# **Twitter Thread by Karol Cummins**





■How the horrific insurrection of Jan 6th started & who was involved.

Nov 6, 2020: Trump-linked figures have boosted #/StopTheSteal Insurrection

Associates of Steve Bannon and top Trump allies have taken leadership roles and stoked

Also on November 5, Bannon started his own "Stop the Steal" Facebook group; he changed the name to "Own Your Vote" the following day. It was not removed by Facebook, but they did later remove several other pages affiliated with Bannon.

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Roger Stone and Steve Bannon have been in full disinformation mode. Stone has appeared on the show of far-right radio commentator Alex Jones to trumpet groundless claims that Biden is trying to steal the election. https://t.co/tXsGg2RKYD

Bannon is echoing similar conspiracy theories on his podcast, calling the election "a mass fraud."

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"Stop the Steal is a highly coordinated partisan political operation intent on bringing together conspiracy theorists, militias, hate groups & Trump supporters to attack the integrity of our election."

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Some of the violent rhetoric associated with the campaign has come from its own leaders.

"Clean your guns," said Dustin Stockton, one of the administrators of the Facebook Stop the Steal group.

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<sup>&</sup>quot;Things are going to get worse before they get better."

In 2016: A federal suit filed in Ohio, for instance, accused Stone's Stop the Steal project of violating the Ku Klux Klan Act of 1871 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 by "conspiring to intimidate, threaten, harass, or coerce voters on Election Day."

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"I'm thinking about bringing Stop the Steal out of retirement," said right wing activist Ali Alexander, in a video he circulated on social media in September. "In the next coming days we are going to build the infrastructure to stop the steal."

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Many of these protests have been organized by prominent, well-funded pro-Trump groups such as Tea Party Patriots, Women for America First, TPUSA and Freedom Works USA ADAM BRANDON PRESIDENT according to analyses from several research institutions.

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PRESIDENT OF FREEDOMWORKS

SENATOR RAND Paul

**GLENN BECK** 

SENATOR Ted Cruz

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FREEDOMWORKS also org'd the anti lockdown protests.

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Nov 10th: Trump loyalists elevated to powerful roles at the Pentagon after Esper fired

Pentagon said that Tata, Cohen-Watnick & Patel promoted to key roles

Esper: "Who's going to come in behind me? It's going to be a real 'yes man.' & then God help us."

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