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INTRODUCTION

“Who you gonna believe?”

Whenver someone suggests that maybe, just maybe, the 2020 presidential election had some serious irregularities, and perhaps even enough fraud to affect the outcome, the media answer with one voice.

Such allegations, they say, are “false,” “baseless,” involve “falsehoods,” or are even a “conspiracy theory.” Milder dismissals include “debunked,” “unproven,” “without merit,” or “dismissed by the courts.”

The Washington Post, *The New York Times*, the Associated Press, the major TV networks, and other “legacy media” reflexively apply these labels in any news story involving President Trump’s accusation of a stolen election or any attempt by Republican legislators to review what happened.

The problem of election chicanery is twofold. First, election fraud is difficult to prove and prosecutors are reluctant to assign staff time. After an election is called, there is a tendency to adopt a “that horse has left the barn” attitude. Even when compelling facts come to light, the media, which is a subsidiary of the Democratic Party, quickly snuff out the flame. Sometimes, the most glaring act of bias is simply a conscious decision not to report.

Second, much of the voluminous evidence of fraud in the 2020 election never surfaced because courts refused to look at it. They dismissed most cases on technicalities without determining whether the evidence itself was even worth reviewing. So, to say that the courts determined that there was no fraud is profoundly misleading.

But, as a sage said, facts are stubborn things. Since Joe Biden was sworn into office as the 46th President of the United States, the

sheer amount of evidence of manipulation, cover-up, procedural irregularities, and outright fraud before, during, and after the election has soared.

Compelling Footage

Late election night official video footage from Atlanta (Fulton County) that went viral clearly shows election workers pulling cases or suitcases out from under draped tables after Republican observers and media had been sent home on the premise of a water leak (even that story kept changing). We see the workers methodically stuffing ballots into counting machines. Although the media have either ignored this or dismissed it as “debunked,” no rebutting evidence has been presented. Joe Biden’s margin of victory in Georgia was only 11,779.

“Biden had received a huge spike in numbers from Fulton County at the same time as the footage was timestamped,” write Mollie Hemingway in her book *Rigged: How the Media, Big Tech and the Democrats Seized Our Elections*.¹

After the video went viral, and Fox News reported it, the *Washington Post* mocked concerns about it. *Post* writer Eric Wemple wrote: “Of course, there’s another explanation, one offered by Fulton County Director of Registration and Elections Richard L. Barron: ‘According to my staff, that’s just normal.’”² The *Post* also reported that Barron said, “No one from my staff made an announcement for anyone to leave.”

Oh, okay then. Nothing to see here. The great paper’s vast, investigative power was spent.

“In addition to the video footage, there were multiple affidavits from poll watchers and dozens of media reports on Election Night saying that they were told the counting was done for the night,” Hemingway wrote.

For many people who have viewed the Atlanta video, including the author of this book, the denials are reminiscent of Chico Marx in the 1933 film, *Duck Soup*. Dressed like Groucho, he is caught by

a lady leaving a bedroom. Moments later, he comes back, and she insists that she had just seen him leave. He denies it, saying, “Well, who you gonna believe—me or your own eyes?”³

Many people on both sides of the aisle are advising Mr. Trump and the rest of us “election deniers” to believe them and “move on.” Just concentrate on the next election instead of doing a deep dive into what happened in 2020.

However, it’s not an either/or. We do need to look forward and work toward electing constitutional conservatives at every level and to strengthen election integrity. At the same time, we need to become educated about what happened in 2020 so it won’t happen again.

It would be nice if there were a smoking gun so powerful that it could actually reverse the presidential election, but that is extremely unlikely. When the powers-that-be are shown inconvenient truths, they pointedly ignore them while their media allies slander the truth tellers. Pursuing election fraud or uncovering government malfeasance is not for cowards.

You can ask MyPillow owner Mike Lindell, who has spent a small fortune gathering research on allegedly faulty voting machines. He has been called every name in the book by liberal media outlets. In June 2022, even Wal-Mart discontinued selling MyPillow products.⁴

In July 2021, the Fox News Channel refused to carry an ad by Mr. Lindell for a “Cyber Symposium” he was sponsoring August 10-12 in South Dakota. In response, Mr. Lindell pulled out of the network, which had carried \$50 million in MyPillow ads in 2019,⁵ many on the leading nightly cable show, *Tucker Carlson Tonight*. Two months later, Mr. Lindell began running ads again on the show.⁶

Why Honest Elections Matter

Elections have consequences. The one in 2020 has proved disastrous.

The Left, which controls the presidency and both houses of Congress, has unleashed a tsunami of bad government that, if not reversed, could spell an end to our 246-year-old self-governing re-

public. In short order, the Biden Administration, a Congress run by Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer, and numerous liberal state, county, and city officials have:

1. Spent trillions on “Covid relief,” boosting America’s national debt to more than \$30 trillion.
2. Waged a war on American energy, ending our independence and forcing us to beg from unfriendly regimes, such as Russia and Venezuela.
3. As a result of the first two actions, unleashed dangerous inflation, the worst in more than 40 years.
4. Stoked racial division, reversing decades of progress.
5. Abetted an urban violent crime wave, including a huge upsurge in murders, thanks to hands-off prosecutors and the BLM/Antifa-led war on police.
6. Put thousands of small businesses out of business.
7. Corrupted schools and the military with “woke” ideology such as Critical Race Theory, socialist economics, and forced acceptance of all things LGBTQ.
8. Empowered our enemies abroad (Cuba, Iran, China, Afghanistan’s Taliban, for example) while handicapping our friends, such as Israel.
9. Loaded the federal courts with far-Left appointees, including a radical new justice at the Supreme Court.
10. Used the COVID-19 pandemic as an excuse to lock down churches, schools, and businesses, and impose vaccination and mask mandates.

- 11.** Turned the U.S. Justice Department, including the FBI, into a fiercely partisan battering ram against political opponents and even parents protesting school policies.
- 12.** Waged a war on election integrity at every level, weakening America’s claim to being a self-governing democratic republic.
- 13.** Advanced every part of the LGBTQ agenda. Biden even issued an executive order which threatens to withhold federal lunch money grants to schools that do not embrace transgender ideology.⁷

These developments are the tip of the iceberg. This book will review how we got here and what we need to do about it now.

First, we need to dive deeper into what really happened in 2020. God willing, they won’t be able to cover it up forever.

CHAPTER I

What Really Happened in 2020

In October 2020, President Donald Trump was cruising toward re-election. He had midwived a roaring economy, with minimal inflation, American energy independence, and gasoline at just over \$2 a gallon.⁸

Unemployment, especially among minorities, including blacks and Hispanics, was historically low.

Mr. Trump's rallies attracted tens of thousands of people, sometimes causing traffic backups of several miles. Meanwhile, his opponent, a COVID-masked Joe Biden, seemed mentally compromised and stayed mostly in his own home. He rarely ventured out, and when he did, he drew pitifully small crowds. He avoided giving press conferences, as has been the case since he was sworn into office in January 2021.

Overseas, Mr. Trump had nearly obliterated ISIS, brokered a historic treaty between Israel and two Arab nations (the Abraham Accords), was rebuilding America's armed forces after the Obama drawdown, and projected a Reaganesque sense of American strength. He insisted that our NATO allies pay more of their share of the common defense in Europe, which they did.

Although Mr. Trump allowed some slippage in the culture war to LGBTQ activists within the Republican Party, he infuriated the pansexual Left by overturning an Obama order that pushed the LGBTQ agenda in schools and another that had established "transgender rights" in the military. The sheer fury directed at him by LGBTQ activists continues to this day.

Increasingly, Mr. Trump became a vocal pro-life advocate. He

was backed by pro-life groups and promoted pro-life policies. He appointed many pro-life judges, including three on the U.S. Supreme Court; reestablished the “Mexico City Policy” prohibiting tax dollars to organizations that perform or promote abortions here and abroad; cut off funding to the United Nations Population Fund because of its involvement in China’s forced abortion policies; ordered the Secretary of State to add pro-life requirements to many health-related foreign aid programs; backed an end to funding Planned Parenthood; and, supported many pro-life bills, including the Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act, and more.⁹

He championed religious liberty and appointed executive officials who bucked the “woke” Washington culture, like Russell Vought, director of the Office of Management and Budget. Mr. Vought’s matter-of-fact embrace of his Christianity during his confirmation hearing drove a frustrated socialist Sen. Bernie Sanders (D-VT) into yelling at him and declaring him unfit for public office.¹⁰

President Trump’s court appointees were some of the most conservative in recent memory. He shifted the ideological makeup of the U.S. Supreme Court to a solid 5-4 conservative majority, and a 6-3 conservative majority when “swing man” Chief Justice John Roberts joins in. He even brought balance to the notoriously leftist Ninth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, which takes cases originating in the West.¹¹

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The entire time that Mr. Trump was reinvigorating the nation, he was under a constant and often vicious attack hatched by Hillary Clinton’s hirelings and weaponized

by a corrupt, Deep State FBI under President Obama and the profoundly partisan, dishonest Big Tech and national news media.

In fact, the media were so bad that they aided and abetted the “Russian collusion” hoax for more than three years, awarding each other Pulitzer Prizes for the sham reporting that was intended to prevent a Trump re-election, cripple his presidency, and facilitate two impeachments.

America has had many political scandals since its inception, but nothing of this magnitude. The ruling elites, shocked by Mr. Trump’s 2016 win and his subsequent successes, decided to take him out, whatever the cost.

And they did.

Here’s a summary from an independent information site, US 2020 Election Fraud at a Glance:

“The US 2020 Presidential Election counted a record-breaking 158 million votes, 22 million higher than the previous election, and yet was decided by only 42,918 votes or 0.027% across Arizona, Georgia, and Wisconsin.”¹²

In other words, it wouldn’t have taken much meddling or manipulation to change the outcome of the presidential election.

Anomalies Remain

Even a cursory look at the election landscape just before, during, and after the election, yields questions with no easy answers.

Registration—Between 2016 and 2020, Republicans scored major gains in voter registration. This was the case in Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Wisconsin, which Trump carried in 2016 but lost to Biden in 2020.¹³

In Pennsylvania, Republicans increased their registration number by 242,000, contrasted with only 12,000 more Democrat registrations. In fact, 60 of 67 counties trended more Republican than they did when Trump beat Hillary Clinton in 2016. Yet Biden finished with about 140,000 more votes.

Bellwether counties—Nineteen counties had voted for the winner in every presidential election since 1980. Trump in 2020 carried 18 of the 19 but lost the election.¹⁴

Bellwether states—Whoever wins Florida, Iowa, Ohio, and North Carolina usually wins the presidency. In fact, “When won together, Iowa, Ohio, and North Carolina have a perfect record identifying the national presidential winner since 1896,” wrote Patrick Basham in *Chronicles of Culture*.¹⁵ Trump won all those states.

Incumbent advantage—Since 1892, no president has gained more votes over his previous total and lost re-election. That is, until Trump 2020, when 12.1 million more voters chose him and he still lost.¹⁶

Beating the odds?—In 2016, Las Vegas bookmakers heavily had Donald Trump losing to Hillary Clinton. In 2020, in February, bookmakers favored Trump for re-election until COVID-19 began hitting home. In September, Trump was either favored or tied.¹⁷ By November, Biden initially was favored, but by much closer odds than Hillary Clinton. If the pattern had held, Trump should have won.

On Election Night, the odds flipped as big states like Florida and Ohio went early for Trump, and battleground states like Pennsylvania and Michigan seemed headed there as well. Trump was favored by as much as 8-1 at one point.¹⁸ That’s when Fox News inexplicably and prematurely announced Arizona for Biden. “At that moment, Trump’s odds crashed almost instantly from 8 to 1, back down to 2 to 1,” wrote Wayne Allyn Root, a commentator and sports gambling expert, who added, “Wisconsin, Michigan, and Pennsylvania all mysteriously quit counting around midnight.”¹⁹

“These states supposedly stopped counting, yet their totals flipped overnight.

“I actually took screen shots before I went to bed,” Root wrote. “Trump was winning Michigan by over 300,000 votes when they

stopped counting. He was up in Wisconsin by over 100,000. In Pennsylvania, he was up almost 700,000 votes. But in the wee hours of the morning I took a new screenshot. Suddenly Biden was up by 9,000 in Wisconsin and 30,000 in Michigan. How'd that happen? I thought they stopped counting?"

Minority voters—In 2020, Trump doubled his share of the black vote, garnering 12 percent, the highest any Republican had totaled since Richard Nixon in 1960. Trump also got 38 percent of the Hispanic vote, 10 points higher than his 28 percent in 2016. Yet Biden somehow outperformed Barack Obama among minority voters and by 12 million more votes overall than Obama did in 2008.²⁰

Changing the rules—In several states, including Arizona, courts overrode established election procedures.

"The Arizona Legislature had established the deadline for registering to vote," Rep. Andy Biggs (R-Ariz.) explained in a *Washington Times* opinion piece.²¹ "The federal courts upheld the October 5, 2020, deadline as being constitutional, yet allowed approximately 40,000 people to register to vote after the deadline. Regardless of how these individuals registered or voted, their votes were illegal.

"Further, I was given hundreds of affidavits by researchers who found many bad addresses, many voters not at the locus, and otherwise ineligible to vote. Several thousand voted, representing several thousand potential fraudulent votes. If fewer than 6,000 changed, the election would have gone the other way." Indeed, Joe Biden prevailed by only 10,457 votes out of 3.4 million cast.

Many more anomalies and questions remain, including the enthusiasm gap. Trump's rallies were, as he would say, "Huge!" He also seemed to have a clear advantage in merchandise sales, yard signs, and even car and boat parades.

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“Although it is statistically possible that Biden won,” Basham wrote, “clearly it is statistically implausible that he actually did.”²²

One more thing that was a game-changer. More than 50 national security experts, plus Big Tech and news media, lied to American voters just before the election, falsely saying that the Hunter Biden laptop brimming with details about Hunter’s sordid lifestyle and Biden family corruption in Ukraine, China and Russia was merely “Russian disinformation.”

CHAPTER 2

The Double Hoax

The Trump-Russia collusion hoax, also known as Operation Crossfire Hurricane, was an illegal FBI, Democratic National Committee, and media effort to prevent Donald Trump's 2016 election and then cripple his presidency afterward.

What we know now, from the investigation by special prosecutor John Durham, is that the FBI was corrupted by partisan Obama and Clinton staff, including heads of national security agencies, and weaponized against political enemies—Donald Trump and his supporters.

The hoax was actually two-fold:

1. Democrats planted a lie in the media that Trump had conspired with a Russian bank, Alpha.
2. Democrats leaked to the media a fake intelligence file, the Steele Dossier, named after a British ex-spy who compiled it with aid from Russian disinformation experts. The file was full of sordid, false sexual allegations against Trump.

In both cases, the major media, most notably the *New York Times* and *Washington Post*, swallowed the lies hook, line, and sinker, and kept repeating them ad nauseum even after it became obvious that these were falsehoods from the start. The only thing that mattered was to destroy Trump, as many liberal media openly urged.²³

The double hoax began in the wake of the government's failure to prosecute Democrat Secretary of State and presidential candidate

Hillary Clinton in 2016 for crimes related to her in-home computer server. She had conducted official government business, including classified information, on the unsecured server, a violation of national security.

When it came to light, she destroyed as many as 33,000 emails. Cell phones were smashed. However, the Obama Justice Department declined to prosecute her based on then-FBI Director James Comey's remarks at a press conference. Comey laid out the criminal case but told Justice Department prosecutors not to do anything. So, they didn't.

Four weeks later, and two days after opening an inquiry into crimes Trump never committed, two FBI investigators, who happened to be lovers, exchanged these messages concerning Trump:

Lisa Page—*He's not ever going to become president, right? Right?!*

Peter Strzok—*No. No, he's not. We'll stop it.*²⁴

They almost did. But their fake Russian collusion scandal, which the media magnified for three years, still bedeviled the Trump presidency, leading to the first of two impeachments and the Robert Mueller investigation that dragged on for nearly two years (674 days)²⁵ and gave Democrats an edge in the 2018 congressional election.

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Although the Mueller Report was critical of Trump, it found no actionable wrongdoing. The flood of fake, media-amplified scandal also paved the way for the Biden team to steal the 2020 election. For their part in the hoax, the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* both won Pulitzer Prizes.

Ever so slowly, the truth is still getting out. In May 2022, the Durham investigation revealed that Hillary Clinton herself had approved the sabotage operation against Trump, using lawyers from Perkins Coie, the firm that represented her personally and the Democratic National Committee.

The *Washington Post* buried this bombshell deep in an article deep inside the paper.

Marc Elias, the firm's pitbull, was one of the hoax strategists. Elias is famous for successfully attacking election integrity laws (such as voter ID) all over the nation and imposing redistricting favorable to Democrats.

On April 1, 2016, Hillary Clinton hired the research firm Fusion GPS via the Clinton presidential campaign and Democratic National Committee. Perkins Coie paid Fusion GPS a total of \$1,024,408 for the fabricated Steele dossier. The file was leaked to "mainstream" journalists as an authentic KGB document and used by the Obama Department of Justice (DOJ) to secure Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) warrants against domestic opponents, including Trump aide Carter Page.²⁶

In a powerful editorial entitled "Hillary Clinton Did It," the *Wall Street Journal* summarized the scandal:

The Russia-Trump collusion narrative of 2016 and beyond was a dirty trick for the ages, and now we know it came from the top—candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton. That was the testimony Friday by 2016 Clinton campaign manager Robby Mook in federal court, and while this news is hardly a surprise, it's still bracing to find her fingerprints on the political weapon.

Mr. Mook testified as a witness in special counsel John Durham's trial of Michael Sussmann, the lawyer accused of lying to the FBI. In September 2016, Mr. Sussmann took claims of a secret Trump connection to Russia's Alfa Bank to the FBI and said he wasn't acting on behalf of any client.²⁷

The claims about a Trump-Alfa Bank connection were entirely

false, and Sussmann was caught red-handed lying to the FBI about his Clinton connection. But he got off.

Despite unequivocal evidence of his crime, a District of Columbia jury rejected conviction, declaring him not guilty.²⁸ It didn't hurt that at least three jurors were Clinton donors, one donated to far-Left Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) and a fourth had a daughter who was on a sports team with Sussmann's child.²⁹ The judge, an Obama appointee, had no problem seating these jurors.

As if that weren't enough to question the jury's impartiality, the forewoman afterward said, "I don't think it should have been prosecuted. There are bigger things that affect the nation than a possible lie to the FBI."³⁰ Excuse me? The jury's job is to determine guilt or innocence, not rule on the legitimacy of the grand jury's decision to indict.

A similar charge of lying to the FBI, manufactured against Trump national security advisor Michael Flynn, destroyed his career and he was forced to resign. After the Justice Department later dropped all charges, President Trump issued Flynn a pardon for an earlier guilty plea that Flynn later regretted.

There are many more shocking details, including outright lies spread by Obama's National Security Director James Clapper and CIA Director John Brennan.

Finally, given that the District of Columbia voted 92 percent for Biden over Trump in 2020, it's a good bet that every single juror in the Sussmann case was a Democrat.³¹

There are many more shocking details, including outright lies spread by Obama's National Security Director James Clapper and CIA Director John Brennan. FBI Director James Comey, for instance, conducted a supposedly confidential conversation with President Trump, and then leaked it to the

New York Times. If that isn't treason, it is at least extreme disloyalty.

Apart from one lower-level aide, no one as of June 2022 has faced

any punishment for what is arguably the worst political scandal in American history—and at the highest levels. What did President Obama know about all this?

Here's the *Wall Street Journal's* summary:

The Russia-Trump narrative that Mrs. Clinton sanctioned did enormous harm to the country. It disgraced the FBI, humiliated the press, and sent the country on a three-year investigation to nowhere. Vladimir Putin never came close to doing as much disinformation damage.³²

CHAPTER 3

Time Bomb

On February 4, 2021, *Time* magazine unwittingly made the case for the theory that the Deep State had conspired to take down President Trump.³³

The magazine apparently intended to boast that this cabal had saved America from an authoritarian future under Mr. Trump. Accordingly, they justified all sorts of underhanded tactics that proved to be extremely effective.

The writer, Molly Ball, laid it out this way:

... [P]articipants want the secret history of the 2020 election told, even though it sounds like a paranoid fever dream—a well-funded cabal of powerful people, ranging across industries and ideologies, working together behind the scenes to influence perceptions, change rules and laws, steer media coverage and control the flow of information. They were not rigging the election; they were fortifying it.

No, in fact, they were rigging it. Saying they weren't does not make it so. Here's how they did, according to Ball:

Their work touched every aspect of the election. They got states to change voting systems and laws and helped secure hundreds of millions in public and private funding. They fended off voter-suppression lawsuits, recruited armies of poll workers and got

millions of people to vote by mail for the first time. They successfully pressured social media companies to take a harder line against disinformation and used data-driven strategies to fight viral smears. They executed national public-awareness campaigns that helped Americans understand how the vote count would unfold over days or weeks, preventing Trump's conspiracy theories and false claims of victory from getting more traction. After Election Day, they monitored every pressure point to ensure that Trump could not overturn the result. . . .

Protecting the election would require an effort of unprecedented scale. As 2020 progressed, it stretched to Congress, Silicon Valley and the nation's statehouses. It drew energy from the summer's racial-justice protests, many of whose leaders were a key part of the liberal alliance. And eventually it reached across the aisle, into the world of Trump-skeptical Republicans appalled by his attacks on democracy.³⁴

Money—lots of it—fed this effort. Much of it was justified by citing the COVID-19 pandemic. And, thanks to the pandemic, nearly half of all voters cast ballots by mail, with only a quarter voting early in person and only a quarter voting in person on Election Day.³⁵ Given that more Republicans than Democrats typically show up at the polls on Election Day, this gave Democrats a huge edge.

“Led by the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, more than 150 organizations signed a letter to every member of Congress seeking \$2 billion in election funding. . . . the CARES Act, passed later that month, contained \$400 million in grants to state election administrators. . . . It wasn't going to be enough.”³⁶

So, money poured in from private foundations, corporations and some very wealthy individuals. (See Chapter 5, “‘Zuck Bucks’ and the

Left's Money Machine".)

The organized Left also figured out ways to censor conservative commentary and to boost liberal views on social media. Labeling anything that countered their narratives as "misinformation" or "disinformation," they enlisted Big Tech companies as a Big Brother-type Ministry of Truth.

Laura Quinn, who co-founded the powerful Democrat voter database Catalist, figured out how to make this happen, Ball wrote.

The playbook, Quinn concluded, was "to pressure platforms to enforce their rules, both by removing content or accounts that spread disinformation and by more aggressively policing it in the first place."

Thus, postings on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and other sites that were deemed conservative were either removed outright, pushed down in search engines (shadow-banned), or tagged with a skeptical note to undercut credibility. At the same time, Google skewed the world of online information by upgrading Democrat-friendly postings and downgrading conservative content.

Meanwhile, leftist groups promised to riot if Trump was re-elected.

"More than 150 liberal groups, from the Women's March to the Sierra Club to Color of Change, from Democrats.com to the Democratic Socialists of America, joined the 'Protect the Results' coalition," Ball wrote. "The group's now defunct website had a map listing 400 planned postelection demonstrations, to be activated via text message as soon as November 4. To stop the coup they feared, the Left was ready to flood the streets."

After Biden's victory was announced a few days after the election, workers began removing barriers and boards erected across storefronts in major cities.

Because, as Ball concluded, "Democracy won in the end. The will

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of the people prevailed.”

No, only the will of a vast, anti-Trump collaboration and vote fraud machine.

CHAPTER 4

The “Mules” Have It

In May 2022, filmmaker Dinesh D’Souza and True the Vote founder Catherine Engelbrecht presented what many insist does not exist: Hard evidence that significant vote fraud occurred in 2020, perhaps enough to change the result of the presidential election.

His feature-length documentary, *2000 Mules*,³⁷ is named after the term used to describe illegal vote traffickers who are paid to literally stuff ballots into drop boxes.

The film is based on an investigation by the Texas-based voter integrity group, True the Vote, which used a unique tool to uncover hundreds of instances of what they contend is illegal voting in the key battleground states where President Trump was leading strongly on Election Night only to see Joe Biden ahead in the morning.

TV networks reported during the wee hours that counting had mysteriously stopped in these states, which included Georgia, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Arizona, and Michigan. However, there is good reason to believe that in some of them, the counting continued, but without bipartisan scrutiny.

True the Vote’s investigators examined literally ten trillion cell phone pings in the five states that indicated the movement of people between unmonitored ballot boxes where mail-in ballots could be inserted.

Purchased from cell phone providers, the information was analyzed using computer models that yielded unique “signatures” for cell phone users. Armed with this data, the investigators, led by cyber sleuth Greg Phillips, were able to track thousands of “mules” and their whereabouts several weeks before Election Day and through

January 5, a U.S. Senate runoff election in Georgia. They found that hundreds of thousands of mail-in ballots were “dropped” in states during early voting, in addition to the ones dropped in the wee hours of Election Night.

A Perfect Recipe

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of absentee, no-excuse-needed ballots. It was a perfect recipe for massive vote fraud. The evidence displayed in *2000 Mules* indicates that this is exactly what happened in the key states that swung the election. The True the Vote team says they believe it occurred in many other states, too, but that they concentrated on the swing states given their definitive importance to the outcome.

“The COVID-19 pandemic created an opportunity to do fraud on a scale not imagined before,” Mr. D’Souza told *The Epoch Times*. “The avalanche of absentee ballots sent out and the drop boxes presented much greater opportunity.”

In 2005, the bipartisan Commission on Federal Election Reform,³⁸ known as the Carter-Baker Commission, made 87 recommendations.³⁹ The panel was chaired by former Democratic President Jimmy Carter and Republican former Secretary of State James Baker, who served in the George H.W. Bush administration.

The commission was created in response to the 36-day legal battle after the 2000 election, when George W. Bush finally prevailed by winning Florida’s electoral votes by a mere 537-vote margin over Democrat Al Gore.

Two major conclusions stand out in the report: Requiring voter ID is essential to election integrity, and mail-in balloting must be

limited and closely supervised because of its particular vulnerability to fraud: No one’s watching.

In a sense, both recommendations were ignored in 2020, as states, citing the COVID-19 pandemic, sent out millions of unrequested ballots based on registration lists only. Counting was done amid some changing signature requirements and an absence of voter IDs apart from those required at actual polling places.

“Localities were pressured by the nonprofits to have things like drop boxes as a condition for receiving millions of dollars in grant funding,” Mr. D’Souza said. “Through the movie *2000 Mules*, we are taking on the ultimate taboo in American politics today—saying the 2020 election was stolen by systematic, organized fraud committed by the Democrats and the Left.”

D’Souza and Engelbrecht know a thing or two about taking on the powers that be. He was the target of a politically inspired liberal prosecutor who arrested him for not reporting a relatively modest donation to a friend’s political campaign. This came after D’Souza had released his revealing *2016: Obama’s America* film and enraged Democrats.

Engelbrecht, who founded True the Vote⁴⁰ in 2009 as an offshoot of the King Street Patriots tea party group in Houston, was personally harassed by the Internal Revenue Service. A business that she and her husband owned was also subjected to IRS scrutiny plus inquiries from OSHA and several other federal agencies run by Obama appointees. She told her story to a congressional committee, and if you’re not angered by this thuggish treatment of an American citizen merely for her viewpoints, you’re not paying attention to what’s happening in America when leftists take power.

In addition to the geotracking enabled by the cell phone pings, the *2000 Mules* investigators also accessed millions of hours from video surveillance cameras that show hundreds of “mules” caught in the act stuffing ballots.

When you combine the ping data and video footage, it leaves the

distinct impression that massive vote fraud took place that may well have changed the outcome of the election, delivered the most radical administration in U.S. history, and left millions wondering if we can ever again have fair and free elections. We can, but it will take a lot of work and forced accountability.

The Sound of Silence and Potshots

Surely something as groundbreaking as *2000 Mules* would be of maximum interest to the media, wouldn't it, given the controversies surrounding the election to this day?

No, it isn't. The "legacy" media dismissed it immediately, either ignoring it or "fact-checking" it, poking holes and pompously declaring that the film had no merit whatever.

The *Washington Post* called the voluminous evidence invalid because the film used visual graphics that did not precisely match up with some drop box locations.⁴¹ They also took issue with the fact that the pings were 100 feet or closer to drop boxes. Thus, the *Post* surmised, they could have been coincidental, and had nothing to do with the drop boxes. Given how the mules visited multiple locations near the drop boxes at odd hours, could it all have been coincidental, or even much of it?

Factcheck.org, a division of the liberal Annenberg Policy Center, pitched in on the media dumping of the movie with an article on June 10, 2022, titled, "Evidence Gaps in '2000 Mules.'"⁴²

The writer, Robert Farley, quotes Cooper Quinton, a high-tech expert at the Electronic Frontier Foundation, who said that cell phone pings are only accurate up to 40 feet of a location and that the visits could be coincidental. Mr. Farley also wrote that the film includes no footage of a single mule visiting multiple drop boxes and that many visits could have been coincidental.

D'Souza said the team does have such footage but that it was too grainy to include. He countered the charge that it could all be coincidental:

“Quite frankly, if you’re within 30 feet of 10 or more drop boxes, obviously, you are going to those drop boxes to do what?” he asked in a podcast. “Well, there’s only one thing you can do. These drop boxes have one purpose, and that is to put in mail-in ballots. They’re ballot drop boxes. So, the only reason to go to them is to dump ballots.”⁴³

Farley also says that Georgia election investigators checked out three of the on-camera ballot droppers, found no wrongdoing (they were delivering family ballots), and said there was not enough hard evidence to launch an investigation. To D’Souza’s supporters, this might seem like finding a diseased stump or two and declaring an entire forest useless.

Since the film debuted, D’Souza and Engelbrecht have made numerous appearances defending the film. In early June 2022, they gave a two-hour testimony before an Arizona legislative joint committee.⁴⁴

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Even some conservative media declined to give the film any coverage. Like the hundreds of affidavits and other evidence of fraud presented by President Trump’s lawyers that courts dismissed without review, the findings may be so disturbing that the film is being consciously suppressed.

Some Disturbing Stats

What, for instance, do you do with evidence that no less than 242 “mules” made an average of 24 visits to Georgia drop boxes in between visits to Democrat-linked nonprofit organizations in a 24-hour period? One Atlanta “mule” allegedly hit 28 drop boxes and five organizations in one day.

In Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 100 “mules” made up to 28 unique visits to drop boxes. In Michigan, some 500 “mules” darted about, stuffing ballots into drop boxes in heavily Democrat areas. Some went individually to as many as 100 drop boxes, according to the film. It

strains credulity to contend that maybe they were just delivering ballots filled out by their aging parents.

In Philadelphia, some 1,100 “mules” visited an average of 50 drop boxes each. Some were recorded going back and forth between the city and a bridge to New Jersey.

“You don’t need a lot of fraud” to change an election, Engelbrecht says in the film as she and the research team view footage of mules stuffing the boxes.

After all, Joe Biden won Pennsylvania by only 80,555 votes out of nearly 7 million cast.⁴⁵ Pennsylvania’s “mules” averaged 50 drop box visits. If they stuffed only five ballots each time, it adds up to 275,000 votes, which, taken away, would score a comfortable win for Mr. Trump.

Michigan’s 500 “mules” could account for 125,000 votes. Because that doesn’t add up to Joe Biden’s final margin of 154,188, the researchers conservatively conclude that Mr. Trump couldn’t overturn the result based solely on the “mules” data.

Using the same math with the results from the ping geotracking, the researchers conclude that Mr. Trump actually carried Georgia, Arizona, and Pennsylvania . . .

Likewise, in Wisconsin, the 100 “mules” averaging 28 drop box visits multiplied by five ballots each adds up to 14,800, or 6,000 votes short of the number needed to flip the state to Mr. Trump.

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CHAPTER 5

“Zuck Bucks” and the Left’s Money Machine

If any one person could be said to have done the most to ensure that Joe Biden would win the 2020 election it wasn’t Mr. Biden, who hid in his house for much of the campaign. It sure wasn’t Kamala Harris, who, if anything, was a drag on the ticket.

It was Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg, now CEO of Meta.

He and his wife Priscilla Chan poured more than \$400 million into the election, much of it going to heavily Democratic districts in key states. Some of the funds went to Democratic activists who actually took over government election offices.

Should this be illegal? You bet.

The whole thing was done under cover of the COVID-19 pandemic, the same excuse used to justify millions of mailed ballots and hundreds of unmanned ballot drop boxes.

The whole scheme has been exposed in a documentary by Citizens United entitled, *Rigged: The Zuckerberg Funded Plot to Defeat Donald Trump* (2022).

Interviewing public officials and election experts, the producers uncovered ample evidence that “Zuck Bucks” made the difference in the key battleground states that decided the election. The money clearly affected the outcomes in Arizona, Georgia, and Wisconsin, where Biden’s victories were achieved with a total difference of only 42,918 votes.

Biden’s margin of victory was only 10,457 in Arizona, 11,778 in Georgia, and 20,682 in Wisconsin. Meanwhile, Democrats ran up

the popular vote total using Zuck Bucks in heavily “blue” states like California and New Jersey.

Here’s how it worked:

“Mark Zuckerberg and his wife spent \$400 million in what amounted to a gigantic Democratic voter turnout effort,” Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX) said. “To put that in perspective, \$400 million is the most money any individual has ever spent to win a presidential campaign in the history of our country.” He added that, “This was the greatest billionaire assault on election integrity we’ve ever seen.”⁴⁶

For more perspective, consider that the Democratic National Committee only spent \$461 million for the entire two-year 2020 election cycle.

Zuckerberg was already funding northern California’s Silicon Valley Community Foundation, which funds many bona fide charities but also is a “pass through for leftwing billionaires.”⁴⁷

For example, according to Influence Watch, some of the grants in 2019 from the foundation went to these leftwing organizations:

- Texas Organizing Project (\$3 million)
- Clinton Foundation (\$1.1 million)
- Barack Obama Foundation (\$5.3 million)
- Southern Poverty Law Center (\$1.3 million)
- Forward Justice (\$2 million)
- Vera Institute of Justice (\$2.7 million)
- Human Rights Watch (\$2.7 million)
- ACLU Foundation (\$4.3 million)⁴⁸

But that was chump change. The Chan-Zuckerberg Initiative gave the Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL) nearly a third of a

billion dollars—\$328,176,850. Another left-wing group, The Center for Election Innovation and Research, got \$69,500,000.⁴⁹

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The CTCL staff is and was loaded with Democrat activists, including staff from the Obama Foundation and Donny Bridges from the New Organizing Institute, which the *Washington Post* described as “the Democrat party’s Hogwarts for digital wizardry.”⁵⁰

According to its federal 990 tax filing: “During fiscal year 2021, the Center received two substantial grants for the safe administration of public elections during the COVID-19 pandemic and to provide general support.”

The idea was to ensure social distancing and provide masks and other personal protective equipment (PPE). But only a tiny amount of the money went to that. The rest went to ensure a Biden victory.

In Georgia, for instance, “the three counties that received the most Zuck Buck funding spent only 1.3 percent of that funding on personal protective equipment,” wrote Mollie Hemingway in her book, *Rigged*. “The rest was spent on salaries, laptops, vehicle rentals, attorneys’ fees for public records requests, mail-in balloting, and other measures that allowed elections offices to hire activists to work the election.”⁵¹

Meanwhile, Trump-voting counties received an average of \$1.91 per registered voter, while Biden-voting counties received, on average, \$7.13 per voter.⁵²

In the 2021 U.S. Senate Georgia runoff election, in which Dem-

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ocrats flipped two seats, giving them control of the chamber, at least \$14.5 million more in “Zuck Bucks” flowed to the state, with more than 60 percent going to Fulton and DeKalb counties.⁵³

“They used COVID as the disguise, right?” said Jeff Landry, Louisiana’s attorney general. “They came in with all the good intentions. . . . Hey, we’re going to make it more secure, we’re gonna make it more safe, we want to make sure that people feel comfortable coming to the polls. But that’s not what they ended up doing.”⁵⁴ Even left-leaning National Public Radio reported that very little money went to “health” considerations.⁵⁵

Instead, it was all about Democrat get-out-the-vote operations. One of their most important tactics was to pressure election officials to use unmanned ballot drop boxes, which Sen. Cruz calls, “a rampant invitation to fraud.”

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In Wisconsin, “they targeted the five most populous Democrat cities,” allocating \$8.8 million to the mayor’s offices of Racine, Madison, Milwaukee, Kenosha, and Green Bay, said former Wisconsin Supreme Court Judge Michael Gableman, who was appointed by the legislature as a special counsel to probe possible 2020 election fraud.⁵⁶

In November 2021, Gableman issued a preliminary report sharply criticizing the Wisconsin Election Commission for what he found to be lax safeguards for absentee balloting in 2020, and possible abuse of seniors in nursing homes by election activists.⁵⁷

The CTCL attached strings to the money in Democratic areas, one of which was facilitating massive mail-in balloting operations. They even offered personnel to work in offices and “cure ballots.”

As for the alleged COVID-19 excuse for all the spending, “There was no medical staff on CTCL staff,” said Wisconsin Rep. Janet Brandtjen.⁵⁸

Michael Spitzer-Rubenstein, from Brooklyn, New York, a field organizer for Obama for America and the National Vote at Home Institute, was a key player in Wisconsin. “He became the de facto conduit between all the Zuckerberg money and seeing to the enforcement of obligations in the Zuckerberg contract,” Gableman said.⁵⁹

On October 7, 2020, Spitzer-Rubenstein sent the Green Bay election office an email asking: “Can we help with curing absentee ballots that are missing a signature or witness signature/address?”

“On Election Day, he had a tag saying he worked for the city of Green Bay,” Brandtjen said. “He never did. Here’s a guy from New York in the counting room, with five out of the six keys to the facility . . . [with] access to the machinery and the ballots on the day before the election.”⁶⁰ The contract with CTCL actually specified that election workers could not open doors until he got there.⁶¹

Nationwide Meddling

“There were roughly 2,500 grants awarded by CTCL across the country totaling some \$330 million,” said Citizens United’s David Bossie. “Defenders of Zuckerberg say more grants went to Trump’s jurisdictions. But don’t let them fool you. Just follow the money. Large grants of \$400,000 or more totaled \$272 million. And 92 percent of these funds flowed to jurisdictions carried by Joe Biden.”⁶²

CTCL money flowed mainly to Democrat areas. “In funded parts, Democrats far outpaced Republicans. It’s an enormous difference,” said Scott Walter, president of Capital Research Center.⁶³

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Zuckerberg sunk \$5.1 million into Arizona to win it for Biden, according to Cleta Mitchell, senior legal fellow at the Conservative Partnership Institute/Election Integrity Network.⁶⁴

In April 2021, the Arizona legislature made it illegal for any election official to accept outside money.

Four counties—Apache, Coconino, Maricopa, and Pima—had gotten in 2020 a combined total of nearly \$4 million, or 76 percent of the CTCL grant money. Biden grew the Democrat total by 700,000 votes in those counties over what Hillary Clinton got in 2016, an astonishing increase.

Georgia was also targeted.

Rep. Claudia Tenney (R-NY), who assisted the overall investigation, said, “\$45 million was spent in Georgia alone. And we showed that that actually moved the needle anywhere from two to three percent, and that would have made the difference in Georgia in the outcome.”⁶⁵

Part of the problem in Georgia was a consent decree signed by Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger and failed Democrat gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams after the 2018 election. Among other things, it weakened matching signature requirements for mail-in ballots. Abrams still claims she lost to Brian Kemp in 2018 only because of “voter suppression,” despite a record minority turnout.

Once again, the Zuckerberg funding/outcome pattern held. In Democrat areas where the Georgia funds went, Biden got 25 times the percentage over the statewide total, according to Scott Walter.⁶⁶

As for Pennsylvania, which bent many election rules before, during, and after Election Day, Sen. Cruz said: “Here’s what we know. \$22.7 million went to Pennsylvania. Grants to 24 counties. Funding to 11 of the 14 counties that Biden won in 2020. . . . Eight of the 10 went for Biden. So, massive investments in counties, 80 percent of which are Biden counties.”⁶⁷

In Michigan, nine of the 10 biggest CTCL grant recipients went for Biden, as did eight of 10 of the largest grants in Virginia. More than \$2 million went to the Northern Virginia Democratic strongholds

of Fairfax County (\$1,243,241), Prince William (\$631,431), Loudoun (\$355,760), and Alexandria (\$201,650).

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“It’s a very strange combination,” said former Virginia Attorney General and former Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security Ken Cuccinelli. “It isn’t until you drill down on the Zuckerberg spending, that you can understand how the Republicans can perform well in most of the country but have literally targeted spikes of voter turnout in densely packed Democratic areas.”⁶⁸

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Democrats also drove up the vote in California, New Jersey, and other Democratic strongholds, Cuccinelli said, so that Biden could boast of a big popular vote and tamp down objections to the odd patterns in the battleground states.

“In my mind, they were clearly rigging the election,” said Newt Gingrich, former Speaker of the House. “I’m not convinced that the election was stolen on Election Day. I think the bigger story was that across the whole country for months, there was an effort to rig the election to make it virtually impossible for Trump to win.”⁶⁹

Former President Trump appears in the film several times. He concluded with this:

“I was told that if I get one more vote than 63 million, I can’t be beaten,” he told Bossie. “I got 75 million votes. I got the most votes ever gotten by far, like by millions, by a sitting president. And we lost. The economy was going good, there was no inflation, I mean record low prices. Gasoline was \$1.87 when I left.”

Next time you take out a loan just to fill up your tank or buy groceries, you might want to thank Mark Zuckerberg.

One bright note: By June 2022, 10 states had passed laws against private funding of election administration. In another five states, Democrat governors vetoed the legislation.

The Left's Money Machine

For years, the media have been warning America about the influence of the National Rifle Association, the Koch Brothers, and other people and organizations that help fund the conservative side of American politics.

What they rarely discuss is the gargantuan leftwing funding machine, which has the luxury of avoiding the public spotlight.

As the *Wall Street Journal's* Kimberley Strassel notes, the Left's money bin is far larger than anything on the right. And this does not count the billions in government grants doled out by "progressive" bureaucrats to groups that promote leftwing agendas.

"It may surprise many Americans—those who read daily stories about conservative 'influence'—that the likes of the NRA, Judicial Watch, and the National Organization for Marriage barely rank by comparison to the assets and revenue of Planned Parenthood, the American Civil Liberties Union, or the Nature Conservancy," she writes.⁷⁰

"These aren't only big political players; they're the biggest political players. In 2018 the nonprofit watchdog Capital Research Center analyzed grants handed out in the 2014 election year by six big foundations on the Right (including the Bradley and Charles Koch foundations) versus six on the Left (including the Open Society and Tides foundations).⁷¹

"Liberal public-policy charities . . . bagged \$7.4 billion of this foundation money in 2014. For conservative charities, the figure was a mere \$2.2 billion. That \$7.4 billion also dwarfed total 2013-14 campaign receipts to federal, state, and local campaigns (\$4.1 billion) and spending that cycle by independent groups (\$830 million)."⁷²

Unbeknownst to most football fans, even the National Football

League Players Association (NFLPA) has been funding leftwing groups.

The NFLPA donated \$5,000 in 2015 to the Center for Community Change Action, “a group active in the anti-Trump resistance and bankrolled by a host of liberal foundations, including top Democratic donor George Soros’s Foundation for Open Society,” according to *The Washington Times*.⁷³

The NFLPA “contributed in 2013 and 2015 to Working America, the AFL-CIO’s community affiliate, which Open Secrets said spent \$1 million in 2016 to defeat Trump.”⁷⁴ Working America also mobilized unsuccessfully to oppose President Trump’s historic tax-cut legislation, calling it the “Trump tax scam.”⁷⁵

The Soros Empire

The most influential person fueling the political Left is easily George Soros, the 92-year-old Hungarian-born, New York-based hedge fund entrepreneur. Mr. Soros once made an estimated \$1 billion in one day by single-handedly devaluing the British pound in September 1992.⁷⁶ He has been giving away millions every year to virtually every leftist group of any size or influence, from the ACLU to Planned Parenthood.

In January 2022, Soros pledged \$125 million to a Super PAC run by his son Alexander Soros to support leftist candidates in the November election.⁷⁷ His Democracy PAC, which has served as Soros’ campaign-spending vehicle since 2019, gave more than \$80 million to Democratic groups and candidates during the 2020 election cycle.⁷⁸

One frequent Soros money recipient, the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), has wrongfully accused several mainstream Christian organizations, including D. James Kennedy Ministries,

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of being “hate groups.” For more about the SPLC’s extreme, anti-Christian agenda, see DJKM’s Special Report, “The Southern Poverty Law Center Exposed” (2017).

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The Open Society Foundation, Mr. Soros’ main conduit, has awarded more than 50,000 grants worth \$18.1 billion in 120 countries.⁸⁰

Mr. Soros, who is now said to be worth \$7 billion,⁸¹ began moving much of his fortune of \$24.6 billion over to the Open Society Foundation beginning in 2017. He has donated more than \$30 billion over the years to various causes.⁸² These include LGBTQ groups, the legalization of recreational drugs like marijuana, promoting mass migration, abortion, and attacking conservatives and religious liberty. He has even helped finance the BDS movement, which seeks the “Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions” of Israel and Israeli-linked businesses.⁸³

According to *Open Borders, Inc: Who’s Funding America’s Destruction*, a book by conservative commentator Michelle Malkin, Mr. Soros has given many millions to groups that support illegal and legal mass migration into the United States.⁸⁴

For example, the Open Society Foundation donated more than \$3 million between 2016 and 2017 to the far-left, open-borders-backing Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law.⁸⁵

Fueling “Progressive” Politics

According to campaign reports filed with the FEC, Mr. Soros made 49 contributions nationally in political races from February 2017 into March 2018, totaling \$4,587,000.⁸⁶ Virtually all the candidates he has funded over the years are Democrats.

He has been especially active in funding district attorney races and secretary of state races. He sent \$1 million of the Super PAC money in January 2022 to a campaign fund for Democrats running for secretary of state.⁸⁷

Why is he doing this? Secretaries of state actually run their state election apparatus. And district attorneys have enormous power over prosecutions of any kind in their jurisdictions, from election laws to immigration enforcement to criminal statutes. More than \$1 million in Soros money went to a group successfully backing a Democrat in the Bexar County, Texas, (San Antonio) district attorney’s race in 2018.⁸⁸

Working alongside radical groups like Black Lives Matter, Soros spent more than \$2.7 million alone in California in 2018, and “is the most visible part of the national movement to sway county prosecutor races,” according to the *Los Angeles Times*.⁸⁹

Meanwhile, the media complain continuously about “fatcat” Republicans influencing the vote.

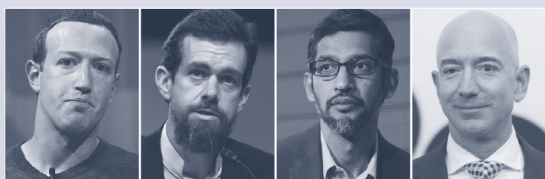
High-Tech Election Heist

Although President Trump garnered 74 million votes, or 11 million more votes than he got in 2016—a presidential re-election record—the final count left Joe Biden with an eye-popping 81 million.

Not bad for a man who campaigned mainly from his basement and attracted few people when his staff did let him out for a rare rally.

By contrast, the excitement level at Trump rallies was palpable, with thousands waiting hours just to get near them.

There were many factors at work in the Democratic victory in 2020, but one of them did not involve election fraud such as illegally changing laws and how ballots were counted, or such practices as ballot trafficking. It



Google



was the weaponization of the world's most popular online search engine—Google.

So, the question is, could notoriously leftwing Silicon Valley, home to Google, Facebook, Twitter, and other online behemoths, have stolen the 2020 election for Democrats? Quite easily.

That's what a Harvard-trained research scientist told the U.S. Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution a year before the election.⁹⁰

Dr. Robert Epstein, who said he was a “strong public supporter of Hillary Clinton,” testified on June 16, 2019, that manipulation by Google's biased search engines may have given 2.6 million additional votes to Hillary Clinton in 2016.⁹¹

Further, he said that Google, Facebook, and other tech giants could go

beyond that, shifting as many as 15 million votes in 2020.

The Google manipulation was done by elevating certain search results and lessening the visibility of others. Dr. Epstein, who is Senior Research Psychologist at the American Institute for Behavioral Research and Technology, calls this the Search Engine Manipulation Effect (SEME).

“SEME is one of the most powerful forms of influence ever discovered in the behavioral sciences, and it is especially dangerous because it is invisible to people—‘subliminal,’ in effect,” he testified. “It leaves people thinking they have made up their own minds, which is very much an illusion.”

On Election Day in 2018, “the ‘Go Vote’ reminder Google displayed on its home page gave one political party between 800,000 and 4.6 million more votes than it gave the other party. . . . In other words, Google’s ‘Go Vote’ prompt was not a public service; it was a vote manipulation.”⁹²

Dr. Epstein recommends breaking up Google and other Big Tech companies: “The solution to The Google Problem is to declare Google’s massive search index—the database the company uses to generate search results—to be a public commons, accessible by all, just as a 1956 consent decree forced AT&T to share all its patents. There is precedent in both law and in Google’s own business practices to justify taking this step.”⁹³

Hostile outlets can also “demonetize” websites, preventing them from advertising, and effectively bankrupting them.

Sometimes, tech giants like Twitter and Facebook just unplug people they don’t like. That includes President Trump, whose accounts were disabled as he continued to insist the election was marred by fraud.

In June 2022, Twitter suspended the account of Canadian author and psychologist Jordan Peterson over this tweet about actress Ellen Page’s “transition” to transmale: “Remember when pride was a sin? And Ellen Page just had her breasts removed by a criminal physician.”⁹⁴ Twitter called it “hate.”

In April 2018, Bishop E.W. Jackson, Sr., who ran for Virginia Lt. Governor in 2013 on the Republican ticket, was told his Twitter account was suspended until and unless he took down an offending tweet (which he still has refused to do).

Mr. Jackson had responded to a tweet by British reality TV star Andy West. Following the terrorist Easter Sunday bombings of three churches and hotels in Sri Lanka that killed 321 people and injured 500, Mr. West had tweeted:

“There is no excuse for terror attacks against innocent people but as

a journalist I saw Western Christian missionaries unscrupulously [sic] converting Buddhist orphans for food and shelter after the Asian tsunami. Don't send your prayers," he wrote.⁹⁵

Here's the response to West that got Bishop Jackson banned:

Muslims are the ones who try to terrorize and intimidate people into conversions or kill them for converting from Islam. To compare Muslims murdering Christians to Christians doing missionary work is anti-Christian bigotry.⁹⁶

Illinois Family Institute social critic Laurie Higgins has found herself more than once in "Facebook Jail," as have Americans for Truth President Peter LaBarbera, Mission America's Linda Harvey, and Houston Baptist University Professor Robert Gagnon, an expert on Biblical sexual morality.



Dennis Prager is a widely read columnist and orthodox Jew who posts informative videos under his PragerU imprimatur. YouTube, a Google subsidiary, has "restricted" more than 100 videos—more than 10 percent of PragerU's library. None is inappropriate, profane, or obscene.⁹⁷

"Big Tech—first and foremost Google, which accounts for 90 percent of all search inquiries worldwide—has become almost like a god to billions of people," wrote David Kupelian, editor of *Whistleblower* magazine and a best-selling author, in 2019.⁹⁸ "But that god is attempting to reshape errant and wayward humanity in its image. Its most urgent task right now? Defeat Trump in the 2020 election.

"Big Tech is still kicking itself for having failed in 2016. It doesn't intend to make the same mistake again."⁹⁹

Apparently, it didn't. ■

CHAPTER 6

Replacing the U.S. Electorate

Stung by the presidential election outcome in 2016, the Left mobilized an all-out effort to oust President Trump and to make sure that no conservative or Republican ever again can occupy the White House.

Their plan is not complicated: Flood America's southern border with millions of illegal aliens, hook them on government aid, and eventually turn them into voters. It can't be more obvious anymore.

Since Joe Biden was sworn in as president in January 2021, and abandoned border enforcement, more than two million immigrants have been added to the U.S. population, the vast majority of them here illegally.¹⁰⁰

"Agents from Brownsville, Texas, to San Diego apprehended 232,628 illegal border crossers in May (2022), the highest monthly total in at least 23 years," according to the Border Patrol, cited in *The Epoch Times*.¹⁰¹

"Another 34,547 individuals—also known as 'gotaways'—were detected illegally entering the United States, but weren't apprehended as they headed into the interior. It's impossible to estimate how many illegal aliens entered and weren't detected."¹⁰²

Some 79 illegal immigrants died or were found dead at the border just in May,¹⁰³ a tragic outcome of an open border that the media ignore.

"On average the foreign-born population has grown by 132,000 a month since President Biden took office, compared to 59,000 per month in Obama's first term, 76,000 per month in Obama's second term, and 42,000 per month under Trump before Covid-19 hit,"¹⁰⁴

according to the Center for Immigration Studies.

This should be a major story, and yet only a few outlets, such as Fox News, have given it any coverage. Tucker Carlson, whose show has been the top-rated cable news program, has showcased experts talking about “The Great Replacement Theory,” as described above.

The media regularly accuse him of being a racist and nativist. They have turned virtually any concern over illegal immigration into an emblem of “white supremacy.” The tragic mass supermarket shooting by a self-avowed white supremacist on May 16, 2022, in Buffalo, New York, that left 10 black people dead gave them a priceless drum to beat.

Here’s how the *Deseret News* summarized it:

Days before accused Buffalo shooter Payton Gendron reportedly posted a diatribe that referenced the “great replacement theory,” an Associated Press-NORC poll suggested that a third of Americans agree with the theory’s premise: that Black and brown immigrants are being brought into America to replace white voters and change the country’s political landscape. That thinking is especially prevalent among conspiracy-minded Republicans, the poll found.¹⁰⁵

There are undoubtedly racists out there who buy into this paradigm, which originated in France, where massive immigration from North Africa has radically changed many urban areas.

But most Republicans worry that the current American electorate—white, black, Hispanic, Asian, Native American, naturalized citizens, etc.—is being compromised by a tide of illegal immigrants fostered by a Democrat Party intent on creating a dependent class that votes for politicians who promise them more aid.

A Conservative Revolution Brewing in Texas

In the heavily Hispanic Rio Grande Valley of Texas, voters are gravitating toward Republicans who oppose illegal immigration. Are they all racists?

In June 2021, a Republican, Javier Villalobos, beat a Democrat to flip the mayor's office in the heavily Hispanic city of McAllen, in Hidalgo County, Texas,¹⁰⁶ where President Trump won by 17 points in 2020.

On June 13, 2022, Mexican-born Republican Mayra Flores flipped a Democrat U.S. congressional seat in a special election. Her district is 85 percent Hispanic. Her husband is a Border Patrol agent. She is a professed Christian, pro-life, pro-Second Amendment, and pro-law enforcement, stressing border security and legal immigration.¹⁰⁷

Here's how pro-family advocate and former Reagan aide Gary Bauer summarized it:

One MSNBC analyst described what is happening in south Texas as a “political earthquake” and a “five alarm fire for Democrats.” He warned that these heavily Hispanic counties “will be voting like West Virginia.”

Now why would that be? Is it because of their deep commitment to lower marginal tax rates? Well, that's not a bad thing, but that's not it. . . . It's the set of issues that virtually every Republican consultant tells conservative candidates to downplay or avoid—the sanctity of life, unapologetic patriotism, America First, border security. It's fighting the Left's insanity on cultural and values issues.¹⁰⁸

As for the Buffalo shooter, conservative pundit Ben Shapiro wrote, “He did not mention Fox News; he did not mention any mainstream conservative, instead stating, ‘conservatism is corporatism in disguise,

I want no part of it.’

“None of this mattered to the leftwing press, which immediately determined that the entire conservative movement was somehow guilty for the mass shooting,” Shapiro wrote. “The *New York Times* headlined, ‘Republicans Play on Fears of “Great Replacement” in Bid for Base Voters.’ The *Washington Post* accused Rep. Elise Stefanik, R-N.Y., of ‘echo[ing] racist theory allegedly espoused by Buffalo

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Meanwhile, Democrats are using federal courts stacked with Clinton-, Obama-, and Biden-appointed judges to strike down any attempts to secure the border. Such judges have ruled against election integrity laws like voter ID or even a commonsense question about U.S. citizenship in the 2020 national census. This ensured that communities swelled with illegals will be granted more congressional districts and more federal funds.

Buying Votes with Bribery While Misleading the Public

To up the ante, the progressive Left has floated the idea of free, unlimited health care for everyone, including illegal aliens. On June 27, 2020, during the Democratic debate, all the candidates raised their hands to support this insane, budget-busting proposal that was heard loud and clear south of the border.

Having created the crisis by opposing all efforts to address it, far-Left Democrats like Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (NY) made trips to the border for photo ops. She concocted a false story about immigrants being made to drink water out of toilets. Along with Rep. Rashida Tlaib (D-MI), she lamented the poor conditions caused by the crush of humanity and blamed the Trump Administration for creating “concentration camps.”¹¹⁰

This is like taking a sledgehammer to a store window and then blaming the storekeeper for people getting cut while ransacking the place. The media are cooperating fully by constantly running stories featuring “undocumented immigrants” in ways that make any attempt to secure the border look hateful and racist.

At one point, virtually all major media ran a heartbreaking photo of a father and daughter who had drowned in June 2019 trying to cross the Rio Grande. They have fixated on false narratives, such as the accusation in September 2021 that mounted Border Patrol officers were using whips on migrants.¹¹¹ Before learning the facts, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas¹¹² and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi¹¹³ condemned the agents. It turned out that the “whips” were just the horsemen’s reins.

Missing from this selective coverage of human tragedy? Answering the question: Who, exactly, is luring these poor people into harm’s way?

Fueling the exodus from Central America is the Left’s promise of many giveaways at taxpayer expense, such as free medical care, paid-off student loans, free housing, food stamps, free college tuition, and free childcare. In fact, progressives have even floated the idea of a guaranteed annual income, whether people work or not.

To appeal to black voters, some Democrats have embraced taxpayer-funded reparations for slavery, an impossibly complex undertaking that would further drive a race-based wedge and cause bitterness on all sides. It’s part of the Left’s strategy of dividing America into warring identity groups.

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It is an ongoing national security crisis for which any reasonable solutions have been crushed by the courts or by House Democrats.

America's future may well become what has already happened in California, which has an estimated 3.1 million illegal aliens,¹¹⁴ plus nearly another 1.2 million more U.S.-born children of illegals, called "anchor babies."¹¹⁵

A once-competitive state has become a one-party monopoly, cemented by automatic voter registration, ballot harvesting, same-day registration and other "reforms" that make it more difficult to ferret out vote fraud.

Removing All Barriers

At the national level, former Democratic presidential candidate Robert Francis "Beto" O'Rourke advocated that all border barriers be torn down and compared President Trump to the Nazis. He and fellow presidential contender Julian Castro supported Nike's withdrawal of a patriotic shoe with Betsy Ross's 13-star American flag on it, calling the flag "hurtful." That flag, by the way, was hanging prominently at Barack Obama's second inauguration.

Mr. Castro, perhaps trying to outdo Mr. O'Rourke, called for decriminalizing illegal entry into the United States. Democrats also support "sanctuary cities" where officials refuse to cooperate with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). This free pass has allowed thousands of criminal illegal aliens, including MS13 gang members, to go free and commit more crimes.

As they flood key states with illegals, the Left is also trying to eliminate the Electoral College via the Popular Vote Interstate Compact. If they succeed, they can stuff ballot boxes in Democratic strongholds like New York, California, and Chicago, and not worry about the rest of the country.

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USA's convention embraced Democratic positions. A pre-convention article on the CPUSA website called on "party members to place the struggle for racial, gender, and sexual orientation equality at the forefront of their work." The Revolutionary Communist Party openly endorsed Joe Biden.

The communists' ultimate goal has not changed: Overthrow our self-governing republic and replace it with an atheistic Marxist regime by any means necessary—including mass illegal immigration, along with sexual anarchy.

The Democrats have moved so far left you have to wonder whether they've abandoned the effort to persuade "everyday" Americans to join them and are counting on something else to ensure victory in 2022 and 2024.

That "something else" could well be massive vote fraud. Again.

CHAPTER 7

Hackers in the Machines?

“Baseless.” “Fringe.” “Wild-eyed conspiracy freak.” These are just some of the milder epithets thrown at anyone questioning the accuracy of voting machines in the 2020 election.

Yet, well before November 2020, computer security experts were warning that electronic voting machines could be hacked and votes changed or deleted.

The topic was high priority for Democrats after Donald Trump beat Hillary Clinton in 2016. Back then, the media drumbeat was that Russians could be hacking into American election equipment, and even may have done so to defeat Hillary.

No proof was offered of election fraud in the 2016 election, but the focus on machines revealed vulnerabilities that suddenly seemed irrelevant in 2020, and interesting only to “conspiracy theorists.”

Evidence abounds that some voting machines have been hacked in past elections. For example, Ernest and Cynthia Zirkle were running for the town board in Fairton, New Jersey, in 2011. In their precinct, they were outvoted 33 to zero, even though both had voted for themselves. Plus, they knew more than 30 people who had voted for them. After a challenge, the totals from the voting machine were reversed.¹¹⁶

Mesa County

In May 2021, Dominion Voting Systems informed officials in Mesa County, Colorado, that they were doing a “Trusted Build” of their voting machines. This meant not just updating software but wiping out all the data. Election clerk Tina Peters took the precaution

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of doing a forensic image (unalterable copy) of the data, which went back to the 2016 election. She did so because federal law requires keeping election data for at least 22 months, and Colorado law requires retention for 25 months.

The data revealed a duplicate analytic set of results inserted into the system from early voting in 2020 up to October 21, affecting 20,346 ballots, a quarter of the total Mesa County vote. It is still not clear whether the apparent “hack” of the data affected the final outcome of the election, but it did reveal serious security issues with voting machines.

An 88-page analysis of the Mesa data by highly credentialed computer experts Jeffrey O’Connell and Walter Daugherty concluded:

“The findings provide evidence of unauthorized and illegal manipulation of tabulated vote data during the 2020 General Election and 2021 Grand Junction Municipal Election. Because of this evidence, which led to the vote totals for those elections being impossible to verify, the results and integrity of Mesa County’s 2020 General Election and the 2021 Grand Junction Municipal Election are in question.”¹¹⁷

An Eye-Opening Admission in Oregon

In early spring 2022, Tim Sippel, with the voting integrity activist group Clean Voter Rolls, obtained a voter database from Washington County, Oregon.

In March, Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum sued Sippel to prevent any dissemination of the database, contending it would somehow compromise future election security in 15 Oregon counties.

However, she also dropped a bombshell in her motion: “Even when systems are not directly connected to networks, they are vulnerable to attack through physical or wireless access.”¹¹⁸

That contradicts what we have been repeatedly told, which is that voting machines are not electronically accessible from the outside. “Wireless access” usually means using the internet.

Oregon Secretary of State Shemia Fagan got a restraining order against Sippel to forbid him from sharing the data. A trial was slated for June 22, 2022, but was postponed.

Computer Scientists on the Ease of Hacking

In 2017, the U.S. Senate Intelligence Committee was told that voting machines were quite hackable, whether online or not.

“I know voting machines are vulnerable because my colleagues and I have hacked them, repeatedly,” J. Alex Halderman, Professor of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Michigan testified.¹¹⁹ “We’ve created a text that can spread from machine to machine like a computer virus and silently change election outcomes, and in every single case we have found ways for attackers to sabotage machines and steal votes.”

There are 52 different voting machine models, he told committee members, with two styles (scan a piece of paper that is fed into a machine or have voters interact with a touchscreen).

“In every single case where a U.S. voting machine has been analyzed by competent security researchers, they have found vulnerabilities that would let someone inject malicious software and change election data,” Halderman later told a cyber security conference. “Every single case.”

He recommended using paper ballots, audits, and replacing obsolete equipment. “Paper provides a resilient physical record of the vote that simply can’t be compromised by a cyber-attack.”¹²⁰

Indeed, Kamala Harris tweeted in 2018: “It may be surprising, but paper ballots need to be embraced in the 2018 elections. It’s one

of the safest, smartest systems, because Russia cannot hack a piece of paper like they can a computer.”¹²¹

“No Machine Is Immune”

In February 2021, computer analyst Cory Doctorow, with the Electronic Frontier Foundation, wrote an opinion piece for the *Washington Post*. He trashed the Trump legal team’s allegations of widespread fraud committed on Dominion machines as “falsehoods” and “unfounded conspiracy theories.” But he also warned that “most” voting machines are “terrible technology.”¹²²

The system still needs an overhaul, he contends. “One hurdle to reform is that the industry is dominated by three players—Election Systems & Software, which supplies half of the nation’s machines; Dominion Voting (30 percent); and, Hart InterCivic (15 percent),” he wrote.

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“If we’re going to automate any part of the process, then it should be counting the slips, the experts say,” Doctorow added. “Then, if there’s any doubt about the machines, we can

conduct a recount by hand.”

He went on: “The definitive research on electronic voting system incompetence is the annual report from the ‘Voting Village’ at DefCon, the gigantic Las Vegas hackers’ convention. The Village’s organizers acquire voting machines on the secondary market, then invite conference attendees to probe them for weaknesses and summarize their findings in the report.

“The conference didn’t happen in 2020, so the most recent report dates from 2019. But looking at machines from the big three

manufacturers, the hackers found—according to *Wired* magazine—‘poor physical security protections that could allow undetected tampering, easily guessable hardcoded system credentials, [and] potential for operating system manipulations,’ among other issues. The hackers have been pointing out many of these problems for years.”¹²⁴

In June 2022, the U.S. Government’s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency released a security advisory on one type of Dominion machine, warning that it has “vulnerabilities” that should be “mitigated as soon as possible.”¹²⁵

The Value—Or Not—of Recounting Machine Totals

In Arizona, officials authorized a recount in 2020 because Biden won by only about 11,000 votes. The most populous county, Maricopa, had a hand recount that confirmed the total by within 200 votes, which did not change the outcome. But such recounts are not always dependable.

“The fact that the hand recount in Maricopa County matched the machine recount simply means that the computer scanners used to scan and tabulate paper ballots were working properly,” write election experts Hans von Spakovsky and John Fund.¹²⁶ “A recount simply recounts the ballots that were cast—a recount does not investigate, examine, or review the legitimacy of those ballots.

“A recount does not verify or check whether ballots were cast by registered voters who are actually deceased; who do not actually live where they claim to live; who cast multiple votes because they are registered more than once; or, who are not entitled to vote even though they are registered because they are not U.S. citizens or are felons who have not yet had their right to vote restored.”¹²⁷

In August 2021, MyPillow founder Mike Lindell convened a Cyber Security Forum in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to give computer analysts a chance to examine evidence of possible tampering with voting machines. The Mesa data stood out.

Inflating the Rolls, Cleaning Up Afterward

Physicist and mathematician Douglas G. Frank, Ph.D., uses U.S. Census data to show unusually high registration numbers across the country's 3,142 counties.¹²⁸ He presents evidence that indicate voter rolls were inflated with “phantom voters” using an algorithm just before recent elections, including 2020, but then “deflated” right afterward to “clean up the evidence.”¹²⁹

Recounting ballots can't undo vote fraud, he testified before the Wisconsin legislature in December 2021. In a private meeting with House Speaker Robin J. Vos, who insisted that votes had been recounted without evidence of fraud, Dr. Frank offered this analogy: “It doesn't matter how many times you count the bills in the cash register; it's how many of them are counterfeit.”¹³⁰

Though Dr. Frank and others found many serious irregularities and opportunities for fraudsters, they did not, in the media's opinion, produce the “smoking gun” of absolute proof that the election was stolen via manipulated voting machines. So, the media dismissed it all and portrayed Lindell as a conspiracy purveyor. Dominion sued Lindell, claiming defamation, triggering a countersuit by Lindell.

In response, several major chain stores removed MyPillow products, proving once again, that free speech is not free. But Lindell raised enough doubt to spur many people to ask, at the least, for a closer look and possible overhaul of America's electronic voting systems.

Conclusion

The old saying goes that “where there is smoke, there is fire.” Unfortunately, the media and the ruling elites don't even want Americans to see any of the smoke that is building in volume.

CHAPTER 8

Ballot Harvesting: “Call it Ballot Trafficking”

In January 2020, Democrat election attorney Marc Elias complained about an “epidemic of uncounted ballots.”¹³¹ His solution, as he explained in an April 2020 article in *The Atlantic*,¹³² was to dramatically reduce election integrity safeguards, especially for absentee ballots. Under cover of the COVID-19 pandemic, this is exactly what occurred all over the country.

Elias prescribed four major changes to increase voting by mail:

1. Postage must be free or prepaid by the government.
2. Ballots postmarked on or before Election Day must count.
3. Signature-matching laws need to be reformed to protect voters.
4. Community organizations must be permitted to help collect and deliver voted, sealed ballots.¹³³

Calling this “safeguarding vote by mail,” he argued that minorities are disadvantaged if they have to put a stamp on an envelope or don’t have people collecting and delivering votes for them. He also has argued that requiring voter photo IDs is racist.

Elias also noted that signature matching posed an unnecessary hurdle, and that “requiring voters to have mail ballots received by Election Day, rather than simply post-marked by Election Day, has a

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disproportionate impact on minority voters.”

Accordingly, many of these suggestions were carried out as millions of unrequested ballots were mailed and basic procedures jettisoned.

In 2020, some 31 states adopted universal mail-in balloting, joining five that already had widespread or universal mail-in balloting—Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Oregon, and Washington State.¹³⁴

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What’s the Harm?

Ballot harvesting violates the principle of confidentiality. When voters go into a booth, no one knows how they vote. But when ballot harvesters collect ballots, they can pressure voters into voting the way they want; they can dispose of ballots they suspect are for the opposition candidate; they can easily produce ballots for people if they know they have died, moved away, or are on vacation, and they can skip houses or workplaces that are not in line with their candidates. Ballot harvesting is a cheaters’ paradise.

Hans von Spakovsky, one of the nation’s top election experts, strongly suggests that election integrity advocates refrain from using the benign term “ballot harvesting” and instead, “call it ballot trafficking.”¹³⁶ It really is all about paying people to collect ballots, which is illegal in all states.

Areas like the Rio Grande Valley in south Texas are rife with “politiqueros,” who go door to door and offer to fill out mailed ballots and deliver them or steal them out of mailboxes. Several have been prosecuted in recent years.

American voters have long assumed that their votes were confi-

dential, accurately counted, and that elections were fair. No longer. The mess that was the 2020 election has shattered that confidence.

The Australian ballot—voting in secrecy on uniformly printed ballots—was adopted by Victoria and South Australia in 1854. Great Britain followed in 1872, and the United States adopted it after the 1884 presidential election.¹³⁷

The reform was considered the best way to protect the integrity of the vote. Any other method could expose voters to pressure, bribery, or ridicule. Over the past few years, Democrats have worked hard to relax election integrity and expand mail-in balloting.

When COVID-19 broke out in early 2020, “Democrats immediately recognized that it would give them a once-in-a-generation opportunity to radically alter America’s voting laws and procedures to benefit their party,” Molly Hemingway wrote.¹³⁸

“There were more than five hundred election law cases and appeals by the year’s close.”¹³⁹

Marc Elias was behind many of these successful efforts to change election laws. In Georgia, for instance, he forced the GOP establishment to enter into a “consent decree” that allowed “curing” or correcting ballots by election officials if the ballots were not properly signed. In this way, signature matching, one of the most important safeguards for absentee ballots, was weakened.

In 2016, the absentee ballot rejection rate in Georgia was 6.4 percent. In 2020, however, it had plunged to 0.4 percent.¹⁴⁰ This indicated to some observers that fraud had been made far easier.

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But fraud is difficult to prove, does not yield significant penalties, and yields few convictions, so prosecutors tend to avoid such cases.

Absentee Voting and U.S. Citizenship

As we've seen, the easiest way to commit vote fraud is through absentee, or mail-in, voting.

In the wake of a 1997 scandal in which more than 5,000 fraudulent ballots were cast in a Miami mayoral election, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement called absentee ballots “the ‘tool of choice’ for those who are engaging in election fraud.”

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Absentee balloting is not wrong in and of itself; all states have some form of absentee or mail-in voting so that people who are out of town or are unable to get to the polls are not left out. Absentee voters normally include military and overseas citizens, voters with disabilities, and students who reside in a different state.

Absentee or mail-in ballots are sent to these military and overseas voters 45 days prior to federal elections. However, absentee or mail-in voting is often limited by states to a number of valid excuses based on age, absentee status, or an inability to vote on Election Day. Or at least it was before the COVID-19 pandemic, which busted open the practice and killed off many safeguards.

Some states have had a greater number of reasons and valid excuses to vote absentee ballots by mail. Imagine trying to get to the polls during a blizzard in Alaska.

A number of states have no-excuse absentee or mail voting. Finally, a number of states have implemented an entire method of mail-in balloting that includes return of ballots to secure boxes or by postal mail. Oregon instituted an all-mail-in balloting system in 1998 and other states like Washington and Colorado have instituted similar all-mail ballot methods of voting.

Mail-in and absentee balloting leaves the electoral system vulnerable in several ways:

“Election Day” has become “Election Month,” which has increased

the overall costs of election administration. County election offices, which must process a large number of mailed ballots, can experience significant delays in releasing official election results. A month or more of voting dramatically increases the overall costs to political campaigns for poll watching and get-out-the-vote efforts prior to Election Day.

Mail-in ballots are not cast in a secure polling place where precinct poll workers can confirm addresses and verify identification. A great deal of voter fraud and abuse of absentee and mail-in ballots has been documented across the country.

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The Heritage Foundation, a conservative Washington think tank, has an ongoing database of more than 1,300 proven cases of vote fraud, many of which involve absentee or mail-in ballots. The list is nowhere near exhaustive, and is “simply a sampling that demonstrates the many different ways in which fraud is committed,” the site says.¹⁴¹

For example:

In 2017, Toni Lee Newbill pleaded guilty to voting twice in Colorado using her deceased father’s name. She did so once in the 2013 general election and in the 2016 Republican primary. Ms. Newbill was sentenced to 18 months of unsupervised probation and 30 hours of community service, and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine and additional court fees.

Another form of fraud can occur during collections of ballot petitions. For example:

In 2014, Maria C. Del Toro received \$1,900 to collect signatures for a recall election effort against Salinas City, California, Elementary School District Trustee Janet Barnes. The recall failed, but during a random audit, officials found significant discrepancies in signatures submitted by Ms. Del Toro. She confessed to forging the signatures and pleaded guilty. She was sentenced to 40 days in jail, three years’

probation, and had to repay the \$1,900.

Citizenship Verification

The 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution stipulates that the right to vote in federal elections for the Senate, House of Representatives, and presidency is limited to U.S. citizens.

Most state constitutions explicitly authorize only resident citizens to vote in state and local elections.

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The current honor system on the part of registrants under the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 includes a provision that created a federal voter registration form that requires applicants under penalty of perjury to check a “yes” or “no” box as to whether they are U.S. citizens. However, the federal form does not require any proof of citizenship, and its use has been shown to be ineffective in deterring non-citizens from registering to vote.

In 2019, the Trump Administration announced renewal of the citizenship question for the 2020 Census. But it was struck down by a federal judge, whose ruling was upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The citizenship question was used consistently in the census from 1820 to 1950, when the Census Bureau began sending out a short form and long form. The Obama administration removed the citizenship question from the census in 2010, transferring it to a new Census Bureau analysis called the American Community Survey.

“[The American Community Survey] doesn’t go out every 10 years. It goes out every year,” Heritage’s Hans von Spakovsky said. “It’s very long. It has a lot of questions on it. It goes out to 1-in-36 households. It has a citizenship question on it. The citizenship question is currently being sent out in a Census Bureau survey. The only thing the Trump administration said was, ‘We’re going to take that citizenship question that is on that current survey sent out by the Census Bureau, and we’re going to move it back to the regular census form.’ And yet that’s portrayed as some sort of nefarious, unprecedented action by the administration.”¹⁴²

This issue has been hotly contested in the courts with advocates for this common-sense safeguard against voter registration fraud up against left-wing groups such as Common Cause, Project Vote, the League of Women Voters, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

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How did this happen?

Weeks after Election Day, November 6, 2018, Republicans watched double-digit leads in many key California House races flip the other way as thousands of “harvested” ballots were submitted. Some races were not finalized until a month later.

In 2016, the Democrat-dominated California legislature enacted the California Voters Choice Act,¹⁴³ a “ballot-harvesting” law. The state had previously allowed only relatives or people living in the same household to submit mail ballots for another voter.

“The new law allowed anyone, even a paid political campaign worker, to collect and return ballots—‘harvesting’ them, in political slang,” according to the *San Francisco Chronicle*.¹⁴⁴

The law allows ballots to be collected and counted for 30 days following an election. Democrats credited this, along with changing demographics, with their flipping all Republican House seats to Democrats in Orange County—a longtime conservative bastion. The impact went far beyond Southern California; it helped the Democrats win back control of the U.S. House of Representatives and make Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) Speaker of the House.

“With rare exceptions in California, the votes counted on election night favor Republicans and the ballots counted later, many of them provisional, skew Democratic,” the *Los Angeles Times* explained nine days after the November 2018 election.¹⁴⁵

“In Orange County, an estimated 250,000 harvested ballots were reportedly dropped off on Election Day alone. County Republican Chairman Fred Whitaker claimed the 2016 law ‘directly caused the switch from being ahead on election night to losing two weeks later,’” the *Federalist* reported in an article, “How Ballot-Harvesting Became the New Way to Steal an Election.”¹⁴⁶

As late as November 9, Korean-born Republican congressional candidate Young Kim was ahead of Democrat Gil Cisneros by three points.¹⁴⁷ But she lost when more collected ballots were counted.

It’s happening in other states as well.

“The practice is so common, harvesters even have their own region-specific names. In Florida, they’re known as ‘boleteros.’ In Texas, they’re called ‘politiqueras.’”¹⁴⁸

Ballot harvesting can sometimes victimize Democrats as well as Republicans. In Missouri, Democrat Bruce Franks, Jr. was well ahead of incumbent Democratic state Rep. Penny Hubbard on primary Election Day in 2016, taking 53 percent of the vote. But absentee ballots rolled in for Ms. Hubbard, giving her a 90-vote win. Mr. Franks challenged the integrity of the ballots, and a special election was held six weeks later. The voters apparently sided with him; he garnered 76 percent of the vote to Hubbard’s 24 percent, winning by more than 1,500 votes.¹⁴⁹

In North Carolina, a slim Republican congressional victory in November 2018 was canceled amid allegations of absentee ballot tampering by GOP activists. Mark Harris outpolled Dan McCready by 905 votes, with a Libertarian candidate skimming off 5,130, but the election was set aside.¹⁵⁰

Fast forward to a special election on September 10, 2019. Dan Bishop, who replaced Mr. Harris, beat Mr. McCready by about 4,000 votes, quadrupling Mr. Harris’ margin.¹⁵¹ Not bad for someone who entered the race only months before. President Trump and Vice President Pence had both campaigned for Mr. Bishop on the day before the election.¹⁵²

One more thing. Newly elected Congressman Bishop had sponsored the state’s so-called “bathroom bill” that required people to use restrooms based on their biological sex. Liberals led boycotts by the National Basketball Association and the NCAA, and got a policy reversal, but Mr. Bishop’s family values did not appear to hurt him in the election.¹⁵³

What Is to Be Done?

The most obvious reform would be to overturn current laws allowing ballot harvesting, and return to a system in which relatives or someone in the same household would be the only ones who could deliver someone else’s ballot.

It would also help to tighten voter ID requirements for obtaining a ballot or a form to apply for a mail-in ballot.

Finally, penalties for ballot trafficking should be increased to the point where the consequences of illegal activity outweigh the benefits.

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Et Tu, Courts?

Exploiting the COVID-19 pandemic, Democrats worked hard to loosen election laws and sculpt them to their advantage. They filed more than 500 election law cases and appeals prior to the 2020 election, according to Mollie Hemingway.¹⁵⁴

After the election, armed with hundreds of affidavits from election workers and poll watchers that alleged vote fraud, the Trump legal team challenged election results in many states, but were turned away on procedural grounds. So, while the media claim that all evidence of vote fraud has been debunked in the courts (some of it was), that is misleading. Some courts never even reviewed the evidence.

In December 2020, Texas and 17 other states, plus 126 House Republicans, filed a lawsuit at the U.S. Supreme Court challenging election results in four swing states—Georgia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin. The plaintiffs alleged that these states broke trust with other states by allowing widespread mail-in balloting without election integrity



safeguards in place.

“The four states exploited the COVID-19 pandemic to justify ignoring federal and state election laws and unlawfully enacting last-minute changes, thus skewing the results of the 2020 General Election,” Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton said in a release. “The battleground states flooded their people with unlawful ballot applications and ballots while ignoring statutory requirements as to how they were received, evaluated, and counted.”¹⁵⁵

The Court, however, with Samuel Alito and Clarence Thomas dissenting, declined to hear the case, ruling that Texas lacked standing.¹⁵⁶ Later, in April 2021, the Court rejected hearing a challenge to a Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruling allowing late ballots to be counted three days after the election. Plaintiffs said the state Constitution stipulates that only the legislature may change election procedures.¹⁵⁷

In June 2022, the Texas Republican Party adopted a platform that included a plank saying, “We reject the certified results of the 2020 Presidential election, and we hold that acting President Joseph Robinette Biden, Jr., was not legitimately elected by the people of the United States.”¹⁵⁸

There is hope on the horizon. The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear in its 2022-23 session a North Carolina case, *Moore v. Harper*, which deals with North Carolina’s congressional map.

The state Republican Party argues that state courts have improperly struck down the legislature’s redistricting proposal, violating the constitutional Independent State Legislature Doctrine. That stems from Article I, Section 4, which empowers states to determine the “Times, Places, and Manner” of congressional elections, subject to Congress’s authority to “make or alter” state regulations.

Given that election rules in 2020 were changed in many states by courts and election officials instead of by state legislatures, this could become an important safeguard.

It could be a game changer in North Carolina and also in battleground states like Michigan before the 2024 presidential election. ■

CHAPTER 9

Keeping Voter Rolls Clean

There is no way to stop vote fraud if voter registration rolls are not accurate. In May 2022, North Carolina election officials removed more than 430,000 ineligible names from its voter rolls.¹⁵⁹

They did so only after the conservative group Judicial Watch filed suit in April 2022, alleging that the state was in violation of the National Voter Registration Act, which requires states to maintain clean and accurate voter rolls.

Judicial Watch began looking into North Carolina's rolls after the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) released data in 2019 showing that registration in the Tarheel State was at or above 100 percent, a near impossibility and a clear indication of sloppy maintenance.

However, as in many other jurisdictions, it took legal action to pry open the records and force officials to act.

The North Carolina case is merely the tip of the iceberg.

In August 2019, a Public Interest Legal Foundation (PILF) study found that 244 counties across 29 states and the District of Columbia had more registered voters than live adults in those jurisdictions.¹⁶⁰

“In addition to the 244 counties exceeding 100% voter registration, another 279 counties across 31 states exhibit implausibly high registration rates of 95 to 99 percent,” the PILF report said.¹⁶¹

In California, which has no voter ID and lax election security, hundreds of thousands of ineligible people were found on the voter rolls. California is America's most populous state, with almost 40 million residents. Los Angeles County alone has more than 10 million residents, which is greater than the populations of 41 of the 50 states.

Thanks to a court settlement in January 2019, as many as 1.5 million inactive registered names on the rolls in Los Angeles County alone were contacted for potential removal.

Still, in 2020, the state mailed out more than 21 million ballots.¹⁶² The sole criterion? The names on the list of registered voters, many of whom undoubtedly had moved, died, or voted in some other fashion. It's a perfect recipe for vote fraud.

The California suit was brought by Judicial Watch on behalf of several clients, including the Election Integrity Project California (EIPCa).¹⁶³ The whole process was expected to take up to eight years.¹⁶⁴

A National Problem

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That's something to keep in mind when reviewing the 2020 election, in which tens of millions of ballots were mailed to entire state registration lists. In previous years, voters had to request mail-in ballots and often provide IDs and signatures. But in 2020, such safeguards as matching signatures, IDs, or requiring voters to request a ballot were either eliminated or ignored.

At the same time, Democrats simply changed the election rules in many of the battleground states.

"Democrats took advantage of the coronavirus global pandemic to foist upon the country election rules explicitly designed to favor their party," wrote Mollie Hemingway in *Rigged*.¹⁶⁶

"In the months leading up to 2020, Democrats were able to

convince legislatures, courts, and election officials to open elections up to ballot trafficking, voting without showing identification, voting without following state laws or guidelines, and counting ballots without oversight from independent observers. Meager checks on fraud, such as signature matching, were watered down to the point of meaninglessness.”

Unmanned ballot boxes popped up by the hundreds in mostly Democratic precincts. (See Chapter 4, The ‘Mules’ Have It.)

In the Pew study, more than 1.8 million deceased individuals were listed as voters and approximately 2.75 million people were registered in more than one state. There is little reason to believe that the situation has improved measurably since then, since Democrats label any and all clean-up efforts as racist voter “suppression.”

A Pennsylvania Snapshot

How many voters do you know who are more than 100 years old? Or 115 years old? Or, how about 126 years old?

Hundreds of voters in several elections in three Pennsylvania counties were more than 100 years of age, with many over 110, according to official voter registration rolls open to the public.¹⁶⁷

It’s indicative of a much larger problem: inaccurate, sloppily maintained voter registration lists all over the country that can be exploited by vote fraudsters.

The Pennsylvania data, collected by volunteers working with the American Civil Rights Union (now the American Constitutional Rights Union), had some inexplicable surprises.

One man from Montgomery County, whose birth date was listed as August 7, 1853, allegedly voted in 2008 at age 155 and in 2012 at age 159.

In 2010, the United States Census found only 330 “super centenarians,” that is, people 110 or older, in the entire nation. However, voter

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rolls in the three combined Pennsylvania counties turned up at least 176 “super centenarians” who voted in 2012, not counting the hundreds listed with the 1/1/1800 birthdate, who could be of any age.¹⁶⁸

“America the Vulnerable”

The bipartisan Presidential Advisory Commission on Election Integrity, which President Trump appointed in 2017, was disbanded after repeated leaks and allegations of sabotage.

But it still yielded some revealing data, especially in a 36-page study, “America the Vulnerable: The Problem of Duplicate Voting.”¹⁶⁹

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Sorting data from 21 states comprising 75 million voters in 2016, the Government Accountability Institute identified 8,471 “high-confidence” duplicate voting matches. Some 200 couples voted in two different states. Initially, there were 60,000 potential duplicate matches of names and birthdates.

Scoffers might say that 8,471 is small potatoes in a nation where 160 million people voted in the November election in 2020. But it’s only one of many ways to make vote fraud easier, and lots of elections are decided by slim margins. George W. Bush won the presidency in 2000 by a 537-vote margin in Florida, where 5,825,043 votes were cast.

In the 2016 presidential election in Florida, about 2,200 duplicate voters cast a ballot—four times Mr. Bush’s margin of victory in the state in 2000.

Advent of “Motor Voter”

The very first piece of legislation that newly elected President Bill Clinton signed was the National Voter Registration Act of 1993

(NVRA), better known as “motor voter.”

It had two major parts. The first, pushed by Democrats, allowed for easy registration at various government agencies. The second part, promoted by Republicans, required states and localities to use “reasonable” methods to ensure that only qualified voters are registered. But in the past 29 years, no court has ever definitively ruled on what is “reasonable.”

The names of people who have moved away, have double entries, or are deceased are supposed to be removed. But many officials seem interested only in enforcing the “motor voter” portion of that law by which people are registered automatically when they get their driver’s licenses or encounter other government services. Anything else is “voter suppression.”

When you consider that states like California have literally millions of illegal aliens who hold state driver’s licenses, the problem is obvious.

A series of lawsuits by the American Civil Rights Union under Section 8 against counties in Mississippi and Texas led to court-settled consent decrees to clean up registration records that contain more registered voters than age-eligible resident citizens.¹⁷⁰

Showdown in South Florida

Voting integrity shouldn’t trigger a partisan brawl. Voter ID and clean voter rolls are common-sense solutions that ought to bridge the political divide. But they don’t.

I saw that for myself in 2016 when Broward County, Florida, fought an ACRU lawsuit to compel the county to clean up its rolls.

Broward, along with adjacent Palm Beach County, was the scene of infamous election irregularities like “hanging chads” that delayed certification of the winner in the 2000 presidential election.¹⁷¹

At the time of the 2014 general election, approximately 103 percent of the citizens of voting age were registered to vote and could cast a ballot in Broward County and 106 percent were registered in 2010.

That's a big red flag, but Broward County elections supervisor Brenda Snipes and her staff apparently were not concerned. In 2017, she had ordered 688 boxes of ballots to be destroyed during a lawsuit over the ballots.¹⁷² In 2018, late votes from Broward nearly gave a U.S. Senate election to Bill Nelson over eventual winner Republican Rick Scott.

The Democrats' top election lawyer, Clinton-crony Marc Elias, questioned the accuracy of voting machines and tried to overturn the state election law barring ballots that came in after the deadline.¹⁷³

Representing the ACRU as an observer, along with an ACRU attorney, I found myself one day at a mediation hearing. We sat across a table from Broward officials and lawyers from Soros-funded leftist groups such as the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Demos, and Project Vote.

They all insisted that it was "reasonable" to do minimal maintenance and ignore a toolbox of options offered by the state and federal government to keep voter rolls clean.

Incredulous, we asked why such commonsense protections should be skipped.

Simple, we were told. It's racist to ensure that dead men don't vote, and voters actually live in the county where they cast their ballots. It could suppress the minority vote, and that of the young and the aged.

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At the trial, the ACRU legal team was led by J. Christian Adams, former Department of Justice Voting Section attorney and president of the Public Interest Legal Foundation (PILF).

In his closing argument, Mr. Adams stated that Broward’s voter rolls contained:

- more than 3,000 registered voters at least 100 years old including 48 who were older than the oldest living American (who is 113 years old) and a few who topped 130 years old;
- 1,200 voters whose registrations were accepted even though they used invalid commercial addresses (such as UPS Stores) as their residences contrary to Florida law;
- 23 percent of voters who died in 2011 but were still on the rolls in May 2012.¹⁷⁵

In March 2018, U.S. District Judge Beth Bloom, an Obama appointee, ruled in favor of Broward, saying election supervisor Snipes had made “reasonable” efforts to keep voting rolls current.¹⁷⁶

The ACRU appealed to the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which upheld the lower court ruling on August 22, 2019.¹⁷⁷

Virginia’s Close Races

In November 2021, Republican businessman Glenn Youngkin stunned political pundits by winning the Virginia governor’s race in what is considered a “blue” state. His running mates, Lt. Gov candidate Winsome Sears and Attorney General candidate Jason Miyares, also won their races, giving the GOP all three top statewide offices. For the record, all three are outspoken Christians.

Even more worrisome for Democrats, who consider minorities as permanent Democratic voters, is that Mrs. Sears is black and Mr. Miyares is Hispanic. Republicans also flipped the lower House and are poised to flip the state Senate in 2023.

How did they do it? Apart from the powerful issue of liberal

school boards abusing parents and trying to cover up Critical Race Theory and sexually explicit sex education, the races hinged on whether the election would be honest and fair.

Unfortunately, a series of voting reforms passed by the new Republican House that would have made the 2022 election even more transparent, died in the Democrat-controlled Senate.

Burned in 2020, Republicans sent out numerous squads of attorneys and other observers in problem areas, and it was apparently enough oversight so that fraudsters could not overcome the GOP ticket's totals.

For the past few years, the Public Interest Legal Foundation has worked hard to expose and publicize defects in Virginia's voting rolls, which may have helped keep down the fraud. Unfortunately, a series of voting reforms passed by the new Republican House that would have made the 2022 election even more transparent, died in the Democrat-controlled Senate, which is not up for re-election until 2023.

Other Revealing Cases in the Old Dominion

If ever there were an election that proved the importance of accurate voter rolls, it was Virginia's on November 7, 2017.

With control of the General Assembly hanging in the balance, at least three Democratic candidates demanded recounts of their Republican opponents' razor-thin victory margins. One candidate led by 106 votes, another by 86, and a third by only 10.

Another five races were decided by fewer than 900 votes. The Democrats needed to flip only two more seats to take control of the lower chamber. When it came down to a single seat, the winner, a Republican, won via a coin toss, giving the GOP a two-vote majority.

In 2013, Democrat Mark Herring defeated Republican state Sen. Mark Obenshain for Virginia attorney general by only 165 votes out of more than 2.2 million votes cast.

Mr. Herring campaigned as a moderate. But instead of defending Virginia's laws, which was his job, he immediately attacked Virginia's constitutional provision defining marriage as the union of one man and one woman, which voters had overwhelmingly approved (57 percent to 42 percent) in 2006.¹⁷⁸

He also rubber-stamped the Democrats' radical agenda when they came back in power in 2019-2020. This included everything from killing the state voter ID law, passing transgender rights, and enacting a law banning "conversion therapy" for minors struggling with same-sex or transgender issues.

Meanwhile, the Democrat governor, Ralph Northam, whose medical school yearbook page featured someone in a Ku Klux Klan outfit and another in blackface, one of which was Mr. Northam (he won't say which), told a radio talk show host that he supported parents' right to kill a baby after a botched late-term abortion if the parent and doctor agree.¹⁷⁹

Yes, elections—and inaccurate voter registration rolls—have consequences.



Philadelphia: A Case Study in Vote Fraud

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was founded by the Quaker statesman and author William Penn in 1682. The City of Brotherly Love is perhaps most famous for being the site of Independence Hall, where the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were debated and ratified.

But today, this city that is most identified with America's founding is rife with voting irregularities and election corruption.

For instance, Democrat presidential candidate Barack Obama defeated Republican Mitt Romney in nearly five dozen of Philadelphia's precincts in 2012 by a vote of 19,605 to zero.

That's right. Zero.

"It's one thing for a Democratic presidential candidate to dominate a Democratic city like Philadelphia," wrote *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. "But check out this head-spinning figure: In 59 voting divisions in the city, Mitt Romney received not one vote. Zero. Zilch."¹⁸⁰

Even though these precincts are heavily Democratic, the odds are high against such a total. Errors occur all the time, and one would think that at least one person might vote for Mr. Romney, even if only by accident.

In 2020, more than 749,000 voters cast ballots out of 1.1 million

registered Philadelphia voters. The 68% turnout was the highest since 1984. Even though he received 24,000 more votes than he did in 2016 against Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump lost by a large margin to Joe Biden in the overwhelmingly Democratic city. Biden got 604,175 votes, or 81% of Philly’s presidential votes, to Trump’s 18% or 132,870 votes.¹⁸¹

Voter intimidation

On Election Day 2008, two New Black Panther Party members dressed in black battle fatigues, one carrying a nightstick, stood outside a North Philadelphia polling place, yelling at white voters.¹⁸² Fox News caught them on video doing this after black Republican poll watchers reported that the men called them “race traitors.”¹⁸³

The Justice Department brought a case against the party and the two men—King Samir Shabazz and Jerry Jackson—later narrowing its case to Shabazz, who was brandishing the nightstick. But, in 2010, the rock-solid case was dropped, prompting an outcry from Justice Department Voting Section attorneys. One of them, J. Christian Adams, resigned and later testified to the United States Civil Rights Commission about abuses in the department.



“When armed, uniformed thugs from a known hate group are patrolling a voting place and hurling racist abuse at people, that is a self-evident act of voting intimidation,” wrote Mr. Adams. “You don’t need a law degree to recognize that.”¹⁸⁴

In 2012, Fox News reported that Jerry Jackson, the New Black Panther Party member who had been charged in 2008, was back outside the same polling place—as an official poll watcher. He was wearing “the group’s trademark black beret, combat-style uniform, and heavy boots,” the *Huffington Post* reported.¹⁸⁵

Dirty Voter Rolls

Philadelphia continues to make news in the realm of questionable election integrity.

In late 2021, a City Council staffer who was working as an “election judge” was charged with several counts of vote fraud. “This election fraud scheme is said to have been carried out in both primary and general elections and involved local, state, and federal candidates,” wrote the Heritage Foundation’s Hans von Spakovsky. “No wonder Philadelphia officials were so hostile to poll watchers in last year’s [2020] election.”¹⁸⁶

Based on information a lawsuit by the American Civil Rights Union in 2016 that forced Philadelphia election officials to open their books, the Public Interest Legal Foundation (PILF) compiled a report¹⁸⁷ showing that thousands of convicted felons were (illegally) on that city’s voting rolls, and that dozens of noncitizen aliens had voted in past elections.

The PILF report, “Aliens and Felons: Thousands on the Voting Rolls in Philadelphia,” states that, “Election officials in Philadelphia take no proactive steps to prevent or remove alien registration,” and that of the thousands of ineligible felons on the rolls, “election officials do nothing about it and don’t even think it’s a problem.”¹⁸⁸ ■

CHAPTER 10

The War on Voter ID

In 2021, Major League Baseball moved its All-Star game out of Atlanta and took it to Denver. This cost Atlantans an estimated \$100 million.

The leagues did so after Democrats and the media repeatedly bashed Georgia over its newly enacted election law, which continued a photo ID requirement. MSNBC's Joy Reid said it was "the end of democracy in America."¹⁸⁹

Led by Stacey Abrams, Democrats charged that the law, which tightened some voting rules but relaxed others, was aimed at "suppressing" the minority vote. President Biden called it "Jim Crow 2.0," a reference to the racist laws targeting black Americans in Democrat-run states in the South before the Civil Rights Law was passed in 1964 and the Voting Rights Act was enacted in 1965.¹⁹⁰

Several large corporations, including Atlanta-based Coca Cola and Delta Airlines, also put pressure on the state. Ironically, Georgia's law is actually less restrictive than similar laws in Democrat-dominated states like Vermont. Also, ironically, the game was taken from a majority black city and played instead in Denver, a majority white city.

Without evidence, Abrams still claims that she lost the 2018 Georgia gubernatorial election to Republican Brian Kemp because of "voter suppression." The two are set for a re-match in 2022.

Despite the hysteria, voting in Georgia increased among minorities in 2018¹⁹¹ and in 2020.¹⁹² The May 2022 primary broke records.

"Major media outlets joined Stacey Abrams and Joe Biden in saying Georgia's Election Integrity Act was 'Jim Crow' and would

suppress voting,” Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger told Fox News. “In fact, SB 202 made common sense reforms that will help ensure confidence in Georgia’s elections. The fact that we are seeing record early voter turnout, including record minority turnout, proves that the Abrams/Biden narrative was always completely false.”¹⁹³

There were nearly 800,000 ballots cast, or three times the number in 2018 and more even than the presidential election year of 2020, Fox reported.¹⁹⁴

As of 2022, a total of 35 states have laws requesting or requiring voters to show some form of identification when voting at the polls.¹⁹⁵

Most states with strict voter identification requirements make some exceptions, according to the National Council of State Legislatures: “These exceptions may include people who:

- “Have religious objections to being photographed (Indiana, Kansas, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Wisconsin)
- “Are indigent (Indiana, Tennessee)
- “‘Have a reasonable impediment’ to getting an ID (South Carolina)
- “Do not have an ID as a result of a recent natural disaster (Texas)
- “People who are victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, and have a ‘confidential listing’ (Wisconsin)

“Additionally,” the National Council continued, “voter ID requirements generally apply to in-person voting, not to absentee ballots or mailed ballots.

“All voters, regardless of the type of verification required by the states, are subject to perjury charges if they vote under false pretenses.”

Requiring a photo ID to vote is a commonsense notion; IDs are routinely required in everyday life for cashing checks, entering federal buildings, opening accounts, buying alcohol or tobacco, or boarding an airplane.

Comparing It to Jim Crow

Voter ID laws have been under constant assault since the Obama Administration declared war on them. President Biden has led the charge since then, accusing proponents of racism.

On September 17, 2021, a judge struck down North Carolina’s voter ID law, calling it racist.¹⁹⁶ Ironically, this happened on Constitution Day.

After Gov. Kemp signed Georgia’s law in March 2021, Biden called it “un-American,” and said, “This is Jim Crow in the 21st Century. It must end.”¹⁹⁷

This runs in the face of mountains of evidence that requiring IDs is neutral on turnout or actually increases it. According to a study by the National Bureau of Economic Research, voter ID laws have no effect on reducing turnout. The researchers found that from 2008 to 2016, voter ID “laws have no negative effect on registration or turnout, overall or for any group defined by race, gender, age, or party affiliation.”¹⁹⁸

But this leaves 15 states without ID requirements, including New York, which has 12 million registered voters¹⁹⁹ and California, with more than 20 million.²⁰⁰ That makes up nearly one fifth of the nation’s 153 million registered voters.²⁰¹

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The Supreme Court has said that because voter ID is free, the inconveniences of going to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, gathering applicable documents, or posing for a photograph are not substantial burdens on most voters' right to vote. Nor do they represent a significant increase over the usual burdens of voting—registering or driving to a polling place. If people show up without an ID, they can cast a provisional ballot and bring in their ID later.

In *Crawford v. Marion County Election Board* (2008), in which the U.S. Supreme Court upheld Indiana's voter ID law, the Court noted the state's particular interest in preventing voter fraud, citing registration rolls with a large number of names of persons who were either deceased or no longer living in Indiana.

“It’s a Condescending Idea”

Artur Davis, who is black and who seconded Barack Obama's nomination for president at the 2008 Democratic National Convention, has been an outspoken supporter of voter ID.

“I never heard a single voter in my 68 percent African American district complain to me about ID being something that was onerous or burdensome or difficult,” the former Democratic congressman from Alabama told Fox News.²⁰²

“The idea that people in low-income African American communities are bothered or intimidated or burdened by attaching just a few responsibilities to their all-important core right of voting—it’s a condescending idea. It’s a patronizing idea. If the law works the same with respect to everybody, it’s free and clear of whatever history or bigotry or racial animus [exists].”²⁰³

In Rhode Island, black state Sen. Harold Metts, a Democrat, led a campaign to enact a voter ID law in 2011. He said he did it because people in his community had lost faith in the system, believing their votes were being canceled out by fraud.

“As a minority citizen and a senior citizen, I would not support anything that I thought would present obstacles or limit protections,”²⁰⁴ he said, dismissing the claim of “suppression.”

The Need

Voter fraud often goes undetected, even though hundreds of people have been convicted in recent years. That’s because penalties are low, it’s difficult to prove, and prosecutors often opt to pursue “bigger” crimes, such as theft, assault, and murder.

According to the Heritage Foundation, which maintains an ongoing list of hundreds of cases, fraudsters “can steal votes and change election outcomes in several ways,” including: voting in someone else’s name; registering in multiple locations; felon and noncitizen voting; or, paying or intimidating people to vote for certain candidates.²⁰⁵

Suing to Stop Voter ID Laws

All this has not deterred the Left from unleashing lawsuits aimed at striking down voter ID laws.

At the forefront is the Brennan Center for Justice at the New York University School of Law. It’s “heavily bankrolled by George Soros’ Open Society Institute,” according to Discoverthenetworks.org.²⁰⁶

In August 2019, ID opponents lost again when a three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reinstated North Dakota’s voter ID law.²⁰⁷

Writing for the 2-1 majority in *Brakebill v. Jaeger*, Judge Steven Colloton said the difficulty of getting an ID by the less than 0.5 percent of all eligible voters who didn’t already have one did not justify halting the law.²⁰⁸

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However, as the U.S. Supreme Court said in *Crawford v. Marion County Election Board*, which upheld Indiana's voter ID law, "flagrant examples of such fraud . . . have been documented throughout this Nation's history by respected historians and journalists . . . [that] demonstrate that not only is the risk of voter fraud real but that it could affect the outcome of a close election."²⁰⁹

More from Georgia

After Georgia's voter ID law took effect in 2007, the number of African Americans voting in the 2008 primary doubled from 2004.²¹⁰ In the 2008 general election, with Barack Obama on the ballot, Georgia had the largest overall turnout in its history, with the black share of the vote increasing from 25 percent in 2004 to 30 percent in 2008.²¹¹

In 2010, more than 50 percent of registered black voters cast ballots, a seven percent increase from 2006.

In the 2018 Georgia gubernatorial election, Republican Secretary of State Brian Kemp defeated former state House Minority Leader Stacey Abrams by 50.2 percent to 48.8 percent, with a Libertarian getting just under one percent.

Georgia voter turnout increased from 43 percent in 2014, the last governor's race year, to 57 percent in 2018.²¹²

Since then, Ms. Abrams has claimed that she was cheated, yet in an interview with MSNBC after the election, she said:

"I ran a race where we tripled Latino, Asian-Pacific Islander turnout, increased youth participation by 139%, increased black turnout by 40% . . . the highest share of white voters in a generation. . . . Winning . . . is about building the largest coalition possible."²¹³

Bipartisan Panel Backs Voter ID

Using a photo ID for voting is a central recommendation from the bipartisan Commission on Federal Election Reform, headed by former President Jimmy Carter, a Democrat, and former Secretary of State James Baker, a Republican. Here's a snippet from the commission's report from 2005:

In the old days and in small towns where everyone knows each other, voters did not need to identify themselves.

But in the United States, where 40 million people move each year, and in urban areas where some people do not even know the people living in their own apartment building let alone their precinct, some form of identification is needed.

The electoral system cannot inspire public confidence if no safeguards exist to deter or detect fraud or to confirm the identity of voters. Photo IDs currently are needed to board a plane, enter federal buildings, and cash a check. Voting is equally important.²¹⁴

Here are some time-tested steps to ensure election integrity:

- Requiring a photo ID to vote in person.
- Requiring proof of U.S. citizenship when registering to vote.
- Requiring signature verification and reliable proof of ID when voting by mail.

Does this sound like “voter suppression” to you?

CHAPTER II

Attacking the Electoral College

A republic if you can keep it.” That was Benjamin Franklin answer when asked outside the Constitutional Convention of 1787 in Philadelphia what kind of government had been created.²¹⁵ More than two centuries later, that question is now more relevant than ever.

That’s because leftists of all stripe have been united in their zeal to do away with the Electoral College ever since it sunk Hillary Clinton in 2016. Actually, some began advocating it right after the 2000 election, in which Al Gore had 500,000 more popular votes than presidential winner George W. Bush.

“Time to make Electoral College a vestige of the past,” tweeted former Attorney General Eric H. Holder. “It’s undemocratic, forces candidates to ignore majority of the voters and campaign in a small number of states.”²¹⁶

Well—no. If anything, it forces candidates to consider the whole nation, not just packed urban areas where it’s ridiculously easy to stuff ballot boxes and bid the dead to rise and vote. See any honest history of the city of Chicago.

But Hillary Clinton didn’t even need Chicago. Her total in Los Angeles County, plus the four Bay Area counties of San Francisco, Santa Clara, Alameda, and Contra Costa, gave her 3 million more votes than Donald Trump. In fact, her total in these areas was 120,000 more votes than her national winning margin of 2,868,686 votes.²¹⁷ She also carried New York state by 1,736,590 votes.²¹⁸

She received a total of 8,753,788 votes from California—nearly doubling Trump’s 4,483,810 votes.²¹⁹

“To illustrate how much California’s numbers count, if one looks just at the popular vote in the rest of nation, Trump would have won the popular vote by 1.4 million votes,” writes Jeff Carlson, a Chartered Financial Analyst. “Outside of California, Trump received 58,501,015 votes to Clinton’s 57,099,728 votes.”²²⁰

So, without the Electoral College, a Democrat would have to campaign pretty much only in California and New York. The rest of the country? Who cares?

Why an Electoral College?

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First, they distrusted direct democracy, fearing mob rule. That’s why they created a republic with shared powers between the states and national government, and within the national government via three branches—the legislature, the presidency, and the courts.

Second, the Electoral College forces politicians to make their case nationally, instead of just in a few heavily populated states.

Third, it keeps states in charge of elections as specifically outlined in the Constitution’s Article I, Section 4.

Fourth, it prevents presidents from controlling their own reelections.

Fifth, it keeps election disputes within the states where they arise.

How it Works

There are 538 electors in the Electoral College. Each state is given one elector for each member of the House of Representatives (435 in total) plus one additional elector for each of the two senators (100 in total). The District of Columbia gets three electors.

All states have a winner-take-all approach to the statewide vote, except Maine and Nebraska. Those states award two electoral votes to the state popular vote winner, and one electoral vote to the winner in each congressional district (two in Maine, three in Nebraska).²²¹

In 2016, Donald Trump won the popular vote and all five electoral votes in Nebraska. He won a single electoral vote in Maine, where Hillary Clinton won the popular vote and the other three electoral votes. (In 2020, Trump again won a single electoral vote in Maine.)

Nationally, Mr. Trump won approximately 2,600 counties to Mrs. Clinton's 500, or about 84% of the geographic United States. Mrs. Clinton, on the other hand, won 88 of the 100 largest counties (including Washington, D.C.).²²²

In 2020, Joe Biden won 509 counties, while Trump won 2,547 counties. Biden won because he took most of the larger population counties. According to the U.S. Census, more than half of all residents live in just 143 big counties. "That means less than half of the population is spread out across the remaining 2,999 small counties," the bureau reports.²²³

A Plan to Nullify the States in National Elections

The Electoral College is established in Article II of the Constitution. To abolish it would require a two-thirds majority in the House and the Senate and three quarters of the states.

That's extremely unlikely, so the Left has figured out another way. The National Popular Vote Interstate Compact (NPV). It's a blatant end-run around the Constitution.

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into law by 15 states and D.C., accounting for 195 electoral votes. For it to go into effect, it needs 75 more electoral votes to reach 270.

The premise: Any state adopting the NPV would award all of its electoral votes to whoever won the popular vote nationwide, regardless of how its citizens voted.

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Colorado, Delaware, and New Mexico all enacted laws in 2019 to join the compact, but it has stalled elsewhere.

In March 2019, Colorado Democrat Gov. Jared Polis signed a bill adding the Rocky Mountain state to the compact. The legislation was one of the first bills passed by Democrats who took over the legislature in the November 2018 election.²²⁴

States in the compact are California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Washington.²²⁵ All of them are dominated by Democrats.

In the spring of 2019, the National Popular Vote campaign hit an unexpected snag. Nevada Gov. Steve Sisolak, a Democrat, vetoed a bill that would have added the Silver State's six electoral votes to the compact.²²⁶

"Once effective, the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact could diminish the role of smaller states like Nevada in national electoral contests and force Nevada's electors to side with whoever wins the nationwide popular vote, rather than the candidate Nevadans choose," he explained.

Save Our States

A group called Save Our States²²⁷ was formed "to defend the

Electoral College” against schemes like NPV or constitutional amendments that would eliminate the Electoral College.²²⁸

“Any of these proposals would increase the risks of regionalism, small-plurality winners, and spoiler candidates, while removing important protections against election fraud,” said Trent England, director of Save Our States. “The Electoral College has served our country well, and we should preserve it.”²²⁹

Mr. England makes the case²³⁰ that abolishing the Electoral College would turn America’s farmers into semi-slaves:

Should rural and small-town Americans be reduced to serfdom? The American Founders didn’t think so. This is one reason why they created checks and balances, including the Electoral College. . . .

Rural America produces almost all our country’s food, as well as raw materials like metals, cotton, and timber. Energy, fossil fuels, but also alternatives like wind and solar, come mostly from rural areas. In other words, the material inputs of modern life flow out of rural communities and into cities.

This is fine, so long as the exchange is voluntary—rural people choose to sell their goods and services, receive a fair price, and have their freedom protected under law. But history shows that city dwellers have a nasty habit of taking advantage of their country cousins. Greeks enslaved whole masses of rural people, known as helots. Medieval Europe had feudalism. The Russians had their serfs.²³¹

Americans concerned about preserving the separation of powers and a self-governing republic should work to overturn existing laws in their states that have joined the NPV and to oppose any efforts to enact one.

Other Ways to Facilitate Fraud

Election cheaters are endlessly inventive in crafting and executing methods that will enable election fraud. Here are some other ways the Left has stolen votes and elections:

Automatic Registration

Automatic Voter Registration or Universal Registration automatically adds individuals to the voter rolls when they apply for a driver's license or state identification card at the state's licensing office or interact with other agencies.

Some on the Left are even proposing automatically registering people at birth.

A better term for this might be Mandatory Voter Registration, since it smacks of government coercion.

Proponents tell us not to worry, that everyone will be tracked via their Social Security numbers, and that state election offices will be told if someone moves out of state. The whole thing will be conducted with the efficiency of, oh, the Veterans Administration.

Here's something else to think about it: A centralized federal database will, in effect, supplant the 50 state databases now operating under the Constitution's Article I, which assigns voter qualifications to the states.

Anyone suspicious of Washington amassing even more power to itself has reason to worry. It's one thing for U.S. agencies to cooperate with requests for data in order to keep county and state voter rolls honest. It's recommended under the NVRA. It's another for the feds to say, don't bother; we'll do it all for you.

Mandatory voter registration also tramples on individual freedom. Not everyone wants to show up on a registration list or even to vote. In a free country, that should be a citizen's option. Plus, voter rolls are public and easily accessible, so there are privacy concerns.

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Automatic Registration has become a key goal of the Left, part of its drive to flood the nation's voter rolls in order to manipulate the system. Leading the fight is the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University, yet another leftwing advocacy group funded by George Soros' Open Society Foundation, which gave the Center \$7,466,000 from 2000 to 2010.

"In December 2012, a month after the November election, the leaders of more than three dozen liberal advocacy groups met in Washington for an off-the-record meeting (though covered by *Mother Jones* in some detail) to plan strategy on election-related issues," writes Mr. Spakovsky.

"One of the top three goals was mandating 'voter registration modernization' and same-day voter registration; at the same time, one of the other goals agreed on was to oppose any efforts to improve election integrity through voter identification and proof-of-citizenship requirements."²³²

California is one of 22 states, along with the District of Columbia, that have passed Automatic Voter Registration. The others are Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Nevada, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and West Virginia.²³³

AVR makes voter registration "opt-out" instead of "opt-in." People who have contact with government agencies such as the DMV are registered to vote or have their existing registration information

updated, unless they decline.

In many cases, AVR does not require voters to sign or affirm a statement attesting to their eligibility to vote and does not allow voters to decline to register until days or weeks later. Often, there is no verification of citizenship or other qualifications.

As a result, AVR may violate the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA) since it does not require voters to affirm their eligibility at the time of registration

Below are some of the free speech arguments against AVR provided by the Voting Integrity Institute of the American Constitutional Rights Union:

- AVR takes the personal choice of registration away from the individual and violates a citizen's First Amendment right to not participate in the electoral system.
- The act of registration or voting is undoubtedly an act of political speech. Similarly, citizens have a personal right not to speak, vote, or register to vote.
- Many citizens are, in fact, trying to make a political statement when they choose not to register because they are not interested in the election or the candidates, believe that their vote will not make a difference, or do not wish to participate in politics.
- AVR registration also violates a citizen's right to privacy, as voter registration lists are publicly available records and citizens do not have an opportunity to decline to participate.

In October 2015, California Governor Jerry Brown signed the Motor Voter Act, which automatically registers to vote every eligible

California citizen who goes to a DMV office to get a driver's license or a renewal.

That law increases the possibility of fraud by people being registered but who have no intention of voting in the jurisdiction. It also increases the potential for other people to vote in the non-voter's name.

The Bottom Line

Millions of outdated and inaccurate voter registrations are on lists across the country, and Automatic Voter Registration will only worsen the problem.

In 2005, Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach initiated the "Interstate Voter Registration Crosscheck Program" to "increase the number of eligible citizens who register to vote" while ensuring "that accurate and current voter registration rolls are maintained."

By 2013, 21 states were participating, comparing their voter registration lists to detect multiple registrations (and votes) by the same individual in different states. "By the end of 2012, 15 states had compared over 45 million records, turning up hundreds of thousands of potentially duplicate registrations."

Leftists bitterly opposed the system, persuading several states to drop out. The program was suspended in 2019 as part of a settlement with the ACLU, killing a valuable tool to fight vote fraud.²³⁴

Same-Day Registration

As of 2022, Washington, D.C. and 21 states had same-day registration (SDR), which allows any qualified resident of the state to register to vote and cast a ballot at the same time.²³⁵ Nineteen states and D.C. allow Election Day registration. This means voters can register and vote on Election Day.

Montana and North Carolina make same-day registration available for a portion of the early voting period, but not on Election Day.

Maintaining a period between registration and voting allows election officials time to verify the qualifications and residency of

voters, thus reducing opportunities for vote fraud.²³⁶

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Combining registration and voting on the same day can cause lines and unnecessary chaos on a day when millions of people are voting. This can overwhelm poll workers.

Finally, same-day registration favors political parties and candidates who can round up otherwise indifferent citizens who know little or nothing about what's on the ballot and can be bused en masse to the polls.

New Hampshire has same-day registration, which means you can register to vote and then cast a ballot on the same day. However, thanks to a tightened voter registration law that took effect in 2017, it's a bit trickier now to pull that off. For one thing, you have to show proof of residency.

Previously, you could walk in and just state your intention to reside in the state. This looser system may have cost the Republicans a Senate seat in 2016 and a loss in the state for presidential candidate Donald Trump.

In 2014 and 2016, the state attorney general, Democrat Joe Foster, issued a memo to local election officials warning them that they were not to turn away anyone who wanted to vote.

In February 2016, a Project Veritas video sting caught numerous New Hampshire election officials telling people that they could vote in the primary even if they didn't live in New Hampshire or even intend to live in the state.²³⁷

State data revealed that 6,540 people registered to vote in New Hampshire on Election Day 2016 (November 8) using out-of-state driver's licenses. Months later, 5,526 of those individuals never obtained a New Hampshire driver's license and only 213 of those

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registered a vehicle in New Hampshire.²³⁸

This is not a recipe for vote fraud; it's a fully baked cake.

Donald Trump lost to Hillary Clinton in New Hampshire by 2,736 votes out of 745,000 cast. Republican incumbent Sen. Kelly Ayotte lost her seat to Democrat Maggie Hassan by a mere 1,017 votes out of 739,140 cast.

Mr. Trump was ridiculed for insisting that Democrats used illicit votes to steal the election. The initial evidence in New Hampshire suggests he may have been right, but state election officials, including Democrat Secretary of State Bill Gardner, insisted after a review that there were only a few confirmed cases of vote fraud.²³⁹

For years, liberal carpetbaggers from Massachusetts, Vermont, and Connecticut flooded into swing state New Hampshire, ostensibly to assist Democratic campaigns. To vote, all they had to do was to declare a “domicile” in the state and an intention to remain there. No proof was needed.

“Voter fraud in New Hampshire has gotten to the point of Lucille Ball in the chocolate factory. And the chocolates are spilling out of the box,” said Coalition of New Hampshire Taxpayers Chairman Ed Naile, who has been tracking vote fraud for nearly 20 years.²⁴⁰

“After examining 30 absentee ballots that had been returned in Manchester, we caught a Florida woman who has been voting in Florida since 1998 and has been voting here for the last 10 years.”²⁴¹

Residency? A Public Park

In 2000, an election official tipped off Mr. Naile's group to 22 return envelopes of absentee ballots for out-of-state AmeriCorps workers who had come to New Hampshire in 1996 to “clear trails,” but were really there to vote for Bill Clinton. All had claimed the same address—a public park.²⁴²

In July 2017, the Republican-controlled legislature passed a new law, signed by Gov. Chris Sununu, which took effect in September 2017. The statute requires voters who move to the state within 30 days

of an election to provide proof that they intend to stay.

The usual suspects whined loudly. The leftist Rock the Vote, for instance, rates New Hampshire as a “blocker” state because registrants must show ID and proof of residency.²⁴³

In late August 2017, Hillary Clinton’s campaign attorney, Marc Elias, filed a lawsuit asking a county judge to issue an injunction against New Hampshire’s Voter ID law. The League of Women Voters, the left-wing group masquerading as a nonpartisan charity, was the main plaintiff, along with three individuals.

The lawsuit was joined by the New Hampshire Democratic Party and backed by Priorities USA, the largest political action committee supporting Mrs. Clinton’s campaign, according to the *Washington Free Beacon*, which reports that “Priorities received \$9.5 million from [George] Soros throughout the 2016 election cycle.”²⁴⁴

On July 12, 2018, the New Hampshire Supreme Court upheld the law, which is still in effect.²⁴⁵

Early Voting

A lot of Americans still remember when we had one designated day—Election Day—to vote for our national leaders, along with state and local officials.

Now, early voting periods have been stretched to ridiculous lengths. In 2020, some states began voting in the November election more than a month or more in advance. There’s no empirical evidence that early voting increases turnout, but it does have serious downsides. The Voting Integrity Institute of the American Constitutional Rights Union lists²⁴⁶ several:

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- *Producing less-informed voters.* After casting an early ballot, a voter checks out of the national debate regardless

of what happens. They won't care about the televised debates, won't consider options, and won't fully participate in the political process.

- *Increasing election administration and campaign costs.* Elections that drag on for weeks require the logistical costs of administering an extended election, including more poll workers and salaries.
- *Facilitating double voting and vote fraud.* Counties that utilize early voting need to have the necessary technology to ensure simultaneous verification and record of vote history. Early voting allows voters to vote anywhere in the county, not simply in their precinct. It is also more difficult for political parties to secure sufficient poll watchers to monitor polling places for an extended early voting period.²⁴⁷

Americans concerned with election integrity should press to eliminate same-day registration and shorten early voting periods.

Ranked-Choice Voting

Ranked-choice voting (RCV) is a recently concocted innovation promoted by liberals and designed to avoid runoff elections in states and localities.

"It's an idea so bad, even some dyed-in-the-wool liberals reject it," said election expert and author Hans von Spakovsky. "Former California Gov. Jerry Brown vetoed a bill expanding ranked choice voting because it is 'overly complicated and confusing' and 'deprives voters of genuinely informed choice.'"²⁴⁸

Alaska and Maine are the only states to have established the use of ranked-choice voting for all congressional and state elections. However, many large cities use ranked-choice voting including St.

Paul, Minnesota, Portland, Maine, and four cities in California’s Bay Area.²⁴⁹

In the 2018 congressional election in Maine, Republican incumbent Bruce Poliquin was narrowly defeated by Democrat state Rep. Jared Golden in a contest with ranked-choice balloting. Mr. Poliquin, who had achieved a plurality lead (less than 50%) of the vote, unsuccessfully sued to halt subsequent ranked-choice counting.

How It Works

Ranked-choice voting uses a process of elimination to choose the winner when there are more than two candidates for an office, and none gets more than 50 percent of the vote in the first count.

Voters may rank candidates in order of preference. If no candidate gets more than 50 percent of the votes in the first tally, the candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated.

The ballots of the voters who chose the eliminated candidate are then added to the total of their second-ranked candidate and the ballots are re-tabulated. The process continues until one candidate gets a majority and is declared the winner.

“In the end, a voter’s ballot might wind up being cast for their second, third, or even fourth choice—a candidate they may actively dislike and never consider supporting,” Mr. von Spakovsky writes. “It rigs the system to allow candidates with marginal support to win elections.”²⁵⁰

In races with more than two candidates, many voters decline to rank all of the candidates. Many cast a vote only for their top choice.

“This ballot exhaustion leads to the election of candidates who are not the first choice of a majority of voters,” Mr. von Spakovsky says. “The only majority they’ve won is a majority of whatever votes were left in the final round of tabulation.”²⁵¹

A Goal of the Far Left

Proponents are led by FairVote, which advocates the “fundamental

structural reform of American elections.” They claim that ranked-choice voting can save the cost of runoff elections and that third parties are less likely to spoil elections with the process of elimination.

FairVote’s board of directors has included many far-Left figures from groups such as the Fund for a Feminist Majority and the Democratic Socialists of America.

Former Maine Gov. Paul LePage summarizes the view of many ranked-choice voting opponents: “This is just another way for sore losers to try and overturn election results they don’t like.”

The Perils of Recounts

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On November 7, 2000, the presidential election between Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore hung in the balance.

Mr. Gore had conceded on Election Night, but later rescinded it, claiming a Florida recount was needed. Over the next month, as the nation watched spellbound,

lawyers for both sides maneuvered.

By November 10, election officials calculated that Mr. Bush had about a 400-vote lead out of almost 6 million cast. When it’s that close, Florida requires a full machine recount in all 67 counties.

The Florida Supreme Court ordered a manual recount in four Democrat-heavy counties: Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, and Volusia, and the drama escalated. Attorneys for Bush tried to stop the recount, arguing that it violated equal protection, since the other 63 Florida counties, including Republican-heavy ones, would not get the same scrutiny.

On December 12—more than a month after the election—the

U.S. Supreme Court ruled, 5-4, that the manual recount in the four counties violated the principle that “all votes must be treated equally.” George W. Bush was declared the winner—by 537 votes.

Philip Hughes, who served in the Reagan Administration in several posts, was called to Florida to help prevent ballot tampering.

Unions had bused in volunteers by the dozens, leaving some sorting tables without a Republican counterpart, he said. After frantic calls, more Republican watchers were found.²⁵²

Mr. Hughes said that he sat one day in the Broward County counting room next to a woman who represented the Democrats. On another day, she posed as a Republican, fleeing after he spotted her. “Later that afternoon, the [GOP] team fingered another such culprit—this time a guy—pulling the same stunt,” he said.

In the most populous county, Miami-Dade, Democrats refused to let Republican observers in at all.

That’s when the “Brooks Brothers Riot” took place. A group of young, well-dressed GOP recount volunteers stormed the Miami-Dade center, pounding on locked doors and yelling, “Let us in! Let us in!”

Officials had squirreled away disputed ballots into rooms with no observers present. If they had “found” enough Gore votes, it might have turned the tide. But cameras were rolling, the doors opened, and the count resumed with both parties’ volunteers.

Many Democrats still claim the election was “stolen,” but a study by the *Miami Herald* and *USA Today* reported that Mr. Bush would have widened his victory to a 1,665-vote margin if the recount ordered by the Florida Supreme Court had continued.

Likewise, a media consortium with the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, CNN, and AP also concluded that Mr. Bush won.²⁵³

Ballots in a Car Trunk

In 2008, another consequential election with a disputed recount

occurred, this time in Minnesota.

Democrat challenger Al Franken had apparently lost narrowly—by 215 votes out of millions cast—to incumbent Republican Sen. Norm Coleman. A recount put Mr. Franken ahead by 225 votes, prompting a challenge by Mr. Coleman, who charged that systematic irregularities had occurred.

“In some precincts, ballots were ‘double counted’ because originals and duplicates were not matched up,” Horace Cooper wrote in *The Washington Times*, citing Mr. Coleman’s legal complaint. “Instead of excluding these ballots, the Minnesota Supreme Court ruled that the challenges could be re-examined only after the canvassing board declared a winner.

“Also, election officials accepted a large number of absentee ballots even though the people who cast them: a) were not properly registered in Minnesota; b) had voted in person; or c) had voted absentee in another precinct.”²⁵⁴

“Additionally, the Coleman campaign asserts, ballots were accepted that were ‘mutilated, defaced, obliterated’ to where the voter’s intent could not possibly be ascertained. Most troublesome were the ballots suddenly ‘found’ during the recount, including a batch that turned up in a car trunk. In some precincts, the newly ‘found’ ballots increased the total number of cast votes to exceed the total number of people who voted.”²⁵⁵

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Elections have consequences. Sen. Al Franken was sworn in on July 7 and went on

to become the 60th vote that ensured passage of Obamacare without a single Republican vote.

Every Vote Counts in Virginia

On November 5, 2013, in Virginia’s statewide election for attorney general, Republican Mark Obenshain had an election night lead of 1,200 votes over Democrat Mark Herring. But after provisional ballots were counted, Herring took a tiny lead. Two weeks later, the Virginia State Board of Elections declared Herring the winner by 165 votes out of more than 2.2 million cast.

A Rare Republican Recount Victory

In 2018, Republican Rick Scott narrowly defeated four-term incumbent Florida U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, but only after a recount and late results in two troublesome counties—Broward and Palm Beach, where the 2000 presidential election was famously contested.

The race was in dispute for 12 days during an automatic recount triggered because Scott’s victory margin was below 0.5 percent. As the recount wore on, Scott’s lead kept shrinking.

“Late Tuesday night, our win was projected to be around 57,000 votes,” Scott told reporters. “By Wednesday morning, that lead dropped to 38,000. By Wednesday evening, it was around 30,000. This morning, it was around 21,000. Now, it is 15,000.”²⁵⁶

Finally, on November 18, 2018, Scott was declared the winner with a margin of about 10,000 out of 8 million cast.

On the whole, however, it seems like Democrats tend to benefit more often with recounts.

“Data shows such events have been rare since the turn of the century and are unlikely to change the outcome,” wrote Fox News correspondent Lukas Mikelionis. “But if they do, Democrats always win.”²⁵⁷

An Old Battleground: Redistricting

Every 10 years, the Census Bureau and state legislators redraw district boundaries for seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as for districts in their own state legislatures. The redistricting process seeks to ensure that each person's vote counts equally and is not diluted by population shifts.

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In 2010, the Democratic Party lost hundreds of state legislative seats and thus control over the redistricting process.

The Left is now seeking to restore Democratic political power by flipping state legislatures and statehouses or by stripping state legislators of their authority over the redistricting process.

The 2024 election takes on paramount significance not only because it's a presidential election year, with all House seats and a third of Senate seats on the ballot, plus thousands of state and local offices, but the winners will get to draft new districts, based on the census.

This is why Obama's former attorney general, Eric H. Holder, Jr., formed the National Democratic Redistricting Committee (NDRC) in 2019 and has targeted several states.

For instance, the group invested at least \$250,000 in the key state of Virginia and backed 17 legislative candidates.²⁵⁸ They were aiming at capturing both houses of the state legislature, which the Republicans controlled by paper-thin margins. And they did so. The radical new legislature, with Democrat Gov. Ralph Northam signing bills, quickly enacted a leftwing agenda worthy of the San Francisco Bay Area. In 2021, voters flipped the House back to the GOP while electing Republicans Gov. Glenn Youngkin, Lt. Gov. Winsome Sears, and Attorney General Jason Miyares.

Where the Left doesn't think it can win, it favors removing state legislators entirely from the redistricting process in favor of a non-partisan or "independent commission" approach.

Mr. Von Spakovsky explains why this would harm election integrity: “So-called independent commissions remove accountability—commissioners are not accountable to voters for what they do, unlike legislators. Commissioners just move the politics of redistricting behind closed doors.”²⁵⁹

What can citizens do? Get out and vote for conservative representation at all levels of government and get involved in the balloting process as either an election worker or poll watcher.

CHAPTER 13

Why Get Involved?

All too many Christians contend that pastors and churches and even individual Christians should “stay out of politics.” This is not only wrong and unbiblical but suicidal. Ceding the public square would mean allowing the rise of atheists and other God-denying people to rule over us. In short order, they would turn things upside down, whereby good would be viewed as evil and vice versa. The law, which is supposed to secure our lives, property, and freedoms of speech, religion, and assembly, would be turned on its head.

In many respects, we are already at that point, as Biblical morality has been redefined by a hostile, neo-pagan culture as a form of bigotry. This could not have happened without the indifference of millions of Christians who stayed on the sidelines while immoral leadership arose.

Staying out of politics is unbiblical for many reasons. For starters, God gave parents the responsibility over the upbringing of their children. This means inculcating children with the truths of the Bible and the keys to eternal life found only in Jesus.

When Christians fail to ensure that we have God-fearing leaders, the schools become corrupted with false doctrines, such as climate extremism, LGBTQ indoctrination, Critical Race Theory, and Marxist economics, among others.

Proverbs 22:6 says, “Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.” The verse is directed to parents and other family members, not to a cold, contractual state whose values could be quite different from what the Bible teaches.

Genesis 18:19 says, “For I have chosen him, that he may command

his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him.”

Many other verses instruct children to obey their parents. They cannot do that if schools are filling their heads with contrary values and belittling parents’ authority.

Another reason that participating in politics is Biblical is that God has blessed America in unique ways. To throw away this precious gift by allowing evil to triumph in the political realm because of Christian inaction is evidence of gross ingratitude.

Imagine how a mother and father would feel if they sacrificed to buy a quality bicycle for a child, and the child gave it to someone who immediately ran it over a cliff. That would not make the parents happy. Giving up on our communities, our states, and America and looking only to our own interests smacks of ingratitude toward God’s benevolence.

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In fact, one of the rallying cries during the American Revolution was “No king but Jesus.”

For more than 244 years, America’s Christian culture and its continued influence have combined with limits on government power imposed by the Constitution to make the United States the freest, most prosperous nation in history.

But forces have been at work for decades to “liberate” us from self-government.

Marxists have specifically targeted cultural foundations without which we cannot maintain our republic. These are faith, family, and the free market. The enemies of those crucial

components are enemies of liberty, and they believe they are on the verge of winning.

Their ultimate goal is to replace self-government with an all-powerful socialist state to supplant and suppress Christian morality and dictate how we all live and what we are allowed to say. To put it bluntly, they seem bent on turning America into a Marxist version of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Gone would be honest disagreement and peaceful means to solve disputes. In would come “might makes right,” as is sadly the case in most of the world.

Eventually, the powers that be would govern what we could buy and sell. We already have a model of this in Communist China, whose “social credit” system rates citizens according to their ideological compliance with the regime. Depending on the score, people are either allowed to travel and access services—including medical care—or prevented from doing so. China is fast becoming a high-tech, totalitarian nightmare.

This is a chilling development to anyone familiar with the Mark of the Beast foreseen in Revelation 13:16-18.²⁶⁰

Under an authoritarian government, truth is eclipsed by dictates from the state, as we have seen in socialist and communist regimes since Russia’s 1917 revolution. If you don’t think it can happen here, you might check out the growing list of people facing fines, loss of job, or even jail for refusing to go along with the LGBTQ agenda.

This has become the quickest path to silencing Christians and others who believe that there are only two sexes (not 67 genders) and that children do best in a mother-and-father-based family.

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erty, repression of religion, free speech, free press, and freedom of assembly, and ends in tyranny and even mass murder. Yet, cultural elites have bought into socialism as the road to utopia, and they mean to impose it on the United States. This poisonous doctrine has been weakening much of Europe for years.

Standing in Their Way

But there is one problem for them—the American people, and specifically, voting-eligible citizens. Even after decades of media and educational propaganda falsely denigrating America as uniquely evil, millions of Americans still love our country and stubbornly

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To deal with this, the Left has come up with a simple, two-step plan: 1) Flood the nation with illegal immigrants, and 2) weaken election safeguards. This way, America's current electorate soon will be replaced by people far more likely to fall into government dependency and vote for those who promise them benefits. Anyone not going along with this is a “hater” or a “racist.”

Fear of name calling or being thought of as uncompassionate has intimidated many Christians from getting involved in the political process or with cultural issues.

In their perceptive book, *How Would Jesus Vote?*, Dr. D. James Kennedy and Jerry Newcombe scotch the idea that it's somehow immoral for Christians to be active in the public square.

In fact, they make a strong case that the Bible requires us to be salt and light everywhere—including the public square. Sitting it out, they say, gives a power monopoly to those who disdain Biblical values. If we ignore our self-governing system, then the God-haters will get to make our laws and rule over us, which is already too often the case.

The Price of Silence

The country has gone a long way toward dissolution because Christians have been silent.

“We have failed to obey the Great Commission in this country,” Kennedy and Newcombe wrote. “We have failed to obey our cultural mandate to be involved in every sphere of social activity. We have retreated from politics, from social involvement, from the media, and from higher education. Now chaos has broken loose, and we look at the scene before us with horror.”²⁶¹

That was written in 2008, nine years after the Columbine High School mass shooting near Littleton, Colorado, but before Americans became numb to such tragedies taking place with increasing frequency.

The good news is that more and more Christians are waking up to their responsibility to be part of the solution. More and more pastors are realizing that if they don’t warn their congregations about the Left’s plan to criminalize Christianity and impose socialism, it may become too late to mount an effective resistance.

Until recently, many pastors feared that speaking out politically would jeopardize their church’s tax-exempt status or scare off church-goers and potential converts. Much of this fear was based on an unconstitutional provision inserted into federal tax law in 1954 by then-Senator Lyndon Johnson (D-Texas), who did it to thwart political opposition.

The so-called Johnson Amendment bars any 501(c)(3) nonprofit, including churches, from endorsing or opposing candidates. Although it doesn’t prohibit churches from engaging in voter registration drives or pastors from speaking on political issues, it effectively throttled political discourse in the pulpit.

The exceptions are liberal churches, where pastors have openly endorsed candidates for years. They knew they’d get immediate

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media support to magnify an allegation of “racism” if the Internal Revenue Service got too nosy.

The big secret is that the Internal Revenue Service has rarely if ever prosecuted any pastors for exercising their constitutional right to free speech from the pulpit. If they did, the courts would almost certainly strike down the law as a blatant violation of the First Amendment’s guarantees of free speech and the “free exercise” of religion.

On May 4, 2017, President Donald Trump signed an executive order “to defend the freedom of religion and speech” for the expressed purpose of reducing the Johnson Amendment’s restrictions. Congress came close to doing that in 2017 and 2018. An amendment²⁶² to the tax reform law contained a repeal, but it was removed in the House/Senate conference.

The drive to enact a permanent legislative fix was halted by the Democratic takeover of all three elected branches of government in 2020. It will take a change in power to bring it about.

Pulpit Courage Rising

For years, Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) has been staging Pulpit Freedom Sundays, in which hundreds of pastors not only openly endorse candidates but send copies of their messages to the IRS. As expected, the IRS ignores them.

Liberty Pastors, a project of Reclaiming America for Jesus Christ,²⁶³ encourages men and women of God to speak out in their churches, unafraid of government interference.²⁶⁴ Among other things, the group sponsors Liberty Pastors Training Camps, which equip pastors to share the truth about America’s founding, current cultural issues, and the importance of voting.

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America is at a crossroads in which every vote matters. Unless more Christians get involved in the political process as voters, candidates, and influencers, the Left may someday win enough elections to snuff out

liberty, a previously unthinkable conclusion.

This book is designed to lay out the various threats to free elections posed by un-American, socialist activists. But it is also geared toward inspiring patriotic Americans to do whatever we can to resist this threat and to restore limited government under God.

The Left has captured much of the culture, the media, education, the entertainment industry, and even large corporations. They long to conquer the last public place where people can voice their contrary opinions directly—the ballot box.

Nowhere in the Bible does Jesus exempt the public square from our Christian duty to breach the gates of Hell, being salt and light in all we do.

Through prayer and hard work, we must disappoint our would-be rulers.

CHAPTER 14

Grassroots Rebellions and Signs of Hope

Several years ago Christian leader Henry Blackaby challenged Christians to recognize the signs of the times and act. “Do you not already hear the warnings of God?” he asked. “Do you not see that the enemy is coming in like a flood? And God is trying to raise up a standard against it. And you and I are that standard.”²⁶⁵

Blackaby’s challenge is being answered. Despite the Left’s near-monopoly in cultural forces such as education, media, entertainment, and even in large corporations, freedom-loving Americans are resisting the drift toward socialism and sexual anarchy and are fighting back, culturally, and politically.

In Florida, Gov. Ron DeSantis led the fight in March 2022 to pass the Parental Rights in Education Act, which prohibits discussion of gender identity and sexual orientation in kindergarten through third grade, and bars materials not “age appropriate or developmentally appropriate” for older children.²⁶⁶

Opponents slammed it as the “Don’t Say Gay” bill. Fine, the Governor said. You want to make up language that isn’t in the bill? How about we call it the “Anti-Grooming” bill?

Hysteria ensued. It always does when someone puts the tiniest speed bump in the way of the LGBTQ juggernaut that is remaking American life into a perpetual Drag Queen Story Hour.

The Walt Disney Company, which has a huge footprint in Orlando, came out against the bill. Instead of being intimidated, Gov. DeSantis

signed a law stripping Disney of its special self-governing tax district, known as the Reedy Creek Improvement District, surrounding Walt Disney World. This is called pushback.

School Boards on Notice

Meanwhile, thanks to pandemic Zoom classes, which revealed how radical many schools have become, a national parents' rebellion against abusive school policies is underway. Groups like Moms for Liberty and Moms for America are leading a "Mama Bear" revolt against schools that won't teach the basics and instead indoctrinate children to be "social justice warriors."

In March 2022, an eye-opening documentary, *Whose Children Are They?: Exposing the Hidden Agenda in America's Schools*,²⁶⁷ was released. Created by an all-star production team that includes an Academy-Award-winning Hollywood producer, the film features brave teachers, emboldened parents, and frontline experts. They show how schools corrupt children sexually and indoctrinate them into believing that America is systemically racist, boys can be girls, and that Marxism and socialism are morally superior to free-market economies.

A huge battle over schools began in 2021 in Loudoun County, Virginia, a wealthy suburb of Washington, D.C.:

Parents worked on recalling six school board members, along with the tone-deaf, George Soros-funded District Attorney. Some of the parents' ire was lit by the suspension of Tanner Cross, a Christian teacher who refused to address girls as boys and vice versa. After Mr. Cross filed a lawsuit with the help of Alliance Defending Freedom, he was reinstated, but school officials appealed the judge's ruling.

The lid came off at a school board meeting in which the board shut down public discussion after Republican former state Sen. Dick Black let them have it with both barrels.²⁶⁸

He got right to the point in his brief speech. I include his full remarks as a guide for parents in how to confront their local commissars:

“You retaliated against Tanner Cross by yanking him from teaching for addressing a public hearing of this board,” Mr. Black said. “The judge ordered you to reinstate Mr. Cross because if his comments were not protected speech, then free speech does not exist at all.”

Voice rising, he continued: “It’s absurd and immoral for teachers to call boys girls and girls boys. You’re making teachers lie to students and even kids know that it’s wrong.

“This board has a dark history of suppressing free speech. They caught you red-handed with an enemies list to punish opponents of Critical Race Theory. You’re teaching children to hate others because of their skin color and you’re forcing them to lie about other kids’ gender. I am disgusted by your bigotry and your depravity.” The crowd erupted in applause.

The chairwoman then cut him off and the board voted unanimously to cancel further public comment. Some parents refused to leave, including a father who was arrested for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. His daughter had been raped in a restroom by a skirt-wearing boy identifying as “transgender.” School officials denied knowing about it and transferred the assailant to another school, where he assaulted another girl.²⁶⁹

This fueled a statewide parents’ revolt that led directly to the Republican sweep in 2021 of all three statewide offices and flipped the lower House back to the GOP.

Parents’ revolts also ousted incumbent school board members in Colorado, Texas, and other states. Voters in ultra-liberal San Francisco ousted three radical school board members in February 2022, and in June, recalled the Soros-planted, radical District Attorney Chesa Boudin.

A Political Earthquake in Texas

On June 15, 2022, a special congressional election was held in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

Mexican-born, Christian conservative Republican Mayra Flores won what had been a Democrat-controlled seat for the past century. She campaigned on “God, family, and country.”²⁷⁰

Her victory and other GOP gains in the area are sending shock waves through the Democrat Party, which thrives on race-based bribery. They first got a shock in June 2021, when voters in 85 percent Hispanic McAllen, Texas, elected Republican Javier Villalobos as mayor.

Democrats figured Hispanics would always be in their pocket. In fact, they expected to keep power permanently via this fast-growing demographic—plus more vote fraud.

While pundits chalked Mrs. Flores’ victory up to inflation, gas prices, and empty shelves—and that was all part of it—there is a deeper explanation.

Voters are saying, “Stop the insanity.”

Mrs. Flores stands for patriotism, traditional values, limited government, law and order, the Second Amendment, and recognition that our rights come from God, not man. In short, she stands for sanity.

More and more Americans—especially Christians—are realizing that we cannot wait until 2024 to get our country back. The resistance is growing rapidly at the grass-roots level.

What Should Christians Do?

For those Christians who think the public square should be off limits to Christians, former Chicago Bears/Minnesota Vikings offensive tackle Paul Blair says, “What part of life should Jesus NOT be Lord over?”²⁷¹

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Now the pastor of two churches, Blair also heads Liberty Pastors, a group training thousands of pastors on the Biblical roots of

American liberty so they can educate their flocks.²⁷² America's Black Robe Regiment, headed by Bill Cook, provides similar training.²⁷³ The Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF), headed by home schooling champion and Patrick Henry College founder Mike Farris, is training Christian attorneys to defend religious liberty.²⁷⁴ Like ADF, Liberty Counsel, founded by Mat Staver, is sending Christian attorneys into battle daily.²⁷⁵

Family Research Council, founded by Gary Bauer and Dr. James Dobson and now headed by Tony Perkins, provides research that backs pro-family positions.²⁷⁶ Staying True to America's National Destiny (STAND), founded by Bishop E.W. Jackson, encourages Christians of all races and backgrounds to work together to restore America.²⁷⁷

D. James Kennedy Ministries continues to be on the front lines of America's Culture War in many ways, educating Americans through the *Truths that Transform* television program and its publishing wing, which creates books, newsletters, and videos.²⁷⁸

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Standing Up

Thank God for brave souls who are not taking it anymore. Dividing children by obsessing on race is criminal. So is corrupting them sexually.

Likewise, openly subverting laws instead of upholding them should be impeachable. Whoever is really running the Biden Administration is more dangerous than any foreign entity. They are consolidating power, stoking hyperinflation and public debt, destroying our energy independence, weakening our armed forces, and sowing division and hatred between the races.

As for Christians, we're being set up to play a role seen before in history—that of scapegoat or even a subversive element that must be identified and eliminated. We must keep in mind three things:

- There is power in numbers; a sleeping giant appears to be awakening.
- We still have the incomparable United States Constitution's legacy of liberty.
- And most importantly, Almighty God is greater than any earthly ruler.

From Psalm 2:1-4 (KJV):

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, "Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us."

He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

What You Can Do

Here's a short list of things people can do:

- Pass out voter guides in your church.
- Work at the polls or be a poll watcher.
- Volunteer for a political campaign.
- Run for office.
- Donate to a candidate or cause.

If every conservative Christian devoted even one hour each week to some political activity, it would turn America around—back to our roots as a God-fearing republic of free men and women.



APPENDIX I

Advances and Current Threats

Elections, indeed, have consequences. If Christians do not become engaged in the political process, we will be unable to undo the massive damage inflicted on our country by the far-Left powers now controlling the three elected branches of government.

But we can do more than limit harm. We can roll back the darkness.

In June 2022, with a conservative majority thanks to three Trump appointments, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade* (1973). It is arguably the most important ruling of our lifetime.

Roe (1973), *Doe v. Bolton* (1973) and, later, *Casey v. Planned Parenthood* (1992) invented a “constitutional right” to abortion, resulting in the deaths of more than 63 million unborn children in America over the past 49 years.

The June 2022 case, *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*,²⁷⁹ involved a Mississippi law restricting abortions after 15 weeks. In a 6-3 ruling written by Samuel Alito, the court upheld the law, effectively overturning *Roe*. In a concurring opinion, Chief Justice John Roberts voted to uphold the law but said it was limited to Mississippi. He would not have overturned *Roe*.²⁸⁰ Nonetheless, all legal experts agreed that *Roe* was overturned. The battle now moves to the states.

The Supreme Court also upheld the First Amendment’s Free Exercise Clause in a case involving a Washington State high school football coach who prayed on the 50-yard line after each game, win or lose (*Kennedy v. Bremerton School District*²⁸¹).

In another important ruling, the Court upheld the Second Amendment, striking down a New York law that made getting a concealed carry permit very difficult (*New York State Rifle & Pistol*

*Association, Inc. v. Bruen*²⁸²).

In all three of these cases, the Democrat-appointed justices voted against the majority. Anyone who still thinks elections are not important needs to rethink.

Meanwhile, the Left is still on the rampage, pushing the LGBTQ agenda, destroying America's energy independence and planning more ruinous spending on top of the \$6 trillion spent on COVID-19-related "relief." The Left also is pushing for "COVID vaccination passports," which would sharply curtail liberties of all kinds.

Here's a snapshot of three of the worst proposals in Congress awaiting enactment.

The Equality Act

On February 25, 2021, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the misnamed "The Equality Act" by a vote of 224 to 206.²⁸³

The bill adds "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" to the list of characteristics—race, color, religion, sex, or national origin—protected from discrimination under the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Democrats gave it unanimous support, along with yes votes from three Republicans—Tom Reed (R-NY), John Katko, (R-NY), and Brian Fitzpatrick, (R-PA).²⁸⁴

The proposed law goes far beyond allowing men into women's sports and locker rooms, as bad as that is. It provides the state with the power to persecute anyone who won't celebrate any aspect of the LGBTQ agenda.²⁸⁵

It turns any recognition of the differences between the sexes or any preference for traditional sexual morality into actionable "hate," creating fertile grounds for lawsuits.

"It is the most dangerous bill to freedom of speech and the free exercise of religion that has ever been proposed on a national level," says Houston Baptist University Prof. Robert Gagnon, an expert in Biblical sexual morality.²⁸⁶ "It will codify into law that you are a bigot, the moral equivalent of a racist, tantamount to being a member of

the Ku Klux Klan, who must be shut out of society and, wherever possible, harassed and persecuted for your beliefs.”

In other words, it would criminalize Christianity, a process that got a big boost from the Supreme Court’s 2015 ruling on same-sex “marriage.”

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has actually endorsed it, too.

When did destroying the moral order and paving the way for more lawsuits against businesses become part of the chamber’s mission? Pouring legal acid on a marriage-and-family-based culture will not lead to a more stable society of upwardly mobile consumers. America is only as prosperous as its families are strong.

Some “moderate” GOPers have suggested a “carveout” for churches, leaving everyone else—tens of millions of Christians and observant Jews—at the mercy of a government run by LGBTQ activists who have no patience for resistance of any kind. In any case, the bill specifically rules out religion-based defenses.

This dangerous bill has not been enacted only because Democrat Sens. Joe Manchin of West Virginia and Kyrsten Sinema of Arizona refused to vote for an end to the filibuster.

HR 1: “For the People Act”

On March 3, 2021, Democrats passed a law in the House nationalizing elections and weakening electoral safeguards, such as voter ID laws and state statutes that require keeping voter rolls up to date.²⁸⁷

The communist-sounding “For the People Act” (HR 1), approved on a straight, party-line vote of 220 Democrats to 210 Republicans, is a breathtaking attack on election integrity.

The Senate companion bill, S1, was introduced in that chamber on March 17, 2021. On June 22, the Senate voted 50-50 to allow debate, 10 shy of the 60 votes needed to proceed.

The bill stalled because it failed to attract the votes of Sens. Manchin and Sinema, who saw it as a bridge too far. They also said they opposed eliminating the filibuster, which Democrats want to do

in order to ram through partisan bills like HR 1 or the Equality Act. Here's a summary of what HR 1 would do. It would:

- politicize the Federal Elections Commission
- force taxpayers to subsidize political campaigns
- regulate political speech
- impose, as a matter of law:
 - » mandatory automatic voter registration
 - » same-day voter registration
 - » online voter registration
 - » no-fault absentee balloting
 - » early voting

It also strips the states of their constitutionally appointed election functions. Further, it mandates including noncitizens, here in the United States legally and illegally, in counts for redistricting, which determines congressional districts and federal funding.²⁸⁸

The “For the People Act” also would expose political donors, opening them up to mob harassment, as was suffered by supporters of the Prop 8 marriage amendment in California in 2008. Finally, it requires states to restore voting rights for felons as soon as they leave prison, in direct conflict with Section 2 of the 14th Amendment.

Before the vote in 2019 on a previous version, Republican Texas Rep. Dan Crenshaw offered a motion to add language decrying illegal immigrant voting. It was easily defeated, putting Democrats on record as indirectly endorsing illegal immigrant voting.

Some Democrats also support packing the Supreme Court with more justices so it can rubber stamp their “reforms.” Finally, they are floating the idea of lowering the voting age to 16. An Oregon bill got a state Senate hearing in 2019.

The “Do No Harm Act” Would Harm Religious Liberty

On February 28, 2019, Sen. Kamala Harris, California Democrat,

introduced S.593, the so-called “Do No Harm Act.”

The bill would essentially overturn the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA), which has protected religious activities from government overreach.

On February 25, 2021, another version was introduced in the House by Rep. Robert “Bobby” Scott of Virginia, with another 154 co-sponsors—all Democrats.²⁸⁹

In 1993, Congress passed the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) after a U.S. Supreme Court ruling in *Employment Division v. Smith* that undermined minority religious practice rights.

RFRA magnifies the First Amendment’s guarantee of religious freedom, making it more difficult for government to impose burdens on the free exercise of religion.

Enacted with only three negative votes in the House and the Senate, and signed by President Bill Clinton, RFRA has been invoked repeatedly on behalf of religious plaintiffs or defendants for 26 years.

But the Left wants to do away with it because it burdens the abortion lobby’s and the LGBTQ “civil rights” movement’s ability to criminalize Christian resistance to their agenda.

“Government could, and almost certainly would, completely ignore any impact on religious freedom,” Tom Jipping, senior legal fellow at the Heritage Foundation explains.²⁹⁰ “Not surprisingly, one of those areas involves ‘access to, information about, a referral for, provision of, or coverage for, any health care item or service.’”

Translation: Catholic and Protestant hospitals could be forced to perform abortions or refer patients to abortionists. Christian businesses would be forced to pay for sex-change operations as part of their employee health insurance plans. Christian counselors could face discrimination for upholding Biblical sexual morality. That is already happening in many places that have banned sexual restorative therapy, which the Left renamed as “conversion therapy” to make it sound dangerous.

“Today, RFRA allows churches or organizations to challenge

federal laws or regulations that would force them to hire or include as members persons who oppose their beliefs,” Mr. Jipping writes. “The Harris bill would allow the government to make that choice instead. The ‘Do No Harm Act’ stands on its head the substance and significance of religious freedom as it has been understood since the 17th century.”

It’s past time for Christians and others to stop voting for lawmakers who want to erect a system by which Christians will be persecuted by our own government.

APPENDIX 2

A Short List of Election Reforms

1. Clean up all voter registration lists, as required by federal law
2. Enact photo Voter ID laws in all states
3. Prohibit ballot harvesting (trafficking)
4. Prohibit private funding/staffing of election offices
5. Reduce early voting to one week before elections
6. End automatic and same-day voter registration
7. Prohibit unmanned drop boxes
8. Tighten ID requirements for mail-in ballots
9. Enforce laws requiring observers at polling and counting places

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