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The New Mexico Proud Boys

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Some of the local Proud Boys, including, from left to right: Ejay Clinton, Mike Degidio, Bradley Burris, and Bryce George. Photo from Facebook. Recognize any of these guys not named here? Email tips to abqafa@riseup.net

Before and after the Proud Boys rally in downtown Albuquerque, folks here in New Mexico and around the country got to work figuring out who our local Proud Boys are.

Credit will be assigned for photos (other than those taken from the local Proud Boys social media presence directly) and some specific information. For more information on our approach here, see our footnote** at the end of this post.

That being said, we would like to thank <u>SocksAllYourBoys</u>, <u>Chicago Antifascist</u> **Action**, and <u>Panic in the Discord</u> for their hard work in uncovering some of these guys

and getting that info out on their own platforms, and for their help with our own research. Big thanks to <u>Albuquerque Community Defense</u> for posting this write-up and helping to get the word out to our communities.

It is our belief that these guys are dangerous and that it's important that our community knows their names and faces.

We also want to make monitoring far-right extremists a year-round community project here in New Mexico, and this is just the first post we'll be making in that regard. Follow us on Twitter at @ABQ161 for more stories like this.

If you have any additional information about these Proud Boys or any other farright extremists and organizations in and around New Mexico, please sent tips and/or documentation to abqafa@riseup.net

First, some background. The Proud Boys are a far-right/fascist street gang, originally founded by VICE Media founder Gavin McInnes. While they are most prominent in the United States, they've got a presence throughout the Anglophone world.

Gavin McInnes has openly bragged about the Proud Boys violent ethos, saying:

We will kill you, that is the Proud boys in a nutshell. We will kill you. We look nice, we seem soft, we have "boys" in our name but... we will assassinate you.

and:

Fighting solves everything. We need more violence from the Trump people, Trump supporters. Choke a motherfucker. Choke a bitch. Choke a tranny. Get your fingers around a windpipe.



Gavin McInnes in a typical Proud Boys polo shirt, photo from Variety

While many would describe the Proud Boys as white supremacists or neo-Nazis (and of course many of them likely are), the organization and its members are best described just as fascist, and the membership will routinely point to diversity among its ranks as proof that they are "not racist." Instead, they brand themselves as supporters of "western civilization" and "western values," and often refer to themselves as "Western chauvinists." These are, of course, simply dogwhistles for white supremacy.

What the Proud Boys are is misogynistic, transphobic, homophobic, and many of its members are personally racist as well.

There were some early alignments with other major players and organizations in the altright, but these days the Proud Boys largely see the alt-right as effete and ineffectual, and look down upon them for their unwillingness to openly advocate for political violence. Many members of alt-right, neo-Nazi, and white supremacist circles think the Proud Boys are basically just frat boys in body armor, too stupid to stay out of jail and too scared to openly embrace white supremacy.

The Proud Boys have four incredibly lame "degrees" of membership. From the **ADL**:

The first degree is "declaring you're a Proud Boy;" the second is "getting beat up while naming five breakfast cereals;" the third is "getting a proud Boy tattoo," and the fourth is "to get beat up and kick the crap out of Antifa."

Proud Boys have been involved in numerous acts of political violence around the United States, most notably in clashes at the 2017 Unite the Right Rally in Charlottesville, and in regular appearances in Portland with Joey Gibson's group Patriot Prayer. In New Mexico, they were joined by members of the Hiwaymen, a Neo-Confederate white supremacist and transphobic group from Arkansas, who have also engaged in political violence. While the Hiwaymen are also incredibly dangerous, they are not from here, and HateTrackers has already done a good report on them, available here.

Let's get into some of the locals who have started up a Proud Boys gang in Central New Mexico.

We'll start Bradley Burris, one of the central figures in the New Mexico Proud Boys group.



Bradley Burris (left) with out-of-state Proud Boy Alan Swinney (right) at the ABQ "Flag Wave." Photo from Facebook



Bradley Burris (right) pictured with Ejay Clinton. Photo from Facebook

Bradley is 34 years old, and originally from Valencia County, but appears to now live in either Albuquerque or Santa Fe, where he is a **shitty artist**. We weren't able to find corporate registration for his art sales on the Business Services Portal of the Secretary of State's website, so either he's incorporated under a name we are not aware of, or he simply hasn't been paying taxes on the sales of his art. Around 2016, Bradley was in a

shitty deathgrind band in Albuquerque called Cambodian Death Squad, which billed itself as "Valencia County Powerviolence."

Bradley hosts the podcast Crush the Opposition (all kinds of content warnings on this: Website and Facebook featuring videos) along with his producer Tony Degidio and cohosts Bryce George and Mike Degidio (covered later). There's no two ways about it; this podcast is both shitty and gross, full of misogyny, transphobia, homophobia, racism, antisemitism—you name it. Website and Facebook videos appear to have been taken down after they were exposed.

Still looking for information about where this guy actually works, because his art is so garbage we can't imagine he makes a living off of it. It appears he may attend Liberty Gym in Albuquerque.

Bryce Eric George has hosted at least some of the episodes of Bradley's Crush the Opposition podcast, detailed above, and was present for the "Flag Wave" demonstration in Albuquerque. He claims to be a 3rd degree Proud Boy, hence his prominent Proud Boys forearm tattoo.



Bryce, in MAGA hat and Proud Boys polo shirt at right, waving the Gadsden Flag. Note the Proud Boys forearm tattoo. Photo credit to <u>Kendell Smith Photography</u>



Bryce at Beer Creek Brewing Company in Santa Fe



Bryce at work at Santa Fe Power Equipment



Bryce at Iron Soul Gym in Albuquerque. Photo from Facebook

Bryce is the owner and operator of Santa Fe Power Equipment, a Stihl distributor located at 1364 Jorgensen Ln in Santa Fe, New Mexico. If you're interested in contacting Santa Fe Power Equipment, their phone number is (505) 471–8620, and the Stihl corporate customer service number is (800) 467–8445.

He is also listed as the Vice President of Atomic Mower and Saw, Inc, which was incorporated in 2015 and is no longer in good standing with the state due to failing to file its legally required reports. The President & Director of Atomic Mower and Saw was listed as Shawn E Canada. It appears from these corporate filings that Bryce may live in Albuquerque's North Valley.

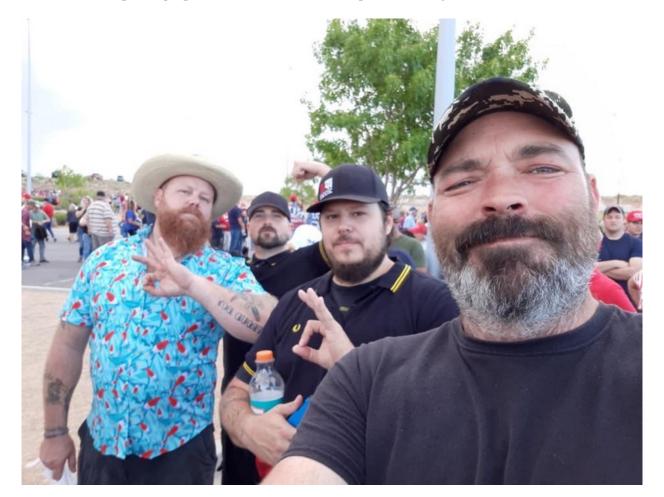
He has cohosted Bradley's podcast, and has said a lot of profoundly homophobic, misogynistic, and antisemitic things on that podcast. You can read more about Bryce and his bigoted public statements on **SocksAllYourBoys on Twitter.**

Bryce was arrested in 2010 for DWI and careless driving, and was found guilty of careless driving.

It appears Bryce either attends or attended Iron Soul Gym in Albuquerque.

Convicted pedophile and Proud Boy Thomas Randall Sparks was also present for the rally in Albuquerque. He's been covered pretty well already by **SocksAllYourBoys via**

<u>Chicago Antifascist Action</u>, so we won't rehash what's been written already. Instead, here are some photographs of Thomas Randall Sparks for anyone interested:







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Thomas Sparks

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Thomas Randall Sparks was booked in Clallam County, WA for 9.68A.090 - Communication with minor for immoral purposes.

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Mugshots.com ID: 8309892 Age: 39 Gender: M Race: Caucasian Hair Color: Brown Height: 6' 3" (1.91 m) Weight: 240 lb (109 kg)

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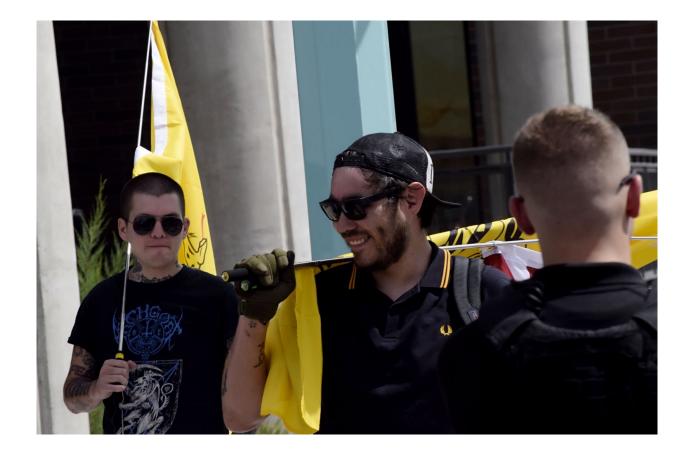
Left: Proud Boys Eric Bryce, Bradley Burris, Thomas Randall Sparks, and Alan Swinney (from Alan's FB). Middle: Thomas Randall Sparks in yellow camo and a helmet with GoPro camera; Bryce George behind him and Bradley Burris at right. Right: Thomas Randall Sparks' mugshot from his arrest and conviction in Washington state for: communication with a minor for immoral purposes; child molestation; and rape of a child.

Thomas Randall Sparks lives in Santa Fe, almost to Pojoaque.

Gabe Martinez has also been exposed extensively by **SocksAllYourBoys**, so we'll keep it brief here.

Gabe lives in Albuquerque, where he works at Cake Nightlife downtown. He appears to associate with Anthony Roibal, pictured also in one of the photos below.

Gabe, perhaps unlike some of his Proud Boy cohorts, appears to be an actual neo-Nazi. He was pictured at the rally with a **Sonnenrad** (black sun) tattoo, a symbol prominent among neo-Nazis.

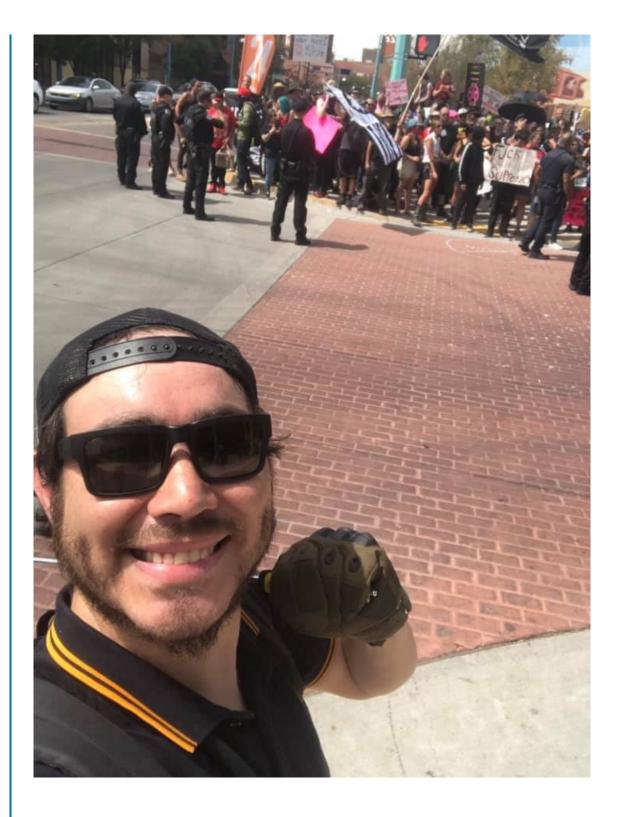




Left: Gabe Martinez (left) and Anthony Roibal (right). Photo credit to <u>Kendell Smith Photography</u>. Right: Gabe Martinez, from SocksAllYourBoys on Twitter. Sonnenrad tattoo above his left elbow, at the right side of the photo.

Anthony Roibal (Anthony Ocasio Cortez on Facebook) appears to have been a student at one time at UNM, pursuing a degree in journalism. He associates with Gabe Martinez, and was charged in 2010 and 2013 with DWI.

EDIT: In the 2013 DWI, he pled *no contest*. Anthony works at the High Noon Saloon and Restaurant in Old Town Albuquerque. You can reach High Noon Saloon and Restaurant at (505) 765–1455



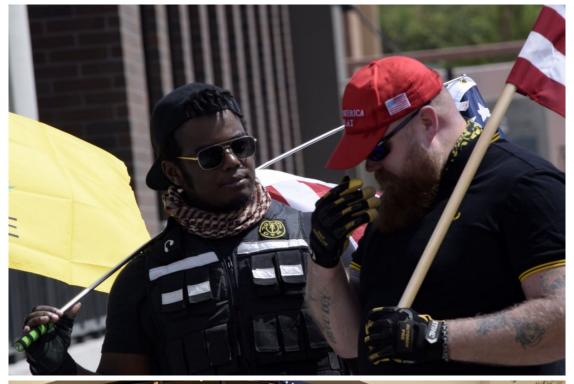


Anthony Roibal at the Proud Boys rally in ABQ, and at the Trump rally two days later.

Got any info on Anthony? Send it to nmrw@protonmail.com

Ejay Clinton is originally from Los Alamos, but appears to now live in central New Mexico, likely Albuquerque. His Facebook claims he is from South Carolina and lives in Texas, but that is not what my information suggests.

He graduated from Los Alamos High School around 2010. We don't have a lot of information on him just yet, so if you know anything, please send it to abqafa@riseup.net





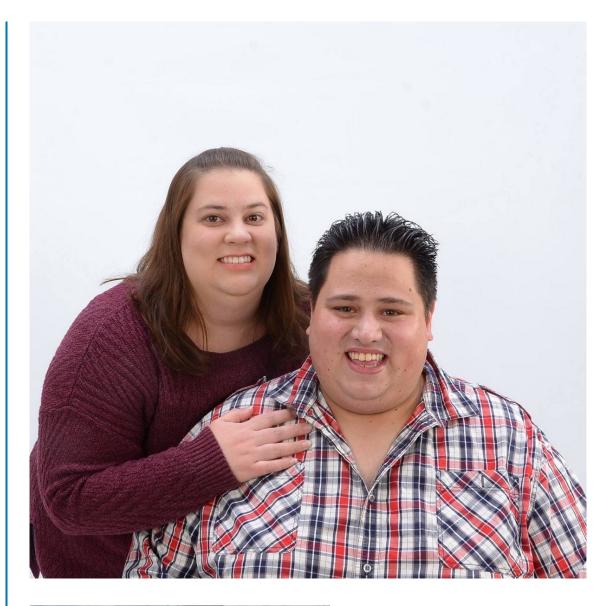


Left: Ejay Clinton with Bryce George (photo credit to <u>Kendell Smith Photography</u>). Middle: Ejay with Anthony Roibal, Thomas Sparks, and an unidentified short man in a MAGA hat. Right: Ejay Clinton being questioned by police after an incident where a gun was drawn. In background is an unidentified man who was also present with the Proud Boys.

Mike and Tony Degidio are associated with the Proud Boys, most notably by producing and cohosting Bradley Burris' podcast, Crush the Opposition. Bryce referred to Mike as "Consensual Mike" on an episode of the podcast.









Clockwise from top left: Bryce George and Mike Degidio on the Facebook video for the Crush the Opposition podcast. Top right: Tony Degidio speaking during the Crush the Opposition podcast. Bottom right: Tony Degidio Bottom left: Mike Degidio and his wife.

Still looking for more information on the Degidios. If you know anything, please email it to abqafa@riseup.net

What we do know is that both seem to be involved in their local homeowners' associations: Tony was listed as a Director of the Santa Barbara Homeowners Association, incorporated at 4121 Eubank Blvd NE in Albuquerque, and Mike was listed as a Director for the Colonial Park Homeowners Association, also incorporated at 4121 Eubank Blvd NE.

Both Degidios like various extremist pages and tracts on social media, including RightWing Death Squad Poland, RuneGoon, and 'The Myth of White Guilt.'

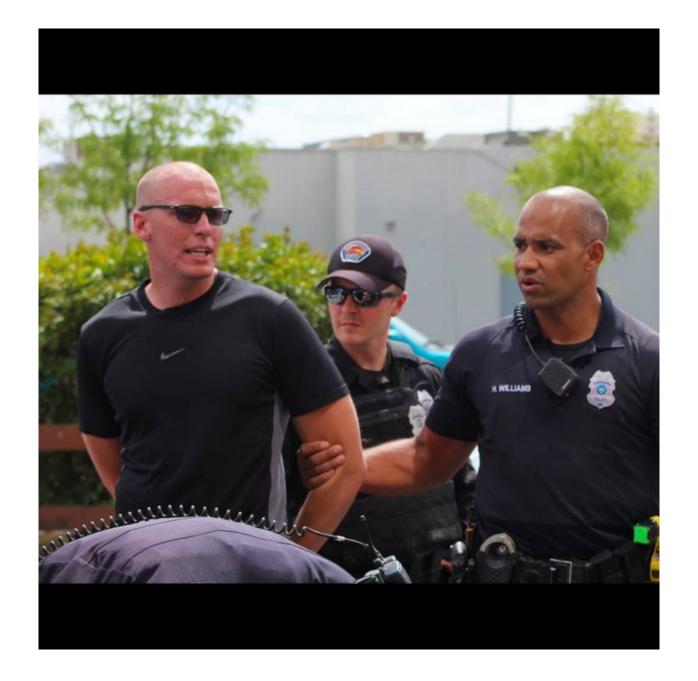
EDIT: Thanks to an anonymous tip, we've got a little more info on Mike. It looks like Mike also goes by "Michael D'Egidio", and is a realtor with **Coldwell Banker Legacy**. He works out of the Academy West office in Albuquerque, which you can reach at:

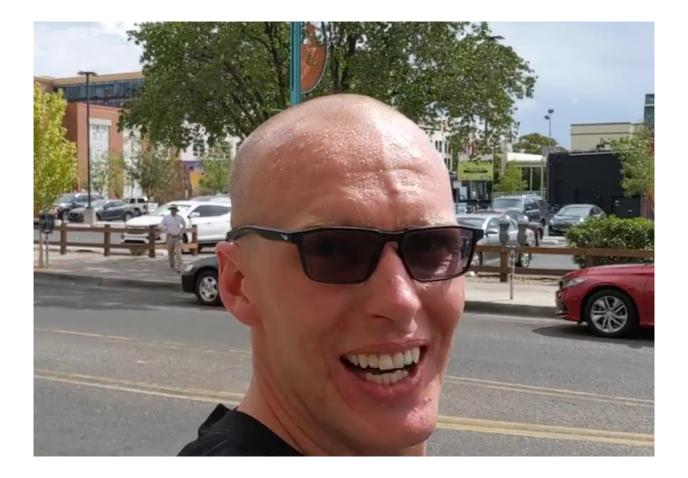
6767 Academy Rd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87109 (505) 828–1000

So that's all we can release right now. We'll be working to find more information on all of these guys, and on far-right extremist throughout New Mexico, **and we would love your help.**

We need more information. While we've gotten a good start on the Proud Boys identified above, any new information helps flesh this out further and make our communities safer. If you have any more information, please email it to abqafa@riseup.net

Additionally, here are some photos of people present at the rally, who are still unidentified:

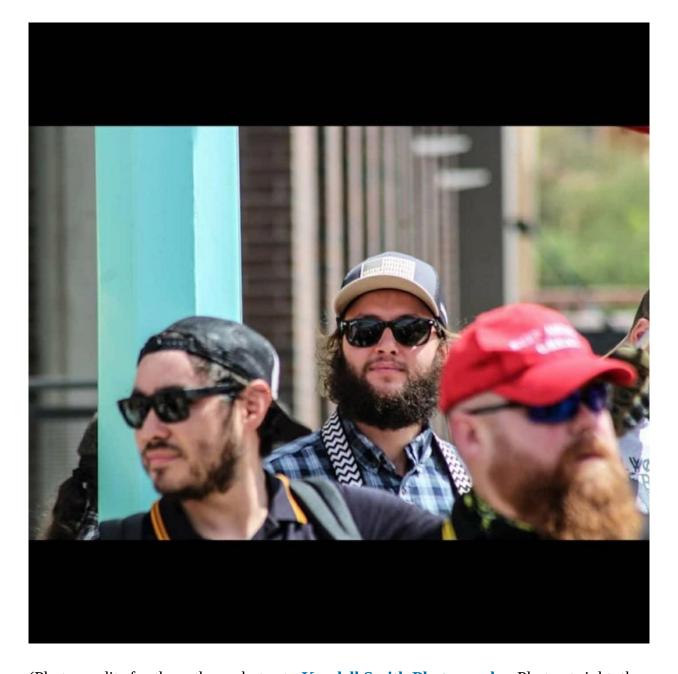




The man in the two images above was riding in a truck with Ejay Clinton and another unidentified man after the rally. He pulled a gun on a protester, and proceeded to go taunt the man he had just pulled a gun on. <u>Video at ProgressNow New Mexico</u>. Photo at left credit to <u>Kendell Smith Photography</u>







(Photo credits for these three photos to <u>Kendell Smith Photography</u>. Photo at right: the man between Anthony Roibal and Bryce George was present with Ejay Clinton and another unidentified man when a gun was pulled on a protester. If you know who he is, please email <u>nmrw@protonmail.com</u>





Great time chilling with Alan Swinney last week.

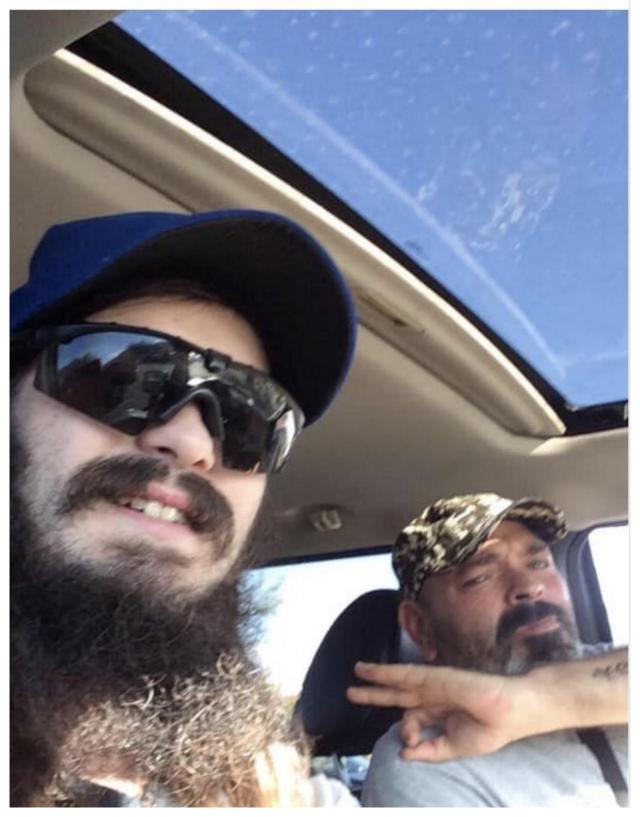




Photo at left credit to <u>Kendell Smith Photography</u>. Photo at left: the man in the checkered shirt and khaki shorts is the man mentioned above, who was present when a gun was drawn on a protester. If you know who he is, please email nmrw@protonmail.com





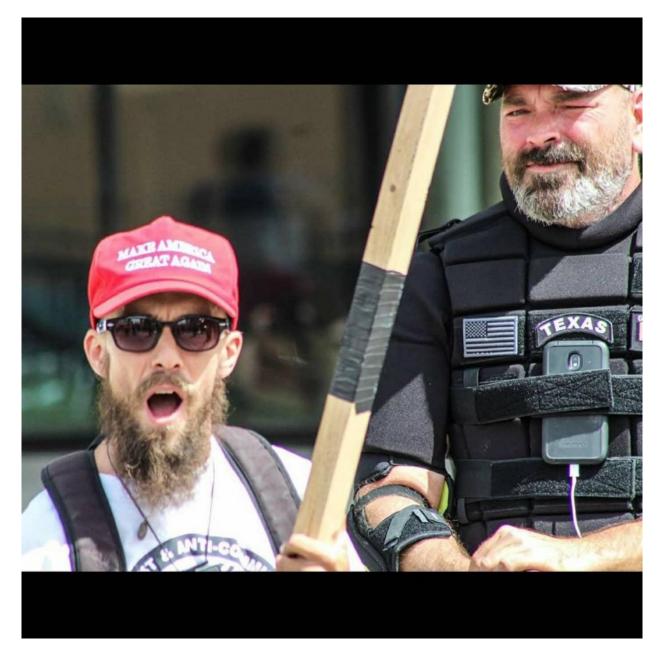


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We worked on our own to uncover much of the information contained in this post, and later in conjunction with open source intel and far right monitoring folks (like **SocksAllYourBoys on Twitter), who have been working to get this information out on their own platforms as well. We are incredibly grateful for their help.

With some exceptions though (like photo credit where desired, and links to those who have already done good work exposing the identities of these guys), we're not going to

personally take credit or assign credit for many of the specific facts described here.

The information in this article was the result of several communities and individuals working both independently and together to generate, corroborate, and compare information from a variety of sources, and wedon't feel right describing it as anything but a broad-based community effort.

If anyone feels slighted by this, and wants specific credit for specific information, please let us know and we will gladly update this page where credit is desired and due.

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