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## **CASH FOR THE COUP:**

The Groups Behind Capitol Riots Are Funded By Mainstream Conservative And Corporate Donors

**SUMMARY:** On January 6, 2021, a rally in support of overturning the results of the 2020 presidential election "<u>turned deadly</u>" when thousands of people stormed the U.S. Capitol at Donald Trump's urging. The event at the center of the Capitol riot, the "March to Save America," had the <u>backing</u> of a variety of conservative groups that have tried to <u>downplay</u> their <u>roles</u> in what is now widely considered an attempted <u>insurrection</u> against the federal government.

As conservative leaders and officials try to <u>distance themselves</u> from the events of January 6, 2021, an Accountable.US review has discovered that most of the groups behind the rally have enjoyed the support of some of the right wing's biggest backers. These include:

- The Rule Of Law Defense Fund (RLDF)—which sent <u>robocalls</u> urging a march on the capitol—has reportedly received nearly \$1.6 million from major conservative backer the Judicial Crisis Network and has taken at least \$50,000 from the trade association for electric utility companies. RLDF's parent, the Republican Attorneys General Association (RAGA), also took \$15 million from major corporate donors in the first three quarters of 2020 in addition to the tens of millions of dollars it received from other stalwart conservative backers since 2014—including the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the Judicial Crisis Network, Sheldon Adelson's Las Vegas Sands, and Koch Industries.
- Turning Point USA, which claimed to have sent "80+ buses full of patriots" to the rally, has received millions of dollars from conservative megadonors, including the Marcus and Uihlein families as well as affiliates of the Koch brothers, as part of the over \$11 million it received from other major donors in recent years.
- Women For America First's leader was listed on the <u>permit</u> for the rally, the group urged supporters to "<u>caravan</u>" there, and has been <u>tied</u> to the broader movement to overturn the election. The group has received funding from America First Policies, a "pro-Trump policy advocacy" group.
- Tea Party Patriots has taken \$4.29 million just from GOP megadonor Dick Uihlein.
- The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles backed the rally after their affiliated PAC took money from a Rockefeller heir and several right-leaning organizations.
- **Moms For America**—which hosted a Capitol Hill rally the day before the riot—where an Illinois congresswoman claimed "<u>Hitler was right</u>"—took in over \$230,000 in 2018.
- The **Black Conservatives Fund**, a group that helped <u>promote</u> the rally and is closely <u>tied</u> to the "Stop the Steal" founder, has taken \$215,000 from GOP megadonors the Mercer Family.
- **Peaceably Gather**, founded by a megachurch pastor to keep churches open <u>despite</u> the pandemic, has legal backing from the Trump-tied, anti-LGBT, and anti-choice <u>First Liberty Institute</u>.
- The founder of the **Eighty Percent Coalition**, formed <u>shortly</u> before the attempted insurrection, was previously on the permit for a post-election pro-Trump rally <u>held</u> by Women for America First that claimed to <u>book</u> multiple GOP members of congress (one of whom has promoted QAnon conspiracies) and a former Trump adviser (who has alleged ties to anti-Semitic groups).

Conservative Groups Organized A Rally To Protest Certification Of The 2020 Election Results, During And After Which The Crowd Marched To The Capitol And Stormed The Building, Resulting In Multiple Deaths

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

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

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

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

President Trump Spoke At The March To Save America, Making Claims That The Election Was Stolen From Him, And Said He Would March With Them To US Capitol Building Form White House. "Several thousand protesters cheered President Donald Trump and his baseless claims of election fraud at a rally near the White House on Wednesday ahead of Congress' vote to affirm President-elect Joe Biden's victory. 'We will not let them silence your voices,' Trump told the protesters, who had lined up before sunrise to get a prime

position to hear the president...From the Ellipse south of the White House, the protesters planned to march to the Capitol before the vote. Trump said he would be with them." [CBS Local Baltimore, 1/06/21]

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Rule Of Law Defense Fund – A "Fundraising Arm Of The Republican Attorneys General Association" – Sent Robocalls Urging People To March On The Capitol And Has Received Significant Financial Backing From The Judicial Crisis Network.

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

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

### RAGA's Executive Director—Who Also "Spearheaded" RLDF—Resigned Following Backlash Over The Robocalls.

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

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

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

#### <u>The Leaders Of RLDF And RAGA—Both Currently-Sitting Republican Attorneys</u> General—Have Deflected Blame For The Robocalls.

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

• Steve Marshall Is The Currently-Sitting Attorney General For Alabama. [Home, Alabama Attorney General, accessed 01/12/21]

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

• Chris Carr Is The Currently-Sitting Attorney General For Georgia. [Home, Georgia Attorney General, accessed 01/12/21]

#### The Rule Of Law Defense Fund Does Not Disclose Its Donors, But Has Taken Money From The Utility Industry And The Judicial Crisis Network.

| Entity                       | Donation         | Year | Notes                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Edison Electric<br>Institute | <u>\$25,000</u>  | 2014 | The Edison Electric Institute is the industry association that represents utility companies.                          |
| Judicial Crisis<br>Network   | <u>\$435,000</u> | 2014 | Judicial Crisis Network is a dark money group which seeks to advance the presence of right wing actors in the SCOTUS. |
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|                                                   |                  |      | of right wing actors in the SCOTUS.                                                                                   |
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| Judicial Crisis<br>Network                        | <u>\$700,000</u> | 2018 | Judicial Crisis Network is a dark money group which seeks to advance the presence of right wing actors in the SCOTUS. |
| Alabama Power<br>Company Employees<br>Federal PAC | \$25,000         | 2020 | PAC for Employees Of<br>the Alabama Power<br>Company – an electric<br>utility in Alabama.                             |
| TOTAL:                                            | \$1,685,000      |      |                                                                                                                       |

#### Edison Electric Institute, A Utility Company Trade Group, Has Given At Least \$50,000 To The RLDF And Another \$50,000 To RAGA.

The Edison Electric Institute (EEI) Is A Trade Association That Represents Utility Companies. "RLDF also received \$25,000 in 2014 from the Edison Electric Institute, a trade association that represents investor-owned utility companies." [Andrew Perez and Margaret Sessa-Hawkins, "Conservative Group Led By EPA Chief Pruitt Received Dark Money To Battle Environmental Regulations," Maplight, 06/07/17]

While Oklahoma Attorney General, Former Trump EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt Joined An EEI
Member In Suing Against An EPA Pollution Rule. "As attorney general, Pruitt joined Oklahoma Gas
& Electric, an EEI member, in suing the EPA to overturn its regional haze rule, which limits pollution
near national parks." [Andrew Perez and Margaret Sessa-Hawkins, "Conservative Group Led By EPA
Chief Pruitt Received Dark Money To Battle Environmental Regulations," Maplight, 06/07/17]

The Edison Electric Institute Gave \$25,000 To RLDF Between January 1, 2016 And December 31, 2016. [Edison Electric Institute IRS Form 990, 11/15/17]

• The Edison Electric Institute Also Gave \$25,000 To The Republican Attorneys General Association In The Same Period. [Edison Electric Institute IRS Form 990, 11/15/17]

The Edison Electric Institute Gave \$25,000 To RLDF Between January 1, 2014 And December 31, 2015. [Edison Electric Institute IRS Form 990, 11/16/15]

• The Edison Electric Institute Also Gave \$25,000 To The Republican Attorneys General Association In The Same Period. [Edison Electric Institute IRS Form 990, 11/16/15]

The Judicial Crisis Network, Which Spent \$22 Million On Trump's Supreme Court Nominees And At Least \$1 Million On The GOP's State Elections Arm, Has Reported Giving At Least \$1.585 Million To RLDF And Has Given Nearly \$10.8 Million To RAGA Since 2014.

The Judicial Crisis Network Gave \$700,000 To The Rule Of Law Defense Fund Between July 2018 And June 30, 2019. [Judicial Crisis Network IRS Form 990, 07/14/20]

• The Judicial Crisis Network Also Gave \$2,650,000 To The Republican Attorney Generals Association [Sic], Located At The Same Address As RLDF, In The Same Period. [Judicial Crisis Network IRS Form 990, 07/14/20]

The Judicial Crisis Network Gave \$450,000 To The Rule Of Law Defense Fund Between July 1, 2017 And June 30, 2018. [Judicial Crisis Network IRS Form 990, 05/15/19]

• The Judicial Crisis Network Also Gave \$3,550,000 To The Republican Attorney Generals Association [Sic], Located At The Same Address As RLDF, In The Same Period. [Judicial Crisis Network IRS Form 990, 05/15/19]

The Judicial Crisis Network Gave \$435,000 To The Rule Of Law Defense Fund Between July 1, 2014 And June 30, 2015. [Judicial Crisis Network IRS Form 990, 05/15/16]

 The Judicial Crisis Network Also Gave \$950,000 To The "Republican AG Association," Located At The Same Address As RLDF, In The Same Period. [Judicial Crisis Network IRS Form 990, 05/15/16]

Overall, The Judicial Crisis Network And The Concord Fund Have Given \$12,793,000 To RAGA From 2014 Through September 30, 2020:

| •      | ublican Attorneys General Associatio<br>ors from 2014 through September 30 | · .         |
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| Source | Quarterly IRS 527 filings reviewed by Documented                           |             |
| 1      | Judicial Crisis Network/Concord Fund                                       | \$12,793,00 |
| 2      | US Chamber Institute For Legal Reform                                      | \$4,305,560 |
| 3      | US Chamber Of Commerce And Related Entities                                | \$2,431,665 |
| 4      | Sheldon G Adelson                                                          | \$2,250,000 |
| 5      | Altria Client Services                                                     | \$1,844,696 |
| 6      | Koch Industries Inc                                                        | \$1,705,415 |
| 7      | Anadarko Petroleum Corporation                                             | \$1,500,000 |
| 8      | National Rifle Association Of America                                      | \$1,315,160 |
| 9      | Etc Capital LLC                                                            | \$1,080,235 |
| 10     | Noble Energy Inc                                                           | \$1,020,000 |

[Nick Surgey, "New Filing Shows Massive Dark Money Support From Judicial Crisis Network To Republican Attorneys General Association," Documented, 10/16/20]

The Judicial Crisis Network Changed Its Name To The Concord Fund In December 2019 But Kept Its Original Name Registered As An Alias. "The Judicial Crisis Network also rebranded in recent months, changing its name in December 2019 to The Concord Fund. The Fund then registered Judicial Crisis Network, its old name, as an alias." [Anna Massoglia and Sam Levine, "Conservative 'dark money' network rebranded to push voting restrictions before 2020 election," OpenSecrets, 05/27/20]

The Judicial Crisis Network Spent \$22 Million To Push Trump Supreme Court Nominees Brett Kavanaugh And Neil Gorsuch And \$1 Million To The Republican State Leadership Committee—The GOP's "State Elections Arm." "The Judicial Crisis Network, a group dedicated to elevating conservative judges, spent a combined \$22 million to promote the confirmations of Gorsuch and Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, and contributed \$1 million of the roughly \$8.2 million the Republican State Leadership Committee raised through June 30 of this year, according to a report the RSLC filed last week. The RSLC then transferred about \$1.2 million to its Judicial Fairness Initiative — nearly all of what the state judicial campaign group raised all year." [Jacob Fischler and Ilana Marcus, "Conservative judicial group is top donor to GOP state elections arm," Roll Call, 08/06/19]

 HEADLINE: Conservative judicial group is top donor to GOP state elections arm [Jacob Fischler and Ilana Marcus, "Conservative judicial group is top donor to GOP state elections arm," Roll Call, 08/06/19]

#### <u>During The First Three Quarters Of 2020, The Republican Attorneys General</u> Association Took in \$15 Million From Large Corporate Donors.

| Entity                                          | <b>Total Contribution</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| The Concord Fund/Judicial Crisis Network        | \$2,748,000               |
| US Chamber Institute For Legal Reform           | \$500,000                 |
| Karen Wright - Ariel Corporation                | \$500,000                 |
| Thomas Rastin - Ariel Corporation               | \$500,000                 |
| Koch Industries Inc                             | \$375,000                 |
| Altria Client Services                          | \$275,000                 |
| Rex Sinquefield                                 | \$250,000                 |
| Miriam Adelson                                  | \$250,000                 |
| Sheldon G Adelson - Las Vegas Sands Corporation | \$250,000                 |
| Comcast Corporation                             | \$200,315                 |
| Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals                    | \$175,000                 |
| Pfizer Inc                                      | \$150,000                 |
| Bernard Marcus - The Marcus Foundation          | \$150,000                 |
| Wal-Mart Stores Inc                             | \$140,000                 |
| Anthem Inc                                      | \$130,000                 |
| Lowes Companies Inc                             | \$125,375                 |
| Awl Inc                                         | \$125,000                 |
| Ace Cash Express Inc                            | \$125,000                 |
| Caremark Rx Inc                                 | \$125,000                 |
| The Anschutz Corporation                        | \$125,000                 |
| Home Depot U S A Inc                            | \$125,000                 |
| Atandt Services Inc                             | \$125,000                 |
| Centene Management Company LLC                  | \$125,000                 |
| Juul Labs Inc                                   | \$125,000                 |
| Match Group                                     | \$125,000                 |
| PhRMA                                           | \$125,000                 |
| LHC Group Inc                                   | \$125,000                 |
| Pebble Beach Company                            | \$111,000                 |

| General Motors LLC                              | \$100,000 |
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| The American Resort Development Association PAC | \$100,000 |
| AnheuserBusch Cos Inc                           | \$100,000 |
| Amazon Com Services Inc                         | \$100,000 |
| Peter Thiel - Thiel Capital LLC                 | \$100,000 |
| Leslie Baker                                    | \$100,000 |
| Ronald Cameron - Mountaire                      | \$100,000 |
| Entergy                                         | \$100,000 |
| Nextera Energy Resources                        | \$75,000  |
| American Fuel And Petrochemical Manufacturers   | \$75,000  |
| TikTok Inc                                      | \$75,000  |
| Trinity Industries Inc                          | \$75,000  |
| Community Choice Financial Inc                  | \$62,500  |
| Fears Nachawati Law Firm                        | \$62,500  |
| United Services Automobile Association          | \$54,163  |
| 1-800 Contacts Inc                              | \$51,415  |
| American Bail Coalition Inc                     | \$50,615  |
| Valero Services Inc                             | \$50,350  |
| Chevron Policy Govt And Public Affairs          | \$50,350  |
| Association Of Dental Support Organizations     | \$50,300  |
| Dow Jones                                       | \$50,000  |
| Eli Lily And Company                            | \$50,000  |
| Oracle Corporation                              | \$50,000  |
| XCaliber International LTD LLC                  | \$50,000  |
| United Refining Company                         | \$50,000  |
| Troutman Sanders Public Affairs Group LLP       | \$50,000  |
| Affirm Inc                                      | \$50,000  |
| Fresenius Medical Care                          | \$50,000  |
| Continental                                     | \$50,000  |
| National Rifle Association Of America           | \$50,000  |
| Pharmaceutical Care Management Association      | \$50,000  |
| The Presidential Coalition LLC Non Corporate    | \$50,000  |
| Marathon Petroleum Co LP                        | \$50,000  |
| Range Resources Corporation                     | \$50,000  |
| American Petroleum Institute                    | \$50,000  |
| Monsanto Company                                | \$50,000  |
| Alkermes                                        | \$50,000  |
| HCA Management Services                         | \$50,000  |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield Of South Carolina        | \$50,000  |
| David Nutt And Assoc Pc                         | \$50,000  |
| Fox Corporation                                 | \$50,000  |
| Elevate Credit Service LLC                      | Ψ30,000   |

| American Property Casualty Insurers Assoc Pac | \$50,000 |
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| Visa                                          | \$50,000 |
| Smithfield Foods Inc                          | \$50,000 |
| Facebook Inc                                  | \$50,000 |
| Entertainment Software Association            | \$50,000 |
| Astellas Pharma Us Inc                        | \$50,000 |
| Uber Technologies Inc                         | \$50,000 |
| Securus Technologies                          | \$50,000 |
| Coca-Cola North America                       | \$50,000 |
| The Travelers Indemnity Company               | \$50,000 |
| UnitedHealth Group Inc                        | \$50,000 |
| SAS Institute Inc                             | \$50,000 |
| Starpoint Resort Group                        | \$50,000 |
| Gray C Boyden                                 | \$50,000 |
| CMH Services Inc                              | \$50,000 |
| Tracfone Wireless Inc                         | \$50,000 |
| Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company           | \$50,000 |
| Intuit Inc                                    | \$50,000 |
| University Of Phoenix                         | \$50,000 |
| Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association        | \$50,000 |
| Labaton Sucharow LLP                          | \$50,000 |
| Pennsylvania Chamber Of Business And Industry | \$50,000 |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation                       | \$50,000 |
| Horizon Pharma                                | \$50,000 |
| Us Money Reserve Inc                          | \$45,000 |
| Southern Company Services Inc                 | \$42,500 |
| Charter Communications                        | \$40,315 |
| Tyson Foods Inc                               | \$40,000 |
| American Gas Association                      | \$40,000 |
| SmileDirectClub                               | \$40,000 |
| Toyota Motor North America Inc                | \$35,000 |
| American Optometric Association               | \$35,000 |
| Ping                                          | \$31,854 |
| Wine Spirits Wholesalers Of America           | \$30,000 |
| Nelson Mullins Riley And Scarborough LLP      | \$30,000 |
| HPUL Project Operations                       | \$30,000 |
| Baker Botts LLP                               | \$27,500 |
| Cornerstone                                   | \$25,375 |
| Amgen                                         | \$25,350 |
| The Vinyl Institute                           | \$25,350 |
| National Beer Wholesalers Association         | \$25,350 |
| Consovoy Mccarthy PLLC                        | \$25,315 |

| Squire Patton Boggs LLP                             | \$25,125 |
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| State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company      | \$25,000 |
| The Boeing Company Political Action Committee       | \$25,000 |
| Surterra Holdings Inc                               | \$25,000 |
| TitleMax                                            | \$25,000 |
| National Community Pharmacists Association          | \$25,000 |
| Centerpoint Energy                                  | \$25,000 |
| ADT LLC                                             | \$25,000 |
| National Automobile Dealers Association             | \$25,000 |
| Linebarger Goggan Blair And Sampson LLP             | \$25,000 |
| Deloitte Services LP                                | \$25,000 |
| Foley And Lardner LLP                               | \$25,000 |
| Tenet Healthcare                                    | \$25,000 |
| Cross River Bank                                    | \$25,000 |
| Association For Accessible Medicines                | \$25,000 |
| Legalshield                                         | \$25,000 |
| Waste Management                                    | \$25,000 |
| Rent-a-Center                                       | \$25,000 |
| Mastercard International Inc                        | \$25,000 |
| LegalZoom Com Inc                                   | \$25,000 |
| Vistra Corporate Services Company                   | \$25,000 |
| Alticor Inc                                         | \$25,000 |
| Life Science Logistics                              | \$25,000 |
| Herballife International Of America Inc             | \$25,000 |
| Global Teen Challenge                               | \$25,000 |
| Edison Electric Institute                           | \$25,000 |
| MillerCoors LLC                                     | \$25,000 |
| Fluor Enterprises Inc                               | \$25,000 |
| National Shooting Sports Foundation Inc             | \$25,000 |
| Google                                              | \$25,000 |
| Dentons Us LLP                                      | \$25,000 |
| Recording Industry Association Of America           | \$25,000 |
| American Electric Power Service Corporation         | \$25,000 |
| Nucor Corporation                                   | \$25,000 |
| Wells Fargo And Company                             | \$25,000 |
| GlaxoSmithKline                                     | \$25,000 |
| NRG Energy Inc                                      | \$25,000 |
| Centurylink - Centurytel Inc                        | \$25,000 |
| Enterprise Holdings Inc Pac                         | \$25,000 |
| TC Energy                                           | \$25,000 |
| American Beverage Assoc Fund For Consumer<br>Choice | \$25,000 |
| Bank Of America Corporation                         | \$25,000 |
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| Aflac American Family Life Assurance              | \$25,000 |
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| Diefenthal, Edward                                | \$25,000 |
| Georgia Power Company                             | \$25,000 |
| National Mining Association                       | \$25,000 |
| Ballard Hospitality                               | \$25,000 |
| Verizon                                           | \$25,000 |
| Grant And Eisenhofer PA                           | \$25,000 |
| Doordash                                          | \$25,000 |
| Homeserve USA Corp                                | \$25,000 |
| BNSF Railway Company                              | \$25,000 |
| Graves Garrett LLC PAC                            | \$25,000 |
| Instacart                                         | \$25,000 |
| Merck Sharp And Dohme Corp                        | \$25,000 |
| Vivint Solar Developer LLC                        | \$25,000 |
| Turo Inc                                          | \$25,000 |
| TruGreen                                          | \$20,000 |
| Mentzer Media Services Inc                        | \$19,508 |
| Aggregate Below Threshold                         | \$17,289 |
| American Council Of Life Insurers                 | \$16,525 |
| Foundation For Advancing Alcohol Responsibility   | \$16,075 |
| Stateside Associates                              | \$16,040 |
| Distilled Spirits Council                         | \$15,775 |
| Jones Day                                         | \$15,700 |
| American Association Of Orthodontists             | \$15,700 |
| Ebay Inc                                          | \$15,425 |
| BGR Government Affairs LLC                        | \$15,375 |
| Orrick Herrington And Sutcliffe                   | \$15,375 |
| Yelp Inc                                          | \$15,375 |
| The Internet Association                          | \$15,350 |
| Cigna Health And Life Insurance Company           | \$15,350 |
| American Hotel And Lodging Association            | \$15,350 |
| Americas Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)            | \$15,350 |
| DTE Energy Corporation Services LLC               | \$15,350 |
| Navient Solutions LLC                             | \$15,350 |
| Carmax Auto Superstores Inc Bz                    | \$15,000 |
| Carvana LLC                                       | \$15,000 |
| UA Renal Care Inc                                 | \$15,000 |
| ACA International                                 | \$15,000 |
| Hallador Energy Company                           | \$15,000 |
| Revenue Group                                     | \$15,000 |
| National Cable And Telecommunications Association | \$15,000 |
| Clout Public Affairs LLC                          | \$15,000 |

| Monster Energy Company                      | \$15,000     |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Kirby Company                               | \$15,000     |
| American Tort Reform Association            | \$15,000     |
| JP Morgan Chase And Co Pac                  | \$15,000     |
| Conns Homeplus                              | \$15,000     |
| Political Action Committee Of The Aaos      | \$15,000     |
| Kelley Drye And Warren LLP                  | \$15,000     |
| TIAA                                        | \$15,000     |
| Barrack Rodos And Bacine                    | \$15,000     |
| Teva Pharmaceuticals                        | \$15,000     |
| Experian                                    | \$15,000     |
| Southern Glazers Wine And Spirits LLC       | \$15,000     |
| Pinnacle West Capital Corporation           | \$15,000     |
| Western Union Financial Services Inc        | \$15,000     |
| McGuireWoods Federal PAC Fund               | \$15,000     |
| Best Buy Purchasing LLC                     | \$15,000     |
| Lyft                                        | \$15,000     |
| Weiss Richard                               | \$15,000     |
| Husch Blackwell LLP                         | \$15,000     |
| Pebble Limited Partnership                  | \$15,000     |
| DoTERRA                                     | \$15,000     |
| Willoughby And Hoefer P A                   | \$15,000     |
| Daniel Defense Inc                          | \$15,000     |
| Casino Association Of Indiana               | \$15,000     |
| Veterans United Home Loan                   | \$15,000     |
| Pomerantz LLP                               | \$15,000     |
| T-Mobile USA Inc                            | \$15,000     |
| Wal-Mart Stores Inc PAC For Reponsible Govt | \$15,000     |
| Flowers Foods Inc                           | \$15,000     |
| Microsoft Corporation                       | \$11,621     |
| Reed Smith                                  | \$10,350     |
| Duke Energy                                 | \$10,000     |
| Services Group Of America                   | \$10,000     |
| McCarthy Strategic Solutions LLC            | \$10,000     |
| Haworth Inc                                 | \$10,000     |
| Kendrick Randy                              | \$10,000     |
| Beam Suntory Inc                            | \$10,000     |
| Fedex                                       | \$10,000     |
| Hubbard Stanley                             | \$10,000     |
| Total                                       | \$15,019,150 |

[<u>Documented</u>, 11/10/20]

#### The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce Has Given RAGA Nearly \$7 Million Since 2014.

The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce Was RAGA's Top Donor In 2020, Giving The Group \$750,000. "The Republican Attorneys General Association raised more than \$18 million in 2020 from several top corporations, including Pepsi, Microsoft, JPMorgan Chase and Comcast, the parent company of NBC News. Its supporters also include interest groups such as the NRA and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, which was its top donor in 2020 with a \$750,000 contribution." [Laura Strickler and Lisa Cavazuti, "Republican AGs group sent robocalls urging march to the Capitol," NBC News, 01/08/21]

The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce And The U.S. Chamber Institute For Legal Reform Have Given \$6,737,225 To RAGA From 2014 Through September 30, 2020:

| Source | : Quarterly IRS 527 filings reviewed by Documented |             |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1      | Judicial Crisis Network/Concord Fund               | \$12,793,0  |
| 2      | US Chamber Institute For Legal Reform              | \$4,305,560 |
| 3      | US Chamber Of Commerce And Related Entities        | \$2,431,665 |
| 4      | Sheldon G Adelson                                  | \$2,250,000 |
| 5      | Altria Client Services                             | \$1,844,696 |
| 6      | Koch Industries Inc                                | \$1,705,415 |
| 7      | Anadarko Petroleum Corporation                     | \$1,500,000 |
| 8      | National Rifle Association Of America              | \$1,315,160 |
| 9      | Etc Capital LLC                                    | \$1,080,235 |
| 10     | Noble Energy Inc                                   | \$1,020,000 |

[Nick Surgey, "New Filing Shows Massive Dark Money Support From Judicial Crisis Network To Republican Attorneys General Association," *Documented*, 10/16/20]

The U.S. Chamber Institute For Legal Reform Is A "Separately Incorporated Affiliate Of The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce." "ILR is a 501 (c)(6) tax-exempt, separately incorporated affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce." [Linkedin Profile for U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform, accessed 01/12/21]

### <u>Since 2014, RAGA Has Taken Nearly \$2.8 Million From Las Vegas Sands, Which</u> Was Founded By The Late Conservative Megadonor Sheldon Adelson.

In The 2018 Cycle, Las Vegas Sands Gave \$500,000 To RAGA. [Republican Attorneys General Association Contributors, 2018, OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2016 Cycle, Las Vegas Sands Gave \$755,000 To RAGA. [Republican Attorneys General Association Contributors, 2016, OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2014 Cycle, Las Vegas Sands Gave \$1,501,269 To RAGA. [Republican Attorneys General Association Contributors, 2014, OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

Las Vegas Sands Was Founded By The Late Sheldon Adelson, Who Gave About \$500 Million To Republican And Conservative Campaigns In The Last Eight Years And Was Known As "One Of The Most Prolific Donors In Conservative Politics." "Casino magnate Sheldon Adelson, one of the most prolific donors in conservative politics, died Monday night at the age of 87 due to complications from treatment for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, according to a statement from Las Vegas Sands, the company he founded. [...] The

fortune Adelson made in the casino business was spent generously on donations to Jewish causes, medical research and the Republican Party. He and his wife, Miriam, gave around \$500 million over the past eight years to Republican and conservative campaigns." [Peter Overby, "Sheldon Adelson, Conservative Donor And Casino Titan, Dies At 87," NPR, 01/12/21]

### <u>Altria Client Services—A Division Of Tobacco Corporation Altria Group—Has</u> Given RAGA Nearly \$1.85 Million Since 2014.

Altria Client Services Has Given \$1,844,696 To RAGA From 2014 Through September 30, 2020:

| Source | Quarterly IRS 527 filings reviewed by Documented |             |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1      | Judicial Crisis Network/Concord Fund             | \$12,793,00 |
| 2      | US Chamber Institute For Legal Reform            | \$4,305,560 |
| 3      | US Chamber Of Commerce And Related Entities      | \$2,431,665 |
| 4      | Sheldon G Adelson                                | \$2,250,000 |
| 5      | Altria Client Services                           | \$1,844,696 |
| 6      | Koch Industries Inc                              | \$1,705,415 |
| 7      | Anadarko Petroleum Corporation                   | \$1,500,000 |
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| 9      | Etc Capital LLC                                  | \$1,080,235 |
| 10     | Noble Energy Inc                                 | \$1,020,000 |

[Nick Surgey, "New Filing Shows Massive Dark Money Support From Judicial Crisis Network To Republican Attorneys General Association," Documented, 10/16/20]

• Altria Client Services Is A Division Of The Altria Group, Which Owns Philip Morris USA And Other Businesses. "Altria Group is the parent company of Philip Morris USA, U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Company, John Middleton, Ste. Michelle Wine Estates and Philip Morris Capital Corporation. [...] Altria Client Services" ["Media Contacts," Altria Group, accessed 01/12/21]

#### Koch Industries Inc. Has Given Over \$1.7 Million To RAGA Since 2014.

Koch Industries Inc. Has Given \$1,705,415 To RAGA From 2014 Through September 30, 2020:



[Nick Surgey, "New Filing Shows Massive Dark Money Support From Judicial Crisis Network To Republican Attorneys General Association," Documented, 10/16/20]

The Koch Brothers Personally Gave At Least \$100 Million To "Aid The Rise Of The Tea Party And Bolster The Republican Party" Since The 1970s. "The Koch Brothers fueled a conservative crusade that profoundly reshaped American politics. [...] David and Charles Koch became a colossal political force in recent decades. Since the 1970s, they personally donated at least \$100 million to aid the rise of the Tea Party movement and bolster the Republican Party, according to The New York Times." [Joseph Zeballos-Roig, "How the Koch brothers used their massive fortune to power a conservative crusade that reshaped American politics," Business Insider, 11/13/20]

Major Corporations, Including Comcast, Walmart, And Coca-Cola Said They Were Reconsidering Their Relationships With RAGA Following The Capitol Riot—And A Major Cherokee Business Group Demanded A Refund Of Its \$150,000 Donation To The Organization.

Comcast, Which Gave \$200,000 To RAGA In 2020, Condemned The Capitol Riot And Sought Assurances From RAGA "'That Nothing Like This Would Happen Again'" "'We are appalled and condemn these actions in the strongest possible terms and have communicated that to R.A.G.A.,' said John Demming, a spokesman for Comcast, which donated \$200,000 last year, according to Documented. The company would seek 'assurances that they take steps to ensure that nothing like this would happen again,' he said." [Andrew Ross Sorkin et al., "Money Walks," The New York Times, 01/11/21]

Walmart, Which Gave \$140,000 To RAGA, Said It Would Review Its Contributions To The Group. "Randy Hargrove, a spokesman for Walmart, which donated \$140,000, said: 'As we conduct our review over the coming months, we will certainly factor last week's events into our process." [Andrew Ross Sorkin et al., "Money Walks," The New York Times, 01/11/21]

Coca-Cola, Which Gave RAGA \$50,000, Said It Would "'Re-Evaluate" Its Relationship To The Group. "Ann Moore, a spokeswoman for Coca-Cola, which donated \$50,000, said: 'We continuously re-evaluate our memberships, and we will continue to do so with last week's event in mind." [Andrew Ross Sorkin et al., "Money Walks," The New York Times, 01/11/21]

Cherokee Nation Businesses LLC Gave \$150,000 To RAGA But Demanded That Its Contributions Be Refunded Following RLDF's Role In The Capitol Insurrection. "The group reportedly hauled in more than \$18 million in 2020, and among the donors was Cherokee Nation Businesses LLC, which gave \$150,000 to RAGA. According to reports, CNB was unaware of RAGA's fundraising arm, Rule of Law Defense Fund, or its connection to the insurrection at the Capitol, and immediately requested the refund for money it sent the organization." ["UPDATE: Cherokee business arm demands, gets refund of RAGA donation, decries Capitol riot," Tahlequah Daily Press, 01/12/21]

#### <u>The RLDF Has Counted Trump's Former Scandal-Ridden EPA Administrator</u> <u>Scott Pruitt On Its Board, Who Was Also "Instrumental" In Organizing The Fund.</u>

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

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

Pruitt "Could Not Overcome A Spate Of Questions About His Alleged Spending Abuses, First-Class Travel And Cozy Relationships With Lobbyists." "Mr. Pruitt in his resignation letter cited 'unrelenting attacks on me personally' as one of the reasons for his departure. Mr. Pruitt had been hailed by conservatives for his zealous deregulation, but he could not overcome a spate of questions about his alleged spending abuses, first-class travel and cozy relationships with lobbyists." [New York Times, 07/05/18]

Turning Point USA—Which Helped Organize The Rally Leading To The Insurrection—Is Funded By GOP Megadonors Like The DeVos Family And Affiliates Of The Koch Brothers.

### <u>College Conservative-Focused Group Turning Point USA Helped Organize The January 6<sup>th</sup> Rally Which Led To The Insurrection.</u>

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

| Stop the Steal WildProtest.com Turning Point Action  Rule of Law Defense Fund Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Moms for America  Women for The Park Backets of Park Backets and Park Backets of Park Ba | ı                        | Participating in the<br>March to Save Americ | a                    |
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| Defense Fund Phyllis Schlatty Eagles Moms for America  Women for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Stop the Steal           | WildProtest.com                              | Turning Point Action |
| Women for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                          | Phyllis Schlafly Eagles                      | Moms for America     |
| America First Tea Party Patriots Peaceably Gather                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                          | Tea Party Patriots                           | Peaceably Gather     |
| Eighty Percent Coalition Black Conservatives Fund Contribute                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Eighty Percent Coalition | Black Conservatives Fund                     | Contribute           |

[Documented, 1/11/21]

Turning Point USA Is A Conservative Group Focused Which Seeks To Organize College Aged Conservatives. "In 2012, Kirk founded Turning Point USA, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit grassroots organization that encourages conservative college students to rally for causes such as free market policies. The <a href="Internal Revenue Service">Internal Revenue Service</a> prohibits 501(c)(3)s to participate, either directly or indirectly, in political campaigns." [CNBC, 5/20/19]

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



[Twitter Archive, 1/04/21]

## From 2014-2018, Turning Point USA Took In At Least \$11 Million From Major Donors.

| Donor                                      | Amount      |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Marcus Foundation                          | \$1,572,600 |
| Vanguard Charitable                        | \$950,000   |
| Tracking Foundation                        | \$800,000   |
| Ed Uihlein Family Foundation               | \$750,000   |
| Michael and Andrea Levin Family Foundation | \$666,350   |
| DonorsTrust                                | \$609,900   |
| Deason Foundation                          | \$510,000   |
| Foglia Family Foundation                   | \$485,000   |
| Dunn Foundation                            | \$420,000   |
| Schwab Charitable                          | \$407,250   |
| Thomas W. Smith Foundation/TWS Foundation  | \$400,000   |
| Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund              | \$363,330   |
| Jack Roth Charitable Foundation            | \$320,000   |
| Balance for Freedom                        | \$301,684   |
| National Christian Foundation              | \$283,250   |
| MZ Foundation                              | \$261,000   |
| National Center for Housing Management     | \$235,000   |
| National Philanthropic Trust               | \$160,000   |
| Rauner Family Foundation                   | \$150,000   |
| William S. Knight Foundation               | \$150,000   |
| Einhorn Family Charitable Trust            | \$120,000   |
| Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation         | \$120,000   |
| Bradley Impact Fund                        | \$112,500   |
| Donors Capital Fund                        | \$100,000   |

| Center of the American Experiment                                                         | \$100,000    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Roger and Susan Stone Foundation                                                          | \$75,000     |
| Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco, the Peninsula,<br>Marin and Sonoma Counties | \$65,000     |
| American Endowment Foundation                                                             | \$52,250     |
| Helen Diller Family Foundation                                                            | \$50,000     |
| Mike Miller                                                                               | \$50,000     |
| Peter Huizenga                                                                            | \$50,000     |
| Alice Busch Gronewaldt Foundation                                                         | \$35,000     |
| Petet Family Foundation                                                                   | \$35,000     |
| Lawrence and Sandra Post Family Foundation                                                | \$33,000     |
| William and Hope Simpson Foundation                                                       | \$30,000     |
| Jewish Communal Fund                                                                      | \$25,051     |
| A.L. Williams Jr. Family Foundation                                                       | \$25,000     |
| Foundation for Individual Liberty                                                         | \$25,000     |
| Laura and Isaac Perlmutter Foundation                                                     | \$25,000     |
| Jewish Community Foundation of San Diego                                                  | \$22,000     |
| Apgar Foundation                                                                          | \$20,000     |
| Hamlin Family Foundation                                                                  | \$20,000     |
| Orange County Community Foundation                                                        | \$20,000     |
| Philanthropy International                                                                | \$20,000     |
| Robert P. Rotella Foundation                                                              | \$20,000     |
| Mary H. Cain Foundation                                                                   | \$15,000     |
| Chase Foundation of Virginia                                                              | \$10,000     |
| Gogo Foundation                                                                           | \$10,000     |
| Hutchinson Family Foundation                                                              | \$10,000     |
| Richard and Helen DeVos Foundation                                                        | \$10,000     |
| Wodecroft Foundation                                                                      | \$8,000      |
| Luddy Charitable Foundation                                                               | \$5,000      |
| Milstein Family Foundation                                                                | \$1,300      |
| Total                                                                                     | \$11,114,465 |

[The Center for Media and Democracy, 4/01/20]

### Other Conservative Megadonors Like Foster Friess And Organizations Linked To The Koch Brothers Have Contributed To Turning Point USA Also.

GOP Megadonor Foster Friess Gave Turning Point USA It's "Seed Money," Sits On Its Board, And Gave

Foster Friess Is A Megadonor Who Provided An "Five Figure" Check In "Seed Money" To Help Found Turning Point USA. [International Business Times, <u>11/28/17</u>] [Mother Jones, <u>4/29/20</u>]

Friess Currently Sits On Turning Point USA's Board. [TPUSA.com, Accessed 1/12/21]

A Variety Of Organizations Linked To Republican Megadonors The Koch Brothers Have Donated Over \$1.96 Million To Turning Point USA

The Koch Brothers Have Personally Gave At Least \$100 Million To "Aid The Rise Of The Tea Party And Bolster The Republican Party" Since The 1970s. "The Koch Brothers fueled a conservative crusade that profoundly reshaped American politics. [...] David and Charles Koch became a colossal political force in recent decades. Since the 1970s, they personally donated at least \$100 million to aid the rise of the Tea Party movement and bolster the Republican Party, according to The New York Times." [Joseph Zeballos-Roig, "How the Koch brothers used their massive fortune to power a conservative crusade that reshaped American politics," Business Insider, 11/13/20]

Koch Funded Organization DonorsTrust And Connected Organization Donors Capital Fund Gave \$610,000 To Turning Point USA From 2014 - 2016. "DonorsTrust, a donor-advised fund sponsor that invests and delivers right-wing donors' money to charitable nonprofits of their choosing while keeping their identities hidden from the Internal Revenue Service and the public, gave \$610,000 to TPUSA from 2017-18, most of it coming in the latter year. Numerous conservatives use DonorsTrust to score tax breaks and distribute their charitable dollars. Koch family foundations are some of DonorsTrust's biggest clients. In 2014-15, the Koch's Knowledge and Progress Fund gave \$5.3 million to DonorsTrust, and the Charles Koch Foundation has given \$980,000 to it since 2014. The connected Donors Capital Fund, to which Koch family foundations have also contributed large sums, donated \$100,000 to TPUSA in 2016." [PR Watch, 4/01/2020]

Billionaire Darwin Deason Has Donated \$510,00 To Turning Point USA Since 2014 And His Son Sits On The Group's Advisory Board; His Foundation Has Also Donated To The Koch Network. "Other Koch network donors since FY2014 include the Deason Foundation, the charity of Affiliated Consumer Services founder, billionaire Darwin Deason (\$510,000; Deason's son, businessman Doug Deason, is on TPUSA's Advisory Board)" [PR Watch, 4/01/2020]

Koch Connected Organizations The Lynde And Harry Bradley Foundation, The Bradley Impact Fund, The Thomas W. Smith Foundation, And The Einhorn Family Charitable Trust Have Given A Combined \$842,000 To Turning Point USA. [PR Watch, 4/01/2020]

- The Lynde And Harry Bradley Foundation Is Powerful Wisconsin Based Right Wing Group Which Has Worked To Force Swing States To The Right. "Long a player on the national stage, the Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation in Milwaukee has been quietly using its vast resources to construct state-by-state networks of activist groups to win support for its conservative agenda from coast to coast. This previously undisclosed effort by the Bradley Foundation was revealed in hundreds of thousands of documents <a href="swiped by international hackers from the foundation's server">swiped by international hackers from the foundation's server</a> late last year. Those internal documents, obtained by the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel in recent months, show the conservative powerhouse is working to duplicate its success in Wisconsin under Republican Gov. Scott Walker, focusing on such swing states as North Carolina and Colorado." [Journal Sentinel, 5/05/17]
- The Thomas W. Smith Foundation Is A "Free Market" Right-Wing Megadonor That Has Financed Project Veritas' Operation To Undermine The 2020 Election. [PR Watch, <u>1/27/20</u>] [The New Republic, <u>8/03/20</u>]
- The Einhorn Family Charitable Trust Is The Foundation Of Stephen And Nancy Einhorn, Notable Wisconsin GOP Megadonors. "We were left to picture some quiet, retiring couple who treasured their privacy, but it soon came out that the billboard ad buyers were Stephen and Nancy Einhorn, a wealthy couple who have served on the boards of numerous arts groups, and donated to a long list of Republican candidates. Stephen attended a tea party rally and wrote a letter to the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel castigating the call for higher taxes on wealthy folks like him." [Urban Milwaukee, 12/13/12]

GOP Megadonor And Home Depot Co Founder Is Turning Point USA's Biggest Individual Donor, Giving Over \$1.5 Million—And Donated Over \$39 Million To GOP Candidates In 2020

The Foundation Of Home Depot-Co Founder And GOP Donor Bernie Marcus Has Given Turning Points USA \$1.573 Million Since 2014—Its Largest Individual Donor In That Time. "The biggest known donor to TPUSA is the family foundation of Home Depot co-founder Bernie Marcus. The Marcus Foundation gave TPUSA \$1,573,000 from 2015-18." [PR Watch, 4/01/2020]

Bernie Marcus Gave \$39,820,780 To GOP Candidates In The 2020 Election Cycle. [Open Secrets, Accessed 1/12/21]

Republican Megadonors The Uihlein Family Has Given Turning Point USA \$750,000--And Donated Over \$131 Million To GOP Candidates In 2020

**Republican Megadonors The Uihlein Family Gave Turning Point USA \$750,000 From 2014-18.** "The biggest TPUSA donor in the Koch network is the <u>Ed Uihlein Family Foundation</u>, the foundation of wealthy Uline CEO and GOP megadonor Richard Uihlein, which gave \$750,000 to TPUSA from 2014-18. The biggest donation, \$250,000, came in 2018." [PR Watch, 4/01/2020]

The Uihlein Family Patriarch Richard Gave \$131,779,530 To GOP Candidates In The 2020 Election Cycle. [Opensecrets, Accessed 1/12/21]

Billionaire Darwin Deason Has Donated \$510,00 To Turning Point USA Since 2014 And His Son Sits On The Group's Advisory Board. "Other Koch network donors since FY2014 include the Deason Foundation, the charity of Affiliated Consumer Services founder, billionaire Darwin Deason (\$510,000; Deason's son, businessman Doug Deason, is on TPUSA's Advisory Board)" [PR Watch, 4/01/2020]

Women For America First, Which Helped Organize The Rally That Led To The Insurrection, Is Led By A Trump Surrogate And Has Received Funding From America First Policies, A "Pro-Trump Policy Advocacy" Group.

#### Women For America First Chair, Amy Kremer, Was Named On The Permit For The "Save America" Rally..

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

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

#### Women For America First Is A 501(c)4 Social Welfare Organization That Is Not Required To Disclose Its Donors.

**Women For America First Is A 501(c)4 Social Welfare Organization.** "Women for America First is a not for profit social welfare organization formed under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations to Women for America First are not tax-deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes." [Women for America First – Donate, accessed 01/13/20]

 In July 2018, The Treasury Department Declared That 501(c)4 Organizations Were No Longer Required TO Report The Names And Addresses Of Their Contributors On Section B Of Their **Form 990.** "Tax-exempt organizations described by section 501(c), other than section 501(c)(3) organizations, are no longer required to report the names and addresses of their contributors on the Schedule B of their Forms 990 or 990-EZ." [US Treasury, 07/16/18]

# The Only Donation Publicly Disclosed To "Women For America First" Was For \$25,000 And Came From America First Policies, "A Nonprofit Group With Close Ties To President Donald Trump" In 2019.

In 2019, America First Policies, A "Pro-Trump Policy Advocacy" Group Contributed \$25,000 To Women For America First. "America First Policies, a pro-Trump policy advocacy dark money group, did disclose in 2019 that they contributed to Women for America First. America First's 990 disclosure form from that year shows they contributed \$25,000 to Women for America First." [CNBC, 01/09/21]

### Women For America First's Leadership Urged A "Caravan" Carrying Supporters To The January 6<sup>th</sup> Rally Which Led To The Insurrection

**Women For America First Is Chaired By Amy Kremer.** "Women for America First is chaired by Amy Kremer, a longtime political operative that was once the head of the Tea Party Express, an organization that was created to support the conservative Tea Party movement. Kylie Jane Kremer, the executive director of Women for Trump, is named on the rally's permit as the person in charge. The permit was first obtained by <a href="https://doi.org/10.2012/nj.nc.2012">The Washingtonian</a>." [CNBC, 1/8/21]

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

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

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

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

One Of The Groups That Spread Information For The Protest Was Kremer's "Women For America First." "The Facebook page for Women for America First, a protest group that has held anti-impeachment and anti-lockdown demonstrations, originally spread 'March for Trump' information online, according to Politico." [DCist, 11/13/20]

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

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

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

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

The Group Was Quickly Banned, But Not Before It Allowed Dozens Of Groups In Other Cities To Organize Their Own "Stop The Steal" Protests—Some Of Which Had Thousands Of Members. "Facebook took down the group on Thursday at 2 p.m. Eastern...Still, Ms. Kremer said that before the group was taken down, its members had successfully organized events in dozens of cities. She has set up another website about voter fraud and was now directing people to it, she said. On Facebook, dozens of new Stop the Steal groups have been created since the company removed Ms. Kremer's group. One had nearly 10,000 members. Another had just over 2,000." [New York Times, 11/05/20]

- A Stop The Steal Protest Was Led By White Supremacist Nick Fuentes At The State Capital In Lansing, Michigan. A few dozen protesters took the streets of Lansing, Michigan, on Wednesday to show support for Trump and his refuted claims that the election has been 'stolen' by the Democrats amid wide scale voter fraud which the administration has failed to provide any meaningful evidence for. The protest was documented by independent reporter Brendan Gutenschwager, who posted videos of the men in red MAGA hats taking part in the rally lead by Nick Fuentes. In the past Fuentes, a far-right presenter of the America First podcast, has said segregation 'was better' for Black people and that the First Amendment was 'not written for Muslims.'" [Newsweek, 11/12/20]
- Two Stop The Steal Protests Occurred At The State Capital In Salem, Oregon Which Resulted In 4 Arrests. "Hundreds of protesters gathered at the state Capitol in Salem, Oregon, waving American flags and Trump signs, as well as signs questioning the election results. Jo Rae Perkins, who ran unsuccessfully as a Republican against Democrat Jeff Merkley for U.S. Senate, spoke to the crowd... There were two separate demonstrations in Salem, Oregon, police said in an email. One began at noon PST at the Capitol, and the other started at 5 p.m. PST as protesters marched to the Capitol. Four people were arrested during the day; two of the arrests included assault charges." [USA Today, 11/07/20]
- A Stop The Steal Rally Occurred In Downtown Pittsburgh. "A rally filled with Trump supporters quickly turned heated outside the City-County Building Friday afternoon when another group showed up in opposition. The group called 'Stop the Steal' started rallying on the steps of the City-County Building in downtown Pittsburgh. The main message the Trump supporters wanted to get across: that every legal vote should count." [CBS Local Pittsburgh, 11/07/20]

• Other Stop The Steal Protests Occurred In Phoenix, Albany, Columbia, Austin, And One In Sacramento Which Turned Violent. "In Sacramento, fights broke out between dozens of supporters of Trump and Biden supporters on a city street. Punches were thrown, but there were no reports of serious injuries....Hundreds of Trump supporters gathered at the Phoenix state Capitol for a 'Stop the Steal' protest shortly after noon. The event was scheduled before news of Biden's win after three days of protests at the Maricopa County Elections Center. Outside the Capitol in Albany, New York, Trump supporters hoisted U.S. flags and posters saying 'stop the steal.' At the statehouse in Columbia, South Carolina, protesters marched with signs that read "stop election fraud." As Biden supporters flooded the streets in Austin, Texas, the Trump faithful were steadfast, holding out hope for a different outcome." [USA Today, 11/07/20]

The Rally Was Backed By The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles— Whose PAC Has Received Funding From A Rockefeller Heir.

#### The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Were Among The Groups Behind The Rally...

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

- Ed Martin Serves As President Of The Phyllis Schlafly Eagles. [Phyllis Schlafly Eagles Staff, accessed 01/13/20]
- Ed Martin Is The Treasurer Of The Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle PAC. [Letter From FEC To Ed Martin, 12/18/20]

#### The "Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle" PAC Has Taken Money From A Rockefeller Heir And Several Right Leaning Organizations.

| Donor                              | Occupation | Date     | Amount    |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------|
| O'Neill, George D.                 | Retired    | 10/15/18 | \$200,000 |
| Phyllis Schlafly's American Eagles | -          | 7/16/18  | \$125,000 |
| Americans for Limited Government   | -          | 9/23/16  | \$75,000  |
| Americans for Limited Government   | -          | 7/11/18  | \$75,000  |
| Phyllis Schlafly's American Eagles | -          | 10/19/16 | \$45,000  |
| Free Market America                | -          | 9/23/16  | \$40,000  |
| Bartlett, Patricia                 | Not Listed | 11/2/16  | \$22,500  |
| Phyllis Schlafly's American Eagles | -          | 6/18/18  | \$20,000  |

[FEC Search for donors of \$20,000 or more to Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle PAC, accessed 01/13/20]

• George D. O'Neill Jr. Is A "Rockefeller Heir" Who Lives In Central Florida. [Vanity Fair, 05/01/01]

Rally Backer Tea Party Patriots Has Taken \$4.29 Million From GOP Megadonor Dick Uihlein Since 2016, By Far Their Largest Donor.

Tea Party Patriots Was Among The Groups Behind The Rally.

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

| Donor                         | Employer                | Date     | Amount      |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Atkins, Paul                  | Patomak Global Partners | 11/20/17 | \$25,000    |
| Galkin, Warren                | Hatco Products Corp.    | 11/23/20 | \$25,000    |
| Gore, David W.                | None                    | 1/7/20   | \$100,000   |
| Gore, David W.                | None                    | 1/9/18   | \$25,000    |
| Hillman, Tatnall              | None                    | 10/31/16 | \$30,000    |
| Pinnacle List Company         | N/A                     | 11/1/18  | \$55,000    |
| Pinnacle List Company         | N/A                     | 10/3/18  | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots            | N/A                     | 12/1/17  | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 1/11/19  | \$132,000   |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 2/28/19  | \$80,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 6/11/18  | \$60,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 7/23/18  | \$60,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 8/6/18   | \$60,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 9/20/18  | \$50,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 1/16/19  | \$50,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 2/6/19   | \$50,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 3/27/19  | \$50,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 4/25/19  | \$50,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 1/31/19  | \$44,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 4/4/18   | \$40,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 6/27/18  | \$40,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 7/20/18  | \$40,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 4/11/19  | \$40,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 3/20/19  | \$35,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 2/28/19  | \$30,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 10/30/18 | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 11/29/18 | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 12/11/18 | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 6/7/18   | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 2/28/19  | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Action     | N/A                     | 4/15/19  | \$25,000    |
| Tea Party Patriots Foundation | N/A                     | 1/5/18   | \$73,537    |
| Tea Party Patriots Foundation | N/A                     | 1/9/19   | \$28,700    |
| Tea Party Patriots Inc.       | N/A                     | 6/19/19  | \$25,000    |
| The Lukens Company            | N/A                     | 10/3/18  | \$39,000    |
| Uihlein, Richard E.           | ULINE                   | 9/21/17  | \$1,000,000 |
| Uihlein, Richard E.           | ULINE                   | 9/15/20  | \$800,000   |
| Uihlein, Richard E.           | ULINE                   | 8/26/16  | \$500,000   |

| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 10/4/16  | \$500,000   |
|---------------------|-------|----------|-------------|
| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 1/12/18  | \$500,000   |
| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 10/26/16 | \$415,000   |
| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 4/17/18  | \$250,000   |
| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 7/2/18   | \$200,000   |
| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 4/8/16   | \$50,000    |
| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 7/19/17  | \$50,000    |
| Uihlein, Richard E. | ULINE | 1/19/16  | \$25,000    |
| Total               |       |          | \$5,827,237 |

[FEC Search For Contributions To Tea Party Patriots Citizens Fund Over \$25,000 From 2016 – Present, accessed 01/13/20]

#### <u>Tea Party Patriots' PAC Has Taken \$4.29 Million Just From Dick Uihlein, CEO of Uline Inc.</u>

Tea Party Patriots Citizens Fund Is The Federal PAC Associated With Tea Party Patriots. "Tea Party Patriots Action, Inc. operates as a 501(c)(4) social welfare organization, whose mission is to equip Americans with the resources and training they need to be engaged citizens and effective activists. Tea Party Patriots Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that exists to promote the ideas of the Tea Party movement and to engage in charitable and educational activities. Tea Party Patriots Citizens Fund is a federal political action committee dedicated to empowering Americans to engage in our democracy and help preserve our rights and liberty." [Home, Tea Party Patriots Action, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2020 Cycle, Tea Party Patriots Citizens Fund Took \$800,000 From Uline Inc. Employees. [Tea Party Patriots Citizen Fund Donors, 2020, OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2018 Cycle, Tea Party Patriots Citizens Fund Took \$2,000,000 From Uline Inc. Employees. [Tea Party Patriots Citizen Fund Donors, 2018, OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2016 Cycle, Tea Party Patriots Citizens Fund Took \$1,490,000 From Uline Inc. Employees. [Tea Party Patriots Citizen Fund Donors, 2016, OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2020 Cycle, Uline Inc.'s Richard Uihlein Has Given \$68,317,100 To Conservative Outside Spending Groups. ["2020 Top Donors to Outside Spending Groups." OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2018 Cycle, Uline Inc.'s Richard Uihlein Gave \$37,721,968 To Conservative Outside Spending Groups. ["2018 Top Donors to Outside Spending Groups," OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

In The 2016 Cycle, Uline Inc.'s Richard Uihlein Gave \$19,608,500 To Conservative Outside Spending Groups. ["2016 Top Donors to Outside Spending Groups," OpenSecrets, accessed 01/12/21]

Uline Inc.'s President Richard "Dick" Uihlein And His Wife Liz Are In The "Upper Pantheon Of Republican Donors Alongside Names Like Koch, Mercer And Adelson." "Few political donors are as influential, yet little known, as Liz and Dick Uihlein. The Midwestern couple has joined the upper pantheon of Republican donors alongside names like Koch, Mercer and Adelson. They have spent roughly \$26 million on the current election cycle, supporting more than 60 congressional candidates, working outside the party establishment to advance a combative, hard-right conservatism, from Washington to the smallest town. [...] Mrs. Uihlein is the hands-on president of Uline, the packing supply giant the couple founded together nearly four decades ago." [Stephanie Saul and Danny Hakim, "The Most Powerful Conservative Couple You've Never Heard Of," The New York Times, 06/07/18]

Rally Organizer Moms For America Raised Just Over \$230,000 In 2018 And Hosted The Rally On Capitol Hill Where An Illinois Congresswoman Said "Hitler Was Right."

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

During a Moms for America event At The Capitol On January 5, 2021 – The Day Before The
Capitol Insurrection – Illinois Congresswoman Mary Miller Said, "Hitler Was Right" About The
Influence Of Youth And Its Impact On The Future. "Miller — speaking a day before violent Trump
supporters stormed the Capitol — read from prepared remarks, urging the need to appeal to young
people in politics. 'This is the battle,' she said according to video posted by WCIA-TV. 'Hitler was right
on one thing. He said, "Whoever has the youth has the future."" [Washington Post, 01/06/21]

In Their Most Recently Available IRS Filing, Moms For America Reported Taking In Just \$230,988 In Donations During 2018. [Moms for America Form 990, 2018]

The Black Conservatives Fund, A Group That Helped Organize The Rally Leading To The Coup Attempt And Backed By The GOP Megadonor Mercer Family, Is Closely Tied To The "Stop The Steal" Founder.

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

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

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

# The Black Conservatives Fund Has Received \$215,000 From GOP Megadonors The Mercer Family Since 2014 – No Other Individual Donor Has Given More Than \$5000.

The Black Conservatives Fund Has Received Over \$215,000 From The Mercer Family Since 2014.

| Donor Name     | Recipient                | Amount    | Date     |
|----------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Mercer, Robert | Black Conservatives Fund | \$150,000 | 11/26/14 |
| Mercer, Robert | Black Conservatives Fund | \$60,000  | 12/20/16 |
| Mercer, Robert | Black Conservatives Fund | \$5,000   | 11/21/14 |

[FEC Data, Accessed 1/12/21]

**The Mercer Family Has Been Characterized As "Republican Megadonor[s]."** "The Republican megadonor family led by billionaire Robert Mercer once donated money to a conservative group that bills itself as a promoter of "cultural events for English-speaking peoples." [CNBC, 05/13/19]

### <u>The Black Conservatives Fund Is Closely Tied To "Stop The Steal" Founder Ali</u> <u>Alexander, A Felon Who Was A Key Planner Of The Rally</u>

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

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

<u>Politico</u>: "In 2007, Alexander Pleaded Guilty To A Felony Of Property Theft In Texas And The Next Year To A Credit Card Abuse Felony, Also In Texas." [Politico, <u>1/21/21</u>]

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

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

Peaceably Gather, Founded By A Megachurch Pastor To Keep Churches Open Despite The Pandemic, Has Legal Backing From The Trump-Tied, Anti-LGBT, And Anti-Choice First Liberty Institute.

Rally Group "Peaceably Gather," Founded By A Megachurch Pastor To Keep Religious Facilities Open Despite The Pandemic, Is Backed By The Pro-Trump First Liberty Institute—Which Has Been Branded As Anti-LGBT And Anti-Choice By The Southern Poverty Law Center.

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

"Megachurch" Pastor Brian Gibson Founded Peaceably Gather To Reopen Religious Facilities During The Pandemic. "It's an agenda. It's governors who do not like our message, do not like our voice,' said [Brian] Gibson, who has started the Peaceably Gather movement to reopen houses of worship. 'It's not just about the freedom of religion, it's about the freedom of speech. They want a turn off our opposing viewpoint button." [Chicago Sun-Times, 05/24/20]

• Gibson Is "Pastor Of A Megachurch With Locations In Kentucky And Texas." "Brian Gibson, pastor of a megachurch with locations in Kentucky and Texas, alongside at least 50 other churches are urging religious leaders to demand re-opening their sites for worship." [The Independent, 05/18/20]

Peaceably Gather Has Legal Backing From The First Liberty Institute, A "Texas-Based Nonprofit With Ties To Trump" That Has Been Deemed An "'Anti-LGBT And Anti-Choice" Group By The Southern Poverty Law Center. "First Liberty Institute, a Texas-based nonprofit with ties to Trump that's offering legal support to Gibson's movement, has been characterized by the Southern Poverty Law Center as an 'anti-LGBT and anti-choice group." [Chicago Sun-Times, 05/24/20]

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

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

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

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

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

\*Since Eighty Percent Coalition Was Founded A Few Weeks Prior To This Research Document, Accountable.US Was Not Immediately Able To Ascertain Their Funding Sources

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

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

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

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