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## Suppressing the Truth

Truth needs to be suppressed by those who must maintain control via falsehood. If the New World Order scheme was to kill us all by disease or by vaccination, then why not now? They've led the population-reduction agenda for so long, and it's the right time to unleash some well-kept secret bioweapon technology on an unsuspecting global population.

However, if there were such a master plan, they would have been implementing it by now. They could have done much more damage than this if it were their desire. Perhaps there are more subtle motives, motives to consolidate immense power.

All I can think of is that this is supposed to bring world economies to their knees and make us hand over healthcare responsibilities to a global authority. In the opening address of the Great Reset forum, a joint initiative of the World Economic Forum and the Prince of Wales, this purpose was confirmed: "The COVID-19 pandemic presents an opportunity to shape an economic recovery and the future direction of global relations, economies and priorities."

The U.S. government didn't cause COVID, yet we were to make reparations anyhow with stimulus checks that are a precursor to an allotted, national, fixed wage — the socialists' "universal basic income." The middle class receives minor compensation for the loss of potential productivity and it has made the poor richer, e.g. big-screen TVs. The money could've better been used to refund the losses of small business from the unnecessary mandatory shutdowns.

Prior to the global COVID-19 outbreak, the rise of nationalism had started to re-shape global politics. Nationalism in political discourse had strengthened across the world, especially in the West through the successful rise of nationalist and populist political parties in Italy, Austria, Hungary, France, and Germany. Nationalist rhetoric had gone viral, from our recent president's "Make America

Great Again" initiative to Britain's Brexit. The globalists' point: Forget about nationalism and think trendy globalism. Former President Trump repeatedly criticized the World Health Organization for being too "China-centric," and had announced his decision to leave the organization, rightfully claiming that it had caved to pressure from China "to mislead the world when the virus was first discovered by Chinese authorities" and that it's under the "total control" of China.

It's just as Ronald Reagan inadvertently prophesied: "Perhaps we need some outside universal threat to make us recognize this common bond. I occasionally think how quickly our differences worldwide would vanish if we were facing an alien threat from outside this world." That alien threat is the unnatural, unaccounted for, alien virus known as COVID-19.

I don't care if the FDA now approves the COVID vaccinations. I would freely accept the inoculation if and only if I wouldn't get sicker or die from it when I could get recoverably sick from the virus. I don't want to suffer any long-term side effects. Why would the government and social media need to suppress supposed "fake news" at all? Censorship only exacerbates the issue of trust. Doctors who have the same qualifications as those who say the vaccine is safe say the vaccine is unsafe. But, we are not supposed to listen to those doctors. It began with one jab, then two, and now it's continuous boosters. What do we expect when we believe everything our government tells us?

LUKE MORRELL  
Sent via e-mail

**CORRECTION:** Our article "Russia vs. Ukraine: Is It Our Fight?" (Feb. 14) inadvertently stated that during World War II, Japan was prompted by trade sanctions to "strike out at American military forces in Japan and the Philippines." Of course, it should have said Pearl Harbor and the Philippines.



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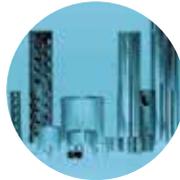
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## Dems Say Anybody but Biden in 2024

A CNN poll released February 13 confirms President Biden's troubles: Nearly three out of every four Democrats want someone other than Sleepy Joe to run in 2024. And they don't really care who Democrats run in 2024, so long as it isn't Biden!

Bernie Sanders got five percent support, while Michelle Obama received four percent. Kamala Harris received a nearly invisible two percent from those even willing to offer an alternative to Biden. Most of those polled couldn't come up with a viable alternative. Falling into the "virtually invisible" category to replace him were Pete Buttigieg, Elizabeth Warren, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Oprah Winfrey, Cory Booker, Stacey Adams, and Amy Klobuchar.

When pressed by pollster SSRS, the 1,500-plus respondents didn't think Biden could run successfully against whomever the Republicans run. A third said he was too old (he's 79 now and will turn 82 in November 2024), while the rest of them couldn't come up with a good reason — they just want him gone.

It gets worse: Republicans can hardly wait for 2024 to rid themselves of the Democratic disaster. According to SSRS, more than eight out of 10 Republicans were looking forward to 2024, while barely four out of 10 Democrats were.

Democrats know the shellacking they are likely to take. If the 2022 midterms shape up the way current polls are showing, 2024 could be an utter and complete disaster for them and their party.

Under Trump, Americans saw a glimpse of how great America could become, given the right policies while following the Constitution. They can hardly wait for the chance to rid themselves of the fallout of failed Democratic policies and put the nation back on the path to greatness.



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## Sweden Declares COVID-19 Pandemic Over

Sweden, a Scandinavian nation that never imposed mandatory lockdowns or mask mandates, declared on February 9 that, for all intents and purposes, it considers the COVID-19 pandemic to be over.

The government announced that it was suspending the few remaining pandemic restrictions, including getting rid of the nation's vaccine-passport system, allowing bars and restaurants to remain open beyond 11 p.m., and abolishing most COVID testing rules.

Earlier this week, Sweden's National Health Agency claimed that the overuse of testing was not cost effective. The nation of approximately 10.4 million people had been spending in excess

of \$55 million per week on testing in the first weeks of 2022, and since the pandemic began has spent more than \$2.6 billion on testing.

The government declared that readily available vaccinations and the far less-severe Omicron variant of the virus have effectively ended the pandemic as far as government restrictions for the Nordic country are concerned.

"As we know this pandemic, I would say it's over," Minister of Health Lena Hallengren told Swedish newspaper *Dagens Nyheter* February 9. "It's not over, but as we know it in terms of quick changes and restrictions it is."

Sweden follows in the footsteps of fellow Scandinavian country Denmark, which decided to drop all restrictions at the beginning of February, with Danish Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen declaring, "We are ready to step out of the shadow of the coronavirus. We say 'goodbye' to restrictions and 'welcome' to the life we knew before."

Norway has also dropped most of its COVID-19 measures, including curfews on how late bars and restaurants can remain open and their limit of 10 visitors in private homes. Norway made its adjustments despite a recent surge in infections.

COVID-19 restrictions are easing elsewhere in Europe, as well. In the south, Italy and Spain have recently dropped their outdoor mandates, and Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez has called upon the European Union to begin treating COVID-19 as an endemic illness akin to the flu.



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## Tennessee Democrats “Facing Extinction”

After announcing that he will retire from the House of Representatives in December, Representative Jim Cooper (D-Tenn.) told the Nashville Scene February 8, “The Democratic Party in Tennessee is basically facing extinction ... we’ve been on a long downhill slide for a long time.”

And that slide is likely to continue, said the retiring congressman: “As usual, Democrats are not alert to future dangers. The biggest danger we face in an off-year election after we won the White House is the 100-year trend toward the other party. [Our

success in] redistricting [to favor Democrats] is small potatoes compared to that historical trend.”

Reversal of that 100-year trend isn’t likely to happen in 2022, either: “Most of the rhetoric you hear [from Democrats] is: ‘Let’s double down. Let’s force it down their throats.’ That’s not the way to win votes.”

Gallup, the polling organization that has been tracking political preferences and issues for more than a quarter of a century, was surprised by that trend showing up so dramatically in 2021.

Their audience of 12,000 U.S. adults was asked repeatedly in 2021, “In politics, as of today, do you consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent?... Do you lean more to the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?” A year ago, Democrats held a commanding nine-percentage-point lead over Republicans: 49-40.

Beginning in April, the shift to Republicans began, and caught Gallup off guard: “A dramatic shift [took place], from a nine-percentage point Democratic advantage in the first quarter to a rare five-point Republican edge in the fourth quarter.... [These] are among the largest Gallup has measured for each party in any quarter since it began measuring party identification and leaning in 1991.... The political winds continued to become more favorable to Republicans in the fourth quarter, giving the GOP an advantage over Democrats larger than any they had achieved in more than 25 years.”

Representative Jim Cooper from Tennessee was the 29th Democrat to announce his retirement as of February.



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## Cartels Use Social Media to Recruit American Teens as Smugglers

Smugglers, who proliferate at the U.S. border with Mexico, are actively recruiting American teenagers to drive illegal immigrants, the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) revealed.

According to a February 9 CBP press release, transnational criminal organizations (TCOs) are turning to social media to recruit minors for their smuggling operations. That ongoing trend was identified by the Rio Grande Valley Sector (RGV) Border Patrol, which encountered the largest number of illegal aliens in the past year.

RGV Border Patrol agents seized more than 11,000 pounds of narcotics in 2021, which is approximately 43 percent of all narcotics seized by the U.S. Border Patrol across the nation between ports of entry.

The CBP press release goes on to note, “With an increase in illicit activity, TCOs require more manpower to carry out their operations. Social media has become an avenue for human smugglers to target juvenile drivers.”

The cartels lure teens with the promise of easy cash and assure them that because they’re juveniles, they won’t face severe consequences if they’re caught by the police or Border Patrol. The young recruits are also told that if they flee, the agents likely won’t chase them because that would create a highly dangerous road situation.

The CBP warning continues, “The result is an increase in er-

ratic driving by inexperienced drivers, often observed exceeding posted speed limits, and driving against oncoming traffic. The use of social media has allowed local smugglers to expand their network’s reach. New recruits are not only from the Rio Grande Valley. Authorities have arrested drivers from San Antonio, Houston, and other areas, some as young as 13-years old.”

Since October 2021, RGV agents have engaged in nearly 100 vehicle pursuits in order to stop human- and drug-smuggling attempts. In fiscal year 2021, RGV agents reported 257 vehicle pursuits. Most of them, the CBP noted, involve vehicles loaded with migrants well over the manufacturers’ intended passenger limit in order to maximize monetary gain. ■



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### Kentucky Senator Calls for Truckers to Block Streets in the United States

“I hope the [Canadian] truckers do come to America. And I hope they clog up the cities.”

*A longtime opponent of masking and vaccine mandates, Senator **Rand Paul** (R-Ky.) is a medical doctor who has publicly challenged the pronouncements of Dr. Anthony Fauci and others who continually propose more vaccinations, more boosters, and more interference with the freedom of the American people.*



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### The Real Reason the Olympic Games Are Being Held in Communist China

“The Games are about spotlighting the party-state’s firm control at a time when so many other countries seem to be floundering politically.”

*Historian and co-author of China in the 21st Century: What Everyone Needs to Know, **Maura Elizabeth Cunningham** contends that the absence of a full-scale walkout and withdrawal of sponsorship signals that the Chinese Communist Party can largely dictate the terms of engagement. These concessions guarantee that President Xi Jinping’s place as the world’s chief communist faces no challenge from within China or elsewhere.*

### Fourth-grade Teacher Fired for Not Hiding Transgender Promotion From Parents

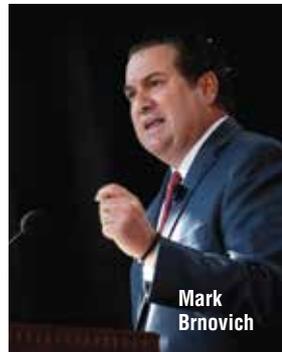
“I did what any teacher would do and should do. I told the parents.”

*After violating orders to refer to a female fourth-grader as a male and her brother as a female, and to not tell the parents, **Bonnie Manchester** was fired from her job at Baird Middle School in Ludlow, Massachusetts. Similar orders to encourage and countenance transgenderism among pre-teens and forbid teachers to inform parents have been issued in Texas, California, and Florida.*

### Arizona Attorney General Blames President Biden for Out-of-control Southern Border

“Just when you think we’ve reached rock bottom, something else happens. This year has seen a record number of migrants enter the country [illegally]. Just last week, [law enforcement] was engaged in the seizure of a record amount of fentanyl. Our cities are becoming more unsafe due to the failed policies of the Biden administration.”

*Arizona Attorney General **Mark Brnovich** publicly stated that drug cartels “are in charge of the border.” More than a million illegals have crossed into the United States since President Biden took office 13 months ago. The number far exceeds what Border Patrol agents can handle.*



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### Blame Communist Leaders, Not a U.S. Embargo, for 60 Years of Tyranny in Cuba

“It is indeed a tragedy that the government established by the Castros remains in power. But that’s not the fault of the embargo imposed by President John Kennedy in the 1960s. It’s the fault of Cuba’s brutal rulers.”

*Boston Globe columnist **Jeff Jacoby** notes that Cuba continues to be a backward tyranny even under leaders who have succeeded the Castro brothers.*



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### Cheney Has Become an Outcast in Her Home State of Wyoming

“I was pro-Trump and I am proud of the policies of the Trump administration. But he crossed a line you can never cross. Some people, I think, interpreted my vote to impeach him as a vote in favor of Biden or Biden’s policies, which it wasn’t.”

*Representative **Liz Cheney’s** (R-Wy.) outspoken and derogatory rhetoric about Donald Trump, and her willingness to serve on the Pelosi-led January 6 Committee, have cost her the support she needs to be renominated for her congressional seat. Polling shows her having the support of a mere 30 percent of the state’s Republicans. ■*

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# WHAT REALLY HAPPENED JANUARY 6



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To the Biden-Pelosi Democrats and their Fake News enablers, questioning the 2020 elections must be equated with treason, sedition, insurrection, domestic terrorism, and white supremacy.

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by William F. Jasper

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On January 6, 2021, President Donald Trump held a Stop the Steal rally on the Ellipse near the White House, as Congress gathered at the Capitol to count the electoral votes and officially announce the winner of the November 2020 presidential election. In his speech, the president told his supporters, “I know that everyone here will soon be marching over to the Capitol building to peacefully and patriotically make your voices heard.”

While President Trump was still speaking, a couple thousand of the rally-goers had already broken away from the event and had gone to the Capitol. A raucous mob of a few hundred of these rally participants, breaking through barricades and police lines, stormed into the Capitol. These hooligans, who battled with police, vandalized government property, and interrupted the electoral proceedings, were definitely not behaving “peacefully and patriotically,” as President Trump had directed.

Was this a case of President Trump saying one thing publicly to the main rally, while having secretly given directions to others to engage in violence? That is the conspiracy theory being advanced by the Democrats and their media choir. That is the conspiracy theory being “investigated” by the virulently anti-Trump House January 6 Committee set up by Speaker Nancy Pelosi (see the article on page 23). And these conspiracy theorists, we might point out, have amassed about as much evidence to support this conspiracy theory as they did for their conspiracy theory of “Trump-Russia collusion” — which, if you recall, was zero, nada, zilch.

An alternative explanation to this Democrat/media conspiracy theory is that the small subset of the rally attendees who breached the Capitol were rowdy yahoos who allowed themselves to be amped up and led into criminal misdeeds by federal *agents provocateurs* whose very purpose was to create an incident that would be exploited to discredit Trump, his movement, and all who oppose our deadly lurch toward totalitarianism. The media “fact checkers”

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**Stop the steal:** President Donald Trump addresses a massive, peaceful crowd of supporters on the Ellipse on January 6, 2021, and urges them to “peacefully and patriotically” make their voices heard.

claim to have debunked all evidence pointing to *agents provocateurs*, but as our article on page 16 shows, they are gaslighting us again: “Move along, don’t pay any attention to these inconvenient facts.”

In the year that has passed since the “insurrection” at the Capitol, we have been subjected to an incessant bombardment of media hysteria and Democrat hyperventilation over the four-hour fracas. Instead of simply prosecuting those participants for whatever crimes they committed, the political powers-that-be are determined to turn it into a weapon with which to bludgeon conservatives and use their January 6 propaganda to transform our Republic into a police state.

They have no intention of letting up. The editorial board of the *New York Times*, the leading media voice of the Deep State globalists, tells us that “Every Day Is Jan. 6 Now.” That was the title of their lead editorial on January 1, 2022, as the first anniversary of that “Day of Infamy” approached. “Our political life seems more or less normal these days,” the *Times* editorialized, “but peel back a layer, and things are far from normal. Jan. 6 is not in the past; it is every day.”

That’s right, we must be reminded of “the once-unthinkable trauma of Jan. 6” not just periodically, but “every day.” So, even though opinion polls show most Americans are not interested in the Democrats’

efforts to turn January 6 into yet another “investigation” attack on Donald Trump, the Democrat/media cabal is pushing ahead with it nevertheless. However, it is not simply Donald Trump, his inner circle, and those who actually participated in the Capitol riot who are the targets of the media wolf pack. In the editorial cited above, the *Times* chillingly reveals that it is “regular citizens” whom it sees as the “existential threat” to our Republic. You know, those dangerous people who challenge obvious election fraud and dare to insist that voters should prove who they are by showing identification when they vote.

“It is regular citizens who threaten election officials and other public servants, who ask, ‘When can we use the guns,’ and who vow to murder politicians who dare to vote their conscience,” the *Times* darkly warns. “It is Republican lawmakers scrambling to make it harder for people to vote and easier to subvert their will if they do,” the editorial screed continues. “It is Donald Trump who continues to stoke the flames of conflict with his rampant lies and limitless resentments and whose twisted version of reality still dominates one of the nation’s two major political parties.”

“In short,” says the *Times* editorial collective, “the Republic faces an existential threat from a movement that is openly contemptuous of democracy and has shown that it is willing to use violence to achieve its ends.” The *Times* is not alone in sounding this theme; its dangerous message is echoed throughout the liberal-left Fake News mediaverse. It is the same dangerous repeated message that prepared the ground for Merrick Garland’s Justice Department to issue its memo intimating that angry parents who reproach school officials for indoctrinating their children in LGBTQ propaganda or Critical Race Theory will be subjected to FBI investigation as domestic terrorists. It is the same messaging that prepared the ground for FBI officials to issue dark warnings about the evil specter of “white supremacy,” “white nationalism,” and “domestic extremism” as the nation’s top security concern.

### “White Supremacists” & “Domestic Terrorists”

In this media-heated atmosphere, left-wing politicians are emboldened to run wild with accusations of white supremacists and seditious traitors under every bed. One needn’t

to ever have worn the Klan’s bed sheets (as Democratic Klansmen Senator Robert Byrd and Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black infamously did) or even to ever have embraced or enunciated any racist ideas to be label-lynched as a “white supremacist” these days. “White supremacist” has become one of the all-purpose smear tags — along with racist, fascist, conspiracy theorist, misogynist, xenophobe, homophobe, Nazi, etc. — that desperate and dimwitted “progressives” promiscuously apply to anyone who deviates from the current politically correct dogma.

“On Jan. 6 came the white supremacists,” declared *Washington Post* columnist Dana Milbank, slandering the entire body of Americans who assembled in Washington, D.C., to exercise their rights to speak and peacefully assemble, as guaranteed in our Constitution.

Representative Cori Bush (D-Mo.), a Black Lives Matter activist and now one of the new stars of Congress, endlessly blows the “white supremacy” dog whistle to incite her fellow Democrats. “If we fail to remove a white supremacist president who incited a white supremacist insurrection, it’s communities like Missouri’s first district that suffer the most,” Bush said during her House speech in support of Trump’s impeachment on January 13, 2021. “The 117th Congress must understand that we have a mandate to legislate in defense of black lives, the first step in that process is to root out white supremacy starting with impeaching the white supremacist in chief.” The January 6 riot was not just an “insurrection,” you see, it was a “white supremacist insurrection.” And impeaching the “white supremacist in chief” would only be the start. The Democratic National Committee, the radical Democrats in Congress, and their media enablers are so fearful of the retribution they face at the midterm polls this November that they are desperately trying to expel pro-Trump Republicans from Congress before the elections on grounds of sedition, treason, and insurrection. And they are also going after Republican office-holders at the state level, as well as Trump donors and activists.

As the newest member of “the Squad” in the House, Representative Bush introduced her first piece of legislation, House Resolution 25, to “investigate

### “White supremacist”

**fetish:** Representative Cori Bush (D-Mo.), BLM activist and newest member of the left-wing “Squad,” insists January 6 was totally about white supremacy.



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and expel those Members who worked to overturn the results of our democratic election; those whose Trump-driven lies incited the attack.” She specifically charged “Representatives Boebert, Cawthorn, Greene, Gohmert and Biggs” for “their extensive participation in strategizing ahead of the attack.” According to Bush, “these same members continue to advance a racist electoral effort to invalidate the votes and voices of black, brown, and indigenous voters.”

“One year later,” Bush said on January 5, 2022, “I am doubling down on my call to hold these insurrectionist-abetting white supremacists accountable for their roles on January 6th, 2021.” Not to be outdone by a newcomer, veteran radical Representative Maxine “Mad Max” Waters (D-Calif.) condemned President Trump for “radicalizing his supporters” and “inciting them to willingly join with white supremacists, neo-Nazis and paramilitary extremists in a siege of the United States Capitol building.”

### “Treason” & “Traitors”

Another radical conspiracy theorist, Ruben Gallego (D-Ariz.), has charged that there’s “a slow-moving coup that is happening right now all over this country that [is] led by the Jim Jordans, and you know, other people.” He is referring, of course, to Representative Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), a leading nemesis of Nancy Pelosi, Adam Schiff, and the House Democrats. “Jim Jordan is a traitor,” Gallego exclaimed during an interview on MSNBC. “He’s a traitor to the Constitution of the United States.”

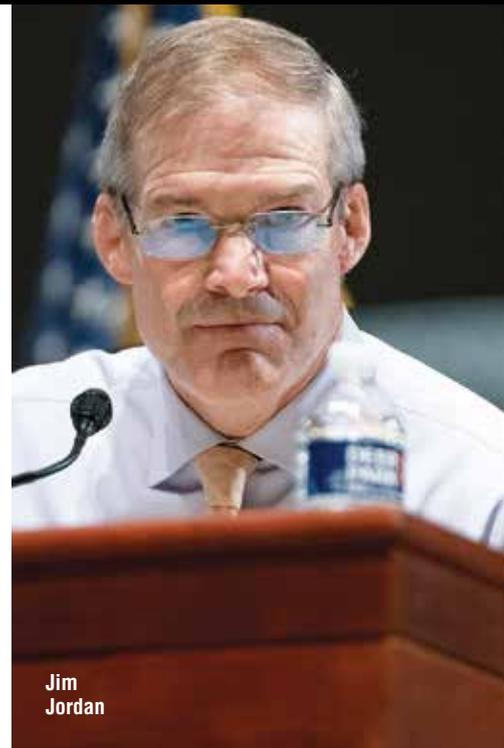
Representative Gallego told MSNBC (which vies with CNN for the title of Conspiracy Theory Central) that “election denialists” are now trying to win state and county legislative seats “so they could actually overturn the future election.”

“So the coup is ongoing,” Gallego avers. “The traitors are still there, and they’re going to continue to try to destroy our Constitution every opportunity they have.”

Media lefties who have been gunning for Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas since he was nominated in 1990 have attempted to get to him indirectly by trying to tie his wife, Ginni Thomas, to the January 6 “coup” attempt. “Ginni Thomas Supported the Capitol Insurrec-



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Jim Jordan

**Coup, treason, traitors:** Representative Ruben Gallego (D-Ariz.) spins wild conspiracy theories about January 6, including that Representative Jim Jordan (R-Ohio) is a “traitor” and a coup leader who should be expelled from the House.

tion,” declared the Daily Kos in a headline for January 9, 2021. Yahoo! News carried this deceptive headline: “Clarence Thomas’ wife supported rioters before siege: ‘Love MAGA.’” Whoopi Goldberg got into the act on ABC’s *The View*, declaring that “sedition means going against the United States of America.” She then went on to charge, “Somebody needs to say that to Clarence Thomas’ wife, who was also giving them, you know, what’s the word — aid and comfort — this is treason!” The truth of the matter is that Ginni Thomas merely expressed support for the rally, not the “rioters.” But such is the toxic rancor of the mediocrats that any expression of MAGA alignment is sufficient cause to unleash the smear machine.

Caught up in the treason-hunting fervor, some Democratic officials were unwilling even to wait for DOJ indictments or the January 6 Committee “investigation” before taking action against the “traitors” and “terrorists.”

“The deeply disturbing events that occurred at our nation’s Capitol on January 6th were sedition, treason, and domestic terrorism — and those individuals involved

in the insurrection must be held accountable for attempting to subvert our democratic process,” Florida Agriculture Commissioner Nikki Fried declared in a press statement on July 27, 2021. The Sunshine State’s only Democrat holding a statewide office, Fried’s announcement carried newsworthy weight because in Florida the Ag Department is the agency in charge of concealed-weapon permits. And Commissioner Fried made it known that she will wield this weapon against “these traitors.”

“I just suspended the concealed weapons permits of 22 people involved in the insurrection against the United States of America instigated by Donald Trump on January 6, 2021,” she crowed in a July 27 tweet.

In an October 19, 2021 tweet, Fried went further: “Today I’m announcing the suspension of six [gun] licenses of domestic terrorists who participated in the January 6 insurrection attempt against the United States. That brings our total to 28 suspensions. As more charges are filed, we will continue to hold these traitors accountable.”

Note that Commissioner Fried, who



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**The official narrative:** We are suppose to believe that Donald Trump directed an armed insurrection to overthrow the 2020 election results. The truth is, a tiny fraction of the January 6 protesters broke into the Capitol, unarmed, and harmed no one.

has announced she will be running against Governor Ron DeSantis in November, is not the least troubled with due process. In fact, she jumped ahead of Attorney General Merrick Garland and the U.S. Department of Justice in labeling participants in the January 6 melee as terrorists and traitors. Not as “alleged” terrorists and traitors, mind you, which is a courtesy and legal distinction accorded to even the most hardened recidivists accused of crimes, including, of course, the thousands of BLM/Antifa insurrectionists who burned, looted, and terrorized more than 100 cities.

Have attorneys for the ACLU or civil libertarians in the press corps called out Fried for criminalizing, convicting, demonizing, and penalizing Floridians who were at the Capitol on January 6 as “terrorists” and “traitors”?

## HYPOCRISY UNLIMITED: WHEN VOTE CHALLENGE BECOMES SEDITION

**R**adical Democrats in Congress have called for the investigation and expulsion of Republican members of Congress for supporting President Donald Trump’s “lies” that the 2020 presidential election was “stolen” due to massive election fraud. Challenging the election, we are told, is the equivalent of sedition, treason, coup, and insurrection. But the very Democrats who are most vociferous in denouncing Republicans over accusations of election fraud have themselves made the same charges in the past. Over the past two decades, Democrats challenged Republican victories in the presidential elections of 2000, 2004, and 2016, when the Electoral College votes were tallied in 2001, 2005, and 2017. In 2001 and 2017, the challenges went nowhere because the House members could not find a Democratic Senator to support their objections to the count. In 2005, however, 31 members of the House, together with Senator Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), attempted to overturn George W. Bush’s victory over John Kerry by objecting to Ohio’s electoral votes.

Representative Jerrold Nadler (D-N.Y.) said the vote had been “stolen.” Senator Boxer’s support caused both houses of Congress to go into two-hour debate sessions on the matter. The effort ultimately failed, by votes of 267-31 in the House and 74-1 in the Senate.

Critics of Trump and his congressional supporters point to Hillary Clinton’s concession to Trump following her 2016 loss. However, she later backtracked and repeatedly claimed that the vote had been rigged. During her 2019 speaking tour, Clinton said the 2016 election had been “stolen” from her by Trump. She also referred to Trump as an “illegitimate president” and a “puppet of Putin.”

Now, however, it is treasonous to challenge the “sacredness” of our elections.

## Dissent Becomes Treason

We have reached an extremely perilous point in American history. An immensely wealthy oligarchy — the Deep State, if you will — that controls both the media and the party now wielding power over our government is ever more openly moving toward raw despotism. Those who stand athwart their grasp for total power are being subjected to reputational destruction as traitors, terrorists, and white supremacists, in preparation for criminal prosecution. The Pelosi-Schumer Democrats and their media allies are purposely conflating challenges to the 2020 election with the Capitol siege, charging that Republican claims of election fraud are lies, and that those promoting these “lies” were knowingly, willfully engaged in an “insurrection” or “coup” against the United States. The charges are as patently ludicrous as were the debunked Trump-Russia conspiracy theory, the Trump-Ukraine conspiracy theory, and the other nonstop conspiracy theories that the Deep State cabal and their Democrat frontiers have been employing for the past five years.

The Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee (DLCC), an arm of the Democratic Party, is targeting Republican state legislators who supported Trump’s Stop the Steal effort. *Politico* reported last October that the DLCC has “identified 21 Republican state legislators who took part in the events of Jan. 6 and several hundred who called to ‘stop the steal’ or overthrow the 2020 election.” The DLCC set up an “insurrectionist” tip line and called on all “insurrectionists” to resign from office.

It should not be necessary to point out that charging fraud in an election and/or challenging electors is not only legal and completely constitutional, it is also something that partisans on both sides of the aisle have been doing with metronomic regularity. Yes, as we point out in the accompanying sidebar on page 14, Democrats have engaged in the same “treason” of charging election fraud and challenging electors. In fact, the last three times a Republican has been elected president (Trump in 2016 and George W. Bush in 2000 and 2004), Democrats have challenged electoral votes.

A *Washington Post* article about the House January 6 Committee last December by Jacqueline Alemany and Tom



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**Unaccountable:** Attorney General Merrick Garland has pledged that his DOJ is “committed to holding all January 6 perpetrators, at any level, accountable under law,” but has refused to answer questions from Congress regarding the involvement of federal agents on January 6.

Hamburger revealed what was obvious even before their “revelation”: The Democrats and their media cohorts intend to saturate “news” coverage of the January 6 “treason-sedition-insurrection-coup-terrorism” all the way to the November elections. “The rough timeline being discussed among senior committee staffers,” the *Post* reported, “includes public hearings starting this winter and stretching into spring, followed by an interim report in the summer and a final report ahead of November’s elections.”

It is the same strategy they followed with the Mueller “investigation” and the many other faux investigations during Trump’s term in office: Pretend that you have damning “smoking gun” evidence, and dribble out a steady stream of leaks to friendly media for sensational, damaging stories that later turn out to be fraudulent nothingburgers.

The entire media lie machine — CBS, CNN, ABC, PBS, NBC, NPR, MSN News, Bloomberg, Yahoo! News, Associated Press, et al. — apparently has adopted

the *New York Times* directive that “Every Day Is January 6 Now.” A recent search on Google for “January 6 riot” yielded “About 217,000,000 results.” A search for “January 6 insurrection” brought up “About 30,300,000 results.” Obviously, we haven’t read the more than 200 million articles on January 6, but we have read enough to state with confidence that the vast majority of these stories originating in the major media are peddling the same “existential threat” narrative. The strategy is not only to stoke the fears of a Trump coup threat to “our democracy,” but also to crowd out and drown out the many other inconvenient stories that could threaten Democrats in November: Joe Biden’s border/migration debacle and his secret flights of illegals into the American heartland, Joe Biden’s Afghanistan catastrophe, our economic downturn and massive inflation, Hunter Biden’s laptop, Joe Biden’s cave-ins to China, Joe Biden’s cancellation of the Keystone XL pipeline while giving a green light to Putin’s Nord Stream 2 pipeline, and much more. ■

# DID FEDERAL AGENTS PROVOCATEURS INCITE J6 VIOLENCE?

While federal officials refuse to answer vital questions, media propagandists continue to cover up mounting evidence of disturbing government involvement.



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**“QAnon Shaman”:** Jacob Chansley, aka Jake Angeli, was chosen by the media as the face of the J6 “insurrection.” He fits the profile of mentally unstable people that Democratic “dirty tricks” strategists Bob Creamer and Scott Foval say they hire to infiltrate Republican events and cause trouble, including violence.

by William F. Jasper

On January 5, the day before the giant Stop the Steal rally on the Ellipse in Washington, D.C., a tall, middle-aged man dressed in tan military-style clothing and sporting a backpack and red MAGA cap was circulating among the pro-Trump patriots assembling for the event. His military bearing and authoritative manner might have given the impression that he was

one of the event’s organizers. However, his militancy and constant insistence to rallygoers that the next day, on January 6, they must “go into the Capitol! Go into the Capitol!” caused suspicion in many who heard and observed his agitating calls to action. He caused so much concern that some of the attendees around him believed he must be a federal *agent provocateur*. As can be seen on videos that have gone viral, people began pointing at him and chanting “Fed! Fed! Fed!”

to warn fellow patriots not to follow his advice.

He was identified as one Ray Epps of Arizona, a former U.S. Marine and state leader of the Oath Keepers organization. Epps can be seen on video taken January 6 yelling, “OK, folks, spread the word! As soon as the president is done speaking, we go to the Capitol. The Capitol is this direction.” Other video footage shows him apparently taking a leadership role in breaching the Capitol Police perimeter and directing other protesters to surge into the Capitol, where the congressional count of state electoral votes was being conducted. But after the four-hour siege/riot (commonly referred to as an “insurrection”) ended, a strange thing happened: Ray Epps, the most conspicuously visible and prominent agitator among the “insurrectionists,” was given a pass by federal authorities, while FBI SWAT units descended on the homes of grannies, physicians, and businessmen across the country, arresting hundreds of people, many of whom had not even gone into the Capitol.

The privileged treatment accorded to Ray Epps confirmed to many observers that he was indeed an *agent provocateur* on January 6 (hereafter noted as J6). However, he was not alone. Far from it. Indeed, contrary to the insistence of the media lie machine and their “fact checkers,” there is abundant evidence that it was federal agents, undercover assets, and leftist Antifa activists who orchestrated and led the assault on the Capitol. We will return to Ray Epps and his confederates in a moment, along with the damning evidence that is steadily mounting, but first we should ask and answer the question that immediately comes to mind: Why would

federal authorities (DOJ, FBI, DHS, and other three-letter agencies) do such a thing? The answer is obvious: They wanted to sabotage the proceedings of the electoral vote count in order to discredit and vilify President Trump and his supporters, thus providing a pretext for fully rolling out the totalitarian war on “domestic extremism” that the Biden administration has unveiled.

### ***Cui Bono? Who Benefits?***

Has the J6 scheme worked? It would be foolish to argue that it hasn't. As a result of the violence and chaos unleashed at the Capitol, Republican members of the House and Senate who had previously said they would support challenges to electors reversed course after the melee and voted to confirm Joe Biden as president of the United States. No one wanted to be cruci-

fied by the national and local media as an ally of violent “insurrectionists.” Among those who flipped were Republican Senators Kelly Loeffler of Georgia, Mike Braun of Indiana, Cynthia Lummis of Wyoming, James Lankford of Oklahoma, and Marsha Blackburn of Tennessee.

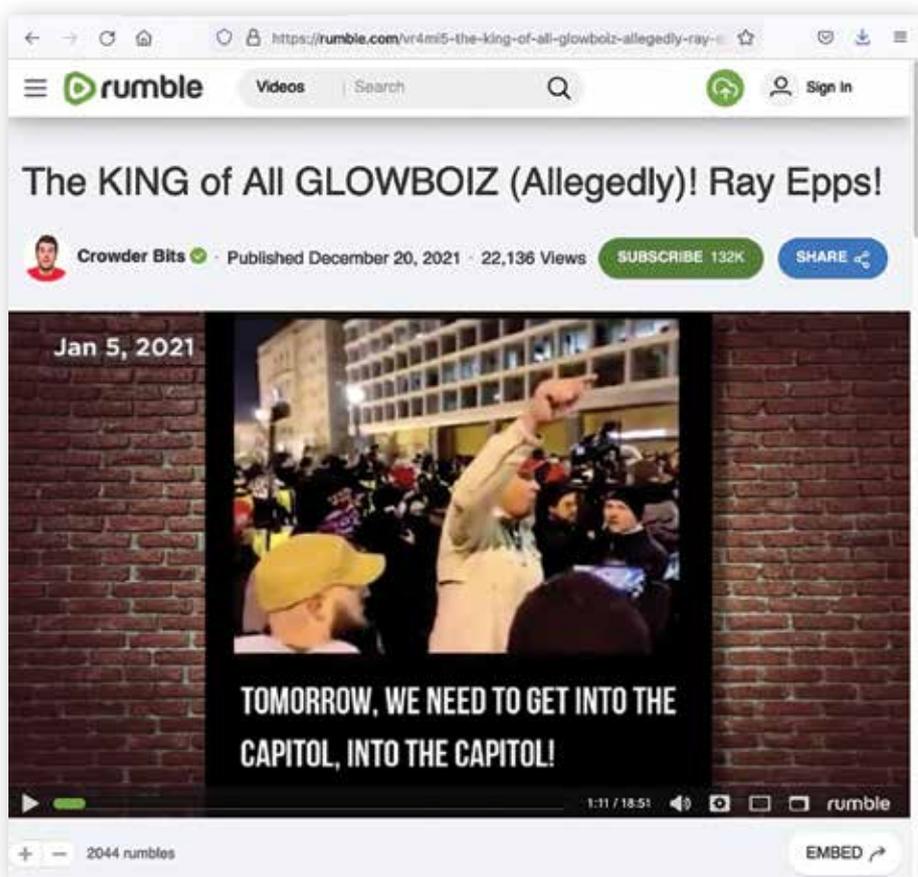
Was President Donald Trump foolish enough to believe that he could carry off a successful coup with a mob of unarmed civilians? How likely is that? Whatever negatives his opponents attribute to him, stupidity is not one of them. He is a shrewd, politically astute, media-savvy man. His plan appears to have been to convince enough senators to refuse to certify the electoral count, which would then have sent the matter back to the states to correct problematic issues or put the contest into the House of Representatives. Although the Pelosi Democrats have the advantage

in the current House for normal legislative business, for the purpose of electoral votes, Trump held the trump card and could have won an Electoral College vote.

Reasonable people may argue whether the plan had a chance of succeeding, or whether it was constitutional, but, clearly, the violent siege did nothing to help Trump's efforts. What it *did* help was the Biden-Pelosi-media cabal's campaign to demonize and criminalize their opposition. Keep in mind that we had witnessed a five-year run of nonstop dirty tricks by the Deep State cabal to destroy Trump and remove him from the Oval Office: the Steele Dossier, the fraudulent FBI evidence used to obtain a FISA warrant for illegal spying on the Trump campaign, the Trump-Russia collusion hoax, the Trump-Ukraine collusion hoax, a steady drip of illegal leaks of classified data to the anti-Trump media, and much more. This subversive coup effort involved then-serving and former federal officials and Deep State operatives within the alphabet agencies, including John Brennan, James Comey, Andrew McCabe, Peter Strzok, Bruce Ohr, Lisa Page, Sally Yates, and many others.

With all that subterfuge as prelude, should it surprise anyone that the same forces would attempt to hijack Trump's Stop the Steal rally and turn it into a weapon against him — and against our constitutional order? The available evidence suggests that is precisely what happened. In the limited space we have available here, it is possible to present only a brief introduction to the copious data — court documents, eyewitness accounts, videos and photographs, expert analysis, FBI/DOJ equivocation and deception — indicating that the “insurrection” was a setup, a provocation, a false-flag operation. We present below some of the most inconvenient facts, troubling connections, and startling revelations that have surfaced thus far, while pointing out that, at one year out, this is still very much a series of developing stories, with new developments breaking almost every day.

• *Ray Epps* — Except for Jacob Chansley, the horned “QAnon Shaman,” Epps is the most recognizable face of the J6 “insurrection.” He originally appeared as suspect “#16” (out of several hundred) on the FBI's Capitol Violence Most Wanted list. However, the FBI quietly removed



**FBI-Ray Epps mystery:** Ray Epps (shown pointing) is the most prominent individual on numerous videos seen urging on and leading rioters on January 6. While over 700 J6 protesters have been arrested, including “MAGA Grandma” tourists, Epps has been protected and dropped from the FBI's wanted list.

him from their list on July 1, the day after Revolver News published an explosive article asking why Epps was not being arrested, since his identity was publicly known. In congressional hearings, Attorney General Merrick Garland and FBI officials have been subjected to scorching questions about Ray Epps and other suspected *agents provocateurs* by Representative Thomas Massie (R-Ky.), Senator Ted Cruz (R-Texas), and other legislators. The federal officials repeatedly refused to confirm or deny that Epps and other suspects were working in any capacity with, or for, the government.

Epps' curiously charmed life got even more curious when he became something of a hero to Nancy Pelosi's House J6 Committee. After he testified to a closed hearing, the committee released a statement saying Epps had informed them that he had never worked "for the FBI or any other law enforcement agency." And the J6 Committee appears to have accepted that as gospel. In fact, Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-Ill.), Liz Cheney's RINO teammate on the committee, went on a Twitter storm defending Epps, arguing that he didn't go into the Capitol and broke no laws by agitating others to do so. That argumentation is *very* curious, since Kinzinger and his fellow committee members are attempting to criminalize President Trump, Mark Meadows, and dozens of other people who also didn't go into the building and, unlike Epps, *didn't* encourage the violent takeover of the building.

Another curious element is the fact that Epps' attorney, John Blischak, is a former FBI agent who boasts in his bio that his "biggest asset is his relation with prosecutors and law enforcement." It does raise a question as to whether he is an FBI handler for Epps.

• *John Sullivan (aka Activist John, aka JaydenX)* — John Sullivan is a 26-year-

old, anti-Trump Utah man who identifies as a "left-wing activist," is the founder of Insurgence USA, and has been militantly active in Black Lives Matter protests and riots. He embedded himself as a video journalist among the pro-Trumpers on January 6, can be seen in the forefront of the invading mob at the Capitol, and can be seen and heard agitating and urging the mob on, as well as committing criminal acts such as breaking a Capitol window. He can be seen yelling "we about to burn this sh\*t down," and then leading the crowd in a chant of "it's time for a revolution."

• *Jacob Chansley (aka QAnon Shaman, aka Jake Angeli)* — Jacob Chansley presents the perfect poster-boy image to fit the "right-wing, lunatic fringe" stereotype. It's as if he were chosen by the

Democratic National Committee's central casting department for the J6 starring role — and perhaps he was. It may be remembered that top DNC operatives Bob Creamer and Scott Foval were caught on video by Project Veritas boasting about how they hire homeless and mentally ill people, as well as union thugs, to disrupt GOP events and "do sh\*t" to make the opposition look bad. Creamer, the husband of Representative Jan Schakowsky (D-Ill.), is the author of *Stand Up Straight! How Progressives Can Win*, a handbook of leftist tactics he wrote in prison while serving time for bank fraud. It has been compared to Marxist agitator Saul Alinsky's *Rules for Radicals*, the 1971 "classic" manual for social/political mayhem. Among the Alinskyite tactics Creamer advocates is infiltrating conservative groups and doing outlandish things to discredit them from within.

According to Chansley's attorney, Chansley was discharged from the Navy due to mental problems and is in need of medical and psychological treatment. Was he recruited by DNC operatives (or the FBI) to carry out his J6 stunt? "We have mentally-ill people that we pay to do sh\*t, make no mistake," Scott Foval, Creamer's top lieutenant, said on the Project Veritas video. "Over the last twenty years. I've paid off a few homeless guys to do crazy stuff." In the same video, Foval and other DNC operatives brag about their successful infiltration and disruption of Trump rallies in Chicago and Arizona. As the Steele Dossier, the DNC computer hack, Spycgate, and other scandals have shown, the FBI has had a politicized relationship with the DNC and has never bothered to investigate the illegal activities of which Creamer and Foval have boasted.

• *The Proud Boys* — While the FBI, DHS, and DOJ seem to take a relatively benign view of violent activities of



**Impostor:** Left-wing activist John Earl Sullivan, aka JaydenX, can be viewed in YouTube videos at a militant BLM/Antifa rally saying, "we gotta f\*\*\*ing rip Trump outa that office.... It's time for revolution!" He was one of the first "pro-Trump protesters" to breach the Capitol on January 6.

facebook/johnsullivan

Black Lives Matter and Antifa, they definitely view the Proud Boys, Oath Keepers, and “militia groups” as imminent national-security threats. On September 25, 2021, the *New York Times* reported that the FBI had at least two informants inside the Proud Boys during the J6 siege. Three months prior to the *Times* story, in June 2021, Revolver News had reported on the mounting evidence that all three groups were infiltrated by federal operatives. In fact, it came out after the J6 attack that the national chairman of the Proud Boys, Enrique Tarrio, had served as an informant for the FBI and other law-enforcement agencies between 2012 and 2014. Was he working with or for the FBI or other agencies on January 6, 2021 and the period leading up to it? That would seem to be an important question. Many Proud Boys have been arrested for J6 activities, but there are still many unanswered questions about the roles that undercover agents and informants for the FBI and other agencies may have played in planning or instigating criminal activities for which Proud Boys members are being prosecuted.

• *Stewart Rhodes and Oath Keepers* — On January 13, 2022, the U.S. Department of Justice announced that Stewart Rhodes, the founder and leader of Oath Keepers, along with 10 additional members of his group, had been indicted on charges of “Seditious Conspiracy and Other Offenses Related to U.S. Capitol Breach” of January 6, 2021. Rhodes’ arrest came six months after a scathing report by Revolver News detailing his long history of involvement in the thick of patriot/government altercations in which everyone except Rhodes seems to go to prison. In a June 30, 2021 report titled “Federal Protection of ‘Oath Keepers’ Kingpin Stewart Rhodes Breaks the Entire Capitol ‘Insurrection’ Lie Wide Open,” Revolver pointed out uncomfortable facts and asked a series of questions about Rhodes and his relationship with the FBI that must be answered if we are truly interested in getting to the truth of the J6 affair.

Some might suggest that Rhodes’ arrest should put to rest the suspicions that he is a federal operative. Not necessarily; law-enforcement agencies frequently arrest their own undercover assets, either to pressure them to per-

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**Proud Boy or agent provocateur?** Enrique Tarrio, national chairman of the Proud Boys who admits to being a “former” undercover police and FBI operative, is an odd “pro-Trump” activist, being a Malcolm X fanboy and often shown wearing a Malcolm X t-shirt with the communist slogan “By Any Means Necessary,” a favorite phrase of communist terrorist Bill Ayers.

form or to take them out of circulation to make it more difficult for them to be subpoenaed for testifying in court. Rhodes did testify before the House J6 Committee via Zoom from an Oklahoma jail on February 2.

• *Steven D’Antuono and the Michigan Kidnap Plotters* — On October 8, 2020, the FBI made the dramatic announcement that it had foiled a plot by a militia group called the Wolverine Watchmen to kidnap Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer and overthrow the state government. Six of the 14 suspects arrested

in the alleged plot have been charged in federal court, while the remaining eight have been charged in state court. The announcement made headlines worldwide, and for multiple news cycles it was used (and continues to be used) to tar President Trump with the charge that his “hateful rhetoric” encouraged and incited the alleged violent plot.

Two of the defendants in the federal case have pled guilty under plea bargains, and the remaining four are scheduled to go to trial in March. Certain to be an issue is the defense’s claim of

entrapment by the federal government. They have a solid case. The left-tilted BuzzFeedNews broke the story open with a July 12, 2021 story titled “The FBI Allegedly Used at Least 12 Informants in The Michigan Kidnapping Case.” Subsequent stories by BuzzFeed, the *Detroit News*, and other outlets showed that the FBI not only used informants but had undercover FBI agents placed in the group. More importantly, the developing information indicates that the federal operatives were not merely collecting information, but were also actually directing, planning, and orchestrating the plot. From the information available thus far, it appears that the individuals being prosecuted had to be coaxed, prodded, and financed by the FBI to take the actions that are now being cited as the latest evidence of a wave of “domestic terrorism” by right-wing extremists.

**Dress rehearsal?** We now know that the sensational “militia plot” to kidnap Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer was run by FBI agents and undercover operatives led by Steven D’Antuono (shown), who was put in charge of the FBI’s Washington, D.C., office just prior to the “insurrection.”

The man in charge of the FBI caper known as the “Whitmer kidnap plot” was Steven D’Antuono, the head of the FBI field office in Detroit. On October 13, less than a week after sensationally “foiling” the dastardly plot, D’Antuono was promoted by FBI Director Christopher Wray to head the Washington Field Office, one of the most coveted posts in the bureau. And, conveniently, just in time to reprise the Michigan plot on a grander scale. A key element of the FBI-directed kidnap plot involved storming the Michigan Capitol. Was that a mini dress rehearsal for January 6? Members of the press, members of Congress, and the public should be demanding answers to that question. D’Antuono, Director Wray, Attorney General Garland, and other officials should not be allowed to get away with insulting “I can’t say” responses.

### Insurrection or “Fedsurrection”?

If the Michigan plot was a model, we can expect that dozens, if not hundreds, of participants in the J6 chaos were, in one capacity or another, government agents.

In a speech delivered on the eve of the January 6 anniversary, Attorney General Garland declared that the DOJ is methodi-

cally pursuing all leads in the Capitol attack. “The Justice Department remains committed to holding all January 6 perpetrators, at any level, accountable under law — whether they were present that day or were otherwise criminally responsible for the assault on our democracy,” he said. “We will follow the facts wherever they lead,” he continued. “But most important, we follow the facts — not an agenda or an assumption.”

However, Merrick Garland has a huge credibility problem. Are he, the DOJ, and the FBI truly “committed to holding all January 6 perpetrators, at any level, accountable under law”? All perpetrators, including federal *agents provocateurs* — and their DOJ/FBI supervisors?

What we know thus far about the use of *agents provocateurs* to instigate the J6 chaos has not come from the FBI, DOJ, or DHS — and certainly not from the “mainstream” media; it has come from Revolver News, Julie Kelly at American Greatness, *The Epoch Times*, and other alternative news outlets and independent investigators and bloggers.

Adam Andrzejewski of the watchdog group OpenTheBooks.com exposed the massive budgets of the federal government’s domestic spy guys in a *Forbes* article last year titled “FBI and Other Agencies Paid Informants \$548 Million in Recent Years With Many Committing Authorized Crimes.” Andrzejewski noted, “Federal agencies paid out at least \$548 million to informants working for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), in recent years, according to government audits.”

Freedom of Information Act documents obtained by the Daily Dot revealed that, “In total, records obtained by reporters confirm the FBI authorized at least 22,823 crimes between 2011 and 2014.” That’s an awful lot of money sloshing around and an awful lot of crimes being authorized. Are we sure this is in our national interest? How can it be, when the evidence indicates that this awesome power is being weaponized as an instrument to advance a totalitarian agenda of demonizing, criminalizing, and punishing political opponents? ■



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# “ARMED INSURRECTION”?

In the country with the largest number of firearms in private hands in all of history, isn't it a little odd that not a single gun was to be found among the “insurrectionists”?

by William F. Jasper

“This wasn't a group of tourists. This was an armed insurrection.”

— President Joe Biden

“The president of the United States [Donald Trump] incited this insurrection, this armed rebellion against our common country. He must go. He is a clear and present danger to the nation that we all love.”

— House Speaker Nancy Pelosi

“Every American must be assured that no lie, conspiracy theory, or armed group of white supremacists has the power to impair the government they freely and fairly elected.”

— Representative Cori Bush (D-Mo.)

“Yesterday, an armed mob, at the behest of President Donald Trump, stormed the Capitol with guns, homemade bombs, and chemical weapons while the entire Congress gathered to certify the election results. This was an act of domestic terrorism and a grave assault on our democracy. We must move quickly to hold this President and his enablers, including those in Congress, accountable for these treasonous acts.”

— Representative Jan Schakowsky (D-Ohio)

“We saw what happened. It was a violent insurrection for the purpose of trying to prevent the peaceful transfer of power after a legitimately certified election, from one administration to the next. That's what it was.”

— Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.)



**Armed and dangerous?** The January 6 protesters who broke into the Capitol were trespassing, and some fought with police and committed vandalism, but none was armed.

Playing off the title of the 1970 anti-war film “Suppose They Gave a War and Nobody Came,” we might pose a similar thought experiment: “Suppose They Gave an Insurrection and Nobody Came Armed.” What might that look like? Well, we have some idea from the reality of what happened at the so-called Capitol Insurrection of January 6, 2021. A veritable tsunami of “news” stories, op-eds, and commentaries over the past year, along with highly publicized statements by politicians, have created a sea of misinformation, disinformation, and propaganda concerning that event.

While there are many words that could be used to accurately describe what occurred — melee, riot, fracas, clash, assault, attack, siege — President Trump's political enemies have deliberately exaggerated and mischaracterized the violence of a small subset of the huge crowd that rallied to support him on January 6, 2021. His political enemies have deliberately and repeatedly used the term “armed” along with “sedition,” “rebellion,” “treason,”

and “conspiracy.” The quotes we have posted above are a tiny fraction of the millions (literally) of similar examples that will come up on various internet searches regarding the January 6 riot.

The quote by Representative Schakowsky claiming that “an armed mob, at the behest of President Donald Trump, stormed the Capitol with guns, homemade bombs, and chemical weapons” is one of the most egregious examples of deliberate disinformation and propaganda. Aside from the unsupported claim that any of the violence that occurred at the Capitol was done “at the behest of President Donald Trump,” it is categorically false that it was carried out by an “armed mob” using guns and homemade bombs.

Let's deal with the “armed” issue first. Although the Capitol Police and other law-enforcement personnel were armed, there has been zero evidence produced to show that a single firearm was carried or used by any of the protesters who entered the Capitol. In addition to the Capi-

tol security-camera system, there were countless video cameras and smartphones taking images from all angles and covering virtually every minute of the Capitol breach and occupation. (The government says it has over 15,000 hours of video of the event.)

How many guns can be seen in any of the video or photo images? Zero.

How many of the hundreds of participants who have been arrested are charged with possessing a firearm inside the Capitol? Zero.

How many shots were fired by participants inside the Capitol? Zero.

The only firearm that was discharged was the one fired by Capitol Police Lieutenant Michael Byrd, which killed an unarmed woman, Ashli Babbitt, an Air Force veteran who served in Afghanistan and Iraq.

PolitiFact, FactCheck.org, and the “fact checkers” for the Fake News industrial complex have attempted to save their false “armed insurrection” narrative by redefining “armed.” PolitiFact said “we know rioters brought knives, brass knuckles, a stun gun and other weapons.” PolitiFact continued, noting that “video plainly shows the mob using all manner of makeshift weapons to attack police and force their way in, including hockey sticks, flagpoles, fire

extinguishers and a police shield stolen from an officer.”

Yes, we agree that virtually any object, from a paperclip to a BLM banner to an Antifa pipe wrench, can be made into a “makeshift weapon” to be used for deadly assault or destruction of property. And those Capitol invaders who used such “arms” and committed crimes, especially those who violently attacked police officers, should be prosecuted — whether they were actual Trump supporters or federal *agents provocateurs*. But an unruly mob armed with a few knives, a hockey stick, a fire extinguisher, and “makeshift weapons” does not an “armed insurrection” make.

We have searched the Department of Justice’s database of “Capitol Breach Cases” and found only five individuals charged with firearms offenses: Christopher Michael Alberts, Lonnie Leroy Coffman, Mark Sami Ibrahim, Guy Wesley Reffitt, and Cleveland Grover Meredith, Jr. Various media organizations have pointed to one or more of these cases as proof of their armed-insurrection thesis. In each of these cases, however, the firearms in question were located outside of the Capitol, in a vehicle or at a motel. Pretty thin cover for “armed insurrection.”

### Tourists or Terrorists?

Since Joe Biden brought it up (“This wasn’t a group of tourists. It was an armed insurrection.”), let’s take a look at the charge through the eyes of a liberal-left *New York Times* reporter. The *Times*, naturally, has been one of the most virulently anti-Trump media sources promoting the “armed insurrection” lie. Nevertheless, occasionally they trip up and belie themselves.

*New York Times* reporter Alan Feuer did this while being interviewed by Kevin Roose for the *Times*’ online program *The Daily* on May 17, 2021. Feuer noted that the majority of the 500 people who had been arrested at that time were totally peaceful, and many “were absolutely ushered in by the cops.” He divided the protesters into three “buckets,” the largest of which was the peaceful bucket.

“So you could kind of collect them into three main buckets,” Feuer said. “The first, which is probably most of the people who were at the Capitol that day and have been arrested, were people who went into the building. Sometimes they were absolutely ushered in by the cops. They walked in. They broke nothing. They hurt no one. They took some selfies. They did a livestream, and they walked out. There are a lot of those people.”

The second bucket included people who engaged violently with the Capitol Police and damaged property, and the third bucket included people charged with pre-planning the violence. Alan Feuer’s assessment of the peaceful “bucket” of January 6 protesters confirms what anyone can observe on numerous video postings on the internet: “MAGA Moms” and other citizens casually, peacefully strolling through the Capitol, exchanging friendly greetings with the Capitol Police, perhaps totally unaware of the violence and mayhem that had occurred earlier or in other parts of the building. For those of us who have been in the Capitol many times, this “bucket” of peaceful protesters looks little different from the tourists who throng the halls any other day of the year. And if that applies to the majority of those who “breached” the Capitol, it applies even more to the thousands who remained outside of the building, and even more to the many tens, if not hundreds, of thousands who attended the Ellipse rally and didn’t even come to the Capitol. ■



**Armed and dangerous:** The only people who were armed during the invasion of the Capitol were security and Capitol Police. This led to the shooting of unarmed protester Ashli Babbitt, the only fatality inside the Capitol that fateful day.

# “BIPARTISAN” HOAX

## THE JANUARY 6 COMMITTEE’S FAR-LEFT AGENDA

**Totally partisan:** House Speaker Nancy Pelosi holds a news conference at the Capitol on July 1, 2021, to introduce Democratic members of the House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack. From left are Representatives Elaine Luria (D-Va.), Jamie Raskin (D-Md.), Stephanie Murphy (D-Fla.), Pete Aguilar (D-Calif.), Nancy Pelosi, Adam Schiff (D-Calif.), Zoe Lofgren (D-Calif.), and Bennie G. Thompson (D-Miss.).



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As we saw with the Trump-Russia collusion hoax, the Left's plan is to dominate news cycles all the way to the November elections with charges of “insurrection.”

by William F. Jasper

As the first anniversary of the January 6 Capitol riot approached, the *New York Times* Editorial Board, in a January 1, 2022 opinion piece, declared, “Truly grappling with the threat ahead means taking full account of the terror of that day a year ago. Thanks largely to the dogged work of a bipartisan committee in the House of Representatives, this reckoning is underway.”

The “bi-partisan” committee to which the *Times*’ editorial collective referred is, of course, the House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (hereafter referred to as the J6 Committee). The *Times* says

the J6 Committee is bipartisan and doing “dogged” work to bring a “full account of the terror.” And, if the *Times* says it, then it must be so, for (to paraphrase Marc Antony’s mocking description of Brutus and his fellow assassins) “the *Times* says the J6 Committee is bipartisan and the *Times* is an honorable source.” Besides, the *Times* is not the only honorable, impartial source saying so; we have such additional honorable, impartial sources as CNN, CBS, NPR, MSNBC, Associated Press, Wikipedia, etc. In fact, it is difficult to find a news story that doesn’t include an obligatory mention that the J6 Committee is a “bipartisan” effort to get to the truth concerning what really happened on January 6, 2021 and who was responsible for it.

The constant repetition of the J6 Committee’s supposedly bipartisan nature is part of the full-court media press to inoculate the J6 Committee against charges that it is using its “investigation” as a purely partisan weapon, which is precisely what it is doing. Contrary to the media narrative, the J6 Committee is a *totally partisan* sham committee set up by Speaker Nancy Pelosi to carry on the Democrats’ continuing war (with their media allies) against President Trump and his “basket of deplorables” — meaning not just the approximately 80 million Americans who voted for Trump, but every American whom the Biden-Pelosi-Schumer-DNC regime decides to designate (by foul means or fair) as a “white supremacist,” “violent extrem-

ist,” “insurrectionist,” “domestic extremist,” or other such pliable, political label.

Pelosi and company have pledged to reach across the aisle and work fairly with their Republican colleagues. “We will have a full accounting of that deadly day, and we will endeavor to do so with bipartisan sobriety,” said Representative Adam Schiff (D-Calif.), a senior member of the J6 Committee. But, for some reason, those assurances are less than convincing. Does anyone really believe that Adam “Shifty” Schiff, one of the most implacable and partisan antagonists of President Trump over the last five years, suddenly will be any less partisan and deceitful than he has been as chairman of the House Intelligence Committee and any less malevolent than he was as lead manager in the House’s first impeachment trial of President Trump? Apparently the entire Fake News media choir thinks so — and has total confidence in the impartiality of the entire J6 Committee. So, let’s take a look at the J6 Committee to see just how “bipartisan” and unbiased it truly is.

### Rigging the Game

Holding a press conference on January 7, 2021, the day after the Capitol riot, House

Speaker Nancy Pelosi declared that “yes—today, the President of the United States incited an armed insurrection against America.” “In calling for this seditious act, the President has committed an unspeakable assault on our nation and our people,” she charged. “I join the Senate Democratic Leader in calling on the Vice President to remove this President by immediately invoking the 25th Amendment.”

Throughout her press conference, Pelosi repeatedly used the terms “sedition,” “seditious,” and “undermining the election,” attempting to conflate the actions of President Trump, members of Congress, and Republicans who legally challenged the 2020 elections with the illegal and violent acts of a few hundred rioters who invaded the Capitol on January 6. It is worth reminding readers that this was not the first time Pelosi had called for exercising the “25th Amendment option” to remove President Trump from the Oval Office. In October 2020, three weeks before the presidential election and 14 weeks before the January 6 riot, Pelosi joined Representative Jamie Raskin (D-Md.) at a press conference to announce the introduction of legislation to establish a permanent

body that could declare the president “unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office.” This Raskin-Pelosi effort was modeled on Raskin’s earlier 25th Amendment legislation introduced in 2017, immediately after Donald Trump’s inauguration. Before President Trump could even get established in the White House and get his Cabinet confirmed, the Democrats and Deep State saboteurs (including Trump appointees) inside the federal bureaucracy were plotting to remove him by either impeachment or the 25th Amendment.

Following the January 6 Capitol riot, Speaker Pelosi and a media chorus began a high-powered campaign to establish an “independent” commission modeled after the 9/11 Commission that “investigated” the 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. However, they failed to win sufficient support in the Senate for a grand January 6 Commission of establishment “experts.” So, Pelosi was forced to settle for a less-grandiose “bipartisan” House committee stacked with her selected Democratic operatives.

Speaker Pelosi shot herself in the foot right out of the starting gate by taking the unprecedented step of demanding control over whom the Republicans could choose to put on her new J6 Committee. She not only would appoint her own radical Democrats to the committee, but would claim veto power over whom the House GOP leaders could appoint. When House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy nominated Representatives Jim Banks (R-Ind.), Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), Rodney Davis (R-Ill.), Kelly Armstrong (R-N.D.), and Troy Nehls (R-Texas) to serve on the committee, Pelosi nixed Banks and Jordan. Jordan had particularly inflamed Democrats with his articulate, effective responses to their attacks and his aggressive, rapid-fire grilling of Democratic witnesses. He was too big a threat to their Kabuki theater. To his credit, McCarthy refused to play in the Pelosi-rigged game and pulled all five of his nominees. Adamant to have her way with her “bipartisan” committee, Pelosi appointed her own “Republicans”: Representatives Liz Cheney of Wyoming and Adam Kinzinger of Illinois, two of the most notorious Hate-Trump RINOs (Republicans In Name Only) in Congress. Now, that’s *real* bipartisanship!

The Democrats on the J6 Committee



**Deep State operatives:** House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Representative Adam Schiff (D-Calif.) at a Capitol news conference on July 1, 2021. Schiff has repeatedly abused his position as chair of the House Intelligence Committee to persecute President Trump and other Republicans, to falsely accuse them, and to fabricate “evidence” against them.

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**Fearless and effective:** Representative Jim Jordan (R-Ohio) has earned the fear and hatred of the Biden-Pelosi Democrats and their media enablers. Because he so effectively exposes their subversive agenda and hypocrisy, Pelosi made the unprecedented move of denying Jordan's membership on the House J6 Committee.

are hardly more anti-Trump than Cheney and Kinzinger: Adam Schiff, Zoe Lofgren, and Pete Aguilar of California; Jamie Raskin of Maryland; Elaine Luria of Virginia; and Stephanie Murphy of Florida. The chairman is Bennie G. Thompson of Mississippi, but Schiff and Raskin are the real leaders; Pelosi placed Thompson in the figurehead role because she needed a black face to spout the Democrats' boilerplate charge of racist, white supremacist Republicans. We provide below profiles of the J6 Committee members.

### A "Bipartisan" Rogues' Gallery

• *Adam Schiff (D-Calif.)*, a lawyer and former California state senator, was elected in 2000 to the U.S. Congress representing California's 27th District (now the 28th) to replace Republican James Rogan. Rogan had been particularly targeted by the Democratic Left for his role as a House manager in the impeachment of President Bill Clinton. Two organizations funded by George Soros, MoveOn and the Council of State Governments, greatly aided Schiff's campaign. Also providing crucial campaign aid to Schiff was the Council for a Livable World, the pro-Soviet propaganda outfit founded by nuclear physicist Leo Szilard, whom former KGB General

Pavel Sudaplatov identified as a Soviet agent of influence. Schiff is also a strong supporter of Communist China, working closely with the Committee of 100 and other organizations that promote the Chinese Communist Party's agenda.

During his 22 years in Congress, Schiff has earned a failing 17-percent score on THE NEW AMERICAN'S Freedom Index, which rates congressional votes based on adherence to the Constitution. He came to the attention of most Americans as chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, where he engaged in relentless harassment of President Trump with conspiracy theories that proved to be false, kept a steady stream of leaked classified documents going to his media pals, was repeatedly caught lying, and repeatedly claimed to have smoking-gun evidence that repeatedly turned out to be duds. Perhaps most infamously, he was caught several times falsifying evidence, as in the case of his fabrication of a transcript of a 2019 phone call between then-President Donald Trump and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky.

Not surprisingly, Schiff has carried over this activity into the J6 Committee. During a committee hearing on December 13, 2021, Schiff claimed to have proof that a

member of Congress (Representative Jim Jordan) had texted former White House chief of staff Mark Meadows on January 6 to instruct former Vice President Mike Pence to overturn the 2020 presidential election results. Not only was his claim false, but Schiff had doctored the purported text message between Jordan and Meadows, which he displayed as an exhibit to the committee.

In truth, Jordan had merely forwarded a message from Joseph Schmitz, a Washington attorney and former Department of Defense inspector general, which included a four-page letter in which Schmitz laid out the constitutional basis and legal reasoning for Vice President Pence to refuse to certify electoral votes from states where the votes were in question. Reasonable minds can differ on Schmitz's legal theory, but even if Pence had followed it, clearly his actions would not have been tantamount to insurrection. It would have created a temporary impasse that would have to be resolved by Congress, the courts, and the states. However, Schiff's intent in highlighting the doctored text message clearly was to advance the Democratic narrative that Republican members of Congress had conspired with President Trump and the rioters to advance an "armed insurrection against America."

Schiff's actions and statements on the J6 Committee and Intelligence Committee are especially alarming in view of the promiscuous use of the "insurrectionist," "white supremacist," "domestic terrorist," and "domestic extremist" labels by the Democrat/media complex. On August 16, 2019, in a press statement introducing the Confronting the Threat of Domestic Terrorism Act, Schiff announced that "Americans today are more likely to be killed by white-supremacists than international terrorism organizations," and therefore, "This legislation will tackle that challenge by providing new and necessary tools to prosecutors and investigators to respond to the rising threat of domestic terrorism."

Statements and actions by Pelosi, Schiff, and other members of the J6 Committee have taken on even more ominous tones since Attorney General Merrick Garland and the Department of Justice, together with the Department of Education and the National School Boards Association, have been exposed in an apparent conspiracy to

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**Turncoat:** Representative Liz Cheney (R-Wy.) was appointed vice chair of the House J6 Committee. Although repudiated by her own party, Cheney is a media darling because she is the most virulently anti-Trump "Republican" in the U.S. Congress.

target parents who exercise their freedom of speech at school-board meetings as "domestic terrorists."

• *Jamin "Jamie" Raskin (D-Md.)* may suffer from an even more virulent form of Trump Derangement Syndrome than that afflicting Adam Schiff. During the 2017 certification of electoral votes, Raskin fought to prevent then-President-elect Donald Trump from assuming office by challenging 10 of Florida's electors as "not lawfully certified." As noted above, Representative Raskin introduced legislation in 2017 and again in 2020 to use the 25th Amendment to remove the president. In 2021, he was the Democrats' lead man-

ager in the second impeachment effort against President Trump.

On January 6, 2022, Raskin declared, "One year ago today, we witnessed the unthinkable: an attempted coup organized by a president.... This coup against democracy was surrounded and camouflaged by a violent insurrection that laid siege to the Capitol." In an interview with MSNBC, Raskin charged that President Donald Trump and his congressional "flunkies" constituted the "inner ring of the coup."

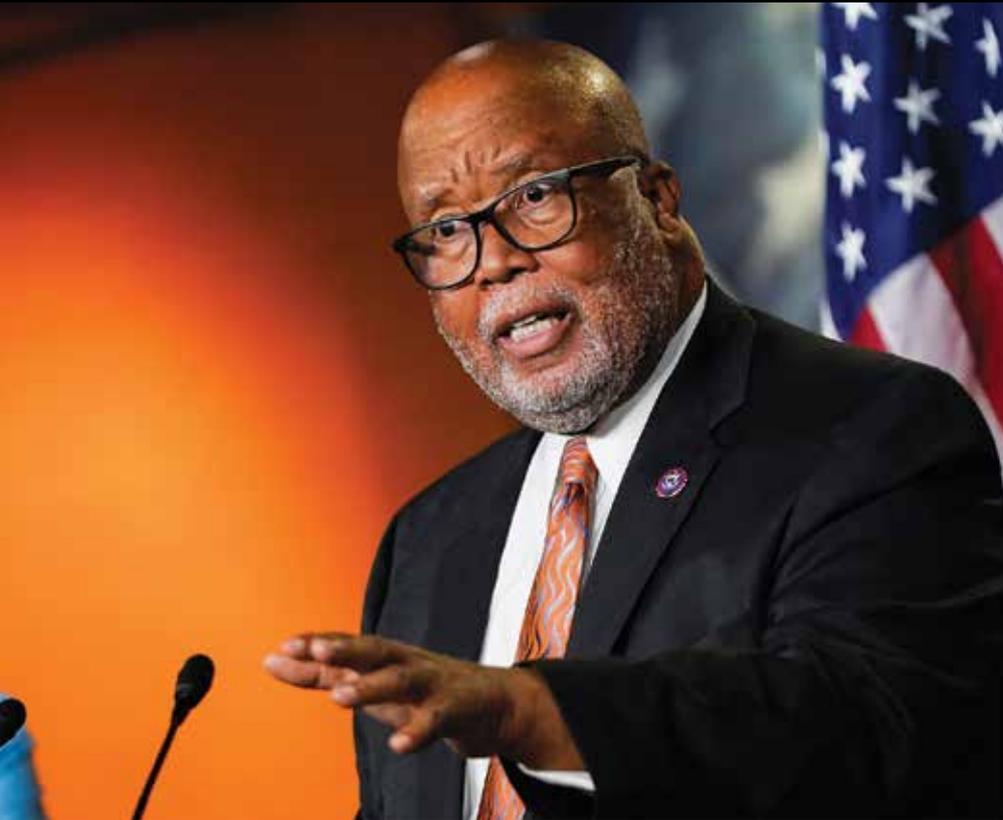
Representative Raskin *does* know a thing or two about coups and insurrections, since he (along with his wife)

worked relentlessly to remove Donald Trump, a legally elected president of the United States, from the White House. In 2020, Raskin's wife, Sarah Bloom Raskin, an Obama appointee to the Federal Reserve Board and the Treasury Department (and a member of the globalist, subversive Council on Foreign Relations), was revealed to be one of several Obama administration officials requesting the "unmasking" of General Michael Flynn, which was the beginning of the political persecution of Flynn and one of the bogus pieces of evidence in the Democrat/media conspiracy theory known as the Trump-Russia collusion hoax.

However, the FBI and DOJ were having trouble finding facts to support the fevered coup-insurrection-terrorist theories regarding January 6, and the Pelosi-Schiff-Raskin cabal was getting exasperated with Merrick Garland's failure to do so. That changed on January 13, 2022, when Garland announced indictments for 11 members of the Oath Keepers group on charges of "seditious conspiracy." Raskin could barely contain his glee and sense of vindication over the DOJ's charges. In an interview with CNN's Anderson Cooper, Raskin said he hoped the newly filed charges would "shut up those of our colleagues who keep saying, 'Well if it was a conspiracy, how come there are no conspiracy charges? If it was seditious, how come there were no sedition charges?' So, there we go." He continued, "We've got those with, undoubtedly, a lot more to come soon."

As with many "red diaper babies" of the 1960s, Raskin has been deeply involved in radical, pro-communist, anti-American activities his entire life, including close involvement with the Institute for Policy Studies (IPS), a Marxist group founded by his father, Marcus Raskin, and closely tied to Soviet and Cuban intelligence operatives. (Trevor Loudon provides a revealing portrait of Jamie Raskin's subversive activities in a detailed profile on his Keywiki.org website.) And as does his far-left comrade Adam Schiff, Raskin has a failing 17-percent score on THE NEW AMERICAN'S Freedom Index.

• *Zoe Lofgren (D-Calif.)* has been a member of Congress since 1995, earning a meager lifetime constitutional rating of 24 percent on THE NEW AMERICAN'S



**Comrade chairman:** Representative Bennie G. Thompson (D-Miss.), who chairs the House J6 Committee, is a decades-long friend of the Castro regime, as well as a supporter of the communist revolutionaries of the Republic of New Africa.

Freedom Index. Her pro-abortion militancy has been rewarded by a 100-percent rating from the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL) and a zero-percent rating from the National Right to Life Committee. She has received a 100-percent rating from the LGBTQ radicals at the Human Rights Campaign, and an eight-percent rating from the Christian Coalition.

A strong open-borders advocate, she received a zero-percent rating by U.S. Border Control and zero percent from the Federation for American Immigration Reform. A staunch backer of restrictions on the right to keep and bear arms, Lofgren has earned an “F” rating from the National Rifle Association (NRA).

• *Stephanie Murphy (D-Fla.)* is usually described as a “moderate Democrat,” which, in the current makeup of the Democrat-controlled Congress, can mean someone who doesn’t wear (openly, at least) a hammer-and-sickle lapel pin or a Chairman Mao cap. The three-term

Florida congresswoman has an abysmally low nine-percent constitutional vote rating on THE NEW AMERICAN’S Freedom Index. She is a champion of gun control, LGBTQ “rights,” taxpayer funding of abortion, fewer restrictions on immigration and migration, and “green” energy. One of the many global-warming alarmists in Congress, she has declared that climate change is a “national security threat.” On January 7, 2021, Murphy called for removing President Trump by invoking the 25th Amendment. “The President incited a violent insurrection against our democracy — proof he’s unable to uphold the Constitution,” she tweeted. “The 25th Amendment should be invoked & the President removed to ensure a peaceful transition of power.” In September 2018, she wrote a letter to the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) commending and offering assistance to the group, which is notorious for supporting the Hamas terrorists and other radical Islamist groups.

• *Bennie G. Thompson (D-Miss.)*, as noted above, wears the title of chairman of the J6 Committee, even though he is merely serving as front man for Schiff and Raskin. One of Communist Cuba’s best friends and propagandists in Congress, Representative Thompson has visited the dictatorship multiple times and has been warmly received by Fidel Castro and other communist officials. Castro, in his own official newspaper, *Granma*, credited Thompson and the Congressional Black Caucus (of which Thompson is a long-time member) with arranging for American youth to visit Cuba on scholarships to “study medicine.”

Chairman Thompson’s current status as head of a Democrat-led effort to root out “sedition” is ironic considering his support back in the 1960s and 1970s for the black secessionist and communist revolutionary organization known as the Republic of New Africa (RNA). The RNA was formed under the leadership of Robert F. Williams, a violent domestic extremist who spent much of his time in exile in Communist Cuba and Communist China. And Thompson’s relationship with the RNA was not merely a youthful misstep of half a century ago; in 2013 he endorsed the RNA’s former vice president, Chokwe Lumumba, for mayor of Jackson, Mississippi. In fact, Thompson campaigned for him and recorded a campaign radio advertisement for Lumumba, who won the mayoral race.

• *Elaine Luria (D-Va.)*, a former U.S. Navy Commander, is another “moderate Democrat” whose actions belie the label. Her lifetime score on THE NEW AMERICAN’S Freedom Index is a pathetic five percent, which may explain why she was endorsed and promoted by Virginia’s Progressive Voter Guide and her House race was listed as a “Top 10 Priority District” by PowerPac, the megadonor outfit run by Steve Phillips, the radical son-in-law of billionaires Herb and Marjorie Sandler.

Luria provided a critically important “moderate” vote in paving the way for Nancy Pelosi to initiate the first impeachment effort against President Trump. Since she represents a district that includes many conservative military families, it has been important for her political viability to present herself as a “security Democrat.”

This has included repeated statements describing China as a security threat that she takes “seriously.” However, not seriously enough, apparently, to cause her and her husband to divest themselves of between \$250,000 and \$500,000 of stock in the Alibaba Group, one of China’s largest corporations, controlled by the Chinese Communist Party.

Representative Luria has a 100-percent rating from both the NARAL and the Planned Parenthood Action Fund (PPAF), a zero-percent rating from the National Right to Life Committee, and a four-percent rating from the Family Research Council. She received eight percent from Gun Owners of America (GOA) and zero percent from the NRA.

• *Pete Aguilar (D-Calif.)* has earned a lifetime constitutional rating of only 24 percent on THE NEW AMERICAN’S Freedom Index, but 100 percent from the Big Labor radicals at the National Education Association, the American Federation of Government Employees, and the Communication Workers of America.

The Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence gives him a 100-percent rating, while the NRA and GOA both give him zeros. He gets 100-percent ratings from both NARAL and PPAF, and zero-percent ratings from the National Right to Life Committee and the California Pro-Life Council. When it comes to LGBTQ issues, Aguilar gets 100-percent marks from the Human Rights Campaign and Equality California, in contrast to zero percent from the American Family Association and four percent from the Family Research Council.

• *Liz Cheney (R-Wy.)*, who serves as Wyoming’s lone member of Congress in the House, is somewhere near the top of the Never Trump/Hate Trump “Republicans.” Last November, the Wyoming Republican Party Central Committee formally rebuked Cheney by voting for a resolution to no longer recognize her as a member of the party. The state GOP had already rebuked her with a formal censure after she joined the Pelosi Democrats in voting to impeach Presi-

dent Trump for “incitement of insurrection.” Last May, the House Republicans stripped her of her post as chair of the House Republican Conference, the third-highest position in the House Republican leadership. She now faces a serious primary challenge for her congressional seat from Trump-backed Harriet Hageman, who won the Wyoming GOP straw poll on January 22.

Compared to the House Democrats, Cheney appears to be the conservative she claims to be. She has a zero-percent rating from both NARAL and PPAF, and a 100-percent rating from the National Right to Life Committee. On gun issues, she gets 69 percent from Gun Owners of America and 92 percent from the NRA. On THE NEW AMERICAN’S Freedom Index, she has a pallid lifetime score of 60 percent.

Being from one of the most conservative states in the union, Cheney has had to toe a conservative line on most issues. However, her father, former Vice President Dick Cheney, who held the congressional seat she now occupies, also put on a good conservative act for many years before coming out of the closet as a full-blown globalist. Realist observers have long suspected that Liz Cheney was following her father’s path of playing down-home cowboy while schmoozing with the Rockefeller Republicans.

Now, as Nancy Pelosi’s hand-picked vice-chair of the J6 Committee, she is the darling of the Democratic Party and the Fake News media. Cheney is regularly lionized as a heroic figure standing against the sedition, racism, and fanaticism of the Republican Party’s “cult-like” Trump followers.

• *Adam Kinzinger (R-Ill.)*, like Liz Cheney, appears conservative when his overall votes are paired against those of, say, Maxine Waters or Adam Schiff, but he can be counted on to fold on strategic votes. He has accumulated a lifetime score on THE NEW AMERICAN’S Freedom Index of 51 percent. Along with Cheney, he has parlayed his position on the J6 Committee into a platform for nonstop face time with the anti-Trump media. He has announced he will not be running for reelection to Congress, but reportedly is looking toward a future run for the White House. ■



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**Kangaroo court:** The totally partisan House J6 Committee has completely violated due process and constitutional restraints in subpoenaing former officials, private citizens, phone records, and more. It is using its hearings to form a manipulative news narrative going into the November elections.



# THE REVIEW

## Exposing January 6 Fraud

by Alex Newman

Virtually every element of the January 6 narrative is a deliberate fraud, as the incredible new documentary *Capitol Punishment* proves conclusively with video evidence and witness testimony. The “Big Lie” is not that the 2020 election was stolen, as establishment propagandists claim. In fact, most Americans in polls believe it was rigged, and massive amounts of evidence support that view. The true “Big Lie” is the notion that Donald Trump directed legions of white supremacists to violently overthrow America’s supposed “democracy.”

The Big Lie is almost too preposterous to say out loud with a straight face. And yet, despite the increasingly obvious truth, this monumental and very transparent fraud surrounding the January 6 “insurrection” has become a new pillar of the emerging totalitarian system being imposed on the nation once known as the Land of the Free. It is quite literally the pretext being used to persecute and terrorize dissidents across the country while justifying censorship and worse.

The truth must be made known to the masses. And the *Capitol Punishment* film is perhaps the best tool that this writer has seen so far to make that possible. If



the information in this documentary were to become widely known, the establishment’s narrative would instantly crumble in the public mind — and so would the legitimacy of key actors in government, media, and business. If the lies are allowed to stand, though, January 6 can and will go down in history as a critical juncture in America’s descent into totalitarian rule. The stakes could not be higher.

While the film is terrifying, it is also extremely watchable. That is due in part to the comedic relief provided by producer, narrator, and star Nick Searcy, a Peabody Award-winning actor. Packed with useful information, the film is funny and lighthearted yet at the same time deadly

serious. It has just the right balance between mockery of those who desperately deserve it, and sympathy for the victims such as Ashli Babbitt, the unarmed U.S. Air Force veteran who was shot and killed by a member of the Capitol Police during the protest. The creators of the film did a magnificent job.

The official narrative is by now well known to Americans. Unhinged Democrats compared the protest to a terrorist attack or even an “insurrection” aimed at overthrowing the U.S. government. Biden claimed in a pre-written speech that the mostly peaceful protest was the worst attack on “democracy” since the Civil War. Propagandists in the establishment media endlessly parroted the lie that this was some sort of “white supremacist” or “racist” movement. And yet, it was all lies, as the movie demonstrates.

Indeed, all the key elements of the establishment narrative are roundly debunked in the film. Rather than a gathering of white supremacists, the documentary shows, Americans of all colors, backgrounds, and creeds were well represented at the January 6 rally against election fraud and tyranny. The notion that the massive gathering in D.C. was violent is discredited, too. So is the absurd notion that this was some sort of effort to overthrow the government.

One of the most alarming segments of the film exposes the official terrorism being used against peaceful dissidents by the Biden administration’s highly politicized FBI and Department of Justice. The



**Overkill:** In this scene from the film, FBI agents in full tactical gear conduct a raid on the house of an alleged January 6 “insurrectionist.”

Obviously, very powerful forces in Big Tech, Big Government, and Big Media want to ensure that Americans never learn the information presented in this documentary.

film includes interviews of a number of victims who suffered outrageous raids on their homes by hordes of militarized FBI SWAT agents with battering rams, tactical vehicles, heavy weaponry, and more as if they were gang leaders or terrorists.

Multiple families who have suffered persecution at the hands of the government over the January events are featured in the film. For example, the government’s goon squads literally handcuffed pre-teen girls, two of whom speak out on camera. Even elderly women and harmless activists such as Dr. Simone Gold of America’s Frontline Doctors were ruthlessly persecuted by the feds, as the film shows, merely for being present at the Capitol. Billboards were put up nationwide by the FBI asking citizens to snitch on their neighbors who were in D.C. for the January 6 rally.

The unconscionable and violent government response to these dissidents — some of whom were not even near the Capitol — would seem excessive for dealing with peaceful protesters, even in blatantly authoritarian societies such as Nazi Germany or Communist China. But

in America, such heavy-handed abuse of peaceful citizens and their families should be viewed as criminal.

As the film makes clear, there was absolutely no justification for the barbaric abuse of these families. It was calculated to strike terror into the hearts of decent Americans concerned about what is happening to their nation, part of a concerted effort to chill free speech and terrorize other people into remaining silent.

Throughout the film, it becomes clear that there was a highly orchestrated setup of Trump supporters involved in the events of January 6. For example, a great deal of footage shows known Antifa and Black Lives Matter supporters involved in the demonstrations, smashing windows, urging others to commit violence, changing into and out of Trump gear, and more. One key individual, John Sullivan of Utah, who claims to have merely “documented the whole thing,” is featured prominently, including in recordings where he encourages the violence.

The killing of unarmed protester Ashli Babbitt by a Capitol Police officer was used to endlessly claim that the “insur-

rection” at the Capitol was “deadly.” And yet, thanks to dishonest media reports, most Americans did not realize that the protesters did not kill a single individual. The interview with Babbitt’s heartbroken husband is one of the most difficult segments to watch in the entire film. The officer who gunned down Babbitt did not face any consequences.

The list of key people interviewed for the documentary is simply staggering. From prominent members of Congress and former administration officials to law-enforcement officers and lowly victims of the government’s calculated and outrageous assault on protesters, the diverse voices featured in the film paint an incredible picture of a government and media that are completely out of control. Their ultimate objective is plain to see, too.

This whole January 6 saga is still far from over. In fact, as this is being written, the congressional “January 6 Committee,” composed entirely of Democrats and RINO Republicans, continues to peddle and exploit the fraudulent “insurrection” narrative to demonize and crush political opposition. Hundreds of people involved in some way with the demonstration are still being prosecuted, and dozens remain locked up in horrific conditions awaiting trial.

In an interview with *THE NEW AMERICAN*, *Capitol Punishment* director Chris Burgard explained that the censorship the movie is being subjected to is unlike anything he has ever seen — worse, even, than the Big Tech attacks on Breitbart he experienced while working with the conservative media outlet. In fact, before interviewing Burgard, this writer was not even aware of the film, much less the Orwellian effort to suppress it.

Obviously, very powerful forces in Big Tech, Big Government, and Big Media want to ensure that Americans never learn the information presented in this documentary. That alone should serve as a powerful motivator for watching and then sharing it. Finding it using traditional means is difficult, to put it mildly, but it can be purchased and watched online at [www.CapitolPunishmentTheMovie.com](http://www.CapitolPunishmentTheMovie.com). Watch it and share it. The future of America’s constitutional Republic depends on exposing the January 6 lies. ■

# ROAD TO A ~~GREAT~~ STAGNANT SOCIETY

Bidenomics — spending, taxing, borrowing, regulating, subsidizing — will not create prosperity. Just the opposite, in fact.

by William P. Hoar

Are you cutting down on your spending? Many Americans are being forced to do just that — in large part because the government will not curb its excesses. Indeed, the federal government seems willing and eager to control virtually everything in the land except inflation and its spending.

Of course, in a real sense, the government doesn't have its own money; it has what it can commandeer from you and me and the private sector in general. Those resources are acquired in multiple ways — including through taxation, inflation, and borrowing. There's little doubt that Washington finds it much easier and useful to trim the taxpayers than its budget. Then, seeking to maximize political power, our leaders and government officials redistribute the filched wealth.

In an earlier feature in this magazine ("Bidenflation Rages," February 14) we focused on inflation; in this piece, the concentration is on spending.

Government spending is a big, vile, shambolic target. Stephen Moore, a former Trump advisor and senior economist at FreedomWorks, in his recent book

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**Budget-busting Biden:** Joe Biden has proposed more government spending in his first year in office than has any previous administration. Despite claims that the spending will be budget-neutral, it can only lead to a massive increase in the national debt and much higher inflation.

*Govzilla: How the Relentless Growth of Government Is Devouring Our Economy — and Our Freedom*, expounds on the historical escalation. Americans, as Moore notes, "were supposed to have limited government but now we have limitless government. In just his first year, the spending proposed under [President Joe] Biden exceeds what was spent on all the wars we have fought, the building of the intercontinental railroad, the interstate highway system and the moon landing."

Adding to that fiscal injury is the chief executive's financial insult that all his directed trillions of dollars "are free — they will cost nothing." That's mendacity in the first degree. We do pay, and the balance of the bill gets passed along to our progeny.

When Biden assumed office on January 20, 2021, the outstanding public debt was \$27.8 trillion, according to U.S. Treasury statistics. In just 12 months under Biden, that debt grew by more than \$2 trillion; as

we write, the total has surpassed \$30 trillion. By comparison, it took the nation 210 years (until 1986) before the debt first topped \$2 trillion. (The *New York Times* has recalled that the Congressional Budget Office projected in January 2020 that the gross national debt would hit the \$30 trillion mark by around the end of 2025. Joe's ahead of his time for once.)

Those soon to become taxpayers are clearly in line to take a hit — because there really is no free lunch. According to the Peter G. Peterson Foundation, the interest costs alone for the growing gross national debt are projected to surpass \$5 trillion over the next 10 years, and will amount to nearly half of all federal revenue by 2051.

## Profuse Spending, Regulating

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**Spending us into oblivion:** The Democrats' American Rescue Plan exceeded the cost of the Trump tax cuts. Despite being touted as necessary to help end the COVID-19 pandemic, only a small percentage of its \$1.9 trillion was earmarked for pandemic-related healthcare costs.

down. The supply-chain disruptions and anti-fossil-fuel moves to appease progressive greenies added to economic woes nationwide. And Washington accelerated the money windmill generated by the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan (ARP). This surge in spending, as noted by Manhattan Institute fellow Brian Riedl, is “a key driver of higher prices faced by consumers.”

The ARP, wrote Riedl in an op-ed for the *Washington Post*, “is the most expensive spending law of the past 50 years, including the Cares Act approved under President Donald Trump. In its first seven months, ARP spent \$1.2 trillion — which exceeds the entire cost of the 2017 tax cuts from their enactment through the same late 2021 date.” This came after the \$900 billion stimulus bill of December 2020.

As Riedl put it, the

inflation damage created by Biden's stimulus would be more justifiable if it was necessary to end the pandemic. However, just 1 percent of its cost went toward vaccines and 5 percent had any direct relation to health care. Instead, the law gave state and local governments \$350 billion for budget deficits that did not exist. Schools received \$129 billion even as they sat on \$50 billion in unused relief funds from earlier emergency bills. The unemployment bonuses were so large and self-defeating that 26 states took the rare step of refusing federal assistance and canceling the bonuses before they expired.

A recent headline in the *Wall Street Journal*, reflecting the hundreds of billions of

dollars handed to state and local governments over Republican objections, highlighted how numerous states currently “swim in cash.” Sadly, there are larger spending plans in the wings.

In addition to the direct costs of spending, the government imposes the indirect fees of regulation. Indeed, we could probably cover a significant fraction of our energy requirements if we burned the red tape strangling us — though the Environmental Protection Agency would undoubtedly take a dim view of that.

All those diktats from Washington do add up. According to American Action Forum (AAF), the Biden administration completed its initial year in office by causing more than \$201 billion in regulatory costs and requiring 131 million hours in new annual paperwork. That price tag is considerably more than those of Biden's predecessors — resulting in more than three times the costs of Obama's first year and nearly 40 times the overhead under Trump.

Don't rationalize this with that gullible notion that the expenses will be picked up by some bloated plutocrat running a dirty factory thousands of miles away. Rather, it smacks you right where you live.

In an op-ed for the *Wall Street Journal*, Ben Lieberman, a former staff member on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, summarized what is happening. He gives the details about the regulatory burden being added, literally, to every room of your house. As a result, appliances will be more expensive and less effective. Targets include washing machines in the laundry room, furnaces in the basement, light bulbs throughout, and, of course, cars in the garage.

Lieberman, a senior fellow with the Competitive Enterprise Institute, adds:

Anyone thinking that the feds want to regulate everything but the kitchen sink would be wrong. They are also reviewing kitchen sinks. Specifically, the DOE is reconsidering the method for testing compliance with water-use limits for faucets, and a change could result in tighter restrictions, with some currently available models declared illegal.

Meanwhile, in Washington, Bidenocrats

using the president's pen have produced the highest number of executive orders of any president over the past half-century, as calculated by AAF.

### Waste Flourishes

As it is, the federal government — especially the Biden administration — is assuredly good at one thing: wasting tax money wrung from the efforts of hard-working Americans.

For lowlights, refer to a recent report on the administration's "wasteful spending" total for 2021, which was put together by Senator Rand Paul (R-Ky.) and his office. The senator's latest "Festivus Report" points to \$52 billion in such government waste. There's plenty to find, notes the senator, including expending on a study of pigeons gambling on slot machines, giving kids junk food, and telling the citizens of Vietnam not to burn their trash.

Here are a few more: a tax credit (\$2,100,000) incentivizing California residents to uninstall fireplaces; a State Department plan to translate books into the Georgian language (costing \$182,741); another State brainstorm to teach French people about culture in the United States (\$200,000); and an FDA program to spend \$337,500 for fattening eels for human consumption.

We don't know if we should tell readers

about this one, lest your happiness level fall. But here goes: It does appear — remember, this is serious "science" — that hearing bad news may affect happiness levels. Well, that just had to be verified, didn't it? The National Institute on Aging (NIA), according to the senator, "used nearly \$1.3 million taxpayer dollars over the course of 5 years to study how hearing good or bad news affects your happiness. Though each person's emotions are unique, the Federal government is still trying to find one common answer, and make you foot the bill."

Of course, such wasteful spending, though illustrative of how carefully the feds spend other people's money, is just a drop in the bucket compared to overall spending. To truly tackle the fiscal crisis, the socialist onslaught needs to be stopped and reversed — efficient socialism is not the answer.

### Against Tax Cuts, for Wealth Redistribution

The future will not be rosy if more Bidenomics is imposed. Yet, in a January address to the World Economic Forum, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen pointed to more big government as the way to salvation. That includes spending on some (currently stalled) plans for a global minimum tax; claiming that more subsidized child-care would expand the labor supply

in the United States; and throwing more greenbacks at public infrastructure.

As the *Wall Street Journal* has reported, the Biden administration's "approach is a departure from traditional supply-side economics, which seeks to promote economic growth through tax cuts and deregulation," citing the secretary's speech. She rejects what should be common sense and the record of progress over many years, telling the foreign audience, "Significant tax cuts on capital have not achieved their promised gains." And, she said, "deregulation has a similarly poor track record."

Yellen is promoting what she calls "modern supply-side economics," which is the reverse of what works. The Biden administration will try, in her words, to "spur economic growth by both boosting labor supply and raising productivity, while reducing inequality and environmental damage."

Anyone not enamored of putting Washington in charge of everything can see through that scheme. Conservatives and Republicans maintain, as the *Journal* put it, that Biden's economic agenda, "which calls for increased federal government spending, can have negative consequences, including stoking stronger inflation, causing larger government deficits and crowding out private-sector investment."

Bidenomics, taking its cue from progressives, holds that what the country needs is "human infrastructure" — which seems to have a flexible meaning. Look, for example, in the 2022 Biden budget, and you find enough redistribution of wealth to delight Karl Marx. And if the admitted income transfers in the Biden budget were considered a country, the total would be larger than the entire economy of today's Germany.

Last summer, Issues & Insights looked at the "Historical Tables" of the 2022 budget and found a new record of \$4.9 trillion earmarked for such matters, in a category labeled "direct payments to individuals." Commented I & I:

These payments, mind you, don't count salaries paid to federal employees or the cost of buying equipment. It's just what the name states — direct money transfers. As the budget document explains: "These are federal government spending programs



**Don't do this in California:** The Biden administration plans to spend more than \$2 million to incentivize California residents to remove their fireplaces, ostensibly in the name of "going green." Such wasteful spending is par for the course.

designed to transfer income (in cash or in-kind) to individuals or families. To the extent feasible, this category does not include reimbursements for current services rendered to the Government (e.g., salaries and interest).”

Under Biden, direct payments hit a huge new record high. Think about it this way. At \$4.9 trillion, “direct payments to individuals” this year are equal to the entire federal budget of just two years ago. These money transfers will account for 22.3% of the nation’s entire GDP.

Eureka! That is why Uncle Sam has trouble keeping his balance: There are too many hands in his pockets.

**Build Back Better:  
Bruised but Breathing**

If you think things couldn’t get worse, imagine successfully adding Biden’s profigate so-called Build Back Better plan to the government’s agenda. This amalgam of bad ideas — seeking, among others, a Green New Deal, more entitlement pro-

grams, an expansion of socialized medicine, and additional taxation — hit the wall after about five months of being knocked around Capitol Hill. At least for a while. Though it has been declared dead in some quarters, vampirish notions don’t really die, and they usually are resurrected in another fashion.

Temporarily stymied, some Democrats are talking about passing “chunks” of their climate-change and social-welfare package, perhaps with a (notional) price tag of \$1.75 trillion. The Build Back Better crowd has not given up the overall fight, though their tactics may change. As related by Rachel Greszler, a research fellow at the Heritage Foundation, it has been around two years since the pandemic began, “and after \$6.6 trillion in total federal spending on it — the equivalent of \$51,600 per household — some policymakers want to pass yet another so-called COVID-19 relief package.”

Also cautioning the public to be alert for a revival of the BBB legislation are Linda McMahon and Chris Sununu. (McMahon is the chairwoman of the board of the America First Policy Institute and

served in former President Trump’s Cabinet as administrator of the Small Business Administration. Sununu is the governor of New Hampshire.) They recently reminded readers of the *Washington Examiner* that the Build Back Better legislation includes

a steep tax hike on job creators. The Biden administration and our perpetually fiscally irresponsible Congress want to raise the corporate tax rate from 21% to 28%, hampering growth and raising prices for consumers. The National Taxpayers Union finds that this rate hike would impose a nearly \$100 billion dollar burden on households making less than \$100,000 per year. What’s worse, Biden’s spending plan would also tax capital gains at a higher rate than China, disincentivizing investment and dragging down our economy.

Let’s hope — and work to ensure — that the occupant of the Oval Office doesn’t live up to his overdone promises. That is the road to ruin. ■



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## NFL Player Trades Helmet for Dancing Shoes

Philadelphia Eagles safety Anthony Harris made a young Texas girl's wish come true by taking her to her school's daddy-daughter dance.

Eleven-year-old Audrey Soape lost both her father and grandfather last year, Fox News reported, which was devastating for the young girl, as she was close to both men. And as the January daddy-daughter dance approached, Soape realized that without the two most important men in her life, she had no one to take her to the dance. That's when her mother reached out on social media to see if Audrey's favorite football player, the Eagles' Harris, would consider taking her.

"I told him about the situation, and surprisingly he was more than willing to do it," Holly Soape told *Fox & Friends* February 4. "It happened really fast. He said yes probably about a week before, so it was kind of a whirlwind."

Not only did Harris accept, but he also paid for Audrey's dress, shoes, hair, and makeup, according to a Facebook post by Holly after the event. The post included photos of Audrey and Harris dancing and having a good time.

Audrey recalled to *Fox & Friends'* co-host Ainsley Earhart that she was "very nervous" to meet Harris, but that he quickly broke the tension by talking to her and making her comfortable.

Audrey said Harris' dance moves were "very good," and Holly said Audrey had a great night.

In her January 28 Facebook post, Holly extended her deepest gratitude to Harris for what he did for her daughter.

"I'm so grateful to have people surrounding me who step up and love us through the difficult valleys we've walked through," she wrote. "God showed up big and brought people into our lives that have lifted us up and walked along side us."

## Citizens Turn Fire Rescuers

A Mississippi woman is being praised for her heroic efforts to save two elderly

women from a house fire in Vicksburg on February 4, Breitbart.com reported.

When Ceola Parker first noticed the fire on Friday morning, she called 911 and was prepared to wait for the fire department to arrive and handle the fire. But when she learned that there were two elderly women in the house, she acted.

"I ran over there. I heard the first old lady screaming. I got her out of the house and got her down the steps," she recounted. "There was another old lady; she was in the fire in the doorway. I was trying to get her. I got her and got her to the step way."

It was then that Officer Tommy Curtis arrived, and he helped Parker get the second woman out of the building to safety.

The *Vicksburg Post* reported that the second woman had recently suffered a massive stroke and suffered from Alzheimer's. Fortunately, neither woman was injured in the blaze, thanks to Parker's brave efforts.

"The good Samaritan was something that was needed," Vicksburg Fire Chief Craig Danczyk told the *Post*. "She helped them get out of harm's way."

After the rescue, Parker was hit with the full realization of what had happened and could not stop her tears.

"I was scared, but the grace of God — I keep God first in everything that I do... It was me and the Good Lord that saved them," she tearfully told the *Vicksburg Daily News*.

In the same week, on January 31, two teens rescued a married couple from a house fire during a snowstorm in Andover, Massachusetts.

Breitbart.com reported that Graham Dalton, 17, was driving home with his 14-year-old brother, Ian, after they had finished shoveling snow for their neighbors, when they noticed flames coming out of a third-story window.

"I pulled alongside the house, and I was like, 'Hey, go knock on their door. Make sure everything is OK,'" Graham recalled, adding that he contacted 911 at the same time.

The couple inside the house, Pat and Fran O'Neil, had no idea their house was on fire, later saying that they were playing

Scrabble in their dining room when Ian knocked on their door.

According to Andover Fire Chief Michael Mansfield, the boys' swift actions likely made an enormous difference, noting a fire could become life-threatening within two minutes.

Not only did the boys save the couple, but they also waited with them to help with cleaning up the property after the fire was put out, Breitbart reported.

## Boy Gifted Guitar After Eight Months

Fallon is a teen who visited J.B. Hart Music Co. in Grand Junction, Colorado, often to play music on the store's special guitar. Thanks to the kindness of a stranger, that guitar now belongs to Fallon.

GoodNewsNetwork.org reported that Fallon, who has Williams syndrome, loves music and knows a lot about it. His dream was to have his very own guitar.

He would often stop at J.B. Hart Music Co. to play "the Pantera guitar," which refers to a model popularized by the deceased guitarist of the heavy-metal band Pantera, Dean "Dimebag" Darrell.

Approximately eight months ago, during one of Fallon's play sessions with the \$800 Dean "Dimebag" Darrell ML Guitar, a customer in the store at the time took notice. He was so moved by the boy's love for the guitar and his talent that he returned later and anonymously purchased the guitar. He asked the owners to be sure to gift it to Fallon the next time the teen came in.

But Fallon and his family moved to Texas shortly after that fateful play session, and he did not return to the store for eight months.

But, by the grace of God, Fallon and his family came back to Colorado over the holidays and popped into the store for a visit. Fallon was shocked when he learned that the guitar had been purchased for him.

J.B. Hart Music Co. posted photos on Facebook of Fallon and his guitar on December 31. ■

— RAVEN CLABOUGH

# Do Rights Come From GOD OR GOVERNMENT?

The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms is based on the premise that rights come from government, while the U.S. Bill of Rights views rights as God-given.



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by C. Mitchell Shaw

As Canadian truckers continue the Freedom Convoy in protest of a COVID vaccine mandate for cross-border trucking between the United States and Canada, one major argument is that those mandates and other heavy-handed COVID regulations by government violate the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. In fact, the last living drafter and signatory of the Charter is suing the Canadian government over its ban on cross-border travel for those who remain unvaccinated.

The most recent development as of this writing is that Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has invoked the Emergencies Act. In a statement, Trudeau said that he has “authorized and directed” financial institutions to begin “regulating and prohibiting the use of property to fund or support illegal blockades.” And Canada’s finance minister, Chrystia Freeland, explained that financial institutions will “temporarily cease providing financial

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services where the institution suspects that an account is being used to further the illegal blockades and occupations” and that “this order covers both personal and corporate accounts.” In essence, the government is now treating truckers and their supporters as non-persons, no longer possessing basic rights.

But wait: With Canadians’ rights guaranteed by the Charter, how can the government do that?

The Charter — which became part of the Canadian Constitution in 1982 — is roughly the Canadian version of the U.S. Bill of Rights, which has been part of the U.S. Constitution since 1791. But besides the age of the documents, there are some important differences between the two.

The fundamental problem with the Charter is that it pretends to *grant* rights rather than *protect* rights that are granted by God. By contrast, the U.S. Bill of Rights merely restricts the power of the federal government over those areas that would impede the exercise of God-given rights.

So, the U.S. Bill of Rights — resting on the premise found in the Declaration of Independence that “all men are created equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights” — limits what *government* can do. But the Charter — leaning tenuously on the erroneous premise that rights come from government — is a list of things government can take away since government claims to *grant* them.

The language of the two documents is telling: The Charter uses phrases such as “has the right” and “equal before and under the law” — insinuating that the Charter grants rights that would not otherwise exist. By contrast, the U.S. Bill of rights uses phrases such as “Congress shall make no law” (First Amendment), “shall not be infringed” (Second Amendment), and “The right of the people ... shall not be violated” (Fourth Amendment). Other amendments in the Bill of Rights likewise limit the power of the federal government to interfere with the exercise of God-given rights.

While the phrase “God-given” is not in the text, it was well-understood at the time of the writing of the Bill of Rights — as seen in the above quote from the Declaration of Independence — that rights come from God and that “Governments are instituted among Men” only “to secure these rights.” Illustrating that it is actually a *Bill of Restraints on Government*, the Bill of Rights ends with two amendments that further drive that point home. Amendment Nine states: “The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the

people.” And Amendment Ten states, “The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.”

In other words, the Bill of Rights does not even attempt a complete list of rights. Instead, it restricts the actions of the federal government to only those things specifically listed as federal powers, leaving everything else off limits. Conversely, the Charter promises things that government can take away by simply creating a law that revokes what government pretended to grant.

As a natural consequence of the premise that rights come from God, the Bill of Rights arrives at the correct conclusion that government cannot touch those rights. Beginning with the premise that rights are merely privileges granted by government, the Charter ends up with the erroneous conclusion that rights are not absolute. This is seen right at the beginning of the Charter. Article 1 states:

The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms guarantees the rights and freedoms set out in it subject only to such reasonable limits prescribed by

law as can be demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society.

But if “rights and freedoms” can be “subject” to any “limits prescribed by law,” then they are not “rights and freedoms,” but *privileges* granted by government. Other sections do similar violence to rights. This writer encourages the reader to find the Charter online and read it for himself and see the consistent theme of government claiming the power to give — and *take away* — rights.

In this, the Charter reflects the same mind-set seen in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. For while that document states, “All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights” (Article 1), it also claims that governments “grant” those rights. Article 8 states, “Everyone has the right to an effective remedy by the competent national tribunals for acts violating the fundamental rights granted him by the constitution or by law.” And in keeping with the government-giveth-and-government-taketh-away theme, the UN Declaration — using language so similar to that in the Charter that their relationship is apparent — states in Article 29 that the “rights and freedoms”

of individuals “shall be subject only to such limitations as are determined by law.”

This fraudulent view of rights is likewise found in similar documents from other countries that share the worldview that rights are “granted” by government. Examples include Australia and New Zealand, both of which have run roughshod over the rights of the people under the pretext of the COVID response, just as Canada is doing.

And while many Americans realize that their God-given rights are also often found with government bootprints all over them, the chief difference is that Americans have legal protections of those rights under the Constitution that Canadians do not have under their Constitution and Charter. Those legal protections illustrate that the U.S. Constitution is unique. It must, therefore, be protected against all threats.

Current threats to our Constitution come not only from leftists, but also from “conservatives” such as those calling for a modern-day constitutional convention (by whatever name they choose to call it). Threats also come from radicals on both sides calling for civil war in America, or even from those libertarians who favor tearing our country apart by state secession.

If well-informed, patriotic Americans do not do all that legally and morally can be done to preserve our Constitution, we could very well see the flame of freedom extinguished. We could wind up with a government-giveth-and-government-taketh away charter. And we see how that is working out for Canada.

As a result of the government confiscating fuel donated and purchased for the trucker protest, Canadian lawyer Jay Cameron said that the government is “rebranding the Charter.” But the very language of the Charter allows that rebranding.

And former Newfoundland Premier Brian Peckford, 79, who is the last living signatory of the Charter, is suing the government for violating the document he helped draft, claiming the government has “violated rights that [he] and others helped craft in 1981 and 1982” — showing that he appears to still think governments and their ministers can “craft” rights.

Sadly, both Cameron and Peckford miss the point: The Charter failed to protect rights as soon as it pretended to grant them. Because rights come only from God. ■



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**Not a guaranteed right:** The First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution protects the God-given right to peaceably protest government actions. The Canadian Charter does no such thing. Canadians have a “right” to peacefully protest — unless the government says otherwise.

## It All Started at KFC

KFOR.com reported on January 11 about a wild incident in Chickasha, Oklahoma, that began when a man, for unknown reasons, backed his car into the front entrance of a Kentucky Fried Chicken, shattering the glass doors. The man then sped away from the store and began plowing through nearby yards, eventually crashing into the front porch of a house. He exited the vehicle and ran onto the porch, while the couple who lived at the house came out to see what happened.

The man then began physically assaulting the wife. The husband ran back into the house to retrieve a firearm, and the violent intruder pursued him. The dangerous encounter came to an end when the husband shot the suspect multiple times.

Police arrived on the scene after being alerted to all the chaos, and found the suspect's lifeless body in the house. Law enforcement is still investigating the background of the suspect and whether he had a criminal past or a history of mental-health issues, and the medical examiner will look into whether there were any drugs or alcohol in his system at the time of the incident. The couple are understandably distraught over what occurred, but don't have any major injuries.

## Deputy Returning Home Shoots Burglar

The *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* reported on January 23 about a shooting outside a southeast Atlanta house that is proving to be quite controversial. A Fulton County sheriff's deputy was returning home from work around midnight when he received a notification from one of his home-security cameras that showed a man breaking in to his house by kicking in a back door.

The deputy drove home and saw the burglary suspect carrying items away from the house, and he began following the man as he walked down a gravel road. The suspect ran off the road into the woods, and the deputy exited his vehicle and ran after him. The deputy confronted the suspect in the woods and, investigators would later

say, the two men “had an altercation.”

During the ensuing scuffle, the deputy opened fire on the burglary suspect and shot him three times in the chest. Atlanta police arriving on the scene discovered the deputy performing CPR on the wounded suspect, who was taken to a nearby medical facility, where he died. Investigators identified the deceased burglary suspect as 59-year-old Bobby Lee Sutton, and they confirmed that the goods he was seen carrying from the home belonged to the deputy.

Sutton's surviving family members are questioning whether the deputy acted lawfully. 11alive.com interviewed Sutton's niece, Motanique “Monei” Sutton, on January 26. She told reporters, “Nobody's perfect, we know that. But I need to know, was his shooting justified for my uncle?” Motanique, who doesn't seem to be disputing that her uncle burglarized the house, seems more upset that the deputy followed the suspect and confronted him. “You get out of your car and you follow him in a wooded area and you shoot him down like he's nobody, like he has no family or nothing. That's not fair. That's not justice,” she told 11alive.com.

The investigation into the shooting is still ongoing, but there are some details in this situation that make it unique. The first major detail is the fact that it involved a police officer who is trained on when to use lethal force and should know whether a shooting is or is not justified. Second, since he is a police officer, it is among his occupational duties to stop crimes in progress and arrest a fleeing suspect. Even though the deputy was not on duty, his actions were consistent with that of a police officer trying to detain a burglary suspect. If the forensic evidence corroborates the deputy's testimony that the shooting was defensive in nature, it seems likely that he will be cleared of any wrongdoing. This might not be the case if the homeowner was a civilian who followed a burglar into the woods to confront him and retrieve stolen personal property.

While it might be frustrating for some gun owners to admit, the safer course of action for non-deputized civilians is to just

report the burglary to police and allow the suspect to flee the scene, instead of engaging in a direct confrontation. No personal property is worth the risk of being prosecuted for murder in today's flawed court system, which seems to favor criminals over law-abiding citizens.

## San Jose Votes to Force Gun Owners to Carry Insurance

If you needed more evidence that the anti-gun crowd will try anything to ban guns, look no further than San Jose, California, where the City Council voted unanimously to require gun owners to carry liability insurance. The Associated Press reported on January 26 that the San Jose City Council approved a measure that mandates gun owners in the city to carry insurance to “cover losses or damages resulting from any accidental use of the firearm, including death, injury, or property damage, according to the ordinance.”

The mayor of San Jose said the law wouldn't result in gun owners facing criminal penalties or having their guns confiscated for not having the insurance, but the National Rifle Association reported things differently. The NRA posted on February 9 that the bill requires gun owners to fill out documentation attesting that they have the required insurance coverage which, along with proof of payment of an annual tax, must be shown to police upon request. The NRA stated that if gun owners don't comply with these requirements, their firearms may be impounded.

The council also voted to charge gun owners an annual \$25 fee, which will ostensibly be used to fund measures for government efforts to combat so-called gun violence. The mayor admitted that it “won't stop mass shootings and keep bad people from committing violent crime,” but he's still going to sign it into law. The mayor admitted that the law will face legal challenges from gun-rights groups, but said he has anti-gun attorneys lining up to provide legal defense for free. ■

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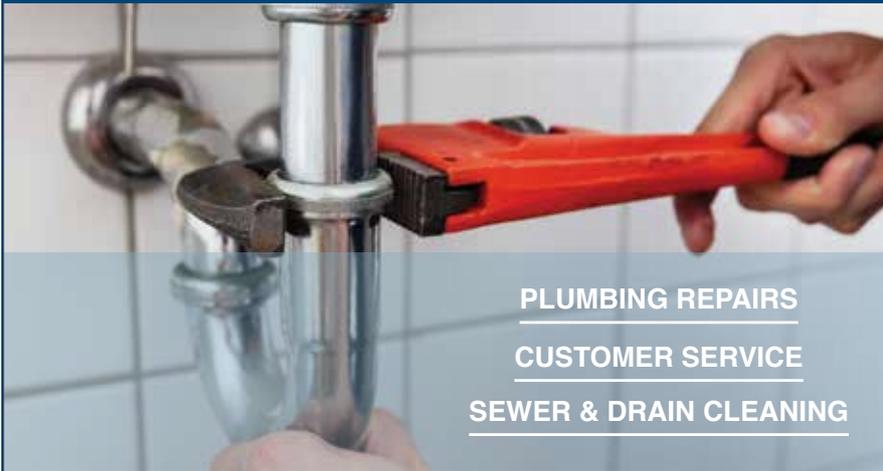
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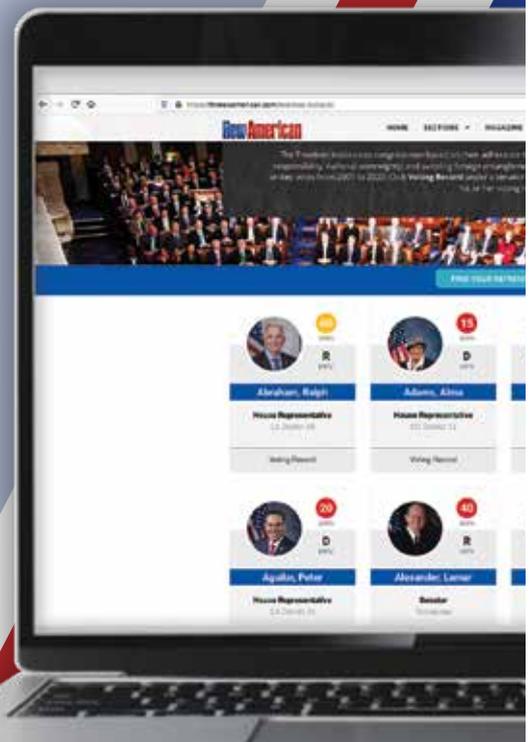
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## FREEDOM CONVOY 2022 THE AIR HORN HEARD 'ROUND THE WORLD

by *Rebecca Terrell*

“Freedom anywhere is a step for freedom everywhere,” read the Convoy to Ottawa 2022 Facebook page before the social-media giant deleted it. Major media fall in lockstep with censors, either ignoring what many call the most important pushback against tyranny since the fall of the Berlin Wall, or spreading lies about the throngs of hard-working Canadians peacefully filling the streets of their nation’s capital to demand medical freedom and an end to COVID restrictions. The day after they arrived, Canada’s *National Observer* reported it as a one-day rally — a “disorganized rabble of riled-up miscreants,” numbering less than 10,000, who defaced national monuments and waved swastikas on Parliament Hill.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau had earlier dismissed the movement as a “small fringe minority” with “unacceptable views,” but as tens of thousands of trucks slow-rolled across the country, a conveniently timed COVID exposure forced him into hiding, where he remained for “security reasons,” according to his office. Meanwhile, thousands of Canadians braved bitter cold temperatures to line highways and overpasses along the convoy path, cheering the truckers and supplying them with food and fuel.

More than 100,000 people donated \$10-plus million to the convoy’s GoFundMe appeal before the crowd-funding site stripped the movement of most funds, claiming it had devolved from a peaceful protest into a violent and unlawful occupation. The attorneys general of Florida, Louisiana, and West Virginia launched fraud investigations against GoFundMe, while Donald Trump, Jr. tweeted an appeal for all Republican attorneys general to do likewise. Also on Twitter, Elon Musk shared a screen shot of GoFundMe’s June 2020 post supporting Seattle’s riotous protests and remarked, “Double-standard?” Within a week Freedom Convoy 2022 recouped the purloined money through a new campaign on the Christian crowd-funder GiveSendGo,

only to have an Ontario judge freeze private bank accounts, preventing truckers from accessing any funds.

### In the Trenches

Meanwhile, a malicious propaganda campaign rages against the truckers. The ninth day of protest saw Ottawa’s mayor declare a state of emergency, appealing by letter to federal and provincial authorities for 1,800 additional policemen to buttress his force, who supposedly could not “quell the insurrection” alone. The smokescreen appeal echoed a lie circulating among government officials and major media implying that the truckers are riotous criminals. CTV News quoted Ottawa Police Service (OPS) chief



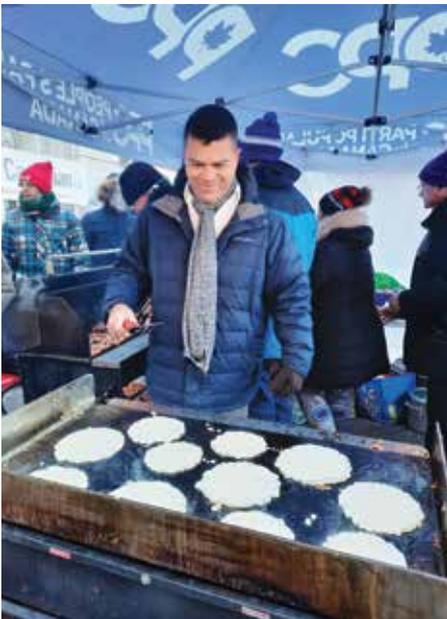
Keeping the peace: Truckers blockading the U.S.-Canada border at Coutts, Alberta, ended their standoff on February 15 after police made 11 arrests. The Coutts mayor confirmed those arrested were not connected with the truckers.

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Peter Sloly — who has since resigned amidst harsh criticism over his convoy response — characterizing the protest as an unlawful siege, though he only mentioned arrests of people supplying the truckers with fuel, a move that inspired hundreds of smiling convoy supporters to tote water-filled jerrycans through the streets.

Media reinforce this narrative to demonize the protesters. Convoy spokesman and former officer of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Daniel Bulford exposed one example involving a CBC News report of demonstration-related vandalism and criminal arrests. Bulford revealed during a press conference that the crimes had been committed by individuals unaffiliated with the convoy and were reported to police by himself and other truckers. The vandalism was actually against the truckers, forcing them to establish a community watch patrol, which local Ottawans praise for making their streets safer.

**Freedom pancakes:** Former Trump COVID advisor Dr. Paul Alexander served breakfast to hungry truckers in Ottawa in February. He tweeted: “Don’t let them fool you #Canada is more United and loving, better than before! #Truckers will stand their ground.”



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Social media is awash with videos showing protesters shoveling snow, setting up bouncy houses for children, holding pick-up hockey games and impromptu dance parties, and feeding the homeless. CBC News reported Ottawa police are hampered by a “large number of children among protesters,” and that city-contracted towing companies are refusing to move convoy vehicles. When an Ottawa judge issued a temporary injunction that banned horn honking, the convoy immediately complied and a new hashtag went viral: #HonkHonk.

Organizers insist their protest is peaceful and disclaim any connection with criminal activity. However, their repeated requests for discussions with Trudeau are answered with the prime minister’s invocation of the Emergencies Act, a measure intended only to protect national security; he may now violate the protesters’ rights at his whim. The convoy’s police liaison, Tom Marazzo, said via press conference that in his outreach to OPS, “they have chosen to take the posture

of a hostage negotiation.” This, despite the fact that renowned medical experts have joined the convoy’s ranks, including Canada’s top clinical epidemiologist, Dr. Paul Alexander, also COVID advisor to the World Health Organization. Meanwhile, social-media videos show Ottawa police behaving disgracefully, even brutalizing a 78-year-old grandfather for honking his car horn in support of the convoy.

**Are They Succeeding?**

Convoy organizers admit they would rather go home, but say freedom is worth the sacrifice. Some media reports indicate they are making headway, as several Canadian provinces already announced plans to loosen COVID shackles. Quebec’s premier called off a tax on the unvaccinated, while the leader of Saskatchewan is lifting all restrictions.

Alberta’s premier, Jason Kenney, announced a three-step COVID restriction phase-out, disclaiming that the trucker



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**Inhumane targeting:** Members of Canada’s parliament, together with convoy supporters, issued a statement condemning police seizure of protesters’ fuel supplies for putting truckers and their families in danger due to Ottawa’s extreme cold temperatures.

blockade at Cou tts influenced his decision. A spokesman for the protesters told Rebel News, “He’s leaving an open door for future variants to put in mandates again, so we’ve got to stick this out until all mandates are lifted.” However, days later they did voluntarily withdraw after police made 11 arrests and seized a cache of weapons and ammunition nearby. Though the mayor of Cou tts confirmed to DailyMail.com that those arrested had nothing to do with the demonstrators, blockade spokesmen told Rebel News that they decided to pull out to maintain their peaceful protest “narrative,” and that they hope to have helped Canada on the road to medical freedom.

Regardless, their perseverance marks the true success of the convoy and has lit a fire of patriotic zeal across the globe. MSNBC recently whimpered, “Canada’s

‘nationwide insurrection’ is bringing together an unlikely and alarming alliance.... Around the world, far right activists are watching ... with fantasies of similar resistance in their own countries.”

Apparently, MSNBC does not use the Telegram app, an uncensored instant-messaging platform where truckers worldwide have openly planned their own national demonstrations. “The Canadians showed us the way,” announced the European convoy. “Now it is time for us to act.” Demonstrators from across the European Union arrived in the EU bureaucratic capital of Brussels in early February to protest COVID tyranny. Likewise, Australian truckers rolled into their nation’s capital of Canberra on February 1. “We are no longer asking for our freedoms,” wrote one supporter, “we are demanding them.”

In early February, a smear campaign against U.S. truckers was already underway. After Facebook deleted their page, Convoy to DC 2022 organizer Mike Landis told Fox News that his group is “obviously starting to get someone’s attention.” A Department of Homeland Security spokesman told Fox that his agency is “tracking reports” and working to “continuously assess the threat environment” linked with the convoy, while a DHS National Terrorism Advisory warned of heightened threats related to “an online environment filled with false or misleading narratives and conspiracy theories.”

These brave truckers are obviously in for an uphill battle, but one thing is certain: When the last of the semis rolls home, the world will have the truckers of Canada to thank for launching a new freedom movement. ■



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## January 6: **Worse Than Pearl Harbor, War of 1812, 9/11?**

**W**as the January 6 storming of the Capitol the “worst attack on our democracy since the Civil War,” as Joe Biden has asserted on more than one occasion? In her introduction to Biden’s speech on the first anniversary of the event, Kamala Harris compared the four-hour Capitol occupation to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and the 9/11 terrorist attacks on New York City and the Pentagon. We have likewise heard repeated assertions that the J6 melee was the worst attack on our Capitol since the British



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Army burned it during the War of 1812. Countless politicians, reporters, and editorial bloviators have echoed these absurd claims.

Let’s cut through the hyperbolic propaganda and outright lies the authoritarians are using to incite the fear and faux outrage they hope will succeed in driving us into their planned American gulag. The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor left 2,403 Americans dead and 1,143 wounded. Non-public school graduates may remember this was the event that precipitated our entry into World War II. The 9/11 terrorist attacks took 2,996 lives and injured more than 6,000. How many were “killed” at the J6 riot? According to most media accounts, four — but that was one of the early (and persistent) media lies. Two of those four were men who died outside of the Capitol and were ruled by the D.C. medical examiner to have died from “natural” heart failure. Both men, in their 50s, suffered from hypertension. The two who were killed inside the Capitol were women. Ashli Babbitt, 35, an unarmed Air Force veteran, was shot and killed by a Capitol Police officer. The death of Rosanne Boyland, 34, remains the subject of controversy. Was she trampled to death due to actions of the Capitol Police, or did she die due to an accidental drug overdose?

One of the most notorious lies about the J6 riot that has been thoroughly debunked is the complete fabrication by the *New York Times* claiming that Capitol Police Officer Brian Sicknick had been “killed by a pro-Trump mob,” savagely beaten to death with a fire extinguisher. This lie was endlessly repeated even though Sicknick’s own family members, including his mother, told reporters he had called on the evening of January 6 to report that he was fine. Later that night he collapsed from a stroke and was taken to a hospital. He succumbed the next day to the stroke, which the coroner ruled to be from natural causes, with no evidence of blunt trauma to the head.

But the story that he was a martyr who had been “murdered” by evil Trumpists was just too politically useful to pass up, so the media continued running with it. It became a key element of the House impeachment charges against President Trump.

According to the media echo chamber, America is awash in “domestic terrorism” — of the “right-wing” and “white nationalist” variety, of course. But what about the other “attacks on our democracy” — including genuinely *armed* terrorist attacks, and, specifically, *armed* terrorist attacks on the Capitol — that our outraged pols and jour-

nalists have conveniently dropped down the memory hole? Let’s look at a few.

On March 1, 1954, Puerto Rican terrorists led by Lolita Lebron opened fire on a session of Congress, wounding five members. Lebron and her comrades were captured, tried, and convicted of attempted murder and other crimes and sentenced to 50 to 75 years in prison. They were rewarded by President Jimmy Carter, a Democrat, who pardoned them and set them free after serving only 25 years. Far from showing remorse, Lebron returned to Puerto Rico a defiant heroine and continued her radical agitation as a celebrity revolutionary.

On March 1, 1971, the Weather Underground (WU) communist terrorists detonated a bomb in the U.S. Capitol. It was part of a series of bombings by the WU terrorists, which included Bill Ayers, a pal and supporter of Democrat Barack Obama. The unrepentant Ayers was rewarded with a professorship at the University of Illinois at Chicago and remains an accepted activist in the Democratic Party.

On November 7, 1983, the May 19 Communist Organization exploded a bomb in the U.S. Capitol outside the Senate chambers. Democratic President Bill Clinton rewarded convicted terrorist Susan Rosenberg, one of the members of that group, by commuting her prison sentence. Immediately following her release, she resumed her revolutionary radicalism and, most recently, served as a top official of the Thousand Currents foundation, which handled finances for the Black Lives Matter terrorists (led by self-proclaimed “trained Marxists”) who have spent the better part of the past two years burning down much of America.

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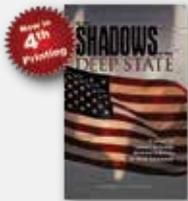


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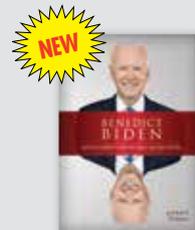


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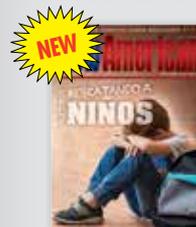


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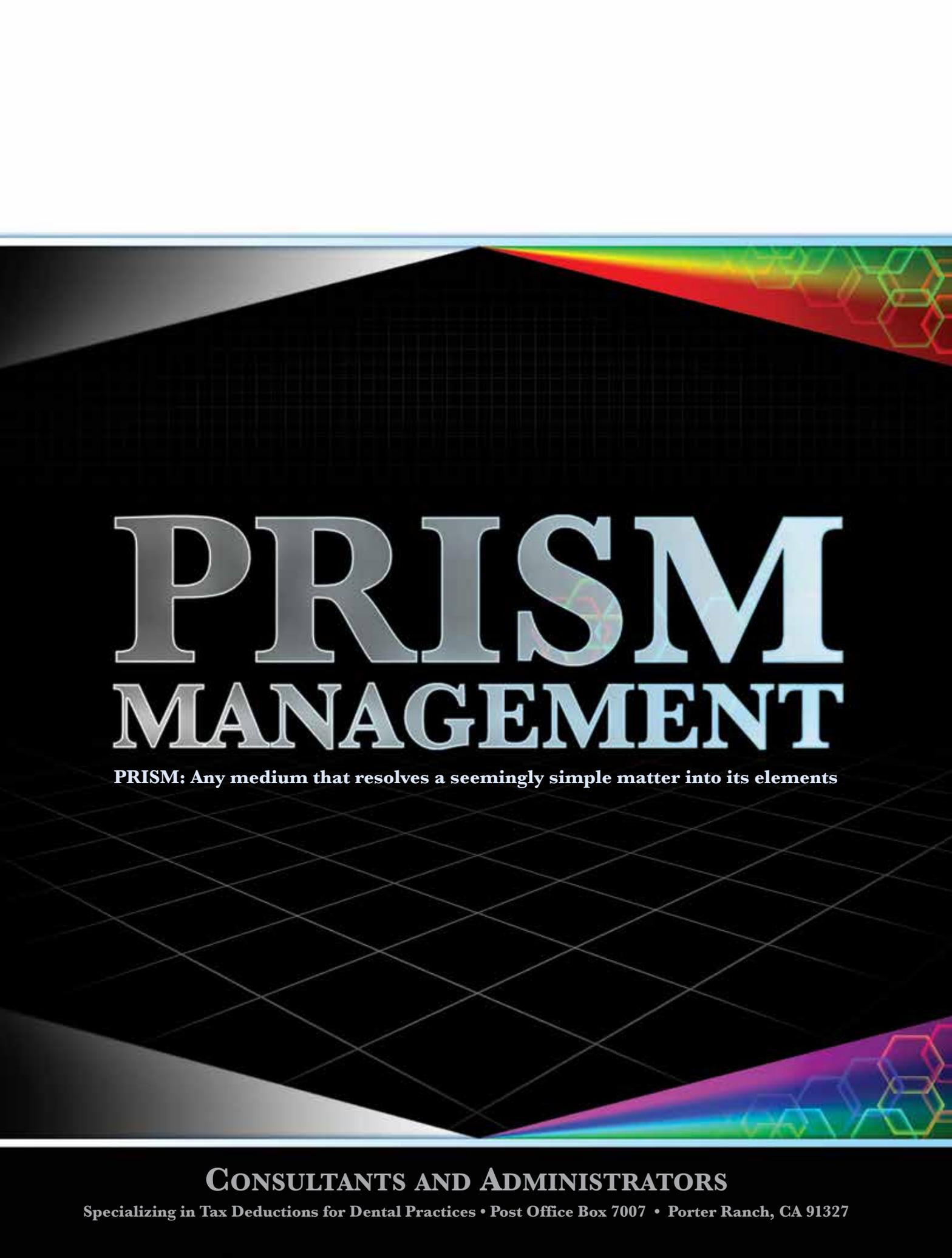
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