

## The "Dominion" of Election Fraud?

... Exposing the Dominion Voting Machines.

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"The maintenance of Americans' constitutional rights should not depend on the good graces and sketchy ethics of a handful of well-connected corporations... who have stonewalled Congress, lied to Congress, and have questionable judgment when it comes to security..." -Sen. Ron Wyden (D-Ore)

Barely two weeks ago allegations that the 2020 US Presidential election had been rigged on behalf of DNC presidential spawn Joe Biden were met with almost universal scepticism. This past week may have changed that.

In <u>the article of Monday, Nov 9</u> the author examined the problems with the mail-in ballot totals in the five key swing states and the legal and legislative challenges to them including re-counts and the SCOTUS intervention of the PA Supreme Court.

The subject of alleged DNC election fraud has now shifted to an examination of the machines that count each ballot and render the results. The voter is supposed to believe that Joe Biden defeated Trump and at the same time lost seats in the US House and state legislatures. This is possible but highly improbable.

Today, Nov 17, in preparation for a multi-state legal challenge to results created by these voting machines, lead Trump attorney and former Assistant US Attorney Sidney Powell, said:

"They need to investigate the likelihood that 3% of the vote total was changed in the pre-election voting ballots that were collected digitally by using the Hammer program and the software program called Scorecard. That would have amounted to a massive change in the vote."

Here, begins that examination. As shown, there *is* reason for concern.

Numbers don't lie. Mounting evidence to date suggests that voting machines do, particularly the ones sold by Dominion Voting Systems Inc. As the third part of this chronology begins it has now become obvious that Trump's campaign operatives expected election fraud. They have since very quickly brought legal challenges to bear in AZ, GA, MI, PA, WI, and NV. However, most of this news first circled around only the mail-in ballots.

From Trump's perspective, as of this writing, 87,804 (WI-20,540; GA-14,045; PA- 53,219) are needed to flip the election. MI is the toughest and shows Biden up by a reported 146,123 votes.

Interestingly, regarding the numbers in each state- and AZ- the Dominion voting machine's

results are in dispute in all. Whereas, the proceedings regarding the mail-in ballots *may* provide a switch of perhaps thousands of votes, issues with the Dominion machines, if proven, *could be* in the 100's of Thousands. Or More.

This past week, evidence is surfacing.

Before 2020: Warning Signs

Days before the 2020 election important news was buried. On September 30 a report in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* detailed that "a laptop and several memory sticks" used to program Dominion voting machines in Philadelphia had mysteriously vanished.

But concerns about Dominion had begun far earlier.

The U.S. Constitution leaves election management up to state and local officials, so voting systems and protocols vary across thousands of jurisdictions. Partly for this reason, a 2019 investigation was launched by senators Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), and other Democratic lawmakers into the three largest suppliers of US digital voting machines, Dominion Voting Systems, Election Systems & Software, and Hart InterCivic. Together they hold over 92% of all US distribution of voting machines.

In review, the Senate committee wrote to all three firms saying in part,

"(W)e have concerns about the spread and effect of private equity investment... including the election technology industry—an integral part of our nation's democratic process ... These problems threaten the integrity of our elections and demonstrate the importance of election systems that are strong, durable, and not vulnerable to attack."

The Committee revealed that the Dominion machines were vulnerable to internal and internet hacking. Because all these machines interface their ballot totals via wireless digital modem external interference is all too possible. Further concerns were provided by NBC news in very early 2020.

In <u>the State of Texas</u>, well before the 2020 election Dominion Voting Systems and their proprietary *"Dominion Democracy Suite 5.5"* was rejected three times. From the summary:

"The reports identified multiple hardware and software issues that preclude the Office of the Texas Secretary of State from determining that the Democracy Suite 5.5-A system satisfies each of the voting-system requirements...Specifically, [if] the system is suitable for its intended purpose; operates efficiently and accurately; and is safe from fraudulent or unauthorized manipulation."

A <u>2019 report by the Brennan Center for Justice</u> highlighted a lack of vendor oversight, raising this Congressional concern about voting machines in general, <u>according to The</u> <u>Associated Press</u>

Previously, Federal regulation attempts on voting machines in 2018 were fruitless since this was opposed by some state election officials and the White House on the grounds that it

would impose on states' rights.

A prudent measure that had some bipartisan support (<u>S. 2593 in the 115th Congress</u>) ended up going nowhere. Introduced by Sen. <u>James Lankford</u> (R-Okla.) this bill would have required voting machines to produce a printout to let election officials confirm electronic votes. Lankford and Wyden had said that they intended to reintroduce paper-trail bills. They did not.

The Penn Wharton Public Policy Initiative <u>published a report</u> that explored their attempts to look into Dominion and other voting companies:

"Part of the challenge...is that it is difficult to compile even basic facts about it. The industry earns an estimated \$300 million in revenue annually...is dominated by three firms...[and is] limiting the amount of information available in the public domain about their operations and financial performance."

Nonetheless, Republicans and Democrats agreed in a 2018 omnibus bill (<u>Public Law</u> <u>115-141</u>) to divide among the states \$380 million for voting system upgrades. Georgia's legislature also approved a plan to spend as much as \$150 million on equipment that cybersecurity researchers say <u>is still hackable</u>. Most of that equipment was supplied by Dominion.

<u>According to Business Insider</u>, Georgia "became the only state in the country last year to overhaul its entire election system, paying Denver-based Dominion Voting Systems \$106 million for new voting machines, printers and scanners."

The NY Times reported that some Democrats in the Georgia Legislature opposed purchasing the Dominion system and there is *"some evidence that heavy lobbying and sales tactics have played a role in their adoption in Georgia and elsewhere."* 

In hotly contested Georgia, during 2019's test run a <u>now-deleted Atlanta Journal Constitution</u> <u>article</u> detailed "*a glitch*" that surfaced when six counties tested the Dominion system. The problem occurred in at least four of the six counties where the <u>new voting system</u> was being <u>tested</u> before being used statewide during the March 24 presidential primary. The problems weren't rectified by primary date, which was moved to June due to the coronavirus pandemic. According to the <u>New York Times</u>:

"Georgia's statewide primary elections on Tuesday were overwhelmed by a full-scale meltdown of new voting systems... Scores of new state-ordered voting machines were reported to be missing or malfunctioning, and hourslong lines materialized at polling places across Georgia. Some people gave up and left before casting a ballot... Predominantly black areas experienced some of the worst problems.

## Who is Dominion?

Dominion Voting Systems is a company from Toronto, <u>Canada</u>, that has headquarters in Denver, Colorado, and is one of the three major firms providing voting machines in U.S. elections. The others are Election Systems & Software, and Hart InterCivic with ES&C in the top spot and Dominion at number two.

<u>A 2014 form</u> filed with the State of California says Dominion was founded in 2003 in Canada and in 2009 moved to the U.S. Its principal officers were listed as John Poulos, CEO; Ian MacVicar, CFO; and James Hoover, vice president of product line management. <u>Dominion</u> <u>Voting Systems</u>, claims to work with 1300 voting jurisdictions including nine of the 20 largest counties in the nation.

Dominion produced the software used in MI, GA and all the remaining states in question.

Like many corporations, Dominion purchased influence in congress. Bloomberg reported in April of last year that Dominion hired lobbying firm, Brownstein Farber Hyatt & Schreck. House Speaker, Nancy Pelosi's former chief of staff, Nadeam Elshami, is one of the lobbyists for that firm.

At the state level, Dominion employs eight registered lobbyists in GA alone. They include <u>Lewis Abit Massey</u>, a former Democratic Georgia Secretary of State, and Jared Thomas, former chief of staff for Republican Governor Brian Kemp.

ES&S also has its own lobbying effort recently adding *Peck Madigan Jones* to the lobbying firm *Vectre Corp.* ES&S paid Vectre \$80,000 during the last three months of 2018 alone. According to the Washington Post, Dominion also reported donating in between \$25,001-\$50,000 to the Clinton Foundation. Why the Clinton Foundation?

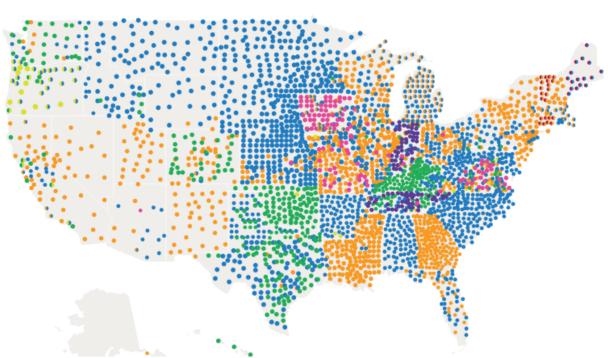


Figure 6: Aggregated Jurisdictional Distribution of Voting Machines by Vendor

Locations of US voting machines: Dominion is shown in Orange; ES&S in Blue. (Source: Penn Warton)

The news site, <u>Truthout, reported</u> that Dominion "was recently acquired by New York-based hedge fund Staple Street Capital." An executive board member of Staple Street Capital, <u>William Earl Kennard</u>, is a former ambassador to the EU who was <u>appointed to that position</u> by Barack Obama. In 2018, <u>Dominion publicly announced</u> it had been acquired by its management team and Staple Street Capital. Interestingly, on November 6, *Deadline* reported that <u>Kennard was named</u> to the board of WarnerMedia parent company to AT&T, <u>which owns CNN</u>.

Long ago, Dominion earned \$44 million in 2012. It listed its addresses for manufacturing and development as Toronto; Belgrade, Serbia; Denver; Plano, Texas; and Baldwin Park, California. A 2020 filing lists their registered agent as <u>Cogency Global</u> in Florida. Its directors were listed as <u>Hootan Yaghoobzadeh</u> of Staple Street Capital, <u>Stephen Owens</u>, also of Staple Street, and Benjamin Humphreys. Yaghoobzadeh and Owens both have past ties to the Carlyle Group investment firm. In 2015, Carlyle was the world's largest private equity firm.

"Glitches."

Beyond the reports of problems with the mail-in ballots, in the aftermath of the election two weeks ago, the independent reports of voting machine irregularities have in combination developed serious concerns about Dominion and their software that they feature as *"Democracy Suite 5.5."* All of these problems favored Biden, never Trump.

First, on Tuesday, in the wee hours of the morning Dominion machines <u>erroneously gave</u> <u>Democratic candidate Joe Biden a 3,000 plus vote advantage</u> in Antrim County, MI. After a manual recount of the votes, officials posted updated results showing President Trump won the county with 9,783 votes making up 56.46% of ballots cast. Joe Biden earned 7,289 votes or 42.07%. CNN *"went blue"* for Biden before the error was discovered.

With the machine results being utterly mathematically disconnected to the hand-count tally Antrim County officials have blamed the county's election software saying totals counted did not match tabulator tapes.

In Oakland County, Michigan, according to the Royal Oak Tribune another glitch in a completely different ballot counting system, Hart Intercivic, switched over 1,200 Republican votes to Democrat. The switch initially caused County Commissioner Adam Kochenderfer to lose. Once the glitch was found, and the votes were properly attributed, Kochenderfer went from losing by 100 votes to winning by over 1,100. Hart uses its proprietary system called Verity. Eleven Michigan counties use Hart's systems

Back in GA, voters were unable to cast machine ballots for a couple of hours in Morgan and Spalding counties after the electronic devices crashed, state officials said. In response to the delays, Superior Court Judge W. Fletcher Sams extended voting until 11 p.m.

The companies "uploaded something last night, which is not normal, and it caused a glitch," said Marcia Ridley, elections supervisor at Spalding County Board of Elections. Ridley said that a representative from Dominion called her after poll workers began having problems with the equipment Tuesday morning and said the problem was due to an upload to the machines by one of their technicians overnight. Said Ridley,

"That is something that they don't ever do. I've never seen them update anything the day before the election."

There is a reason for Ridley's observation. By GA law the machines are supposed to be certified for accurate use by the state before the election day. How was this possible with Dominion uploading data unknown during that night?

This matter may be far from over in GA. Trump has already filed for an injunction, per state statute, which cites, *"These vote tabulator failures are a mechanical malfunction that, under MCL 168.831-168.839, requires a "special election" in the precincts affected."* The keyword here is precincts. Plural.

In Oakland County Michigan, Dominion machine errors resulted in a Democrat being wrongly declared the winner of a commissioner's race by 104 votes – only to have their seat flip back to the rightful Republican candidate after the error was caught.

More importantly, Wisconsin reports came in that showed that the vote totals for Rock County appeared to be switched between President Trump and Joe Biden. 9,516 votes were eliminated from President Trump and moved to Joe Biden. If this one report is proved true, then the 19,032-vote shift would nearly wipe-out, of its own, Biden's reported 20,540 vote lead in Wisconsin and his electoral votes.

Pennsylvania and its twenty electoral votes are also hotly in contention. Dominion machines are being used in Armstrong, Carbon, Clarion, Crawford, Dauphin, Delaware, Erie, Fayette, Fulton, Luzerne, Montgomery, Pike, Warren, York counties.

State Sen. Kristin Phillips-Hill, R-York, says she started getting calls shortly after the polls opened Tuesday morning that the machines were jamming and causing delays.

Phillips also highlighted another problem. "If that ballot is rejected, for example, if they over-voted for county commissioner, and that ballot is rejected, then that person has no way of knowing that their vote has been invalidated. That's not acceptable," she said.

Due to Dominion machine delays, PA election officials admitted that if ballots could not be immediately scanned by the machines, those ballots were instead stored so they could be counted later in *"emergency holding boxes will be scanned at the polling places."* 

Those "stored" ballots were not always scanned. The Pennsylvania GOP had to bring a lawsuit to ensure that all York County ballots were counted. These had been placed in suitcases quickly purchased by Dominion and none were scanned.

AZ is also reporting problems. Boasts Dominion's website: "Arizona: "Serving 2.2 million Maricopa County voters with Democracy Suite 5.5..."

Yep. Maricopa County. The contested county where this week, Arizona GOP Chair Rae Chorenky was been forced to resign after failing to sign the required Certificate of Accuracy for the Dominion voting machines.

Concerns Mount.

The key difficulty in examining potential election fraud by Dominion and possibly their counterparts is in going beyond isolated incidents and establishing a systemic fraud. One safety mechanism Dominion and other providers tout is that while voters might make their choices on a touchscreen machine, a paper ballot with a bar code is printed out where the voter can confirm their choices before inputting the paper ballot into a machine. Here's the problem, <u>according to a US News story</u>:

"[The machines] register votes in bar codes that the human eye cannot decipher. That's a problem, researchers say: Voters could end up with

printouts that accurately spell out the names of the candidates they picked, but, because of a hack, the bar codes do not reflect those choices. Because the bar codes are what's tabulated, voters would never know that their ballots benefited another candidate."

These bar codes are vitally important to the subject of election fraud. They are also of great interest to Ray Lutz of California based Citizen's Oversight.

For those unfamiliar with Lutz and *Citizen's*, his organization has garnered great respect across the state for, among other examples, championing the successful closure of the San Onofre Nuclear Generation Station (SONGS) and next the exposure of demonstrative election fraud in the 2016 California primary that tipped the scales for Hillary Clinton rather than Bernie Sanders. Lutz is no stranger to using the courts effectively for the public good.

To this end, Lutz just a month before the election announced the launch of Citizen's new ballot checking software called <u>AuditEngine</u>. In reply to an inquiry for data, Lutz said,

"We are still gathering information at this time. We may have a lawsuit in NC to get poll tapes data. Also, we will be seriously looking at PA."

In a press release this week Lutz forewarned:

"Ballot images can thwart changes to paper ballots, magically losing or finding new ballots in the recount. Citizens' Oversight... today sent a request to keep the images... By preserving the ballot images, we can make sure the paper ballots recounted in Georgia match ballot images that were made on election night, and are not modified by any unscrupulous campaign operatives."

As Citizen's takes a closer look at GA and possibly PA while others examine the swing states, the likely hood of this showing a massive shift towards Trump in every state is a difficult proposition. However, in the era of the citizen investigator, the work of one anonymous source is picking up traction, so much so that many alternative media sources are quoting it, as is the Trump campaign.

The methodology of this investigation is thorough but needs corroboration by experts. However, the person releasing this analysis obtained the same data as was <u>captured by the</u> <u>New York Times</u> on election night from Edison Research. It is the same data that was used for election coverage by ABC News, CBS News, CNN and NBC News. The report <u>provides a</u> <u>careful and plausible methodology and a state-by-state list of votes switched from Trump to</u> <u>Biden</u> and of votes simply erased by <u>Dominion</u> machines. His results show discrepanciessome very large- in every state and particularly in GA and PA where, if proven, those states would flip for Trump.

Following the Dots Down the Rabbit Hole?

For the reader who cares to look beyond "*Plausible Deniability*" and connect the dots of possibility, days before the election of Nov 3 Lt. Gen. Thomas McInerney (Ret.) cast his own suspicions that were in keeping with the charges levelled today by Sidney Powell.

McInerney stated he was warned in 2018 by Admiral James Aloysius "Ace" Lyons Jr., just

before his death, that a plot to fix the 2020 election was in the works. Lyons served as Commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet from 1985 to 1987. He also wrote a column about Seth Rich being the one who leaked the 2016 DNC email tranche that blew HRC out of the water and which The Washington Times deleted.

McInerney, although previously discredited for his backing of the 2002 Iraq "weapons of mass destruction" claims, thus described the two US/ CIA covert operations called "Hammer" and "Scorecard." Both were designed for the CIA in the aftermath of 9/11.

The author has verified the existence of both programs.

"The Hammer" is a counter-intelligence surveillance program used to spy on activities carried out through protected networks (like voting machines) without detection. "Scorecard" is a vote-manipulation application that changes votes during data transfer.

Adding credence to the allegations of both men is a previous report by Alan Jones and Mary Fanning of the <u>American Report that was published on March 17, 2017</u>. The claims in that report mirror those of Lyons and McInerney and refer to the information provided by the man who designed both Hammer and Scorecard, Dennis Montgomery, who has turned whistleblower.

Montgomery states that Hammer and Scorecard were designed by him under the supervision of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) James Clapper and then CIA director John Brennan. In a subsequent article, The American Report connects the dots from Brennan and Clapper to Christopher Krebs, currently the head of the DHS's Cyber Security and Infrastructure Agency (CISA). It should be noticed that it is Krebs who has in recent days been the DHS point man for denying any and all allegations of election fraud as an MSM spokesperson on the matter.

[Breaking News: Moments ago, Trump fired Christopher Krebs effective immediately]

John Brennan, James Clapper and Krebs are all DNC disciples and have been vociferous in their public disdain for Trump over the past four years. With this and the week's aforementioned national news in mind, next came the news yesterday, that Sidney Powell considered the reports about Hammer and Scorecard credible, saying on Fox News, that,

"... it explains a lot of what we're seeing... All of those districts need to be checked for the software glitch that would change the vote for Michigan dramatically. The same thing is happening in other states. We've had hundreds of thousands of ballots appear for solely Mr Biden which is statistically impossible as a matter of mathematics. It can all be documented it is being put in files that we will file in federal court."

As if this all were not enough to create bi-partisan concern for the 2020 election, just moments ago it was revealed that a memory card was found during the audit in Fayette county GA with 2,755 votes, most of them for Trump. The news comes one day after 2,600 <u>uncounted ballots</u> were found on another memory card in Floyd County, GA – which were also mostly cast for President Trump.

The new margin total statewide in GA is now a 12,929 lead for Biden.

Observers might notice that there does not appear to be any sense of panic by the Trump campaign, nor their lawyers and that all have so far moved methodically via the courts and in announcing the steady stream of reported violations.

Certainly, Trump has lost in some court proceedings so far, but the big cases, such as the SCOTUS intervention with the rulings of the lower PA Supreme Court are still in play as are the states final vote certification, the results of which preclude further legal action.

[Breaking News: Officials in Wayne County, Michigan - home to the city of Detroit, have refused to certify the results of the Nov. 3 election.]

As suggested in the first article in this series, <u>"Trump's (64Day) Election End Game"</u> Trump continues to play the long game at least until the Jan 6 meeting of the Electoral College in Wash. DC. Since the time of that article, the subject of the Electoral College has been examined across the nation's news media and transformed from skepticism to probability.

What should become most important, if these many allegations come together as substantial truth, is that the issue of 2020 Election fraud must become a bi-partisan issue and quickly.

As was suggested in the previous article, <u>"Of Color Revolutions, Foreign... and Domestic,"</u> the advent of America's own color revolution may be at hand and become the most significant threat to America since the civil war. To view this only as an indictment of one party allows those loyal to that party to ignore consideration of facts. This will only split the country further.

To prevent a US color revolution, the one the Dems are already calling, "*Purple*," there must be a bi-partisan investigation by both sides of the aisle that transcends party loyalty to that of the priority of saving the country. Not Joe Biden. Not Donald Trump. Criminal charges and indictments must be brought against one and all proved to be involved in the attempt to circumvent the American election process.

That indictment: Treason.

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