests at the nation's capital. He voiced that he knows there are many frustrated Trump supporters, but these feelings should not amount to 'anarchic behavior.'" [Haley Garrett, "[Anarchic behavior': Senator David Perdue releases statement on protests at US capitol](#)," *WXGA News*, 01/06/21]

- **Sen. Perdue Was Also Not Among The Senators Who Voted To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election.** [Karen Yourish, Larry Buchanan, and Denise Lu, "[The 147 Republicans Who Voted to Overturn Election Results](#)," *The New York Times*, 01/07/21]

**Turning Point USA Leader Charlie Kirk Gave \$1,000 To Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL), Who Pushed False Claims About Voter Fraud, Used Violent Imagery As He Described Resistance To The Vote Certification, Spread A Debunked Conspiracy Theory About The Capital Riot, And Ultimately Voted To Reject The Results Of The Presidential Election.**

**Turning Point USA Leader Charlie Kirk Gave \$1,000 To Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL), Who Pushed A Debunked Theory That Anti-Fascists Were Behind The Capitol Riot—Gaetz Had Been Pushing False Voter Fraud Claims For Weeks Before Voting To Reject The Electoral College Vote.**

**Charlie Kirk Gave \$1,000 To Rep. Matt Gaetz's Primary Campaign On July 7, 2018.** [[Friends of Matt Gaetz Schedule A](#), Federal Election Commission, 06/07/18]

**The Day After The Capitol Riot Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL) Pushed A Baseless Conspiracy Theory That Anti-Fascist Activists Were Behind The Insurrection Attempt.** "On the House floor early on Thursday, hours after a violent, pro-Trump mob burst into the Capitol, Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-Fla.) expressed his anger at the perpetrators. But Gaetz wasn't pointing the finger at fellow Trump supporters — instead, he suggested members of antifa had secretly infiltrated the group to cause the chaos. [...] There is no verifiable evidence that these activists, who broadly identify as anti-fascist, formed part of the insurrectionist mob that abruptly halted Congress in the midst of certifying President-elect Joe Biden's electoral victory." [Teo Armus, "[Rep. Matt Gaetz and other GOP politicians baselessly suggest antifa is to blame for pro-Trump mob rioting into Capitol](#)," *The Washington Post*, 01/07/21]

**In The Weeks Leading Up To The Insurrection Attempt, Rep. Gaetz Pushed "False Claims Of Widespread Voter Fraud" And Ultimately Voted Against Certifying Electoral College Votes For President-Elect Biden.** "In the weeks leading up to yesterday's events, a number of representatives signaled that they would object to the certification, pushing false claims of widespread voter fraud in states such as Arizona and hoping to throw out votes from those states. U.S. Rep. Matt Gaetz of Florida tweeted on December 21 that he and others would "OBJECT to electors from states that didn't run clean elections. [...] Rep. Matt Gaetz: Took office in January 2017. Voted to reject both states' electors." [Joshua Ceballos, "[Here Are the 13 Florida Republicans Who Objected to Biden's Vote Certification](#)," *Miami New Times*, 01/07/21]

**Turning Point USA Has Repeatedly Hosted Rep. Gaetz At Its Annual Student Action Summits.**

**Turning Point USA's 2020 Student Action Summit, Held December 19-22, 2020, Featured Vice President Mike Pence, Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY), Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL), Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD), Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), Sen. Mike Lee (R-UT), And Others.** [Turning Point USA, accessed [01/12/21](#)]

**Turning Point USA's 2019 Student Action Summit, Held December 19-22, 2019, Featured Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD), Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY), Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX), Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL), Amb. Richard Grenell, Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), And Others.** [Turning Point USA via Archive.org, 12/22/19, accessed [01/12/21](#)]

**Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL) Featured A Video Of A Speech He Gave At Turning Point USA's Student Summit Weeks Before The Riot Where He Used Violent Imagery—Invoking A Story About How Revolutionary Soldiers “Slaughtered” Enemies—As He Described His Opposition To Certifying “A Stolen Election.”**

Rep. Matt Gaetz's (R-FL) YouTube Channel Features A Video Of A Speech He Gave At Turning Point USA's December 2020 Student Action Summit—The Video's Summary Stated, “On January 6th, I'm Joining With The Fighters In Congress.”



[[“Gaetz to TPUSA: ‘We're OBJECTING to Electors!’”](#) Rep. Matt Gaetz via YouTube, 12/21/20]

Rep. Gaetz Said, “We're Going For It On January 6th” And Said He Wouldn't “Accept The Result Of A Stolen Election Without Fighting With Every Bit Of Vigor We Can Muster.” “Well, the odds may be tough, it may be fourth and long, but we're going for it on January 6th. [Applause] Now the media -- our friends in the media -- our friends in the media will breathlessly exclaim that we are attacking democracy. That's nonsense. Democracy is left undefended if we accept the result of a stolen election without fighting with every bit of vigor we can muster. We deserve leaders bold enough to take action.” [[“Gaetz to TPUSA: ‘We're OBJECTING to Electors!’”](#) Rep. Matt Gaetz via YouTube, 12/21/20 (05:10)]

Rep. Gaetz Invoked A Story About How Revolutionary Soldiers “Slaughtered” Enemies, Argued “We Better Fight Like Hell,” And Concluded “Let's Go Get Them.” “General George Washington wrote to the Constitutional Congress in the darkest coldest days of Valley Forge. He said we're out of food, so now we must think. And then Washington got together his ragtag band of patriots, they crossed that icy Delaware River and they slaughtered the German Hessians who have no country. You see, America, she may need us now more than ever and we better fight like hell for her with all we have. For there is no place to run. [Audio cuts out] There is no place to run. There is no distant land to convert to our purposes should we fail. Our day will come to fight and cross the river like Washington had to. I hope you're ready, and I hope you'll cross that river with me. God bless you. God bless our country. God bless the United States of America. Let's go get them.” [[“Gaetz to TPUSA: ‘We're OBJECTING to Electors!’”](#) Rep. Matt Gaetz via YouTube, 12/21/20 (14:42)]

Rep. Gaetz Said, “I'm Not Going Back To Losing Politely.” “I'm not going back to losing politely with Mitt Romney.” [[“Gaetz to TPUSA: ‘We're OBJECTING to Electors!’”](#) Rep. Matt Gaetz via YouTube, 12/21/20 (07:19)]

**Turning Point USA's Co-Founder And “Mentor” To Charlie Kirk Gave Nearly \$5,900 To Trump And GOP Campaigns—And Other Turning Point USA Employees Have Given Nearly \$1,400 To Republican Campaigns.**

**The Late William Montgomery, Co-Founder Of Turning Point USA And Charlie Kirk's “Mentor,” Gave Nearly \$5,900 To Trump And Republican Political Campaigns.**

Turning Point USA Was Co-Founded By The Late William Montgomery, Who Was Charlie Kirk's “Mentor.” “But behind the scenes, Turning Point USA has entered into questionable financial arrangements, particularly involving Kirk's mentor, William Montgomery, the lesser-known co-founder who is credited with



discovering Kirk. Montgomery, 80, an Illinois entrepreneur and onetime Tea Party activist, is one of three Turning Point insiders who have won lucrative deals from the group to handle its printing, payroll processing and fundraising.” [Mike Spies and Jake Pearson, “[At This Trump-Favored Charity, Financial Reporting Is Questionable and Insiders Are Cashing In](#),” *ProPublica*, 07/21/20]

- **William “Bill” Montgomery Died In July 2020 Of COVID-19 Complications.** “The co-founder of conservative student group Turning Point USA, Bill Montgomery, has died from complications of the coronavirus, according to two friends of his. Montgomery, who started it in 2012 with young conservative star Charlie Kirk, died at the age of 80 on Tuesday from Covid-19” [Daniel Lippman and Tina Nguyen, “[Turning Point USA co-founder dies of coronavirus-related complications](#),” *Politico*, 07/29/20]

Date	Recipient	Contributor Name	Contributor Employer	Amount
10/27/19	Trump Victory	Montgomery, William	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2,800.00</a>
10/27/19	Donald J. Trump For President, Inc.	Montgomery, William	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2,800.00</a>
1/13/20	Donald J. Trump For President, Inc.	Montgomery, William	A Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$37.50</a>
1/13/20	Winred	Montgomery, William	A- Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$50.00</a>
10/11/19	Winred	Montgomery, William	A- Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$150.00</a>
2/1/20	Winred	Montgomery, William	A- Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
2/1/20	Winred	Montgomery, William	A- Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$35.00</a>
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$5,877.50</b>

#### **William Montgomery Used The Same Address For “Turning Point USA” And “A- Turning Point USA” Contributions:**

- **William Montgomery, Employed By “Turning Point USA,” Specified 1244 State St., Lemont, Illinois 60439 In A March 27, 2019 Contribution.** [[Donald J. Trump for President Schedule A-P](#), Federal Election Commission, 10/27/19]
- **William Montgomery, Employed By “A- Turning Point USA,” Specified 1244 State St., Suite 290, Lemont, Illinois 60439 In A January 13, 2020 Contribution.** [[WinRed Schedule A](#), Federal Election Commission, 01/13/20]

#### **Other Turning Point USA Employees Have Given Nearly \$1,400 To Republican Political Campaigns.**

#### **Other Turning Point USA Employees Have Given A Total Of \$1,388.40 To Republican Campaigns:**

Date	Recipient	Contributor Name	Contributor Employer	Amount
6/6/19	Tennessee Republican Party Federal Election Account	Thifault, Joshua	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$500.00</a>
11/2/20	Mccaul For Congress, Inc	Pruett, Collin	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$225.00</a>
11/2/20	Winred	Pruett, Collin	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$225.00</a>
12/29/19	Winred	Gambini, Cameron	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$50.00</a>
3/4/20	Winred	Pruett, Collin	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$25.00</a>
1/28/20	Arizona Republican Party	Meeker, Troy	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$20.20</a>
1/28/20	Winred	Meeker, Troy	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$20.20</a>
11/11/20	Winred	Howse, Chris	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$20.00</a>
11/4/20	Winred	Howse, Chris	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$20.00</a>
11/4/20	Winred	Howse, Chris	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$20.00</a>
11/18/20	Winred	Howse, Chris	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$20.00</a>

6/10/20	Winred	Huber, Gage	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$15.00</a>
10/31/20	Winred	Makin, Hunter	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$14.25</a>
5/8/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
6/8/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
4/2/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
6/6/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
6/2/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
6/15/20	Winred	O'krepi, Sara	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
5/2/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
6/14/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
4/8/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
6/28/20	Winred	O'krepi, Sara	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
9/8/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
9/2/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
7/8/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
8/2/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
8/25/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
8/8/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
8/25/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
7/2/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
8/25/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
10/8/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
10/2/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
10/3/19	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
11/5/20	Winred	Patterson, Olivia	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
10/15/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
2/7/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
11/1/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
10/15/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
10/27/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
3/1/20	Winred	Carrilho, Isabella	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
3/7/20	Winred	Mccausland, Emma	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
3/31/20	Winred	Gambini, Cameron	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
3/31/20	Winred	Gambini, Cameron	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$5.00</a>
10/20/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$4.75</a>
10/27/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$4.75</a>
11/3/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$4.75</a>
10/22/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$4.75</a>
10/29/20	Winred	Cassell, Brendan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$4.75</a>
11/4/20	Winred	Howse, Chris	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$3.00</a>
5/30/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2.50</a>
5/30/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2.50</a>
5/30/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2.50</a>
6/14/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2.50</a>
6/14/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2.50</a>
5/30/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2.50</a>
8/25/20	Winred	Dawson, Kyle	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$2.00</a>
1/3/20	Winred	Molnar, Joseph	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$1.00</a>

8/24/20	Winred	Phares, Kevin	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$1.00</a>
11/6/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$1.00</a>
10/15/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$1.00</a>
10/31/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.95</a>
11/17/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.95</a>
10/24/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.95</a>
10/17/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.95</a>
10/31/20	Winred	Makin, Hunter	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.75</a>
11/3/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.25</a>
10/27/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.25</a>
10/20/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.25</a>
10/29/20	Winred	Cassell, Brendan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.25</a>
10/22/20	Winred	Escude, Reagan	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.25</a>
10/17/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.05</a>
11/17/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.05</a>
10/24/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.05</a>
10/31/20	Winred	Montone, Noah	Turning Point Usa	<a href="#">\$0.05</a>
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$1,388.40</b>

[[Search for Turning Point USA Employee Contributions](#), Federal Election Commission, accessed 01/15/21]

**Turning Point Action Hosted Trump At A June 2020 Event Where The President Claimed Democrats Were Trying To “Rig The Election,” Which He Said Would Be “The Most Corrupt Election In The History Of Our Country”—Trump Also Praised Charlie Kirk As A “Good Friend.”**

**June 2020: Trump Spoke At A Turning Point Action Event, Where He Directly Praised Turning Point USA Founder Charlie Kirk, Claimed “Democrats Are Also Trying To Rig The Election,” And Said It Would Be “The Most Corrupt Election In The History Of Our Country.”**

**June 23, 2020: Donald Trump Made Remarks At A Turning Point Action Event.** [[“Remarks by President Trump at a Turning Point Action Address to Young Americans,”](#) The White House, 06/23/20]

**Trump Praised Turning Point USA Founder Charlie Kirk, Who He Claimed Is “Mobilizing A New Generation Of Pro-American Student Activists.”** “Let us also show our appreciation to my good friend, Charlie. I’ll tell you, Charlie is some piece of work — (applause) — who is mobilizing a new generation of pro-American student activists.” [[“Remarks by President Trump at a Turning Point Action Address to Young Americans,”](#) The White House, 06/23/20]

**At The Event, Trump Said “The Democrats Are Also Trying To Rig The Election By Sending Out Tens Of Millions Of Mail-In Ballots,” And The Receptive Audience Boomed.** “But they want to abolish borders and abolish every police department in the country. The Democrats are also trying to rig the election by sending out tens of millions of mail-in ballots, using the China virus —AUDIENCE: Booo —” . [[“Remarks by President Trump at a Turning Point Action Address to Young Americans,”](#) The White House, 06/23/20]

**Trump Said The 2020 Presidential Election Would Be “The Most Corrupt Election In The History Of Our Country,” And The Audience Applauded.** “With mail-in ballots, you introduce something in the middle of an election year, and you have something where it’s very complex — you have no time to fix this very complex

process. It's very complex. This will be, in my opinion, the most corrupt election in the history of our country. And we cannot let this happen. They want it to happen so badly. (Applause.) We believe in the sacred principle of one person, one vote. And that's why we are fighting for the integrity of our elections. (Applause.) " [["Remarks by President Trump at a Turning Point Action Address to Young Americans,"](#) The White House, 06/23/20]

**Trump Said "There Is Tremendous Evidence Of Fraud Whenever You Have Mail-In Ballots," And The Audience Applauded.** "And there is tremendous evidence of fraud whenever you have mail-in ballots. And, frankly, if we are really going to protect our elections — and some people don't want to hear this: We must have voter ID. (Applause.)" [["Remarks by President Trump at a Turning Point Action Address to Young Americans,"](#) The White House, 06/23/20]

**Charlie Kirk Has Repeatedly Enjoyed High-Level Access To Trump, Sitting With The President, Donald Trump Jr., And An RNC Co-Chair At Former Fox News Host Kimberly Guilfoyle's Mar-A-Lago Birthday Party In 2019 And "Walked The Red Carpet" At Trump's New Year's Eve Party Later That Year.**

**Turning Point USA And Trump Have Regularly Promoted One Another, With Trump Often Retweeting Charlie Kirk's "Incendiary" Thoughts And With The Group Amplifying White House Messaging.**

Turning Point USA Has Been Known For Amplifying White House Messaging And Trump Has Often Retweeted The Group, Promoting Charlie Kirk's "Incendiary Statements To More Than 82 Million Followers." "Turning Point amplifies White House messaging by regularly tweeting memes and one-liners supportive of Trump administration policies or politics to hundreds of thousands of Twitter followers, and it retweets similar messages sent by Kirk, who is followed by nearly 2 million people. Meanwhile, Kirk's and the group's tweets are often retweeted by the president, promoting the young leader's incendiary statements to more than 82 million followers, including his description of COVID-19 as the 'China virus.'" [Mike Spies and Jake Pearson, "[At This Trump-Favored Charity, Financial Reporting Is Questionable and Insiders Are Cashing In,"](#) ProPublica, 07/21/20]

**March 2019: Charlie Kirk Shared A Table With Donald Trump, Donald Trump Jr., Republican National Committee Co-Chair Tommy Hicks, And Then-Deputy-Chief Of Staff For Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY) At Former Fox News Host Kimberly Guilfoyle's Birthday Party.**

March 2019: Charlie Kirk Shared A Table At Trump's Private Mar-A-Lago Club With Donald Trump, Donald Trump Jr., Sergio Gor, And Tommy Hicks.





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 Pictured left-to-right: Don Jr., Kimberly Guilfoyle, Sergio Gor, Tommy Hicks, President Trump and Charlie Kirk

[[“Fabulous at 50: Kimberly Guilfoyle rings in her birthday soaking up the sun in Mar-a-Lago before dining in style with President Trump and Don Jr.”](#), *Daily Mail*, 03/09/19]

**Former Fox News Host Kimberly Guilfoyle Was Dating Donald Trump Jr. At The Time.** “Kimberly Guilfoyle turned 50 on Saturday and she celebrated the landmark in some style - a birthday dinner with the President in Mar-a-Lago. The former Fox News host was all smiles as she posed for a photo around the dinner table at the exclusive Palm Beach club, next to beau Donald Jr., and across from his father, the 45th president of the United States.” [[“Fabulous at 50: Kimberly Guilfoyle rings in her birthday soaking up the sun in Mar-a-Lago before dining in style with President Trump and Don Jr.”](#), *Daily Mail*, 03/09/19]

**Sergio Gor Was Sen. Rand Paul’s (R-KY) Deputy Chief Of Staff At The Time—Gor Eventually Went On To Serve On The Trump Campaign’s Finance Committee.** “A great group of patriots and our incredible President @realDonaldTrump,’ Kimberely [sic] said of the dinner table contingent, which included Senator Rand Paul’s deputy chief of staff Sergio Gor and Co-Chair Tommy Hicks.” [[“Fabulous at 50: Kimberly Guilfoyle rings in her birthday soaking up the sun in Mar-a-Lago before dining in style with President Trump and Don Jr.”](#), *Daily Mail*, 03/09/19]

- **June 2020: Sergio Gor Left Rand Paul’s Office To Serve On The Finance Committee For Donald Trump’s Campaign.** “One of Sen. Rand Paul’s longest serving aides is joining President Donald Trump’s 2020 reelection campaign. Sergio Gor, who served as deputy chief of staff to Paul, R-Ky., announced this week he will now serve in the finance committee for the president’s campaign in addition to the national Republican Party.” [Phillip M. Bailey, [“Rand Paul’s longtime aide leaves to join Trump campaign’s finance arm,”](#) *Courier Journal*, 06/11/20]

**The Night Before, Trump Hosted A Joint Fundraising Roundtable And A Reception For The Trump Victory Committee.** “However the weekend away wasn’t entirely dedicated to Kimberly’s birthday celebrations however; Trump hosted two evening events on Friday night, a joint fundraising committee roundtable and a reception for Trump Victory, a Republican National Committee operation working in tandem with his 2020

reelection campaign.” [[“Fabulous at 50: Kimberly Guilfoyle rings in her birthday soaking up the sun in Mar-a-Lago before dining in style with President Trump and Don Jr.”](#), *Daily Mail*, 03/09/19]

## **December 2019: Turning Point USA Founder Charlie Kirk Appeared With Donald Trump And “Walked The Red Carpet” At A New Year’s Eve Party At Trump’s Mar-A-Lago Club.**



[[Instagram Post by Charlie Kirk](#), 12/31/19, accessed 01/15/21]

**Charlie Kirk “Walked The Red Carpet” At The New Year’s Eve Event At Trump’s Private Mar-A-Lago Resort.** “The group’s founder, Charlie Kirk, walked the red carpet at Mar-a-Lago on New Year’s Eve and the president and first lady Melania Trump posed with Kirk for a photo inside the ballroom. Kirk posted the photo on Instagram, where he has more than 621,000 followers.” [Christine Stapleton, [“Trump in Palm Beach: President hosts NYE party; holiday stay features 2020 campaign themes,”](#) *Palm Beach Daily News*, 01/01/20]

## **Just Three Weeks Before The Capitol Riot, Turning Point USA Hosted Rep. Madison Cawthorn (R-NC) At An Event Where He Told Attendees To “Lightly Threaten” Lawmakers Over Voter Fraud Claims.**

## **Three Weeks Before The Insurrection, Rep. Madison Cawthorn (R-NC) Told Attendees Of A Turning Point USA Event To “Lightly Threaten” Lawmakers Over Voter Fraud Claims And, On The Day Of The Riot, Condemned Republicans Who Were “Hiding And Not Fighting.”**

**About Three Weeks Before The Insurrection, Rep. Madison Cawthorn (R-NC) Told Attendees At A Turning Point USA Event To “Lightly Threaten” Lawmakers Who Didn’t Pursue Claims Of Voter Fraud.** “Republican Rep. Madison Cawthorn told a crowd at a Turning Point USA event last month to ‘lightly threaten’ lawmakers if they didn’t support claims of voter fraud made against the legitimacy of the 2020 presidential election. The lawmaker from North Carolina made the comments on December 21, a little over three weeks before rioters who supported President Donald Trump stormed the US Capitol as lawmakers debated the Electoral College vote and President-elect Joe Biden’s 2020 election win.” [Kelly McLaughlin, [“Republican Rep.](#)

[Madison Cawthorn told a Turning Point USA crowd last month to 'lightly threaten' lawmakers if they didn't support claims of voter fraud," Yahoo! News, 01/12/21\]](#)

**At A “Stop The Steal” Rally On The Day Of The Insurrection, Cawthorn Told The Crowd It Had “Some Fight In It” And Condemned Republicans Who Were “Hiding And Not Fighting.”** “Weeks later during the ‘Stop the Steal’ rally in Washington DC that descended into the riot at the Capitol in which five people died, Cawthorn spoke about an hour before Trump and told the crowd it has ‘some fight in it.’ ‘The Democrats, with all the fraud they have done in this election, the Republicans, hiding and not fighting, they are trying to silence your voice. Make no mistake about it, they do not want you to be heard,’ he said. ‘But my friends, when I look out into this crowd, I can confidently say, this crowd has the voice of lions. There is a new Republican Party on the rise that will represent this country, that will go and fight in Washington, DC.’” [Kelly McLaughlin, [“Republican Rep. Madison Cawthorn told a Turning Point USA crowd last month to 'lightly threaten' lawmakers if they didn't support claims of voter fraud," Yahoo! News, 01/12/21\]](#)

**At A Turning Point USA Event, Rep. Lauren Boebert (R-CO) Said, The Second Amendment “Has Nothing To Do With Hunting, Unless You’re Talking About Hunting Tyrants, Maybe”—Lawmakers Suggested Boebert Was Among Those Giving “Reconnaissance” Tours Of The Capitol Ahead Of The Riot.**

**At A Turning Point USA Event Shortly Before The Capitol Riot, Rep. Lauren Boebert (R-CO) Said The Second Amendment “Has Nothing To Do With Hunting, Unless You’re Talking About Hunting Tyrants, Maybe.”**

December 2020: Then Representative-Elect Lauren Boebert (R-CO) Said The Second Amendment “Has Nothing To Do With Hunting, Unless You’re Talking About Hunting Tyrants, Maybe” At Turning Point USA’s 2020 Student Action Summit. “Congresswoman-elect Lauren Boebert says with a giggle that the Second Amendment ‘has nothing to do with hunting, unless you’re talking about hunting tyrants, maybe.’ Boebert expressed this opinion in an interview with Breitbart News at Turning Point USA’s Student Action Summit held in Florida last week.” [Erik Maulbetsch, [“Boebert: “Second Amendment Isn’t About Hunting, Except Hunting Tyrants, Maybe” Colorado Times Recorder, 12/31/20\]](#)

**Rep. Boebert Tweeted A Similar Sentiment Just A Few Weeks Prior, Claiming “The Second Amendment Has Nothing To Do With Hunting.”**

Boebert Previously Tweeted, “The Second Amendment Has Nothing To Do With Hunting”:



**Lauren Boebert**  @laurenboebert · Dec 17, 2020

The Second Amendment has nothing to do with hunting.

 1.2K

 5.2K

 39.3K



[\[Tweet by Lauren Boebert, 12/17/20, accessed 01/21/20\]](#)

**Two Lawmakers Saw Rep. Boebert With A “Large” Group In The Capitol Days Before The Insurrection, As Several Members Of Congress Claimed Republican Officials Were Giving “Reconnaissance” Tours Of The Complex.**

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**With A “Large” Group In The Complex Days Before The Riot.** “Amid a push to investigate whether any GOP lawmakers aided rioters at the Capitol, several Democrats last week accused an unnamed House Republican of leading groups on ‘reconnaissance’ tours of the building before the Jan. 6 attack. Now, two Democratic lawmakers say they personally saw one Republican — Rep. Lauren Boebert of Colorado — with a ‘large’ group in a tunnel connected to the Capitol days before the attempted insurrection that left four rioters and one police officer dead.” [Andrea Salcedo, [“GOP Rep. Lauren Boebert gave Capitol tour to ‘large’ group before the riots, Democratic lawmaker says,”](#) *The Washington Post*, 01/19/21]

### **Boebert Previously Used Similar Language As Armed Militia Members Stormed Michigan’s Capitol, Tweeting The State’s Governor “Should Not Be In Power. She’s Become An Outright Tyrant.”**

Previously, When Militia Members Armed With Assault Rifles Stormed Michigan’s Capitol, Boebert Said The State’s Governor “Should Not Be In Power. She’s Become An Outright Tyrant.” “Tyrants aren’t an abstract concept for Boebert; she has used the term to describe both Colorado Governor Jared Polis and Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer. When militia members entered the Michigan state capitol in May armed with assault rifles, Boebert tweeted ‘Whitmer should not be in power. She’s become an outright tyrant.’” [Erik Maulbetsch, [“Boebert: ‘Second Amendment Isn’t About Hunting, Except Hunting Tyrants, Maybe’”](#) *Colorado Times Recorder*, 12/31/20]

### **Turning Point USA Held Its 2020 Winter Gala At Trump’s Mar-A-Lago Club And Hosted Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY), WH Press Secretary Kayleigh McEnany, And Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD)—Who All Kept Pushing False Claims Of Voter Fraud Well After The 2020 Presidential Election.**

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- **Photos Of The Event Showed A “Maskless” Crowd, In Violation Of County Coronavirus Protocols.** “Photos posted on social media showed Friday’s maskless gala crowd mingling in apparent violation of Palm Beach County’s coronavirus protocols, which require that face coverings be worn inside ‘all businesses and establishments.’ There is an exception for people who are eating and drinking, but the county says that — in those cases — masks should be taken off only for ‘the shortest practical period of time.’” [Paulina Villegas and David A. Farenthold, [“Young conservatives mingled maskless at Mar-a-Lago and partied with a money cannon,”](#) *Washington Post*, 12/21/20]

### **Gov. Noem, Sen. Paul, And Press Secretary Kayleigh McEnaney Continued To Push False Claims Of Voter Fraud Well After The Presidential Election—Following The Capitol Riot, Noem’s Office Even Pushed Back Against Deleting Comments On Her Parler Page That Called For Hanging Government Officials And Supported A “Much-Needed Civil War.”**



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**Although Gov. Noem Condemned The Capitol Riot On Conservative Social Media Site Parler, Hundreds Of Users Left Comments, With Many Applauding The Violence, Writing “‘Hang All Government Officials,’” And Supporting A “‘A Much-Needed Civil War.’”** “One of her recent Parler posts condemned the violence at the Capitol. ‘We are all entitled to peacefully protest,’ she wrote. ‘Violence is not part of that. What’s happening in the Capitol right now must stop.’ Hundreds of Parler users added comments to the post. Many applauded the violence. One commenter wrote, ‘Burn it all down, hang all government officials and congressmen.’ Another one said, ‘This is a natural progression to a much-needed civil war.’ There were many similar comments.” [Seth Tupper, “[Commenters Fill Noem's Parler Page With Support For Capitol Violence](#),” *SDPB Radio*, 01/07/21]

- **Gov. Noem’s Spokesperson Said There Were No Immediate Plans To Delete The Comments And, After Speaking With The Governor, Said They Would Only Remove Comments Reported For Illegal Behavior.** “Noem’s spokesman, Ian Fury, said he and the governor share control of the Parler account. Fury said the governor does not support the offensive comments. SDPB asked Fury if he plans to delete the comments. ‘I don’t actually know, is that an option on Parler?’ he said. In fact, it is possible to delete comments on Parler. Fury promised to speak with Gov. Noem about it. Later, he responded with an email. It contained this question: ‘Is the implication that taxpayer dollars should be spent paying a government staffer to police drivel posted by idiots on the internet?’ He then wrote that Parler’s community guidelines say it will remove ‘reported’ member content that constitutes illegal activity. SDPB replied with an email asking if the Noem administration will report the offensive comments. Fury did not immediately respond.” [Seth Tupper, “[Commenters Fill Noem's Parler Page With Support For Capitol Violence](#),” *SDPB Radio*, 01/07/21]

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- **Fox News HEADLINE: “Sen. Paul decries Capitol riot as 'chaos and anarchy that needs to be stopped'.”** [Fox News, [1/07/21](#)]

**Following The November 2020 Election, Kayleigh McEnany Continued To Defend The Trump White House’s “Baseless Claims Of Massive Voter Fraud” On Sean Hannity’s Fox News Show In Early December 2020.** “An increasing number of Republicans and now even President Trump’s own Justice Department have undermined the White House’s baseless claims of massive voter fraud. So Kayleigh McEnany appeared on Sean Hannity’s Fox News show Tuesday night with a defiant message: This evidence is real, it’s from real people, and we’re not backing down. Except the appearance only reinforced the true lack of evidence that the Trump team has produced.” [Aaron Blake, “[Kayleigh McEnany and the Trump team are running out of voter fraud tricks](#),” *The Washington Post*, 12/02/20]

**Turning Point USA’s Annual Student Summits Have Routinely Hosted A Wide Variety Of High Profile Conservative Figures From The Trump Administration And Congress Who Continued To Fan The Flames Of Election Fraud Following The 2020 Presidential Election—Most Of Whom Tried To Distance Themselves From The Capitol Riot, Despite Their Previous Rhetoric.**

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Turning Point USA’s 2019 Student Action Summit, Held December 19-22, 2019, Featured Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD), Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY), Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX), Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL), Amb. Richard Grenell, Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), And Others. [Turning Point USA via Archive.org, 12/22/19, accessed [01/12/21](#)]

Turning Point USA’s 2018 Student Action Summit, Held December 19-22, 2018 Featured Then-Gov.-Elect Ron DeSantis (R-FL), In Addition To Donald Trump Jr., Fox News Host Laura Ingraham, And Others. [Turning Point USA via Archive.org, 12/20/18, accessed [01/12/21](#)]

Turning Point USA’s 2017 Student Action Summit, Held December 19-22, 2017, Featured Then Gov. Scott Walker (R-WI), Then-Rep. Ron DeSantis (R-FL), In Addition To Donald Trump Jr., Fox News Host Brian Kilmeade, And Others. [PR Newswire, [12/12/17](#)]

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more conspiratorial allegations about election malfeasance, and declined to answer questions about his views on specific Trump statements. [...] The disconnect is also evident on Pence's Twitter feed. While the president has fervently tweeted about the supposed conspiracy against him, Pence's tweets on the matter have been far fewer and more muted." [Asawin Suebsaeng et al., "[Mike Pence Backs Away From the Trump Election 'Fraud' Train Wreck](#)," *The Daily Beast*, 12/03/20]

**Between November 15 And December 3, 2020, Pence Tweeted Three Times About Voting Irregularities.** "Since Nov. 15, Pence has tweeted just three times about supposed election irregularities. Two of those tweets were links to news stories, shared without comment, about recount and vote audit efforts in Georgia, and one simply retweeted a reporter's quotation of Pence's comments at that Nov. 20 rally, where Pence declared that Trump would 'keep fighting until every legal vote is counted' and 'every illegal vote is thrown out.'" [Asawin Suebsaeng et al., "[Mike Pence Backs Away From the Trump Election 'Fraud' Train Wreck](#)," *The Daily Beast*, 12/03/20]

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**Critics Of Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX) In Both Parties Condemned His “Drive To Question The Election Results” And “Fan The Flames Of Anger Among Trump Supporters” After He Tried To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot.** "But on Wednesday, what Cruz might have thought was a savvy political play took an alarming turn: Supporters of President Donald Trump stormed and ransacked the U.S. Capitol while lawmakers were considering Cruz's objection. Three people suffered medical emergencies during the siege and died; their deaths were in addition to another woman who was shot by a Capitol police officer. Cruz denounced the violence but incurred a fierce backlash from critics in both parties, who said his drive to question the election results — and appease the president and his supporters ahead of a possible 2024 run — helped fan the flames of anger among Trump supporters." [Alex Samuels and Patrick Svitek, "[After riot at the U.S. Capitol, Ted Cruz gets fierce blowback for his role in sowing doubts about Joe Biden's victory](#)," *The Texas Tribune*, 01/07/21]

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**In The Weeks Leading Up To The Insurrection Attempt, Rep. Gaetz Pushed "False Claims Of Widespread Voter Fraud" And Ultimately Voted Against Certifying Electoral College Votes For President-Elect Biden.** "In the weeks leading up to yesterday's events, a number of representatives signaled that they would object to the certification, pushing false claims of widespread voter fraud in states such as Arizona and hoping to throw out votes from those states. U.S. Rep. Matt Gaetz of Florida tweeted on December 21 that he and others would "OBJECT to electors from states that didn't run clean elections. [...] Rep. Matt Gaetz: Took office in January 2017. Voted to reject both states' electors." [Joshua Ceballos, "[Here Are the 13 Florida Republicans Who Objected to Biden's Vote Certification](#)," *Miami New Times*, 01/07/21]

### **Rep. Dan Crenshaw Accused Trump Attorney General Bill Barr Of "Shocking Lack Of Inaction" After The Justice Department Found No Evidence Of Widespread Voter Fraud—Crenshaw Later Tried To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot By Criticizing Colleagues Who Gave Trump Supporters False Hope That The Election Could Be Overturned.**

**Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX) Joined A Letter Accusing Trump Attorney General Bill Barr Of A "Shocking Lack Of Action" After He Said The Justice Department Found No Evidence Of Widespread Voter Fraud In The 2020 Presidential Election.** "On the same day that U.S. Attorney General William Barr said the Justice Department had found no evidence of widespread fraud in the 2020 election, nine Texas Republicans in Congress signed a letter chastising Barr for a "shocking lack of action" in response to unproven allegations that fraud occurred. [...] They released the letter hours after Barr publicly stated there were no indications the



election would be overturned, saying that the Justice Department has followed up on specific complaints.” [Abby Livingston, [“After AG Bill Barr says no evidence of widespread fraud in 2020 election, 9 Texas Republicans decry “shocking lack of action” on allegations,”](#) *The Texas Tribune*, 12/01/20]

- **Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX) Was Among The Signatories Of The Letter.** “U.S. Rep. Michael Cloud, a Victoria Republican, was the top signature on the letter, which he posted to Twitter late Tuesday afternoon. Eight other Texans were among the dozens of Republicans who signed on: U.S. Reps. Jodey Arrington of Lubbock, Brian Babin of Woodville, Mike Conaway of Midland, Dan Crenshaw of Houston, Bill Flores of Bryan, Louie Gohmert of Tyler, Lance Gooden of Terrell and Randy Weber of Friendswood.” [Abby Livingston, [“After AG Bill Barr says no evidence of widespread fraud in 2020 election, 9 Texas Republicans decry “shocking lack of action” on allegations,”](#) *The Texas Tribune*, 12/01/20]

**Crenshaw Later Distanced Himself From The Capitol Riot, Criticizing Other Republicans For “Planting The Seeds” Of The Violence And Gave Trump Supporters “False Hope” The Election Could Be Overturned.** “U.S. Rep. Dan Crenshaw is angry with his Republican colleagues in Congress who he said played a much bigger role in planting the seeds for yesterday’s riots on Capitol Hill than many realize. While the Houston Republican said he doesn’t like how some states conducted their elections, Congress never had the authority to overturn the elections in those states. He said the problem is some members of Congress gave Trump supporters false hope that on Jan. 6 they could change the results if they just fought harder.” [Jeremy Wallace, [“Rep. Dan Crenshaw slams peers who helped instigate riot on Capitol Hill,”](#) *The Houston Chronicle*, 01/07/21]

**Turning Point USA Has Also Provided Other Platforms To Other Prominent Conservative Figures From The Administration And Congress Who Have Tried To Distance Themselves From The Effort To Overturn The Election, The Capitol Riot, And From Trump Himself.**

**Turning Point USA’s Leader Charlie Kirk Hosted Sen. Tom Cotton (R-AR) On His Podcast In February 2020—Cotton Has Tried To Distance Himself From The Effort To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election.**

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**Turning Point Action, An Arm Of Turning Point USA Led By TPUSA’s Founder, Was Listed As An Organizer Of January 6th’s Washington DC Rally.** “Charlie Kirk, a firebrand conservative activist and staunch supporter of President Donald Trump, is preparing to unveil a nonprofit that will allow his organization to campaign against Democrats during the 2020 election season. CNBC discovered Kirk’s new organization, called Turning Point Action, after reviewing an embedded donor link that shows [the soon-to-be-finalized group targeting Rep. Ilhan Omar, D-Minn.](#)” [CNBC, [5/20/19](#)] [Documented, [1/11/21](#)]

**Tom Cotton Appeared On The Charlie Kirk Show Podcast On February 27, 2020.** [PodCastOne, [2/27/20](#)]

**Tom Cotton Publicly Attempted To Distance Himself From The Group Of Senators Who Sought To Vote Against Certifying The Electoral College Results, Releasing A Statement Opposing It.** “Arkansas senator Tom Cotton and Utah senator Mike Lee, two of the staunchest conservatives in the GOP Senate caucus, are rejecting proposals for Congress to reject the certification Electoral College votes on January 6. Cotton said in a [written statement](#) published Sunday night: ‘[T]he Founders entrusted our elections chiefly to the states—not Congress. They entrusted the election of our president to the people, acting through the Electoral College—not Congress. And they entrusted the adjudication of election disputes to the courts—not Congress. Under the Constitution and federal law, Congress’s power is limited to counting electoral votes submitted by the states.’” [National Review, [1/04/21](#)]

**Turning Point USA Advertises Its Connections To Rep. Liz Cheney (R-WY) On Its Website—Cheney Has Attempted To Distance Herself From The Election Dispute And Said She Would Support Trump’s Impeachment After The Capitol Hill Riots.**

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**Liz Cheney Has Said She Will Vote To Impeach Trump Over The Capitol Hill Riots.** “House Republican Conference Chair [Liz Cheney](#) (Wyo.), the No. 3 Republican in the House, announced Tuesday that she plans to vote to impeach [President Trump](#) for inciting a violent mob at the Capitol last week.” [The Hill, [1/12/21](#)]

**Liz Cheney Broke With The House GOP’s Decision And Instead Voted To Certify The 2020 Election.** “Cheney also broke with McCarthy and House Minority Whip [Steve Scalise](#) (R-La.) during the vote challenging the election results last Wednesday and the early hours of Thursday morning, opting not to object to the certification of key swing states.” [The Hill, [1/12/21](#)]

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**Following The Capitol Riot, Former Ambassador Nikki Haley Said She Opposed Trump's Post Election Actions, Said They Will Be "Judged Harshly By History."** "Former UN ambassador Nikki Haley distanced herself from her onetime boss, President Donald Trump, in a closed-door speech on Thursday night, telling members of the Republican National Committee that the President's actions after the election 'will be judged harshly by history.'" [CNN, [1/08/21](#)]

*Rep. Steil Voted Against The House GOP's Decision To Object To The Election Results*

**Rep. Steil Voted Against Objecting To The Election Results.** "Wisconsin Republicans split on objecting to certifying Electoral College votes. Reps. Tom Tiffany and Scott Fitzgerald objected to counting Arizona's votes, while U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson and Reps. Bryan Steil, Glenn Grothman and Mike Gallagher voted against objecting." [Associated Press, [1/07/21](#)]

## The Rule Of Law Defense Fund—Which Sent Robocalls Promoting The Capitol Riot Rally—Has Hosted Several Trump Allies Who Tried To Delegitimize The 2020 Election

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## **Leaders Of The Rule Of Law Defense Fund (RLDF) And Its Parent Organization The Republican Attorneys General Association (RAGA) Have Tried To Deflect Blame For Robocalls Promoting The Rally That Led To The Capitol Riot—RAGA’s Executive Director Ultimately Resigned Amid Backlash Over The Calls.**

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**The Rule Of Law Defense Fund (RLDF), A “Fundraising Arm Of The Republican Attorneys General Association [RAGA],” Sent Robocalls Urging People To March On The Capitol The Day Before The Riots Occurred.** “An arm of the Republican Attorneys General Association, a national group representing the top law enforcement officers in their states, sent out robocalls encouraging people to march to the U.S. Capitol the day before the building was stormed by a pro-Trump mob. [...] The calls, which did not advocate violence or suggest the building should be breached, was sent out by the Rule of Law Defense Fund, a fundraising arm of the Republican Attorneys General Association. The groups share funding, staff and office space in Washington, D.C.” [Laura Strickler and Lisa Cavazuti, “[Republican AGs group sent robocalls urging march to the Capitol](#),” *NBC News*, 01/08/21]

**RLDF Was Also Listed Among The Rally’s Participating Organizations.** “A website set up to promote the rally that preceded the Capitol incursion lists the Rule of Law Defense Fund as one of the participating organizations. The site has since been taken down.” [Laura Strickler and Lisa Cavazuti, “[Republican AGs group sent robocalls urging march to the Capitol](#),” *NBC News*, 01/08/21]

### **The Leaders Of RLDF And RAGA—Both Currently-Sitting Republican Attorneys General—Tried To Deflect Blame For The Robocalls.**

**Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall, Who Runs RLDF, Claimed The Robocalls Were Sent Without His Knowledge.** “In a statement to NBC News, Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall, who runs the fund, said the calls were sent out without his knowledge. ‘I was unaware of unauthorized decisions made by RLDF staff with regard to this week’s rally,’ said Marshall, who assumed his role Nov. 10. ‘Despite currently transitioning into my role as the newly elected chairman of RLDF, it is unacceptable that I was neither consulted about nor informed of those decisions. I have directed an internal review of this matter.’” [Laura Strickler and Lisa Cavazuti, “[Republican AGs group sent robocalls urging march to the Capitol](#),” *NBC News*, 01/08/21]

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**A Spokesperson For RAGA Chair And Georgia Attorney General Chris Carr Claimed He Had “No Knowledge Or Involvement In This Decision.”** “A spokesperson for Georgia Attorney General Chris Carr, the chairman of the Republican Attorneys General Association, said he ‘had no knowledge or involvement in this decision.’ ‘Attorney General Carr has been working diligently to determine how this situation occurred and ensure that it does not happen again,’ said spokesperson Katie Byrd. ‘The stance of the protestors was not consistent with Attorney General Carr’s position on election fraud. And, as he has been saying since moments after seeing news break, the violence and destruction we saw at the U.S. Capitol is unacceptable and un-American.’” [Laura Strickler and Lisa Cavazuti, “[Republican AGs group sent robocalls urging march to the Capitol](#),” *NBC News*, 01/08/21]



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**RAGA And RLDF Accepted The Resignation Of RAGA Executive Director Adam Piper Following Backlash Over The Robocalls.** “The executive director of a national group that advocates for Republican attorneys general has resigned in the fallout of a robocall urging people to march to the U.S. Capitol ahead of the violent assault last week. The Republican Attorneys General Association and the Rule of Law Defense Fund accepted the voluntary resignation of Adam Piper on Monday, according to a statement obtained by The Associated Press.” [Meg Kinnard, “[Republican AGs group leader quits over call pushing protest](#),” *The Washington Post*, 01/11/21]

- **Piper Was RAGA's Executive Director.** “The executive director of the Republican Attorneys General Association has resigned amid backlash over a decision to send out robocalls urging people to march to the U.S. Capitol.” [Laura Strickler, “[Top official at Republican AGs group resigns amid Capitol robocall controversy](#),” *NBC News*, 01/11/21]

**Piper “Spearheaded” RLDF.** “Piper took the job in 2018, following two years as policy director for the partisan group, founded in the late 1990s that works to elect Republicans to top prosecutorial positions across the country. He also spearheaded the Rule of Law Defense Fund, a public policy organization affiliated with RAGA.” [Meg Kinnard, “[Republican AGs group leader quits over call pushing protest](#),” *The Washington Post*, 01/11/21]

**RLDF Has Close Ties To The Trump Administration And Its Allies, Hosting Education Secretary Betsy DeVos—Whose Family Has Helped Back A Group Stoking Election Fraud Fears—And Repeatedly Featuring Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), Who Was Condemned For Efforts To “Fan The Flames” Over Election Fraud Claims.**

## **RLDF Was Once Chaired By Trump's Former Scandal-Ridden EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt, Who Was Also “Instrumental” In Organizing The Fund.**

**The RLDF Has Counted Former Trump EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt As A Former Chairman, Who Was “Instrumental In Efforts To Organize The Fund.”** “The Fund's annual IRS 990 reports list you as a member of its board and news reporting indicates you were instrumental in efforts to organize the Fund and you have participated in retreats organized by the Fund as recently as this year.” [[Letter from Sheldon Whitehouse et al. to Scott Pruitt](#), 12/27/16]

- **Pruitt Was Also RLDF's Chairman.** “Scott Pruitt, the head of the Environmental Protection Agency, was previously the chairman of the Rule of Law Defense Fund (RLDF), an organization created by Republican attorneys general in 2014.” [MapLight, [06/07/17](#)]

**July 5, 2018: Scott Pruitt Resigned Amid Multiple Ethics Scandals Surrounding “Alleged Spending Abuses, First-Class Travel And Cozy Relationships With Lobbyists.”** “Scott Pruitt, the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and architect of President Trump's aggressive effort to rewrite the government's rule book on environmental regulations, resigned on Thursday in the face of numerous ethics investigations that doomed his tenure.” [New York Times, [07/05/18](#)]



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*Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)—Condemned For Efforts To “Fan The Flames Of Anger” Over The 2020 Election—Has Appeared At Multiple RLDF Events,*

**August 20, 2020: Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) Joined A Rule Of Law Defense Webcast Discussion On Energy Policy—His Appearance Was Featured On RLDF’s Website.** “Attorney General Jeff Landry (LA), Senator Ted Cruz (TX), and Governor Pete Ricketts (NE) spoke about the importance of American energy independence and the energy and the related supportive environmental actions taken by Republican AGs, Governors, and the U.S. Senate.” [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [8/20/20](#)]



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**May 4, 2020: Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) Joined A Rule Of Law Defense Fund Webcast On China Policy—His Appearance Was Featured On RLDF’s Website And On Their YouTube Channel.** “Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt was joined by Texas Senator Ted Cruz on the Washington Policy Webcast for a conversation on how state and federal governments can hold China accountable for its role in the COVID-19 pandemic. The conversation focused on Missouri’s civil liability lawsuit against China and legislative efforts in Congress to push back against China.” [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [5/14/20](#); YouTube, [5/19/20](#)]



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**Critics Of Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX) In Both Parties Condemned His “Drive To Question The Election Results” And “Fan The Flames Of Anger Among Trump Supporters” After He Tried To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot.** “But on Wednesday, what Cruz might have thought was a savvy political play took an alarming turn: Supporters of President Donald Trump stormed and ransacked the U.S. Capitol while lawmakers were considering Cruz’s objection. Three people suffered medical emergencies during the siege and died; their deaths were in addition to another woman who was shot by a Capitol police officer. Cruz

denounced the violence but incurred a fierce backlash from critics in both parties, who said his drive to question the election results — and appease the president and his supporters ahead of a possible 2024 run — helped fan the flames of anger among Trump supporters.” [Alex Samuels and Patrick Svitek, “[After riot at the U.S. Capitol, Ted Cruz gets fierce blowback for his role in sowing doubts about Joe Biden’s victory](#),” *The Texas Tribune*, 01/07/21]

**Sen. Cruz Was One Of The Few Senators Who Voted Against Certifying The Election Results.** “The U.S. Congress certified Joe Biden’s win in the 2020 presidential election early Thursday morning, hours after overwhelmingly voting against an objection by U.S. Sen. [Ted Cruz](#), R-Texas, to the certification of Arizona’s results and another to the results from Pennsylvania.” [Texas Tribune, [1/06/21](#)]

### **...And Sen. Rubio (R-FL), Who Has Tried To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot While Not Speaking Up Against Those Who Tried To Overturn The Election.**

*Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL) Was Featured At An RLDF Panel—And Has Since Attempted To Distance Himself From The Insurrection While Not Speaking Out Against The Effort To Overturn The Election.*

**June 11, 2019: Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) Spoke At A Rule Of Law Defense Fund Panel And Was Pictured Standing In Front Of The Group’s Logo On Their Website:**



U.S. Senator Marco Rubio appeared alongside Arkansas Attorney General Leslie Rutledge at a Washington Policy Series panel about the fight against the Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions (BDS) movement, which pressures businesses and entities who do business with Israel and Israeli companies. AG Rutledge and Senator Rubio have been on the front lines of the state and federal legal battles, respectively, against BDS and anti-Semitism.

[Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [7/11/19](#)]

**Rubio Attempted To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot—But Did Not Speak Out Against The Effort Not To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election.** “Florida Sen. Marco Rubio said Friday in a video that the people who stormed the U.S. Capitol were ‘lied to by politicians who were telling them that the vice president had the power to change the election results.’ But in the days before the attack that appalled the world and resulted in five deaths, Rubio made no public effort to counter what he now calls a lie pushed by politicians he didn’t name. Nor would he talk when asked this week about a last-ditch attempt by his fellow Senate Republicans to overturn the election by blocking President-elect Joe Biden’s formal certification, though he later voted against it.” [Miami Herald, [1/08/21](#)]

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U.S. Department of Education Secretary Betsy DeVos provided remarks on the DOE's recent actions and joined Arkansas Attorney General Leslie Rutledge for a fireside chat about the future of education policy.



[Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [8/25/20](#)]

**The DeVos Family Has Funded The Dark Money Group Behind “The Honest Elections Project,” Which Emerged Shortly Before The 2020 Election And “Started Stoking Fears About Voter Fraud.”** “A powerful new conservative organization fighting to restrict voting in the 2020 presidential election is really just a rebranded group that is part of a dark money network already helping Donald Trump’s unprecedented effort to remake the US federal judiciary, the Guardian and OpenSecrets reveal. The organization, which calls itself the Honest Elections Project, seemed to emerge out of nowhere a few months ago and started stoking fears about voter fraud. Backed by a dark money group funded by rightwing stalwarts like the Koch brothers and Betsy DeVos’ family, the Honest Elections Project is part of the network that pushed the US supreme court picks Brett Kavanaugh and Neil Gorsuch, and is quickly becoming a juggernaut in the escalating fight over voting rights.” [The Guardian, [05/27/20](#)]

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*Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts, Who Urged Trump To Accept The Election Results Even As He Continued To Call For Voter Fraud Investigations, Was Featured In An RLDF Webcast*

**August 20, 2020: Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts Joined A Rule Of Law Defense Webcast Discussion On Energy Policy—And Was Featured On The RLDF’s Website.** “Attorney General Jeff Landry (LA), Senator Ted Cruz (TX), and Governor Pete Ricketts (NE) spoke about the importance of American energy independence and the energy and the related supportive environmental actions taken by Republican AGs, Governors, and the U.S. Senate.” [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [08/20/20](#)]



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[Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [08/20/20](#)]

**Ricketts, A “Staunch Supporter” Of Trump, Continued To Call For Investigations Into Voter Fraud Even As He Conceded That Congress Should Certify Joe Biden’s Victory In The 2020 Election.** “Congress should certify the election victory of President-elect Joe Biden but also investigate claims of voting irregularities, Gov. Pete Ricketts said Monday. Ricketts, a conservative Republican and staunch supporter of President Donald Trump, said the goal of a group of GOP senators who plan to vote against ratifying the Electoral College results on Wednesday is to push for the creation of a Senate commission to investigate claims of voter fraud during the 2020 election. ‘With the substantial number of people who are questioning the integrity of our voting system, I think it would be good for Congress to do that,’ the governor said. Yet, he added, the House and Senate should ratify Biden’s victory.” [Omaha World Herald, [01/05/21](#)]



**Ricketts Publicly Said Trump “‘Absolutely ... Should Accept” The 2020 Election Results.** “President Donald Trump ‘absolutely ... should accept’ the results of Monday’s Electoral College presidential vote if that final tally makes it official that Joe Biden is the president-elect, Gov. Pete Ricketts said Monday.” [Lincoln Journal Star, [12/14/20](#)]

## **RLDF Has Hosted Other High-Ranking Trump Administration Officials, Who Have All Tried To Distance Themselves From The Capitol Riot.**

**November 10, 2020: The Rule Of Law Defense Fund Interviewed Energy Secretary Dan Brouillette On Their Podcast.** “South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson talked with Department of Energy Secretary Dan Brouillette about the Trump Administration’s energy policy successes.” [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [11/10/20](#)]

- **Brouillette Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot.** “Energy Secretary Dan Brouillette condemned what he called a ‘tragic event in our Nation’s Capitol.’ ‘Politically-motivated violence, regardless of ideology or cause, must always be condemned in the strongest possible terms,’ he wrote on Twitter. ‘No American should excuse wanton disregard for one of our Nation’s most sacred institutions.’” [The New York Times, [01/07/20](#)]

**March 2, 2020: Then-Acting Homeland Security Secretary Chad Wolf Spoke At A Rule Of Law Defense Fund Event.** “Acting Department of Homeland Security Secretary Chad Wolf participated in a discussion on state and federal partnerships to combat human trafficking with Arkansas Attorney General Leslie Rutledge, Florida Attorney General Ashley Moody, and Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes.” [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [3/02/20](#)]

- **Wolf Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot.** “Chad F. Wolf, the acting homeland security secretary, denounced the president’s supporters who participated in the riot and called on Mr. Trump to more forcefully condemn them. ‘What transpired yesterday was tragic and sickening,’ Mr. Wolf wrote in a statement posted on Twitter. ‘We now see some supporters of the president using violence as a means to achieve political ends.’” [The New York Times, [01/07/20](#)]

**March 2, 2020: CFPB Director Kathleen Kraninger Spoke At A Rule Of Law Defense Fund Event.** “Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes and CFPB Director Kathleen Kraninger had a conversation about the current state of financial services regulation, including the work the Bureau and State AGs have accomplished with the American Consumer Financial Innovation Network.” [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [3/02/20](#)]

- **Kraninger Has Attempted To Distance Herself From The Capitol Riot.** “Two federal bank regulators condemned the riot at the U.S. Capitol Wednesday that was incited by President Trump. In messages to the staffs of their respective agencies, acting Comptroller of the Currency Brian Brooks and Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Director Kathy Kraninger each denounced the violence perpetrated by the president’s supporters, who had overwhelmed local law enforcement and breached the Capitol building as lawmakers met to certify the results of the 2020 election.” [American Banker, 01/07/21]

**August 25, 2020: The Rule Of Law Defense Fund Published An Interview With Then-Acting Homeland Security Deputy Secretary Ken Cuccinelli.** “South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson was joined by Department of Homeland Security Acting Deputy Secretary Ken Cuccinelli in a discussion on different federal and state law enforcement perspectives and responses to the violence and civil unrest that has swept the country.” [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [8/25/20](#)]

- **Cuccinelli Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot.** “Ken Cuccinelli, the Department of Homeland Security’s acting deputy secretary, told ABC News he was ‘quite surprised’ to watch on television an instance in which the doors of the Capitol were breached with no obvious police resistance -- even as U.S. Capitol Police officers with shields withstood the force of a mob armed with



pepper spray at other locations. 'All of us in law enforcement have been planning for this for a number of days,' Cuccinelli said. 'This is all going to get analyzed. It really is going to have to be looked at.'" [ABC News, [01/06/21](#)]

**August 24, 2020: Former White House Chief Of Staff And Then-Special Envoy To Northern Ireland Mick Mulvaney Attended And Spoke At A Rule Of Law Defense Fund Event.** "Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt was joined by former White House Chief of Staff Mick Mulvaney to discuss what's at stake in 2020, including the reimplementation of regulation reforms that President Trump has successfully removed." [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [8/24/20](#)]

- **Mick Mulvaney Attempted To Distance Himself From The Capitol Riot, Resigning As Trump's Special Envoy To Northern Ireland On The Following Day.** "A day after the riot, Mick Mulvaney resigned as Trump's special U.S. envoy to Northern Ireland. 'I can't do it. I can't stay,' he said in an interview on *Squawk Box*. 'Those who choose to stay, and I have talked with some of them, are choosing to stay because they're worried the president might put someone worse in.'" [Newsweek, [01/17/21](#)]

**Former White House Counsel Don McGahn Spoke At The Rule Of Law Defense Fund's Summer Conference In 2019.** "Former White House Counsel Don McGahn gave attendees at the Summer National Meeting a deeper understanding of the Trump Administration's philosophy toward appointing federal judges and how Republican attorneys general offices have become the farm team for the federal judiciary. Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, who interviewed McGahn noted 26 of President Trump's federal judicial appointments have worked in the offices of state attorneys general, proving these offices' role as an incubator for premier legal talent." [Rule Of Law Defense Fund, [7/15/19](#)]

## Tea Party Patriots Has Given Platforms To High-Profile Conservative Officials, Including Those Who Colluded With The "Stop The Steal" Organizer To "Put Maximum Pressure On Congress" During The Certification Vote.

Official Linked to Group	Official's Relationship To Group
Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)	Has taken <a href="#">\$16,000+</a> from PAC, Featured at TPP's <a href="#">5th anniversary</a> , <a href="#">10th anniversary</a> ; Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY)	Featured at TPP's <a href="#">5th anniversary</a>
Sen. James Lankford (R-OK)	Featured in <a href="#">TPP interview</a>
Sen. Marsha Blackburn (R-TN)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Steve Daines (R-MT)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Josh Hawley (R-MO)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Ron Johnson (R-WI)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Mike Lee (R-UT)	Featured at TPP's <a href="#">5th anniversary</a> , <a href="#">10th anniversary</a> ; Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Pat Toomey (R-PA)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Mike Braun (R-IN)	Featured at TPP's <a href="#">10th anniversary</a>
Sen. Cynthia Lummis (R-WY)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Sen. Tommy Tuberville (R-AL)	Participated in <a href="#">GA runoff campaign coalition</a>
Fmr. Sen. Kelly Loeffler (R-GA)	Beneficiary of <a href="#">runoff campaign coalition</a> TPP participated in
Fmr. Sen. David Perdue (R-GA)	Beneficiary of <a href="#">runoff campaign coalition</a> TPP participated in
Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH)	Featured at TPP's <a href="#">5th anniversary</a>
Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ)	Featured at TPP's <a href="#">10th anniversary</a>

Rep. Mo Brooks (R-AL)	Took \$34,000+ from PAC ( <a href="#">1</a> , <a href="#">2</a> , <a href="#">3</a> ); Featured at TPP's <a href="#">10th anniversary</a>
Rep. Louie Gohmert (R-TX)	Took <a href="#">\$16000+</a> from PAC
Rep. Chip Roy (R-TX)	Took \$25,000+ from PAC ( <a href="#">1</a> , <a href="#">2</a> , <a href="#">3</a> )
Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX)	Took <a href="#">\$8,000+</a> from PAC ( <a href="#">1</a> , <a href="#">2</a> )
Rep. Michael Cloud (R-TX)	Took \$7,000+ from PAC ( <a href="#">1</a> , <a href="#">2</a> )
Rep. Vern Buchanan (R-FL)	Took <a href="#">\$1,500+</a> from PAC
Rep. Mike Kelly (R-PA)	Took <a href="#">\$1,000+</a> from PAC
Rep. Jody Hice (R-GA)	Featured at TPP's <a href="#">10th anniversary</a>

**Tea Party Patriots Has Given Platforms To High-Profile Republican Officials Who Stoked Election Fraud Claims, As Well As Numerous Mainstream Republicans Who Tried To Distance Themselves From Such Claims Following The Capitol Riot.**

### **Tea Party Patriots Was Among The Groups Behind The Rally That Led To The Capitol Riot.**

Tea Party Patriots Was Listed Among The Groups Participating In The March To Save America. [Jamie Corey, "[Republican Attorneys General Dark Money Group Organized Protest Preceding Capitol Mob Attack](#)," Documented, 01/07/21]

### **The Tea Party Patriots Claims To Be The "Largest And Most Effective" Tea Party Group And Its Leader "Heavily Promoted" The Rally, Exhorting Followers To "Fight For President Trump."**

"The Tea Party Patriots Touts Itself As The 'Largest And Most Effective National Umbrella Group Within The Tea Party Movement.'" [WBEZ, [01/12/21](#)]

Tea Party Patriots Leader Jenny Beth Martin "Heavily Promoted" The Rally And Tweeted, "'We Must Demand Congress To Challenge The Electoral College Votes And Fight For President Trump!'" "The co-founder and leader of the Georgia-based Tea Party Patriots, Jenny Beth Martin, also heavily promoted the event. On her Twitter account, she wrote, 'I will be speaking at the #StopTheSteal rally in D.C. on Jan. 6. We must demand Congress to challenge the Electoral College votes and fight for President Trump!'" [WBEZ, [01/12/21](#)]

### **Tea Party Patriots Hosted An Interview With Sen. James Lankford (R-OK)—Who Was Forced To Publicly Apologize For Stoking Efforts To Undermine The 2020 Presidential Election.**

Tea Party Patriots Hosted An Interview With Sen. James Lankford (R-OK) On Their Facebook Page:



[Facebook, [09/11/17](#)]

**Sen. Lankford Announced His Intention To Vote Against Certifying The Electoral College Results Prior To The Capitol Hill Riots.** “WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senators Ted Cruz (R-Texas), Ron Johnson (R-Wis.), James Lankford (R-Okla.), Steve Daines (R-Mont.), John Kennedy (R-La.), Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.), and Mike Braun (R-Ind.), and Senators-Elect Cynthia Lummis (R-Wyo.), Roger Marshall (R-Kan.), Bill Hagerty (R-Tenn.), and Tommy Tuberville (R-Ala.) issued the following statement in advance of the Electoral College certification process on January 6, 2021” [Sen. Ted Cruz Press Release, [01/02/21](#)]

**Sen. Lankford “Spent Weeks Trying To Reverse The Results Of The Presidential Election Before Changing His Mind.”** “Senator James Lankford, an Oklahoma Republican who spent weeks trying to reverse the results of the presidential election before changing his mind at the last moment, apologized on Thursday to Black constituents who felt he had attacked their right to vote.” [New York Times, [01/15/21](#)]

**Following The Capitol Riot, Sen. Lankford Was Forced To Publicly Apologize To Black Voters For Stoking Efforts To Undermine The 2020 Presidential Election.** “Republican Sen. James Lankford of Oklahoma issued an apology Thursday to his Black constituents for months of casting doubt on the election of Joe Biden, including going so far as to suggest that last week’s Electoral College certification be postponed to investigate whatever absurdist fraud allegations were cooked up by President Donald Trump. In a letter addressed to ‘My friends in North Tulsa,’ portions of which were published by Tulsa World, Lankford said his questioning the legitimacy of the election ‘caused a firestorm of suspicion among many of my friends, particularly in Black communities around the state. I was completely blindsided, but I also found a blind spot.’” [Slate, [01/15/21](#)]

**Sens. Ted Cruz (R-TX), Rand Paul (R-KY) And Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH)—Who All Stoked Claims That The 2020 Election Was Fraudulent—Were All Featured At The Tea Party Patriots’ Fifth Anniversary Event.**

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**HEADLINE: “Jim Jordan explains why he is leading charge to block the certification of Joe Biden’s presidency.”** [[Journal-News](#), [1/06/21](#)]

**Trump Singled Out Jordan’s Efforts In His Speech Which Helped Instigate The Riot** “Trump singled out Jordan for praise in remarks he delivered to his supporters on the Ellipse before they marched to the U.S. Capitol and disrupted the vote count in a riot that resulted in five deaths, including that of a Capitol police officer.” [Cleveland.com, [1/11/21](#)]

**Jordan Dismissed The Significance Of The Capitol Riot, Comparing It To Black Lives Matter Protests.** “‘Democrats, on the other hand, this summer they said the cause justified the action,’ said Jordan. ‘They even raised money to bail these rioters and looters out of jail. They named streets after the organizations who were pushing for these events. All the while, they were talking about defunding the police. So, let’s be consistent. Let’s be consistent and let’s calm everything down and focus on unifying the country as we move forward.’” [Cleveland.com, [1/11/21](#)]

**Jordan Voted Against Certifying The 2020 Presidential Election.** [The New York Times, [01/07/21](#)]

*Sen. Paul Has Attempted To Paint Himself As A Public Opponent Of The Attempts To Overturn The Election Results After Repeatedly Claiming It Was Fraudulent And “Stolen.”*

**Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY) “Repeatedly, And Falsely, Claimed The Election Was Fraudulent,” Claiming “The Election In Many Ways Was Stolen.”** “Sen. Rand Paul has repeatedly, and falsely, claimed the election was fraudulent. ‘The courts have not decided the facts. The courts never looked at the facts. ... They stayed out of it by finding an excuse,’ he said at a hearing last month. ‘But the fraud happened. The election in many ways was stolen and the only way it’ll be fixed is by, in the future, reinforcing the laws.’” [Ayana Archie, “[Congress votes soon on presidential election results. What Kentucky politicians have said](#),” *Courier Journal*, 01/05/21]

**Rand Paul Called Trump’s Actions Prior To The Storming Of The Capitol “Irresponsible.”** “Kentucky U.S. Sen. Rand Paul said it was a sad day for the country when rioters stormed the U.S. Capitol on Wednesday. In



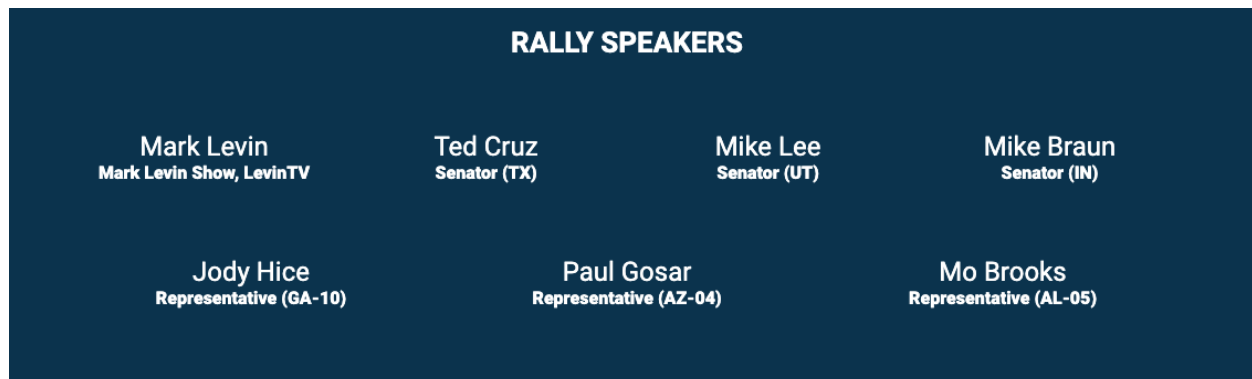
a phone interview with WDRB News on Monday, he called President Donald Trump's actions prior to the riot 'irresponsible.'" [WDRB, [1/11/21](#)]

**Rand Paul Vowed To Vote Against Attempts To Overturn The Election.** "GOP Sen. Rand Paul has tweeted out a thread that he describes as "the speech I'll be giving today from an undisclosed location" on the now-halted Electoral College vote count. In it, he comes out against voting to overturn election results. Paul had previously not said where he stood on the issue." [CNN, [12/06/21](#)]

**Beyond Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), Tea Party Patriot's Tenth Anniversary Event Featured Reps. Paul Gosar (R-AZ) And Mo Brooks (R-AL), Who Reportedly Collaborated With The "Stop The Steal" Organizer To "Put Maximum Pressure On Congress While They Were Voting."**

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**Senator Mike Lee Reportedly Voted “Hell No” When Some Members Of Congress Attempted To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election Results.** “Those senators voting against the results of the presidential election in Pennsylvania were: Josh Hawley of Missouri, Ted Cruz of Texas, Tommy Tuberville of Alabama, Cindy Hyde-Smith of Mississippi, Roger Marshall of Kansas, Cynthia Lummis of Wyoming and Rick Scott of Florida. As most Republicans and all Democrats rejected the attempt, Senator Mike Lee, Republican of Utah, forcefully turned back the plot, registering his vote as ‘hell no.’” [New York Times, [1/06/21](#)]

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**Reps. Gosar And Brooks Reportedly Collaborated With The Organizers Of The Riot To “Put Maximum Pressure On Congress While They Were Voting.”** “Weeks before a mob of President Trump's supporters stormed the U.S. Capitol, right-wing activist Ali Alexander told his followers he was planning something big for Jan. Alexander, who organized the ‘Stop the Steal’ movement, said he hatched the plan — coinciding with Congress's vote to certify the electoral college votes — alongside three GOP lawmakers: Reps. Andy Biggs (Ariz.), Mo Brooks (Ala.) and Paul A. Gosar (Ariz.), all hard-line Trump supporters. ‘We four schemed up of putting maximum pressure on Congress while they were voting,’ Alexander said in a since-deleted video on Periscope highlighted by the Project on Government Oversight, an investigative nonprofit. The plan, he said, was to ‘change the hearts and the minds of Republicans who were in that body, hearing our loud roar from outside.’” [Washington Post, [1/13/21](#)]

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**Tea Party Patriots Were In A Coalition With Nearly A Dozen Senators Who Campaigned Together To Boost Runoff Election Campaigns For Sens. Kelly Loeffler (R-GA) And David Perdue (R-GA)—Both Of Whom Claimed The Election Was Affected By Fraud And Supported Efforts To Overturn It (Before Not Voting To Decertify It).**

**Tea Party Patriots Was A Member Of The “Save America Coalition” Which Campaigned On Behalf Of Senators Kelly Loeffler’s And David Perdue’s Reelection Campaigns.** “The Club for Growth is investing \$10 million in Georgia to preserve the Republican Party’s Senate majority, with plans to boost GOP candidates in two Jan. 5 runoff elections that will determine the balance of power on Capitol Hill for the next two years. Besides spending \$10 million or more on a robust advertising campaign, the Club for Growth is collaborating with five conservative groups and about one dozen Republican senators and senators-elect to push Sen. David Perdue [sic] past Democratic challenger Jon Ossoff and help Sen. Kelly Loeffler hold off Democratic challenger Raphael Warnock...Participating in what the Club for Growth is dubbing the “Save America Coalition” are conservative groups For America, FreedomWorks, Heritage Action for America, the Susan B. Anthony List, and Tea Party Patriots.” [Washington Examiner, [11/11/20](#)]

**Sens. David Perdue (R-GA) And Kelly Loeffler (R-GA) Claimed The November 2020 Election In Election Was Affected By Fraud, After Trump Reportedly Urged Them To Do So.** “But the position of Sens. David Perdue and Kelly Loeffler, R-Ga., on federal interference in their own state’s electoral processes is unfaithful to that tradition; it is neither conservative nor effective. [...] The joint statement of Perdue and Loeffler claiming mismanagement and corruption in their state’s elections reflects both bad temper and bad judgment. [...] And, since their initial statement, neither has provided any specific evidence of fraud. (On Thursday, Georgia finished a hand recount of ballots in the state showing Joe Biden had indeed won presidential race.)” [Stuart M. Gerson and Edward M. Larson, “[Georgia’s Republican senators falsely claimed election fraud occurred just to stay in power](#),” NBC News, 11/20/20]

- **Donald Trump Reportedly Demanded That Perdue And Loeffler “Undermine The Credibility Of Georgia’s Election Results” And Call For The Georgia Secretary Of State’s Resignation.** “Indeed, reports indicate that Trump demanded that Perdue and Loeffler undermine the credibility of Georgia’s election results and call for Raffensperger’s resignation. Hoping to retain the president’s support during their runoff campaigns, they apparently dutifully complied.” [Stuart M. Gerson and Edward M. Larson, “[Georgia’s Republican senators falsely claimed election fraud occurred just to stay in power](#),” NBC News, 11/20/20]

**Sens. Perdue And Loeffler Both Backed A Texas Lawsuit To Overturn The Results Of Georgia’s Presidential Election While Georgia’s Attorney General Said The Suit Was “Constitutionally, Legally And Factually Wrong.”** “Georgia’s two U.S. senators and more than a dozen Republican state lawmakers are backing a lawsuit brought by the state of Texas on Tuesday seeking to overturn the certified results of Georgia’s presidential election. U.S. Sens. David Perdue and Kelly Loeffler, both Republicans, said in a joint statement late Tuesday that they support the Texas lawsuit despite opposition from Georgia Attorney General Chris Carr’s office, which called the suit ‘constitutionally, legally and factually wrong.’” [Beau Evans, “[U.S. Senators Kelly Loeffler, David Perdue back Texas lawsuit to overturn Georgia presidential election results](#),” *The Augusta Chronicle*, 12/09/20]

**Sen. Kelly Loeffler Planned To Vote Against Certifying The Electoral College Vote, But Ultimately Switched Her Position.** “Georgia Sen. Kelly Loeffler (R) plans to object to electoral college votes when they’re counted in Congress on Wednesday, joining at least a dozen other Senate Republicans in a last-gasp bid to oppose President Donald Trump’s election loss — a decision that comes one day before Loeffler faces off against Democrat Raphael Warnock in a tight runoff election.” [Joe Walsh, “[Sen. Loeffler Will Object To Electoral College Results](#),” 01/04/21]

- **Sen. Loeffler Reversed Her Position On Voting To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election, Citing The Capitol Riot.** “GOP Sen. Kelly Loeffler has ditched her plans to object to President-elect Joe Biden’s electoral win, citing the violent break-in of the Capitol by rioters supporting President Donald Trump. ‘When I arrived in Washington this morning, I fully intended to object to the certification of the electoral votes,’ the Georgia Republican said. ‘However, the events that have transpired today have forced me to reconsider and I cannot now in good conscience object to the certification of these electors.’” [Matthew Choi, “[Loeffler reverses on challenging Biden’s win after riot at Capitol](#),” 01/06/21]

**Sen. David Perdue Released A Statement Condemning The Capitol Riot.** “US Senator David Perdue like many other elected officials, has released a statement on the recent protests at the nation's capital. He voiced that he knows there are many frustrated Trump supporters, but these feelings should not amount to ‘anarchic behavior.’” [Haley Garrett, “[Anarchic behavior’: Senator David Perdue releases statement on protests at US capitol](#),” WXGA News, 01/06/21]

- **Sen. Perdue Was Also Not Among The Senators Who Voted To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election.** [Karen Yourish, Larry Buchanan, and Denise Lu, “[The 147 Republicans Who Voted to Overturn Election Results](#),” *The New York Times*, 01/07/21]

**Alongside Tea Party Patriots In The “Save America Coliation” Were Sen. Marsha Blackburn, Sen. Ted Cruz, Sen. Steve Daines, Sen. Josh Hawley Sen. Marco Rubio, Sen. Ron Johnson, Sen. Mike Lee, Sen. Marco Rubio, Sen. Pat Toomey, Sen. Tommy Tuberville, And Sen. Cynthia Lummis.** “The Republican lawmakers involved include Sens. Marsha Blackburn of Tennessee; Ted Cruz of Texas; Steve Daines of Montana; Josh Hawley of Missouri; Ron Johnson of Wisconsin; Mike Lee of Utah; Marco Rubio of Florida; and Pat Toomey of Pennsylvania and GOP Sens.-elect Cynthia Lummis of Wyoming and Tommy Tuberville of Alabama. Ex-South Carolina Sen. Jim DeMint also plans to join former colleagues as they stump across Georgia, sometimes via a bus tour being organized by the Club for Growth.” [Washington Examiner, [11/11/20](#)]

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**Sen. Lummis Was One Of The Few Senators Who Voted Against Certifying The Election Results—But Only In Arizona And Not Pennsylvania.** “Lummis’ vote — which represented one of just a handful of dissenting votes in the 92-8 result — lent credence to unsubstantiated claims by President Donald Trump that the vote there was rigged in favor of President-elect Joe Biden. But it also set her apart from most of the holdout Republicans who pledged last week to reject the result of the Electoral College vote in a number of states closely won by Biden. Lummis and Florida Sen. Rick Scott were the lone Republicans from that group of eight who did not also vote to object to the result in Arizona.” [Casper Star Tribune, [1/07/21](#)]

*Sen. Johnson Changed His Mind And Voted To Certify The Results After The Riot—But Released A Statement The Next Day Calling The Mob “Patriots Who Loved Their Country”*

**Despite Being A Leader Of The Movement To Not Certify Biden’s Victory, Sen. Johnson Ended Up Voting To Certify After The Mob Stormed The Capitol.** “Wisconsin Republicans split on objecting to certifying Electoral College votes. Reps. Tom Tiffany and Scott Fitzgerald objected to counting [Arizona's](#) votes, while U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson and Reps. Bryan Steil, Glenn Grothman and Mike Gallagher voted against objecting. The objection failed 93-6 in the Senate and 303-121 in the House. Johnson, one of Trump's staunchest supporters, signed on to objecting to Arizona's electoral votes prior to the riot. But hours later, after



the violence in the Capitol, Johnson joined with Democratic Sen. Tammy Baldwin in voting against the objection.” [US News, [1/06/21](#)]

**However The Day After The Riot And Vote Ron Johnson Released A Statement Saying The Mob’s Concerns Were “Legitimate” And They Were “Patriots Who Dearly Love America.”** “What follows is the speech I was going to deliver on the Senate floor explaining my concerns about the election in Arizona. Unfortunately, lawless protesters entered the Capitol and by consensus we decided to expedite the proceedings. I condemn the lawlessness and mourn the loss of life that occurred in the Capitol. I believe the sentiments expressed below are valid concerns of the millions of Americans who also condemn today’s illegal activities in the Capitol. I refuse to dismiss the legitimate concerns of tens of millions of Americans who have lost faith in our institutions and the fairness of our electoral process. Those who have lost confidence are not crazy. They are patriots who dearly love America and are alarmed by what they have witnessed over the last four years” [Sen Ron Johnson Press Release, [1/07/21](#)]

*Sen. Sen. Blackburn Had Planned To Vote Not To Certify The Electoral College Results But Changed Her Mind After The Capitol Was Stormed By Rioters.*

**Sen. Blackburn Had Planned To Vote Not To Certify The Electoral College Results But Changed Her Mind After The Capitol Was Stormed By Rioters.** “U.S. Sen. Marsha Blackburn and newly sworn-in U.S. Sen. Bill Hagerty both voted no Wednesday on objections to certify the election results from Arizona and Pennsylvania, states Biden won. They joined multiple senators in changing their minds about opposing the Electoral College results in the Nov. 3 election. While roughly a dozen senators previously stated they planned to object to the certification of electoral votes in several swing states that Biden carried, Blackburn, Hagerty and others changed their minds after the U.S. Capitol went into lockdown on Wednesday as supporters of President Donald Trump stormed the building, demanding that Congress reject the results of the election.” [Tennessean, [1/06/21](#)]

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*Senators Rubio, Toomey, And Lee Have Attempted To Publicly Distance Themselves From The Riots And Movement To Reject The Election Results*

**After The Capitol Hill Riots Rubio Attempted To Distance Himself From The Insurrection Attempt—But Did Not Speak Out Against The Effort Not To Certify The Election Results.** “Florida Sen. Marco Rubio said

Friday in [a video](#) that the people who stormed the U.S. Capitol were ‘lied to by politicians who were telling them that the vice president had the power to change the election results.’ But in the days before the attack that appalled the world and resulted in five deaths, Rubio made no public effort to counter what he now calls a lie pushed by politicians he didn’t name. Nor would he talk when asked this week about a last-ditch attempt by his fellow Senate Republicans to overturn the election by blocking President-elect Joe Biden’s formal certification, though he later voted against it.” [Miami Herald, [1/08/21](#)]

**Senator Mike Lee Reportedly Voted “Hell No” When Some Members Of Congress Attempted To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election Results.** “Those senators voting against the results of the presidential election in Pennsylvania were: Josh Hawley of Missouri, Ted Cruz of Texas, Tommy Tuberville of Alabama, Cindy Hyde-Smith of Mississippi, Roger Marshall of Kansas, Cynthia Lummis of Wyoming and Rick Scott of Florida. As most Republicans and all Democrats rejected the attempt, Senator Mike Lee, Republican of Utah, forcefully turned back the plot, registering his vote as ‘hell no.’” [New York Times, [1/06/21](#)]

**Sen. Toomey Attempted To Be An Outspoken Critic Of The GOP Movement To Reject The Election Results.** “Pennsylvania Sen. Pat Toomey said on Saturday that he will not support a Republican-led initiative in the U.S. Senate this Wednesday to block the certification of President-elect Joe Biden’s Electoral College victory, criticizing the movement as an ‘effort to disenfranchise millions of voters in my state and others.’” [Philly Voice, [1/03/21](#)]

### **Tea Party Patriots Has Spent Money To Support The Campaigns Of Numerous High Profile Republicans—Both Those Who Opposed Certifying The Election And Those Who Attempted To Distance Themselves From The Insurrection.**

Candidate	Support/Oppose	Type	Amount	Date
Rep. Chip Roy (R-TX)	Support	Direct Mailers	<a href="#">\$16,244.15</a>	03/09/18
Rep. Louie Gohmert (R-TX)	Support	Direct Mailers	<a href="#">\$16,224.15</a>	03/09/18
Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)	Support	Direct Mailers	<a href="#">\$16,244.15</a>	03/09/18
Rep. Mo Brooks (R-AL)	Support	Robocalls	<a href="#">\$13,373.82</a>	08/04/17
Rep. Mo Brooks (R-AL)	Support	Robocalls	<a href="#">\$10,401.86</a>	08/11/17
Rep. Mo Brooks (R-AL)	Support	Robocalls	<a href="#">\$10,401.86</a>	08/09/17
Rep. Chip Roy (R-TX)	Support	Telemarketing	<a href="#">\$8,332.66</a>	05/16/18
Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX)	Support	Telemarketing	<a href="#">\$6,340.39</a>	05/16/18
Rep. Michael Cloud (R-TX)	Support	Telemarketing	<a href="#">\$5,434.09</a>	05/16/18
Rep. Michael Cloud (R-TX)	Support	Script Writing	<a href="#">\$2,000.00</a>	05/15/18
Rep. Chip Roy (R-TX)	Support	Script Writing	<a href="#">\$2,000.00</a>	05/15/18
Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX)	Support	Script Writing	<a href="#">\$2,000.00</a>	05/15/18
Rep. Vernon Buchanan (R-FL)	Support	Mobile Advertising	<a href="#">\$1,552.76</a>	11/02/18
Rep. Mike Kelly (R-PA)	Support	Mobile Advertising	<a href="#">\$1,251.47</a>	11/02/18

### ***Rep Gohmert Filed A Lawsuit That Was Thrown Out To Try And Overturn The Election***

**Rep. Gohmert Filed A Lawsuit In An Attempt To Try An Overturn The Election.** “A federal court on Saturday dismissed an appeal from [Texas Rep. Louie Gohmert](#) in his lawsuit to force Vice President Mike Pence to interfere in the Electoral College vote count. The Saturday decision by the 5th US Circuit Court of Appeals came just hours after the Republican congressman filed his appeal of an earlier loss. On Friday, a [district court threw out](#) Gohmert’s and several Arizona Republicans’ lawsuit seeking to force Pence to help throw the election to President Donald Trump next week when Congress meets to count the Electoral College votes. Saturday’s ruling affirmed the previous decision.” [CNN, [1/03/21](#)]

**CNN: Gohmert's Lawsuit Was Thrown Out In Federal Court And Called "Desperate."** "A federal judge has thrown out a lawsuit from Rep. Louie Gohmert of Texas and several Arizona Republicans seeking to force Vice President Mike Pence to help throw the election to President Donald Trump next week when Congress meets to count the Electoral College votes. Judge Jeremy Kernodle of the Eastern District of Texas said on Friday that Gohmert and the others lacked standing to sue. In a filing late Friday, Gohmert and other plaintiffs filed a notice of appeal to the Fifth Circuit of the US Court of Appeals. Gohmert's suit was part of the desperate and extraordinary GOP attempt to overturn the presidential election using baseless and unproven allegations of mass voter fraud and charging that multiple states that President-elect Joe Biden won illegally changed their voting rules due to the pandemic" [CNN, [1/02/21](#)]

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*Chip Roy Has Attempted To Publicly Distance Himself From The GOP Attempts To Overturn The Election Results—And Also Received Over \$130,000 From Noted Election Objector Ted Cruz's Super PAC In 2020*

**Chip Roy Has Attempted To Publicly Distance Himself From The GOP Attempts To Overturn The Election Results, Releasing A Statement Which Said Doing So Would "Confound Basic Human Reason."** "Roy, who does not support objecting to the presidential results, said in a [statement](#), 'It would confound basic human reason if the presidential results were to face objection while the congressional results of the same process escaped without public scrutiny.'" [Business Insider, [1/04/21](#)]

**Roy Also Received Over \$130,000 From Noted Election Objector Ted Cruz's Super PAC In 2020.**

Committee Name	Recipient	Amount	Date
Cruz 20 For 20 Victory Fund	Chip Roy For Congress	\$70,9000	9/25/20
Cruz 20 For 20 Victory Fund	Chip Roy For Congress	\$62,2500	9/15/20

[FEC Data, [Accessed 1/12/21](#)]

*Rep. Crenshaw Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Movement To Overturn The Election After Signing Onto Lawsuits Which Attempted To Dispute the Election Outcome*

**Crenshaw Was Among The Republican Politicians Who Signed Onto An Amicus Brief Supporting A Much Criticized Lawsuit Filed On Behalf Of Donald Trump To Throw Out Ballots In Battleground States.** "Hours after Presidential electors from all 50 states cast their ballots, Republican Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell signaled full acceptance of the outcome — a measure likely to diminish longshot efforts by Trump loyalists to reverse the election. Houston Congressman Dan Crenshaw was among 126 Republicans who drew criticism for signing an amicus brief supporting the President and Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton's

unsuccessful effort before the Supreme Court to nullify millions of votes in four battleground states... That said, Crenshaw is doubtful the number of votes potentially denied the President could have made Mr. Trump a winner. With Monday's vote official, the former Navy Seal has joined a growing number of GOP colleagues who've acknowledged Joe Biden as the legitimate President-elect." [Fox 26 Houston, [12/15/20](#)]

**After The Lawsuit Seemed Destined To Fail, However, Crenshaw Acknowledged That Joe Biden Was The President-Elect.** "That said, Crenshaw is doubtful the number of votes potentially denied the President could have made Mr. Trump a winner. With Monday's vote official, the former Navy Seal has joined a growing number of GOP colleagues who've acknowledged Joe Biden as the legitimate President-elect." [Fox 26 Houston, [12/15/20](#)]

**Following The Capitol Siege, Crenshaw Publicly Called His Republican Colleagues Who Stoked the Election Conspiracies Cowardly, Said They've "Been Lying To Millions"** "Texas Republicans in Congress continue to argue over what kind of culpability some members of the GOP caucus have for the violent mob of President Donald Trump supporters that stormed the Capitol on Wednesday. Houston Rep. Dan Crenshaw, a retired Navy SEAL, on Thursday evening ripped into lawmakers who had been saying this was 'our time to fight.' 'Let me tell you something very clearly: They've been lying to people,' he said on Fox News. "They've been lying to millions. They've been lying that Jan. 6 was going to be this big solution for election integrity. It was never going to be.' He continued that 'when people fought ... those same members of Congress who called people to fight, well, they were nowhere to be found.' ... But when it came down to it, there was no courage." [Dallas News, [1/08/21](#)]

*Rep. Cloud Voted Against Certifying the 2020 Election Results*

**Rep. Cloud Voted Against Certifying the 2020 Election Results At Almost The Same Time the Riot Began.** "Almost at the same time Trump rioters were storming the U.S. Capitol to protest Congress' plan Wednesday to certify the election of President-elect Joe Biden, South Texas Congressman Michael Cloud released a statement saying he was joining the Republican effort to block it." [Caller Times, [1/06/21](#)]

*Rep. Buchan Seemed Sympathetic To The Movement Not To Certify The Electoral College Results But Voted To Ratify The Results After The Capitol Was Stormed*

**Prior To The Vote, Buchanan Released A Statement Which Appeared To Express Support For The Effort To Not Certify The Electoral College Results...** "Reached for comment Monday afternoon, Buchanan didn't offer a straightforward response but pointed to Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi's comments from more than 15 years ago, when she debated election reform on the House floor following former President George W. Bush's 2004 re-election. 'For anyone who thinks Congress lacks the moral or constitutional authority to question the Election College certification, I refer you to Nancy Pelosi's statement in 2005 when she called such an action 'democracy at work,' Buchanan said in a prepared statement." [Bradenton, [1/04/21](#)]

**...However Buchanan Voted To Certify The Electoral College Results After the Capitol Was Stormed** "Buchanan, R-Longboat Key, put out a lengthy statement explaining his support for certifying the Electoral College results. He cited the shocking events at the U.S. Capitol Wednesday, when supporters of President Donald Trump overwhelmed police and stormed the building." [Herald-Tribune, [1/07/21](#)]

*Rep. Kelly Said He Felt Sympathy For Those Who Thought The Election Was Illegitimate After The Riots, And Was The Last Person To Object To Election Certification—Occurring After The Riot*

**Kelly Was An Early Supporter Of The Efforts To Not Acknowledge The Election Results.** "Days after Nov. 3, U.S. Rep. Mike Kelly fueled the drive to overturn the results of the presidential election. Kelly pursued that unprecedented goal to the very end early on Thursday morning. He was the last person in the House of Representatives to object to the certification of the Electoral College vote in Pennsylvania or any other state. Kelly, of Butler, whose 16th Congressional District includes Erie, kept going despite repeated losses in the courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court." [Go Erre, [1/07/21](#)]



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**After The Riots Kelly Said He Felt Sympathy For Those Who Still Thought The Election Was Fraudulent And Called For An Investigation Into It.** “He expressed empathy, however, for the people who were objecting to the election results. ‘On Nov. 3, the greatest loss was the loss of confidence, faith and trust the American people have in our current electoral system,’ Mr. Kelly said. ‘They don’t believe, in great numbers — millions upon millions of Americans feel that that election wasn’t right. And I think we need to do a really deep dive into what took place and to fix immediately where we think the greatest egregious activities took place.’ [Post-Gazette, [1/11/21](#)]

## Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Has Given Platforms And Resources To High-Profile Officials And Trump Allies Who Delegitimized The Election

Official Linked to Group	Official’s Relationship To Group
Fmr. Pres. Donald Trump	Took over \$480K from PAC (see below)
Fmr. HUD Sec. Ben Carson	Featured at “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event
Fmr. Ambassador for Intl. Religious Freedom Sam Brownback	Featured at 2020 <a href="#">collegian summit</a>
Fmr. Under Sec. for Commerce & Intellectual Property; USPTO Director Andrei Iancu	Featured at “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event
Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)	Featured at “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event
Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA)	Featured at “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event
Sen. Marsha Blackburn (R-TN)	Featured in “ <a href="#">Pro America Report</a> ” interview
Sen. Steve Daines (R-MT)	Featured at “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event
Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY)	Featured at 2018 <a href="#">collegian summit</a>
Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO)	Nearly \$4,000 from PAC ( <a href="#">1</a> , <a href="#">2</a> ); Featured at 2018 <a href="#">collegian summit</a>
House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)	Featured at 2018 <a href="#">collegian summit</a>
House Minority Whip Steve Scalise (R-LA)	Featured at 2018 <a href="#">collegian summit</a>
Rep. Andy Biggs (R-AZ)	Featured at 2018 <a href="#">Gateway Eagle Council</a>
Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH)	Featured at 2018 <a href="#">collegian summit</a>
Rep. Jody Hice (R-GA)	Featured at “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event
Rep. Warren Davidson (R-OH)	Featured at “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event
Rep. Jim Banks (R-IN)	Featured at 2020 <a href="#">collegian summit</a>
Trump Campaign Lawyer Sidney Powell	Featured at annual <a href="#">collegian summit</a> ; “ <a href="#">America on the Brink</a> ” event

**The Rally Was Backed By The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles, Which Hosted Numerous High Profile Republicans In The Trump Era, Including Sens. Ted Cruz (R-TX), Rand Paul (R-KY), Josh Hawley (R-MO), Chuck Grassley (R-IA), And Marsha Blackburn (R-TN), Plus House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) And Whip Steve Scalise (R-LA), And HUD Secretary Ben Carson.**

**The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles—Spawned From The Legacy Of Notorious Anti-Feminist Phyllis Schlafly—Likened The Rally To D-Day As It Promoted The Event.**

The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Were Listed Among The Groups Participating In The March To Save America. [Jamie Corey, "[Republican Attorneys General Dark Money Group Organized Protest Preceding Capitol Mob Attack](#)," *Documented*, 01/07/21]

**Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Likened The Rally To D-Day.** "Phyllis Schlafly Eagles—a group launched by the former president of Schlafly's longtime group Eagle Forum amid infighting in 2016—promoted the event on its website and social media, likening the rally to D-Day in one post, according to research provided by American Bridge." [Abigail Abrams and Madeleine Carlisle, "[The Republican Party Has Distanced Itself From The Capitol Riot. But Local GOP Officials Fueled Supporters' Rage Ahead of Jan. 6](#)," *Time*, 01/15/21]

**Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Was Spawned From Notorious Anti-Feminist And Equal Rights Amendment Phyllis Schlafly.** "Schlafly, an attorney and author, emerged in the early 1970s as America's chief voice against feminism and led the successful national fight to kill the Equal Rights Amendment. Her Eagle Forum, which began as an anti-ERA newsletter in 1972, now claims 80,000 members nationally." [Kevin McDermott, "[Months after her death, Phyllis Schlafly's followers and family still battle over her legacy](#)," *St. Louis Dispatch*, 01/22/17]

**Shortly Before The Rally, The Group Hosted Its Annual Collegians Summit Featuring Sitting Officials, Including Rep. Jim Banks (R-IN), A U.S. Ambassador For Religious Freedom, A QAnon-Affiliated Trump Campaign Lawyer, And A Conservative Anti-Voter Fraud Group Founder Who Earned CPAC's Ronald Reagan Freedom Award.**

On October 14, 2020, The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Hosted Rep. Jim Banks (R-IN) As A Special Guest Speaker For Its 2020 Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit. ["[Cong. Jim Banks | Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit 2020](#)," Phyllis Schlafly Eagles via YouTube, 10/16/20]

- **Rep. Banks Voted Against Certifying The Electoral Votes For President-Elect Joe Biden And Was Accused Of Inciting The Violence On The Capitol.** "Many taking to social media to question if lawmakers and senators incited violence at the U.S. Capitol, including Indiana Congressman Jim Banks. Banks has been vocal on social media since the Capitol siege defending his decision to vote against electoral college votes Wednesday. Wednesday Banks tweeted he was 'looking forward to welcoming thousands on Capitol Hill' and said he was encouraging people make their voices heard. He says he denies inciting any kind of violence on that day." ["[Congressman Banks says he did not incite violence on the Capitol](#)," *WPTA21*, 01/10/21]
- **The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles' Partner Organizations Includes The Phyllis Schlafly Collegians.** ["[Partner Organizations](#)," Phyllis Schlafly Eagles, accessed 01/12/21]

On October 14, 2020, The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Hosted U.S. Ambassador For International Religious Freedom, Former Kansas Governor, And Former U.S. Senator Sam Brownback (R-KS) As A Special

**Guest Speaker For Its 2020 Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit.** [[Phyllis Schlafly Eagles via YouTube](#), 10/16/20]

- **Sam Brownback, Appointed During The Trump Administration As U.S. Ambassador At Large For International Religious Freedom, Was Previously A Governor, U.S. Senator, And U.S. Representative.** “In 1994, Brownback was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. Two years later, he won a seat in the U.S. Senate. Brownback returned to Kansas where he was elected governor. In his second term, Brownback committed to growing the Kansas economy by alleviating the income tax burden on all Kansans, continuing investments in K-12 education and equipping struggling Kansans with the work training needed to break the cycle of generational poverty. On January 24, 2018, Brownback was confirmed to serve as the U.S ambassador at-large for international religious freedom. He resigned as governor of Kansas on January 31, 2018.” [[Gov. Sam Brownback](#),” National Governors Association, accessed 01/12/21]

**On October 14, 2020, The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Hosted Sidney Powell As A Special Guest Speaker For Its 2020 Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit.** [[Sidney Powell | Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit 2020](#), Phyllis Schlafly Eagles via YouTube, 10/16/20]

- **As A Lawyer For The Trump Campaign, Sidney Powell “Unleashed Conspiracy Theories” About The 2020 Presidential Election And Was Later Considered By Trump To Be Appointed As A Special Counsel To Investigate Voter Fraud.** “President Trump on Friday discussed naming Sidney Powell, who as a lawyer for his campaign team unleashed conspiracy theories about a Venezuelan plot to rig voting machines in the United States, to be a special counsel overseeing an investigation of voter fraud, according to two people briefed on the discussion.” [Maggie Haberman and Zolan Kanno-Youngs, “[Trump Weighed Naming Election Conspiracy Theorist as Special Counsel](#),” *The New York Times*, 12/19/20]
- **After The Capitol Riot Powell Was Banned from Twitter For Sharing Qanon Content.** “Twitter banned prominent pro-Trump figures Sidney Powell, Mike Flynn and Ron Watkins Friday for posting QAnon content, as the social media company faces increasing pressure to ban accounts linked to the ideology behind the Capitol Building riot.” [Forbes, [1/08/21](#)]

**On October 14, 2020, The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Hosted Catherine Engelbrecht As A Special Guest Speaker For Its 2020 Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit.** [[Catherine Engelbrecht | Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit 2020](#),” Phyllis Schlafly Eagles via YouTube, 10/16/20]

- **Catherine Engelbrecht Founded True The Vote—Which Planned To File More Than 360,000 Electoral Challenges In Georgia’s January 2021 Senate Runoff Race—And Was Awarded The Conservative Political Action Conference’s (CPAC’s) Ronald Reagan Freedom Award In 2011.** ““In 2009 she started True the Vote, a citizen led effort to restore honor and integrity to our electoral system. True the Vote educates voters, researches the veracity of voter registries, trains and mobilizes volunteers to work in polling places, and advocates for comprehensive election code reform legislation. [...] In 2011 CPAC presented Catherine and True the Vote with the Ronald Reagan Freedom award in recognition of their groundbreaking work. In 2012, Catherine was named one of Politico’s ‘50 to Watch’, given to 50 new and rising talents on the national political scene.” [[Catherine Engelbrecht-Founder: ‘True the Vote](#),” The Rotary Club of Houston, 06/23/16]
- **True The Vote Planned To File More Than 360,000 Electoral Challenges In Georgia’s 2021 Senate Runoff Race.** “Conservative political group True the Vote announced plans on Friday to preemptively file more than 360,000 electoral challenges in Georgia before the state’s special elections are expected to occur in January.” [Jeffrey Martin, “[Pro-Trump Group to Challenge 364K Voter Registrations in Georgia Ahead of Runoff Election](#),” *Newsweek*, 12/18/20]

**Numerous High Profile GOP Congressmen Including Sens. Cruz, Daines, Grassley And Reps. Hice, Davidson As Well As Trump Housing Secretary Ben Carson, The Undersecretary Of Commerce And Trump's Qanon Lawyer Appeared On A Schlafly's Eagles Streaming Event Entitled "America On The Brink" In September 2020.**

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**Due To "Fascistic" COVID Restrictions, Schlafly's Eagles Eschewed Their Annual Training Conference In Favor Of A Virtual Streaming Event Titled "America On The Brink."** "While we firmly believe in President Trump's commitment to return America to normalcy, Washington, D.C.'s tyrannical Mayor Muriel Bowser has chosen to respond with cowardice rather than boldness. Due to her fascistic stranglehold over the city, we will be postponing Eagle Council XLIX until after the elections in November. Fear not! Eagles are still meeting before the election. Click below to join Eagle Countdown: America On the Brink — a virtual strategy session in the heart of our nation's capital!"



[Eagle Forum Education And Legal Defense Fund, [Accessed 1/19/21](#)]

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**HUD Secretary Carson Spoke On The Stream For "America On The Brink."** [YouTube, [9/26/20](#)]

**Sen. Grassley Spoke On The Stream For "America On The Brink."** [YouTube, [9/25/20](#)]



**Under Secretary of Commerce For Intellectual Property and USPTO Director Andrei Iancu Spoke On The Stream For “America On The Brink.”** [YouTube, [9/25/20](#)] [US Department Of Commerce, [Accessed 1/19/21](#)]

**Trump’s Noted QAnon Lawyer Sidney Powell Spoke On Stream For “American On The Brink.”** [YouTube, [9/25/20](#)]

- **As A Lawyer For The Trump Campaign, Sidney Powell “Unleashed Conspiracy Theories” About The 2020 Presidential Election And Was Later Considered By Trump To Be Appointed As A Special Counsel To Investigate Voter Fraud.** “President Trump on Friday discussed naming Sidney Powell, who as a lawyer for his campaign team unleashed conspiracy theories about a Venezuelan plot to rig voting machines in the United States, to be a special counsel overseeing an investigation of voter fraud, according to two people briefed on the discussion.” [Maggie Haberman and Zolan Kanno-Youngs, “[Trump Weighed Naming Election Conspiracy Theorist as Special Counsel](#),” *The New York Times*, 12/19/20]
- **After The Capitol Riot, Powell Was Banned from Twitter For Sharing QAnon Content.** “Twitter banned prominent pro-Trump figures Sidney Powell, Mike Flynn and Ron Watkins Friday for posting QAnon content, as the social media company faces increasing pressure to ban accounts linked to the ideology behind the Capitol Building riot.” [Forbes, [1/08/21](#)]

*Sens. Cruz Was One Of The Few Senators Who Voted Against Certifying The Electoral College Votes*

**Sen. Cruz Was One Of The Few Senators Who Voted Against Certifying The Election Results.** “The U.S. Congress certified Joe Biden’s win in the 2020 presidential election early Thursday morning, hours after overwhelmingly voting against an objection by U.S. Sen. [Ted Cruz](#), R-Texas, to the certification of Arizona’s results and another to the results from Pennsylvania.” [Texas Tribune, [1/06/21](#)]

*Sen. Daines Was An Outspoken In His Rejection Of The Election Results, Claiming He Would Vote Not To Certify—But Abruptly Changed Course Once The Capitol Was Stormed, Yet Still Opposes Impeachment*

**Sen. Daines Was An Outspoken In His Rejection Of The Election Results, Claiming He Would Vote Not To Certify—But Abruptly Changed Course Once The Capitol Was Stormed.** “Republican Sen. Steve Daines of Montana on Friday rejected calls for President Donald Trump to resign and said he continues to support the embattled president in the wake of the attack on the U.S. Capitol by Trump loyalists...Daines [personally fanned distrust of the election results](#), including with fundraising solicitations that warned Democrats were trying to ‘steal’ the election. He was among a dozen senators who said they would protest electoral votes from some states that backed President-elect Joe Biden in the November election. Daines abruptly dropped his opposition to the certification of Biden’s victory following Wednesday’s mob attack that left a Capitol Police officer and several Trump supporters dead.” [AP, [1/08/21](#)]

**Sen. Daines Still Publicly Opposed Impeaching Trump Despite The Capitol Riot.** “Republican Sen. Steve Daines of Montana on Friday rejected calls for President Donald Trump to resign and said he continues to support the embattled president in the wake of the attack on the U.S. Capitol by Trump loyalists...Daines [personally fanned distrust of the election results](#), including with fundraising solicitations that warned Democrats were trying to ‘steal’ the election. He was among a dozen senators who said they would protest electoral votes from some states that backed President-elect Joe Biden in the November election. Daines abruptly dropped his opposition to the certification of Biden’s victory following Wednesday’s mob attack that left a Capitol Police officer and several Trump supporters dead.” [AP, [1/08/21](#)]

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*Rep. Hice Voted Against Certifying The Electoral College Results And Said The Riots Didn't Change That "Millions Of Americans Feel" The Election Was Fraudulent*

**Rep. Hice Voted Against Certifying The Electoral College Results And Said The Riots Didn't Change That "Millions Of Americans Feel" The Election Was Fraudulent.** "Georgia Representative Jody Hice held a community call Thursday responding to his actions. 'As shameful as the storming of the capital was yesterday it did not change the fact that millions of Americans feel the elections were fundamentally fraudulent,' said Rep. Hice." [CBS 46, [1/07/21](#)]

*Rep. Davidson Voted To Object To The Certification Of The Electoral College Results*

**Dayton Daily News: "U.S. Rep. Warren Davidson Will Join Two Fellow Ohio Congressmen On Wednesday In Objecting To Electors From Georgia And Other States He Claims 'Failed To Uphold The Equal Protection Principle Of 'One Person, One Vote.'"** [Dayton Daily News, [1/05/21](#)]

**September 2020: Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Featured An Interview With Sen. Marsha Blackburn, Who Only Decided To Vote To Certify The Election After The Riots.**

*Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Interviewed Sen. Marsha Blackburn On Trump's Election Campaign In September 2020*

**Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Interviewed Sen. Marsha Blackburn On Trump's Election Campaign In September 2020.** [YouTube, [9/04/20](#)]

*Sen. Sen. Blackburn Had Planned To Vote Not To Certify The Electoral College Results But Changed Her Mind After The Capitol Was Stormed By Rioters.*

**Sen. Blackburn Had Planned To Vote Not To Certify The Electoral College Results But Changed Her Mind After The Capitol Was Stormed By Rioters.** "U.S. Sen. Marsha Blackburn and newly sworn-in U.S. Sen. Bill Hagerty both voted no Wednesday on objections to certify the election results from Arizona and Pennsylvania, states Biden won. They joined multiple senators in changing their minds about opposing the Electoral College results in the Nov. 3 election. While roughly a dozen senators previously stated they planned to object to the certification of electoral votes in several swing states that Biden carried, Blackburn, Hagerty and others changed their minds after the U.S. Capitol went into lockdown on Wednesday as supporters of President Donald Trump stormed the building, demanding that Congress reject the results of the election." [Tennessean, [1/06/21](#)]

**Schlafly's Eagles Hosted Numerous High Profile GOP Congressmen At Past Collegians Summits In The Trump Era, Including Sens. Blunt, Paul, And Hawley As Well As Reps. McCarthy, Scalise, And Jordan**

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Summit, one of Schlafly's favorite projects and what she considered some of the most important work conservatives can do." [Eagle Forum Education And Legal Defense Fund, [7/10/18](#)]

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*Sen. Blunt Attempted To Distance Himself From The Efforts To Overturn The Election After Trump's Initial Run Of Lawsuits Did Not Pan Out*

**Sen. Blunt Attempted To Distance Himself From The Efforts To Overturn The Election After Trump's Initial Run Of Lawsuits Did Not Pan Out And Proclaimed Biden President-Elect In December 2020.** "One of the senators who will not be joining Hawley in objecting to the election is Blunt, who earlier this month [described Biden as president-elect](#). In a statement Blunt said: 'I expect there to be a vigorous debate regarding any state where the electors are challenged by at least one House member and one Senator. 'As one of the four Members of Congress required to participate in the joint session, I will not be joining in any objection,' Blunt said.'" [St. Louis Public Radio, [12/30/20](#)]

*Sen. Paul Has Attempted To Paint Himself As A Public Opponent Of The Attempts To Overturn The Election Results*

**Rand Paul Called Trump's Actions Prior To The Storming Of The Capitol "Irresponsible."** "Kentucky U.S. Sen. Rand Paul said it was a sad day for the country when rioters stormed the U.S. Capitol on Wednesday. In a phone interview with WDRB News on Monday, he called President Donald Trump's actions prior to the riot 'irresponsible.'" [WDRB, [1/11/21](#)]

**Rand Paul Vowed To Vote Against Attempts To Overturn The Election.** "GOP Sen. Rand Paul has tweeted out a thread that he describes as "the speech I'll be giving today from an undisclosed location" on the now-halted Electoral College vote count. In it, he comes out against voting to overturn election results. Paul had previously not said where he stood on the issue." [CNN, [12/06/21](#)]

*Rep. Jim Jordan Was "Leading The Charge" To Block The Certification Of The Electoral College Results—To The Point Trump Singled Out His Efforts In His Speech Which Helped Instigate The Riot—Then Handwaved Away The Riots, Comparing Them To BLM Protests*

**HEADLINE: "Jim Jordan explains why he is leading charge to block the certification of Joe Biden's presidency."** [Journal-News, [1/06/21](#)]

**Trump Singled Out Jordan's Efforts In His Speech Which Helped Instigate The Riot** "Trump singled out Jordan for praise in remarks he delivered to his supporters on the Ellipse before they marched to the U.S. Capitol and disrupted the vote count in a riot that resulted in five deaths, including that of a Capitol police officer." [Cleveland.com, [1/11/21](#)]

**Jordan Handwaved Away The Riots, Comparing Them To BLM Protests.** "'Democrats, on the other hand, this summer they said the cause justified the action,' said Jordan. 'They even raised money to bail these rioters

and looters out of jail. They named streets after the organizations who were pushing for these events. All the while, they were talking about defunding the police. So, let's be consistent. Let's be consistent and let's calm everything down and focus on unifying the country as we move forward.” [Cleveland.com, [1/11/21](#)]

*Reps. McCarthy And Scalise, Minority Leader And GOP House Whip, Used Their Power To Force Most GOP House Members To Vote Not To Certify The Election Results*

**Reps. McCarthy And Scalise, Minority Leader And Whip Of GOP House, Used Their Power To Force Most GOP House Members To Vote Not To Certify The Election Results.** “Cheney also broke with McCarthy and House Minority Whip Steve Scalise (R-La.) during the vote challenging the election results last Wednesday and the early hours of Thursday morning, opting not to object to the certification of key swing states.” [The Hill, [1/12/21](#)]

*Sens. Hawley And Blunt Participated In The Schlafly Eagle’s 2019 Collegiate Summit*

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“Both of Missouri’s U.S. Senators will join the 26th Annual Phyllis Schlafly Collegians Summit next month to address students about their work in the Senate. Senator Roy Blunt and Senator Josh Hawley have both been steadfast defenders of pro-life, pro-American, and pro-family policies.” [Eagle Forum Education And Legal Defense Fund, [5/14/19](#)]

*Sen. Hawley Was One Of The Few Senators That Voted Against Certifying The Electoral College Votes*

**Sen. Hawley Was One Of The Few Senators Who Voted Against Certifying The Election Results.** “The Senate voted 93-6 against objections to Arizona’s vote certification. Republican Sens. Ted Cruz, Josh Hawley, Cindy Hyde-Smith, John Neely Kennedy, Roger Marshall and Tommy Tuberville all carried through with objecting to the electors.” [ABC News, [1/06/21](#)]

**Rep. Andy Biggs (R-AZ), Who Helped Plan The Rallies Leading To The Riot, Appeared At An Annual Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle’s Event Alongside A Noted White Supremacist, And Also Hosted A Press Call With The Group**

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*Rep Biggs Appeared At An Annual Schlafly’s Eagles Event In 2018 Alongside Noted White Supremacist Stefan Molyneux*

**Rep. Andy Biggs Was Featured As Guest At Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle’s Gateway Eagle Council XLVII In 2018.** “St. Louis, MO: Congressman Andy Biggs will join the 2018 Gateway Eagle Council lineup, participating in panels, workshops, and a featured address. Biggs has represented the 5th District of Arizona since 2017,



and served prior to that as a member and President of the Arizona Senate for several years.” [Eagle Forum Education And Legal Defense Fund, [8/21/18](#)]

**Stefan Molyneux Also Appeared At Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle’s Gateway Eagle Council XLVII In 2018.** “St. Louis, MO: Freedom Radio founder and host Stefan Molyneux has confirmed his role on the Eagle Council XLVII program next month in St. Louis. Molyneux built a successful career as a software entrepreneur and executive prior to leaving the tech industry to launch Freedom Radio. Now a full-time host, Stefan gives speeches at liberty-themed events all over the world.” [Eagle Forum Education And Legal Defense Fund, [8/29/18](#)]

**Molyneux Is A Well Documented White Supremacist Who Had An Influential YouTube Channel Until It Was Banned For Promoting Racism, Hate Speech.** “A glance at Stefan Molyneux’s subscriber count (650,000+) on YouTube suggests that he is a charismatic, persuasive and influential individual. A skilled propagandist and an effective communicator within the racist ‘alt-right’ and pro-Trump ranks, his promotion of scientific racism and eugenics to a large and growing audience is a serious concern. Molyneux has been delivering ‘race realist’ propaganda, based on pseudo-scientific sources, to his audience on an ongoing basis for over two years, and thus has encouraged thousands of people to adopt his belief in biological determinism, social Darwinism and non-white racial inferiority. Molyneux puts considerable effort into cloaking the practical implications of these beliefs across his media platforms.” [SPLC, [Accessed 1/19/21](#)] [The Verge, [6/29/20](#)]

*Biggs Also Was Featured On A Press Call With The Schlafly Eagles In 2019*

**Rep. Biggs Was Featured On A Press Call With The Schlafly Eagles In 2019.** “Phyllis Schlafly Eagles will host a media conference call on the Equality Act (H.R. 5) tomorrow, May 15, at 2:30 p.m. EDT. Phyllis Schlafly Eagles President Ed Martin will host the call and House Judiciary member Rep. Andy Biggs (AZ-5) will be the featured guest speaker. They will discuss the constitutional, legal, and cultural problems that would come from the Equality Act.” [Eagle Forum Education And Legal Defense Fund, [5/14/19](#)]

## **Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Spent Heavily On Supporting Trump’s 2016 Campaign And Also Supported Senator Roy Blunt’s 2016 Campaign**

**The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles PAC Spent Over \$3,800 On Roy Blunt’s 2016 Senate Campaign, And Over \$481,000 On Trump’s 2016 Campaign.**

PAC Name	Candidate	Type	Amount	Date
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Emails	<a href="#">\$105,000.00</a>	09/30/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Facebook Ads	<a href="#">\$29,4000.00</a>	11/04/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Social media ads	<a href="#">\$28,000.00</a>	11/05/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Emails	<a href="#">\$19,957.00</a>	10/21/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Emails	<a href="#">\$14,000.00</a>	11/05/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Online ads	<a href="#">\$5,600.00</a>	11/01/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Facebook Ads	<a href="#">\$4,500.00</a>	11/04/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Posters	<a href="#">\$4,321.38</a>	10/15/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Social media ads	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>	11/04/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Online ads	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>	11/01/16
Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Radio Ads	<a href="#">\$1,000.00</a>	11/06/16

Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle PAC	Donald Trump	Phone Calls	<a href="#">\$89.60</a>	10/31/16
Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle PAC	Roy Blunt	Robocalls	<a href="#">\$1,945.65</a>	10/31/16
Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle PAC	Roy Blunt	Phone Calls	<a href="#">\$1,945.63</a>	10/31/16

## **The Black Conservatives Fund—Closely Tied To The “Stop The Steal” Founder—Has Spent Over \$95,000 Backing Sitting Senators**

<b>Official Linked to Group</b>	<b>Official's Relationship To Group</b>
Sen. Tim Scott (R-SC)	<a href="#">\$10,000</a> to campaign
Sen. Bill Cassidy (R-LA)	<a href="#">\$85,000+</a> from PAC

**The Black Conservatives Fund, A Group That Helped Organize The Rally Leading To The Coup Attempt, Is Closely Tied To The “Stop The Steal” Founder And Sens. Tim Scott (R-SC), Bill Cassidy (R-LA)—Both Of Whom Have Tried To Distance Themselves From Efforts To Undermine The Election.**

### **The Black Conservatives Fund Was Listed Among The Groups Participating In The March To Save America And Promoted The March To Save America Rally To Its 80,000 Facebook Followers**

**The Black Conservatives Fund Was Listed Among The Groups Participating In The March To Save America.** [Jamie Corey, “[Republican Attorneys General Dark Money Group Organized Protest Preceding Capitol Mob Attack](#),” *Documented*, 01/07/21]

**The Black Conservatives Fund Promoted The Rally To its 80,000 Facebook Followers—And Deleted The Post When Confronted About It.** “The Black Conservatives Fund, which has more than 80,000 followers on Facebook, called on people to come to the rally on Wednesday as well as the ensuing march on Capitol Hill. The Facebook post was published on its page Jan. 5, a day before the rally that led to a deadly riot at the U.S. Capitol. The post disappeared from the group’s Facebook page after CNBC reached out to the committee last week through its general email address. CNBC captured a screen shot of it.” [CNBC, [1/11/21](#)]

### **The Black Conservatives Fund Is Closely Tied To “Stop The Steal” Founder Ali Alexander, A Felon Who Was A Key Planner Of The Rally**

*Ali Alexander Is A Felon, A Right-Wing Conspiracy Theorist And A Key Planner Of The Rally And Overall Plan To Stop The Election Certification*

**Ali Alexander Is The Right Wing Conspiracy Theorist And The Founder Of The “Stop The Steal” Movement And Was A Key Architect Of The Rally, Hoping It Would Convince Congress Not To Certify The Election Result.** “Weeks before a mob of President Trump’s supporters stormed the U.S. Capitol, right-wing activist Ali Alexander told his followers he was planning something big for Jan. 6. Alexander, who organized the ‘Stop the Steal’ movement, said he hatched the plan — coinciding with Congress’s vote to certify the electoral college votes — alongside three GOP lawmakers: Reps. Andy Biggs (Ariz.), Mo Brooks (Ala.) and Paul A. Gosar (Ariz.), all hard-line Trump supporters.” [Washington Post, [1/31/21](#)]

**Politico:** “In 2007, Alexander Pleaded Guilty To A Felony Of Property Theft In Texas And The Next Year To A Credit Card Abuse Felony, Also In Texas.” [Politico, [1/21/21](#)]

*Alexander At One Point Was The “Senior Advisor” To The Black Conservatives Fund And Used Its Twitter Account To Promote His Personal Endeavors In 2016*

**Alexander At One Point Was The “Senior Advisor” To The Black Conservatives Fund And Used Its Twitter Account To Promote His Personal Endeavors In 2016.** “The Black Conservatives Fund, as it turns out, was Ali Akbar. (He has recently used the PAC’s Twitter account to amplify his other endeavors). Although it’s been dormant since 2016, according to the organization’s last FEC report, it’s still sitting on more than \$200,000 in cash... At the time, Alexander had still been living in Fort Worth, and when the Dardenne campaign hired him as a Digital Director, he hadn’t yet built an online persona. Even his role in the Black Conservatives Fund had been obscured; he called himself a ‘senior advisor’ and, for the most part, preferred to stay behind-the-scenes. Privately, those involved in Dardenne’s campaign have expressed regret over hiring Alexander and claim to be appalled by the dirty tricks that have become a hallmark of his brand.” [Bayou Brief, [11/8/20](#)]

### **The Black Conservatives Fund Endorsed And Donated To Senator Tim Scott’s Campaigns—He Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Attempts To Overturn The Election, Even After Introducing A Bill To Examine Electoral System Flaws On The Day The Riot Occurred.**

*The Black Conservatives Fund Endorsed And Donated To Tim Scott’s Senate Campaigns*

**The Black Conservatives Fund Donated To Tim Scott’s 2014 And 2016 Senate Campaigns.**

Donor Name	Recipient	Amount	Date
<a href="#">Black Conservatives Fund</a>	<a href="#">Tim Scott For Senate</a>	\$2,500	9/25/15
<a href="#">Black Conservatives Fund</a>	<a href="#">Tim Scott For Senate</a>	\$1,500	6/10/14
<a href="#">Black Conservatives Fund</a>	<a href="#">Tim Scott For Senate</a>	\$1,500	10/24/16
<a href="#">Black Conservatives Fund</a>	<a href="#">Tim Scott For Senate</a>	\$1,500	10/24/16
<a href="#">Black Conservatives Fund</a>	<a href="#">Tim Scott For Senate</a>	\$1,000	7/19/16
<a href="#">Black Conservatives Fund</a>	<a href="#">Tim Scott For Senate</a>	\$1,000	10/23/14
<a href="#">Black Conservatives Fund</a>	<a href="#">Tim Scott For Senate</a>	\$1,000	10/23/14

[FEC Data, [Accessed 1/12/21](#)]

**The Black Conservatives Fund Endorsed Tim Scott’s Various Senate Campaigns.** “Tim Scott is the current junior U.S. Senator of South Carolina and former U.S. Representative from the state’s 1st congressional district. He was appointed in 2013 to replace the retiring conservative stalwart, U.S. Senator Jim DeMint. Scott then won a special election in 2014 and then election to a full term in 2016. Scott has a long record of public service, first beginning at the local level. He grew up poor, is a committed Christian, pro-life, and a conservative with an agreeable tone. He is the longest serving black Senator in the U.S. Senator and currently one of three.” [Black Conservatives Fund, [Accessed 1/12/21](#)]

*Senator Tim Scott Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Attempt To Reject The 2020 Election Results, Although He Introduced Legislation To Address What He Called “Rushed And Ill-Planned Changes” To Election Systems That Could Have Affected The Outcome Of The Election.*

**Sen. Tim Scott Contributed To Donald Trump’s “Election Fraud Narrative,” Introducing An “Election Integrity Bill.”** “To varying degrees, U.S. Reps. Nancy Mace, Joe Wilson, Jeff Duncan, William Timmons, Ralph Norman and Tom Rice and Sens. Tim Scott and Lindsey Graham pushed the president’s election fraud narrative in public comments, press conferences and social media posts. Mace, Scott and Rice made very few public comments or moves that pushed allegations of widespread fraud, with Mace appearing at one press

conference, Scott filing one election integrity bill and Rice signing on to a legal challenge to the results.” [[“Here's everything SC's GOP congressmen said to perpetuate false election fraud narrative,” The State, 01/16/21](#)]

**Scott’s Bill, Introduced Before The Capitol Riot, Would Have Established An “Election Integrity Commission” Which He Claimed Would Evaluate “Rushed And Ill-Planned Changes” To Election Systems That Might Have Affected The Outcome Of The 2020 Election.** “Scott also introduced a bill Jan. 6 ahead of the riot that would establish an ‘election integrity commission.’ ‘We cannot move forward without looking back and scrutinizing the issues that led to millions of Americans losing trust in our election system,’ Scott said in an accompanying statement. ‘While every election has a modicum of fraud, the circumstances around the pandemic led multiple states to make rushed and perhaps ill-planned changes to their election systems weeks ahead of the presidential election. Simply put, Congress needs to act in a bipartisan fashion to examine the missteps--intentional or not--made this year in state legislatures across the country.’” [[“Here's everything SC's GOP congressmen said to perpetuate false election fraud narrative,” The State, 01/16/21](#)]

**Senator Tim Scott Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Attempts To Reject The Election Results, Opposing Efforts Beyond Trump’s Failed Lawsuits.** “U.S. Sen. Tim Scott announced Tuesday he will oppose efforts by GOP colleagues to object to President-elect Joe Biden’s Electoral College victory, breaking with other South Carolina Republicans who support the longshot bid to overturn the election results. In a statement, Scott said he supported President Donald Trump’s legal right to contest the election through the courts but noted that his campaign’s many lawsuits have been unsuccessful.” [Post And Courier, [1/09/21](#)]

### **The Black Conservatives “Emerged” To Support Senator Bill Cassidy’s Senate Campaign And Recently He Has Attempted To Distance Himself From The Attempt To Reject The Electoral College Results**

*The Black Conservatives “Emerged” To Support Senator Bill Cassidy’s Senate Campaign And Released A Secret Recording Of His Opponent*

**The Black Conservatives “Emerged” To Support Senator Bill Cassidy’s Senate Campaign And Released A Secret Recording Of His Opponent, Mary Landrieu.** “The Black Conservatives Fund appears to have largely been a proxy for former Louisiana state Sen. Elbert Guillory, a Black Republican from Opelousas. The PAC emerged during the 2014 Senate race between three-term incumbent Democrat Mary Landrieu and Republican congressman Bill Cassidy. At the time, Guillory was putting together what would be an ultimately unsuccessful campaign for lieutenant governor. The PAC first made waves after releasing secretly recorded audio of Landrieu’s then-Chief of Staff, Don Cravins, Jr. (whose father, one of Guillory’s political nemeses, was then serving as Mayor of Opelousas) promising a gathering of Democrats that Landrieu would continue supporting President Obama ‘97% of the time’ if reelected.” [Bayou Brief, [11/8/20](#)]

*The Black Conservatives Fund Spent Over \$85,000 To Support Sen. Cassidy’s 2014 Senate Election*

**The Black Conservatives Fund Spent Over \$85,000 To Support Sen. Cassidy’s And Oppose His Opponent’s, Mary Landrieu’s, 2014 Senate Election.** [[Black Conservatives Fund Independent Expenditures, 2014](#), Federal Election Commission, accessed 01/21/21]

Committee Name	Candidate Name	Type	Position	Amount	Date
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Gotv Activities	Support	\$2,000.00	11/26/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Banner Ads - Non-Contribution Account	Support	\$600.00	12/2/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Graphics Design	Oppose	\$900.00	11/17/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Gotv Consulting - Non Contribution Account	Support	\$400.00	12/2/14



Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Gotv Strategy Consulting & Training	Support	\$2,000.00	11/29/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Online Advertising	Oppose	\$500.00	11/19/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Production Consulting	Support	\$2,000.00	11/19/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Online Advertising	Support	\$1,000.00	8/19/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/24/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Copywriting - Non Contribution Account	Oppose	\$500.00	12/2/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Mail Advertising - Non Contribution Account	Oppose	\$6,286.25	12/3/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Billboard Sign	Oppose	\$150.00	12/1/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	12/3/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Copy Writing	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/13/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Communications Strategy Consulting - Non Contribution Account	Support	\$1,000.00	12/2/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Online Advertising	Support	\$990.00	11/14/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Gotv Consulting - Non Contribution Account	Support	\$1,200.00	12/2/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Online Advertising	Support	\$1,048.00	11/17/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/18/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Copywriting	Support	\$1,000.00	11/10/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Production	Support	\$224.00	11/12/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/5/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Online Advertising	Support	\$3,862.00	11/6/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Copywriting	Support	\$125.00	11/1/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	12/1/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Obnline Advertising	Support	\$6,180.00	11/7/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Digital Ads - Non Contribution Account	Support	\$523.32	12/1/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Electronic Billboard	Oppose	\$280.00	11/25/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Ad Production	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/5/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Online Advertising	Support	\$7,470.00	11/20/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Website Content Development	Oppose	\$1,500.00	11/14/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Copywriting	Support	\$1,000.00	11/30/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Ad Production - Non Contribution Acct	Support	\$1,740.00	12/2/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Copy Writing	Support	\$1,000.00	10/30/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Online Advertising	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/21/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Gotv Consulting	Support	\$2,000.00	12/4/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Mail Advertising - Non-Contribution Account	Support	\$6,286.25	12/3/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Digital Ad Production - Non Contribution Account	Oppose	\$3,500.00	12/1/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Online Advertising	Oppose	\$3,300.00	10/30/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Production	Oppose	\$224.00	11/12/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/30/14

Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	12/1/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Production	Oppose	\$87.20	11/13/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Copywriting	Oppose	\$1,000.00	11/12/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Online Advertising	Oppose	\$1,500.00	11/17/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Strategy Colsultibng - Non Contribution Account	Support	\$4,650.00	12/2/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	le Gotv Consulting	Support	\$6,000.00	12/4/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Cassidy, William	Electronic Billboard	Support	\$280.00	11/25/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	le Production	Oppose	\$350.00	11/20/14
Black Conservatives Fund	Landrieu, Mary L	Voter Contact	Oppose	\$500.00	10/22/14
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$85,156.02</b>	

[[Black Conservatives Fund Independent Expenditures, 2014](#), Federal Election Commission, accessed 01/21/21]

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**Senator Cassidy Said He Would Not Challenge The Electoral College Results In The Senate, Opposing Efforts Beyond Trump's Failed Lawsuits.** "In posts on social media, Cassidy explained why he believes challenging the Electoral College count would be a mistake. Cassidy said that a Senate committee only found isolated cases of election problems and found none that would change the results of the election. He also said President Trump's numerous legal challenges have been rejected by the courts...' I supported President Trump's right to challenge the election results in court. The dozens and dozens of legal challenges from President Trump's legal team have all been rejected, many by judges appointed by President Trump. Every one of them.'" [KNOE 8, [1/06/21](#)]

## **Moms For America—Which Said Election Conspiracy Theory Was “Conspiracy Fact”—Has Given Platforms And Awards To Officials Who Undermined The Legitimacy Of The Election**

Official Linked to Group	Official's Relationship To Group
Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA)	Featured at “ <a href="#">Save the Republic Rally</a> ”
Rep. Mary Miller (R-IL)	Featured at “ <a href="#">Save the Republic Rally</a> ”
Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH)	Jordan <a href="#">endorsed</a> the group
Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD)	Earned “ <a href="#">Mother Of Influence</a> ” award in December 2020

**Rally Organizer Moms For America Has Touted Endorsements From Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH), Gave An Award To Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD), And Hosted Speeches From Reps. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA) And Mary Miller (R-IL)—All Of Whom Were Ardent Leaders Of The Movement To Overturn The Election.**

**Moms For Americas Was An Early Promoter Of Election Conspiracy Theories—Calling Them “Conspiracy Fact”—And Was Behind The Rally That Led To The Capital Riot.**

*Moms For Americas Were An Earlier Promoter Of Election Conspiracy Theories*

**Moms For America Published A Blog On November 6, 2020 Titled: Ohioans Know Trump's Voter Fraud Concerns Aren't Conspiracy Theory, They're Conspiracy Fact.** [MomsForAmerica.US, [11/06/20](#)]

*Moms For America Was Coalition Partner Of The Group That Planned The Rally*

**Moms For America Was Listed Among The Groups Participating In The March To Save America.** [Jamie Corey, "[Republican Attorneys General Dark Money Group Organized Protest Preceding Capitol Mob Attack](#)," Documented, 01/07/21]

**Moms For America Advertised Speeches From QAnon Acolyte Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA) And Mary Miller (R-IL), Who Said "Hitler Was Right" The Day Before The January 6th Rally—Both Reps. Voted To Overturn The Election Results.**

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A promotional poster for the "Moms for America Save the Republic Rally". The top half features a silhouette of a woman in a star-patterned dress against a brick wall background. Text on the poster includes the event title, date and time (Tuesday, January 5th 1:00-3:00 PM), location (U.S. Capitol, Constitution Ave. NE & First St. NE), and a slogan: "This isn't about winning an election. It's about saving the Republic, protecting our freedoms and all we hold dear!". Below this is a grid of 12 headshots of speakers, each with their name and title. The bottom of the poster says "See full line up at MomsForAmerica.us".

Moms for America  
**Save the Republic Rally**  
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U.S. Capitol, Constitution Ave. NE & First St. NE  
*Across the street from Supreme Court Building*  
This isn't about winning an election. It's about saving the Republic,  
protecting our freedoms and all we hold dear!

 Congresswoman Marjorie Taylor Greene	 Congresswoman Mary Miller	 Kim Klacik 2020 Congressional Candidate	 Dr. Rosemary Stein Pediatrician	 Mike Lindell Founder, My Pillow	 Annice Culp Civic Activist
 Ali Alexander Founder, Stop the Steal	 Jennifer Fleck Grassroots Activist	 Kimberly Fletcher President, Moms for America	 Rose Tennent Host of Rose Unplugged	 Debbie Kraulidis VP, Moms for America	 Juleen Jackson VP, Moms for America

See full line up at **MomsForAmerica.us**

[Facebook, [1/04/21](#)]

*Both Marjorie Taylor Greene And Mary Miller Voted To Object To The Electoral College Results*

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**At The Save The Republic Rally Congresswoman Mary Miller Said, “Hitler Was Right” About The Influence Of Youth And Its Impact On The Future.** “Miller — speaking a day before violent Trump supporters stormed the Capitol — read from prepared remarks, urging the need to appeal to young people in politics. ‘This is the battle,’ she said according to video posted by WCIA-TV. ‘Hitler was right on one thing. He said, “Whoever has the youth has the future.”’” [[Washington Post](#), 01/06/21]

*Rep. Greene Is Infamous For Supporting The QAnon Conspiracy Theory—And Was Suspended From Twitter For Continuing To Promote Election Conspiracies*

**Rep. Greene Is Infamous For Supporting The QAnon Conspiracy Theory—And Was Suspended From Twitter For Continuing To Promote Election Conspiracies.** “On the eve of President-elect Joe Biden’s inauguration, freshman Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene, the combative Georgia Republican known for her association with the fantastical, cultlike QAnon conspiracy theory, was back on Twitter after a 12-hour suspension, and back to making waves and rocking the precarious boat that Republicans find themselves in, having lost the White House and both chambers of Congress.” [Yahoo, [1/19/21](#)]

**Moms For America’s “Save The Republic Rally” Also Featured MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell, Who Met With Trump To Convince Him To Use The Military To Stall The Transition Of Power, Likely Influenced By The QAnon Conspiracy Theory.**

*MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell Met With Trump Days Before Biden’s Inauguration To Convince Him To Invoke Martial Law To Stop The Transition Of Power—Likely Influenced By A QAnon Conspiracy Theory*

**MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell Met With Trump Days Before Biden’s Inauguration To Convince Him To Invoke Martial Law To Stop The Transition Of Power—It Appeared That Lindell Was Influenced By The QAnon Conspiracy Theory.** “But you get the gist: The CEO of MyPillow has a strategy for shuffling around administration staffers to gather up the evidence of electoral fraud he thinks exists — and to use military resources in an effort to keep Trump in power, or, as he apparently puts it, to protect the Constitution [...] ‘...Insurrection Act now as a result of the assault on the ... martial law if necessary upon the first hint of any ...’ Lindell appears to be arguing that, in response to the violence at the Capitol, the president should invoke the Insurrection Act, which would allow him to deploy military resources. The idea of using the military in response to his losing the election has been fairly common, with advocates including former national security adviser Michael Flynn. Some, including Flynn, speculate that the military could somehow call for a new election [...] Regardless, Lindell seems to have immersed himself instead in the universe of conspiracy theories, something reinforced by a tweet he sent out early in the morning on Jan. 5. In it, he linked to a document hosted at the website 8kun describing an imminent war for America. 8kun is a message-board site, which serves as the new preferred stomping ground for QAnon conspiracy theorists, among others.” [Washington Post, [1/15/21](#)]

**Moms For America Gave A “Mother Of Influence” Award To Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD)—Who Joined A Lawsuit Alleging Fraud In The 2020 Election—And A “Courage Award” To MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell.**

*Moms For America Gave South Dakota Governor Kristi Noem Their “Mother Of Influence” Award In December 2020 And Photographed Her With MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell*

**Moms For America Gave South Dakota Governor Kristi Noem Their “Mother Of Influence” Award In December 2020.** [Moms For America, [12/14/20](#)]

**Moms For America Gave Mike Lindell Their “2020 Courage Award.”** [Moms for America, [12/13/20](#)]



## Noem Was Photographed Along With Fellow Award Winner Mike Lindell, CEO Of MyPillow:



[Instagram, [12/15/20](#)]

*Gov. Noem, Continued To Push False Claims Of Voter Fraud Well After The Presidential Election—Following The Capitol Riot, Noem’s Office Even Pushed Back Against Deleting Comments On Her Parler Page That Called For Hanging Government Officials And Supported A “Much-Needed Civil War.”*

**Gov. Kristi Noem Filed An Amicus Brief To The U.S. Supreme Court In Support Of A Lower Court Case Alleging Fraud In The 2020 Election.** “As a growing number of Republican office-holders across the country are asking the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn presidential election results, Kristi Noem has filed litigation of her own with the high court. The South Dakota governor's office announced Thursday afternoon that Noem has formally submitted an amicus brief to the Supreme Court of the United States in support of case challenging a lower court ruling that struck down a provision in Arizona election law prohibiting ballot harvesting.” [Joe Sneve, “[Gov. Kristi Noem joins lawsuit concerning 'ballot harvesting' and election fraud](#),” *Argus Leader*, 12/10/20]

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**Although Gov. Noem Condemned The Capitol Riot On Conservative Social Media Site Parler, Hundreds Of Users Left Comments, With Many Applauding The Violence, Writing “‘Hang All Government Officials,’” And Supporting A “‘A Much-Needed Civil War.’”** “One of her recent Parler posts condemned the violence at the Capitol. ‘We are all entitled to peacefully protest,’ she wrote. ‘Violence is not part of that. What’s happening in the Capitol right now must stop.’ Hundreds of Parler users added comments to the post. Many applauded the violence. One commenter wrote, ‘Burn it all down, hang all government officials and congressmen.’ Another one said, ‘This is a natural progression to a much-needed civil war.’ There were many similar comments.” [Seth Tupper, “[Commenters Fill Noem's Parler Page With Support For Capitol Violence](#),” *SDPB Radio*, 01/07/21]

- **Gov. Noem’s Spokesperson Said There Were No Immediate Plans To Delete The Comments And, After Speaking With The Governor, Said They Would Only Remove Comments Reported For Illegal Behavior.** “Noem’s spokesman, Ian Fury, said he and the governor share control of the Parler account. Fury said the governor does not support the offensive comments. SDPB asked Fury if he plans to delete the comments. ‘I don’t actually know, is that an option on Parler?’ he said. In fact, it is possible to delete comments on Parler. Fury promised to speak with Gov. Noem about it. Later, he responded with an email. It contained this question: ‘Is the implication that taxpayer dollars

should be spent paying a government staffer to police drivel posted by idiots on the internet?’ He then wrote that Parler’s community guidelines say it will remove ‘reported’ member content that constitutes illegal activity. SDPB replied with an email asking if the Noem administration will report the offensive comments. Fury did not immediately respond.” [Seth Tupper, “[Commenters Fill Noem's Parler Page With Support For Capitol Violence](#),” *SDPB Radio*, 01/07/21]

## **Moms For America Touted An Endorsement From Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH), Who “Led The Charge” To Block Certification Of The 2020 Election And Was Praised By Trump For His Efforts.**

*Moms For America Touts Endorsements From Rep Jim Jordan, Orrin Hatch, And Ben Carson’s Wife, Candy, On Its Website*

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It is reassuring in this day and age that there's an organization such as Moms for America, to maintain and encourage the principles of our founders: patriotism, civility, dedication to truth, valuing the individual...all principles from their inspiration – the Bible, from whence came our triumvirate system of government.  
~ Candy Carson  
Wife of Dr. Ben Carson



I would like to take this opportunity to commend all those involved with this extraordinary national organization as you set out to inform women throughout America on the issues that affect their lives.  
~Jim Jordan  
U.S. Congressman, Ohio



I personally want to thank you for being an inspiration to men and women across the country. The conservative movement benefits from movements such as yours.  
~Orrin Hatch  
Former US Senator, Utah

[MomsForAmerica.us, [Accessed 1/12/21](#)]

*Rep. Jim Jordan Was “Leading The Charge” To Block The Certification Of The Electoral College Results—To The Point Trump Singled Out His Efforts In His Speech That Helped Instigate The Riot—Then Handwaved Away The Riots, Comparing Them To BLM Protests*

**HEADLINE: “Jim Jordan explains why he is leading charge to block the certification of Joe Biden’s presidency.”** [[Journal-News, 1/06/21](#)]

**Trump Singled Out Jordan’s Efforts In His Speech Which Helped Instigate The Riot** “Trump singled out Jordan for praise in remarks he delivered to his supporters on the Ellipse before they marched to the U.S. Capitol and disrupted the vote count in a riot that resulted in five deaths, including that of a Capitol police officer.” [Cleveland.com, [1/11/21](#)]

**Jordan Dismissed The Significance Of The Capitol Riot, Comparing It To Black Lives Matter Protests.** ““Democrats, on the other hand, this summer they said the cause justified the action,” said Jordan. ‘They even raised money to bail these rioters and looters out of jail. They named streets after the organizations who were pushing for these events. All the while, they were talking about defunding the police. So, let’s be consistent. Let’s be consistent and let’s calm everything down and focus on unifying the country as we move forward.’” [Cleveland.com, [1/11/21](#)]

**Jordan Voted Against Certifying The 2020 Presidential Election.** [The New York Times, [01/07/21](#)]

## Women For America First Helped Fuel The “Stop The Steal” Movement And Hosted QAnon Acolyte Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene Among Other Extremists

Official Linked to Group	Official's Relationship To Group
Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA)	Featured at a <a href="#">“Stop The Steal”</a> Rally
Rep. Mike Kelly (R – PA)	Featured at a <a href="#">“Stop The Steal”</a> Rally
Rep. Paul Gosar (R- AZ)	Featured at a <a href="#">“Stop The Steal”</a> Rally
Rep. Bob Good (R – VA)	Featured At a <a href="#">“Stop The Steal”</a> Rally
Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD)	Featured at a <a href="#">“Stop The Steal”</a> Rally

**Women For America First Chair Amy Kremer Was Named On The Permit For The Rally That Led To The Insurrection, The Group Urged A “Caravan” There, And It Previously Promoted Protests Held Alongside White Nationalists To Oppose 2020 Election Results.**

### **Women For America First’s Chair Was Named On The Permit For The Rally That Led To The Capitol Riot And The Group Urged A “Caravan” There.**

Women For America First Was Listed Among The Groups Participating In The March To Save America. [Jamie Corey, [“Republican Attorneys General Dark Money Group Organized Protest Preceding Capitol Mob Attack,” Documented](#), 01/07/21]

**Amy Kremer Is The Chair Of Women For America First And Was Also Listed On The Permit For The January 6<sup>th</sup> “March For America” Rally.** “Women for America First is chaired by Amy Kremer, a longtime political operative that was once the head of the Tea Party Express, an organization that was created to support the conservative Tea Party movement.” [CNBC, [1/8/21](#)]

**Women For America First Encouraged A “Caravan” To The Rally On Facebook.** “Women for America First’s Facebook pages show they were calling on supporters to be part of what they described as a ‘caravan’ to Washington for the event. A recent post says to meet at an address in Virginia on Jan. 5, the day before the now infamous rally, to ‘join the caravan to D.C.’ There’s a picture of a bus with their logo on it and, though it notes they are not providing transportation, they encourage people to follow the bus.” [CNBC, [1/8/21](#)]

### **November 2020: Women For America First Promoted Protests Alongside White Nationalist Groups To Further Trump’s Baseless Claims About A Stolen Election.**

**A Large March In Was Planned By Numerous Right-Wing Extremist And White Nationalist Groups In Washington, DC For November 14, 2020—including “Stop The Steal” Groups—to Oppose The Election Results.** “Several pro-Trump and white nationalist groups have been promoting a rally in D.C. this Saturday in an effort to further Trump’s baseless claims about a stolen election. From their online promotion and social media chatter, the events are focused on protesting President-elect Joe Biden’s victory, falsely claiming that Trump’s second term was stolen through fraudulent voting. Both Democratic and Republican election officials in dozens of states have found no evidence of voter fraud or other irregularities that influenced the outcome of the election.” [DCist, [11/13/20](#)]

**One Of The Groups That Spread Information For The Protest Was Kremer’s “Women For America First.”** “The Facebook page for Women for America First, a protest group that has held anti

impeachment and anti-lockdown demonstrations, originally spread 'March for Trump' information online, according to Politico." [DCist, [11/13/20](#)]

## **Women For America First Chair Amy Kremer Helped Peddle Her Daughter's "Stop The Steal" Facebook Group—Which Helped Launched The Initial Movement To Overturn The Election.**

### **Women For America First Chair Amy Kremer's Daughter Created The "Stop The Steal" Facebook Group, Which Reached 365,000 Members In A Single Day After Kremer Herself Promoted The Group.**

**Kremer's Daughter, Kylie Jane, Created The "Stop The Steal" Facebook Group.** "The idea of a stolen election quickly spread among Mr. Trump's supporters, including to a Facebook user named Kylie Jane Kremer. Ms. Kremer, 30, a former Tea Party activist, runs a conservative nonprofit called Women for America First. She created the Stop the Steal Facebook group." [[New York Times, 11/05/20](#)]

**Amy Kremer Posted About Her Daughter's "Stop The Steal" Facebook Group—Her Post Was Shared Thousands Of Times.** "That was when right-wing figures such as Jack Posobiec, a pro-Trump activist, and Amy Kremer, Ms. Kremer's mother and a founder of a group called Women for Trump, began posting about the Facebook group on Twitter. Ali Alexander, a political operative who previously went by the name Ali Akbar, also tweeted dozens of times about the Stop the Steal movement to his 140,000 Twitter followers. Their messages, which were shared thousands of times, were a rallying cry for people to join the Stop the Steal Facebook group and take action in local protests against voter fraud." [[New York Times, 11/05/20](#)]

- **With Kremer's Aid The Group Was Adding 1,000 New Members Every 10 Seconds And Grew To 365,000 Members In A Single Day.** "The 'Stop the Steal' group, which called for 'boots on the ground to protect the integrity of the vote,' was adding 1,000 new members every 10 seconds and had grown to 365,000 members in a day." [[Reuters, 11/05/20](#)]

### **The Group Was Quickly Banned, But Not Before It Allowed Dozens Of Groups In Other Cities To Organize Their Own "Stop The Steal" Protests—Some Of Which Had Thousands Of Members.**

"Facebook took down the group on Thursday at 2 p.m. Eastern...Still, Ms. Kremer said that before the group was taken down, its members had successfully organized events in dozens of cities. She has set up another website about voter fraud and was now directing people to it, she said. On Facebook, dozens of new Stop the Steal groups have been created since the company removed Ms. Kremer's group. One had nearly 10,000 members. Another had just over 2,000." [[New York Times, 11/05/20](#)]

- **A Stop The Steal Protest Was Led By White Supremacist Nick Fuentes At The State Capital In Lansing, Michigan.** A few dozen protesters took the streets of Lansing, Michigan, on Wednesday to show support for Trump and his refuted claims that the election has been 'stolen' by the Democrats amid wide scale voter fraud which the administration has failed to provide any meaningful evidence for. The protest was documented by independent reporter Brendan Gutenschwager, who posted videos of the men in red MAGA hats taking part in the rally lead by Nick Fuentes. In the past Fuentes, a far-right presenter of the America First podcast, has said segregation 'was better' for Black people and that the First Amendment was 'not written for Muslims.'" [[Newsweek, 11/12/20](#)]
- **Two Stop The Steal Protests Occurred At The State Capital In Salem, Oregon Which Resulted In 4 Arrests.** "Hundreds of protesters gathered at the state Capitol in Salem, Oregon, waving American flags and Trump signs, as well as signs questioning the election results. Jo Rae Perkins, who ran unsuccessfully as a Republican against Democrat Jeff Merkley for U.S. Senate, spoke to the crowd... There were two separate demonstrations in Salem, Oregon, police said in an email. One began at noon PST at the Capitol, and the other started at 5 p.m. PST as protesters marched to the Capitol. Four



people were arrested during the day; two of the arrests included assault charges.” [USA Today, 11/07/20]

- **A Stop The Steal Rally Occurred In Downtown Pittsburgh.** “A rally filled with Trump supporters quickly turned heated outside the City-County Building Friday afternoon when another group showed up in opposition. The group called ‘Stop the Steal’ started rallying on the steps of the City-County Building in downtown Pittsburgh. The main message the Trump supporters wanted to get across: that every legal vote should count.” [CBS Local Pittsburgh, 11/07/20]
- **Other Stop The Steal Protests Occurred In Phoenix, Albany, Columbia, Austin, And One In Sacramento Which Turned Violent.** “In Sacramento, fights broke out between dozens of supporters of Trump and Biden supporters on a city street. Punches were thrown, but there were no reports of serious injuries... Hundreds of Trump supporters gathered at the Phoenix state Capitol for a ‘Stop the Steal’ protest shortly after noon. The event was scheduled before news of Biden’s win after three days of protests at the Maricopa County Elections Center. Outside the Capitol in Albany, New York, Trump supporters hoisted U.S. flags and posters saying ‘stop the steal.’ At the statehouse in Columbia, South Carolina, protesters marched with signs that read “stop election fraud.” As Biden supporters flooded the streets in Austin, Texas, the Trump faithful were steadfast, holding out hope for a different outcome.” [USA Today, 11/07/20]

### **Women for America First Hosted A “Stop The Steal” Rally In November 2020 Featuring Speeches From Election Theory Conspiracists Reps. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA), Paul Gosar (R-AZ), And Mike Kelly (R-PA)**

#### **November 2020: Women For America First Held A “Stop The Steal” Rally With Reps. Mike Kelly (R-PA), Paul Gosar (R-AZ), And QAnon Acolyte Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA).**

**Women For America First Hosted A November 2020 “Stop The Steal” Rally Which Featured Reps. Mike Kelly, Paul Gosar, And Marjorie Taylor Greene.** “The only Trump-permit application approved for an event Saturday is from Cindy Chafian with Women for America First, who estimated Friday that 10,000 people will attend. The group said speakers for their event include Republican Reps. Mike Kelly of Pennsylvania and Paul Gosar of Arizona; Rep.-elect Marjorie Taylor Greene, a supporter of far-right conspiracy theory QAnon; and Sebastian Gorka, former Trump counterterrorism adviser [who had alleged ties to anti-Semitic groups in Hungary.](#)” [USA Today, 11/13/20]

#### **Rep. Gosar Reportedly Collaborated With The Organizers Of The Rally To “Put Maximum Pressure On Congress While They Were Voting”**

**Rep. Gosar Reportedly Collaborated With The Organizers Of The Riot To “Put Maximum Pressure On Congress While They Were Voting.”** “Weeks before a mob of President Trump’s supporters stormed the U.S. Capitol, right-wing activist Ali Alexander told his followers he was planning something big for Jan. Alexander, who organized the ‘Stop the Steal’ movement, said he hatched the plan — coinciding with Congress’s vote to certify the electoral college votes — alongside three GOP lawmakers: Reps. Andy Biggs (Ariz.), Mo Brooks (Ala.) and Paul A. Gosar (Ariz.), all hard-line Trump supporters. ‘We four schemed up of putting maximum pressure on Congress while they were voting,’ Alexander said in a since-deleted video on Periscope highlighted by the Project on Government Oversight, an investigative nonprofit. The plan, he said, was to ‘change the hearts and the minds of Republicans who were in that body, hearing our loud roar from outside.’” [Washington Post, 1/13/21]

## **Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene Is An Infamous Conspiracy Theorist Who Voted To Object To The Electoral College Results**

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## **Rep. Kelly Said He Felt Sympathy For Those Who Thought The Election Was Illegitimate After The Riots, And Was The Last Person To Object To Election Certification—Occurring After The Riot.**

**Kelly Was An Early Supporter Of The Efforts To Not Acknowledge The Election Results.** “Days after Nov. 3, U.S. Rep. Mike Kelly fueled the drive to overturn the results of the presidential election. Kelly pursued that unprecedented goal to the very end early on Thursday morning. He was the last person in the House of Representatives to object to the certification of the Electoral College vote in Pennsylvania or any other state. Kelly, of Butler, whose 16th Congressional District includes Erie, kept going despite repeated losses in the courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court.” [Go Erire, [1/07/21](#)]

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**After The Riots Kelly Said He Felt Sympathy For Those Who Still Thought The Election Was Fraudulent And Called For An Investigation Into It.** “He expressed empathy, however, for the people who were objecting to the election results. ‘On Nov. 3, the greatest loss was the loss of confidence, faith and trust the American people have in our current electoral system,’ Mr. Kelly said. ‘They don’t believe, in great numbers — millions upon millions of Americans feel that that election wasn’t right. And I think we need to do a really deep dive into what took place and to fix immediately where we think the greatest egregious activities took place.’ [Post-Gazette, [1/11/21](#)]

## **At A Women For America First Rally, Rep. Bob Good (R-VA) Called Coronavirus A “Phony Pandemic” And Later Voted To Overturn The Election Despite The Capitol Riot.**

## **At A Women For America First Rally Rep. Bob Good (R-VA) Called Coronavirus A “Phony Pandemic.”**

**At A Women For America First Rally Rep. Bob Good (R-VA) Denied Coronavirus Was A Pandemic, Calling It “Phony Pandemic.”** “‘This looks like a group of people that gets that this is a phony pandemic. It’s a serious virus, but it’s a virus. It’s not a pandemic.’ That’s how soon-to-be Congressman Bob Good opened up his speech during Saturday’s [Women for America First](#) rally.” [WSLS, [12/14/20](#)]

## **Good Voted To Object To The Electoral College Results And Stood By His Decision After The Capitol Riot.**

**Rep. Good Voted To Object To The Electoral College Results.** [NY Times, [1/07/21](#)]

**Even After The Capitol Hill Riots Good Stood By His Decision To Object To The Electoral College Results, Claiming There Was Evidence Of Fraud.** “It is Congress’ constitutional responsibility to evaluate the validity of electoral votes and either accept them as legitimate casts or object to them as questionable or unreliable. Last night, I continued with my objection to the submission of electors’ from six states in question (Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, Nevada, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin). This is about more than the 2020 presidential election; it is about all future elections and Congress doing its constitutional duty to ensure election integrity and to not accept electoral submissions from states with sufficient evidence of fraud, which warrants full investigation, as well as states where legislators did not ensure the law was followed or ensure the integrity of their elections.” [WSET, [1/07/21](#)]

**Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD)—Who Joined A Lawsuits To Overturn The Election And Whose Office Pushed Back Against Deleting Violent Insurrectionist Comments After The Capitol Hill Riots—Spoke At A “Stop the Steal” Event Held By Women For America First In December 2020.**

## **Gov. Kristi Noem (R-SD) Spoke At A Women For America First “Stop the Steal” Event In December 2020**

**South Dakota Governor Spoke At A Pro-Trump Event Held By Women For America First In December 2020.** “Saturday’s MAGA rally for Trump supporters at Freedom Plaza will feature a roster of speakers traveling from Covid hot spots, according to an event permit. Organized by Women for America First, the program will include remarks by MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell and Governor Kristi Noem, whose home states of Minnesota and South Dakota are among the CDC’s top ten states with the most daily cases.” [Washingtonian, [12/11/20](#)]

## **Gov. Noem Continued To Push False Claims Of Voter Fraud Well After The Presidential Election—Following The Capitol Riot, Noem’s Office Even Pushed Back Against Deleting Comments On Her Parler Page That Called For Hanging Government Officials And Supported A “Much-Needed Civil War.”**

**Gov. Kristi Noem Filed An Amicus Brief To The U.S. Supreme Court In Support Of A Lower Court Case Alleging Fraud In The 2020 Election.** “As a growing number of Republican office-holders across the country are asking the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn presidential election results, Kristi Noem has filed litigation of her own with the high court. The South Dakota governor’s office announced Thursday afternoon that Noem has formally submitted an amicus brief to the Supreme Court of the United States in support of case challenging a lower court ruling that struck down a provision in Arizona election law prohibiting ballot harvesting.” [Joe Sneve, “[Gov. Kristi Noem joins lawsuit concerning 'ballot harvesting' and election fraud](#),” *Argus Leader*, 12/10/20]

- **HEADLINE: “Gov. Kristi Noem joins lawsuit concerning 'ballot harvesting' and election fraud”** [Joe Sneve, “[Gov. Kristi Noem joins lawsuit concerning 'ballot harvesting' and election fraud](#),” *Argus Leader*, 12/10/20]

**Although Gov. Noem Condemned The Capitol Riot On Conservative Social Media Site Parler, Hundreds Of Users Left Comments, With Many Applauding The Violence, Writing “Hang All Government Officials,” And Supporting A “A Much-Needed Civil War.”** “One of her recent Parler posts condemned

the violence at the Capitol. 'We are all entitled to peacefully protest,' she wrote. 'Violence is not part of that. What's happening in the Capitol right now must stop.' Hundreds of Parler users added comments to the post. Many applauded the violence. One commenter wrote, 'Burn it all down, hang all government officials and congressmen.' Another one said, 'This is a natural progression to a much-needed civil war.' There were many similar comments." [Seth Tupper, "[Commenters Fill Noem's Parler Page With Support For Capitol Violence](#)," *SDPB Radio*, 01/07/21]

- **Gov. Noem's Spokesperson Said There Were No Immediate Plans To Delete The Comments And, After Speaking With The Governor, Said They Would Only Remove Comments Reported For Illegal Behavior.** "Noem's spokesman, Ian Fury, said he and the governor share control of the Parler account. Fury said the governor does not support the offensive comments. SDPB asked Fury if he plans to delete the comments. 'I don't actually know, is that an option on Parler?' he said. In fact, it is possible to delete comments on Parler. Fury promised to speak with Gov. Noem about it. Later, he responded with an email. It contained this question: 'Is the implication that taxpayer dollars should be spent paying a government staffer to police drivel posted by idiots on the internet?' He then wrote that Parler's community guidelines say it will remove 'reported' member content that constitutes illegal activity. SDPB replied with an email asking if the Noem administration will report the offensive comments. Fury did not immediately respond." [Seth Tupper, "[Commenters Fill Noem's Parler Page With Support For Capitol Violence](#)," *SDPB Radio*, 01/07/21]

## **The Eighty Percent Coalition—Formed Only Weeks Before The Insurrection—Was Founded By Cindy Chafian, Who Has Been Affiliated With “Stop The Steal” Group Women For America First**

**The Founder Of The Eighty Percent Coalition, Formed Shortly Before The Insurrection, Is Tied To Women For America First—Which Claimed To Book Multiple GOP Members Of Congress (One Of Whom Has Promoted The QAnon Conspiracy) And A Former Trump Adviser (Who Has Alleged Ties To Anti-Semitic Groups) For A Pro-Trump Rally After The Election.**

### **Rally Group The Eighty Percent Coalition Was Founded By Cindy Chafian A Few Weeks Prior To The Rally That Led To The Insurrection.**

**The "Eighty Percent Coalition" Was Listed Among The Groups Participating In The March To Save America.** [Jamie Corey, "[Republican Attorneys General Dark Money Group Organized Protest Preceding Capitol Mob Attack](#)," *Documented*, 01/07/21]

**Eighty Percent Coalition Organizers Reportedly Said They Hoped To See Congress Object To Certifying The 2020 Presidential Election.** "Organizers of The Silent Majority and the Eighty Percent Coalition said they hope to see representatives share the concerns of some of their constituents during Wednesday's congressional meeting to certify the results — and object." [WUSA9, [01/05/21](#)]

**The Eighty Percent Coalition Was Founded By Cindy Chafian A Few Weeks Prior To The Rally That Led To The Insurrection.** "Cindy Chafian said she founded the Eighty Percent Coalition a few weeks ago to unite conservatives in their shared beliefs, including concerns about the validity of this election. She said she based the name on Reagan's rule that one should stand with someone if they share 80% of their beliefs instead of focusing on the 20% where they differ." [WUSA9, [01/05/21](#)]



**Following The 2020 Election, Chafian Was On The Permit For A Pro-Trump Rally By Women For America Featuring Reps. Mike Kelly (R-PA), Paul Gosar (R-AZ), QAnon Promoter Rep.-Elect Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA), And Former Trump Adviser Sebastian Gorka, Who Was Allegedly Tied To Anti-Semitic Groups.**

**Following The November 2020 Election, Multiple Pro-Trump Events Were Planned In Washington, D.C. As Experts Warned About The Presence Of “Right Wing Extremists.”** “Experts are warning some right-wing extremists may appear at rallies in Washington, D.C., on Saturday in support of President Donald Trump, though it's unclear how many people will attend. Multiple events with names including Million MAGA March, Stop the Steal and March for Trump are set to occur at Freedom Plaza around noon Saturday, according to several social media posts. As of Tuesday, there were at least 24 Facebook events using one or both terms, according to the Anti-Defamation League.” [USA Today, [11/13/20](#)]

**At One Point, The Only Approved Event Permit Was Submitted By Cindy Chafian, Then Associated With Women For America First.** “The only Trump-r|permit [sic] application approved for an event Saturday is from Cindy Chafian with Women for America First, who estimated Friday that 10,000 people will attend.” [USA Today, [11/13/20](#)]

**Cindy Chafian’s Event Claimed To Have Booked Reps. Mike Kelly (R-PA), Paul Gosar (R-AZ), Rep.-Elect Marjorie Taylor Greene (Who Promoted The QAnon Conspiracy Theory), And Former Trump Adviser Sebastian Gorka (Allegedly Tied To Anti-Semitic Groups).** “The group said speakers for their event include Republican Reps. Mike Kelly of Pennsylvania and Paul Gosar of Arizona; Rep.-elect Marjorie Taylor Greene, a supporter of far-right conspiracy theory QAnon; and Sebastian Gorka, former Trump counterterrorism adviser who had alleged ties to anti-Semitic groups in Hungary.” [USA Today, [11/13/20](#)]