



MRC, THE ONLY FORCE FIGHTING LEFT-WING MEDIA BIAS 24/7

## A Time For Optimism

As I write this, Joe Biden's daily approval rating on Rasmussen has reached 50% for the first time since the Afghanistan debacle in August 2021. Krysten Sinema has dropped out of the Democrat Party, but Democrats still will control the Senate for the next two years. The House is in Republican hands, but no one yet has enough votes to become Speaker.

In their final days of control of the House, Democrats want to extend the debt limit and spend enormous sums of money we don't have. They've already passed a marriage law allowing the federal government to harass churches that don't want to allow gay weddings. And they want to put the final touches on their Jan. 6 show trial with a hearing and criminal referrals to the Department of Justice, which can be expected to act with due haste.

"I'm not tired of winning .... YOU?" crowed one of Biden's paid tweeters.

Look, I'm an optimist. You should know that. I got into this business when the networks controlled everything, and Ronald Reagan was upsetting their apple cart by turning away from the failed policies they'd advocated and powering the greatest peacetime economic recovery in American history. We had two computers and a TV; they had 60% of the American public watching every night. That took optimism.

But I sincerely believe this is, in many ways, the darkness before the dawn for right-thinking Americans. Since 1987, our mission at MRC has been to demonstrate why big corporate leftist media can't be trusted. We've had some success at this — 80% of Americans trusted everything that came out of Walter Cronkite's mouth back when we started. Today, nearly 80% distrust corporate media.

And it's finally breaking through. So what did Elon Musk do when he took over Twitter? He essentially gave it the MRC treatment, exposing bias, naming names, and demanding absolute transparency and fairness.

What have we learned? Twitter was, as the late football coach Dennis Green said, exactly who we thought they were.

We learned Jack Dorsey lied when he said Twitter didn't shadowban.

We learned Twitter prevented the tweets of Stanford infectious diseases expert Jay Bhattacharya from trending because he argued that Covid lockdowns would harm children. That it put Dan Bongino on a "Search Blacklist" and marked Charlie Kirk's account "do not amplify." That Libs of TikTok

had done nothing to merit its six suspensions in one year.

Most importantly, we learned Twitter willfully and knowingly censored news to tip the scales in a presidential election.

Musk exposed that the team of censors in place at that time knew the contents of Hunter Biden's notorious laptop were real and damaging but singled out this story, among everything else written during the campaign, for censorship sanctions customarily employed against only the worst child porn offenders.

Polling done for MRC showed convincingly that if voters in battleground states had been able to see the *New York Post's* Hunter Biden laptop coverage, enough would've flipped to Donald Trump to have given him the victory.

We also learned 51 people who have worked in the top echelons of our intelligence community over the last 30 years are willing to sign a statement they know to be



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false to help the Democrat Party's candidate win the presidency.

We learned Twitter was, at best, indifferent to the child porn dealers flourishing on its site and that Elon Musk knocking 44,000 child porn accounts off of Twitter caused a lot of distress for radical leftists.

We've learned the government had people involved in every facet of the January 6 protest and that it is becoming increasingly possible the government played a role in inciting it.

We're learning that nearly everything the government told us about Covid was a lie. Ivermectin and Hydroxychloroquine did work. Vaxxes did not and may have caused far more problems than they solved. The lab leak theory wasn't all that crazy. Masks made no difference aside from giving the left an opportunity to virtue signal, and shutdowns were disastrous for commerce, the general welfare, and particularly for kids.

The point is that the people who do what we do here at MRC — expose truth, fight lies, point out bias — are starting to win. We're showing how corrupt our institutions actually are, and Americans are coming to understand those institutions will lie to us about life-and-death matters.

At MRC, we're chronicling the censorship — who is being censored and when and why. We're exposing how Google rigs search results to benefit Democrat

candidates. We're fighting against the billions of dollars George Soros spends to weaken the US and silence his opposition.

Now a new Congress takes over. The Hunter Biden laptop will be the subject of congressional hearings and possibly law enforcement action beyond that. We'll learn more about what Twitter has done to conceal criminal activity on the left, how Dr. Fauci and others lied to us about Covid and the real impact of neglect on the border.

Truth will keep coming out, and it won't favor those who seek to bring down America. The reach of Big Tech and what it has meant to political campaigns and other matters will continue to be exposed. The censors are on the run, and the information they've withheld is coming to light.

It's happening. We're right at the start of an inflection point where truth prevails. But we know it won't happen if we don't keep pursuing it. That's why I ask you to use the enclosed envelope to send us a check and support our work. It's never been more vital.

Sincerely,

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# Release of the 'Twitter Files'

## Leftist media rush to gaslight the public

Elon Musk did more than let us in on how Twitter came to decide to censor the Hunter Biden laptop story to protect Joe Biden in the runup to the 2020 election. He showed us what leftist corporate media thinks of free speech in the US, and the picture is alarming.

MRC analysts worked around the clock to monitor reaction to the release, beginning with a NewsBusters story on how Twitter staff and executives had found more and more uses for censorship over time until it became a daily occurrence on behalf of the Biden administration.

Then, for a day or so, the media said little.

Finally, *The Washington Post* released a story that attempted to gaslight the whole thing. "It was billed as a bombshell," this attempt to "expose how Twitter engaged in 'free speech suppression,'" read the lead on: "Elon Musk's 'Twitter Files' ignite divisions, but haven't changed minds."

But by late Saturday, "even some conservatives were grumbling that it was a dud," the *Post* reported. "Musk's Twitter files produced no smoking gun showing that the tech giant had bent to the will of Democrats."

That's precisely what was proven.

Late on Sunday, *The New York Times* posted a story entitled "Elon Musk, Matt Taibbi, and a Very Modern Media Maelstrom," which appeared on page B-5 of the Monday paper under the headline "Musk and an

Independent Journalist Ignite Debate by Releasing the 'Twitter Files.'"

No mention of Joe or Hunter Biden. No mention of the fact this particular act of censorship turned the tide in a presidential election — MRC research shows if voters in battleground states had known about the laptop and its contents before the election, enough would've switched their votes to Donald Trump for him to be elected.

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No mention even of *The Times'* own reporting that established that large parts of the laptop were legitimate information.

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The piece also portended how *The Times* plans to treat this going forward. This story "offered a

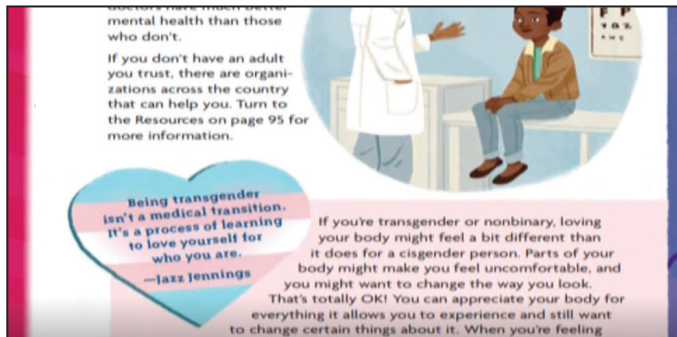
window into the fractured modern landscape of news, where a story's reception is often shaped by readers' assumptions about the motivations of both reporters and subjects," *The Times* wrote.

It was just "a weird story about a laptop being left in a repair shop," said Brandy Zadrozny on MSNBC. Besides, it was helpful. "We got to see how content moderation works," she said. "We got to see how when a group of people with different political ideas and ideologies and views gets together in the spirit of making a platform safe and healthy, right before an election, right when we knew we had just learned of the hack and leaks of Wikileaks and all the stuff they did to hurt and affect ... the 2016 election. In 2020, they were heightened. People were trying to do the right thing inside Twitter."

Others in leftist corporate media attacked the sources. "Imagine volunteering to do online PR work for the world's richest man on a Friday night, in service of nakedly and cynically right-wing narratives, and then pretending you're speaking truth to power," MSNBC host Mehdi Hasan wrote in a Twitter post.

MRC Founder and President Brent Bozell praised Musk for bringing transparency to Twitter's internal operations and confirming what many had long suspected. "Twitter sabotaged the 2020 elections," Bozell said. "A big thank you to Elon Musk for releasing more information about this. The American people deserve to know the truth."

# BITS & PIECES



## American Girl Goes Woke With Trans-for-kids Book

For more than two decades, American Girl has delivered quality dolls and books for American kids. But as reported in a story on MRC Culture, a recent book from the company, “A Smart Girl’s Guide: Body Image,” promotes transgenderism.

“If you haven’t gone through puberty yet, the doctor might offer medicine to delay your body’s changes, giving you more time to think about your gender identity,” the book says in one passage.

It further listed resources for kids who “don’t have an adult you trust” and urged using they/them pronouns and puberty blockers, which even *The New York Times* has warned against. It stated: “Parts of your body might make you feel uncomfortable, and you might want to change the way you look. That’s totally OK!”

American Girl is owned by Mattel, the toy-making giant, which earlier this year released a transgender Barbie doll.

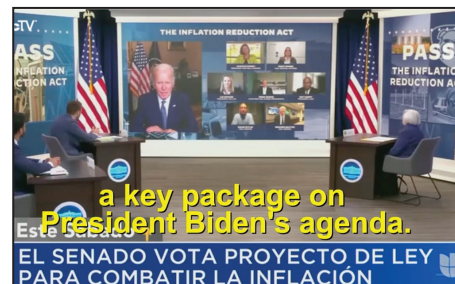
## Leftist Spanish Networks Lead ... in Disinformation

As a recent poll indicates, the work we do at MRC Latino to expose disinformation from leftist Spanish-language networks won’t go away anytime soon.

A Bienvenido-WPA poll released Oct. 25 found that viewers of Telemundo and Univision are frequently misinformed on issues of the day and that the source of that disinformation is the news they get from those networks.

For instance, the poll found 82% of Univision/Telemundo viewers believed Florida passed a law that made it illegal to say “gay” in a public school; 77% thought the Dobbs decision outlawed abortion throughout the US; 69% believe President Trump called all immigrants “animals” and 66% still think Russia meddled on behalf of Donald Trump in the 2016 presidential campaign.

This leftist frame shifts priorities. The economy ranked as the top issue for voters in the midterms, but it ranked just 11th among those who watch Spanish-language news.



Univision all but assured viewers that the Inflation Reduction Act would take care of inflation, reduce the fiscal deficit and the price of certain medicines ... and more.

## MRC Anti-ESG War Starting to Pay Off

MRC’s work pointing out the problems and hypocrisy of Environmental Social and Governance standards — or ESG — being used to impose leftist ideas on corporate America is starting to pay off.

NewsBusters reported in late November that 13 Republican state attorneys general filed a rare motion asking the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to prevent Vanguard Group, an \$8 trillion global assets fund and the world’s largest provider of mutual funds, from purchasing shares of publicly listed utility companies.

The AGs fear Vanguard will acquire enough stock to impose its ESG standards on energy firms that effectively would put them out of business and leave their states unable to meet their energy needs. Companies are rated on their commitment to net-zero carbon emissions, union shops, gender diversity in management, and other leftist goals. Those that don’t measure up are passed over for investment dollars from Vanguard.

## Vanguard®

Vanguard is beginning to respond to the heat for its environmental investing. In early December, it left the Net Zero Asset Managers initiatives, billed as “the main financial alliance on tackling climate change,” citing investor confusion and increased complaints from Republicans.

## Dems No.2 Donor Is Who?

Networks have made time for the travails of FTX and its embattled CEO, Sam Bankman-Fried. But they've studiously ignored one seemingly crucial detail — that Bankman-Fried was the Democrats' No.2 donor this cycle, trailing only George Soros, and that his mother worked for Mind the Gap, a pro-Democrat dark money group.

Bankman-Fried donated more than \$10 million to Joe Biden's presidential campaign and said he planned to spend as much as \$1 billion on the 2024 election.

MRC's study found that in the six days the story was most in the news — Nov. 11 through Nov. 17 — ABC made a single 3-second mention of the connection, and CBS and NBC ignored it. ABC ran two complete segments on the FTX collapse — one on *Good Morning America* and another on *World News Tonight*. One mentioned that Bankman-Fried is "one of the biggest political donors in the US" but didn't mention to which party.

## Disinformation Board Would've Been Huge

Plans for the Disinformation Governance Board, the now-defunct Department of Homeland Security censorship bureau, were much farther along than initially thought.

Documents obtained by Citizens United through a Freedom of Information Act request and reported on for MRC Free Speech America, showed the board's executive director, Nina Jankowicz, planning a series of meetings with federal offices such as the Cybersecurity and Information Security Agency, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate and its Office of Intelligence and Analysis to determine what each could contribute to the censorship effort.

Jankowicz resigned in May after bizarre videos of her singing about censorship to the tune of a Mary Poppins song appeared on the Internet. Another would-be manager, Jennifer Daskal, was forced out after MRC revealed she worked for George Soros, and the agency soon shut down amid a barrage of criticism.

Another email had Jankowicz coordinating with the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.



The leftist media's double standards for reporting on crooks is obvious. Imagine what the headlines above would read if Sam Bankman-Fried had donated to Donald Trump's campaign.

## Soft Prosecutors Forcing Retailers to Retrench?

Here's a story you won't see in leftist corporate media but will on CNSNews: Big retailers across the country are looking at raising prices or even closing stores because far-left DAs refuse to punish shoplifters.

Theft has reached historic highs, and "if that's not corrected over time, prices will be higher, and/or stores will close," Doug McMillon, CEO of Walmart, said.

Walmart is not alone. Target lost more than \$400 million to theft last year and expects to lose \$600 million this year and says it, too, plans to take action if things don't change. Because of theft, Starbucks has already closed stores in Seattle, Los Angeles, Portland, Philadelphia, and Washington, D.C.

Additionally, nearly two dozen CEOs of prominent retailers, including Home Depot, Best Buy, and CVS, have written to Congress urging action to combat the "growing impact of organized retail crime on retail employees and communities."



Flash mob looters, such as these caught on camera ransacking a 7-Eleven store last April, are turning up across the country. Wawa, a Mid-Atlantic convenience chain, said it will close stores in Philadelphia because of "continued safety and security challenges and business factors."

# MRC Report Hits Hydra Of Anti-Americanism THAT IS GEORGE SOROS

We can see the damage George Soros has done to the country all around us. But if we're going to stop him, we must show exactly what he's doing and how he does it.

The Soros Project at MRC took a big step toward doing precisely that this month with a 29-page blockbuster report on where exactly Soros spends his money and how he does his damage. These reports reflect more than six months of work by the entire MRC Business staff — Jeff Clark, Brian Bradley, Joseph Vazquez, Dan Schneider, and even former vice-president of business, Dan Gainor.

This report, which deals with how his spending on prosecutor races, media fact-checkers and organizations and protest movements undermines American interests, is the first of a three-part series. Further reports will appear later in the winter.

The report traces the history of Soros' work to undermine the US, from his 2000 publication of "Open Society:

Reforming Global Capitalism," which said the US "must subordinate our sovereignty" and that America was "the greatest obstacle to establishing the rule of law in international affairs." Soros then accused George W. Bush of "endangering the United States and the world's safety while undermining American values" and Donald Trump of being a "danger to the world."

The report then goes through how Soros has deployed his vast wealth to undermine not only American presidents but interests at home and abroad.

Soros has spent at least \$32 billion since 1984 and \$200 million since 2016 to promote his "Open Society" goals of open borders, weakened law enforcement, environmental extremism and LGBT fanaticism, the report states. He was the largest donor to the Democrats in the 2022 election cycle, with \$128 million spent, and contributed more than \$29 million to elect leftist soft-on-crime prosecutors.

In addition, MRC researchers found 253 media organizations around the world with ties to news and activist media financed by Soros' various organizations.

Soros exploited the George Floyd riots to announce

a \$220 million campaign to push "racial equity." He funded the Marshall Project, which lists as "publishing partners" *The New York Times*, *Time Magazine*, the Associated Press, and *New York Magazine*, that is led by a Marxist race hustler who published a story titled "White Terrorism Often Leads to Harsher Punishment for People of Color."

Soros' Project Syndicate, which syndicates opinion pieces for him (at least 116 times) and others, including the president of France, exposes viewers in 156

countries, speaking 66 languages, to his views. The left used this tool to attempt to redefine the term "recession" when the Biden economy began to roll up consecutive quarters of negative growth.

Our report found Soros funds a network of "fact-checkers," many associated with leftist corporate media, that gang up to distort the truth and bat down challenges to leftist orthodoxy. He provides

second jobs for journalists that bolster their income and ensure their stories serve his aims. In addition, he funds "investigative journalism" groups that target conservatives and has set up syndicates to distribute leftist opinion pieces — his and others — to media around the world.

His "fact-checking" networks not only set out to obscure the meaning of commonly understood terms, such as "recession," they have led the way on "gender-neutral language" and other woke initiatives. They've stridently attacked anyone who swayed from Covid or climate orthodoxy.

Soros even got one of his acolytes to the leadership team of the Disinformation Governance Board, the short-lived and ill-fated operation out of the Department of Homeland Security that was set up to coordinate censorship between government and Big Tech. Jennifer Daskal, the co-founding editor of the radical left Just Security blog, had been named to the leadership team until MRC uncovered her Soros association and began calling for the agency to be dissolved, which it was a few weeks later.



MRC's recent study shows disturbing findings on how leftist billionaire George Soros used his charities to build ties with hundreds of media organizations around the world.

# MRC IS EVERYWHERE!



On *Hannity*, Dec. 8, Dan Bongino cited the MRC's poll proving how the media and Big Tech stole the 2020 election by censoring Hunter's laptop.



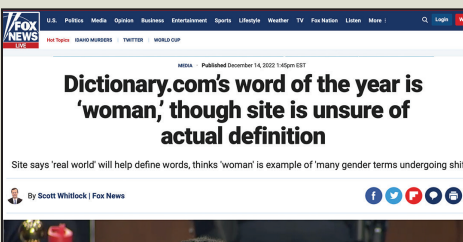
NewsBusters Managing Editor Curtis Houck appeared on *Fox News @ Night* to discuss the massive national security threat posed by Chinese-owned TikTok and CNN's response.



On Newsmax's *Spicer & Co.*, on Nov. 12, Tim Graham discussed the Hunter Biden laptop scandal and 51 "intelligence professionals" who cried "Russian disinformation."



On Newsmax's *Prime News*, on Nov. 24, Curtis Houck talked about the leftist media spin on Thanksgiving as a day of mourning against the 'genocide' of indigenous people.



Former NewsBusters Research Director Scott Whitlock, now editor of Fox News Digital's media team, interviewed Tim Graham about Dictionary.com's word of the year: "woman."



On Dec. 5, MRC President Brent Bozell appeared on *Fox News @ Night* to announce MRC Business' new investigative report exposing the extent of leftist billionaire George Soros's influence over the global media, including NPR, Pro Publica, Univision, Wikipedia, China DigitalTimes, and more ... 253 groups. Bozell quoted Soros's chilling 2019 statement saying that he was "actively engaging" in "bending" the "arc of history" in "the right direction." Check out the report at [NewsBusters.org](https://NewsBusters.org).



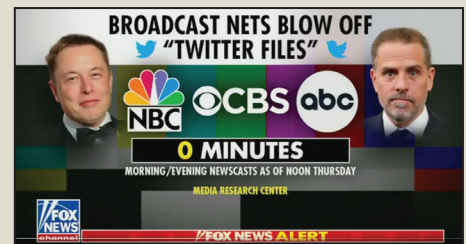
On Newsmax's *National Report*, Nov. 9, MRC's Deputy Managing Editor Nicholas Fondacaro discussed the media's attacks on Herschel Walker.



Curtis Houck and host of *Fox News @ Night* Trace Gallagher discussed the Hunter Biden laptop and how the media handled the story.



On Dec. 9, FNC's Harris Faulkner highlighted findings from NewsBuster's recent "Twitter Files" study, "According to the MRC, broadcast nets ignored the first release of the Twitter files."



On Dec. 14, talk radio's Chris Plante visited MRC offices to be interviewed by Tim Graham. Plante tweeted: "Having a great time on the NewsBusters podcast with the great Tim Graham. Talking about all kinds of leftist media madness."

# MRC Destroys Leftist Media with an Abundance of Truth

As leftist policies drive our country toward third-world status with open borders, bare shelves, caviar-priced gas, and out-of-control inflation, the media sell a fantasy of flowery meadows, rainbow skies, and rivers made of chocolate.

It's called propaganda.

As Biden enters his junior year and the race to 2024 begins, the spin from the leftist media will intensify into a Cat 5 hurricane.

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Nearly every day, and often multiple times a day, MRC experts appear on national TV and radio shows to analyze left-wing media bias, replacing spin and omission with the truth.

■ When you've lost **Stephen Colbert** ... Colbert to **Don Lemon**: "The word on the street is you guys aren't allowed to be liberal anymore. Is that the case?" Lemon: "I don't think we were ever liberal." Colbert: "WHAT?" ■ It's still Rush's fault. "None of this is new, right?" said **Stephanie Ruhle** of MSNBC on the Colorado Springs gay bar shooting. "Rush Limbaugh was the king of this kind of misinformation for decades. But for many of those decades he was the only one out there doing it. Why has it gotten so much worse? Because there's so many Rush juniors out there." ■ **Mika Brzezinski** on Nancy Pelosi: "It's the end of an era and an incredible one, and I mean, whether you're a Republican or a Democrat, it's sort of hard not to be in awe of what she has accomplished. Unless you're in a cult." ■ MSNBC's **Mike Barnicle**

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worried about Trump: "Doesn't it really prove the point that Donald Trump has installed such fear in other Republican candidates that they go right up to the trip wire of answering the question of if he does indeed, God forbid, become president of the United States again, it poses a threat to national security and a threat to the larger existence of the United States of America as we know it?" ■ Bringing the **Joy (Reid)** to Thanksgiving: "It is a holiday riddled with historical inaccuracies. Built on this myth that the indigenous welcomed their colonizers with open arms and ears of corn. A simplistic fairytale interpretation of a 1621 encounter between indigenous tribes and English settlers that erases the genocide that followed. It's the truth that Republicans want banned from our textbooks because here is the secret they want so desperately to keep: We are a nation founded on violence."

**MRC documents and combats the falsehoods and censorship of the news media, entertainment media and Big Tech in order to defend and preserve America's founding principles and Judeo-Christian values.**

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