

### **Scott Baugh**

# Republican Candidate in California's 47<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

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### Baugh Is Far Too Extreme For Orange County – He Would Be A Rubber Stamp For A Nationwide Abortion Ban And Has A Decades-Long History Of Peddling Dangerous Conspiracies

#### **Significant Findings**

#### Scott Baugh Is - And Always Has Been - An Anti-Abortion Extremist

- ✓ Baugh said, "I do not support abortion in any form."
- ✓ Baugh pledged to pursue an "uncompromising conservative agenda" that included opposition to abortion when he first ran for State Assembly in 1995.
- ✓ While a member of the Assembly, Baugh said he had always been staunchly anti-abortion.

### In His 2022 Run For Congress, Baugh Reaffirmed His Belief That Life Begins At Conception, Supported Federal Abortion Restrictions, And Opposed Codifying The Right To An Abortion

- ✓ Baugh: "I believe life begins at conception."
- ✓ Baugh "voiced support for federal limitations" on abortion he would be a yes vote for a national abortion ban.
- ✓ Baugh opposed Proposition 1 to codify the right to an abortion in California.
- ✓ Baugh said he "would never" support the Women's Health Protection Act to codify the right to an abortion at the federal level.
- ✓ Baugh did not issue a statement about the leaked draft of the Supreme Court's ruling that overturned Roe v. Wade.

#### **Baugh Opposed Abortion With No Exceptions For Rape Or Incest**

- ✓ Baugh repeatedly indicated that he opposed abortion with no exceptions for rape or incest.
  - ✓ Baugh opposed abortion with no exceptions for rape or incest in 2018.
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### In The California Assembly, Baugh Repeatedly Voted To Restrict Access To Reproductive Health Care And Punish Doctors

- ✓ Baugh authored an amendment to the California Constitution that would require informed written consent of a minor and their guardian to receive an abortion.
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- ✓ Baugh voted to require doctors performing third-trimester abortions to offer information and counseling on fetal anesthesia.
- ✓ Baugh voted three times to ban so-called "partial birth" abortions and punish doctors that performed them.
- ✓ Baugh voted twice for bills to force doctors to make patients seeking an abortion listen to certain information before the procedure and to punish doctors if that requirement was not met.

#### Baugh Endorsed Anti-Abortion Measures As Chairman Of The Orange County Republican Party

- ✓ Baugh was chairman of the Orange County Republican Party from 2004 to 2015.
  - ✓ During Baugh's tenure the OCGOP endorsed Proposition 4, which required unemancipated minors to wait to have an abortion until 48 hours after their parents had been notified.
  - ✓ During Baugh's tenure the OCGOP endorsed Proposition 85 which required unemancipated minors to wait to have an abortion until 48 hours after their parents had been notified.
- ✓ While chair of the Orange County Republican Party, Baugh made "no secret of his opposition" to abortion rights.

# Baugh Was Endorsed And Bankrolled By Dozens Of Anti-Choice Republicans And Organizations That Supported Extreme Anti-Abortion Legislation Including The Life At Conception Act And A 15-Week National Abortion Ban

- ✓ Baugh was endorsed by an affiliate of National Right to Life, whose model legislation would force a 10-year-old rape victim to travel across state lines to get an abortion.
- ✓ Baugh was endorsed by the California GOP, which believed life begins at conception.
- ✓ Baugh accepted \$222,800 from 47 cosponsors of the Life At Conception Act, a national abortion ban with no exceptions for rape, incest, or the to save the life of the woman.
- ✓ Baugh gave \$39,100 to 6 cosponsors of the Life At Conception Act.
- ✓ Baugh was endorsed by former Speaker Kevin McCarthy, who supported a 15-week nationwide abortion ban and said he would put forward anti-abortion legislation.
- ✓ Baugh received a zero percent rating from Planned Parenthood of California in 2000.

# Baugh Peddled Dangerous Conspiracy Theories About The 2020 Election, Downplayed The Severity Of The January 6<sup>th</sup> Insurrection, And Traded Campaign Cash With Dozens of Members Of Congress That Voted To Overturn The Presidential Election

- ✓ Baugh refused to answer if he would have voted to certify the 2020 election and parroted debunked right-wing claims of widespread voter fraud.
  - ✓ Baugh declined to answer a yes or no question on whether he acknowledged Joe Biden as the winner of the 2020 presidential election.
  - ✓ Baugh declined to say how he would have voted concerning the certification of the 2020 election, citing concerns about "irregularities."

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  - ✓ Baugh called the January 6<sup>th</sup> hearings a "sham show."
  - ✓ Baugh refused to call January 6<sup>th</sup> a threat to democracy.
- ✓ Baugh both took from, and contributed campaign cash to, Members of Congress that voted to overturn the 2020 election.
  - ✓ Baugh received \$272,000 from 44 Members of Congress that voted to overturn the 2020 election.
  - ✓ Baugh's leadership PAC gave \$56,900 to 10 Members of Congress that voted to overturn the 2020 election.

### While Baugh Was Chair Of The Orange County Republican Party, It Was Embroiled In A Voting Fraud Scandal That Resulted In 12 Arrests

- ✓ In March 2006, while Baugh was the Chair of the Orange County Republican Party, evidence surfaced that as many as 600 Orange County residents had their voter registration changed to Republican without their consent.
- ✓ Baugh blamed a group the Orange County Republican Party contracted to gather signatures and paid per registration.
- ✓ Twelve signature-gatherers were arrested on voter fraud charges in 2006, and at least three pleaded guilty to felony voter fraud charges.

### Baugh Was A Founding Chairman Of An Organization That Attempted To Disenfranchise Californians And Spread Election Misinformation

- ✓ Baugh touted his role as a "founding chairman" for the Institute for Fair Elections on his campaign website and was listed on its Board of Directors in 2017.
- ✓ The Institute for Fair Elections and another organization attempted to remove 3 million Californians from voter registration rolls as of 2018.
  - ✓ The Los Angeles Times found that the Institute for Fair Elections attempted to disenfranchise many people who happened to have the same first and last names.
  - ✓ In 2018, the Institute for Fair Elections sent more than 600,000 postcards to residents of zip codes where Republicans faced "challenges," then urged registrars to purge voters whose letters could not be delivered.
    - ✓ San Luis Obispo County officials confirmed many of the voters whom the institute targeted for removal were military members and said they could have been "permanently disenfranchised" if they had been inactivated.

- ✓ 2020: Tucker Carlson cited the Institute for Fair Elections' false claims about the location of California voters' registrations to "prove" that Orange County Republicans lost due to voter fraud.
- ✓ In June 2021, the Los Angeles Times found that Anne Hyde Dunsmore, a member of Institute for Fair Elections Leadership, was simultaneously registered to vote in California and Florida.
- ✓ In 2022, Baugh touted his role with the Institute for Fair Elections on his campaign website.

### Baugh Has An Extreme Record Opposing Marriage Equality Going Back Decades – If Elected To Congress, He Would Not Protect LGBTQ Californians

- ✓ 1997: Baugh voted in favor of the California Defense of Marriage Act, which would have made it the official policy of California that marriage was between one man and one woman.
- ✓ 2008: Baugh endorsed a "yes" vote on Proposition 8, which eliminated the right of same-sex couples to marry and declared that only marriage between a man and woman was valid in California.
- ✓ 2022: Baugh repeatedly refused to back federal marriage protections for LGBTQ couples.
  - ✓ Baugh said he would vote against the Respect for Marriage Act.
- ✓ Baugh accepted \$316,500 from 59 Republicans that voted against the Respect for Marriage Act.
  - ✓ In 2022, 71% of Californians supported same-sex marriage.

### Baugh Was Endorsed By Anti-Abortion Extremist, Election Denier In Chief, And Anti-LGBTQ House Speaker Mike Johnson

- ✓ House Speaker Mike Johnson endorsed Baugh.
- ✓ In addition to cosponsoring a national abortion ban, Johnson supported jailing doctors who provided abortion care and said the overturning of Roe v. Wade would be "the greatest day of my life."
  - ✓ Johnson consistently received A+ ratings on the Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America Legislative Scorecard.
  - ✓ Johnson supported imprisoning doctors for up to 10 years for performing abortions.
  - ✓ Johnson said, "I'd love it if the Supreme Court would overturn Roe V. Wade," and called the overturning of Roe v. Wade "a joyous day."
- ✓ Not only did Johnson vote to overturn the 2020 presidential election he was "the most important architect of the Electoral College objections."
  - ✓ Johnson was called "the most important architect of the Electoral College Objections" after about 75% of the Republicans who objected to the election results "chiefly relied on Mr. Johnson's argument."
  - ✓ Johnson was the lead sponsor on an Amicus Brief to overturn the 2020 presidential election then worked with Trump to get additional republican signatures on the brief.

- ✓ Johnson argued for upholding a same-sex marriage ban and spoke out against LGBTQ youth.
  - ✓ Johnson twice argued to uphold Louisiana's same-sex marriage ban at the State Supreme Court.
  - ✓ Johnson called LGBTQ youth a "problem" and said that "something has gone terribly wrong."
  - ✓ Johnson introduced a bill that barred any display of LGBTQ identity in front of children.
  - ✓ Johnson led a hearing arguing against the right to gender-affirming care for children.
  - ✓ Johnson cosponsored a bill banning gender-affirming care for minors.

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- ✓ Majority Leader Steve Scalise endorsed Baugh.
- ✓ Guardian: "House Speaker contender Steve Scalise reportedly called himself David Duke without the baggage."
  - ✓ Scalise spoke at a convention for a group affiliated with racists and Neo-Nazi activists.

#### Baugh Was Endorsed By Elise Stefanik, Who Has Served As A Mouthpiece For Trump's Big Lie, Anti-Abortion Extremism, And Sympathy For White Supremacists

- ✓ Republican Conference Chair Elise Stefanik endorsed Baugh.
- ✓ After refusing to certify 2020 election results, Stefanik tripled down on election denying claims, calling the January 6th investigation a "partisan political witch hunt" and saying Trump "rightfully" challenged 2020 election results.
- ✓ Stefanik introduced a 15-week national abortion ban and was endorsed by Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, an extremist organization that wanted to "end abortion."
- ✓ Stefanik defended using the white supremacist "great replacement" conspiracy theory.

### Baugh Was Endorsed By Tom Emmer, Who Called Abortion "Chinese Genocide," Sought To Overturn The 2020 Presidential Election, And Accused Jewish Billionaires Of Buying Congress For Democrats

- ✓ Majority Whip Tom Emmer endorsed Baugh.
- ✓ Emmer called abortion rights "Chinese genocide" and consistently received A+ ratings on the Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America Legislative Scorecard.
- ✓ Emmer supported the Big Lie and sought to overturn the 2020 presidential election.
- ✓ Emmer accused Jewish billionaires of buying control of Congress for Democrats.

### Throughout His Career, Baugh Has Been Bankrolled By Far-Right Megadonor Howard Ahmanson Jr., An Advocate For Strict Biblical Law

✓ Howard Ahmanson Jr., an advocate for strict biblical law, has been a top donor to Baugh's campaigns for State Assembly and Congress.

- ✓ Ahmanson was one of Baugh's top two donors in his first run for Assembly.
- ✓ Ahmanson gave Baugh's congressional campaigns \$12,400.
- ✓ Ahmanson was a top donor to numerous extreme right-wing causes.
  - ✓ Ahmanson gave at least \$900,000 supporting California's Proposition 8, a 2008 ballot initiative that eliminated the right of same-sex couples to marry.
  - ✓ Ahmanson backed CareNet, which operated anti-abortion crisis pregnancy centers that misled patients about abortion.
  - ✓ Ahmanson funded a \$1 million smear campaign against the Episcopal Church's first openly gay bishop.

### Baugh Said The "War On Wokism" Was More Threatening To America Than The Civil War, 9/11, World War I, And World War II

- ✓ Baugh claimed that 9/11, World War I, and World War II, And the Civil War were not as threatening to the country as the "war on wokism."
  - ✓ 1,190,085 American servicemembers died in America's wars.
  - ✓ Baugh's leadership PAC gave \$56,900 to 10 members of Congress that voted to overturn the 2020 election.

### Baugh Expressed Sympathy For Birther Conspiracy Theories And Anti-Scientific Conspiracy Theories, And Opposed Any Effort To Improve Equity For Minorities

- ✓ Baugh expressed sympathy for birther conspiracy theories and defended an Orange County Republican Central Committee member who compared Obama to a chimp.
- ✓ Baugh said "efforts to accommodate Muslims, Latinos, and other minorities can be destructive" and "being fair to everybody, it erodes the things that make America great."
- ✓ Baugh said he did not believe in evolution.
- ✓ Baugh appeared to travel with an organization classified as a hate group after it made flagrantly homophobic and racist statements.

### Baugh Graduated From Liberty University, A Far-Right College With A History Of Scandal And Discrimination, And Praised Its Extremist Leader

- ✓ Baugh graduated from Liberty University, an evangelical Christian university associated with Trump and the far right.
- ✓ Baugh praised Liberty University's founder, Jerry Falwell, who had a "catalog of homophobic, racist, and misogynistic comments as thick as the King James Bible."
- ✓ Liberty University had homophobia enshrined in its school policies and a long history of mishandling cases of sexual assault on campus.

### Baugh Campaigned With Culture War-Obsessed, Far-Right Candidates For Huntington Beach City Council

- ✓ Baugh attended a "Save Huntington Beach Victory Rally" with four far-right candidates for Huntington Beach City Council.
- ✓ A Republican strategist said Republicans took control of the Huntington Beach City Council because Baugh was on the ballot.
- ✓ Since Republicans took control, the Huntington Beach City Council has garnered a reputation for fighting right-wing culture wars instead of governing.
  - ✓ The Huntington Beach City Council voted to unrecognize Black History Month, Women's History Month, and other similar celebrations, banned the LGBTQ pride flag at city properties, and approved a "parent advisory board" that could ban books from the public library.
- ✓ Huntington Beach City Councilor Tony Strickland gave \$1,000 to Baugh for Congress in 2022.

### Baugh's Leadership PAC Sent A Max Contribution To A GOP Candidate Who Argued Women Should Not Have The Right To Vote And Should Not Be In The Workplace

- ✓ Baugh's Leadership PAC gave \$2,900 to John Gibbs for Congress.
- ✓ John Gibbs said the United States has "suffered" since giving women the right to vote and argued against women in the workplace.
- ✓ Baugh received \$2,900 from Gibbs' leadership PAC.

### Baugh Personally Gave \$5,000 To A Congressional Candidate Who Was Accused Of Assault Three Times And Accused Of Domestic Disturbance

- ✓ October 2020: Baugh personally gave \$5,000 to congressional candidate Dan Rodimer.
- ✓ October 2019: Rodimer was accused of assault in three incidents from 2010 to 2013.
- ✓ In 2024, Rodimer was indicted on a murder charge in Las Vegas.

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#### Baugh Has Been Vocally Against Anti-Abortion Since The 1990s

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#### Baugh First Ran For Office In 1995 For California Assembly Opposed To Abortion Rights

Baugh Opposed Abortion And Said The Government Should Focus On Changing Laws That He Said "Encourage Promiscuity." "As a conservative Christian, Baugh opposes abortion and taxpayer financing for the procedure. He said government should focus on changing laws that he says encourage promiscuity, including welfare programs that pay benefits without limits." [Orange County Register, 12/11/95]

**Baugh "Describe[d] Himself As An Anti-Abortion Candidate."** "Baugh, who describes himself as an anti-abortion candidate, also courted pro-gun and evangelical church groups in a vigorous absentee ballot campaign." [Los Angeles Times, 11/29/95]

**Baugh Received Campaign Contributions From Anti-Choice Advocate Howard Ahmanson.** "He received his largest contributions from the campaign committee run by Pringle and from wealthy Christian philanthropist Howard Ahmanson, who has given at least \$1 million in recent years to conservative and anti-abortion causes and candidates." [Los Angeles Times, 11/29/95]

Baugh Called Himself A "Pro-Life Candidate" While Running For California Assembly. "Scott R. Baugh [...] What is your position on abortion, including whether you think the government should be restricted from funding abortions? 'I am a pro-life candidate and I do not believe the government should be involved in funding abortions." [Los Angeles Times, 11/21/95]

Orange County Register: Baugh Pledged To Pursue An "Uncompromising Conservative Agenda" That Included Opposition To Abortion. "Baugh pledges to pursue an uncompromising conservative agenda, including opposition to abortion. That's more important, he said, than how much time he's lived in the district or what service clubs list him as a member." [Orange County Register, 11/13/95]

#### Baugh Was Openly Anti-Abortion While Serving In The Assembly

**1999: Baugh Called Himself A "Pro-Life Conservative."** "Said Baugh: 'I'm a pro-life conservative out of Orange County, and probably could not get elected in most districts in California. We recognize that, and we recruited on the profile of the districts, not on any rigid ideology." [AP, 12/19/99]

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**1996: Baugh Said, "I Am Pro-Life."** "Abortion, including government funding of abortions: 'I am pro-life and I don't believe the government should be funding abortions." [Los Angeles Times, <u>5/11/96</u>]

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#### Baugh In 2022: "I Believe Life Begins At Conception."

Baugh Said He Believed Life Begins At Conception And Supported Federal Abortion Limitations After The First Trimester. "On the abortion bill, Baugh said, 'I would never support that. I believe life begins at conception.' He voiced support for federal limitations after the first trimester of pregnancy, citing laws in European countries." [NBC News, 8/1/22]

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**Baugh: "Life Begins At Conception."** "Scott Baugh, R-Huntington Beach: 'Life begins at conception. Others may disagree as to precisely when life begins, but there should be no disagreement as to whether it is OK to abort children who have reached the point of viability. We need to promote a culture of life in America not a culture of termination." [Orange County Register, 5/4/22]

#### **Baugh "Voiced Support For Federal Limitations" On Abortion**

NBC News: Citing Laws In European Countries, Baugh "Voiced Support For Federal Limitations After The First Trimester Of Pregnancy." "Recently, [Rep. Katie] Porter has voted with her party to codify federal protections for legal abortion in the Women's Health Protection Act and same-sex marriage in the Respect for Marriage Act. She also voted for legislation that would ban assault weapons. Baugh said he'd vote against all those bills if he were a congressman. 'Fundamentally I believe marriage is between a man and a woman," he said. 'I have no problem with social arrangements or social contracts and all that.' On the abortion bill, Baugh said, 'I would never support that. I believe life begins at conception.' He voiced support for federal limitations after the first trimester of pregnancy, citing laws in European countries." [NBC News, 8/1/22]

Baugh Opposed Proposition 1 In California To Codify The Right To An Abortion In California, Which Won Overwhelming Support From Orange County Voters

Baugh Opposed Proposition 1 And Said It Would "Create A Constitutional Right To An Abortion Until The Moment Of Birth" And "Negate Existing Law That Prohibits Late-Term Abortions Unless The Life Of The Mother Is At Risk." "SB: The two most important propositions are Proposition 1 and Proposition 30. Proposition 1 would create a constitutional right to an abortion until the moment of birth. If passed, it would negate existing law that prohibits late-term abortions unless the life of the mother is at risk." [Red State, 8/10/22]

- Proposition 1 Enshrined The Right To An Abortion And The Right To Contraceptives Into The State Constitution. "Prop 1 would amend the California constitution to prohibit the state from denying or interfering with an individual's reproductive freedom including a person's right to obtain an abortion and a right to contraceptives. While abortions are legal in California, this measure would officially enshrine that as a fundamental right for every Californian." [ABC 7, 11/9/22]
- Proposition 1 Passed With 57% Of The Vote In Orange County. "The State Constitution would be amended to protect a person's reproductive freedom "in their most intimate decisions," including the right to abortion and contraceptives. [...] Results by county [...] Orange Yes 57 No 43 Total votes 962,673" [New York Times, 12/20/22]

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Baugh On The 2022 Women's Health Protection Act: "I Would Never Support That. I Believe Life Begins At Conception." "Recently, [Rep. Katie] Porter has voted with her party to codify federal protections for legal abortion in the Women's Health Protection Act and same-sex marriage in the Respect for Marriage Act. She also voted for legislation that would ban assault weapons. Baugh said he'd vote against all those bills if he were a congressman. 'Fundamentally I believe marriage is between a man and a woman," he said. 'I have no problem with social arrangements or social contracts and all that.' On the abortion bill, Baugh said, 'I would never support that. I believe life begins at conception.' He voiced support for federal limitations after the first trimester of pregnancy, citing laws in European countries." [NBC News, 8/1/22]

• The Women's Health Protection Act Would Codify The Right To An Abortion At The Federal Level. "The Women's Health Protection Act, a Democrat-led bill that would effectively codify a right to an abortion, failed to pass, as expected, after it did not reach the Senate's 60-vote threshold. All Democrats voted for the legislation except Sen. Joe Manchin of West Virginia, and all Republicans opposed the bill." [NPR, 5/11/22]

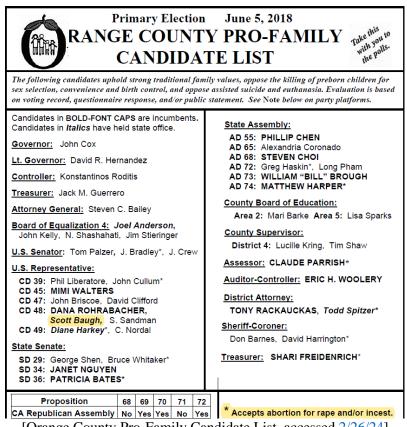
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#### **Baugh Opposed Abortion With No Exceptions For Rape Or Incest**

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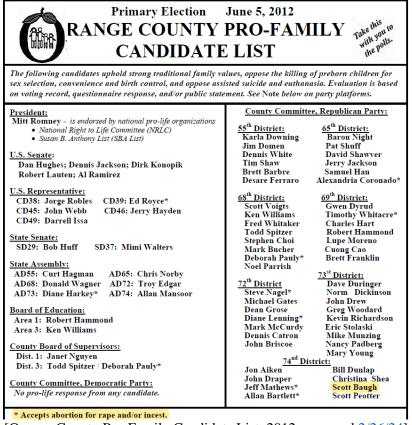
**2018: Baugh Opposed Abortion With No Exceptions For Rape Or Incest.** In 2018, Baugh appeared on a list of candidates that "uphold strong traditional family values, oppose the killing of preborn children for sex selection, convenience and birth control, and oppose assisted suicide and euthanasia. Evaluation is based on voting record, questionnaire response, and/or public statement." An asterisk next to a candidate's name denoted the candidate "accepts abortion for rape and/or incest." Baugh's name did not have an asterisk. [Orange County Pro-Family Candidate List, accessed 2/26/24]



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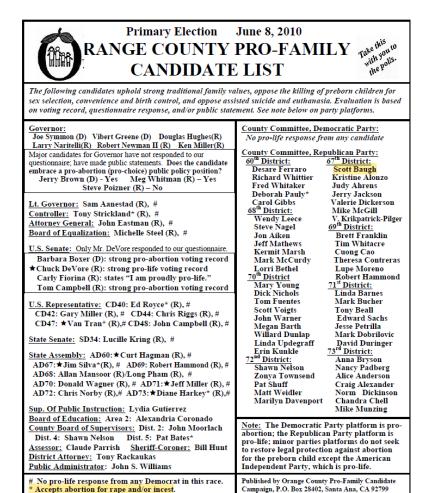
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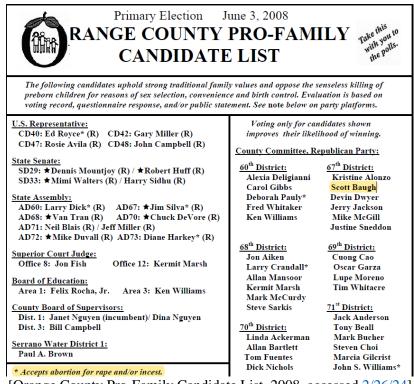
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**2010: Baugh Opposed Abortion With No Exceptions For Rape Or Incest.** In 2010, Baugh appeared on a list of candidates that "uphold strong traditional family values, oppose the killing of preborn children for sex selection, convenience and birth control, and oppose assisted suicide and euthanasia. Evaluation is based on voting record, questionnaire response, and/or public statement." An asterisk next to a candidate's name denoted the candidate "accepts abortion for rape and/or incest." Baugh's name did not have an asterisk. [Orange County Pro-Family Candidate List, 2010, accessed 2/26/24]



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**2008:** Baugh Opposed Abortion With No Exceptions For Rape Or Incest. In 2008, Baugh appeared on a list of candidates that "uphold strong traditional family values, oppose the killing of preborn children for sex selection, convenience and birth control, and oppose assisted suicide and euthanasia. Evaluation is based on voting record, questionnaire response, and/or public statement." An asterisk next to a candidate's name denoted the candidate "accepts abortion for rape and/or incest." Baugh's name did not have an asterisk. [Orange County Pro-Family Candidate List, 2008, accessed 2/26/24]



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### In The California State Assembly, Baugh Repeatedly Voted To Restrict Access To Reproductive Health Care And Punish Doctors

Baugh Authored An Amendment To The California Constitution That Would Require Informed Written Consent Of A Minor And Their Guardian To Receive An Abortion

**Baugh Coauthored ACA 38.** [California State Assembly, ACA 38, 6/4/1998]

• ACA 38 Would Require Informed Written Consent Of A Minor And Their Guardian To Receive And Abortion. "This measure would prohibit an abortion from being performed upon an unemancipated minor unless the physician performing the abortion has first obtained the informed written consent of the minor to the abortion and also has obtained the written consent of one of her parents or legal guardian, or has received court authorization, as specified. The measure would authorize the minor to file a petition with the court if one or both of the minor's parents or her legal guardian refuses to consent to the performance of an abortion, or if the minor elects not to seek the consent of one or both of her parents or her guardian. The measure would prohibit anything in its provisions from being construed to grant, secure, or deny any right relating to abortion or the funding of abortion." [California State Assembly, ACA 38, 6/4/1998]

Baugh Voted For ACA 38 In The Health Committee. [California State Assembly, ACA 38, 6/30/98]

**Baugh Voted To Impose Burdensome And Unnecessary Ultrasound Requirements On Those Seeking An Abortion** 

Baugh Voted For AB 2106. [California State Assembly, AB 2106, 5/5/98]

• AB 2106 Would Have Required An Ultrasound To Be Performed And That Ultrasound Be Shown To Patients Seeking An Abortion 24 Hours Before The Procedure. "This bill would require an ultrasound to be performed on a woman seeking an abortion within 24 hours prior to the abortion procedure, and would require

the ultrasound to be shown to the woman prior to commencing the abortion procedure." [California State Assembly, AB 2106, <u>2/18/98</u>]

Ultrasound Requirements Had Almost No Effect On A Patient's Decision To Move Forward With An Abortion

A Study Published In The Journal Of Obstetrics And Gynecology Found That The Majority Of Women Who Seek Abortion Care Did Not Change Their Minds After Viewing An Ultrasound. "According to a comprehensive new study published in the journal Obstetrics & Gynecology, the overwhelming majority of women who seek abortion care do not change their minds after receiving and viewing a sonogram. [...] Zero percent of women who expressed confidence in their medical decision were persuaded to change their minds after the ultrasound, because 'such viewing does not alter decisions of the large majority of women who are certain that abortion is the right decision,' the researchers concluded." [Salon, 1/10/14]

Baugh Voted To Require Doctors Performing Third-Trimester Abortions To Offer Information And Counseling On Fetal Anesthesia

Baugh Voted For AB 1758 In The Health Committee. [California State Assembly, AB 1758, 5/5/98]

• AB 1758 Would Have Required Doctors Performing Third-Trimester Abortions To Offer Information And Counseling On Fetal Pain And Fetal Anesthesia. "This bill would, for an abortion performed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester of pregnancy, require the physician performing the abortion to offer to the pregnant woman information and counseling on fetal pain and offer to the pregnant woman anesthesia for the fetus. The bill would require the physician to arrange for anesthesia to be administered, if the pregnant woman voluntarily consents to administration of anesthesia for the fetus. The bill would require the pregnant woman to sign a document that information and counseling on fetal pain was provided and that the physician offered anesthesia for the fetus." [California State Assembly, AB 1758, Introduced 2/4/98]

Baugh Voted Three Times To Ban So-Called "Partial-Birth" Abortions And Punish Doctors That Performed Them

Baugh Voted For AB 2389 On The Assembly Floor. [California State Assembly, AB 2389, 5/4/98]

Baugh Voted For AB 2389 In The Judiciary Committee. [California State Assembly, AB 2389, 4/21/98]

- AB 2389 Would Have Prohibited So-Called "Partial-Birth" Abortions And Fined Doctors Up To \$100,000. "This bill, notwithstanding the Therapeutic Abortion Act, would prohibit a person from knowingly performing or attempting to perform a partial-birth abortion, unless certain requirements in addition to the Therapeutic Abortion Act are met, including the requirement that the physician and surgeon reasonably believes that the partial-birth abortion was reasonably necessary to save the life of the pregnant woman and reasonably believes that no other procedure would suffice for that purpose. [...] The bill would provide that violation of the prohibition constitutes unprofessional conduct under the Medical Practice Act and would require the Division of Medical Quality of the Medical Board of California to impose a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$25,000 for a 1st violation and not less than \$50,000 and not more than \$100,000 for a subsequent violation." [California State Assembly, AB 2389, 2/20/98]
- "Partial-Birth Abortion" Was Not A Medical Term Or Medical Procedure. "Mae Winchester, a Cleveland-based maternal fetal medicine specialist, said use of the term in the campaign messaging over the amendment is misleading. "Partial-birth abortion' is a made-up term that only serves to create confusion and stigmatize abortion later in pregnancy,' she said. 'It's not a procedure that's described anywhere in medical literature, and so it's not considered a medical term or even an actual medical procedure."" [AP, 10/23/23]

Baugh Voted For AB 2984 On The Assembly Floor. [California State Assembly, AB 2984, 5/31/96]

• AB 2984 Would Have Prohibited "Partial-Birth" Abortions And Fined Doctors Up To \$100,000. "This bill would, notwithstanding the Therapeutic Abortion Act, prohibit a person from knowingly performing or attempting to perform a partial-birth abortion, as defined unless certain requirements in addition to the Therapeutic Abortion Act are met, including the requirement that the physician and surgeon reasonably believes that the partial-birth abortion was reasonably necessary to save the life of the pregnant woman or to prevent serious and permanent impairment of a major bodily function of the pregnant woman, and reasonably believes that no other procedure would suffice for the purpose. [...] The violation of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 123455) of Part 2 of Division 106 of the Health and Safety Code) constitutes unprofessional conduct. The Division of Medical Quality shall impose a civil penalty of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and not more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the first violation of this section. Additionally, the division shall suspend the licensee's right to practice for a period of one year. A subsequent violation shall result in the imposition of a civil penalty of not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and no more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) and automatic revocation of the licensee's right to practice." [California State Assembly, AB 2984, 4/18/96]

Baugh Voted Twice For Bills To Force Doctors To Make Patients Seeking An Abortion Listen To Certain Information Before The Procedure And To Punish Doctors If That Requirement Was Not Met

Baugh Voted For AB 2774. [California State Assembly, AB 2774, 5/31/96]

- AB 2774 Would Have Required Doctors To Force Patients Seeking An Abortion Listen To Information About Medical Risk Related To The Procedure And Carrying A Pregnancy To Term, And Gestational Age Of The Pregnancy At Least 24 Hours Before The Procedure. "(a) No abortion shall be performed except with the voluntary and informed consent of the woman upon whom the abortion is to be performed. (b) Except in the case of a medical emergency, consent to an abortion is voluntary and informed only if all of the following conditions are met: (1) The woman is told, by telephone or in person, by the physician who is to perform the abortion, or by a referring physician, at least 24 hours before the abortion all of the following: (A) The name of the physician who will perform the abortion.(B) The particular medical risks associated with the particular abortion procedure to be employed including, when medically accurate, the risks of infection, hemorrhage, breast cancer, danger to subsequent pregnancies, and infertility. (C) The probable gestational age of the unborn child at the time the abortion is to be performed. (D) The medical risks associated with carrying the child to term." [California State Assembly, AB 2774, 2/22/96]
- AB 2774 Allowed The Father Or Grandparent Of The Fetus To Seek Punitive Damages If Compliance To The Proposed Provisions Were Not Followed By A Doctor. "This bill would authorize any person upon whom an abortion is performed or attempted to be performed without compliance with the provisions of the bill or the father or grandparent of an unborn child who is the subject of an abortion performed without compliance with the provisions of the bill, to maintain an action for actual or punitive damages against the person who performed the abortion. The bill would authorize the Attorney General or a district attorney to bring an action punishable by contempt against a physician and surgeon who fails to file the reports required by the bill."

  [California State Assembly, AB 2774, 2/22/96]

AB 2274 Was Reintroduced In The Following Legislative Session As AB 129, And Baugh Voted For It Again

**Baugh Voted For AB 129.** [California State Assembly, AB 129, 4/2/97]

• AB 129 Would Have Required Doctors To Force Patients Seeking An Abortion Listen To Information About Medical Risk Related To The Procedure And Carrying A Pregnancy To Term, And Gestational Age Of The Pregnancy At Least 24 Hours Before The Procedure. "(a) No abortion shall be performed except with the voluntary and informed consent of the woman upon whom the abortion is to be performed. (b) Except in the case of a medical emergency, consent to an abortion is voluntary and informed only if all of the

following conditions are met: (1) The woman is told, by telephone or in person, by the physician who is to perform the abortion, or by a referring physician, at least 24 hours before the abortion all of the following: (A) The name of the physician who will perform the abortion.(B) The particular medical risks associated with the particular abortion procedure to be employed including, when medically accurate, the risks of infection, hemorrhage, breast cancer, danger to subsequent pregnancies, and infertility. (C) The probable gestational age of the unborn child at the time the abortion is to be performed. (D) The medical risks associated with carrying the child to term." [California State Assembly, AB 129, 1/15/97]

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[California State Assembly, AB 129, 1/15/97]

Baugh Endorsed Anti-Abortion Measures As Chairman Of The Orange County Republican Party

#### Baugh Was Chairman Of The Orange County Republican Party From 2004 To 2015

Baugh Was Elected Chairman Of The Orange County Republican Party In 2004. "2004-2014: Chairman, Republican Party of Orange County. "The Republican Central Committee of Orange County unanimously elected Scott Baugh as Chairman on April 19, 2004." [OCGOP.org, via Archive.org, captured 7/23/06]

**Baugh Left The Orange County Republican Party Chairmanship In January 2015.** "After a decade of guiding the Orange County Republican Party through sometimes tumultuous internal debates, Scott Baugh says he will step down when his current term as chairman ends in January. Baugh cited competing demands on his time. His growing real estate interests and law firm business have called him increasingly out of town. Additionally, because of his father's health concerns, he's taken a bigger role in running the family ranch in Northern California." [Orange County Register, 7/7/14]

While Baugh Was Chair, The OCGOP Endorsed Requiring Pregnant Minors To Wait 48 Hours After Their Parents Had Been Notified Before They Could Get An Abortion

**2008:** While Baugh Was Chair, The OCGOP Endorsed A "Yes" Vote On Proposition 4. [OCGOP Website, via Archive.org, captured 10/20/08]

• Proposition 4 Required Unemancipated Minors To Wait To Have An Abortion Until 48 Hours After Their Parents Had Been Notified. "Changes California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies minor's parent or legal guardian. Permits notification to certain adult relatives if doctor reports parent to law enforcement or Child Protective Services. Provides notification exceptions for medical emergency or parental waiver. Permits courts to waive notice based on clear and convincing evidence of minor's maturity or best interests. Mandates reporting requirements, including reports from physicians regarding abortions on minors. Authorizes damages against physicians for violation. Requires minor's consent to abortion, with exceptions." [California Secretary of State, 2008 Official Voter Information Guide, via Archive.org, captured 10/4/17]

**2006:** While Baugh Was Chair, The OCGOP Endorsed A "Yes" Vote On Proposition 85. [OCGOP Website, via Archive.org, captured 4/6/08]

• Proposition 85 Required Unemancipated Minors To Wait To Have An Abortion Until 48 Hours After

Their Parents Had Been Notified. "Amends California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies minor's parent or legal guardian, except in medical emergency or with parental waiver. Permits minor to obtain court order waiving notice based on clear and convincing evidence of minor's maturity or best interests. Mandates various reporting requirements, including reports from physicians regarding abortions performed on minors. Authorizes monetary damages against physicians for violation. Requires minor's consent to abortion, with certain exceptions. Permits judicial relief if minor's consent coerced." [California Secretary of State, 2006 Official Voter Information Guide, via Archive.org. captured 12/24/16]

2015: The Orange County Register Wrote That Baugh Made "No Secret Of His Opposition To Abortion Rights"

Orange County Register: Baugh Made "No Secret Of His Opposition To Abortion Rights." "Baugh's best known initiative was his ban on endorsements of local candidates who didn't sign a pledge saying they wouldn't accept money from public employee unions. Whitaker, like his two predecessors, makes no secret of his opposition to abortion rights and gay marriage, but doesn't think those should be intra-party wedge issues." [Orange County Register, 1/20/15]

Baugh Was Bankrolled And Endorsed By Dozens Of Anti-Choice Republicans And Organizations That Supported Extreme Anti-Abortion Legislation Including The Life At Conception Act And A 15-Week National Abortion Ban

Baugh Was Endorsed By An Affiliate Of National Right To Life, Whose Model Legislation Would Force A 10-Year-Old Rape Victim To Travel Across State Lines To Get An Abortion

#### Baugh Was Endorsed By A National Right To Life Affiliate

#### Baugh Was Endorsed By California ProLife Council PAC.

Thousands of candidates are running for California elective of fice in this election (Federal / State / County / Municipal / Special Districts).

Throughout the state pro-life volunteers have been interviewing and assessing them all the way down the ballot.

WE urge you to tell your friends and neighbors to vote pro-life.

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b. Check back here often, as we are receiving a constant stream of candidates details and updates
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Michelle Steel





Young Kim



Mike Garcia

Scott Baugh

Tom McClintock

[California ProLife Council PAC, accessed 7/18/22]

California ProLife Council PAC Was The PAC Of The California ProLife Council. "The California ProLife Council, the California affiliate of the National Right to Life is a non-profit, non-partisan, non-sectarian grassroots organization dedicated to restoring legal protection for vulnerable individual lives, particularly those at risk of

abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia. To help ensure Life-affirming laws are being passed, the California ProLife Council has a separate segregated PAC for helping to elect pro-life candidates." [OC Breeze, 5/27/22]

#### California ProLife Council Was An Affiliate Of The National Right To Life Committee.

#### NRI C State Affiliates

Alabama

Alabama Citizens for Life Website | Facebook

Alaska

Pro-life Alaska Website | Facebook

**Arkansas** 

Arkansas Right to Life Website | Facebook | Twitter

California

California Pro-Life Council Website | Facebook | Twitter Louisiana

Louisiana Right to Life Federation Website | Facebook | Twitter | YouTube | Instagram

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Maine Right to Life Committee

Website | Facebook

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Maryland Right to Life Website | Facebook

Massachusetts

Massachusetts Citizens for Life Website | Facebook | Twitter

[National Right to Life Committee, accessed 7/18/22]

The National Right To Life Committee Masterminded Model Legislation That Would Have Forced A 10-Year-Old Rape Victim To Give Birth

The National Right To Life Committee Masterminded Model Legislation That Would Have Forced A 10-Year-Old Rape Victim To Give Birth, Then Said "We Would Hope That She Would Understand The Reason And Ultimately The Benefit Of Having The Child." "The 10-year-old Ohio girl who crossed state lines to receive an abortion in Indiana should have carried her pregnancy to term and would be required to do so under a model law written for state legislatures considering more restrictive abortion measures, according to the general counsel for the National Right to Life. Jim Bopp, an Indiana lawyer who authored the model legislation in advance of the Supreme Court's decision overturning Roe v. Wade, told POLITICO on Thursday that his law only provides exceptions when the pregnant person's life is in danger. 'She would have had the baby, and as many women who have had babies as a result of rape, we would hope that she would understand the reason and ultimately the benefit of having the child,' Bopp said in a phone interview on Thursday." [Politico, 7/14/22]

#### Baugh Was Endorsed By The California GOP, Which Believed Life Begins At Conception

#### Baugh Was Endorsed By The California GOP

**2024: Baugh Was Endorsed By The California Republican Party.** "NEWPORT BEACH, CA - - The California Republican Party has made an early endorsement in the race for the open 47th Congressional District, officially endorsing Scott Baugh late yesterday. 'The unusual pre-primary endorsement of Scott Baugh is proof that the California Republican Party is 100 percent committed to winning the 47th district and on making sure the strongest candidate has the united support of the party,' said Jon Fleischman, former CAGOP Executive Director and the publisher of the FlashReport." [Scott Baugh for Congress, accessed <u>2/8/24</u>]

#### The California GOP's Platform Said It Believed Life Begins At Conception

California GOP Platform: "We Believe Life Begins At Conception." "THE RIGHT TO LIFE The California Republican Party is the party that protects innocent life because we believe life begins at conception and ends at natural death. We support laws that protect unborn children from partial birth, sex selection, and taxpayer funded abortions, and abortions performed as a form of birth control or on minor girls without their parents' notification and consent." [California GOP Platform, accessed 2/27/24]

### Baugh Accepted \$221,800 From 47 Co-Sponsors Of The Life At Conception Act, A National Abortion Ban With No Exceptions For Rape, Incest, Or To Save The Life Of The Woman

#### Baugh Accepted \$222,800 From 47 Cosponsors Of The Life At Conception Act

**Baugh Accepted \$222,800 From 47 House Republicans That Co-Sponsored The Life At Conception Act**. [FEC, accessed <u>5/13/24</u>; H.R. 421, Co-sponsors, accessed <u>4/1/24</u>]

Representative	2023 Life At Conception Act Cosponsor?	Contributions To Baugh	
Mike Johnson	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign, \$5,000	
		from LPAC	
Ashley Hinson	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign, \$2,000	
		from LPAC	
David Rouzer	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign	
Garret Graves	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$2,500	
		from LPAC	
David Kustoff	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign	
Bob Latta	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign	
Lisa McClain	Yes	\$3,300 from campaign	
August Pfluger	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$3,000	
		from LPAC	
Tom Cole	Yes	\$6,000 from LPAC	
Jodey Arrington	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign	
Larry Bucshon	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign	
John Joyce	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign	
Glenn Thompson	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$1,000	
_		from LPAC	
Greg Murphy	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign	
Rudy Yakym	Yes	\$2,000 from LPAC	
Bill Huizinga	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC	
Virginia Foxx	Yes	\$4,500 from LPAC	
Brian Babin	Yes	\$4,300 from campaign	
Andy Harris	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign	
Bruce Westerman	Yes	\$1,000 from LPAC	
Debbie Lesko	Yes	\$3,500 from campaign, \$2,400	
		from LPAC	
Roger Williams	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC	
Buddy Carter	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$1,500	
		from LPAC	
Jake Ellzey	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign	
Jake LaTurner	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign	
Darin LaHood	Yes	\$2,500 from LPAC	
Cathy McMorris Rodgers	Yes	\$7,500 from LPAC	
Carol Miller	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign	
Richard Hudson	Yes	\$2,500 from LPAC	
Lloyd Smucker	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC	
Guy Reschenthaler	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign, 3,000 from	
		LPAC	
Tony Gonzales	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC	

Ronny Jackson	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign, \$10,000
		from LPAC
Alex Mooney	Yes* (Mooney was the primary	\$10,000 from LPAC
-	sponsor)	
Darrell Issa	Yes	\$20,000 from LPAC
Adrian Smith	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Brett Guthrie	Yes	\$1,500 from campaign, \$2,000
		from LPAC
Blaine Luetkemeyer	Yes	\$4,000 from LPAC
Burgess Owens	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign
Gary Palmer	Yes	\$5,500 from LPAC
Randy Feenstra	<u>Yes</u>	\$2,000 from LPAC
Doug LaMalfa	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Mary Miller	<u>Yes</u>	\$2,900 from LPAC
Gus Bilirakis	<u>Yes</u>	\$2,900 from LPAC
Mike Gallagher	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC
Pete Stauber	Yes	\$5,500 from LPAC
Pete Sessions	Yes	\$20,000 from LPAC
Total		\$222,800

[H.R. 431 Co-Sponsors, accessed <u>4/1/24</u>; FEC, accessed <u>5/13/24</u>]

#### Baugh Gave \$39,100 To 6 Cosponsors Of The Life At Conception Act

#### Baugh's Leadership PAC Gave \$39,100 To 6 Cosponsors Of The Life At Conception Act

Baugh's Leadership PAC Gave \$39,100 To 6 Cosponsors Of The Life At Conception Act. [H.R. 431 Co-Sponsors, accessed 4/1/24; FEC, accessed 5/13/24]

Representative	2023 Life At Conception Act Cosponsor?	Contributions From Baugh's Leadership PAC
Matt Rosendale	Yes	\$10,000
Mike Garcia	Yes	\$10,400
Debbie Lesko	Yes	\$2,900
Beth Van Duyne	Yes	\$2,900
Darrell Issa	Yes	\$10,400
Pete Sessions	Yes	\$2,500
Total		\$39,100

[H.R. 431 Co-Sponsors, accessed 4/1/24; FEC, accessed 5/13/24]

#### The Life At Conception Act Would Ban Nearly All Abortions Nationwide With No Exceptions

Life At Conception Act: "This Bill Declares That The Right To Life Guaranteed By The Constitution Is Vested In Each Human Being At All Stages Of Life, Including The Moment Of Fertilization, Cloning, Or Other Moment At Which An Individual Comes Into Being." [H.R. 421, Introduced 1/20/23]

The Life At Conception Act Would Implement Equal Protection Of The Right To Life For "Each [...] Preborn Human Person." "To implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and preborn human person. [...] To implement equal protection for the right to life of each born and preborn human person, and pursuant to the duty and authority of the Congress, including Congress' power under article I, section 8, to make necessary and proper laws, and Congress' power under section 5 of the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States, the Congress hereby

declares that the right to life guaranteed by the Constitution is vested in each human being." [Congress.gov,  $\frac{1}{20}$ /23]

Washington Post: The Life At Conception Act Would "Ban Nearly All Abortions Nationwide." "The congressional proposal, known as the Life at Conception Act, defines a "human being" to "include each member of the species homo sapiens at all stages of life, including the moment of fertilization or cloning, or other moment at which an individual member of the human species comes into being." The bill would also provide equal protection under the 14th Amendment "for the right to life of each born and preborn human person." The measure has no provisions for processes like IVF, meaning access to the procedure would not be protected. It would ban nearly all abortions nationwide." [Washington Post, 2/25/24]

The Life At Conception Act Did Not List Exceptions, Including Life Of Mother, Rape, Or Incest. [Congress.gov, 1/20/23]

The Life At Conception Act Could Be Used To Attack Contraception And IVF

NARAL President: Life At Conception Act Could Be Used "To Really Attack Issues Like Contraception And Even Fertility Treatments Like IVF." "Mini Timmaraju, President of NARAL, sees Mooney's bill as a slippery slope. 'I think life starts at conception is a line that's used by extremist right-wing folks to really attack issues like contraception and even fertility treatments like IVF (in vitro fertilization). So, look, we know that that's not based on science. However, that rhetoric is used to go after a much broader range of reproductive rights and services. So it's really important that Americans understand what that's code for. That's code for going after your fundamental, basic, everyday medication like birth control. It's code for going after something that we know more and more American women rely on to expand their families and to have children, which is IVF. It's very dangerous. And we're going to do everything we can to block any efforts at legislation that tries to do that,' said Timmaraju." [Gray DC, 1/25/23]

Baugh Was Endorsed By Former Speaker Kevin McCarthy, Who Supported A Nationwide Abortion Ban At 15 Weeks And Said He Would Put Forward Anti-Abortion Legislation

#### **Baugh Was Endorsed By Kevin McCarthy**

January 2021: Baugh Was Endorsed By Kevin McCarthy, Who He Called The "Soon-To-Be-Speaker Of The House." "Today, House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy endorsed Scott Baugh for Congress in California's new 47th District. 'I am very pleased to receive this early endorsement from the Republican leader and soon-to-be Speaker of the House,' said Baugh. 'Kevin and I have worked together on numerous political projects over the years and I look forward to continuing that relationship next year as a member of his new majority in the House of Representatives.'" [Facebook, Scott Baugh, 1/5/22]

McCarthy Said He Would Support A 15-Week Nationwide Abortion Ban And Said The GOP's Anti-Abortion Work Is "Far From Done"

- McCarthy On A Nationwide Abortion Ban At 15 Weeks: "I'd Support That." "Some House Republicans who oppose abortion rights are pushing legislation to implement a nationwide abortion ban at 15 weeks, coming just hours after the Supreme Court released its opinion overturning Roe v. Wade. The push for such a ban is a notable effort given that Republicans have a strong chance to take back control of the House in this year's midterms, and House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy expressed support for the idea on Friday. [...] McCarthy told CNN he backs legislation to codify a 15-week ban on abortion, saying: 'I'd support that." [CNN, 6/24/22]
- House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy "Seemed To Suggest That Republicans Would Put Forward Anti-Abortion Legislation Should They Win Back The Majority" After Roe Was Overturned, And Said The GOP's Anti-Abortion Work Was "Far From Done." "In a press conference later in the day, House

Minority Leader Rep. Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., seemed to suggest that Republicans would put forward antiabortion legislation should they win back the majority, pledging that the GOP's anti-abortion work is 'far from done.' McCarthy hailed Friday's decision as 'the most important pro-life ruling in American history' and said that 'the court affirmed that the power to protect unborn life has returned to the people and their elected representatives.' 'The people have won a victory,' McCarthy said. 'The right to life has been vindicated. The voiceless will finally have a voice. This great nation can now live up to its core principle, that all are created equal, not born equal, created equal.' 'As encouraging as today's decision is, our work is far from done,' McCarthy said." [Spectrum News NY1, 6/24/22]

#### 2000: Baugh Received A Zero Percent Rating From Planned Parenthood Of California

**2000: Baugh Received A Zero Percent Rating From Planned Parenthood Of California.** [Vote Smart, accessed <u>2/9/22</u>]

Baugh Peddled Dangerous Conspiracy Theories About The 2020 Election, Downplayed The Severity of The January 6<sup>th</sup> Insurrection, And Traded Campaign Cash With Dozens Of Members Of Congress That Voted To Overturn The Presidential Election

Baugh Refused To Answer If He Would Have Voted To Certify The 2020 Election And Parroted Debunked Right-Wing Claims Of Widespread Voter Fraud

April 2022: Baugh Declined To Answer A Yes Or No Question On Whether He Acknowledged Joe Biden As The Winner Of The 2020 Election. "Webber, Burley and Baugh all declined to answer a yes/no question on whether they acknowledge Joe Biden as the winner of the 2020 election; West and Porter said yes." [Orange County Register, 4/21/22]

June 2022: Baugh Declined To Say How He Would Have Voted Concerning The Certification Of The 2020 Election, Citing Concerns About "Irregularities." "Scott Baugh, a former chairman of the Orange County Republican Party and former Republican leader in the State Assembly, is considered the leading candidate to challenge Ms. Porter. In an interview that began in his S.U.V., which he said had cost \$140 to fill up, he called Mr. Biden 'our legitimate president.' However, Mr. Baugh declined to say how he would have voted concerning the certification of the 2020 election, citing concerns about 'irregularities.'" [New York Times, 6/11/22]

August 2022: When Asked If He Would Have Voted To Certify The 2020 Election, Baugh Said "I'm Not Going To Speculate On What I Would Have Done." "On the GOP objections to counting electoral votes from Pennsylvania and Arizona, Baugh wouldn't say how he'd have voted on Jan. 6, 2021. "I'm not going to speculate on what I would have done. Had I been able to ask those questions and get those answers, I could give you a definitive answer," he said. "But I don't." [NBC News, 8/1/22]

August 2022: Baugh Said 2020 Was Not A Perfect Election And That He "Can't Know" If Voter Fraud Contributed To The Outcome. "But asked if he believes Biden was legitimately elected president, Baugh said: "I do." "He won the Electoral College, and the election was certified. That makes him the president of the United States. Does that mean it was a perfect election? No," he continued, without saying whether he believes voter fraud contributed to the outcome: "I can't know that." [NBC News, 8/1/22]

• There Was No Evidence Of Widespread Voter Fraud In The 2020 Presidential Election. "Election officials in dozens of states representing both political parties said that there was no evidence that fraud or other irregularities played a role in the outcome of the presidential race, amounting to a forceful rebuke of President Trump's portrait of a fraudulent election. Over the last several days, the president, members of his administration, congressional Republicans and right wing allies have put forth the false claim that the election was stolen from Mr. Trump and have refused to accept results that showed Joseph R. Biden Jr. as the winner." [New York Times, 11/10/20]

#### Baugh Downplayed The Severity Of The January 6th Insurrection

Baugh Called The January  $6^{th}$  Hearings A "Sham Show" And Refused To Call January  $6^{th}$  A Threat To Democracy

Baugh Said He Did Not Pay Attention To The January 6<sup>th</sup> Committee Hearings And Called Them "A Bit Of A Sham Show" That Voters Don't Care About. "Baugh said he hasn't paid attention to the House Jan. 6 committee's public hearings, dismissing them as "a bit of a sham show" that voters don't care about." [NBC News, 8/1/22]

Baugh Refused To Answer The Orange County Register's Questionnaire About January 6. "Every Orange County congressional candidate was asked 'which best describes your view of Jan. 6, 2021' as part of the Register's Voter Guide questionnaire. The choices were: [...] • A serious threat to democracy [...] • A protest that got carried away [...] • A justifiable use of force [...] Candidates could also choose an 'other' option with the ability to write in an opinion. [...] Scott Baugh, a former Republican Assembly leader who is challenging Rep. Katie Porter in CA-47, also declined to participate in the questionnaire or respond to a follow-up request." [Orange County Register, 10/13/22]

Baugh Both Accepted From, And Contributed Campaign Cash To, Members Of Congress That Voted To Overturn The 2020 Election

Baugh Received \$272,000 From 44 Members Of Congress That Voted To Overturn The 2020 Election

Baugh Received \$272,000 From 44 Members Of Congress That Voted To Overturn The 2020 Election. [FEC, accessed 5/13/24]

Representative	Voted To Overturn The 2020 Election?	Contributions To Baugh
Mike Johnson	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign, \$5,000
		from LPAC
Steve Scalise	Yes	\$6,000 from campaign, \$20,000
		from LPAC
Elise Stefanik	<u>Yes</u>	\$10,000 from LPAC
David Rouzer	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Garret Graves	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$2,500
		from LPAC
David Kustoff	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign
August Pfluger	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$3,000
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Tom Cole	Yes	\$6,000 from LPAC
Jodey Arrington	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign
John Joyce	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Glenn Thompson	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$1,000
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Greg Murphy	<u>Yes</u>	\$2,000 from campaign
Virginia Foxx	Yes	\$4,500 from LPAC
Brian Babin	Yes	\$4,300 from campaign
Andy Harris	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign
Debbie Lesko	Yes	\$3,500 from campaign, \$2,400
		from LPAC
Roger Williams	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC

Buddy Carter	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$1,500
		from LPAC
Jake Ellzey	No	\$2,000 from campaign
Jake LaTurner	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign
Carol Miller	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign
Richard Hudson	Yes	\$2,500 from LPAC
Lloyd Smucker	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC
Guy Reschenthaler	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign, 3,000 from
		LPAC
Rob Wittman	<u>Yes</u>	\$3,000 from LPAC
Dan Meuser	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign
Tim Walberg	<u>Yes</u>	\$4,000 from campaign
Stephanie Bice	Yes	\$2,000 from LPAC
Jason Smith	Yes	\$7,500 from campaign
Mario Diaz-Balart	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC
Ken Calvert	Yes	\$20,000 from LPAC
Ronny Jackson	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign, \$10,000
		from LPAC
Alex Mooney	Yes	\$10,000 from LPAC
Darrell Issa	Yes	\$20,000 from LPAC
Mike Garcia	Yes	\$10,000 from LPAC
Kevin Hern	Yes	\$7,900 from LPAC
Adrian Smith	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Blaine Luetkemeyer	Yes	\$4,000 from LPAC
Burgess Owens	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign
Gary Palmer	Yes	\$5,500 from LPAC
Doug LaMalfa	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Mary Miller	Yes	\$2,900 from LPAC
Pete Sessions	Yes	\$20,000 from LPAC
Ron Estes	Yes	\$7,000 from LPAC
Yvette Herrell	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Total		\$272,000

[New York Times, <u>1/7/21</u>; FEC, accessed <u>5/13/24</u>]

### Baugh's Leadership PAC Gave \$56,900 To 10 Members Of Congress That Voted To Overturn The 2020 Election

### Baugh's Leadership PAC, Stop Collectivism Or Totalitarianism PAC, Gave \$56,900 To 10 Members Of Congress That Voted To Overturn The 2020 Election. [FEC, accessed 2/20/24]

Member	Voted To Overturn The 2020 Election?	Contributions From Baugh's Leadership PAC	
Matt Rosendale	Yes	\$10,000	
Mike Garcia	Yes	\$10,400	
Ken Calvert	Yes	\$7,900	
Debbie Lesko	Yes	\$2,900	
Beth Van Duyne	Yes	\$2,900	
Darrell Issa	Yes	\$10,400	
Pete Sessions	Yes	\$2,500	
Yvette Herrell	Yes	\$4,900	
Ted Cruz	Yes	\$2,500	
Alex Mooney	Yes	\$2,500	

### 2006: Baugh Was Chair Of The Orange County Republican Party At The Same Time It Was Embroiled In A Voter Fraud Scandal That Resulted In 12 Arrests

#### 2004 – 2015: Baugh Chaired The Orange County Republican Party

**2004 – 2015: Baugh Chaired The Orange County GOP.** "Longtime behind-the-scenes Republican volunteer and donor Fred Whitaker was unanimously elected Monday to take over chairmanship of the Orange County GOP, filling the spot being vacated by Scott Baugh. [...] Baugh, former GOP leader of the state Assembly, had held the chairmanship for 11 years. He said he was stepping down to spend more time and family and business matters." [Orange County Register, 1/20/15]

March 2006: Evidence Surfaced That As Many As 600 Orange County Residents Were Registered To Vote As Republicans Without Their Consent

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[...] The registrar's office has found an additional 65 cases – separate from the Democrats' list – of people being registered to the Republican Party without their knowledge." [Orange County Register, 3/1/06]

"Numerous" Voters Alleged That Their Voter Registration Cards To Change Parties Were Forged Or Were Told That They Were Signing Petitions Against Breast Cancer And Child Abuse. "The Orange County Register reported recently that numerous voters for whom registration cards, registering as or changing their registration to Republican, were filed claimed that their signatures were forged or that they were duped by solicitors who told them to leave the party registration portion of the form blank. Some said they were told they were signing petitions to make it easier to track child molesters or fight breast cancer." [Metropolitan News Enterprise, 4/10/06]

Baugh Blamed Individuals Who Were Fired From The Orange County Republican Party And A Group They Contracted For Voter Registration "Inaccuracies," And Claimed The Fraud Effort Hurt The Republican Party

Baugh Blamed "A Few Individuals" Who Were Fired From The Orange County Republican Party For "Inaccuracies" On Voter Registration Cards And Were The Subject Of Voter Complaints. "Scott Baugh, chairman of the Republican Central Committee of Orange County, said he believed the problems were confined to a few individuals who were fired over the past two months for 'inaccuracies' in registration cards or because they

were the subject of voter complaints. 'We've received six complaints out of the 15,000 letters we sent out to welcome people to the party when they register,' Baugh said. He did not identify the workers who were fired, one on Jan. 18 and two more on Feb. 2." [Orange County Register, 3/1/06]

Baugh Blamed A Company The County Republican Party Contracted With, Which It Paid Per-Registration. "The county Republican organization, chaired by former state Assemblyman Scott Baugh, put the blame on its former contractor, Bader and Associates. The firm was paid on a per-registration basis. Baugh told the newspaper the party no longer uses a contractor, overseeing its own registration efforts. He cast the party as a victim of the fraud, saying it paid to have members on its rolls when in fact those people will not vote Republican." [Metropolitan News Enterprise, 4/10/06]

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#### March 2006: Baugh Said He Supported An Investigation Of The Voter Fraud Claims

March 2006: The California Secretary Of State's Office Announced It Would Investigate The Orange County Voter Fraud Claims. "The California Secretary of State's Office launched an investigation Wednesday into hundreds of Republican registrations in Orange County done during a \$100,000 drive to increase GOP voters in a Democratic stronghold." [Orange County Register, 3/2/06]

• Baugh: "We Hope That The Secretary Of State Does A Thorough Investigation." "Not all of the problems can be attributed to the Republicans' drive, said county GOP Chairman Scott Baugh. Ten of the names on the Democrats' list of 37 were not gathered by the party's paid circulators, he said. 'We hope that the secretary of state does a thorough investigation and roots out inappropriate behavior on all registration activities if they exist,' Baugh said." [Orange County Register, 3/2/06]

October 2006: Baugh Said He Supported The Arrests Of 12 Defendants Connected To The Voter Fraud Scheme

October 2006: The Orange County District Attorney Announced It Would Arrest 12 Defendants In Felony Voter Fraud Claims, Who All Had Gathered Signatures For Republicans. "After a five month investigation, police are looking for five signature-gatherers who were charged last week with tricking voters into registering or re-registering as Republicans. They are among 12 defendants accused of felony violations of state election laws after they were paid a \$10 bounty to recruit new Republicans, District Attorney Tony Rackauckas said at a press conference Monday morning. But instead of signing up legitimate Republicans, the signature-gatherers duped people who thought they were signing petitions against child molesters or for lower taxes, Rackauckas said. Seven of the 12 defendants have been arrested and await trials that could result in prison terms of up to three years each." [Orange County Register, 10/31/06]

• Baugh: "May They Rot In Jail For Stealing From Us And Disenfranchising Voters." "Orange County Republican Party Chairman Scott Baugh said his group was hurt by signature gatherers who took money for phony registrations. 'May they rot in jail for stealing from us and disenfranchising voters,' Baugh said. Orange County Democratic Party Chairman Frank Barbaro said he hoped the arrests and Baugh's cooperation in the

Nguyen investigation 'are indicative of a new effort by local Republican Party leaders to protect the rights of all Orange County voters.'" [Orange County Register, 10/27/06]

#### 2007 – 2008: At Least Three Of The Defendants Pleaded Guilty To Felony Voter Fraud Charges

January 2007: The California Secretary Of State Announced That Two Defendants In The Orange County Voter Fraud Case Pleaded Guilty To Registering Voters Without Their Knowledge, A Felony, And Were Sentenced To Three Years On Probation. "The first two people were sentenced today in the major Orange County voter fraud case investigated by Secretary of State Bruce McPherson. Both individuals plead guilty in November. Jason Holley, 36, and Jessica Sundell, 23 were sentenced for the felony crime of unlawfully registering voters without their knowledge. Twelve people were charged with the fraudulent completion of affidavit of registration after a 5-month joint investigation by the Secretary of State and Orange County District Attorney. [...] Holley and Sundell each pleaded guilty to one count of felony voter registration fraud in November 2006 and were sentenced today to three years formal probation." [California Secretary of State, Press Release, 1/3/07]

April 2008: The California Secretary Of State Announced That Another Defendant In The Orange County Voter Fraud Case Pleaded Guilty To Deceptively Registering Voters, A Felony, And Was Sentenced To Three Years On Probation And 46 Days In Jail. "An Anaheim signature gatherer has been convicted of felony voter registration fraud for using deceptive means to re-register Orange County voters, Secretary of State Debra Bowen announced today. Donahue Farrow pleaded guilty Tuesday in Orange County Superior Court, where he was sentenced to 46 days in jail and three years of probation. While on probation, Farrow is forbidden from participating in any voter registration or signature-gathering activities." [California Secretary of State, Press Release, 4/30/08]

### Baugh Was A Founding Chairman Of An Organization That Attempted To Disenfranchise Californians And Spread Election Misinformation

Baugh Was A "Founding Chairman" Of Institute For Fair Elections, Which Had A "A Board Stacked With Republican Party Operatives"

According To Baugh's Campaign Website, He Was A "Founding Chairman" Of Institute For Fair Elections. [Baugh for Congress, accessed <u>2/8/22</u>]

**2017:** Baugh Was On The Board Of Directors For Institute For Fair Elections, For Which He Reportedly Worked One Hour Per Week And Was Uncompensated. [Institute For Fair Elections 990 Form, via ProPublica Non-Profit Explorer, filed 5/18/18]

Los Angeles Times: Institute For Fair Elections Had A Board "Stacked With Republican Operatives," Including Chair Of Pro-Trump PAC Ed Rollins. "Also in 2017, Dunsmore, a Republican fundraiser, stepped in as president of the Institute for Fair Elections, filling out a board stacked with Republican party operatives. Among its most recently reported directors are Ed Rollins, chairman of a national pro-Trump political action committee; Charles Bell, the state Republican Party's general counsel; and David Ellis, a longtime Republican campaign consultant." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

Prior To 2020, Institute For Fair Elections Had A History Of Attempts To Disenfranchise Californians, Including People Who Happened To Have The Same Name And Military Members

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Party officials and major conservative donors, the Election Integrity Project and a second organization, the Institute for Fair Elections, have challenged more than 3 million voter registrations since 2018, The Times found." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

- Los Angeles Times: The Institute For Fair Elections Frequently Challenged Registrations Of Voters With Common Names And "Had To Ignore Numerous Distinguishing Characteristics That Showed These Were Different Voters." "At a 2016 hearing of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, which makes voting rights reports to Congress, one of California's most prominent voter fraud activist groups, the Institute for Fair Elections, provided lists naming voters in Los Angeles and Sacramento counties who it alleged had illegally voted more than once in the same election. The Times found many of those voters lived in large apartment complexes and shared common names such as Jung Kim as well as Young Kim and Maria Garcia with others in the same buildings who voted in the same elections. To make the allegation of double- and triple-voting, the Institute had to ignore numerous distinguishing characteristics that showed these were different voters, including apartment numbers, phone numbers, email addresses, genders, middle names, countries of birth, languages, ages and political parties." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]
- 2016: Institute For Fair Elections Alleged One Californian, Jung Kim, Had Voted 14 Times In 5 Elections; The Votes Were Cast By Three Different Individuals With The Same First And Last Names. "In 2016, the Institute for Fair Elections alleged in testimony before a federal voting commission that one person, Jung Kim, illegally voted 14 times in five elections. The Times found the votes were cast by three different people who share the same first and last names but live in different apartments in the same large downtown Los Angeles complex. The three had different ages and were all registered under different political parties. The institute did not respond to a request for comment on the misidentification." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

The Institute For Fair Elections Tried To Purge Voters From Voter Registration Lists, Including An Attempt That Disproportionately Affected Military Members In 2018

Los Angeles: "For Years," The Institute For Fair Elections Attempted To Purge Names Of Voters Who Had Not Voted In Eight Years From Voter Registration Lists. "Also in 2017, Dunsmore, a Republican fundraiser, stepped in as president of the Institute for Fair Elections, filling out a board stacked with Republican party operatives. [...] For years the institute audited voter registration lists in order to press county election officials to scrub their rolls, including of 'ghost voters' who went eight years without casting a ballot." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

2018: Institute For Fair Elections Mailed 652,000 Postcards, Mostly To Voters In Areas Where Republicans Faced "Strong Challenges," And Urged Registrars To Purge Voters Whose Letters Could Not Be Delivered. "Under Dunsmore's leadership, the institute adopted more aggressive tactics. In 2018, the organization mailed some 652,000 postcards — ostensibly about a gas tax — to voters in targeted areas of seven counties and sent registrars the names of those whose mail could not be delivered, alleging the voters were not at the official addresses. The institute also sued Orange County in a failed attempt to force election officials to use jury lists to look for noncitizen voters. A Times analysis shows the postcards in Orange and San Luis Obispo counties focused on ZIP Codes where Republicans faced strong challenges, including a congressional seat that wound up being won by a Democrat." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

- San Luis Obispo County Officials Proved Many Voters Whom The Institute Claimed Were Illegitimate Were Members Of The Military Or Had Changed Their Mailing Address But Not Residence. "Registration records provided by San Luis Obispo County elections officials showed many of the voters flagged as suspicious were members of the military. Others had changed their postal address, not their residence." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]
- San Luis Obispo County Registrar: "If We Had Inactivated Them, They Could Have Been Disenfranchised In Future Elections." "Registration records provided by San Luis Obispo County elections officials showed many of the voters flagged as suspicious were members of the military. Others had changed

their postal address, not their residence. 'If we had inactivated them, they could have been disenfranchised in future elections,' said county registrar Tommy Gong." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

Before The 2020 Election, Institute For Fair Elections Spread Misinformation About Voter Fraud Claims Nationally

February 2020: Tucker Carlson Cited The Institute For Fair Elections To Claim Republicans Lost Congressional Seats Due To Fraud, Including Allegations That Multiple OC Voters Were Registered At A Dog Park. "The institute's work examining voter registration rolls provided ammunition for a Washington Post opinion piece in February 2020 by conservative radio host Hugh Hewitt that asked, 'Can America safeguard the vote?' It also was used by Fox News host Tucker Carlson to allege Republicans lost Orange County congressional seats because of fraud. Both pointed to claims by the institute that it found multiple people registered at a dog park." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

Los Angeles Times: Institute For Fair Elections' Claim That OC Voters Were Registered At A Dog Park Was "Not True;" The Voters Were Registered At An Emergency Shelter Adjacent To The Dog Park. "Both pointed to claims by the institute that it found multiple people registered at a dog park. Except it wasn't true. The list Dunsmore's organization sent Orange County included scores of voters at a Laguna Beach address that when viewed in Google Maps appeared close to the city dog park. But the address is the city's emergency housing shelter, adjacent to the park. Other mass registration sites flagged by the institute housed college students, priests and nuns." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

• Los Angeles Times: Institute For Fair Elections Also Flagged Housing For College Students, Priests, And Nuns As Potentially Illegitimate. "Both pointed to claims by the institute that it found multiple people registered at a dog park. Except it wasn't true. The list Dunsmore's organization sent Orange County included scores of voters at a Laguna Beach address that when viewed in Google Maps appeared close to the city dog park. But the address is the city's emergency housing shelter, adjacent to the park. Other mass registration sites flagged by the institute housed college students, priests and nuns." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

**Institute For Fair Elections Leadership Personally Had A History Of Inconsistent Voting Registration** 

June 2021: The Los Angeles Times Found That Anne Hyde Dunsmore, A Member Of Institute For Fair Elections Leadership, Was Simultaneously Registered To Vote In California And Florida. "One voter identified by The Times as registered in two different places at the same time: Anne Hyde Dunsmore, who heads the Institute for Fair Elections and is one of the main fundraisers for the recall. Dunsmore, registered in both Florida and California as of May, said she had no way of removing her name from Florida's rolls when she moved, though The Times found the form available on the website of the registrar's office where she previously lived. Dunsmore did not respond further. She did not vote in both states during the same election, but it is that kind of registration lapse that her group and other activists argue puts California's elections in peril." [Los Angeles Times, 6/25/21]

2022: Baugh Touted His Role With The Institute For Fair Elections On His Campaign Website

**2022:** Baugh Listed His Role As Founding Chairman Of The Institute For Fair Elections On His Campaign Website. [Baugh for Congress Website via Internet Archive, captured 10/5/22]

Baugh Has An Extreme Record Opposing Marriage Equality Going Back Decades – If Elected To Congress, He Would Not Protect LGBTQ Californians

1997: Baugh Voted In Favor Of The California Defense Of Marriage Act, Which Would Have Made It The Official Policy Of California That Marriage Was Only Between One Man And One Woman

#### Baugh Voted For The California Defense Of Marriage Act

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• The California Defense Of Marriage Act Would Have Made It The Official Policy Of California That Marriage Was Only Between One Man And One Woman. In May 1997, Baugh voted for a bill to "Would declare the strong public policy of this state that only a marriage contracted between one man and one woman outside this state is valid in this state. Specifically, this bill: 1) Would prohibit the state, its courts and agencies from recognizing any government action in another state respecting or recognizing a relationship between persons of the same sex that is treated as a marriage in that other state. 2) Would state legislative findings concerning the state's marriage license laws, noting, among other things, "the strongly held and long-standing public policy of this state to recognize and foster the marital union of only one man and one woman." 3) Would provide an exception to the general rule of Family Code Section 308, that a marriage validly contracted outside this state is valid within this state, by adding a new Section 308.5 which provides that any marriage contracted outside this state between individuals of the same gender is not valid in this state." [California State Assembly, AB 800, 2/26/97]

The California Defense Of Marriage Act Was Supported By Anti-LGBTQ Organizations That Said Same-Sex Marriages Would "Pose A Severe Threat To Society" And Would "Spread Disease"

In Support Of The Bill, The Traditional Values Coalition Said That Same-Sex Marriages Would "Pose A Severe Threat To Society." "The Traditional Values Coalition states that same-sex marriages would weaken societal support for heterosexual marriages, increase costs to businesses, and pose a severe threat to society." [California State Assembly, AB 800, 2/26/97]

In Support Of The Bill, The Committee On Moral Concern Stated That "Any Further Affirmation Of The Homosexual Lifestyle Will Spread Disease" And Since "Homosexuals Are Extraordinarily Promiscuous, Same-Sex Marriages Will Not Prevent The Spread Of AIDS." "The Committee on Moral Concerns states that any further affirmation of the homosexual lifestyle will spread disease. They state that, since statistics show homosexuals are extraordinarily promiscuous, same-sex marriages will not prevent the spread of AIDS." [California State Assembly, AB 800, 2/26/97]

#### 2008: Baugh Endorsed Eliminating Same-Sex Marriage In California

**2008:** While Baugh Was Chair, The OCGOP Endorsed A "Yes" Vote On Proposition 8. [OCGOP Website, via Archive.org, captured 10/20/08]

• California's Proposition 8 Was A 2008 Ballot Initiative That Eliminated The Right Of Same-Sex Couples To Marry And Declared That Only Marriage Between A Man And A Woman Was Valid In California. "ELIMINATES RIGHT OF SAME-SEX COUPLES TO MARRY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. • Changes the California Constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry in California. • Provides that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. [...] This measure amends the California Constitution to specify that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. As a result, notwithstanding the California Supreme Court ruling of May 2008, marriage would be limited to individuals of the opposite sex, and individuals of the same sex would not have the right to marry in California." [UC Hastings, California Ballot Propositions and Initiatives, 2008]

#### 2022: Baugh Repeatedly Refused To Back Federal Marriage Protections For LGBTQ Couples

April 2022: Baugh Declined To Answer A Yes Or No Question On How He Would Vote If The Question of Gay Marriage Came Before Congress. "Webber, Burley and Baugh also all declined to say how they'd vote if the question of the legality of gay marriage were to come before Congress. West and Porter said they'd support it."[Orange County Register, 4/21/22]

May 2022: Baugh Said Marriage Is Between A Man And A Woman But That The Government Should Have "No Involvement In Regulating Relationship Contracts And Social Arrangements Between People." "Scott Baugh, who's the primary GOP challenger to Rep. Katie Porter, D-Irvine, also didn't answer a question about how he'd vote on the legality of gay marriage. "A yes or no answer is inadequate here," said Baugh, R-Huntington Beach. "By tradition, culture and religion, marriage is between a man and a woman," he continued. But he added this: "The government should have no involvement in regulating relationship contracts and social arrangements between people." [Orange County Register, 5/6/22]

August 2022: Baugh Said He Would Vote Against The Respect For Marriage Act. "Recently, Porter has voted with her party to codify federal protections for legal abortion in the Women's Health Protection Act and same-sex marriage in the Respect for Marriage Act. She also voted for legislation that would ban assault weapons. [...] Baugh said he'd vote against all those bills if he were a congressman." [NBC News, 8/1/22]

### Baugh Accepted \$316,500 From 59 Republicans That Voted Against Protecting Marriage Equality For LGBTQ Couples

### **Baugh Accepted \$315,500 From 59 House Republicans That Voted Against The Respect For Marriage Act.** [FEC, accessed <u>5/13/24</u>]

Representative	Voted Against Marriage Equality?	Contributions to Baugh
Mike Johnson	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign, \$5,000
		from LPAC
Steve Scalise	<u>Yes</u>	\$6,000 from campaign, \$20,000
		from LPAC
David Rouzer	<u>Yes</u>	\$2,000 from campaign
Garret Graves	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$2,500
		from LPAC
David Kustoff	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign
Bob Latta	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Lisa McClain	<u>Yes</u>	\$3,300 from campaign
August Pfluger	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$3,000
		from LPAC
Tom Cole	<u>Yes</u>	\$6,000 from LPAC
Jodey Arrington	<u>Yes</u>	\$4,000 from campaign
Larry Bucshon	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign
John Joyce	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Glenn Thompson	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$1,000
		from LPAC
Greg Murphy	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Rudy Yakym	Yes	\$2,000 from LPAC
Bill Huizinga	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC
Virginia Foxx	Yes	\$4,500 from LPAC
Brian Babin	Yes	\$4,300 from campaign
Andy Harris	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign
Bruce Westerman	Yes	\$1,000 from LPAC

Gus Bilirakis Pete Stauber	Yes Yes	\$2,900 from LPAC \$5,500 from LPAC
Mary Miller	Yes	\$2,900 from LPAC
Doug LaMalfa	Yes Vac	\$2,000 from campaign
	Yes Yes	
Gary Palmer Randy Feenstra	Yes	\$5,500 from LPAC \$2,000 from LPAC
		\$4,000 from LPAC \$5,500 from LPAC
Blaine Luetkemeyer	Yes	from LPAC \$4,000 from LPAC
Brad Wenstrup	Yes	from LPAC \$1,000 from campaign, \$2,000
Brett Guthrie	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign \$1,500 from campaign, \$2,000
Adrian Smith	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign
Kevin Hern	Yes	\$17,500 from LPAC \$7,900 from LPAC
Young Kim	Yes	\$10,000 from LPAC \$17,500 from LPAC
Alex Mooney	Yes	\$10,000 from LPAC
Andy Barr	Yes	\$17,000 from LPAC
Dan Crenshaw	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$5,000 from LPAC
Ronny Jackson	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign, \$10,000 from LPAC
Michelle Steel	<u>Yes</u>	\$17,900 from LPAC
Mario Diaz-Balart	<u>Yes</u>	\$5,000 from LPAC
Jason Smith	Yes	\$7,500 from campaign
Stephanie Bice	Yes	\$2,000 from LPAC
Tim Walberg	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign
Dan Meuser	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign
Rob Wittman	Yes	\$3,000 from LPAC
Guy Reschenthaler	Yes	\$1,000 from campaign, 3,000 from LPAC
Lloyd Smucker	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC
Richard Hudson	Yes	\$2,500 from LPAC
Carol Miller	Yes	\$3,000 from campaign
Cathy McMorris Rodgers	Yes	\$7,500 from LPAC
Darin LaHood	Yes	\$2,500 from LPAC
Jake LaTurner	Yes	\$4,000 from campaign
Jake Ellzey	Yes	from LPAC \$2,000 from campaign
Buddy Carter	Yes	\$2,000 from campaign, \$1,500
Roger Williams	Yes	\$5,000 from LPAC
		from LPAC
Debbie Lesko	Yes	\$3,500 from campaign, \$2,400 from LPAC

[House Of Representatives, Vote #513, 12/8/22; FEC, accessed 5/13/24]

The Respect For Marriage Act Repealed The Defense Of Marriage Act And Provided Federal Protections For Same-Sex And Interracial Couples

The Respect For Marriage Act Repealed The Defense Of Marriage Act And Provided Federal Protections For Same-Sex And Interracial Couples. "The House on Tuesday passed the Respect for Marriage Act, which would protect marriage equality by repealing the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) and providing federal protections for same-sex and interracial couples. The bill passed 267-157, with 47 Republicans joining every Democrat voting in favor of the bill. Congressional Democrats mounted the legislative response this week to a concurring opinion by Justice Clarence Thomas suggesting that Supreme Court decisions involving access to contraception and same-sex marriage should be reconsidered, with lawmakers holding votes on a pair of bills that aim to address concerns that more rights could be rolled back. While the Supreme Court struck down sections of DOMA in U.S. v. Windsor and Obergefell v. Hodges, the law still remains on the books." [CBS News, 7/19/22]

**HEADLINE: "House Moves To Protect Same-Sex Marriage From Supreme Court Reversal."** [New York Times, 7/19/22]

71% Of Californians Supported Same-Sex Marriage

**2022: Human Rights Campaign: 71% Of Californians Supported Same-Sex Marriage.** According to a poll from the Public Religion Research Institute, 71% of Californians supported legal gay marriage. [HRC, 9/14/22]

Baugh Was Endorsed By Anti-Abortion Extremist, Election Denier In Chief, And Anti-LGBTQ House Speaker Mike Johnson

#### House Speaker Mike Johnson Endorsed Baugh

2024: Baugh Was Endorsed By Speaker Of The House Mike Johnson. "It's often been said that the road to a long-lasting Republican House Majority runs through California and Orange County," said Johnson. "We've got two great members in Orange County currently in Congress, and come November, we are going to add Scott Baugh to that list. Scott is a battle-tested conservative who knows what it takes to win. A lifelong Californian, Scott continues to be a leader in his community and continues to show the true meaning of service above self. As a small business owner, Scott knows that America's economy thrives when the government is kept out of the way of free enterprise. I enthusiastically endorse my friend Scott Baugh for Congress in California's 47th District and look forward to working with him in Congress." "I am honored to receive the support of Speaker Johnson," said Baugh. "Under Speaker Johnson's leadership, Republicans in the House will fight to cut government spending to reduce inflation, will work to reduce federal regulations that stifle economic growth and will vote to secure our borders so we know who wants to enter this country and can vet them first." [Scott Baugh for Congress, Press Release, accessed 2/8/24]

In Addition To Cosponsoring A National Abortion Ban, Johnson Supported Jailing Doctors Who Provided Abortion Care And Said The Overturning Of Roe V. Wade Would Be "The Greatest Day Of My Life"

Johnson Consistently Received A+ Ratings On The Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America Legislative Scorecard

118<sup>th</sup> Congress: Johnson Received An A+ On The Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America Legislative Scorecard. [Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, Scorecard, accessed 4/1/24]

117<sup>th</sup> Congress: Johnson Received An A+ On The Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America Legislative Scorecard. [Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, Scorecard, accessed 10/25/23]

116<sup>th</sup> Congress: Johnson Received An A+ On The Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America Legislative Scorecard. [Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, Scorecard, accessed 10/25/23]

**Susan B Anthony Pro-Life America Website: "SBA's Mission Is To End Abortion."** "SBA List's mission is to end abortion by electing national leaders and advocating for laws that save lives, with a special calling to promote pro-life women leaders." [Susan B Anthony Website, accessed 4/5/23]

### About Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America

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the fact that they can perform abortions legally, and I just want them to do it under the same health and safety standards that any other medical professional has to adhere to." [Mother Jones,  $\frac{9}{2001}$ ]

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• Johnson Was Credited With Coming Up With The Option For Republicans To Vote Not To Certify 2020 Election Results On The Grounds Of Changed Voting Procedures During The Pandemic. "On the eve of the Jan. 6 votes, he presented colleagues with what he called a 'third option.' He faulted the way some states had changed voting procedures during the pandemic, saying it was unconstitutional, without supporting the outlandish claims of Mr. Trump's most vocal supporters. His Republican critics called it a Trojan horse that

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New York Times: "Even Lawmakers Who Had Been Among The Noisiest 'Stop The Steal' Firebrands Took Refuge In Mr. Johnson's [Election Denial] Claims." "Even lawmakers who had been among the noisiest 'stop the steal' firebrands took refuge in Mr. Johnson's narrow and lawyerly claims, though his nuanced argument was lost on the mob storming the Capitol, and over time it was the vision of the rioters — that a Democratic conspiracy had defrauded America — that prevailed in many Republican circles." [New York Times, 10/3/22]

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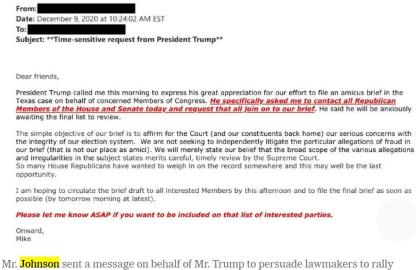
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Johnson Called LGBTQ Youth In A Hearing A "Problem" And That "Something Has Gone Terribly Wrong." JOHNSON: "Today, nearly one in four high school students identifies as LGBTQ. Whether it's by scalpel or by social coercion from teachers, professors, administrators, and left-wing media, it's an attempt to transition the young people of our country. Something has gone terribly wrong and today we hope to shed light on

what that is and how we can address the problem. Contrary to what the Democrats believe, the scourge of radical gender ideology is very real, efforts to cover up what's being done to children are extreme, and the science is on our side." [Rep. Mike Johnson, 7/27/23]

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• This Bill Would Allow Any Parent To Sue Any Public Or Private Entity For A Perceived "Exposure" That Used Federal Dollars. "This bill allows parents to sue any public or private entity that uses federal dollars to expose their young children to sexually explicit materials or programs. If any organization violates the law twice in a five-year period, they would lose access to all federal funding." [Mike Johnson, Twitter, 10/18/22]



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• Johnson Spoke Out Against Gender-Affirming Care. "Gender affirming care' is anything but 'affirming' and 'caring.' It is adults deciding to permanently alter the bodies of children who do NOT have the capacity to make life altering decisions on their own. Watch my opening statement from today's @JudiciaryGOP hearing "[Rep. Mike Johnson, Twitter, 7/27/23]



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#### Johnson Cosponsored A Bill Banning Gender-Affirming Care For Minors

**Johnson Cosponsored The Protect Children's Innocence Act, Banning Gender-Affirming Care For Minors.** "To amend chapter 110 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit gender affirming care on minors." [H.R. 5636, Text, 9/21/23; H.R. 5636, Cosponsors, 9/26/23]

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- A Louisiana Reporter Told The New York Times That Scalise Called Himself "David Duke Without The Baggage." "Grace, a Louisiana politics reporter and columnist, told the New York Times that at the start of Scalise's legislative career, while 'explaining his politics', he told her 'he was like David Duke without the baggage'. Grace said she thought Scalise had 'meant he supported the same policy ideas as David Duke, but he wasn't David Duke, that he didn't have the same feelings about certain people as David Duke did." [The Guardian, 10/3/23]
- The Anti-Defamation League Called Duke "Perhaps America's Most Well-Known Racist And Anti-Semite." "David Duke, perhaps America's most well-known racist and anti-Semite, promotes anti-Semitic and white supremacist views as the leader of the white supremacist European American Unity and Rights Organization, as a writer of anti-Semitic tracts, and, in recent years, as an international figure who has

promoted his anti-Jewish ideology in Europe and the Middle East, devoting particular attention to Russia and the Ukraine." [Anti-Defamation League, 9/1/16]

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**HEADLINE:** "House Majority Whip Scalise Confirms He Spoke To White Supremacists In 2002." [Washington Post, 12/29/14]

• Scalise Said He Spoke At A Convention For A Group Affiliated With Racists And Neo-Nazi Activists. "Rep. Steve Scalise (R-La.), the House majority whip, acknowledged Monday that he spoke at a gathering hosted by white-supremacist leaders while serving as a state representative in 2002, thrusting a racial controversy into House Republican ranks days before the party assumes control of both congressional chambers. Scalise, 49, who ascended to the House GOP's third-ranking post this year, confirmed through an adviser that he once appeared at a convention of the European-American Unity and Rights Organization, or EURO. But the adviser said the congressman didn't know at the time about the group's affiliation with racists and neo-Nazi activists." [Washington Post, 12/29/14]

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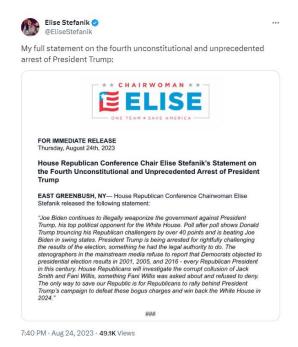
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2023: Stefanik Said Trump Rightfully Challenged The 2020 Election Results

**Stefanik: "Trump Is Being Arrested For Rightfully Challenging The Results Of The Election."** "President Trump is being arrested for rightfully challenging the results of the election, something he had the legal authority to do." [Elise Stefanik, Twitter, 8/24/23]



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2022: Stefanik Called The January 6<sup>th</sup> Investigation A "Partisan Political Witch Hunt," Doubled Down On Her Decision Not To Certify Election Results

One Year After January 6<sup>th</sup>, Stefanik Doubled Down On Her Decision To Not Certify The 2020 Election. "I swore an oath to protect and defend the U.S. Constitution, and I stand by my objection to the electors of certain states based on the unconstitutional overreach by unelected state officials and judges ignoring state election laws. I am committed to working to strengthen our elections and rebuild that faith, so that our elections are free, fair, secure, safe, and most importantly, that they are according to the United States Constitution." [Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, 1/5/22]

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2021: Stefanik Defended The January 6th Election Falsehoods

HEADLINE: "Stefanik Defends Election Falsehoods Told On Jan. 6." [Washington Post, 5/6/21]

Ahead Of January 6<sup>th</sup>, Stefanik Released A Statement Saying She Would "Object To Certain Contested Electors" To "Protect Our Democratic Process." "As the Representative for New York's 21st Congressional District, I plan to object to certain contested electors on January 6th. I do not take this action lightly. I am acting to protect our democratic process." [Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, 1/4/21]

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September 2022: Stefanik Introduced A 15-Week Abortion Ban With Exceptions For Rape And Incest. "Congresswoman Elise Stefanik is a co-sponsor of a new bill that would ban abortions nationwide after the 15th

week of pregnancy. Republicans introduced the bill on Tuesday. It contains exceptions for rape, incest, and life-threatening physical conditions, but does not make exceptions for 'psychological or emotional conditions.'" [NCPR, 9/16/22]

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• Stefanik Received Scrutiny For Echoing Themes Of The 'Great Replacement' Theory Used By White Nationalists In This Ad. "When Rep. Elise Stefanik, R-N.Y., posted advertisements last fall embracing tenets of the 'great replacement' conspiracy theory — the false white supremacist assertion that the left seeks to remake American society by replacing white people using immigration and interracial marriage — it was extremely alarming. One bigoted ad, paid for by her campaign committee, claimed: 'Radical Democrats are planning their most aggressive move yet: a PERMANENT ELECTION INSURRECTION.... Their plan to grant amnesty to 11 MILLION illegal immigrants will overthrow our current electorate and create a permanent liberal majority in Washington." [MSNBC, 5/17/22]

Stefanik Stood By Her Statements In The Ad And Attacked The Media, But Refused To Disavow Replacement Theory Ideology. "On Monday, she released a lengthy statement attacking the media for reporting on statements she has made that echo replacement theory claims, but never disavowed the ideology, and did not

condemn racism or white supremacy. Later, asked in a brief exchange whether she would disavow or repudiate replacement theory, Ms. Stefanik did not, saying: 'I condemn any form of racism.'" [New York Times, 5/16/22]

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**HEADLINE:** "New No. 3 House Republican Once Accused Jewish Billionaires Of Buying Congress." [Haaretz, <u>11/16/22</u>]

- Emmer Accused Jewish Billionaires Of Buying Control Of Congress For Democrats. "In 2019, he accused Jewish billionaires George Soros, Michael Bloomberg and Tom Steyer (a practicing Episcopalian whose father is Jewish) of buying control of Congress for the Democrats. Leading U.S. Jewish organizations and experts have warned that the invocation of tropes related to Soros, and further usage of Nazi imagery, reflect antisemitic messaging at a time of rising concern over anti-Jewish sentiment. 'The news of impactful, real progress on turning our nation around was undercut by biased media and hundreds of millions of dollars of anti-Republican propaganda put out by liberal special interests, funded by deep-pocketed far-left billionaires George Soros, Tom Steyer and Michael Bloomberg,' Emmer wrote to party members at the time." [Haaretz, 11/16/22]
- The Jewish Democratic Council Of America On Emmer's Win: "The Normalization Of Antisemitism Has Infected Every Level Of The Republican Party." "Following his win, the Jewish Democratic Council of America tweeted: 'Tom Emmer, who has trafficked in the antisemitic trope that Jewish donors 'bought control of Congress for the Democrats,' was chosen by Republicans to serve as whip in the House GOP's leadership. The normalization of antisemitism has infected every level of the Republican Party." [Haaretz, 11/16/22]

Throughout His Career, Baugh Has Been Bankrolled By Far-Right Megadonor Howard Ahmanson Jr., An Advocate For Strict Biblical Law

Howard Ahmanson Jr. Has Been A Top Donor To Baugh's Campaigns For State Assembly And Congress

Ahmanson Was A Top Donor To Baugh

HEADLINE: "GOP US House Candidate Scott Baugh Bankrolled By Right-Wing Advocate For Biblical Law." [American Journal News, 10/16/23]

Howard Ahmanson Was A Far-Right Wing Megadonor And Advocate For Strict Biblical Law Whose "Purpose Is Total Integration Of Biblical Law Into Our Lives." "Howard Fieldstead Ahmanson Jr., a right-wing megadonor and longtime advocate for strict biblical law, has been a top donor throughout Baugh's political career. [...] While Ahmanson told the Center for Public Integrity in 2006 that he did not personally endorse 'the stoning or execution of homosexuals,' he told the Orange County Register in 1985: 'My purpose is total integration of biblical law into our lives.'" [American Journal News, 10/16/23]

Ahmanson Was One Of Baugh's Top Two Donors In His First Run For Assembly. "Baugh, who describes himself as an anti-abortion candidate, also courted pro-gun and evangelical church groups in a vigorous absentee ballot campaign. He received his largest contributions from the campaign committee run by Pringle and from wealthy Christian philanthropist Howard Ahmanson, who has given at least \$1 million in recent years to conservative and anti-abortion causes and candidates." [Los Angeles Times, 11/29/95]

Ahmanson Gave Baugh's Congressional Campaigns A Total Of \$12,400. [FEC, accessed 5/13/24]

Howard Ahmanson Contributions To Scott Baugh For Congress			
Contributor	Recipient	<b>Contribution Amount</b>	Date
Howard Ahmanson	Scott Baugh for Congress	\$3,300	12/27/23
Howard Ahmanson	Scott Baugh for Congress	\$\$3,00	3/6/23
Howard Ahmanson	Scott Baugh for Congress	\$2,900	6/30/22
Howard Ahmanson	Scott Baugh for Congress	\$400	2/24/22
Howard Ahmanson	Scott Baugh for Congress	\$2,500	1/19/22
	TOTAL	\$12,400	

Ahmanson's Wife Gave Baugh's 2024 Congressional Campaign \$6,600

Ahmanson's Wife Roberta Gave Baugh's 2024 Congressional Campaign A Total Of \$6,600. [FEC, accessed 5/13/24]

#### **Ahmanson Was A Top Donor To Numerous Extreme Right-Wing Causes**

Ahmanson Was A Top Donor Supporting California's Proposition 8, A 2008 Ballot Initiative That Eliminated The Right Of Same-Sex Couples To Marry

Ahmanson Gave At Least \$900,000 To Support Proposition 8, Making Him Its Third Largest Private Donor. "While the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints' public role in Prop 8 has engendered a growing backlash from its more liberal members, and Broekhuizen's involvement attracted some media attention, the extreme politics of Prop 8's third largest private donor, Howard F. Ahmanson, reclusive heir to a banking fortune, have passed almost completely below the media's radar. Ahmanson has donated \$900,000 to the passage of Prop 8 so far." [Daily Beast, 11/3/08]

California's Proposition 8 Was A 2008 Ballot Initiative That Eliminated The Right Of Same-Sex Couples To Marry And Declared That Only Marriage Between A Man And A Woman Was Valid In California. "ELIMINATES RIGHT OF SAME-SEX COUPLES TO MARRY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. • Changes the California Constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry in California. • Provides that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. [...] This measure amends the California Constitution to specify that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. As a result, notwithstanding the California Supreme Court ruling of May 2008, marriage would be limited to individuals of the opposite sex, and individuals of the same sex would not have the right to marry in California." [UC Hastings, California Ballot Propositions and Initiatives, 2008]

#### Ahmanson Backed CareNet, Which Operated Anti-Abortion Crisis Pregnancy Centers That Misled Patients

Ahmanson Backed CareNet, Which Operated Anti-Abortion Crisis Pregnancy Centers That Misled Patients About Abortion. "He was a top donor to the group behind California's unconstitutional Proposition 8, a 2008 ballot initiative that took away the right of same-sex couples to marry, and backed CareNet, which operates anti-abortion crisis pregnancy centers infamous for misleading patients about the procedure." "[American Journal News, 10/16/23]

Ahmanson Funded A \$1 Million Smear Campaign Against The Episcopal Church's First Openly Gay Bishop

Ahmanson Gave \$1 Million To The Institute For Religion And Democracy, And The Donation Was Budgeted Specifically For A Smear Campaign Against The Episcopal Church's First Openly Gay Bishop. "The year of Rushdoony's death, Ahmanson gave \$1 million to the Institute for Religion and Democracy, a conservative outfit in Washington focused on weakening the political influence of historically liberal mainline churches. The IRD immediately placed Roberta Ahmanson on its board of directors after receiving her husband's donation. Ahmanson's money was budgeted specifically to generate a smear campaign against the Episcopal Church's first openly gay bishop, Eugene Robinson. The campaign's spearhead came in the form of a 2004 column by Weekly Standard editor Fred Barnes titled "The Gay Bishop's Links." [Daily Beast, 11/3/08]

Baugh Said The "War On Wokism" Was More Threatening To America Than The Civil War, 9/11, World War I, And World War II

2023: Baugh Claimed That The Civil War, 9/11, World War I, And World War II And The Civil War Were Not As Threatening To The Country As The "War On Wokism"

**2023:** Baugh Claimed That 9/11, World War I, And World War II And The Civil War Were Not As Threatening To The Country As The War On Wokism. BAUGH: [0:10] "We were born in the Revolutionary War. We survived civil wars, World War II, World War I, a lot of wars, 9/11. None of those were that threatening to our country compared to the war that we're fighting now. That war is about wokism and the lack of common sense." [International Christian Ambassadors Association USA, 6/10/23] (VIDEO)

HEADLINE: "California Republican Says 'Wokism' Is Worse Than Civil War, Both World Wars And 9/11" [Sacramento Bee, 9/6/23]

**HEADLINE:** "California Republican Scott Baugh: 'Wokism' More Threatening Than WWII, 9/11" [HuffPost, 9/5/23]

1,190,085 American Servicemembers Died In America's Wars

**4,435** American Servicemembers Died In The American Revolutionary War. [Department Of Veterans Affairs, 5/1/21]

140,414 Union Servicemembers Died In The American Civil War. [Department Of Veterans Affairs, 5/1/21]

116,516 American Servicemembers Died In World War I. [Department Of Veterans Affairs, 5/1/21]

405,399 American Servicemembers Died In World War II. [Department Of Veterans Affairs, 5/1/21]

1,190,085 American Servicemembers Died In All Of America's Wars. [Department Of Veterans Affairs, 5/1/21]

#### 2,977 People Were Killed In 9/11

The 9/11 Terrorist Attacks Killed 2,977 People. "The 9/11 terrorist attacks killed 2,977 people and injured thousands at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and in Somerset County, Pennsylvania. Commemorative events are held at all three sites on the anniversary of the attacks. At the annual observance held at the 9/11 Memorial in lower Manhattan, family members of the victims read aloud the names of those killed in the 9/11 attacks and in the 1993 World Trade Center bombing." [9/11 Memorial & Museum, accessed 8/10/23]

Baugh Expressed Sympathy For Birther Conspiracy Theories And Anti-Scientific Conspiracy Theories, And Opposed Any Effort To Improve Equity For Minorities

2011: Baugh Expressed Sympathy For Birther Conspiracy Theories And Defended An Orange County Republican Central Committee Member Who Compared Obama To A Chimp

2011: Orange County Register Reported That Baugh "Thinks Obama Was Born In Hawaii, Although He Understands Why Others Are Skeptical." "As far out as some theories may seem, there's a place where they intersect with mainstream political thought. Republican Baugh thinks chemtrails are hogwash. He thinks Obama was born in Hawaii, although he understands why others are skeptical. But he shares the beliefs that socialism and multiculturalism are eating away at the moral fiber of the country, and that Obama is pushing socialist policies." [Orange County Register, 8/8/11]

**2011:** Baugh Defended An Orange County Republican Central Committee Member Who Sent An Email Depicting Obama As A Chimp And Promoting Birther Conspiracy Theories As "Not A Racist." "The head of the Orange County GOP is asking for an ethics committee Tuesday to determine how to handle a political firestorm, after Marilyn Davenport sent an email picturing President Barack Obama's face on the body of a baby chimpanzee. [...] 'The eyes of the nation are focused on us tonight because of the actions of a member of this committee. I do not know what was in the heart of Marilyn Davenport when she sent that email, only she does. I want to accept and do accept that Marilyn is not a racist,' Baugh told those gathered for the meeting. [...] The email Davenport sent Friday to a small group of GOP committee members shows an image posed like a family portrait, of chimpanzee parents and child, with Obama's face superimposed on the young chimp. Text beneath the picture reads, 'Now you know why no birth certificate.'" [CBS Los Angeles, 4/19/11]

• Baugh Called For The Member's Resignation Because "Her Presence Would Remain Controversial And Provide A Distraction." "The county's GOP chairman, Scott Baugh, told about 75 GOP members at the Monday night meeting that despite Davenport's "sincere apology," he still condemned her actions and believed she should resign from the committee because her presence would remain controversial and provide a distraction.

2011: Baugh Said "Efforts To Accommodate Muslims, Latinos And Other Minorities Can Be Destructive" And "Being Fair To Everybody, It Erodes The Things That Make America Great"

2011: Baugh Said "Efforts To Accommodate Muslims, Latinos And Other Minorities Can Be Destructive" And "I Think Too Many People Are So Bent On Being Fair To Everybody, It Erodes The Things That Made America Great." "Like those who believe there's a concerted plot, Baugh says efforts to accommodate Muslims, Latinos and other minorities can be destructive. 'I think too many people are so bent on being fair to everybody, it erodes the things that made America great,' he says, citing a need for fewer entitlements and more personal responsibility." [Orange County Register, 8/8/11]

#### 2012: Baugh Stated He Did Not Believe In Evolution

2012: Baugh Stated He Did Not Believe In Evolution, Which He Said Was "Implausible – If Not Impossible" And "Cannot Be Proved By Scientists." "Man was created in his current form by God,' said Orange County

GOP Chairman Scott Baugh, who holds a bachelor's degree in business administration and a law degree. 'I think it's implausible – if not impossible – that man could have originated from simple cells and evolved into this wonderful and complex system of organs, glands, chemicals, hormones and mind.' Baugh is unwavering in the face of excavated skeletons that scientists say prove man has evolved. 'The notion that we came from simple cells from the ocean cannot be proved by scientists,' he said. 'They must take their own enormous leap of faith to get there. Just as I cannot prove creationism, the scientists cannot prove evolution.'" [Orange County Register, 12/28/12]

### 2015: Baugh Appeared To Travel With An Organization Classified As A Hate Group After It Made Flagrantly Homophobic And Racist Statements

**2015:** The American Family Association Organized A Trip To Israel For RNC Members. "Members of the Republican National Committee went to Israel from Jan. 31 to Feb. 8 on an excursion sponsored by the American Family Assn., a fundamentalist Christian group, and the American Renewal Project, which is financed by the association and housed in its Mississippi offices." [Daily Pilot, <u>2/17/15</u>]

The Southern Poverty Law Center Classified The American Family Association As A Hate Group After It Made Flagrantly Homophobic And Racist Statements. "The Southern Poverty Law Center, a nonprofit civil rights organization, deems the American Family Assn. a 'hate group,' a description the association has rejected, according to published reports. A former spokesman for the association, according to a post on the law center's website, said gay men were responsible for the Holocaust, Hispanics are socialists by nature and African Americans 'rut like rabbits.'" [Daily Pilot, 2/17/15]

• The Anti-Defamation League Condemned The Trip Over The Group's History Of "Bigoted And Incendiary" Statements. "The Anti-Defamation League privately warned the RNC that it would be 'inappropriate' for its members to travel on the dime of groups known for 'incendiary and bigoted' language, according to Politico." [Daily Pilot, 2/17/15]

Baugh Appeared In Photos On Facebook In Israel Posted At The Same Time As The Trip With Then-Costa Mesa Mayor Jim Righeimer, Who Refused To Say Whether He Travelled With The RNC Members. "Costa Mesa Mayor Pro Tem Jim Righeimer recently returned from Israel, but he has not commented on whether he traveled with Republican leaders on a controversial trip sponsored by two conservative groups. [...] Scott Baugh, a former state assemblyman and former chairman of the Republican Party of Orange County, and Jon Fleischman, publisher of the conservative FlashReport, appeared in a Facebook photo with Righeimer in Israel. It was unknown whether Baugh and Fleischman were with the RNC group, however." [Daily Pilot, 2/17/15]

Baugh Graduated From Liberty University, A Far-Right College With A History Of Scandal And Discrimination, And Praised Its Extremist Leader

Baugh Graduated From Liberty University, An Evangelical Christian University Associated With Trump And The Far Right

Baugh Received A B.S. In Business Administration From Liberty University In 1984, After Attending From 1980 To 1984. [Scott Baugh LinkedIn, accessed 4/4/18]

Liberty University Was An Evangelical Christian University Associated With Trump And The Far-Right. "As he was initially rising to fame, Falwell Sr. also founded a religious college in Lynchburg, Virginia, which in 1985 was renamed Liberty University. Famous for its strict behavior codes for students (no short skirts, no smoking or alcohol, no R-rated movies, no attending dances), Liberty became a leading destination for promising evangelical students. [...] Jerry Falwell Jr. — president of Liberty University (one of the world's largest Christian universities) and a prominent supporter of President Trump — has made headlines many times before." [Vox, 9/13/19]

Baugh Praised Liberty University's Founder, Jerry Falwell, Who Had A "Catalog Of Homophobic, Racist, And Misogynistic Comments Thick As The King James Bible"

#### Baugh Praised Jerry Falwell, The Founder And Leader Of Liberty University

Baugh Said Falwell "Galvanized The Conservative Movement And Challenged Churchgoing People To Be Involved In The Political Process As A Civic Duty." "The Rev. Jerry Falwell's death brought reaction from across Washington and the country. Here are some of the most memorable responses. [...] "He galvanized the conservative movement and challenged churchgoing people to be involved in the political process as a civic duty. He got a lot of recognition after Reagan was elected, but he was out in the trenches long before then."- Scott Baugh, chairman of the Orange County (Calif.) Republican Party and former GOP leader in the California Assembly, who earned his undergraduate degree at Falwell's Liberty University" [Politico, 5/15/07]

• Jerry Falwell Founded Liberty University In 1971 And Served As Its Chancellor. "In 1967, Falwell implemented his vision to build a Christian educational system for evangelical youth. He began with the establishment of Lynchburg Christian Academy, an accredited Christian day school for grades K-12. In 1971, he founded Liberty University, an accredited Christian university for evangelical believers. In 1985, Falwell announced his goal of 50,000 students. [...] Vocations and Posts [...] Liberty University: Chancellor from 1971" [Liberty University, accessed 3/7/24]

Falwell Had A "Catalog Of Homophobic, Racist, And Misogynistic Comments As Thick As The King James Bible"

Vanity Fair Described Jerry Falwell Sr. As Having A "Catalog Of Homophobic, Racist, And Misogynistic Comments As Thick As The King James Bible." "Then you think of Jerry Falwell Sr., chances are you remember him as the Falstaffian televangelist who never refused an opportunity to say something outrageously offensive on camera. Falwell's back catalog of homophobic, racist, and misogynistic comments is as thick as the King James Bible." [Vanity Fair, 1/24/22]

**Falwell Sr. Disagreed With** *Brown V. Board Of Education* **Decision That Held That Public Schools Should Integrate.** "In a 1958 sermon, Falwell inveighed against the Supreme Court's Brown v. Board of Education decision that, on paper, integrated public schools: "The facilities should be separate. When God has drawn a line of distinction, we should not attempt to cross that line," Falwell said." [Vanity Fair, 1/24/22]

Falwell Sr. Blamed 9/11 On Gays, Lesbians, Feminists, Abortion Doctors, And The ACLU. "A few moments later Mr Falwell said: "The abortionists have got to bear some burden for this because God will not be mocked. And when we destroy 40 million little innocent babies, we make God mad. I really believe that the pagans, and the abortionists, and the feminists, and the gays and the lesbians who are actively trying to make that an alternative lifestyle, the ACLU, People for the American Way, all of them who have tried to secularise America, I point the finger in their face and say, 'You helped this happen.'" [The Guardian, 9/19/01]

**Falwell Sr. Said AIDS Was "God's Punishment For Homosexuals."** "The school was founded in 1971 by Southern Baptist televangelist Jerry Falwell, a man renowned for his attacks on the gay community. In the 1980s, he notoriously claimed that "Aids is not just God's punishment for homosexuals. It is God's punishment for the society that tolerates homosexuals." [The Guardian 11/24/20]

**Falwell Sr. "Questioned The Sincerity" Of Martin Luther King, Jr.** "On Martin Luther King Jr.: "I must personally say that I do question the sincerity and nonviolent intentions of some civil rights leaders such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Mr. James Farmer, and others, who are known to have left-wing associations." [Slate, 5/15/07]

Falwell Sr. Said, "I Hope To Live To See The Day [...] We Won't Have Public Schools. The Churches Will Have Taken Them Over Again, And Christians Will Be Running Them." "On public education: "I hope I live

to see the day when, as in the early days of our country, we won't have any public schools. The churches will have taken them over again, and Christians will be running them." [Slate,  $\frac{5}{15}$ /07]

Falwell Sr. Said Feminists "Need A Man In The House" And A "Man To Tell Them What Time Of Day It Is And To Lead Them Home." "On feminists: "I listen to feminists and all these radical gals. ... These women just need a man in the house. That's all they need. Most of the feminists need a man to tell them what time of day it is and to lead them home. And they blew it and they're mad at all men. Feminists hate men. They're sexist. They hate men; that's their problem." [Slate, 5/15/07]

Baugh Campaigned With Culture War-Obsessed, Far-Right Candidates For Huntington Beach City Council

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Baugh Attended A "Save Huntington Beach Victory Rally" With Casey McKeon, Gracey Van Der Mark, Pat Burns, And Tony Strickland. [Orange County Register, 9/13/23]



[Orange County Register, 9/13/23]

**2022:** Casey McKeon, Gracey Van Der Mark, Pat Burns, And Tony Strickland Ran For The Huntington Beach City Council. "A new conservative majority is poised to be seated at the Huntington Beach City Council dais starting next month. Pat Burns, Tony Strickland, Gracey Van Der Mark and Casey McKeon have been campaigning together for months. Van Der Mark said they have done 110 meet-and-greets since the Fourth of July. It apparently paid off for them on Election Day, as each member of the quartet found themselves well ahead of the rest of the field to fill one of the City Council's four open seats." [LA Times, 11/9/22]

A Republican Strategist Said Republicans Took Control Of The Huntington Beach City Council Because Baugh Was On The Ballot

Orange County GOP Executive Director: "If Tony Strickland Had Not Run With Scott Baugh, [...] Maybe We Wouldn't Have Swept Huntington Beach." "Ahead of next year's election, the Republican Party of Orange County is launching Run Red, a county-level candidate training program for local Orange County seats — and the first piece of its political plan for 2024, said executive director Randall Avila. "We're trying to make sure that

candidates are on what we call a vertical ticket, where a candidate running for city council works with the congressional candidate, the state Senate candidate, the state Assembly candidate down to the school board candidate," he said. "We're really focusing on this because of the feedback we got of: How do we make sure everyone on the team is as equipped and ready to go as possible?" Huntington Beach, which elected a new conservative City Council majority last year, is the O.C. GOP's prime example of successful vertical ticket collaboration, Avila said. 'If Tony Strickland had not run with Scott Baugh, Janet Nguyen, Diane Dixon and they hadn't been a whole team, maybe we wouldn't have swept Huntington Beach,' he said. Strickland, Nguyen and Dixon won their mayoral, state Senate and state Assembly races, respectively, while Baugh narrowly lost to Democratic Rep. Katie Porter in California's 47th Congressional District." [Orange County Register, 5/5/23]

Since Republicans Took Control, The Huntington Beach City Council Has Garnered A Reputation For Fighting Right-Wing Culture Wars Instead Of Governing

The Huntington Beach City Council Voted To Unrecognize Black History Month, Women's History Month, And Other Similar Celebrations

The Huntington Beach City Council Voted To Unrecognize Black History Month, Women's History Month, And Other Similar Celebrations Because The Celebrations Should Be Free Of Identity Politics. "Huntington Beach City Council members are throwing out their recognition of many ethnic heritage celebrations and replacing them with what one state senator called a 'whitewashed revisionist history' celebration schedule. Council members are removing celebrations of Black History Month in February, Women's History Month in March, and other similar celebrations going forward with officials writing the celebrations should be free of identity politics, according to the staff report." [Voice of OC, 12/20/23]

#### ...Banned The LGBTQ Pride Flag At City Properties

The Huntington Beach City Council Voted To Ban Flying The Pride Flag On City Property. "The Rainbow flag, a symbol for LGBTQ+ communities around the world, likely won't be raised at Huntington Beach City Hall in June as it has for the past couple years when Pride month is celebrated. Huntington Beach City Council members voted 4-3 Tuesday night to nix flying the Pride flag – along with a host of others – when they introduced a new flag ordinance mandating which flags can be hoisted on city properties." [Voice of OC, 2/22/23]

#### ...And Approved A "Parent Advisory Board" That Could Ban Books From The Public Library

The Huntington Beach City Council Voted To Form A "Parent Advisory Board" To Approve Children's Books In The Public Library. "A community parent advisory board will be tasked with approving children's books that hit shelves in the Huntington Beach Public Library, a move critics say is a book ban and takes power away from trained and educated librarians. The Huntington Beach City Council voted 4-3, with the conservative majority holding sway, to approve a resolution to form the board near the end of a hotly debated meeting Tuesday night." [LA Times, 10/18/23]

**HEADLINE: Opinion: "The Huntington Beach City Council majority's skewed priorities ignore real problems."** [Orange County Register, 3/19/24]

**HEADLINE:** Editorial: "Huntington Beach council majority picks culture war battles over governing." [Orange County Register, 9/13/23]

Huntington Beach City Councilor Tony Strickland Gave To Baugh's 2022 Congressional Campaign

Huntington Beach City Councilor Tony Strickland Gave \$1,000 To Baugh For Congress. [FEC, accessed 5/14/24]

# Baugh's Leadership PAC Contributed \$2,900 To A GOP Candidate Who Argued Women Should Not Have The Right To Vote And Should Not Be In The Workplace

Baugh's Leadership PAC Gave \$2,900 To John Gibbs, Who Argued Women Should Not Have The Right To Vote And Should Not Be In The Workplace

Baugh's Leadership PAC Gave \$2,900 To John Gibbs For Congress. [FEC, accessed 2/20/24]

John Gibbs Said The United States Has "Suffered" Since Giving Women The Right To Vote And Argued Against Women In The Workplace. "On the site, Gibbs actively argued against women being granted the right to vote, saying it led to an enlarged federal government. [...] "We conclude that increasing the size and scope of government is unequivocally bad," Gibbs added. "And since women's suffrage has caused this to occur on a larger scale than any other cause in history, we conclude that the United States has suffered as a result of women's suffrage." [...] One section of Gibbs' website said having more women in workplaces "strains" men by keeping them from making offensive jokes and leading to "frivilous" (sic) sexual harassment lawsuits." [CNN, 9/21/22]

#### Baugh Received \$2,900 From John Gibbs' Leadership PAC

Baugh Received \$2,900 From The Great Lakes Leadership PAC. [FEC, accessed 5/14/24]

• The Great Lakes PAC Was John Gibbs' Leadership PAC. [FEC, accessed 5/14/24]

Baugh Personally Gave \$5,000 To A Congressional Candidate Who Was Accused Of Assault Three Times And Accused Of Domestic Disturbance

Baugh Gave To Congressional Candidate Dan Rodimer, Who Was Accused Of Assault Three Times And Accused Of Domestic Disturbance

2020: Baugh Personally Gave \$5,000 To Rodimer

October 2020: Baugh Personally Gave \$5,000 To Congressional Candidate Dan Rodimer. [FEC, accessed 5/13/24]

2019: Rodimer Was Accused Of Assault In Three Incidents From 2010 To 2013

October 2019: Rodimer Was Accused Of "Punching Or Throwing Someone To The Ground" In Three Incidents From 2010 To 2013. "A former professional wrestler running in a Republican primary for a U.S. House seat in Nevada has been accused of assault three times, according to police records obtained by The Associated Press. Florida court records and sheriff's office documents detail three incidents from 2010 through 2013 where Dan Rodimer was accused of punching or throwing someone to the ground in disputes at nightclubs and restaurants. Rodimer had previously acknowledged a 2010 incident at a Waffle House restaurant in Naples, Fla., where he was arrested for battery, calling it 'unfortunate' and saying he regrets it." [AP, 10/4/19]

2006: Rodimer's Neighbor Called 911 To Report Domestic Disturbance

**2006:** Rodimer's Neighbor Called 911 To Report Domestic Disturbance. "In addition to the three accusations of assault, sheriff's records from Pinellas County, Fla., detail a 2006 domestic disturbance call in which a neighbor called police to the wrestler's apartment in Dunedin. Rodimer and his girlfriend were arguing loudly over another man having called the girlfriend. Both Rodimer and his girlfriend told police the argument escalated and got loud but nothing physical occurred. Sheriff's records show nothing further on the incident." [AP, 10/4/19]

#### In 2024, Rodimer Was Indicted On A Murder Charge In Las Vegas

April 2024: Rodimer Was Indicted On A Murder Charge In Las Vegas. "A retired professional wrestler and former congressional candidate in Nevada and Texas has been indicted on a murder charge in the death of an Idaho man who suffered a head injury during a Halloween Party at a Las Vegas Strip hotel. [...] Tapp, 47, of Idaho Falls, was injured Oct. 29 at the Resorts World hotel and taken to a hospital, where he died several days later, police said. He had served more than 20 years in prison in Idaho in a 1996 killing before receiving an \$11.7 million settlement from Idaho Falls in 2022 in a wrongful conviction lawsuit. Investigators initially believed Tapp had been fatally injured in a fall, but they later learned that he had been in an argument with Rodimer. Rodimer, a Republican who lost bids for Congress in Nevada in 2020 and in Texas in 2021, surrendered to Las Vegas police for his arrest March 6 and remains free on a \$200,000 bail." [Spectrum News 1, 4/27/24]