The Google Cartel hires IN-Q-Tel; Gawker Media; Jalopnik; Gizmodo Media; K2 Intelligence; WikiStrat; Podesta Group; Fusion GPS; Google; YouTube; Alphabet; Facebook; Twitter; Think Progress; Media Matters); Black Cube; Correct The Record; Orbis Business Intelligence, Undercover Global Ltd; Stratfor; Jigsaw; ShareBlue/Acronym; Cambridge Analytica; Sid Blumenthal; David Brock; Plouffe Consulting; PR Firm Sunshine Sachs; Covington and Burling; Buzzfeed; Perkins Coie and Wilson Sonsini to run hit-jobs, character assassinations, dirty tricks and economic reprisal attacks on any applicants who reported the crimes. Each of those companies are now under federal and civil investigation.

POLITICAL KILL ORDERS AND STATE-SPONSORED CHARACTER ASSASSINATIONS

How A Modern Character Assassination and Political "Kill Order" Is Executed By the Silicon Valley Oligarchs and their total control of propaganda media

Patrick George At Jalopnik attacks outsiders under contract with Elon Musk and the DNC. Silicon Valley campaign finance oligarchs hire him to run hatchet jobs on innocent outsiders and then Gawker-Gizmodo-Jalopnik uses their financial partnership with the DNC's Google to push the character assassination articles to the top of Google web products and searches. Patrick George, Adrian Covert, John Hermann and Nick Cook are the sexually degenerate cabin boys that report to boy-loving sleaze-tabloid oligarch Nick Denton. They created the Fake News crisis in the media by flooding the internet with defamation posts and reprisal hatchet job articles designed to damage political enemies of the Socialists. They coordinate a large number of the character assassination efforts at Gawker, Gizmodo, Jalopnik, CNN, New York Times and other propaganda outlets. These Millennial boys are "Media Rapists" and should be treated as abusers.

How and why did a Donald Trump stripper-date named "Stormy" or an Elon Musk sex party or a Kavanaugh drinking incident or the Moonves and Weinstein indiscretions suddenly hit the news at about the same time in news history?

In addition to actual murder, Politicians and Silicon Valley Oligarchs hire operatives to end people's lives in other creative ways.

It is all part of the modern trend in vendetta, revenge and political payback when a Senator or a tech oligarch issues a "kill order" on an opponent.

The client does not like to get their hands dirty so the actual social hit job is performed by companies such as:

IN-Q-Tel - (DNC); Gawker Media - (DNC); Jalopnik - (DNC); Gizmodo Media - (DNC); K2 Intelligence - (DNC); WikiStrat - (DNC); Podesta Group - (DNC); Fusion GPS - (DNC/GOP); Google - (DNC); YouTube - (DNC); Alphabet - (DNC); Facebook - (DNC); Twitter - (DNC); Think Progress -(DNC); Media Matters - (DNC); Black Cube - (DNC); Mossad - (DNC); Correct The Record - (DNC); Sand Line - (DNC/GOP); Blackwater - (DNC/GOP); Undercover Global Ltd (DNC/GOP) Stratfor -(DNC/GOP); ShareBlue - (DNC); Wikileaks (DNC/GOP); Cambridge Analytica - (DNC/GOP); Sid Blumenthal- (DNC); David Brock - (DNC); PR Firm Sunshine Sachs (DNC); Covington and Burling - (DNC), Buzzfeed - (DNC) Perkins Coie - (DNC); Wilson Sonsini - (DNC) and hundreds of others... These are the people and companies that except cash, revolving door jobs, political appointments, insider trading stock in Silicon Valley tech companies, prostitutes and real estate in exchange for destroying the lives of others.

These attackers deserve to be punished for the rest of their lives for taking away the lives of others in exchange for cash. Any company who is corrupt enough to hire any of these assassins should be forced out of business. These attack services are responsible for 90% of the "Fake News" problem in the world because they are the authors of most fake news. Congress must act to make these kinds of companies illegal!

These digital assassination services offer hit-jobs, character assassinations and economic reprisal programs to famous billionaires and corrupt politicians who are seeking revenge, retribution and vendetta executions.

In the case of reporters getting targeted for attacks, President Donald Trump has been accused by the liberal corporate media of whipping up a hateful frenzy against the press. But while CNN's Jim Acosta grandstands against Trump, real journalists are still reeling from the draconian extrajudicial measures that Barack Obama and his administration used to target them for exposing truth.

This secretive targeting occurred while Obama speechwriter and hate-filled ANTIFA supporter Ben Rhodes was running "Operation Echo Chamber," which reportedly continues, in which he fed information to willing corporate media scribes. "They literally know nothing," Rhodes said of the twentysomething journalists he easily manipulated.

The Freedom of the Press Foundation's Trevor Timm published documents showing how former attorney general Eric Holder changed the rules to more effectively intimidate and surveil members of the press.

Timm writes: "Today, we are revealing—for the first time—the Justice Department's rules for targeting journalists with secret FISA court orders. The documents were obtained as part of a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit brought by Freedom of the Press Foundation and Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University."

Trending: Brennan and Clapper Accused of Hacking John Roberts To Blackmail Him

Here is the memo published by the Foundation, which dropped the documents in their entirety:

Obama is also clearly linked to the plot to obtain fraudulent FISA warrants on President Trump's team, as evidenced by Peter Strzok and Lisa Page's texts confirming that Obama was overseeing their fly-by-night operation.

Larry Schweikart reported for Big League Politics:

For months pundits and researchers have been pondering the mystery of the FISA approval that led to the illegal and historically titanic scandals to ever hit the U.S. government. Some have argued that Assistant Attorney General Rod Rosenstein knew the FISA was bogus when he extended it. Others have wondered if Special Counsel Robert Mueller knew about the fraudulent basis of the FISA when he used it, in part, to indict Michael Flynn. Other still, that Mueller was fooled by the FBI.

This is what President Trump calls "SPYGATE".

It may well be that the surveillance that was conducted began with UK intelligence services and then was fed back to the White House of Barack Obama. Here's the kicker:

President Barack Obama did not need a FISA warrant to authorize spying/electronic surveillance on Trump because Obama all along had legal authorization to by-pass the normal court vetting process. According to 50 U.S. Code 1802, the "Electronic Surveillance Authorization" () "Foreign intelligence in relation to a US person (Trump or his associates) is information that's necessary for the US to protect against attack, hostile acts, sabotage, . . . as well as other clandestine activities by a foreign power . . . OR . . . information relevant to national defense/security of the US, or the conduct of foreign affairs of the U.S." Such an authorization by Obama required certification by Attorney General Loretta Lynch that must be logged with the FISC court. ("The [AG]+ shall immediately transmit under seal to the court [FISC] a copy of his certification.")

In short, the DOJ has this. If we are correct, a copy of that certification is currently under seal at least with the DOJ and the FISC.

This is what they are hiding.

However, the Act requires the AG to keep the Select Committee on Intelligence and the Senate Committee on Intelligence informed of these authorizations and unmaskings therein. See 1803 (a) (1) (C) If indeed this is what happened, did Lynch report—or only selectively report—to the committees in a way that excluded non-friendlies? Can you see why Adam Schiff, Mark Warner, and their ilk are terrified?

1) Obama authorized spying/electronic surveillance on Team Trump, by-passing normal judicial oversight.

2) To create "foreign intelligence," John Brennan and others organized for UK intelligence to conduct surveillance on Trump and his associates, either from the UK or from UK assets within the U.S. This is another reason revealing this will unleash an excrement storm: the UK is about to be caught meddling bigly in an American election.

3) Lynch certified Obama's authorization which is now held under seal by DOJ (and FISC).

From this authorization, all unmaking followed, as well as the FBI fraudulent counter intel investigation and perhaps the FISA warrant too. Obama knew this was all fake when he made the authorization; Lynch knew it was fake when she certified it; the entire inner circle, including the FBI, all knew. This takes the U.S. into uncharted territory, and could imperil any politician in the British government who supported this or had knowledge of it. Proving any of this would be difficult, as if confronted Lynch would almost certainly cover up and Obama would simply deny knowledge. Without a paper trail, a conviction might be a bridge too far. This is only one of thousands of "kill order" tactics introduced by the Obama Administration.

These are the playbook tactics that Senators and tech oligarchs most often use to destroy the lives of their political and business enemies:

- Government agency bosses sometimes solicit the target victims with false promises of future loans, contracts or grants from their agency and cause the target victims to expend millions of dollars and years of their time for projects which those government bosses had covertly promised to their friends. They use the target victims as a "smokescreen" to cover their illegal government slush-funds for the victims competitors and personal enemies. By using this tactic, the attackers can drain the target victims funds and force them into an economic disaster in plain view of everyone without the government bosses fearing any reprisal for their scam.

- Every match.com, okcupid.com, Plenty Of Fish, Seeking Arrangements and all other IAC-owned, or similar, dating sites (IAC is managed by Hillary Clinton's daughter) have had their profiles, texts, and inter-member communications, since those companies were started, hacked or purchased. The attack service providers use Palantir and In-Q-Tel financed data analysis software to analyze every activity in those dating services in order to find honey-trap, blackmail, sextortion and social conflict exploitation opportunities. If you had a bad date with someone, that someone will be hunted down and convinced to help harm, #metoo or "rape charge" the intended target. All dates involve a search for sex, so the likelihood that a sexual disappointment experience will exist in each persons dating history is high. Searching every past dating email and text of a subject is quite easy with modern software and hacking techniques. A synthetically amplified, PR-agency optimized sex scandal can destroy any target. Your dating experiences from the 70's or 80's will come back to haunt you decades later. Most dates involve drinking alcohol and taking drugs. If you were unattractive or had bad sexual skills your bad date will be called "date rape", "drugging your date for sex" and related twisted narratives that are designed to shame you, the target. If you try to get a date in the future, your potential date will be contacted by a third party who will slander and libel you to make sure your potential first date gets cancelled. Your social life will, essentially, end. Every photo on every dating site is cross checked with every other photo on the internet in order to cull your Facebook, Linkedin, Snapchat and other social media together to create a total psychological manipulation profile data file on you. A single photo on a dating site can be cross searched on every mugshot archive, photo album and corporate database in the

worth within minutes using modern super-computers. Your sex life will be on public record in a flash.

- Social Security, SSI, SDI, Disability and other earned benefits are stone-walled. Applications of targets are "lost". Files in the application process "disappeared". Lois Lerner hard drive "incidents" are operated in order to seek to hide information and run cover-ups.

- Government officials and tech oligarchs contact members of the National Venture Capital association (NVCA) and created national "black-lists" to blockade target victims from ever receiving investor funding. This was also confirmed in a widely published disclosure by Tesla Motors Daryl Siry and in published testimony. If Silicon Valley political campaign finance oligarchs black-list you (see the "AngelGate" Scandal and the "High Tech No Poaching Class Action Lawsuit" cases) you will never get investor funding again.

- FOIA requests are hidden, frozen, stone-walled, delayed, lied about and only partially responded to in order to seek to hide information and run cover-ups.

- State and federal employees will play an endless game of Catch-22 by arbitrarily determining that deadlines had passed that they, the government officials, had stonewalled and obfuscated applications for, in order to force these deadlines that they set, to appear to be missed. This can bankrupt a target victim.

- Some Victims found themselves strangely poisoned, not unlike the Alexander Litvenko case. Heavy metals and toxic materials were found right after their work with the Department of Energy weapons and energy facilities. Many wonder if these "targets" were intentionally exposed to toxins in retribution for their testimony. The federal MSDS documents clearly show that a number of these people were exposed to deadly compounds and radiations, via DOE, without being provided with proper HazMat suits which DOE officials knew were required.

- Victims employers are called, and faxed, and ordered to fire target victims from their places of employment, in the middle of the day, with no notice, as a retribution tactic.

- On orders from Obama White House officials, DNC-financed Google, YouTube, Gawker Media and Gizmodo Media produce attack articles and defamation videos. Google locks this attack media on the internet on the top line, of the front page of all Google searches for a decade in front of 7.5 billion people, around the world. This attack-type uses over \$40 million dollars in server farms, production costs and internet rigging. The forensic data acquired from tracking some of these attacks proves that Google rigs attacks against individuals on the internet and that all of Google's "impressions" are manually controlled by Google's executives who are also the main financiers and policy directors of the Obama Administration. This data was provided to the European Union for it's ongoing prosecution of Google's political manipulation of public perceptions.

- Victims HR and employment records, on recruiting and hiring databases, are embedded with

negative keywords in order to prevent the victim targets from ever gaining future employment.

- Gary D. Conley, Seth Rich, Rajeev Motwani and many other whistle-blowers in these matters, turned up dead under strange circumstances. It is very possible that some of these attack services, operated by former CIA operatives, even offer discrete murder-for-sale services using high-tech assassination tools that make murders look like heart attacks and brain failures.

- Disability and VA complaint hearings and benefits are frozen, delayed, denied or subjected to lost records and "missing hard drives" as in the Lois Lerner case.

- Paypal (A DNC-biased operation) and other on-line payments for on-line sales are de-platformed, delayed, hidden, or re-directed in order to terminate income potential for target victims who competed with the attackers interests and holdings.

- DNS redirection, "website spoofing" sends target victims websites to dead ends where no sales orders or customer inquiries actually get back to the target. These internet revenue activity manipulations are conducted using Google and Amazon servers. All commercial storefronts and on-line sales attempts by target victims, will have had their sites hidden, or search engine de-linked by a massively resourced facility located in Virginia, Texas or Palo Alto, California in order to terminate revenue potentials for the target victims.

- Over 50,000 trolls, shills, botnets and synth-blog deployments are deployed to place defamatory statements and disinformation about victims in front of 7.5 billion people around the world on the internet in order to seek to damage their federal testimony credibility by a massively resourced facility.

- Campaign finance dirty tricks contractors are hired by campaign financiers to attack the friends and family members of the target victim in order to create low morale for the target victims psyche and motivation.

- Are you getting weird headaches and hearing a "buzzing sound" in your head? The U.S. Government has now acknowledged that the Cuban, Chinese and other embassy "sonic attacks" are from a known microwave beam weapon. Any one of the technical departments of the attack services listed at the top of this article can build such a biological harassment weapon. It can be aimed at the target victims office, bedroom or vehicle and, within a week, have caused biological and emotional damage using a weapon that has no visible track of trajectory. It is designed to make the target victim think they are "going crazy" or "hearing sounds in their head". While this may sound pretty out there, web search "Embassy sonic attacks" on the top 5 non-Google search engines and read the very credible reports of these attacks.

- In one case covert political partner: Google, transferred large sums of cash to dirty tricks contractors and then manually locked the media portion of the attacks into the top lines of the top pages of all Google searches globally, for years, with hidden embedded codes in the links and web-pages

which multiplied the attacks on Victims by many magnitudes.

- Covert Cartel financier: Google, placed Google's lawyer: Michelle Lee, in charge of the U.S. Patent Office and she, in turn, stacked all of the U.S. Patent Office IPR and ALICE review boards and offices with Google-supporting employees in order to rig the U.S. Patent Office to protect Google from being prosecuted for the vast patent thefts that Google engages in. Google has hundreds of patent lawsuits for technology theft and a number of those lawsuits refer to Google's operations as "Racketeering", "Monopolistic Cartel" and "Government Coup-like" behaviors. Thousands of articles and investigations detail the fact that Google, "essentially" ran the Obama White House and provided over 80% of the key White House staff. A conflict-of-interest unlike any in American history. Google's investors personally told Applicant they would "kill him". Google and the Obama Administration were "the same entity". Applicant testified in the review that got Michelle Lee terminated and uncovered a tactical political and social warfare group inside Google who were financed by Federal and State funds.

- Honeytraps and moles were employed by the attackers. In this tactic, people who covertly worked for the attackers were employed to approach the "target" in order to spy on and misdirect the subject.

- Gawker Media, Gizmodo Media, Snopes, SPLC and other hired media assassins will be retained to produce "hatchet job" character assassination articles about you. Then those articles will be faxed, mailed and emailed to your employer and investors with a note saying: "You don't want to have anything to do with this person, do you..?" in order to get you fired from your job and get your loans or financing pulled. The attackers will use their round one attack media, that they authored, to create a round two second wave attack designed to end your life via economic warfare.

- Mortgage and rental applications will have had red flags added to them in databases to prevent the targets from getting homes or apartments.

- Krebs On Security, Wired, Ars Technica, The Wall Street Journal and most major IT publications have reported that hundreds of spy "back-doors" have been found on every Intel, AMD, Apple, Xfinity, Cisco, Microsoft, Juniper Networks motherboard, chip-set and hardware component set. This means that any kid with the "key" code can open any computer, server, router, cloud-network or other network connected device and read every file, photo, video, your calendar and email on your devices at any time from any location on Earth. The key codes have been released to every hacker community in the world for over ten years. There is now no government, corporate or personal data that can't be hacked, even data from decades ago. Every single one of your darkest secrets can be in the hands of your enemy within 60 minutes, or less. Important meetings you had planned with potential investors, employers, clients, dates, suppliers and others will suddenly get cancelled at the last minute. They will get cancelled because your enemies are reading your calendar remotely and covertly sending slander information to those you had hoped to engage with in order to sabotage your life. Nothing you have ever typed on a computer or Smartphone is safe. it WILL be acquired and it WILL be used against you.

- McCarthy-Era "Black-lists" are created and employed against target victims who competed with

Obama Administration executives and their campaign financiers to prevent them from getting funding and future employment.

- Obama Administration targets were very carefully placed in a position of not being able to get jobs, unemployment benefits, disability benefits or acquire any possible sources of income. The retribution tactics were audacious, overt..and quite illegal.

- There are thousands of additional Dirty Tricks tactics being used by these Attack Services yet Congress refuses to pass laws out-lawing such attack services. The cost of an attack on a person ranges from \$150,000.00 to over \$50,000,000.00. While a Silicon Valley billionaire can afford to launch counter-measures to these attacks, any regular taxpayer will be utterly destroyed, and incapable of fighting back, against even the smallest version of one of these "kill orders". A number of modern office shootings are the results of these attacks against an individual who has lost everything because of the attack and has no options left.

Federal law enforcement, the United States Congress and the highest level investigators in the U.S., and abroad, have documented (per the "FISA Memo", Congressional Reports and federal employee testimony) and proven the fact that the Obama Administration regularly engaged in the operation of retribution, vendetta and reprisal campaigns known as "hit-jobs" against domestic natural born U.S. citizen domestic taxpayers. The Federal Court, in at least one previous court case,has ruled that Applicants, in this particular matter, were the victims and target of a number of these attacks designed to inflict permanent medical, emotional, character assassination, brand negation, economic and career damage.

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!!!!! Mueller Hears That Silicon Valley Has Been Manipulating The Entire BREXIT Campaign !!!!!!

- Second former employee of controversial data firm to be questioned by special counsel's inquiry into Russia collusion

By Carole Cadwalladr

Brittany Kaiser is said to be cooperating fully with the Mueller inquiry.

A director of the controversial data company Cambridge Analytica, who appeared with Arron Banks at the launch of the Leave.EU campaign, has been subpoenaed by the US investigation into possible collusion between the Trump campaign and the Russian government.

A spokesman for Brittany Kaiser, former business development director for Cambridge Analytica – which collapsed after the Observer revealed details of its misuse of Facebook data – confirmed that she had been subpoenaed by special counsel Robert Mueller, and was cooperating fully with his investigation.

He added that she was assisting other US congressional and legal investigations into the company's activities and had voluntarily turned over documents and data.

Kaiser, who gave evidence to the UK parliament last April in which she claimed Cambridge Analytica had carried out in-depth work for Leave.EU, is the second individual connected to the firm subpoenaed by the special counsel. The Electoral Commission has said its investigation into Leave.EU found no evidence that the campaign "received donations or paid for services from Cambridge Analytica ... beyond initial scoping work".

Damian Collins, chairman of parliament's inquiry into fake news, said it was "no surprise" that Kaiser was under scrutiny by Mueller because "her work connected her to WikiLeaks, Cambridge Analytica and [its parent company] SCL, the Trump campaign, Leave.EU and Arron Banks".

He said it was now vital Britain had its own inquiry into foreign interference: "We should not be leaving this to the Americans."

Tom Watson, the deputy leader of the Labour party, echoed Collins's statement, saying: "This is the first evidence that a significant player in the Leave.EU campaign is of interested to the global Mueller inquiry. People will be bewildered that the British government has no interest in establishing the facts of what happened."

In August, Sam Patten, a US political consultant who had worked for Cambridge Analytica on campaigns in the US and abroad, struck a plea deal with Mueller after admitting he had failed to register as a foreign agent for a Ukrainian oligarch.

He became a subject of the special counsel's inquiry because of work done with Paul Manafort,

Trump's campaign manager, in Ukraine. He had also set up a business with Konstantin Kilimnik, a key figure who Mueller has alleged has ties to Russian intelligence and who is facing charges of obstruction of justice. In a 2017 statement to the Washington Post, Kilimnik denied any connection to intelligence services. Kaiser, however, is the first person connected directly to both the Brexit and Trump campaigns known to have been questioned by Mueller.

The news came to light in a new Netflix documentary, The Great Hack, which premiered at the Sundance film festival last month and is expected to be released later this spring. Film-makers followed Kaiser for months after she approached the Guardian, including moments after she received the subpoena. She claims the summons came after the Guardian revealed she had visited WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange while still a Cambridge Analytica employee in February 2017, three months after the US election.

One part of Mueller's investigation focuses on whether the Trump campaign sought to influence the timing of the release of emails by WikiLeaks before the election. Investigators are looking at communications between them. In the film, Kaiser says that she has gone from being a cooperating witness to a subject of investigation because of her contact with Assange.

In October 2017, it was revealed that Alexander Nix, the chief executive of Cambridge Analytica, had contacted Assange in August 2016 to try to obtain emails from Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign – which indictments from Mueller's team say were obtained by Russian military intelligence – to use in Donald Trump's campaign. When Kaiser gave evidence to parliament last year, she was asked about her relationship with Assange and WikiLeaks but failed to reveal that she had met Assange.

In the documentary, Kaiser is shown after receiving an email from the Guardian last June asking about meeting Assange and alleged donations of cryptocurrency to WikiLeaks. Kaiser did not respond to the email at the time, but on camera says: "She knows I met Assange. And she knows I donated money to WikiLeaks in bitcoin."

Her legal representatives later wrote to the paper to say that the allegations, including that she had "channelled" donations to WikiLeaks, were false. Kaiser said she had received a small gift of bitcoin in 2011 – long before she worked at Cambridge Analytica – and, not knowing what else to do with it, gave it to WikiLeaks, because she had benefited from material it had released over the years.

Her lawyer told the Observer that the meeting with Assange came about after a chance encounter in London with an acquaintance who knew him. It lasted 20 minutes and consisted mainly of Assange telling her "about how he saw the world". He said they did not discuss the US election.

Patten and Kaiser were involved in a controversial election campaign in Nigeria in January 2015, which former Cambridge Analytica employees say had "unsettling" parallels to the US presidential election.

The Guardian revealed that the data firm had worked alongside a team of unidentified Israeli intelligence operatives on the campaign. Ex-Cambridge Analytica employees described how the Israelis hacked the now-president of Nigeria's emails and released damaging information about him to the press weeks before the election.

CBS NEWS 60 MINUTES Lara Logan "I'm Being 'Targeted' For Saying the Media is 'Mostly Liberal" by Tamar Auber

On Wednesday, former CBS News foreign correspondent Lara Logan spoke with Fox News Sean Hannity about her recent comments slamming the media as "mostly liberal."

Logan told Breitbart podcaster Mike Ritland the remarks made on his show — which drew widespread attention online — amounted to "professional suicide."

Defending her remarks on Hannity's show, Logan said that as the result of her speaking out about how the media is "mostly liberal" she has been targeted because she is an independent voice.

"Any journalists who are not beating the same drum and giving the same talking points," she insisted "pay the price" for not going along with the liberal crowd.

She also called out her targeters by name.

"I know they're going to come after me," she told Hannity. "Michael Calderone who is at the Huffington Post. I can give you the script now. I can tell you who the players are. Joe Hagan. Brian Stelter."

She added: "They smear you personally. They go after your integrity. They go after your reputation as a person and a professional. They will stop at nothing. I am not the only one. And I am just, I am done, right, I am tired of it. And they do not get to write my story anymore. They don't get to speak for me, I want to say loudly and clearly to anybody who is listening, I am not owned. Nobody owns me, right? I'm not owned by the left or the right."

Logan made headlines recently when, during a scorched earth podcast interview with Ritland, she said that there was a lot of "weight" in most news organizations on "one side of the political spectrum."

"The media everywhere is mostly liberal. But in this country, 85 percent of journalists are registered Democrats. So that's just a fact, right?" she told Ritland.

She also trashed reporting based on single, anonymous government sources.

"That's not journalism, that's horseshit," Logan stressed. "Responsibility for fake news begins with us. We bear some responsibility for that, and we're not taking ownership of that and addressing it. We just want to blame it all on somebody else."

Internal documents from a private Israeli intelligence firm called Psy-Group show that, at the time of many incidents, the company, and possibly other private investigators, were targeting U.S. citizens because they spoke up about crimes.

Psy-Group's intelligence and influence operations, which included a failed attempt in the summer of 2017 to sway a local election in central California, were detailed in a New Yorker investigation that I co-wrote earlier this month. Before it went out of business (ie: changed it's name) , last year, Psy-Group was part of a new wave of private-intelligence firms that recruited from the ranks of Israel's secret services and described themselves as "private Mossads." Psy-Group initially stood out among its rivals because it didn't just gather intelligence; its operatives used false identities, or avatars, to covertly spread messages in an attempt to influence what people believed and how they behaved. In 2016, Psy-Group held discussions with the Trump campaign and others about conducting covert "influence" operations to benefit the candidate. Psy-Group's founder and C.E.O., Royi Burstien, a veteran Israeli intelligence officer who established the firm in 2014, told me that his talks with the Trump campaign went nowhere. The company's posturing, however, attracted the attention of Robert Mueller, the special counsel, who has been investigating interference in the 2016 Presidential race.'

FED BOMBSHELL: Fusion GPS Bribed Dozens of MSM Journalists With Cash To Run Character Assassinations, While News Companies Paid Firm to Dig Dirt on Trump

High-ranking FBI insiders are pulling back the curtain on Fusion GPS, the firm that commissioned and spread the bogus Trump dossier.

It appears the embattled intelligence firm was quite busy paying off Big Media reporters, according to federal sources who have traced dozens of transactions between TD Bank and media members as well as media organizations, sources confirm.

But stunningly, Big Media organizations have employed Fusion GPS to dig dirt on politicians and D.C.'s elite — namely Donald Trump.

"Fusion GPS was on the payroll of the media and in turn had members of the media on its payroll," one FBI insider said.

Bombshell revelations.

FBI insiders confirm Fusion GPS employed law firms as well as shell companies to send and receive funds to and from media and reporters. But the embattled firm also used its accounts at TD Bank to directly commission reporters. Likewise, Fusion GPS received funds from media companies into its own accounts at TD Bank, FBI insiders said,

"There are dozens of payments from the media flowing into their (Fusion GPS') account," one federal law enforcement official said. "One company wired funds to Fusion (GPS) more than a dozen times."

Why would media companies commission Fusion GPS? Likely to dig dirt on enemies or secure records that reporters could not legally obtain, one federal law enforcement insider said. One FBI insider said the payments to Fusion GPS coincide with Donald Trump's run for the White House.

The payments were made between Sept. 2015 and Sept. 2017, records show.

The unthinkable: The mainstream media paying Fusion GPS for dirt on Trump to the same firm the Democratic National Committee paid to fund the bogus Trump dossier. And at the same time Fusion GPS bribing journalists to place stories — likely negative about Trump, as well as spread the bogus Trump dossier around.

Stunning.

Was Buzzfeed — the only company to publish the full bogus dossier — on that list?

And who is on the payroll? We are trying to run that information down.

And why aren't these people behind bars?

Google's Silicon Valley High-Tech Black-Listing Antitrust Hit-Jobs On Citizens

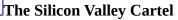
Per The United States Congress, The FBI and the FTC: The High-Tech Antitrust Black-Listing Litigation is a <u>United States Department of Justice</u> (DOJ) <u>antitrust</u> action and a civil <u>class action</u> against several <u>Silicon Valley</u> companies for secret collusion agreements which restrained the recruitment of high-tech employees. What kinds of people were some of these high tech oligarchs? Read their divorce Court Records about their sex trafficking Epstein prostitution rings, sex slaves, tax evasions, money laundering, intern abuses, political insider trading stock market bribes to U.S. Senators and other horrors. What would you do if you found out that Eric Schmidt, Larry Page, Elon Musk, Sergy Brin, John Doerr and other dynastic elitist insider frat boys were running a mob-like Cartel? Over 60,000 engineers in Silicon Valley took the problem to Federal Court!

The defendants are <u>Adobe</u>, <u>Apple Inc.</u>, <u>Google</u>, <u>Intel</u>, <u>Intuit</u>, <u>Pixar</u>, <u>Lucasfilm</u> and <u>eBay</u>, all hightechnology companies with a principal place of business in the San Francisco–Silicon Valley area of California.

The civil class action was filed by five plaintiffs, <u>one of whom has died</u>; it accused the tech companies of collusion between 2005 and 2009 to refrain from recruiting each other's employees.

Additional cases are planned for filing. Formal complaints have been filed with **The SEC**, **The DOJ**, **The GAO**, **The FBI**, **The FTC and The U.S. Congress. Active investigations into** <u>'Angelgate' and</u> <u>related collusion and anti-trust matters</u> are known to be under-way by federal, news outlet and private investigators as of 2020.





The Hit Job

How much do you have to pay Google, Alphabet, YouTube and Black Cube to dedicate a portion of their servers to push a character assassination set of links, against a competitor, to all five billion people on Earth with internet access? How much did Obama, Clinton, Bloomberg spend using those exact same systems to attack their political enemies?

We know. We have their financial records, invoices and receipts and so does the FBI and the NSA.

How much do you have to pay to get them to lock those attack links on one of the first 4 lines of EVERY search result, in the same position in the search results, for over a decade (which proves that their search results are not "organic", they are manually manipulated by Google and YouTube)? How much did Obama, Clinton, Bloomberg spend using those exact same systems to attack their political enemies?

We know. We have their financial records, invoices and receipts and so does the FBI and the NSA.

How much does it cost to make a Disney-like animated movie about a whistle-blower? How much does the production and software and person-hour billings cost? How much does it cost to distribute that movie world-wide and lock it in the top line of all search results?

We know. We have their financial records, invoices and receipts and so does the FBI and the NSA.

How much does it cost to hire a warehouse full of Russian, Nigerian and Chinese click-farm operators who use Palantir and Google software to instantly be alerted of any mention of a person's name on the internet and to then go slam that person in the comment sections with endless troll remarks? Elon Musk uses these same people to hype his narcissistic need for attention. Obama, Clinton, Bloomberg and other politicians hire these same people to attack their political adversaries. How much does it cost to have anonymous trolls in foreign countries kill a person's brand globally?

We know. We have their financial records, invoices and receipts and a huge number of lawsuits, court records, federal investigation and investigative journalism reports have exposed those records and details. The FBI, NSA, SEC, FTC and Congressional investigators can also confirm these numbers!

So it turns out that it costs: **\$35,422,152.00 to have a person and their business killed!**

That is how much they spent on their attack on the Plaintiff! The people at the top of the heap who organized the attacks were David Plouffe, Jay Carney, David Axelrod, Denis Mcdonough, Steve Rattner, Robert Gibbs, Rahm Emanual and their associates and they did it from **The West Wing and The Oval Office in The White House**.

The attacks were edited by Nick Denton and his seedy tabloid empire Gawker/Gizmodo.

The money was conduited and assisted for pass-through by political financiers Eric Schmidt, Larry Page, Sergy Brin, Elon Musk, John Doerr, Vinod Khosla, Steve Westly, Steve Spinner and their Silicon Valley oligarch Cartel black-listing operation.

It was a felony. It violated RICO, Anti-Trust and Constitutional laws.

So they spent over thirty five million dollars attacking the Plaintiff and shutting down a competitor that was targeted to make over six billion dollars in profits. The attackers then made the six billion dollars in profits for themselves, at the expense of the Plaintiff.

So how much do you think they owe the Plaintiff per previous court awards for such crimes against a member of the public?

Silicon Valley's No-poaching Case: The Growing Debate over ...

https://knowledge.wharton.upenn.edu/article/silicon-valleys-poaching-case-growing-debateemployee-mobility/

"**Silicon Valley's No-poaching** Case: The Growing Debate over Employee Mobility." Knowledge@Wharton. The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, 30 April, 2014.

Steve Jobs was 'central figure' in Silicon Valley's 'no ...

https://money.cnn.com/2014/08/11/technology/silicon-valley-poaching-case/index.html Aug 11, 2014A **lawsuit** by **Silicon Valley** workers claims Steve Jobs was a ringleader in a conspiracy not to poach employees. If **Silicon Valley's** biggest companies want an embarrassing employee **lawsuit** to go ...

Apple Google Silicon Valley No Cold Calling Anti-Poaching

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Silicon Valley firms and other **high-tech** companies owe their tremendous successes to the sacrifices and hard work of their employees, and must take responsibility for their misconduct.One of the principal means by which **high-tech** companies recruit employees is to solicit them directly from other companies in a process referred to as "cold ...

Engineers Allege Hiring Collusion in Silicon Valley - The ...

<u>https://www.nytimes.com/2014/03/01/technology/engineers-allege-hiring-collusion-in-silicon-valley.html</u>

Mar 1, 2014Alan Hyde, a Rutgers professor who wrote "Working in **Silicon Valley**: Economic and Legal Analysis of a **High**-Velocity Labor Market," said the **no-poaching** accusations go contrary to what has made ...

Apple, Google and others to pay \$415m to settle Silicon ...

https://www.telegraph.co.uk/technology/news/11843237/Apple-Google-and-others-to-pay-415m-to-settle-Silicon-Valley-no-poaching-lawsuit.html

Apple, Google and others to pay \$415m to settle **Silicon Valley 'no poaching' lawsuit** US judge agrees settlement that will see thousands of technology workers receive thousands of dollars

Dirty Secrets of Silicon Valley Poaching | Paysa

https://www.paysa.com/blog/dirty-secrets-of-silicon-valley-poaching/

Silicon Valley is a talent magnet. With prestigious **high-tech** corporations such as Google, Apple, Facebook, Netflix, and Tesla Motors among the Fortune 1000 companies and thousands of startups finding their home in the world-renowned technology hub, this comes as **no** surprise.

Silicon Valley no-poaching deal appears headed for approval

https://phys.org/news/2015-03-silicon-valley-no-poaching.html

Silicon Valley no-poaching deal appears headed for approval. by Howard Mintz, San Jose Mercury News

Silicon Valley's \$415 million poaching settlement finalized

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Sep 3, 2015**Silicon Valley's** \$415 million **poaching** settlement finalized ... **valley-tech**-giants-learnfrom-**no-poaching**-antitrust-case/ 'When Rules Don't Apply': Did **Silicon Valley tech** giants learn from **no** ...

Justice Department Requires Six High Tech Companies to ...

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The complaint arose out of a larger investigation by the Antitrust Division into employment practices by **high tech** firms. The division continues to investigate other similar **no** solicitation agreements. Adobe Systems Inc. is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in San Jose, Calif., and 2009 revenues of nearly \$3 billion.

Cold calling is one of the main methods used by companies in the high-technology sector to recruit employees with advanced and specialised skills, such as software and hardware engineers, programmers, animators, digital artists, Web developers and other technical professionals.[1] Cold calling involves communicating directly in any manner with another firm's employee who has not otherwise applied for a job opening. Cold calling may be done in person, by phone, letter, or email.[2] According to the legal brief filed by a plaintiff in one of the class-action cases, cold calling is an effective method of recruiting for the high-technology sector because "employees of other [hightechnology] companies are often unresponsive to other recruiting strategies... [and] current satisfied employees tend to be more qualified, harder working, and more stable than those who are actively looking for employment."[3]

Amy Lambert, Google's associate general counsel, noted in a blog post shortly after the DOJ's actions, that Google's definition of cold calling does not necessarily eliminate recruiting by letter or email, but only the process of calling on the telephone. By implication, recruiting through LinkedIn incurs recruiting by "InMail" - LinkedIn's own mail contact system: "In order to maintain a good working relationship with these companies, in 2005 we decided not to "cold call" employees at a few of our partner companies. Our policy only impacted cold calling, and we continued to recruit from these companies through LinkedIn, job fairs, employee referrals, or when candidates approached Google directly. In fact, we hired hundreds of employees from the companies involved during this time period."

The challenged "no cold call" agreements are alleged bilateral agreements between high technology companies not to cold call each other's employees. The DOJ alleges that senior executives at each company negotiated to have their employees added to 'no call' lists maintained by human resources personnel or in company hiring manuals. The alleged agreements were not limited by geography, job function, product group, or time period. The alleged bilateral agreements were between: (1) Apple and Google, (2) Apple and Adobe, (3) Apple and Pixar, (4) Google and Intel, (5) Google and Intuit,[4] and (6) Lucasfilm and Pixar.[5]

The civil class action further alleges that agreements also existed to (1) "provide notification when making an offer to another [company]'s employee (without the knowledge or consent of the employee)" and (2) "agreements that, when offering a position to another company's employee, neither company would counteroffer above the initial offer."[3]

Department of Justice antitrust action

The <u>United States Department of Justice Antitrust Division</u> filed a complaint in the <u>US District Court</u> for the District of Columbia alleging violations of Section 1 of the <u>Sherman Act</u>. In *US v. Adobe Systems Inc., et al.*, the Department of Justice alleged that Adobe, Apple, Google, Intel, Intuit, and Pixar had violated Section 1 of the Sherman Act by entering into a series of bilateral "No Cold Call" Agreements to prevent the recruitment of their employees (a similar but separate suit was filed against Lucasfilm on December 21, 2010[6]). The DOJ alleged in their Complaint that the companies had reached "facially anticompetitive" agreements that "eliminated a significant form of competition...to the detriment of the affected employees who were likely deprived of competitively important information and access to better job opportunities." The DOJ also alleged that the agreements "were not ancillary to any legitimate collaboration," "were much broader than reasonably necessary for the formation or implementation of any collaborative effort," and "disrupted the normal price-setting mechanisms that apply in the labor setting." [4] The same day it filed the suit, the DOJ and the defendants proposed a settlement.[7]



A final judgment enforcing the settlement was entered by the court on March 17, 2011.[8] Although the DOJ Complaint only challenged the alleged "no cold call" agreements, in the settlement, the companies agreed to a more broad prohibition against "attempting to enter into, entering into, maintaining or enforcing any agreement with any other person to in any way refrain from, requesting that any person in any way refrain from soliciting, cold calling, recruiting, or otherwise competing for employees of the other person", for a period of five years; the court can grant an extension.[8] The settlement agreement does not provide any compensation for company employees affected by the alleged agreements.[9] Lucasfilm entered into a similar settlement agreement in December 2010.[5]

Civil class action

In re: High-Tech Employee Antitrust Litigation (U.S. District Court, Northern District of California 11cv-2509 [10]) is a class-action lawsuit on behalf of over 64,000 employees of Adobe, Apple Inc., Google, Intel, Intuit, Pixar and Lucasfilm (the last two are subsidiaries of Disney) against their employer alleging that their wages were repressed due to alleged agreements between their employers not to hire employees from their competitors.[11][12] The case was filed on May 4, 2011 by a former software engineer at Lucasfilm and alleges violations of California's antitrust statute, Business and Professions Code sections 16720 et seq. (the "Cartwright Act"); Business and Professions Code sections 16600; and California's unfair competition law, Business and Professions Code sections 17200, et seq. Focusing on the network of connections around former Apple CEO <u>Steve Jobs</u>, the Complaint alleges "an interconnected web of express agreements, each with the active involvement and participation of a company under the control of Steve Jobs...and/or a company that shared at least one member of <u>Apple's</u> <u>board of directors</u>." The alleged intent of this conspiracy was "to reduce employee compensation and mobility through eliminating competition for skilled labor."[13] On October 24, 2013 the <u>United States District Court for the Northern District of California</u> granted class certification for all employees of Defendant companies from January 1, 2005 through January 1, 2010.[9]

As of October 31, 2013, Intuit, Pixar and Lucasfilm have reached a tentative settlement agreement. Pixar and Lucasfilm agreed to pay \$9 million in damages, and Intuit agreed to pay \$11 million in damages.[9] In May 2014, Judge Lucy Koh approved the \$20 million settlement between Lucasfilm, Pixar, and Intuit and their employees. Class members in this settlement, which involved fewer than 8% of the 65,000 employees affected, will receive around \$3,840 each.[14]

The trial of the class action for the remaining Defendant companies was scheduled to begin on May 27, 2014. The plaintiffs intended to ask the jury for \$3 billion in compensation, a number which could in turn have tripled to \$9 billion under antitrust law.[15] However, in late April 2014, the four remaining defendants, <u>Apple Inc</u>, <u>Google</u>, <u>Intel</u> and <u>Adobe Systems</u>, agreed to settle out of court. Any settlement must be approved by Judge <u>Lucy Koh.[16][17]</u>

On May 23, 2014, Apple, Google, Intel, Adobe agreed to settle for \$324.5 million. Lawyers sought 25% in attorneys' fees, plus expenses of as much as \$1.2 million, according to the filing. Additional award payments of \$80,000 would be sought for each named plaintiff who served as a class representative.[18] Payouts will average a few thousand dollars based on the salary of the employee at the time of the complaint.

In June 2014, Judge Lucy Koh expressed concern that the settlement may not be a good one for the plaintiffs. Michael Devine, one of the plaintiffs, said the settlement is unjust. In a letter he wrote to the judge he said the settlement represents only one-tenth of the \$3 billion in compensation the 64,000 workers could have made if the defendants had not colluded.[19]

On August 8, 2014, Judge Koh rejected the settlement as insufficient on the basis of the evidence and exposure. Rejecting a settlement is unusual in such cases. This left the defendants with a choice between raising their settlement offer or facing a trial.[20]

On September 8, 2014, Judge Koh set April 9, 2015 as the actual trial date for the remaining defendants, with a pre-trial conference scheduled for December 19, 2014. Also, as of early September 2014, the defendants had re-entered mediation to determine whether a new settlement could be reached. [21]

A final approval hearing was held on July 9, 2015.[22] On Wednesday September 2, 2015, Judge Lucy H. Koh signed an order granting Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement. The settlement website stated that Adobe, Apple, Google, and Intel has reached a settlement of \$415 million and other companies settled for \$20 million.

According to the settlement website, Gilardi & Co., LLC distributed the settlement to class members the week of December 21, 2015.

See also

- <u>Eric Schmidt § Role in illegal non-recruiting</u> <u>agreements</u>
- <u>Antipoaching</u>

The Techtopus: How Silicon Valley's most celebrated CEOs conspired to drive down 100,000 tech engineers' wages



By Mark Ames

In early 2005, as demand for Silicon Valley engineers began <u>booming</u>, Apple's Steve Jobs sealed a secret and illegal pact with Google's Eric Schmidt to artificially push their workers wages lower by agreeing not to recruit each other's employees, sharing wage scale information, and punishing violators. On February 27, 2005, Bill Campbell, a member of Apple's board of directors and <u>senior advisor</u> to

Google, emailed Jobs to confirm that Eric Schmidt "got directly involved and firmly stopped all efforts to recruit anyone from Apple."

Later that year, Schmidt instructed his Sr VP for Business Operation Shona Brown to keep the pact a secret and only share information "verbally, since I don't want to create a paper trail over which we can be sued later?"

These secret conversations and agreements between some of the biggest names in Silicon Valley were first exposed in a Department of Justice antitrust <u>investigation</u> launched by the Obama Administration in 2010. That DOJ suit became the basis of a <u>class action lawsuit</u> filed on behalf of over 100,000 tech employees whose wages were artificially lowered — an <u>estimated \$9 billion</u> effectively stolen by the high-flying companies from their workers to pad company earnings — in the second half of the 2000s. Last week, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals denied attempts by Apple, Google, Intel, and Adobe to have the lawsuit tossed, and gave final approval for the class action suit to go forward. A jury trial date has been set for May 27 in San Jose, before US District Court judge Lucy Koh, who presided over the Samsung-Apple patent suit.

In a related but separate investigation and ongoing suit, eBay and its former CEO Meg Whitman, now CEO of HP, are being sued by both the <u>federal government</u> and the <u>state of California</u> for arranging a similar, secret wage-theft agreement with Intuit (and possibly Google as well) during the same period.

The secret wage-theft agreements between Apple, Google, Intel, Adobe, Intuit, and Pixar (now owned by Disney) are described in court papers obtained by PandoDaily as "an overarching conspiracy" in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act and the Clayton Antitrust Act, and at times it reads like something lifted straight out of the robber baron era that produced those laws. Today's inequality crisis is America's <u>worst on record</u> since statistics were first recorded a hundred years ago — the only comparison would be to the era of the railroad tycoons in the late 19th century.

Shortly after sealing the pact with Google, Jobs strong-armed Adobe into joining after he complained to CEO Bruce Chizen that Adobe was recruiting Apple's employees. Chizen sheepishly responded that he thought only a small class of employees were off-limits:

I thought we agreed not to recruit any senior level employees.... I would propose we keep it that way. Open to discuss. It would be good to agree.

Jobs responded by threatening war:

OK, I'll tell our recruiters they are free to approach any Adobe employee who is not a Sr. Director or VP. Am I understanding your position correctly?

Adobe's Chizen immediately backed down:

I'd rather agree NOT to actively solicit any employee from either company.....If you are in agreement, I will let my folks know.

The next day, Chizen let his folks — Adobe's VP of Human Resources — know that "we are not to solicit ANY Apple employees, and visa versa." Chizen was worried that if he didn't agree, Jobs would make Adobe pay:

if I tell Steve [Jobs] it's open season (other than senior managers), he will deliberately poach Adobe just to prove a point. Knowing Steve, he will go after some of our top Mac talent...and he will do it in a way in which they will be enticed to come (extraordinary packages and Steve wooing).

Indeed Jobs even threatened war against Google early 2005 before their "gentlemen's agreement," telling Sergey Brin to back off recruiting Apple's Safari team:

if you [Brin] hire a single one of these people that means war.

Brin immediately advised Google's Executive Management Team to halt all recruiting of Apple employees until an agreement was discussed.

In the geopolitics of <u>Silicon Valley tech power</u>, Adobe was no match for a corporate superpower like Apple. Inequality of the sort we're experiencing today affects everyone in ways we haven't even thought of — whether it's Jobs bullying slightly lesser executives into joining an illegal wage-theft pact, or the tens of thousands of workers whose wages were artificially lowered, transferred into higher corporate earnings, and <u>higher compensations</u> for those already richest and most powerful to begin with.

Over the next two years, as the tech industry entered another frothing bubble, the secret wage-theft pact which began with Apple, Google and Pixar expanded to include Intuit and Intel. The secret agreements were based on relationships, and those relationships were forged in Silicon Valley's <u>incestuous boards</u> of directors, which in the past has been recognized mostly as a problem for shareholders and corporate governance advocates, rather than for the tens of thousands of employees whose wages and lives are viscerally affected by their clubby backroom deals. Intel CEO Paul Otellini joined Google's board of directors in 2004, a part-time gig that netted Otellini <u>\$23 million in 2007</u>, with tens of millions more in Google stock options still in his name — which worked out to \$464,000 per Google board event if you only counted the stock options Otellini cashed out — dwarfing what Otellini made off his Intel stock options, despite spending most of his career with the company.

Meanwhile, Eric Schmidt served on Apple's board of directors until 2009, when a <u>DoJ antitrust</u> <u>investigation</u> pushed him to resign. Intuit's chairman at the time, Bill Campbell, also served on Apple's board of directors, and as official advisor — <u>"consigliere"</u> — to Google chief Eric Schmidt, until he <u>resigned</u> from Google in 2010. Campbell, a celebrated figure ("a quasi-religious force for good in Silicon Valley") played a key behind-the-scenes role connecting the various CEOs into the wage-theft pact. Steve Jobs, who took regular Sunday walks with Campbell near their Palo Alto homes, valued Campbell for his ability "to get A and B work out of people," gushing that the conduit at the center of the \$9 billion wage theft suit, <u>"loves people, and he loves growing people."</u>

Indeed. Eric Schmidt has been, if anything, even more profuse in his praise of Campbell. Schmidt credits Campbell for structuring Google when Schmidt was brought on board in 2001:

His contribution to Google — it is literally not possible to overstate. He essentially architected the organizational structure.

Court documents show it was Campbell who first brought together Jobs and Schmidt to form the core of the Silicon Valley wage-theft pact. And Campbell's name appears as the early conduit bringing Intel into the pact with Google:

Bill Campbell (Chairman of Intuit Board of Directors, Co-Lead Director of Apple, and advisor to Google) was also involved in the Google-Intel agreement, as reflected in an email exchange from 2006 in which Bill Campbell agreed with Jonathan Rosenberg (Google Advisor to the Office of CEO and former Senior Vice President of Product Management) that Google should call [Intel CEO] Paul Otellini before making an offer to an Intel employee, regardless of whether the Intel employee first approached Google.

Getting Google on board with the wage-theft pact was the key for Apple from the start — <u>articles</u> in the tech press in 2005 pointed at Google's recruitment drive and incentives were the key reason why tech wages soared that year, at the highest rate in well over a decade.

Campbell helped bring in Google, Intel, and, in 2006, Campbell saw to it that Intuit — the company he <u>chaired</u> — also joined the pact.

From the peaks of Silicon Valley, Campbell's interpersonal skills were <u>magical</u> and awe-inspiring, a crucial factor in creating so much unimaginable wealth for their companies and themselves. Jobs <u>said</u> of Campbell:

There is something deeply human about him.

And Schmidt swooned:

He is my closest confidant...because he is the definition of trust.

Things — and people — look very different when you're down in the Valley. In the nearly 100-page court opinion issued last October by Judge Koh granting class status to the lawsuit, Campbell comes off as anything but mystical and "deeply human." He comes off as a scheming consigliere carrying out some of the drearier tasks that the oligarchs he served were constitutionally not so capable of arranging without him.

But the realities of inequality and capitalism invariably lead to mysticism of this sort, a natural human response to the dreary realities of concentrating so much wealth and power in the hands of a dozen interlocking board members at the expense of 100,000 employees, and so many other negative knock-off effects on the politics and culture of the world they dominate.

One of the more telling elements to this lawsuit is the role played by "Star Wars" creator George Lucas, who emerges as the Obi-Wan Kenobi of the wage-theft scheme. It's almost too perfectly symbolic that Lucas — the symbiosis of Baby Boomer New Age mysticism, Left Coast power, political infantilism, and dreary 19th century labor exploitation — should be responsible for dreaming up the wage theft scheme back in the mid-1980s, when Lucas sold the computer animation division of Lucasfilm, Pixar, to Steve Jobs.

As Pixar went independent in 1986, Lucas explained his philosophy about how competition for computer engineers violated his sense of normalcy — and profit margins. According to court documents:

George Lucas believed that companies should not compete against each other for employees, because '[i]t's not normal industrial competitive situation.' As George Lucas explained, 'I always — the rule we had, or the rule that I put down for everybody,' was that 'we cannot get into a bidding war with other companies because we don't have the margins for that sort of thing.'

Translated, Lucas' wage-reduction agreement meant that Lucasfilm and Pixar agreed to a) never cold call each other's employees; b) notify each other if making an offer to an employee of the other company, even if that employee applied for the job on his or her own without being recruited; c) any offer made would be "final" so as to avoid a costly bidding war that would drive up not just the employee's salary, but also drive up the pay scale of every other employee in the firm.

Jobs held to this agreement, and used it as the basis two decades later to suppress employee costs just as fierce competition was driving up tech engineers' wages.

The companies argued that the non-recruitment agreements had nothing to do with driving down wages. But the court ruled that there was "extensive documentary evidence" that the pacts were designed specifically to push down wages, and that they succeeded in doing so. The evidence includes software tools used by the companies to keep tabs on pay scales to ensure that within job "families" or titles, pay remained equitable within a margin of variation, and that as competition and recruitment boiled over in 2005, emails between executives and human resources departments complained about the pressure on wages caused by recruiters cold calling their employees, and bidding wars for key engineers.

Google, like the others, used a "salary algorithm" to ensure salaries remained within a tight band across like jobs. Although tech companies like to claim that talent and hard work are rewarded, in private, Google's "People Ops" department kept overall compensation essentially equitable by making sure that lower-paid employees who performed well got higher salary increases than higher-paid employees who also performed well.

As Intel's director of Compensation and Benefits bluntly summed up the Silicon Valley culture's official cant versus its actual practices,

While we pay lip service to meritocracy, we really believe more in treating everyone the same within broad bands.

The companies in the pact shared their salary data with each other in order to coordinate and keep down wages — something unimaginable had the firms not agreed to not compete for each other's employees. And they fired their own recruiters on just a phone call from a pact member CEO.

In 2007, when Jobs learned that Google tried recruiting one of Apple's employees, he forwarded the message to Eric Schmidt with a personal comment attached: "I would be very pleased if your recruiting department would stop doing this."

Within an hour, Google made a "public example" by "terminating" the recruiter in such a manner as to "(hopefully) prevent future occurrences."

Likewise, when Intel CEO Paul Otellini heard that Google was recruiting their tech staff, he sent a message to Eric Schmidt: "Eric, can you pls help here???"

The next day, Schmidt wrote back to Otellini: "If we find that a recruiter called into Intel, we will terminate the recruiter."

One of the reasons why non-recruitment works so well in artificially lowering workers' wages is that it deprives employees of information about the job market, particularly one as competitive and overheating as Silicon Valley's in the mid-2000s. As the companies' own internal documents and statements showed, they generally considered cold-calling recruitment of "passive" talent — workers not necessarily looking for a job until enticed by a recruiter — to be the most important means of hiring the best employees.

Just before joining the wage-theft pact with Apple, Google's human resources executives are quoted sounding the alarm that they needed to "dramatically increase the engineering hiring rate" and that would require "drain[ing] competitors to accomplish this rate of hiring." One CEO who noticed Google's hiring spree was eBay CEO Meg Whitman, who in early 2005 called Eric Schmidt to complain, "Google is the talk of the Valley because [you] are driving up salaries across the board." Around this time, eBay entered an illegal wage-theft non-solicitation scheme of its own with Bill Campbell's Intuit, which is still being tried in ongoing federal and California state suits.

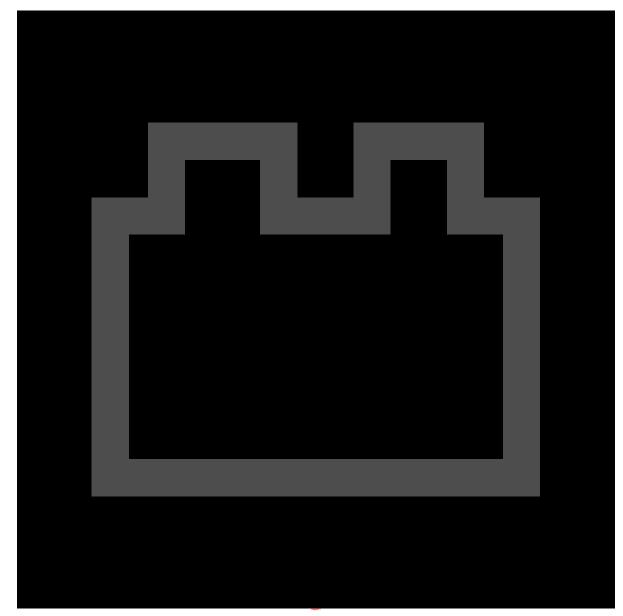
Google placed the highest premium on "passive" talent that they cold-called because "passively sourced candidates offer[ed] the highest yield," according to court documents. The reason is like the old Groucho Marx joke about not wanting to belong to a club that would let you join it — workers actively seeking a new employer were assumed to have something wrong with them; workers who weren't looking were assumed to be the kind of good happy talented workers that company poachers would want on their team.

For all of the high-minded talk of post-industrial technotopia and Silicon Valley as worker's paradise, what we see here in stark ugly detail is how the same old world scams and rules are still operative.

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Google manipulates your searches for you to be subconsciously swayed — let that sink in. We are dealing with that today. 2020 Election: Who Decides? **Google** meddling with the 2020 election? We will cover it, but also go back in history and explain that this is NOT a new development. Manipulation, deception: It starts often as **subliminal**.

<u>Subliminal Messaging Used By Google To Manipulate Hapless</u> <u>Citizens | Owlcation</u>

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Subliminal messages are perceived by the unconscious brain. There is not as much **subliminal** messaging happening in the US now as previously reported, but there could be subtle **messages** that are received unconsciously. Messaging has probably been used by or **political** operatives, yet it may not work.

<u>Sneaky Subliminal Messages Hidden in Google Ads | Mental</u> <u>Floss</u>

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The FCC fielded the incident, and subsequently condemned such tactics as being "contrary to the public interest"; it's believed to be the first example of **subliminal** advertising on television.

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Subliminal messages, on the other hand, are likewise real and similar to supraliminal **messages** except that the signal or stimulus is below our threshold of conscious awareness. In other words, you cannot consciously perceive a **subliminal message**, even if you search for it.

THE LIES, CORRUPTION AND ANTI-TRUST VIOLATING INSIDER TRADING SCAMS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Any voyage onto the path of funding from the Department of Energy will be a road to hell.

While frozen-smile aides will shake your hand and tell you how "*excited they are to welcome your application*", behind your back they are sharpening their knives.

Over 100 past Applicants were lied to, defrauded, stone-walled, bottom-drawer'd, sabotaged, and generally screwed with by **The Department of Energy** in order to: 1.) protect campaign financiers who were their competitors and 2.) stone-wall those Applicant's for being competitive against the Elon Musk and Solyndra chosen insiders.

Almost EVERY competing Applicant was faster, cheaper, had better MPG, was easier to manufacture, had lower cost to the main-stream market, had a better set of financials, had a better debt ratio, was safer, etc. but they missed one key factor: THEY DID NOT OFFER BRIBES AS LARGE AS ELON MUSK DID!

Even in 2020 you would have to be a sucker to apply for DOE funds. There are people inside DOE who are dedicated to making sure you never get that money. You can get a faster loan from a commercial bank without thousands of hidden "gotchas" and insider trading schemes to trip you up. These tricks, built into the Department of Energy process, are created to ensure that DOE insiders have thousands of excuses to never let you get the money unless you agree to finance the correct political candidates.

Title XVII Innovative Energy Technology Loan Guarantee Program

DOE is supposed to support the commercial development of innovative clean energy technologies through its Loan Programs Office (LPO). Authorized by the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the Title XVII Loan Program enables the DOE to issue loans ranging from several million to more than \$1 billion for advanced fossil, advanced nuclear, renewable energy and energy efficiency projects that employ "new or significantly improved technology." And in 2018, LPO announced an open solicitation for energy projects on tribal lands. These solicitations remain open and are supposedly actively seeking qualified applicants as a result of continued congressional support and new programmatic direction but the historical facts prove that this program has been manipulated to operate as a political slush-fund to finance insider favorites and sabotage their competitors.

Under Title XVII program authority, the DOE can guarantee loans for up to 80 percent of total project costs for eligible proposals. As of March 2020, LPO maintains \$25.9 billion in loan guarantee authority across the solicitations mentioned above. LPO has closed only one loan since 2011 – for the Vogtle nuclear power station in Georgia and, more than ever, seems to be simply a sham for insider political campaign financiers to get payola from. Notably, LPO is under increasing pressure from Congress to move more applications through diligence and to loan close.

Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing (ATVM) Program

Under the ATVM Program, automobile manufacturers or advanced vehicle automobile component or material manufacturers are supposed to eligible to obtain direct loans from the DOE for projects that reequip, expand or establish manufacturing facilities in the U.S. to produce "ultra-efficient vehicles," passenger automobiles, light duty trucks or associated components that meet the DOE's emission and fuel economy standards for "advanced technology vehicles." Political insiders will always, though, find a way to disqualify any applicant who competes with campaign financier favorites. Hundreds of highly qualified applicants were denied because Elon Musk knew they could put Tesla out of business without DOE's exclusive support of his monopoly. Tesla's own senior staff have written widely about the 'gate-keeper' insider trading scam at DOE. DOE is an anti-trust operator who is a gatekeeper of industry winners and losers based on who donated the most to certain PACs.

To date, the DOE has funded five loans under the ATVM program totaling \$8.4 billion, approximately one-third of its \$25 billion loan authority. The ATVM program is not subject to an expiration date, and

despite previous congressional efforts to rescind ATVM's corruption-based funding, the program and its remaining \$16.6 billion in loan authority remain available for insider projects that can be trusted to kick campaign financing back to certain politicians. In the most recent DOE funding bill, Congress directed LPO to "expeditiously evaluate and adjudicate all loan applications received" by the ATVM program, another sign that Congress wants to see a resumption of federal loan guarantees.

The Secretary of Energy and the Chief Counsel for the United States Department of Energy have been challenged, in writing, to provide the names of *ANY* Loan Programs Office (LPO) or Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing (ATVM) Program official, reviewer, advisor or staffer who was not, from 2007 forward, either financed by, friends, with, sleeping with, dating the staff of, holding stock market assets in, promised a revolving door job or government service contracts from, partying with, personal friends with, photographed at private events with, exchanging emails with, business associates of or directed by; one of those business adversaries, or the Senators and Department of Energy politicians that those business adversaries pay campaign finances to, or supply political digital services to. From 2008 forward, The White House and The Department Of Energy were controlled by the Silicon Valley tech oligarchs! That is a violation of the law, the Constitution and the American Way.

Department of Energy PR officials blindly push their revisionist history propaganda party-line hype that the DOE has been *"fair and successful"*. There has never been a bigger lie on Earth since the first frat boy told the first sorority girl *"don't worry, I won't get it in your mouth.."*

One group used CIA and FBI style investigation tools to hunt down every reviewer, contractor and insider involved in the Loan Programs Office (LPO) or Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing (ATVM) Program since 2007. A forensic chart was produced showing the insider trading, revolving door and social engagements of each. In almost 97% of the cases, every person was found to have glaringly unethical, often criminal, conflicts of interest between beneficiary lines of connection.

In fact, multiple groups have insisted that the FBI, the NSA, The CIA and 60 Minutes conduct their own independent studies, on a name, by name basis of the DOE staff involved and publish the results of that study to Congress and the public. The forensic facts prove the following:

- Famous political figures use the *trillions* of dollars in government treasuries and the stock market for illicit profiteering by rigging the system exclusively for themselves and their crony insiders.

- They attacked whistle-blowers using government taxpayer funded media (Fusion GPS, Black Cube, Google, Pysops, Gizmodo, Media Matters, Blumenthal, etc.) and spy agency tools because others competed with their businesses and reported their crimes.

- San Francisco Bay Area government has as many corrupt politicians as Chicago and relies on the same RICO-violating insider corruption network to operate; as proven by deep AI searches of their financial records. Arrests of those officials is now underway.

- Silicon Valley law enforcement records prove that these tech oligarchs engage in an organized, racketeering-based, massive sex trafficking, tax evasion, anti-trust violating, spousal abuse, money laundering, black-listing, racist, ageist, political bribery, crony racketeering crime Cartel.

- Famous U.S. Senators, Governors and their staff knowingly engage in, finance, operate and benefit from these crimes in exchange for search engine manipulation and stock market assets.

- Silicon Valley and Hollywood media companies censor and cover-up news coverage of these crimes because they have a financial connection to the perpetrators.

- Most of the government officials working on this were hand-picked by the adversaries of the whistleblowers. Whistle-blowers cases have never been fairly reviewed by non-biased, non-conflicted officials. FBI associates have not found a single entity in the case reviews, or determinations, who was not either: financed by, friends, with, sleeping with, dating the staff of, holding stock market assets in, promised a revolving door job or government service contracts from, partying with, personal friends with, photographed at private events with, exchanging emails with, business associates of or directed by; one of those business adversaries, or the Senators and politicians that those business adversaries pay campaign finances to, or supply political digital services to.

The U.S. Department of Energy has supplied no apologies, no compensation for damages to the victims and no halt in the slush-fund payola schemes!

Do you doubt the veracity of these claims? Show this letter to Bill Cooper, the head lawyer for DOE. Ask him to provide forensic data proving any of these assertions are not true! He can't do it!

We can provide thousands of FBI agents, investigative journalists and Congressional staff to prove these assertions are true.

Dept. of Energy staff claim that they got rid of all of the bad people at DOE and that the evil ones don't work there any more but OPM confirms that to be a lie. The stock market holdings, revolving door deals, voter records and social media postings of the current Dept of Energy staff prove that the corrupt ones never left. Tell DOE to take a look at their moral construct if they contact you!

See <u>http://www.majestic111.com</u> for more on this.

Jay Carney was Obama's "Hit Man" in the Oval Office at The White House during the Cleantech Crash. It was Carney who helped order character assassinations and hit jobs on members of the public who spoke out about the crimes. Carney was recently caught, again, ordering hit jobs at Amazon, as well. In a famous magazine interview, his home was revealed to be covered in communist propaganda posters.

Leaked notes from an internal meeting of Amazon leadership obtained by VICE News reveal company executives discussed a plan to smear fired warehouse employee Christian Smalls, calling him "not smart or articulate" as part of a PR strategy to make him "the face of the entire union/organizing movement."

"He's not smart, or articulate, and to the extent the press wants to focus on us versus him, we will be in a much stronger PR position than simply explaining for the umpteenth time how we're trying to protect workers," wrote Amazon General Counsel David Zapolsky in notes from the meeting forwarded widely in the company. The discussion took place at a daily meeting, which included CEO Jeff Bezos, to update each other on the coronavirus situation. Amazon SVP of Global Corporate Affairs Jay Carney <u>described the purpose</u> to <u>CNN on Sunday</u>: "We go over the update on what's happening around the world with our employees and with our customers and our businesses. We also spend a significant amount of time just brainstorming about what else we can do" about COVID-19.

Amazon <u>fired the warehouse worker Smalls</u>, after he led a walkout of a number of employees at a Staten Island distribution warehouse. Amazon says he was fired for violating a company-imposed 14-day quarantine after he came into contact with an employee who tested positive for the coronavirus.

Zapolsky's notes from the meeting detail Amazon's plan to deal with a wave of bad press and calls for investigations from elected officials following the firing of Smalls. They also show top Amazon brass wanted to make Smalls the focus of its narrative when questioned about worker safety.

"We should spend the first part of our response strongly laying out the case for why the organizer's conduct was immoral, unacceptable, and arguably illegal, in detail, and only then follow with our usual talking points about worker safety," Zapolsky wrote. "Make him the most interesting part of the story, and if possible make him the face of the entire union/organizing movement."

They discussed encouraging Amazon executives to use Smalls to discredit the wider labor movement at Amazon. Employees at the warehouse, known as JFK8, <u>launched an effort to unionize in 2018</u>.

In his notes, Zapolsky wrote that there was "general agreement" on this point among the other attendees of the meeting. (Zapolsky's notes also mention SVP of worldwide operations and customer service Dave Clark and SVP of human resources Beth Galetti.) This is the typical culture of the Obama crowd of insider executives who will destroy any citizen who gets in their way. Jay Carney runs a *Massive covert organized corruption team at Amazon in order to manipulate Democracy.*

Massive covert organized corruption teams operate these kinds of manipulation of the truth and of Democracy with the cooperation of U.S. Senators and agencies like The Department of Energy.

Examples of these groups include Pacronym and American Bridge who are part of Arabella Advisors, a consulting firm that is not required to identify its donors.

Pacronym's affiliated groups create a large network of fake local news outlets that are designed to promote progressive viewpoints inside battleground states in order to rig insider trading for their top bosses.

They are all part of a wealthy dark money network that manipulates public policy for personal profiteering.

American Bridge 21st Century and Pacronym are cutting ads thrashing outsiders as super PACs who go after people they don't like, The Washington Post <u>reported</u>. Both groups also have ties to two fake false-

front large nonprofit groups — New Venture Fund and Sixteen Thirty Fund — connected to a massive extreme-leaning consulting group.

NVF gave one of Pacronym's nonprofits — ACRONYM — \$250,000 while providing American Bridge \$40,000 in 2018, <u>according to</u> NVF's 2018 IRS documents. IRS <u>records</u> also indicated American Bridge pulled in \$200,000 in 2018 from nonprofit Sixteen Thirty Fund, which reportedly spent \$141 million on various extreme-leaning causes during the midterm election year.

Sixteen Thirty Fund and nonprofit NVF are tied into the same sprawling network, according to an analysis by investigators. Arabella Advisors, a philanthropic consulting company based in Washington, D.C., manages four nonprofits, including the <u>NVF</u>, Sixteen Thirty Fund, Hopewell Fund and the Windward Fund.

Sixteen Thirty Fund has not responded to requests for comment, while NVF acknowledged making a grant to ACRONYM in 2018 but noted that it "has nothing to do with the activities at PACRONYM or American Bridge."

Arabella representative Steve Sampson called NVF merely a "client of ours," even though the consulting group shares a Washington, D.C., office with all four groups, according to NVF and Sixteen Thirty Fund's 2018 IRS records. American Bridge has not responded to requests for comment.

Other groups have raised alarms about the network as well.

"Arabella Network is the umbrella, and they have these two funds that flow toward both of these groups. A clearly full-blown extremist arm that is casting itself as a nonprofit is politiicizing this event," former Nevada Attorney General Adam Laxalt told the press.

Laxalt is the Outside Counsel to Americans for Public Trust, a group dedicated to uncovering unethical behavior. Americans for Public Trust has <u>covered</u> the network in the past. (**RELATED: Billionaire Allegedly Behind A False Flag Operation In Alabama Helped Finance The Group Behind Iowa Caucus Chaos**)

"American lives are more important than scoring cheap political points," he added after suggesting that the group is striking while the iron is hot and making certain they capitalize on a crisis that has so far killed thousands of people.

Laxalt is referring to Pacronym's <u>announcement</u> on March 17 to plow \$5 million into a digital advertising campaign railing against those they hate. The ads are published through Four is Enough, a Pacronym project.

ACRONYM's founder said the campaign makes sense from a public health and national security perspective.

Democratic operative David Plouffe another Jay Carney-type "hit-man", who managed former President Barack Obama's 2008 White House bid, sits alongside McGowan on ACRONYM's board.

ACRONYM has not responded to the DCNF's repeated requests for comment. (**RELATED: Tech** Firm Behind Iowa Caucus Disaster Also Played Role In Creating A Covert Democratic Propaganda Media Outfit) Some academics argued that orchestrating such a campaign skirts ethical rules. Running advertisements thrashing the president during a health crisis looks bad, according to Daniel Kreiss, a professor of political communication at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

"It's a very fine line between ensuring that the president has the legitimacy to speak authoritatively on what Americans must do in order to be safe, and the very real and legitimate questions to raise regarding how the president has handled this crisis given that he's on the ballot in November," Kreiss told WaPo in a March 17 report addressing the ad campaign push.

Laxalt, Nevada's former attorney general, expressed a similar position.

"The timing of attacking the president in battleground states is appalling. If they are going to do it, then you name the place. I think that doing it right this second is outrageous," he told the DCNF.

Meanwhile, ACRONYM's McGowan is also creating a constellation of local news websites that act as progressive arms targeting the president and his policies.

McGowan, a digital <u>producer</u> for Obama for America in 2011 and the <u>proprietor</u> behind ACRONYM, raised at least \$25 million from wealthy liberals to create a media company called <u>Courier Newsroom</u> that is designed to deliver information favorable to Democrats. Courier is rolling out newspapers in swing states to counter what its founder believes is right-wing spin on Facebook and across the digital domain.

Along with the Courier Newsroom, McGowan is reportedly creating Virginia Dogwood and Arizona's Copper Courier, among others that are expected to roll out in Michigan, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Wisconsin, all battleground states.

Mind the Gap at Stanford University is an even sneakier covert group from this crowd. Their efforts haven't previously been reported. They recently petitioned some donors for at least \$100,000 to support its efforts. Backers include people like <u>Facebook co-founder Dustin Moskovitz</u>, former Google CEO Eric Schmidt, San Francisco power broker Ron Conway, and a coterie of major Democratic donors from across Silicon Valley, including fundraiser Amy Rao. What is also unusual is that Mind the Gap is led not by highly experienced political hands, but by academics with no professional backgrounds as fundraisers. The group's leaders are a pair of Stanford law professors: <u>Barbara Fried</u>, who has no apparent campaign experience, and <u>Paul Brest</u>, the former president of the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. <u>Graham Gottlieb</u>, a Stanford fellow who served in junior roles for former President Barack Obama's 2012 reelection campaign and in his White House, is its executive director.

While dressed in khaki's and acting like they are "saving the trees", the people behind these groups are cold-blooded mercenaries drunk on power, hookers, private jets and a sense of being above-the-law.

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