

IS MR. TRUMP A (WHITE NARCISSISTIC) RACIST???

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ABSTRACT

This paper examines whether Donald Trump exemplifies the traits of a "White Narcissistic Racist" as outlined by Dr. Amos Wilson in his revolutionary work "Black on Black Violence: The Psychodynamics of Black Self-Annihilation in Service of White Domination". Using a combination of psychological analyses, firsthand accounts, and Trump's own statements, this research aims to determine the extent to which Trump's behaviors align with Wilson's detailed psychological profile. Primary sources such as "Too Much and Never Enough" by Mary Trump, "Tower of Lies" by Barbara A. Res and "Fire and Fury" by Michael Wolff will be pivotal in validating these traits. "The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump" by a consortium of mental health professionals also substantiates the traits. Additionally, the impact of Trump's traits post-January 6th, especially on white supremacist movements and the Republican Party, will be analyzed through sources like "Sedition Hunters", "Blowback", and "The January 6 Report". The investigation concludes by contextualizing these traits within the framework of Trump's ongoing criminal trials, utilizing sources such as "The Trump Indictments" and current news reports. This comprehensive approach aims to substantiate the hypothesis that Trump's behavior is consistent with the traits of a white narcissistic racist as described by Dr. Wilson.

Keywords

White Narcissistic Racist, Donald Trump, Amos Wilson, Psychodynamics, Narcissism, Racism, Self-centeredness, Psychological Profile, Hush Money Case, GOP Candidate, Ethical Analysis, The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump, January 6th Capitol Attack, White Supremacists, Republican Party, The Jan 6th Report, The Trump Indictments, MAGA Movement, Systemic Racism, Psychological Manipulation

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Brief introduction to Dr. Amos Wilson's work and its relevance.

Dr. Amos Wilson was a prominent psychologist, social theorist, and author whose work primarily focused on the psychological and sociopolitical challenges faced by African Americans. His groundbreaking book, "Black on Black Violence: The Psychodynamics of Black Self-Annihilation in Service of White Domination", delves into the deep-rooted psychological mechanisms and socio-economic conditions that lead to violence within Black communities. Wilson argues that this internalized violence is a direct consequence of systemic oppression and the psychological impact of white domination. Wilson's work is highly relevant today as it provides a critical framework for understanding how systemic racism and psychological manipulation can perpetuate self-destructive behaviors within marginalized communities. By exploring the dynamics of power, control, and self-perception, Wilson offers invaluable insights into the broader implications of racism and its insidious effects on both

individual and collective psyches. In the context of analyzing contemporary figures like Donald Trump, Wilson's theories help elucidate how certain behaviors and attitudes—such as narcissism, sociopathy, and the rationalization of unethical actions—can be understood as extensions of a larger socio-political narrative. By applying Wilson's psychological profile¹, we can critically examine Trump's actions and motivations, highlighting the ongoing relevance of Wilson's work in dissecting and challenging systemic injustices.

1.2. Thesis Statement

The behaviors and characteristics exhibited by Donald Trump demonstrate significant parallels with the traits delineated by Dr. Amos Wilson as the white narcissistic racist. This paper will systematically investigate 5 of these traits to maintain conciseness however it is worth noting that Donald Trump likely exhibits all of the traits described by Dr. Wilson.

1.3. Washington Post Article- Is Trump a Racist?

In August 2018, Jason Johnson of the Washington Post published an article titled “Is Trump a Racist? You Don't Need an N-Word Tape to Know².” The article chronicles Donald Trump's most notorious racist actions, including his refusal to rent to Black tenants, his fervent campaign to execute five innocent Black men, his questioning of Barack Obama's birth certificate, his stance against NFL protests, and the implementation of a Muslim ban. These actions unequivocally indicate Trump's racist tendencies. Despite this, Trump's supporters cite his involvement in criminal justice reform, his pardon of Lil Wayne, and his associations with prominent Black figures like Mike Tyson as evidence of his positive impact on the Black community. Trump himself claims that no president, except Abraham Lincoln, has done more for Black Americans. This dichotomy leaves the public divided, often rationalizing or overlooking racist behavior. This paper proposes a nuanced question: Is Mr. Trump not just a racist, but a white narcissistic racist, the most dangerous type of white supremacist? At this critical juncture, it is imperative to distinguish between general racist tendencies and the more insidious traits of a white narcissistic racist. Dr. Amos Wilson's psychological profile provides a comprehensive framework for understanding this severe form of white supremacy. Upon examining the events surrounding the January 6th insurrection, it becomes evident that Trump exemplifies all the traits identified with a white narcissistic racist presented in this paper. His self-centeredness was evident in his refusal to accept electoral defeat and facilitate a peaceful transfer of power. Displaying sociopathic tendencies, Trump exhibited a profound lack of loyalty to American democratic institutions, and even to his own family. His continuous disregard for the rule of law and governance further underscores his sociopathy. As a bully, Trump incited a mob to storm the Capitol and continues to rationalize these actions, displaying a characteristic narcissistic disregard for his role in perpetuating the crisis. The author hopes that by distinguishing Donald Trump as the worst kind of racist—a white narcissistic racist—those who are neutral, divided, or unaware of the complexities of white supremacy can reconsider their association with the candidate who most closely embodies that of a white supremacist. This distinction is crucial for fostering a more informed and conscientious electorate, capable of recognizing and rejecting the dangerous ideologies that threaten the fabric of democratic society.

¹ Wilson, (1990) Black on Black Violence, p.70-72

² Johnson, J. (2018, August 15). Is Trump a Racist? You don't need an n-word tape to know. The Washington Post.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW - DR. AMOS WILSON'S FRAMEWORK ON WHITE NARCISSISTIC RACISM

Dr. Amos Wilson, a prominent psychologist and scholar, provides an incisive analysis of white narcissistic racism in his work, "Black on Black Violence: The Psychodynamics of Black Self-Annihilation in Service of White Domination." His identification of 22 specific traits of the white narcissistic racist offers a robust framework for understanding the psychological and behavioral characteristics of this pernicious form of racism.

2.1. The 22 Traits of the White Narcissistic Racist

Self-centered - He perceives his needs and satisfaction as more important than anything or anyone else; reason enough for attaining it.

Greedy and other rapacious activities for coveting others' possessions and achievements, often through criminality or deceit, and without remorse after committing such acts.

Social Darwinist - Believes in the philosophy of the fittest; a "justified" exploitation and domination of the less "fit."

Amoral/sociopath - Lacks any moral code, feels no guilt or compunction for immoral behavior, seeing it as rational and justified.

Perverse - Displays behaviors that deviate markedly from what is considered normal or acceptable, reveling in the discomfort or harm it causes.

Hypocritical - Holds others to moral and ethical standards that he flagrantly disregards himself.

Impersonal - Sees people as objects or tools to be used for his benefit, lacking any true human connection or empathy.

Callous - Indifferent to the suffering of others, may even find satisfaction in it.

Cold-blooded - Capable of inflicting pain without any emotional response or guilt.

Exploitative - Uses others for personal gain without consideration of their well-being.

Manipulative - Skilled in influencing others to achieve his own ends, often through deceit.

Duplicitous - Presents a false persona to the world, hiding his true intentions and nature.

Untrustworthy - Cannot be relied upon; betrays trust easily if it benefits him.

Dishonest - Lies frequently and easily to avoid consequences or to achieve his goals.

Reckless - Takes unnecessary risks without regard for the safety or well-being of others.

Vindictive - Seeks revenge for perceived slights, no matter how minor.

Sadistic - Derives pleasure from the pain or discomfort of others.

Arrogant - Possesses an inflated sense of self-importance and superiority.

Entitled - Believes he deserves special treatment and privileges.

Insecure - Despite outward appearances, harbors deep-seated insecurities.

Cowardly - Avoids personal responsibility, often hiding behind others.

Narcissistic - Obsessed with his image and how others perceive him, demands constant admiration and validation.

2.2. Context and Relevance

Wilson's work is situated within a rich tradition of psychological and sociological studies on racism and white supremacy. His analysis draws on historical contexts, including colonialism and systemic racism, to explain how these traits have been perpetuated and manifested in modern society. By grounding his traits in well-established theories, Wilson offers a credible and insightful perspective that is highly relevant to contemporary analyses of racial dynamics.

2.3. Comparative Framework

Using Wilson's 22 traits as a comparative framework allows for a systematic evaluation of public figures who may embody these characteristics. This framework is particularly useful in assessing the behavior of Donald Trump, whose actions and rhetoric have raised concerns about his alignment with white supremacist ideologies. By comparing Trump's behavior to Wilson's traits, this study aims to provide a rigorous and objective analysis of his character.

2.4. Implications for Current Study

In the context of Dr. Amos Wilson's work, it is significant to note that before he presents the traits of the White Narcissistic Racist, he describes the process by which these traits have influenced the development of violent black-on-black criminal behavior. Wilson posits that these behaviors do not emerge in a vacuum but are the result of the social environment and systemic conditions imposed upon African Americans. This perspective underscores the idea that the societal context, characterized by long-term oppression, exploitation, and forced social engineering, plays a crucial role in shaping these traits. Given this framework, it is particularly interesting and noteworthy that Mr. Trump exhibits all of these traits, as identified by Wilson in 1990. This correlation suggests a broader societal influence at play, reflecting the pervasive and enduring impact of these characteristics within American culture. It stands to reason that if African Americans have, over centuries of servitude and systemic manipulation, internalized some of these traits, then these very traits would be manifest in individuals like Mr. Trump who operate within and perpetuate the structures of power and privilege. Thus, the behaviors and attitudes displayed by Trump can be seen as a direct reflection of the societal environment from which they emanate.

3. METHODOLOGY

To ensure rigorous and credible validation of the identified parallels between Donald Trump and the traits of a "White Narcissistic Racist" as outlined by Dr. Amos Wilson, this analysis employed a multi-step methodological approach:

3.1. Source Selection and Organization

The research began with an exhaustive review of an extensive library, initially organized by the author's uncle, which contained numerous books on Donald Trump. This library provided a rich foundation of primary sources. The process involved categorizing the books and selecting those

most relevant to the analysis, prioritizing firsthand accounts and psychological evaluations of Trump.

3.2. Primary Source Analysis

The first phase of analysis focused on four texts:

- “Too Much and Never Enough” by Mary Trump: Chosen for its intimate familial insights, this book offers a psychological perspective grounded in personal experience.
- “Tower of Lies” by Barbara A. Res: Selected for Barbara Res’s 18 years of professional interaction with Trump, providing a long-term observational perspective.
- “Fire and Fury” by Michael Wolff: This book offers firsthand observations from within the Trump administration, essential for understanding his behavior in a political context.
- “The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump” by a consortium of mental health professionals: This work provides comprehensive psychological assessments from multiple experts, making it invaluable for validating psychological traits.

These sources were analyzed to identify and validate the traits of narcissism and racism as defined by Dr. Wilson.

3.2. Gap Identification and Supplementary Sources

Recognizing that these key sources were authored before the January 6th Capitol attack, it became necessary to address this temporal gap to maintain the analysis's relevance. This led to the inclusion of more recent publications:

- “Blowback” by Miles Taylor and “Why We Did It” by Tim Miller: These books, written by Republican whistleblowers, explore the influence of Trump’s traits on the Republican Party.
- “Sedition Hunters” by Ryan J. Reilly and “The January 6 Report” by the House January 6th Committee: These sources were utilized to understand the absorption of Trump’s traits by far-right groups and their role in the January 6th events.

3.3. Contemporary and Legal Contexts

To ensure the analysis encompasses the latest developments, sources detailing Trump's ongoing legal challenges were included:

- “The Trump Indictments” and current news articles were analyzed to explore how Trump's narcissistic and racist traits manifest in his legal strategies and public responses during the first of four criminal trials, specifically The Hush Money Case.

3.4. Tweets and Social Media Analysis

Trump's tweets were scrutinized as a supplementary source to provide real-time examples of his behavior and rhetoric. This analysis aimed to corroborate the traits identified in primary texts with direct evidence from his social media presence.

3.5. Integration and Validation

The final step involved integrating insights from all selected sources to build a coherent and comprehensive argument. This included cross-referencing findings from books, reports, tweets, and legal documents to validate the identified traits and their implications. This multi-faceted approach ensured that the analysis was thorough, scientifically robust, and reflective of both historical and contemporary contexts.

4. ANALYSIS OF TRAITS - SELF-CENTEREDNESS AND PRIORITIZING OWN NEEDS

4.1. White Narcissistic Racist Trait

"Self-centered, he perceives his need satisfaction as more important than anything or anyone else's."³

4.2. Pre Jan 6th Validations

The key sources will be presented in the following sequence: initially, the trait will be corroborated using psychological assessments conducted by mental health professionals on Mr. Trump. Subsequently, validation will be provided through insights from Mr. Trump's niece. Then, we'll analyze evaluations conducted during Mr. Trump's tenure in the White House through Mr. Wolff's perspective. Finally, we will look at Barbara Res's analysis, of which Mr. Trump has noted, "Barbara has represented me with the utmost integrity and professionalism. She has a strong reputation as a smart and tough but very fair person."

4.2.1. The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump

In Philip Zimbardo and Rosemary Sword's section of the book, entitled "Unbridled and Extreme Hedonism, we find this analysis in regards to Mr. Trump's self centeredness:

"Our assertion that Trump qualifies as among the most extreme present hedonists we have ever witnessed comes from the plethora of written and recorded material on him, including all his interviews, hundreds of hours of video, and his own tweets on his every personal feeling. What follows is meant to help readers understand how we've come to the conclusion that Donald Trump displays the most threatening time perspective profile, that of an extreme present hedonist, and is therefore "unfit for duty."⁴

The extreme present hedonism described here aligns seamlessly with the traits of a white narcissistic racist, highlighting a deep-seated self-centeredness that prioritizes personal gratification over societal well-being.

4.2.2. Too Much and Never Enough

Mary Trump, the only niece of Mr. Trump, who happens to hold a PhD in Advanced Psychological Studies had this to add as validation:

³ Wilson, (1990) Black on Black Violence, p.70

⁴ Lee, B. X. (Ed.). (2017). The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump p.27

“By the time he was twelve, the right side of his mouth was curled up in an almost perpetual sneer of self-conscious superiority.”⁵

This underscores the development of a personality characterized by an inflated sense of self-importance and a profound lack of empathy, aligning with the traits of a white narcissistic racist.

4.2.3. Fire and Fury

Michael Wolff, an acclaimed journalist and author, is renowned for his detailed insider accounts of Donald Trump's presidency. His book, *Fire and Fury: Inside the Trump White House*, offers a compelling narrative based on firsthand observations and interviews, providing critical insights into Trump's behavior and interactions during his time in office. Michael had this to say shortly after Mr. Trump's shocking victory as friends worried about him and his relationship with the media deteriorated:

“Who do you have in there?” said Joe Scarborough in a frantic call. “Who’s the person you trust? Jared? Who can talk you through this stuff before you decided to act on it?” “Well,” said the president, “you won’t like the answer, but the answer is me. I talk to myself.”⁶

Wolff continues later to say:

“It was the first presidential instance of what the campaign regulars had learned over many months: on the most basic level, Trump just did not, as Spicer later put it, give a fuck. You could tell him whatever you wanted, but he knew what he knew, and if what you said contradicted what he knew, he simply didn’t believe you.”⁷

This behavior exemplifies a leader who operates in an echo chamber of his own making, dismissing external advice and reality itself when it conflicts with his internal narrative. This aligns with the traits of a white narcissistic racist, illustrating a dangerous detachment from reality and an unwavering belief in his own infallibility.

4.2.4. Tower Of Lies

Barbara A. Res worked with Trump for 18 years and has often been sought for her insight on him. About his self centeredness, she offers similar commentary:

“The press is looking for any insight into the character of our 45th president, a man adored by millions, resolved by many more, perplexing to just about everyone. But I see the method behind it all, the man I knew so well and worked with for almost 20 years, who gave me a break in construction in a time when women were not given such breaks. My loss, narcissistic, but ultimately human boss, is now just a hate-filled and amoral person. And he has been this way for some time.”⁸

In describing him a little later, she says:

“The constant attention further cemented this version of Donald. He got to see himself reflected in the public's eye, and though much of that attention was negative, he liked that people were talking about him. So he began to seek out the attention more and more, chasing it like an addiction. I could see how his behavior was destructive to others, to his own interests, to himself.”⁹

Lastly, Res leaves no doubt about Mr. Trump's oversized ego:

“I’m also sure Donald didn't think he would win. He just wanted to prove to the White House how successful he was. Maybe use the platform to bring attention to himself and beat his ego, which is always his endgame.”¹⁰

⁵ Trump, M. L. (2020). *Too Much and Never Enough* p.48

⁶ Wolff, M. (2018). *Fire and Fury* p.47

⁷ *ibid* p.47

⁸ Res, B. A. (2020). *Tower of Lies* p.3

⁹ *ibid* p.6

¹⁰ *ibid* p.8

Res's accounts highlight a pattern of behavior driven by an insatiable need for attention and validation, often at the expense of others and even his own interests. This aligns with the traits of a white narcissistic racist, demonstrating a deeply rooted self-centeredness and a disregard for the well-being of others.

4.3. Articles

4.3.1. Few Americans Express Positive Views of Trump's Conduct in Office¹¹

A Pew Research article states that a majority of Americans (80%) view Trump as "self-centered", suggesting he prioritizes his own needs and interests over others. It also notes that only a small percentage of Americans view Trump as "morally upstanding" (32%) or "honest" (36%), further reinforcing the idea that he puts his own desires above ethical considerations.

4.3.2. How Ayn Rand Would Have Looked At Trump¹²

An article from the Ayn Rand Institute argues that Trump lacks a coherent sense of self and principles, instead being driven by a desire for public admiration and appearing successful in the eyes of others. This aligns with the notion that Trump's actions are motivated by satisfying his own need for validation and status rather than any higher ideals or concern for others.

4.4. Trump Tweets

To identify tweets from Donald Trump that embody the trait of self-centeredness and perceiving his own needs as more important than anyone else's, we can look at several examples from his time on Twitter. These tweets often reflect a focus on his personal grievances, perceived slights, and self-aggrandizement. Here are some notable examples:

-Inaugural Crowd Size:

Trump repeatedly insisted that his inauguration crowd was the largest in history, despite clear photographic evidence to the contrary. This insistence highlights his need for validation and his perception that his own narrative is more important than the facts.

Tweet: *"A fantastic day and evening in Washington D.C. Thank you to @FoxNews and so many other news outlets for the GREAT reviews of the speech!" (January 21, 2017).*

-Personal Attacks and Grievances:

Trump's tendency to respond to any criticism or perceived slight with immediate and often aggressive tweets underscores his self-centeredness and inability to tolerate opposition.

Tweet: *"The FAKE NEWS media (failing @nytimes, @NBCNews, @ABC, @CBS, @CNN) is not my enemy, it is the enemy of the American People!" (February 17, 2017).*

-Self-Congratulatory Statements:

Trump frequently used Twitter to boast about his achievements, often exaggerating or misrepresenting facts to cast himself in a positive light.

¹¹ Pew Research Center. (2020, March 5). Few Americans Express Positive Views of Trump's Conduct in Office.

¹² Ghate, O. (2017, August 15). How Ayn Rand Would Have Looked at Donald Trump.

Tweet: "Despite the constant negative press coverage" (May 31, 2017). While this tweet is famously nonsensical, it was part of a pattern where he sought to dismiss negative media coverage about himself.

Ignoring Broader Issues for Personal Focus:

During critical national or international events, Trump would often focus on his own issues or image rather than addressing broader concerns.

Tweet: "To Iranian President Rouhani: NEVER, EVER THREATEN THE UNITED STATES AGAIN OR YOU WILL SUFFER CONSEQUENCES THE LIKES OF WHICH FEW THROUGHOUT HISTORY HAVE EVER SUFFERED BEFORE. WE ARE NO LONGER A COUNTRY THAT WILL STAND FOR YOUR DEMENTED WORDS OF VIOLENCE & DEATH. BE CAUTIOUS!" (July 22, 2018).

This tweet is reflective of Trump's preference for personal confrontation over diplomatic discourse.

These tweets illustrate how Trump often placed his personal needs, ego, and grievances above broader societal concerns, fitting the trait described as self-centeredness and prioritizing his need for satisfaction over others.

4.5. Post Jan. 6th Influence

4.5.1. On the Republican Party

Mr. Trump's most hideous qualities, according to Miles Taylor in "Blowback" infected the Republican Party:

"The evidence of a MAGA takeover of the Republican Party could fill several volumes. For example, GOP state legislators are fervently advancing Trump-like agendas, passing extremist laws on everything from elections to abortions that were inconceivable only a few years ago. Previously mild-mannered policies once, such as Representative Elise Stefanik, now speak in a combative Trumpian tone. Even the adjacent Libertarian Party has been seized by MAGA-friendly operatives who scorn moderation and compromise.¹³"

Taylor continues, illustrating how Trump's self-centeredness was dividing the party:

"Donald Trump is immoral. His leadership style is impetuous, adversary, petty, and ineffective. His behavior is erratic, anti-democratic. His own cabinet is frightened, so much so that officials have considered invoking the 25th Amendment. The president is working against GOP principles, pushing back against half-baked, ill-informed, and rash decisions as not to work over the various deep states. We're a state of state, trying to steer the administration right until one way or another is over. This is about more than Trump and that of what he's doing to the presidency. It's about what he's doing to us. He's dividing us, destroying us. We can't let him. We need to heed John McCain's words and put country over party before it's too late.¹⁴"

Miller, provides another example of the Trump trait rubbing off onto the Republicans:

"In the following months, Pruitt went deeper and deeper down the dark Trump sinkhole. The job brought out every demon he had inside: self importance, avarice.¹⁵"

¹³ Taylor, M. (2023). Blowback p. 38

¹⁴ ibid p. 132

¹⁵ Miller, T. (2022). Why We Did It p. 105

These accounts underscore how Trump's narcissistic and divisive behavior has permeated the Republican Party, leading to the adoption of more extreme and combative stances. The transformation of party members and the embrace of radical agendas reflect a shift towards a more self-centered and authoritarian political culture, which poses significant risks to democratic principles and party unity.

4.5.2. On White Supremacists

A clear case of the trump entitlement trait that spilled over into MAGA supporters and white supremacists is verified in Sedition Hunters:

"The entitlement that bled through the memos was astounding. James P. Frego, the founder of Michigan's largest bankruptcy law firm, used this affidavit to spell out precisely how he had instructed a police officer trying to keep the mob out of the county room. "I put my foot in the doorway, which kept it from closing. The officer asked me to remove it" Frego wrote. "He insisted that I remove my foot, and I insisted I would do it as soon as I was given an exact COUNT of the number of challenges inside the room itself." Frago said that he "persisted" in asking for the numbers until a supervisor pointed at him and other officers pulled him aside and placed him in handcuffs. Frego, after admitting that he obstructed a police officer with his foot, wrote that he was "consistently respectful" and had "never been arrested" in his life¹⁶."

Another account of self centeredness relates around the appropriately named "Proud Boys" found in the Jan. 6th Report:

"The Proud Boys' actions were not spontaneous. Jeffrey Finley, a Proud Boys' leader from West Virginia, later admitted there appeared to be a coordinated effort to pull the barricades apart. Proud Boy, Jeremy Bertino, admitted to similar facts when pleading guilty to seditious conspiracy, stating that he "believed... that the purpose of traveling to Washington, D.C. on January 6, 2021 was to stop the certification of the electoral college vote, and that the MOSD leaders were willing to do whatever it would take, including using force against police and others, to achieve that objective." Based on discussions he and other Proud Boy leaders had in the lead-up to January 6, he "believed that storming the Capitol would achieve the group's goal of stopping Congress from certifying the electoral college vote. Bertino understood that storming the Capitol of Congress would be illegal and would require using force against police or other police or government officials."¹⁷

4.5.3. Articles

Multiple sources argue that the Republican party under Trump has embraced and institutionalized his self-centered, narcissistic tendency to prioritize their own perceived interests above all else, even at the expense of marginalized groups. The therapist's blog analyzing Trump's narcissistic psychology notes:

"The narcissist is seeking for connection, meaning and worth, but these feelings cannot be realized if the individual is valued based on their giftedness."¹⁸

This suggests Trump's self-centered worldview stems from basing his self-worth solely on his own achievements rather than valuing others. The Republican party has increasingly catered to this narcissistic mindset.

4.6. The Hush Money Trial (The Trump Indictments)

¹⁶ Reilly, R. J. (2023). Sedition Hunters p. 58-59

¹⁷ U.S. House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, The January 6 report p. 646

¹⁸ Reedy, B. (2017, September 30). A Therapist's Thoughts on Donald Trump and How to Make a Difference.

In the ongoing Hush Money case, Mr. Trump's propensity for self-centered behavior remains conspicuous. Each day of the trial, he exits the courtroom to disseminate his characteristic rhetoric. The District Attorney of Manhattan, Alvin Bragg, has linked the falsification of business records to a broader scheme aimed at concealing Mr. Trump's sexual indiscretions from the public¹⁹. Despite being mandated to adhere to court decorum, Mr. Trump utilizes his departures from the courtroom as impromptu press conferences. These occasions serve to bolster his ego while he decries the purported witch hunt and perceived injustices against him.

4.6.1. Articles

Mr. Trump has been fined \$9,000 for repeatedly violating the court's gag order in his criminal case, with the judge threatening jail time for future violations²⁰. The gag order prohibits statements about jurors, witnesses, the judge, and prosecutors to prevent interfering with proceedings. Despite this, Trump has made improper statements to the media after court appearances. He falsely claimed (in classic narcissistic fashion) the gag order violates his free speech rights, stating: "He's taken away my constitutional right to speak."

4.6.2. Figures



Figure 1. Trump after court

5. SOCIOPATHIC

5.1. White Narcissistic Racist Trait

¹⁹ Murray, M., & Weissmann, A. (Eds.). (2024). *The Trump Indictments* p. 298

²⁰ Queen, J., Cohen, L., & Sullivan, A. (2024, May 6). Judge Warns Trump of Potential Jail Time for Violating Gag Order.

“Sociopathic, he maintains few or no permanent and substantial loyalties to any moral codes, persons or group²¹”

5.2. Pre Jan 6th Validations

5.2.1. The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump

Lance Dodes, M.D, in his section entitled Sociopathy in The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump had this to say in his concluding remarks:

“Donald Trump's speech and behavior show that he has severe sociopathic traits. The significance of this cannot be overstated. While there have surely been American presidents who could be said to be narcissistic, none have shown sociopathic qualities to the degree seen in Mr. Trump. Correspondingly, none have been so definitively and so obviously dangerous.²²”

The severe sociopathic traits evident in Donald Trump's speech and behavior, emphasizes the unprecedented danger posed by such characteristics in a presidential figure.

5.2.2. Too Much and Never Enough

Mr. Trump’s niece reports that he inherited his sociopathic traits from his father:

“Whereas Mary was needy, Fred seemed to have no emotional needs at all. In fact, he was a high-functioning sociopath. Although I comment, sociopathy is not rare, afflicting as much as 3% of the population. 75% of those diagnosed are men. Symptoms of sociopathy include a lack of empathy, a facility for lying, an indifference to right and wrong, abusive behavior, and a lack of interest in the rights of others. Having a sociopath as a parent, especially if there is no one else around to mitigate the effects, all but guarantees severe disruption in how children understand themselves, regulate their emotions, and engage with the world. My grandmother was ill-equipped to deal with the problems caused in her marriage by Fred's callousness, indifference, and controlling behaviors. Fred's lack of real human feeling, his rigidity as a parent and a husband, and his sexist belief in a woman's innate inferiority likely left her feeling unsupported.²³”

5.2.3. Fire and Fury

In describing the situation with Steve Bannon as he fell out of the good graces of Mr. Trump, we see the recurring theme where friend becomes foe due to the sociopathic nature of Mr. Trump:

“As the pressure mounted, Bannon - until now absolutely disciplined in his regard for Donald Trump as the ideal avatar of Trumpism (and Bannonism), rigidly sustained in character as aide and supporter of a maverick political talent - began to crack. Trump, as almost anyone who had ever worked for him appreciated, was, despite what you hoped he might be, Trump - and he would invariably sour on everyone around him.”

Wolff goes on later to say:

“The president did not truly listen to anybody. The more you talked. The less he listened.²⁴”

5.2.4. Tower of Lies

In terms of sociopathy, Res succinctly stated:

“Donald Trump is now himself in purest form, a person with no decency or conscience.²⁵”

²¹ Wilson, (1990) Black on Black Violence, p.70

²² Lee, B. X. (Ed.). (2017). The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump p. 91

²³ Trump, M. L. (2020). Too Much and Never Enough p. 24

²⁴ Wolff, M. (2018). Fire and Fury p.180, 182

²⁵ Res, B. A. (2020). Tower of Lies p. 10

The excerpts illuminate the erosion of loyalty and the insular nature of Trump's leadership.

5.3. Articles

Multiple sources portray Trump as someone who routinely disregards ethical codes, norms and lasting allegiances - a key hallmark of the sociopathic personality type described in the query. His behavior is characterized as impulsive, self-serving and devoid of lasting loyalties beyond his own interests.

5.3.1. Donald Trump: Sociopath?

This Atlantic article, describes Trump's lack of remorse and disregard for ethical norms as evidence of sociopathic traits:

"Even after an episode of clear plagiarism this week on the part of his campaign in Melania Trump's speech, which could have been forgiven, he gave no indication of guilt or remorse...The other domain of antisocial personality disorder is personality functioning, which involves...absence of prosocial internal standards associated with failure to conform to lawful or culturally normative ethical behavior."²⁶

This suggests Trump has little loyalty to moral codes or ethics that would typically prompt remorse after ethical lapses.

5.3.2. Is Trump mentally ill? Or is America? Psychiatrists weigh in

Quite a few articles refer back to one of our key sources. The Washington Post article cites the views of mental health professionals in the book "The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump":

"Trump displays signs of extreme present hedonism, narcissistic personality disorder, and sociopathy, which could lead to impulsive, immature, and incompetent behavior. Some even suggest that Trump exhibits malignant narcissism, which includes antisocial behavior, paranoid traits, and even sadism."²⁷

5.3.3. Further evidence emerges that Trump is a violent sociopath

In a Vanity Fair article named "Further evidence emerges that Trump is a violent sociopath, According to Michael Bender, author of "Frankly we did win this election: The inside story of how Trump lost", Trump said

"That's how you're supposed to handle these people. Crack their skulls!"²⁸

He also reportedly said he wanted the military to go in and "beat the fuck out" of the protesters, saying "just shoot them" multiple times.

5.4. Trump Tweets

This tweet can be found in an article entitled, "Donald Trump and the Success of the Narcissistic Sociopath"

²⁶ Hamblin, J. (2016, July 20). Donald Trump: Sociopath?

²⁷ Lozada, C. (2017, September 22). Is Trump Mentally Ill? Or is America? Psychiatrists Weigh in.

²⁸ Levin, B. (2022, May 2). "Just shoot them": Further Evidence Emerges that Trump is a Violent Sociopath

Tweet: *Time Magazine called to say that I was PROBABLY going to be named "Man (Person) of the Year," like last year, but I would have to agree to an interview and a major photo shoot. I said probably is no good and took a pass. Thanks anyway! 2:40 PM · Nov 24, 2017*

The author adds this commentary:

"Trump's tweet sparked mockery, derision, and outcry, along with a clarifying tweet from Time that suggested no such conversation took place. But that single tweet is evocative for more than representing Trump's outsized view of himself and his role in the world; it demonstrates elements of sociopathy and narcissism that the leader of the free world—and his peers in his previous life as a business mogul—showcase."

5.5. Post Jan. 6th Influence

5.5.1. On the Republican Party

In describing events leading to the Muslim Ban, Mr. Trump forced his sociopathic trait onto others:

"Krisjen relented. In doing so, One of the few people who had fought inside the administration to delay family separation wound up becoming the face of it....Trump's character rubs off on people who came into government to do what is right. Before long, they find themselves supporting and defending policies they never imagined they would."²⁹

Miller gives this validation of the party in whole sharing Trump traits:

"You'll also see how the republican ruling class dismissed the plight of those we were manipulating, growing increasingly comfortable using tactics that inflamed them, turning them against their fellow man. how often we advanced arguments that none of us believed. How we made people feel aggrieved about issues we had no intent or ability to solve. How we spurred racial resentments and bigotry among voters while prickling at anyone who might accuse of racism. And how these tactics became not just unchecked but supercharged by a right wing media ecosystem that we were in bed with and that had its own nefarious incentives, sucking in clicks and views through rage hustling without any intention of delivering something that might bring value to ordinary people's lives."³⁰

In the aftermath of January 6th, Trump's narcissistic traits have permeated the Republican Party, highlighting the profound influence of Trumpism on the party as a whole.

5.5.2. On White Supremacists

Trump's sociopathic traits within white supremacists and the far right were easily found in Sedition Hunters and the Jan. 6th report:

"Wearing a chemo bucket hat, Ryan Nichols recorded himself on his phone as he and the mob walked east toward the Capitol. I'm hearing reports that Pence caved. I'm telling you, if Pence caved, we're gonna drag motherfuckers through the streets. Nichols said, angrily pointing his finger at the screen. You fucking politicians are gonna get drugged through the streets, because we're not gonna have our fucking shit stolen. This is the second fucking revolution, and we're fucking done. I'm telling you right now. Ryan Nichols said, if you voted for fucking treason, we're gonna drag your fucking ass through the street. Nichols said, let the patriots find out that you fucking treasoned the country. We're gonna drag your fucking ass through the street."³¹

²⁹ Taylor, M. (2023). Blowback p.108- 109

³⁰ Miller, T. (2022). Why We Did It p. xx

³¹ Reilly, R. J. (2023). Sedition Hunters p. 173

White supremacists seemed to lose touch with reality, embracing clear signs of sociopathy and childishness. The Jan 6 Reports:

“Other white supremacists were among the first rioters to enter the U.S. Capitol. Timothy Hale-Cusanelli, an Army reservist from New Jersey who was identified by a confidential source to law enforcement as “an avowed white supremacist and Nazi sympathizer”, entered through the Senate Wing Breach around 2.14 p.m. Hale-Cusanelli “used technical hand signals” to liberate other members of the mob, and he commanded them to “advance” on the Capitol. Afterwards, he bragged to a friend that January 6th was “exhilarating,” that he hoped ‘for a civil war’, and that ‘the tree of liberty must be refreshed with the blood of patriots and tyrants³²”.

Trump's influence on white supremacists and the far right is unmistakable, as evidenced by their adoption of his sociopathic rhetoric and embrace of violent extremism, as illustrated by individuals like Ryan Nichols and Timothy Hale-Cusanelli, who exhibited signs of sociopathy and a detachment from reality during the January 6th Capitol insurrection, showcasing the alarming convergence between Trumpism and white supremacist ideology.

5.5.3. Articles

From the PsyPost article :

"The researchers found that psychopathic boldness and meanness tended to be higher in Republicans compared to Democrats...Boldness was linked to opposition to government spending, immigration, and gay rights. Meanness was associated with opposition to universal healthcare, marijuana legalization, equal pay for women, and affirmative action.³³"

This cites research showing Republicans scoring higher on psychopathic traits like boldness (linked to conservative economic policies) and meanness (linked to conservative social policies), exemplifying a lack of loyalty to moral codes around providing for the common good or protecting vulnerable groups.

5.6. The Hush Money Trial

Mr. Trump's alleged infidelity with a former Playboy model and adult film actress demonstrates lack of empathy and disregard for his spouse's well-being, consistent with sociopathic behavior demonstrating a severe lack of loyalty. The defendant's wife's absence from court proceedings suggests profound shame and humiliation, aligning with psychological impacts of infidelity on betrayed partners. The model, Karen McDougal as described in the case:

Karen McDougal (“Woman 1”) - A former playboy model who claims to have had a ten month affair with Donald Trump, AMI (American Media Inc.) the then owner of the National Enquirer, according to the New York Statement of Facts, paid McDougal \$150,000 for the rights to her story in order to hide the alleged affair from the public until after the 2016 election. In a non-prosecution agreement with the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, AMI stipulated that it made a payment to McDougal at the Trump campaign's request.³⁴

5.6.1. Articles

Prosecutors informed Trump's legal team that McDougal will not be testifying. A Newsweek article provides more context, explaining some potential reasons why McDougal was not called:

³² U.S. House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, The January 6 report p. 655

³³ Dolan, E. W. (2018, November 11). Study Suggests Psychopathic Traits are Higher in Republicans than in Democrats.

³⁴ Murray, M., & Weissmann, A. (Eds.). (2024). The Trump Indictments p. 300

"Former Playboy model Karen McDougal will not be giving evidence against Donald Trump partly because she might have made the former president look too good, a legal expert has told Newsweek."³⁵

5.6.2. Figures



Figure 2. Mr. Trump & Karen McDougal

6. RATIONALIZING CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR

6.1. White Narcissistic Racist Trait

"He has a talent for rationalizing his criminal behavior so that it appears to himself and others that it is warranted, reasonable, and justified."³⁶

6.2. Pre Jan 6th Validations

It must be said that the attack on the capitol on Jan 6th is the most notable example of the trait. The rationale being, the attack on the capitol by maga patriots, at the behest of Mr. Trump, was warranted, reasonable and justified (as evident in the mind of Mr. Trump as he's publicly stated that he would pardon members of far right groups who received stiff jail sentences for their involvement and assault³⁷) because the Democrats cheated and the election was stolen from him.

³⁵ O'Driscoll, S.(2024) Prosecutors informed Trump's Legal Team That McDougal Will Not be Testifying

³⁶ Wilson, (1990) Black on Black Violence, p.70

³⁷ Vucci, E. (2024). Trump Says He May Free Every Jan. 6 Rioter.

Nonetheless, our primary and professional sources still validate the assertion that Mr. Trump shares strong character traits of the white narcissistic racist.

6.2.1. The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump

James Gilligan, in his section entitled, “The issue is dangerousness, not mental illness” states that one does not need to have a storied resume of professional experience as his to recognize the dangerousness of a president who “boasts about his ability to get away with sexually assaulting women because of his celebrity and power.” Mr. Trump's words:

“I just start kissing them. It's like a magnet...I don't even wait. And when you're a star they let you do it. You can do anything. Grab em' by the pussy. You can do anything”³⁸

Here again, the rationale being, my sexual advances were warranted, reasonable and justified because I'm the star. However, in May 2023, Donald Trump was found liable for sexually abusing advice columnist E. Jean Carroll in 1996 and was ordered to pay her damages.

6.2.2. Too Much and Never Enough

In describing the early attempts to take over the Commodore hotel, Mary Trump had this to say,

“He lied about transactions that hadn't taken place, inserting himself in a way that made it difficult for him to be removed. He and Fred then leveraged his newly inflated reputation in the New York press- and many millions of dollars of my grandfather's money- to get enormous tax abatements for his next development, Trump Tower. In Donald's mind, he has accomplished everything on his own merits, cheating notwithstanding...It's easy to understand why he would believe this. Nobody has failed upwards as consistently and spectacularly as the ostensible leader of the shrinking free world.”³⁹

Mr. Trump's niece seems to suggest that he's rationalized his cheating and lying to the point where it's perhaps unrecognizable.

6.2.3. Fire and Fury

Wolff states that, after the protest in Charlottesville VA (explicitly designed to link Trump's politics with white nationalism) ended in the death of a young woman, Mr. Trump “instinctively resisted to condemn white supremacists and self styled Neo Nazis” and was continuously stubborn about it before eventually reading a prompt condemning “both sides” where he was described as:

“Defensive and self-sacrificing, he staked out a contrition-is-bunk, default-lies-everywhere-else position, and then dug in deep. He went on without an evident ability to adjust his emotions to political circumstances, or really even to make an effort to save himself. There was yet one more example, among his many now, of the comic, absurd, movie-like politician who just says whatever is on his mind, unmediated, crazy-like.”⁴⁰

Mr. Trump would go on to say at the press conference:

“What about the alt-left that came charging at the, as you say, alt-right? Do they have any semblance of guilt? What about the fact that they came charging with clubs in their hands? As far as I'm concerned, that was a horrible, horrible day. I think there's blame on both sides. I have no doubt about it. You don't have any doubt about it. If you reported it accurately, you would see it.”⁴¹

In his delay to condemn racism and then a half hearted rebuke of both sides, Mr. Trump undoubtedly rationalized the violence of white supremacists, a large part of his fanatical base. The rationale clearly displayed above, “What about the alt- left...?” In other words, the white

³⁸ Lee, B. X. (Ed.). (2017). The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump p. 174

³⁹ Trump, M. L. (2020). Too Much and Never Enough p.197

⁴⁰ Wolff, M. (2018). Fire and Fury p.296

⁴¹ ibid p. 296

supremacist and far right's violence was warranted, reasonable and justified... and thus, there's blame on both sides.

6.2.4. Tower of Lies

In her nearly unlimited access to Mr. Trump in some of his biggest projects, Res reveals that Trump's cheating and rationalizing goes hand in hand:

"Trump cheats as a way of life, as his niece Mary claimed. He does not think rules apply to him, and he gets away with it. When he's penalized for backing out of agreements or skirting zoning rules, the payment, even if he does pay, is never enough to matter. It all pales next to what he has gained by cheating."⁴²

6.3. Articles

6.3.1. 'No Blame?' ABC News finds 54 cases invoking 'Trump' in connection with violence, threats, alleged assaults.

This ABC News investigation identified at least 54 criminal cases where Trump's rhetoric was directly invoked to explain or justify violent acts, threats, or assaults by his supporters⁴³. For example, one perpetrator assaulted a woman on a flight and "stated that the President of the United States says it's ok to grab women by their private parts", rationalizing his criminal behavior based on Trump's own words.

6.3.2. Donald Trump and the Rationalization of Transgressive Behavior: the role of group prototypicality and identity advancement

This paper strategically builds on the effects of rationalization as it details how Mr. Trump's transgressions have been rationalized, highlighted as Transgressional Leadership⁴⁴. News excerpts from his transgressions include sharing false information, nepotism, abuse of power, choice of pardoning, refusal to concede the 2020 election, attempts to overturn the 2020 election and encouragement of the capitol riots.

6.4. Trump Tweets

In this tweet, Trump rationalizes the violent actions of his supporters during the January 6th Capitol attack by framing them as a justified response to what he describes as an unfair and stolen election. He portrays the rioters as "great patriots" who have been "badly & unfairly treated," thus attempting to justify their actions as reasonable and warranted under the circumstances he describes.

Tweet: "These are the things and events that happen when a sacred landslide election victory is so unceremoniously & viciously stripped away from great patriots who have been badly & unfairly treated for so long. Go home with love & in peace. Remember this day forever!" January 6, 2021

This rationalization serves to deflect blame and present the behavior as a natural and justified reaction to perceived injustices. This tweet exemplifies the trait of rationalizing potentially criminal behavior to make it appear justified and reasonable to both himself and his followers.

⁴² Res, B. A. (2020). Tower of Lies p. 139

⁴³ Levine, M. (2022, January 6). 'No Blame?' ABC News Finds 54 Cases Invoking 'Trump' in Connection with Violence, Threats, Alleged Assaults.

⁴⁴ Davies, B., Leicht, C., & Abrams, D. (2022). Donald Trump and the Rationalization of Transgressive Behavior

6.5. Post Jan. 6th Influence

6.5.1. On the Republican Party

Taylor, in trying to prevent another Trump, sends this warning of the rationalization for winning that clouds MAGA minds:

“MAGA forces plan to exploit workarounds in the law once again to put extreme figures in positions of power without congressional approval.”⁴⁵

Miller explains how Republicans were able to rationalize the acceptance of Trump and his traits:

“In our conversations they defended their choice using many of the same justifications I had in the past. These people are not all barbarians or megalomaniacs. They are flawed men and women with shadow wants and desires. It's just that in this case those desires allowed them to accept an unusual evil. Some of their rationalizations were unique to the republican party; others were the more universal failings replicated throughout industries and societies and political ideologies across the sands of time. Some of them were in the ballpark of defensible; others will fill them rightly with shame. Some are still grappling with these choices, while others have given up and embraced their complicity.”⁴⁶

Miller continues talking about the intoxication with power that compelled republicans to rationalize like the leader:

“That” thing he was missing wasn't his ability to serve constituents. It wasn't the desire to pass true conservative politics. “That” thing Christie and Priebus so desperately needed was their little fix. Getting calls. Feeling important. Remaining relevant. Being in the mix. Once you've already determined that “that” is the objective, the justifications only need to match the desired outcome. And so Little Mixes like Christie and Priebus find themselves wrapped in a pretzel of their own rationalizations⁴⁷.

6.5.2. On White Supremacists

In absorbing Mr. Trump's trait of rationalization:

“One Trump supporter from Pennsylvania, Tammy Bronzeberg, recorded a YouTube video talking about a vision she had that members of Antifa would come across a bridge in her town and military tanks. They had, like, hiding signs on the tanks, Bronzeberg said, wearing a pink Make America Great Again hat. Bronzeberg, who said there were Illuminati symbols all over her town, would later admit to storming the Capitol on January 6th and taking a shot at Jack Daniels inside the conference room.”⁴⁸

Antifa being the rationalization for protecting the country against theft and thus the violence on Jan.6th was justified. As espoused by Mr. Trump (of course):

“Just after 6 p.m. on January 6, President Trump issued his final tweet of the day, again lauding the rioters and justifying their cause. President Trump made excuses for the riots, saying, this is what happens when a sacred landslide of the election victory is so exorbitantly and victoriously stripped away from great patriots who have been barely and unfairly treated for so long. The President added, Go home with love and in peace. Remember this day forever.

The author goes on to say:

⁴⁵ Taylor, M. (2023). Blowback p.76

⁴⁶ Miller, T. (2022). Why We Did It p. xxi

⁴⁷ ibid p. 140

⁴⁸ Reilly, R. J. (2023). Seditio Hunters p. 42

President Trump never did give up on the prospect. Since leaving office, the now former president has said he would consider full importance with an apology to many of the January 6th defendants if he is re-elected.⁴⁹

Mr. Trump reluctantly sent the “go home” tweet after being pressured to do so after it finally settled in the Trump camp that they may be held liable for the mob.

6.5.3. Articles

From a CBS News article:

"Last week, Jackson joined Timmons, the congressman from South Carolina, and more than 60 other House Republicans in supporting a new measure claiming the former president "did not engage in insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or give aid or comfort to the enemies thereof."⁵⁰

This shows dozens of Republican lawmakers directly rationalizing and denying that Trump incited an "insurrection" on Jan 6th, despite overwhelming evidence.

6.7. The Hush Money Trial

During the opening arguments, Mr. Trump's defense asserted that the alleged affair never occurred. This reflects an attempt to rationalize his actions, driven by a relentless desire to win, exploit loopholes for personal gain, and disregard the implications of dishonesty. The introductory section of the Statement of Facts states:

"The defendant DONALD J. TRUMP repeatedly and fraudulently falsified New York Business records to conceal criminal conduct that hid damaging information from the voting public during the 2016 presidential election."⁵¹

6.7.1. Articles

Specifically, Trump's attorney Todd Blanche made the following key points in his opening statement, as reported across multiple sources:

"Trump's legal team, led by attorney Todd Blanche, presented a contrasting narrative, insisting that Trump did nothing illegal and was merely trying to protect his family, reputation, and brand."⁵²

6.7.2. Figures

⁴⁹ U.S. House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, The January 6 report p. 580-581

⁵⁰ Woodall, H. (2024, February 12). GOP Lawmakers Condemned the Jan. 6 attack. Over 3 Years Later, Many Endorsed Donald Trump Anyway.

⁵¹ Murray, M., & Weissmann, A. (Eds.). (2024). The Trump Indictments p. 320

⁵² Durkin Richer, A., Peltz, J., & Sisak, M. R. (2024, April 22). Key Takeaways From the Opening Statements in Donald Trump's Hush Money Trial



Figure 3. 1st Presidential Criminal Trial

7. COWARDICE AND BULLYING

7.1. White Narcissistic Racist Trait

“Fundamentally a coward and a bully, he is motivated by an unrecognized inferiority complex. Highly sensitive to what he perceives as insults and put-downs or challenges to his manhood, he intensely desires and often demands that others give him undeserved respect.”⁵³

7.2. Pre Jan 6th Validations

7.2.1. The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump

Elizabeth Mika, M.A., L.C.P.C in her section, Who Goes Trump? Discusses Tyranny as a Triumph of Narcissism for which we will identify the tyrant as the extreme bully. She says that:

“All tyrants share several essential features: they are predominantly men with a specific character defect, narcissistic psychopathy (a.k.a malignant narcissism). This defect manifests in a severely impaired or absent conscience and an insatiable drive for power and adulation that masks conscience deficits.”⁵⁴

She further goes on to state:

“Narcissistic psychopaths, turned tyrants, possess the right combination of manipulateness, self-control, and intelligence to convince others to support them long enough to put their grandiose ideas to work on a large scale. They also appear to possess skills that are seen as charisma, the most frequent of which is their ability to deliver public speeches that inspire others to follow them. More often than not, however, this charisma is simply their ability to tell others what they want to hear, i.e. the lie, to make them go along with whatever scheme they've concocted for the moment. Their glibness is something that easily fools normal people who do not understand the kind of pathology that results from a missing conscience. Once in positions of power, tyrants can fully unleash their sadism under the cloak of

⁵³ Wilson, (1990) Black on Black Violence, p.71

⁵⁴ Lee, B. X. (Ed.). (2017). The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump p. 299

perverted ideas, which they peddle as a cover for their primitive drives. Instead of turning into common criminals condemned by society, they become oppressors and are murderers of thousands or millions, with their atrocities always justified in their own minds and those of their supporters.⁵⁵

Steve Wruble, M.D, in a different chapter entitled, Trump's Daddy Issues, expounds on the origins of his cowardice and insecurity:

"Taking all of this into consideration, President Trump's aggressive behavior seems to illuminate the part of his father that still lives on within him. Individuals with such a history often exhibit insecurities that can lead to all kinds of compensatory behaviors. However, no matter how successful a person is at alleviating the associated anxiety, fear usually still exists unconsciously and can be uncovered at times of stress. Trump's sensitivity to being seen as weak or vulnerable, along with his need to exaggerate and distort the truth are signs of his deep-seated insecurity. His confabulation protects his fragile ego.....In simplified fashion, in order for Trump to avoid feeling the effects of his insecurities and to feed his narcissistic needs, he appears to compensate by trying to be seen as powerful and special with the hope that he will indeed feel powerful and special.⁵⁶"

According to the text,

" "the Trump Effect," which was originally defined as an increase in bullying in schools caused by the rhetoric used by Donald Trump during his campaign....In short order, the bullying crept beyond schools to include religious and racial bullying by adults.⁵⁷"

7.2.2. Too Much and Never Enough

In again discussing the parenting of Mr. Trump, Mary Trump sheds more light into Mr. Trump's childhood:

"In order to cope, Donald began to develop powerful affirmative defenses marked by an increasing hostility to others and a seeming indifference to his mother's absence and father's neglect. The latter became a kind of learned helplessness over time because although it insulated him from the worst effects of his pain, it also made it extremely difficult, and in the long run I would argue impossible, for him to have any of his emotional needs met at all because he became too adept at acting as though he didn't have any. In place of those needs grew a kind of grievance and behaviors, including bullying, disrespect, and aggressiveness, that served a purpose in the moment but became more problematic over time. With appropriate care and attention, they might have been overcome. Unfortunately for Donald and everybody else on this planet, those behaviors became hardened into personality traits because once Fred started paying attention to his loud and difficult second son, he came to value them. Put another way, Fred Trump came to validate, encourage, and champion the things about Donald that rendered him essentially unlovable and that were in part the direct result of Fred's abuse.⁵⁸"

She goes on to relate more information about Mr. Trump's adolescent years:

"Finally, by 1959, Donald's misbehavior- fighting, bullying, arguing with teachers- had gone too far.⁵⁹"

He wasn't disciplined like most other kids because his father sat on the school's board of trustees so instead, he was shipped off to New York Military Academy. In looking back over his life, she had this to say in a later chapter:

"His cruelty is also an exercise of his power, such as it is. He has always wielded it against people who are weaker than he is or who are constrained by their duty or dependence from fighting back.⁶⁰"

This statement could also be utilized in Mr. Trump's constant violation of institutional rules in attacking those who are bound to uphold them.

⁵⁵ Lee, B. X. (Ed.). (2017). The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump p. 303

⁵⁶ *ibid* p. 273

⁵⁷ *ibid* p. 42

⁵⁸ Trump, M. L. (2020). Too Much and Never Enough p. 26-27

⁵⁹ *ibid* p. 49

⁶⁰ *ibid*. 201

7.2.3. Fire and Fury

Mr. Trump's bullying style against the NFL was witnessed by Michael Wolff as he discusses the event where Trump stumbled upon the idea that it would be appreciated by the MAGA crowd:

"As the crowd became restless, the event threatened to become a hopeless embarrassment. Reading his audience in desperate to find a way out, Trump suddenly threw out a line about Colin Kaepernick taking to his knee while the National Anthem played at the National Football League game. The line got a standing ovation. The President thereupon promptly abandoned Luther Strange for the rest of the speech. Likewise, for the next week, he continued to whip the NFL."⁶¹

7.2.4. Tower of Lies

In describing his fraudulent acquisition of the Commodore:

"Donald's people got rid of all of them, along with a handful of prostitutes, who came back later to service the construction workers. There were also retail stores that Trump had to force out. He did this through cutting services, intimidating, and, through his attack dog, Roy Cohn, threatening to sue. This was a regular pattern for Trump, as I would learn. Behavior that grew more vicious in later years, and would eventually extend to things outside real estate. He would wipe out what was there to put in what he wanted, something that could serve him financially or publicity-wise, and he didn't care much how it got done."⁶²

7.3. Articles

7.3.1. Trump is a Bully and a Coward

In the Brattleboro Reformer, this is an excerpt from a letter to the editor:

"Even after an episode of clear plagiarism this week on the part of his campaign in Melania Trump's speech, which could have been forgiven, he gave no indication of guilt or remorse...The other domain of antisocial personality disorder is personality functioning, which involves...absence of prosocial internal standards associated with failure to conform to lawful or culturally normative ethical behavior."⁶³

7.3.2. Donald Trump: A man with an inferiority complex?

This Forbes article takes an interesting position on why Mr. Trump boasts as much as he does:

"So why did Trump engage in pointless boasting? Because deep down Mr. Trump is scared of having what's "deep down" exposed. While I have no idea what sort of concern(s) plague Mr. Trump, given my clinical experience it is clear that he is plagued by something. There is no other explanation for the behaviors he exhibits when in front of a microphone, the classic indicators of a behavioral dynamic born of angst, inferiority, or insecurity: The gentleman protests his greatness too much. In a manner that seems like he has a tic he cannot control, whenever he is in public Trump says something self-congratulatory or self-aggrandizing."⁶⁴

The article continues:

"Mr. Trump's detractors call him an arrogant S.O.B. because of his chronic bragging, but I would argue that he is nothing of the sort. Instead, Donald Trump is more akin to a kid running from an invisible bully."⁶⁵

⁶¹ Wolff, M. (2018). Fire and Fury p. 304

⁶² Res, B. A. (2020). Tower of Lies p. 17

⁶³ Foye, R. (2020, June 9). Letter: Trump is a Bully and a Coward. The Reformer

⁶⁴ Berglas, S. (2011, May 17). Donald Trump: A Man With an Inferiority Complex? Forbes

⁶⁵ ibid

This analysis portrays Trump's bravado and boastfulness as overcompensation stemming from an underlying "inferiority" and insecurity, akin to a cowardly child acting tough to mask fears.

7.4. Trump Tweets

In this tweet, Trump displays a combination of bullying and sensitivity to perceived insults. By calling others "losers and haters," he attempts to demean and belittle those who criticize him, which is characteristic of bullying behavior. At the same time, his need to assert his high IQ and superiority suggests an underlying sensitivity to perceived challenges to his intelligence and self-worth.

Tweet: "Sorry losers and haters, but my I.Q. is one of the highest -and you all know it! Please don't feel so stupid or insecure, it's not your fault." May 8, 2013:

This need for validation and respect, even when it is not deserved, aligns with the described trait of being motivated by an unrecognized inferiority complex

7.5. Post Jan. 6th Influence

7.5.1. On the Republican Party

In referring to how maga picked up the bullying trait from mr trump, Miles Taylor gives this anecdote from Arizona:

"Dad, are you going to jail?" She asked after seeing a post on Twitter. In a bid to pressure the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, state Republicans had drafted a resolution that would give the legislature power to arrest anyone who defied the subpoenas. What's more, the measure had the 16 co-sponsors it needed to pass. If Gates and his colleagues didn't hand over the 2020 ballots, they'd now face the prospect of jail time. Gates sprang into action to stop the bill before it was too late. After a flurry of behind-the-scenes calls and a release of an emergency public message to condemn the measures, we shot a video here in my office, Gates noted, and it was like a prison video. They caught a break. One lawmaker decided to pull his name off the bill, effectively killing it. The state Senate came within one vote of jailing us. Gates mused, "We were thrilled we were not being detained, but we had real concerns that MAGA people would come to the house. We were worried they would come and take us into custody on their own."⁶⁶

There are plenty examples of the bullying trait taking form amongst republicans but ultimately, we see that they are only following the leader:

"Trump having the ability to trick a mob of rubes into storming the capitol wasn't a reason to stop enabling him, it was more evidence that his mob must be obeyed.... it was obvious that everyone would come crawling back. And that's what they all have done."⁶⁷

7.5.2. On White Supremacists

In Sedition Hunter, the author takes us through several scenarios of disillusioned MAGA supporters absorbing the bullying style of Mr. Trump. In this case, a plot by a far right group was thwarted with the criminal defendants lawyers leaving this on the record:

⁶⁶ Taylor, M. (2023). Blowback p. 40

⁶⁷ Miller, T. (2022). Why We Did It p. 185

“Wright's lawyers wrote that while a Trump fan was headed for years in federal prison for acting on hate and lies, the man who had helped boost that hate and those lies was in the White House. It was a preview of things to come. As long as Trump “commends and encourages violence against would-be enemies,” the lawyers wrote, any sentences imposed by federal judges would do “little to deter people generally from engaging in such conduct” if they believe they are protecting their country from their commander-in-chief's enemies. “The speaker with the best bully pulpit in the world,” they wrote, “is never sanctioned for spreading fear and advocating harm.”⁶⁸”

In Jan. 6th, we find a clear case of Trump's trait accepted wholeheartedly in the attempt to bully Mike Pence to violate the constitution:

“President Trump used his bully pulpit at rallies and on Twitter to lie to his supporters. President Trump told them that Vice President Pence had the power to deliver another four years in the White House.

The author goes on to say:

President Trump's scheme required Vice President Pence to break his oath to the Constitution, not uphold it. By the time President Trump spoke at the Eclipse, he also knew that Vice President Pence had no intention of overturning the election. President Trump then sent a mob to the U.S. Capitol. He did so even after being informed by the Secret Service that people in the crowd possessed weapons. He wanted his supporters to intimidate Vice President Pence and any other Republican who refused his demands. The President told the crowd assembled before him to march down Pennsylvania Avenue to “our Republicans, the weak ones” at the U.S. Capitol, “to try and give them the kind of pride and boldness that they need to take back our country. The mob overran the U.S. Capitol in short order.”⁶⁹”

7.5.3. Articles

The Salon article is quite scathing in its portrayal of the GOP's cowardice, stating:

“The cowardice of the GOP is compounded by its stupidity – especially when it comes to Donald Trump...You're either a Trumplican or you're sitting on the sidelines like Liz Cheney because you had the courage to challenge Trump.”⁷⁰”

It argues the party has shown cowardice by continuing to cling to Trump's "Big Lie" about the 2020 election and falling "on its knees in fealty" to him out of fear, rather than having the courage to stand up to his undemocratic behavior.

Nikki Haley, after being a stark opponent and strong criticizer of Mr. Trump has recently said that she would vote for Dr. Trump⁷¹, confirming what was just revealed by Tim Miller in saying, “it was obvious that everyone would come crawling back. And that's what they all have done”.

7.7. The Hush Money Trial (The Trump Indictments)

Mr. Trump, exhibiting characteristics of a habitual cheater and intimidator, sought to avoid making the payment himself and ultimately coerced Michael Cohen into covering the payment on his behalf. Cohen even went so far as to utilize funds from his personal home equity line of credit. According to the Statement of Facts:

19. The defendant directed Lawyer A (Cohen) to delay making the payment to Woman 2 as long as possible. He instructed Lawyer A that if they could delay the payment until after the election, they could

⁶⁸ Reilly, R. J. (2023). Sedition Hunters p. 30

⁶⁹ U.S. House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, The January 6 report p. 428-429

⁷⁰ Karem, B. (2024, January 11). The GOP Sends in the Cowards: Clowns, Cowards and Criminals – oh my! Salon

⁷¹ Kinnard, M. (2024, May 22). Nikki Haley Says She Will Vote for Donald Trump Following Their Disputes During Republican primary. AP News

avoid paying altogether, because at that point it would not matter if the story became public. As reflected in the emails and text messages between and among Lawyer A, Lawyer B (Keith Davis, Stormy Daniels Lawyer), and the AMI Editor-in-Chief (Dylan Howard), Lawyer A attempted to delay making payment as long as possible.

20. Ultimately, With pressure mounting in the election approach, the defendant agreed to the payoff and directed Lawyer A to proceed. Lawyer A discussed the deal with the defendant and the TOCFO (Allen Weisselberg). The defendant did not want to make the \$130,000 payment himself and asked Lawyer A and the TOCFO to make a way to make the payment. After discussing various payment options with the TOCFO, Lawyer A agreed he would make the payment. Before making the payment, Lawyer A confirmed with the defendant that the defendant would pay him back.

21. On or about October 26, shortly after speaking with the defendant on the phone, Lawyer A opened a bank account in Manhattan in the name of Essential Consultants, LLC, a new shell company he had created to effectuate the payment. He then transferred \$131,000 from his personal home equity line of credit into that account. On or about October 27, Lawyer A wired \$130,000 from his Essential Consultants, LLC account in New York to Lawyer B to suppress Woman 2's (Stormy Daniel) account.⁷²

7.7.1. Articles

As previously mentioned, Mr. Trump is gag order restraining his threats to the judge or jury. Subsequently, he exerted influence over members of the Republican party to articulate sentiments on his behalf, thereby circumventing the constraints imposed upon his speech.

"Over a dozen GOP representatives abandoned their duties in Washington on Thursday to congregate at the Manhattan courthouse where Trump is facing 34 felony charges. Their objective: to capture media attention by voicing their objections to the court, the judge, witnesses, or the laws themselves."⁷³

7.7.2. Figures



Figure 4. Mr. Trump Bullies GOP members to violate his gag order

⁷² Murray, M., & Weissmann, A. (Eds.). (2024). *The Trump Indictments* p. 327

⁷³ Bendery, Jennifer. "Republicans Flock To Trump's Trial To Attack The Judge, The Court, The Law." HuffPos

8. VIOLATION OF INSTITUTIONAL RULES

8.1. White Narcissistic Racist Trait

“To successfully violate laughable, pretentious institutional rules and regulations, to vandalize state institutional establishments, to breach their forfeited walls, to ransack their treasuries, to intimidate their human representatives and clients, invokes in him an ecstatic sense of godlike power, a sojourn of basic and unrecognized sense of powerlessness and nothingness.”⁷⁴

8.2. Pre Jan 6th Validations

This trait requires some brief commentary as to some notes about society:

“If we are to speak of individuals as criminal, can we then refer to a criminal society?... I think we can describe our society as criminal - indeed I think we must.” - Edwin Schur, Our Criminal Society

American institutions exhibit a perpetual duality stemming from the intrinsic racism embedded in the actions of the founding fathers. While ostensibly crafting documents espousing principles of equality and freedom, such as the renowned foundational document, they did so within a context where Africans endured enslavement and indigenous Native Americans faced systematic extermination. Considering these historical realities, an analysis of Mr. Trump's unabashed defiance and denunciation of the fundamental tenets of the slave-holding republic is warranted.

8.2.1. The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump

Edwin B Fisher, PH.D writes “The Loneliness of Faithful Decisions” in which he observes the trait in discussion:

“Clearly, many of the instances observed and widely remarked upon with regard to President Trump would suggest an inability on his part to recognize how his behavior is at odds with applicable laws, including the U.S. Constitution. In his disparaging comments about judicial decisions and in his ad hominem attacks on a judge who presides over one of the cases in which he is a defendant, and in the comments indicating that he asked Comey about investigations of him during a conversation about Comey's tenure as FBI director, President Trump manifests an apparent lack of recognition of how his behavior is at odds with law, the Constitution, and important precedents for the conduct of his office.”⁷⁵

In referring back to Dr. Mika's analysis, she reminds us that tyrants aren't formed in a vacuum but in the society that nurtures the tyrant's motivations and aspirations:

“In effect, we can see that the pre-tyrannical societies, whether nominally democratic or based on other forms of political organization, exhibit signs of a narcissistic pathology writ large. Those involve the inevitable split into their grandiose and devalued parts, including those of the society's self-image and a denial of their shadow, which is projected outward onto others. Oppressive, dehumanizing (narcissistic) systems, like narcissists themselves, cultivate their delusions of superiority on the basis of their internal unseen and unspoken split between their grandiose, blameless I/Us and the devalued, inferior others. The others become repositories of their narcissistic, repressed vices, just as the tyrant is the vessel for their grandiose beliefs about themselves.”⁷⁶

Dr. Mika reaffirms conclusions about the narcissistic racist society that Dr. Amos Wilson illuminated over 30 years prior:

“The white American community projectively degrades the African American community in order to support its pretentiously positive and narcissistic self-image, as well as to maintain its material and

⁷⁴ Wilson, (1990) Black on Black Violence, p.71

⁷⁵ Lee, B. X. (Ed.). (2017). The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump p. 332

⁷⁶ ibid p. 310

psychological advantages. As in the case with the projected narcissist, the white American community devalues the worth and humanity of the black American community as it overvalues its own worth and humanity.⁷⁷”

8.2.2. Too Much and Never Enough

Towards the end of Mr. Trump’s scathing critique by his own flesh and blood, Mary Trump takes a moment to reflect upon Donald’s blatant disregard for the stated mission of Democracy:

“This is the end result of Donald's having continually been given a pass and rewarded, not just for his failures, but for his transgressions against tradition, against decency, against the law, and against fellow human beings. His acquittal in the Sam Senate appeasement trial was another such reward for bad behavior. The lies may become true in his mind as soon as he utters them, but they're still lies. This is another way for him to see what he can get away with, and so far, he's gotten away with everything.”⁷⁸”

She offers further insight into how he was able to tap into the soul of America and identify wholeheartedly with its original sin, racism white supremacy and ascend to the presidency before attempting to tear it all down on Jan.6th:

“We must dispense with the idea of Donald's strategic brilliance in understanding the intersection of media and politics. He doesn't have a strategy. He never has. Despite the fluke that was his electoral advantage and a "victory" that was at best suspect and at worst illegitimate, he never had his finger on the pulse of the zeitgeist; his bluster and shamelessness just happened to resonate with certain segments of the population. If what he was doing during the 2016 campaign hadn't worked, he would have kept doing it anyway because lying, playing to the lowest common denominator, cheating, and sorting divisions are all he knows. He is as incapable of adjusting to changing circumstances as he is of becoming "presidential." He did tap into a certain bigotry and inchoate rage, which he's always been good at doing.”⁷⁹”

8.2.3. Fire and Fury

Michael Wolff, offers this indication and validation of Mr. Trump’s neglect for government institutions and policy:

“The president himself, absent any organizational rigor, often acted as his own chief of staff or, in a sense, elevated the press secretary job to the primary staff job, and then functioned as his own press secretary, reviewing press releases, dictating quotes, getting reporters on the phone, which left the actual press secretary as a mere flunky and whipping boy. Moreover, his relatives acted as ad hoc general managers of whatever areas they might choose to be general managers in. Then there was Bannon, conducting something of an alternate universe operation, often launching far-reaching undertakings that no one else knew about.”⁸⁰”

8.2.4. Tower of Lies

In describing his cheating, rationalization and disregard for policy and institutions she goes on to say:

“"Donald would constantly try to cheat the contractors out of money for changes that were already agreed to, adding and deleting materials, moving walls, speeding up the work in certain areas, and clearing up errors....”⁸¹”

The architect’s decision making partner was upset as Res recalls:

⁷⁷ Wilson, (1990) Black on Black Violence, p.67

⁷⁸ Trump, M. L. (2020). Too Much and Never Enough p. 205

⁷⁹ ibid p. 204

⁸⁰ Wolff, M. (2018). Fire and Fury p. 110

⁸¹ Res, B. A. (2020). Tower of Lies p. 142

“He believed correctly that he deserved every cent, but Trump doesn't need right on his side. He has the money, and he doesn't play by the rules. Donald should have paid the architects and consultants. It was pennies compared to what the builder was earning in rent. But Trump was Trump.”⁸²”

She reveals the resulting decision by Trump's cheating and rationalization:

“In the end, the arbitrators awarded the architect all their extras. They also filed for Trump for the mechanical fault, resulting in a million-dollar windfall for him. It was a fitting coda for Trump's crowning achievement to be suing the architects when the building they desired was a phenomenal success.”⁸³”

In summary:

“Cheating is a principle Trump believes in, like the gospel.”⁸⁴”

Lastly, she completely verifies the trait in this statement:

“The presidency didn't change him. He changed it. He didn't rise to the office. He brought it down to his level. With his ignorance of the Constitution and of the way government works, along with his arrogant disdain for institutions, he has tried to turn himself into a king.... But Donald Trump has revealed that the democratic system in America is only as good as the person who is entrusted with preserving it.”⁸⁵”

The recurrent pattern of Trump's cheating, rationalization, and disregard for institutional norms are indicative of his core beliefs and modus operandi. The primary sources underscores Trump's prioritization of personal gain over ethical conduct, showcasing how his actions degrade not only the individuals involved but also the democratic fabric of the nation, revealing profound implications for the integrity of American governance.

8.3. Articles

8.3.1. Trump rolls back worker safety rules

One example is the Trump administration's rollback of worker safety regulations across various industries, including mining, offshore oil rigs, and meatpacking plants⁸⁶. These deregulations were often justified as efforts to reduce regulatory burdens and increase operational flexibility. However, critics argued that these changes endangered worker safety and violated long-standing safety protocols, showcasing Trump's disregard for institutional rules designed to protect workers.

8.3.2. WTO says Trump's steel tariffs violated global trade rules.

Trump's interactions with institutions such as the Department of Justice (DOJ) highlight his tendency to breach institutional norms⁸⁷. His attempts to interfere with ongoing investigations and influence legal proceedings, including efforts to pressure the DOJ to investigate political rivals, reflect a pattern of undermining the independence of judicial and law enforcement institutions

8.4. Trump Tweets

These tweets were grounds for removal from Twitter.

⁸² *ibid* p. 144

⁸³ Res, B. A. (2020). Tower of Lies p. 144

⁸⁴ *ibid* p. 145

⁸⁵ *ibid* p. 9

⁸⁶ Kullgren, I. (2018, September 3). Trump Rolls Back Worker Safety Rules. Politico.

⁸⁷ Palmer, D. (2022, December 9). WTO Says Trump's Steel Tariffs Violated Global Trade Rules. Politico

Tweet: “The 75,000,000 great American Patriots who voted for me, AMERICA FIRST, and MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN, will have a GIANT VOICE long into the future. They will not be disrespected or treated unfairly in any way, shape or form!!!” January 8, 2021

Shortly thereafter, the President Tweeted:

Tweet: “To all of those who have asked, I will not be going to the Inauguration on January 20th.”

A blog explaining his expulsion suggests that Trump finds joy and empowerment in disregarding established rules and institutions. He sees breaking these norms as a display of power, giving him a sense of superiority and control. This behavior reflects a pattern of seeking validation through defiance and disruption, indicating a disregard for conventional boundaries and a desire for dominance. The blog states:

“We assessed the two Tweets referenced above under our Glorification of Violence policy, which aims to prevent the glorification of violence that could inspire others to replicate violent acts and determined that they were highly likely to encourage and inspire people to replicate the criminal acts that took place at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021.⁸⁸”

8.5. Post Jan. 6th Influence

8.5.1. On the Republican Party

In Blowback, Taylor tells of what a second assault on American institutions and policy in the form of another Trump presidency might look like:

“MAGA forces plan to exploit workarounds in the law once again to put extreme figures in positions of power without congressional approval.⁸⁹”

Miller explains how Republicans were able to rationalize the acceptance of Trump and his traits:

“You want to talk about what a second term would be like? It would be dangerous, he shared. The hangers-on from Trump’s orbit would be put in charge of the same most government positions during a MAGA comeback in order to carry the movement forward, he said, regardless of whether the former president plays a key maker role. We have a system of checks and balances, he said. We can survive bad policy, but we can’t survive bad people.⁹⁰”

He later refers to talking to an older Republican who might be considered a pre maga before maga:

“Walsh was shocked by what he saw during the Trump years. MAGA Forces weren’t advancing Republican ideals at all, he realized, but promoting a brand of pseudo-Authoritarianism.⁹¹”

Lastly, in Why We Did It, Miller describes Joe, the longtime editor in chief of a far right conspiracy website called WorldNetDaily and father of a lady working in the White House under Trump:

“So, of course, Joe was absolutely giddy when he went to the polls in 2016. This was never supposed to happen. His people were the antagonists, the apocalyptics, the outsiders. Yet he was on the cusp of having a president who would expose the pathologically deranged worldview that he had been contaminating the political war to take with for decades. The lifetime of work was about to be validated in the most

⁸⁸ Twitter. (2020, Jan 8). Permanent Suspension of @realDonaldTrump

⁸⁹ Taylor, M. (2023). Blowback p. 76

⁹⁰ Miller, T. (2022). Why We Did It p. 76-77

⁹¹ ibid p. 156

unexpected ways. The harbors were about to be insured. Never before in our politics had a stray mite caught a more improbable car.⁹²

8.5.2. On White Supremacists

Bill Fulton, a former FBI informant who infiltrated a right wing militia and still keeps tabs on the right wing militia scene said this:

“The latest round of conspiracy theories is just a continuation of the hell that the last four years has been if you work in a counter-domestic extremism capacity”, Fulton told me. “This is nothing new. It's just a little more dangerous now. What we call it is walking them to the edge”, Fulton said. “You have the President of the United States taking these people to the edge. And the second that something happens, he's going to turn around and go, ‘Well, I didn't tell him to do that.’ He gives him that plausible deniability. And that's what's scary.⁹³”

Fulton goes on to say:

“You can't keep people on the edge for that long”, Fulton told me. “A lot of these guys think they're, like, defending the United States. They think they're patriots. That is powerful. Patriots go to war for their country all the time..... When you start mixing that, you end up with really, really bad shit happening⁹⁴”.

This excerpt was found in the January 6 Report:

“On January 4th, Fuentes suggested that his followers kill State legislators who don't support efforts to overturn the 2020 election. As discussed in Chapter 2, President Trump and his surrogates were pressuring state legislators at the time to do just that. Fuentes complained that his side “had no leverage.” Fuentes then asked, “What can you do? What can you and I do to a state legislator besides kill them?” He then quickly added, “Although we should not do that, I am not advising that. But I mean, what else can you do, right?” On January 5th, Casey advertised the marches in Washington, D.C. on his Telegram channel, providing repeated updates on the logistics of getting into the city. Casey also spoke to his followers about the next day's rally on the live stream on DLive. As discussed in Chapter 8, the groypers clearly played a role in the January 6th attack. They even planted their flag in the inner chambers of the U.S. Capitol. Fuentes crowed about the attack the day after tweeting, “The Capitol siege was fuckin' awesome, and I'm not going to pretend it wasn't.” In another tweet on January 7th, Fuentes wrote, “For a brief time yesterday, the U.S. Capitol was once again occupied by the American people before the regime wrested back control.⁹⁵”

This section highlights the dangerous escalation of extremist sentiments under the Trump administration, emphasizing the perilous combination of presidential rhetoric and extremist ideology.

8.5.3. Articles

A recent letter urging federal agencies to address white supremacy infiltration in law enforcement implies an intent to subvert rules from within:

“The Department of Justice must act expeditiously to fully implement EO 14074 among federal law enforcement, including by screening all candidates for federal law enforcement employment and current staff for promoting white supremacy and other prohibited forms of bias,” the lawmakers wrote. “We urge you to consider the recommendations included in OPM's action plan as you swiftly formalize internal procedures to prevent the onboarding and promotion of officers that have promoted white supremacy, bias-based violence, or engaged in other forms of racist misconduct.⁹⁶”

⁹² *ibid* p. 193

⁹³ Reilly, R. J. (2023). *Sedition Hunters* p. 82

⁹⁴ *ibid* p. 82

⁹⁵ U.S. House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, *The January 6 report* p. 520-521

⁹⁶ Casten, S., Raskin, J.... (2024, March 18). *White Supremacy in Policing*.

This reinforces this blatant disregard for government, democracy and the rule of law absorbed by white supremacists.

8.6. The Hush Money Trial (The Trump Indictments)

The “catch and kill” scheme is a prominent example of Mr. Trump’s disdain for American institutions and a desire to control everything around in his environment (a white narcissistic trait we didn’t get to cover). This can be found in the statement of facts:

From August 2015 to December 2017, the defendant orchestrated a scheme with others to influence the 2016 President's Election by identifying and purchasing negative information about him to suppress his publication and benefit the defendant's electoral prospects. In order to execute this unlawful scheme, the participant violated election laws and made and caused false entries in the business records of various entities in New York. The participant also took steps that mischaracterized, for tax purposes, the true nature of the payments made and furtherance of the scheme.⁹⁷”

8.6.1. Articles

From - AN ABC News article:

"A house belonging to Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito became the focus of controversy this week, as The New York Times reported that a second flag of a type carried by rioters during the attack on the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, was displayed outside his residence."⁹⁸

8.6.2. Figures



Figure 5. Trump appointed Supreme Court Judge flies 2nd Jan. 6 flag

9. CONCLUSION

⁹⁷ Murray, M., & Weissmann, A. (Eds.). (2024). The Trump Indictments p. 320

⁹⁸ The Associated Press. "Second Flag Carried by Jan. 6 Rioters Displayed Outside House Owned by Justice Alito, Report Says. " ABC News

In conclusion, the analysis presented in this paper underscores the profound alignment between Donald Trump's behaviors and the traits identified by Dr. Amos Wilson as characteristic of a white narcissistic racist. By systematically investigating five of these traits, the paper has demonstrated how Trump's actions and rhetoric reflect a broader pattern of systemic racism and narcissism. This examination, supported by historical and contemporary sources, reveals the deep-seated nature of these traits in shaping not only Trump's persona but also his influence on political and social dynamics. As history shows the cyclical nature of progress and regression, it is imperative to critically engage with these findings to understand the ongoing impact of such leadership on society. The insights gleaned from this analysis serve as a crucial reminder of the need for vigilance and informed discourse in confronting the underlying ideologies that threaten democratic principles and social cohesion.

*“...when this world is cataclysmically destroyed, it will not be caused by drug dealers, petty thieves, muggers, black on black criminals, but will be executed by White, patriotic highly educated and civilized scientists, law abiding citizen soldiers, as well as cultured, well-mannered and well-behaved diplomats.”-
Dr. Amos Wilson⁹⁹*

9.1. Figure



Figure 6. NFT Art- Tzu-Racializm

The Tzu-racializm artwork symbolizes the innovative approach of utilizing NFT art, pioneered by the author, as a means to fund the Planetary Chess System aimed at dismantling systemic racism, thus connecting artistic expression with the scholarly endeavor to combat social injustice.

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⁹⁹ Wilson, A. N. (1990). Black on Black Violence p. 61

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9.3. Afterword

In the seminal work “Think and Grow Rich”, Napoleon Hill expounds upon the concept of a Mastermind Group. Within this chapter, Hill suggests envisioning oneself in a room surrounded by experts or luminaries in one's field of interest to glean invaluable insights and wisdom. Among the illustrious members of my personal Mastermind Group is Dr. Amos Wilson. In a state of profound meditation, I envisioned him entering the room, where he emphatically declared, “Read the damn book, man!” Following his proclamation, he and the other figures departed. I immediately recognized the book he referenced, stored in a folder on my desktop: “Black on Black Violence: The Psychodynamics of Black Self-Annihilation in Service of White Domination”.

To comprehensively assess the current socio-political landscape, particularly following the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*, it is essential to consider the broader implications and historical parallels. Notably, Congresswoman Mary Miller's commendation of Mr. Trump for a "historic victory for white life" encapsulates the overarching objectives of both the Republican and MAGA parties¹⁰⁰—namely, the perpetuation of systemic racism. The MAGA slogan, "Make America Great Again," often prompts questions regarding the specific era it nostalgically references. This inquiry gained clarity on April 9th, 2024, when the Arizona Supreme Court, in a 4-2 decision, ruled in favor of enforcing the state's 1864 law banning nearly all abortions¹⁰¹. This decision harkens back to a time of overt racial legislation. For instance, in 1717, a law aimed at "better governing and regulating white servants" stipulated severe penalties for white women who bore children with Black men, illustrating the long-standing efforts to maintain racial purity¹⁰². The Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade* has rekindled fears that legal protections for interracial marriages might also be under threat. This concern prompted Congress to enact the Respect for Marriage Act, thereby reinforcing federal protections for interracial marriages to preclude any potential legal challenges¹⁰³. This legislative move underscores the ongoing anxiety about white genetic survival and the specter of white genetic annihilation. The ideology underpinning these actions finds resonance among white supremacist groups and certain factions within the Republican Party. The Great Replacement Theory, which posits a deliberate effort to supplant the white population, has gained traction within these circles¹⁰⁴. This theory is likely a foundational text for extremist groups such as The Proud Boys, who participated in the Capitol insurrection. The aspirations of these white supremacist movements can be traced back to the mid-1980s, exemplified by the White Patriot Party's explicitly anti-government rhetoric and intentions, “Kill the Jews and niggers, kill the President and overthrow the government,” shouted members arrested in May of 85 for distribution of hate

¹⁰⁰ Bussaja, J. Make America Great Again (MAGA): The Covert Call for Colonialism's Comeback

¹⁰¹ Billeaud, J., & Snow, A. (2024, April 9). Arizona Can Enforce an 1864 Law Criminalizing Nearly all Abortions, Court Says. AP News

¹⁰² Wood, P. H. (1975). Black Majority p. 99

¹⁰³ Lavoie, D. (2022, December 8). Interracial Marriages to Get Added Protection Under New Law. AP News.

¹⁰⁴ Bussaja, J. The Substantiation of the Cress Theory of Color Confrontation: Connecting Independent Black Scholarship to White Supremacist Ideology

literature¹⁰⁵. As detailed in Kathleen Belew's "Bring The War Home," certain extremist groups historically opposed what they perceived as the "federal tyranny of Washington D.C.," a stance that appeared to shift notably with the advent of Donald Trump's presidency. Despite being impeached twice, Trump's leadership was characterized by erratic behavior, as described in anonymous reports from within the White House. These accounts depict a leader prone to impulsive outbursts, the issuance of consequential tweets, a lack of engagement with detailed policy memos, the propagation of conspiracy theories, and an obsession with cable news¹⁰⁶. Such behavior may have catalyzed the events of January 6th, symbolizing the culmination of support for a figure perceived as embodying their ideological stance. This phenomenon, the MAGA movement, aligns with the theoretical framework provided by Hannah Arendt, who elucidates the inherent dangers of totalitarian ideologies. Arendt posits that ideologies transform into perilous systems when taken to their logical extremes, becoming analogous to the delusions of paranoiacs. The initial premises of such ideologies, once accepted, lead to a comprehensive and compulsory system of beliefs that disregard reality and factuality, culminating in totalitarianism. The ideologies initially perceived as harmless become the foundation for a distorted worldview that systematically rejects objective reality¹⁰⁷. In light of this, the words of Dr. Amos Wilson serve as a poignant reminder of the cyclical nature of history and the dangers of uncritical optimism:

"The idea that somehow, according to some great universal principle, that we are going to be in a better condition than our ancestors is an illusion, which also results from not studying history and recognizing that progressions and regressions occur; that integrations and disintegrations occur in history. History is not a fairytale wherein certain things are accomplished and people live happily ever after. Many of us think that the accomplishments we have made up to this point mean that we are only going to expand them in the future. We had better think about that again. I will point out today that we must not be so optimistic as to be foolish."¹⁰⁸

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