

**Andrew Iverson, 4.19.24**

**On-The-Record**

**On election day 2020, you directed a subordinate to "wreak havoc" by having Trump supporters call an African American get-out-the-vote operation called Souls to the Polls. Was this a serious request? Were you trying to suppress the Black vote in Milwaukee? Did your effort have a name, such as "Operation Ratfuck"? As far as you know, how disruptive was this effort to call Souls to the Polls?**

"I got into politics because I love my state and want to ensure that every single Wisconsiner that is legally allowed to vote has the opportunity to do so. In 2020, I jokingly offered a scenario of Trump supporters utilizing a Democrat-aligned GOTV effort to ensure Republicans also made it out to the polls. It was a spur of the moment thought and nothing more came of it.

Unfortunately, a disgruntled colleague who has a history of fabricating the truth and was fired for threatening his coworkers and espousing White Supremacist views is recounting his drunk remembrances to members of the press in an attempt to absolve his own failings and make headlines."

**The staffer you called with this request is named Carlton Huffman. Did you have any role in hiring Huffman? Was he an effective staffer for the Trump campaign? Would you say that the two of you used to be friends?**

"While I hired Huffman as the Trump Victory Strategic Initiatives Director in 2019, we were not friends nor did I have any knowledge of his racist views or troubling behavior. While Huffman started off as a helpful colleague in the beginning, his performance rapidly declined as did his problems operating within a chain of command. Huffman offered his resignation in the fall of 2020 when an event with Mick Mulvaney he spearheaded failed miserably and I declined, encouraging him to stick it out through the cycle. This is a decision I regret in hindsight. His drinking problems escalated from this point on, in which there were multiple instances where he acted inappropriately towards women in the workplace and would show up to work inebriated – including in the War Room on Election Day."

**Has Huffman ever threatened you or anyone you know? When and who?**

"Yes. Huffman threatened me in February of 2023 the day after the Associated Press article was released using his leaked materials. He made a racist threat against a colleague of mine that resulted in a harassment restraining order around this same time. He also intimidated a female coworker and friend in early 2023."

**Huffman said he was told to distribute flyers at the Democratic National Convention with pictures of Kamala Harris dressed up as a cop. He said he paid an individual \$200 to do this and that Huffman got a raise after he pulled this stunt. Did you have any role in this activity?**

“While I granted permission to Huffman to produce and distribute fliers outside of the DNC Convention as part of a larger bracketing effort, I was unaware of the contents until several years later. Nearly all employees of Trump Victory were given raises at different points throughout the cycle.”

**Do you consider Huffman a reliable source of information about what went on in the 2020 Trump campaign in Wisconsin? Why or why not?**

“Carlton Huffman is NOT a reliable source. As noted, Huffman has a history of fabricating the truth for his own personal gain, has a known drinking problem which has impacted his judgment and clarity of thought, is a known white supremacist and racist, and has harassed and threatened colleagues with physical violence. This is an individual who needs help, not the attention and validation he seeks from the media.”