Founders Of The Packing Supply Empire, Uline Gave Over \$1.1 Million To Extremists In 2020, Including COVID Vaccine Conspiracists And Groups That Promoted Election Fraud Conspiracies Ahead Of The Capitol Riot.

Summary:

The Ed Uihlein family foundation is the <u>nonprofit donation arm</u> of Richard Uihlein. Richard Uihlein and his wife, Liz are <u>lesser known right-wing megadonors</u> who made their fortune building the packaging supplies empire Uline. In the past, the Uihleins have used their business platform and products to promote right-wing causes and candidates, including <u>Donald Trump</u>. In 2020 Richard and Liz Uihlein donated over \$1.1 million to extremist, hate, and insurrectionist groups. Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, Uline received over \$700,000 in government contract commitments related to COVID. As owners of one <u>America's largest private companies</u>, the Uihleins are used to abusing their wealth without oversight. However given the scope of their <u>shipping empire</u> it is important for their customers and business partners to know they are funding attempts to overturn legitimate elections, COVID conspiracies, and hateful extremism.

- The Center For Security Policy, \$750,000: A <u>recognized anti-Islam hate group</u> whose views are so extreme they were banned from the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC). The Center For Security Policy <u>stoked</u> election fraud conspiracy claims leading up to the Capitol Riot.
- Sons Of Liberty, \$300,000: A <u>radio show</u> by <u>celebrity anti-LGBTQ</u> pastor Bradlee Dean who once headed the now <u>defunct</u> anti-LGBTQ hate group <u>You Can Run But You Cannot Hide International</u>. Dean and his show, Sons of Liberty are COVID-19 vaccine conspiracy super spreaders, alleging the vaccines cause <u>HIV</u> and AIDS and claimed that vaccines are responsible for creating variants of the "alleged COVID."
- **Turning Point USA, \$30,000:** A <u>right wing youth organizing group</u> that played a <u>key role</u> in <u>organizing</u> the rally that led to the January 6th insurrection.
- American Conservative, \$25,000: A right wing publication. In the lead up to the January 6th attack on the Capitol, The American Conservative published numerous articles stating that the 2020 election was stolen. And continued to publish similar articles even after, going as far to publish an article on January 6th around 6pm that claimed that there was widespread voter fraud. The American conservative was in part founded by Patrick Buchanan. Buchanan has been described as an "unrepentant bigot" who has promoted anti-Semitic, anti-immigrant, white nationalist, anti-LGBTQ, and holocaust denial hate and conspiracy theories since the early 1990s.

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Center For Security	2020 Pennsylvania	01/07/2020	\$750,000
Policy	Ave NW Suite 189		
	Washington, DC		
	20006		

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The Center For Security Policy And Its Leader Pushed Dangerous Election Fraud Misinformation In The Lead Up To January 6th.

In December 2020 The Leader Of Center For Security Policy, Frank Gaffney, Posted On The Group's Website That There Was A Widespread Media Conspiracy To Push A "False Narrative" That There Was No Voter Fraud In The Presidential Election. "In a post on the group's website, Gaffney himself claimed in December the media is pushing a 'false narrative' that 'there's no evidence of electoral larceny in the 2020 presidential race — or at least none that would have made a difference,' he said. Gaffney also wrote that 'the online resource EveryLegalVote.com makes clear that election integrity was systematically compromised.'" [CNBC, 1/13/21]

The Center For Security Policy Continued To Hammer The Election Fraud Misinformation Drumbeat In January 2021, Including Posting An Article On How To Avoid Antifa On January 5th While Posting. "In January, a Center for Security Policy article claimed there are 10 truths about election fraud, including that election fraud has become "more sinister and sophisticated.' An article on Jan. 5, a day before the riot, is headlined 'Exercising your First Amendment rights? How to avoid Antifa violence at the upcoming January 6th protests.' Then article then goes on to give protesters tips on how to avoid fights with antifa." [CNBC, 1/13/21]

<u>The Center For Security Policy Is A Designated Hate Group Known For Its</u> Virulent Anti-Islamic Views That Are So Extreme They Were Banned From CPAC.

The Southern Poverty Law Center Designated The Center For Security Policy As A Hate Group For Its Virulent Anti-Islamic Views. "Known for its accusations that a shadowy 'Muslim Brotherhood' has infiltrated all levels of government and warnings that "creeping Shariah," or Islamic religious law, is a threat to American democracy, CSP's Gaffney has called for Congressional hearings along the lines of the notorious Cold War-era House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) to expose Muslim conspiracies. CSP has even been banned from the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC), a premier gathering of thousands of conservatives each spring in Washington, D.C." [Southern Poverty Law Center, Accessed 11/30/21]

Southern Policy Law Center: "The Center For Security Policy (CSP) [Is A] Conspiracy-Oriented Mouthpiece For The Growing Anti-Muslim Movement In The United States." [Southern Poverty Law Center, Accessed 11/30/21]

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The Center For Security Policy Spreads Dubious Claims And Conspiracy Theories To Stoke Anti-Muslim Hate And Forms Alliances With Similarly Hateful Anti-Immigrant Groups To Advance Its Message. "As the anti-Muslim movement began to increase in size and influence, CSP also branched out to potential allies in the anti-immigrant movement. Gaffney for example, is an admirer and ally of Mark Krikorian, head of the Center for Immigration Studies (CIS) which essentially plays the same role in anti-immigrant circles as does CSP in the anti-Muslim movement – namely, providing reports with dubious claims and conspiracy theories that grassroots groups and others can use as "proof" to support anti-immigrant claims." [Southern Poverty Law Center, Accessed 11/30/21]

The Center For Security Policy's And Its Leader, Frank Gaffney, We Important Incubators And Proliferators Of The Conspiracy Theory That Barack Obama Was Secretly A Muslim. "Frank Gaffney has emerged as one of the DC-beltway's most outspoken critics of American Muslims, purveying conspiracy theories about the infiltration of the Muslim Brotherhood into the highest levels of the U.S. government and birther accusations about Barack Obama's eligibility to serve as president. But even while drawing criticism from civil rights organizations, Gaffney, who served as acting Assistant Secretary of Defense in 1987, has continued to find sources of funding for his organization, the Center for Security Policy, managing a budget of over \$3.5 million in 2013." [Salon, 10/01/14]

The Ed Uihlein Family Foundation Gave Sons Of Liberty, A Radio Show Hosted By Anti-LGBTQ Hate Group Leader And COVID-19 Vaccine Conspiracy Monger Bradlee Dean, \$300,000 In 2020.

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Sons Of Liberty	P.O. Box 1126	1/07/21	\$300,000
	Annandale, MN		
	55302		

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Sons Of Liberty Is A Radio Show Hosted By Bradlee Dean, The Leader Of A Recognized Anti-LGBTQ Hate Group.

Sons Of Liberty Is A Radio Show Hosted By Bradlee Dean. "Are you tired of talk, talk, talk – around the issues? Then get ready for the revolution with The Sons of Liberty! Bradlee Dean delivers a hard-hitting message of truth, exposing unconstitutional policy through constitutional law." [SonsOfLibertyRadio.com, Accessed 12/01/21]

 Bradlee Dean's Sons Of Liberty Radio Is Headquartered At The Same Address Listed For The Show By The Ed Uihlein Family Foundation's 990. [SonsOfLibertyRadio.com, Accessed 12/01/21]

Dean Is The Former Head Of You Can Run But You Cannot Hide International, Which Was Designated As An Anti-LGBTQ Hate Group By The Southern Poverty Law Center. "Bradlee Dean, called an activist, author, and radio show host in fliers publicizing the event--and called 'rabidly anti-gay' by the SPLC--presented to the Mesa Tea Party branch just two weeks after the group brought in New Yorker Pamela Geller, whose

name made the SPLC list for her anti-Islamic views. [...] Dean's name first came across her desk through his ties to Michelle Bachman, and he was added to the list in 2012. 'It was a pretty cut and dry case,' Beirich says. Dean's Minnesota-based group, You Can Run But You Cannot Hide International, lists its mission as 'to reshape America by re-directing the current and future generations both morally and spiritually through education, media, and the Judeo-Christian values found in our U.S. Constitution.'" [Phoenix New Times, 11/11/14]

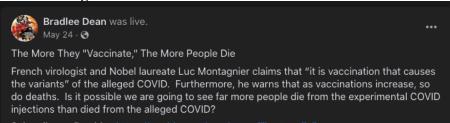
Dean Has Called Homosexuality An "Abomination" And Claimed It Leads To "Horrific" Crime Against Children. "Calls homosexuality an 'abomination' and links it to crimes against children: 'If America would study history, then and only then would she understand why God said sodomy is an abomination... If we would simply take heed to God's Word and listen to what He commands, we would not have to read in the newspapers about the horrific crimes committed against our children, only to find out that God was right all along." [GLAAD, <u>Accessed 12/01/21</u>]

<u>Dean And Sons Of Liberty Have Stoked Anti-COVID-19 Vaccines Conspiracies</u> <u>Falsely Claiming They Cause New Variants, Lead People To Develop AIDS, And Are Nazism.</u>

Sons Of Liberty Alleged That COVID-19 Vaccines Are Causing People To Develop AIDS. "Bombshell: Official Government Docs Comparison Suggests 'Fully Vaccinated' Are Developing AIDSThis should come as no surprise for those who have listened to The Sons of Liberty radio on Saturdays where this is exactly what Dr. Kevin Corbett and The Sons of Liberty's health and wellness expert Kate Shemirani have referenced this very thing. Yet, according to government documents out of the United Kingdom, it appears that those who get 'fully vaccinated' are in danger of developing Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)." [Sons Of Liberty, 10/19/21]

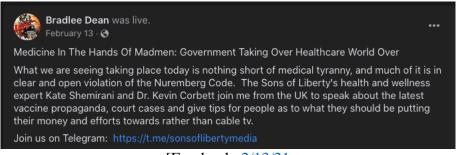
On His Popular Facebook Page, Dean Hosted An Anti-Vaccine Conspiracy Theorist Who Falsely Claimed That COVID-19 Vaccines Cause People To Develop HIV. "It's not hard to find coronavirus vaccine misinformation on Facebook. Bradlee Dean's Facebook page has over 752,000 followers and is a 'superspreader' of health misinformation. The page features a verified Facebook badge and is listed as 'Media/News Company.' This week, Dr. Carrie Madej joined Dean on Facebook Live and falsely alleged that the COVID-19 vaccine will genetically modify recipients' DNA. This is a common myth among anti-vaxxers, but has been repeatedly debunked by experts. It is not possible for mRNA vaccines to alter your DNA. [...] Madej also falsely claimed that coronavirus vaccines will contain cancer-causing viruses, bacterium, and HIV." [Popular Information, 11/18/20]

Dean Posted That COVID-19 Vaccines Cause Widespread Death Because They Are Responsible For Creating Variants Of The "Alleged COVID."



[Facebook, <u>5/24/21</u>]

Dean Posted That COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts Are An "Open Violation Of The Nuremberg Code."



[Facebook, <u>2/13/21</u>

In 2020, The Ed Uihlein Family Foundation Gave The Insurrectionist Group, Turning Point USA \$30,000

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Turning Point USA	217 1/2 Illinois	1/07/21	\$30,000
	Street,		
	Lemont, IL		
	60439		

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Turning Point USA Played A Key Role In Organizing The January 6th Rally That Led To The Capitol Riot.

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 Which Led To The Capitol Riot. "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 America First Tea Party Patriots Peaceably Gather Eighty Percent Coalition Black Conservatives Fund Contribute	Participating in the March to Save America			
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Eighty Percent Coalition Black Conservatives Fund Contribute		Tea Party Patriots	Peaceably Gather	
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[Documented, 1/11/21]

Turning Point USA Is A Conservative Group 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 Internal Revenue Service 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, <u>1/04/21</u>]

The Ed Uihlein Family Foundation Gave The American Conservative, A Right Wing Publication That Pushed Voter Fraud Claims Before And After January 6th, \$25,000 In 2020.

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American	910 17th Street,	07/09/2020	\$25,000
Conservative	Suite 312,		
	Washington.		
	D.C. 20006		

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The American Conservative Pushed Election Fraud Claims Prior To The January 6th And Continued To Stoke Election Conspiracies Following The Capitol Riot.

December 2020: The American Conservative Published An Article Titled "Why We Question The Election Results" Which Pushed Dubious Voter Fraud Claims. "It is unclear at this time how much fraud occurred in swing states and whether it was sufficient to change the outcome of the Electoral College. Some of the early charges by Trump supporters and lawyers regarding electoral foul play have belly-flopped

spectacularly. The apparent endorsement by Gen. Michael Flynn for Trump to declare martial law is both reckless and reprehensible. But there are plenty of legitimate unanswered questions about the election results." [The American Conservative, 12/11/20]

January 5, 2021: The American Conservative Published An Article Titled "How The 2020 Election Could Have Been Stolen" In Which "A Political Scientist Examines The Evidence And Concludes That Widespread Fraud Took Place." "What I have found to date regarding the election makes it impossible for me to accept the media version of the election outcome. It is the opposite of implausible to think that Joe Biden "won" this election because of fraud. He "won" in the battleground states by small margins. Just exactly what is the case will not be known until the charges have been thoroughly investigated. My review of the evidence is far from exhaustive, and I cannot categorically exclude the possibility that the fraud was insufficient to steal the election for Mr. Biden or the possibility that the charges will in the end turn out to have been exaggerated. Yet what I have found to date gives me no choice but to conclude that in the 2020 election, there was major and organized vote fraud and that it probably stole the election." [The American Conservative, 1/05/21]

January 6, 2021 After 5pm: The American Conservative Published An Article Titled "Voter Fraud Happened, But This Fight Is Over" Which Stated That The Media Attempted To "Gaslight" Americans Into Believing There Was Not Widespread Voter Fraud, There Was Nothing More Conservatives Could Do About It. "I don't give a darn what the gaslighting crowd at CNN or MSNBC or the rest of the media says, there was indeed a great deal of voter fraud throughout this presidential election. President Trump and his supporters have every right to pursue justice and expose the extent of voting chicanery. But suggestions like General Michael Flynn's to implement martial law to force a revote are batsh** crazy. Likewise, any attempt by Republican Senate and House members seeking to invalidate a state's presidential votes at the January 6th official electoral college certification is way out of bounds." [The American Conservative, 1/06/21]

June 2021: The American Conservative Published An Article That Flippantly Refused To Accept That The Claim Of Widespread Voter Fraud In The 2020 Election Are Conspiracy Theories. "The media elite can fabricate 'conspiracy theory' designations almost with the flip of a headline. A week after Election Day 2020, the New York Times ran a banner headline across the top of the front page: 'Election Officials Nationwide Find No Fraud.' How did the Times know? Their reporters effectively called each state and asked, 'Did y'all see any fraud?' Election officials answered 'no,' thus proving that anyone who subsequently questioned Biden's victory was promoting a groundless conspiracy." [The American Conservative, 6/24/21]

The American Conservative Compared Ashli Babbit, A Capitol Rioter Who Died At The Scene, To George Floyd, Stoking A White Supremacist Narrative She Was A Political Martyr. "Her death has inspired vigils, rallies, rap lyrics, social media hashtags (#justiceforashli), T-shirts ('Ashli Babbitt, American Patriot'), as well as an article in a magazine, the American Conservative, comparing her fate to that of George Floyd, the Black man murdered by a Minneapolis police officer." [The Washington Post, 7/30/21]

• The Movement To Turn Ashley Babbitt's Into A Martyr Unjustly Killed During The Capitol Riot Emerged From Online White Supremacist Groups. "On the flag, a drop of blood dangles from Babbitt's neck against a crimson Capitol dome. Variations on this flag include the Capitol stamped with a Star of David, the word vengeance written below it in a gothic font. The Babbitt flag was used to advertise an abortive "Million Martyr March" scheduled for Inauguration Day. Ever since, white-supremacist groups like Revolt Through Tradition and the National Partisan Movement have used the same image of Babbitt in their recruitment propaganda, posting flyers on light poles and hanging banners that read "Her Name Was Ashley Babbitt" from Boston to Orlando." [NY Mag, 7/02/21]

October 2021: The American Conservative Published An Article That Handwaved Away Concerns Over Future Efforts To Overturn Elections, Claiming That It Was All Bluster To Delegitimize Any Conservative Electoral Victory. "At the same time, we should not take even the most tired hysterics about

imminent fascism and constitutional crises at simple face value. Even from a former Republican such as Kagan, this is not just about Democrats winning in 2024, but also—like Covid, climate change, and racism—a blank check for shoving as much of the liberal agenda through before President Biden's further senescence and Republican gains in 2022 slightly slow the turning gears. Of course, much of that agenda is about reducing citizens to clients and so building a permanent ruling/ruled majority as the country carries on in managed decline beneath the benevolent eye of international institutions and corporate finance, America as the engine driving towards the global homogenous state, so perhaps this is a distinction without a difference." [The American Conservative, 10/22/21]

The American Conservative's Founding Editor, Pat Buchanan, Has Been Labeled An "Unrepentant Bigot" Who Peddles White Supremacy And Holocaust Denial.

The American Conservative Is A Right Wing Publication Whose Founding Editor Is Pat Buchanan. "The American Conservative is not like other publications that call themselves 'conservative.' We adhere closely to our institutional maxim: ideas over ideology; principles over party. We were founded by eminent conservatives who were appalled by the sins, follies, and deceptions of neoconservatism" [American Conservative, <u>Accessed 12/01/21</u>]

Patrick Buchanan

Founding Editor



[American Conservative, Accessed 12/01/21]

The American Defense League Labeled Pat Buchanan An "Unrepentant Bigot" For His "Increasingly Advanced An Anti-Semitic, Racist, And Anti-Immigrant Ideology" That Is Often Identical To That Of "White Nationalists." "In his role as a political commentator for the mainstream media, former Presidential candidate Pat Buchanan has increasingly advanced an anti-Semitic, racist, and anti-immigrant ideology. Many of the views he holds are identical to those of self-declared 'white nationalists." [ADL, Accessed 12/01/21]

Buchanan Is A Holocaust Denier. "Strangely, Buckley makes little of Buchanan's attitudes toward the Holocaust and Nazi war criminals. Last year Buchanan wrote that it was impossible for 850,000 Jews to be killed by diesel exhaust fed into the gas chamber at Treblinka. When George Will challenged him about it last week on TV (it is, alas, all too possible), he ducked. Buchanan's long battle with Nazi-hunters is shy of loony but still conspicuous." [Newsweek, 12/22/91]

Uihlein's Packaging Supply Company Uline Received Over \$700,000 In Government Contract Commitments Related To COVID-19 Since The Start Of The Pandemic.

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Uline Received \$737,000 In Government Contract Commitments Related to COVID-19. According to ProPublica's Coronavirus Contracts database, Uline has received \$737,000 in commitments for federal contracts related to COVID-19 since the start of the pandemic. [ProPublica, accessed 12/21/2021]

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