## **EXHIBIT 8**

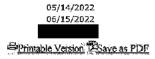


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Devolder Organization LLC GEORGE A DEVOLDER-SANTOS DEVOLDER ORGANIZATION LLC

## STATEMENT of ACCOUNT

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	Description	Withdrawal / Debit (-)	Deposit / Credit (+)	Balan
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05/14	DBT Purchase PETCARE ANIMAL C PETCARE ANIMAL CLIN FLUSHING NY US Seg#723638 Date 5/14/22 Time 23:16	\$571,00-		<b>\$929</b> ,
05/15	POS Purchase PET SUPPLIES PLU PET SUPPLIES PLUS 9 MASPETH NY US Seq#132638 Date 5/15/22 Time 10:45	\$185,20-		\$743.
05/15	POS Purchase MCDONALD'S F2310 138-01 20TH AVENUE WHITESTONE NY US Seq#668900 Date 5/15/22 Time 11:34	<b>\$38,61-</b>		\$705.
05/16	DBT Purchase STOP & SHOP 2587 STOP & SHOP 2587 FLUSHING NY US Seq#156130 Date 5/15/22 Time 04:57	\$79.94-		\$625.
05/16	DET Purchase TJMAXX #0588 TJMAXX #0588 WHITESTONE NY US Seq#505751 Date 5/15/22 Time 08:34	\$25.86-		\$599,
05/18	DBT Purchase SHOPRITE 20TH AV SHOPRITE 20TH AVE S COLLEGE POINT NY US Seq#397845 Date 5/17/22 Time 04:45	\$34.59-		\$564.
05/20	DBT Purchase MARSHALLS #1082 MARSHALLS #1082 FLUSHING NY US Seg#842545 Date 5/19/22 Time 09:32	\$20.04+		\$544.
05/21	POS Purchase TARGET T-1150 13505 20th Ave College Point NY US Seq#175067 Date 5/21/22 Time 14:09	\$72.59-		\$472.
05/21	POS Purchase 7-ELEVEN 7-ELEVEN WHITESTONE NY US Seg#321100 Date 5/21/22 Time 22:36	\$12,37-		\$459.
05/22	DBT Purchase SOY BEAN CHAN CO SOY BEAN CHAN CONVE ELMHURST NY US Seq#869053 Date 5/21/22 Time 22:31	\$40,00-	and the second s	\$419.
05/23	DBT Purchase WHITESTONE DINER WHITESTONE DINER WHITESTONE NY US Seq#771199 Date 5/22/22 Time 08:56	\$59.73-		\$359,
05/24	DBT Purchase SUNOCO 092371650 SUNOCO 0923716502 FARMINGDALE NY US Seq#509427 Date 5/22/22 Time 21:51	\$9,87-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$350.
95/24	PET Purchase NORTH SHORE FARM NORTH SHORE FARMS W FLUSHING NY US Seq#446774 Date 5/23/22 Time 05:18	\$63.91		\$286.
05/25	DBT Purchase Yogurt La Crepe Yogurt La Crepe Astoria NY US Seq#361186 Date 5/23/22 Time 22:36	\$28,82-	entre de la companya	\$257.
05/25	DET Purchase SKS PETROLEUM SKS PETROLEUM WHITESTONE NY US Seg#231867 Date 5/24/22 Time 23:01	\$71.00-		\$186,
	ATM Inquiry Ever! 110-00 ROCKAWAY BLV JAMAICA NY US Seq#001323 Date 5/25/22 Time 20:40		\$0.00	\$186.
	POS Purchase FOOD BAZA 4202 N FOOD BAZA 4202 NORT LONG IS CITY NY US Seq#253200 Date 5/25/22 Time 22:58	\$7.24-		\$179,
	DBT Purchase BJS WHOLESALE #0 BJS WHOLESALE #0097 COLLEGE POINT NY US Seq#101756 Date 5/25/22 Time 08:31	\$23.94-		\$155.
· · · · · ·	DBT Purchase NOVITA NOVITA GARDEN CITY NY US Seq#527190 Date 5/25/22 Time 21:34	\$115,82-		\$39,
05/27	Business Checking Bonus		\$100.00	\$139.3
	POS Purchase DOLLAR TREE 13223 14TH AVE COLLEGE POINT NY US Seg#055908 Date 5/30/22 Time 17:47	\$26,49-		\$112.
	DBT Purchase TST* IL BACCO TST* IL BACCO LITTLE NECK NY US Seq#538156 Date 6/03/22 Time 09:58	\$78,80-	Transfer de la companya de la compa	\$34.0

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## Summary of Deposit Accounts

TYPE OF ACCOUNT ACCOUNT BALANCE INT-RATE% YTD-INT, YTD-PENALTY MATURITY
Checking \$34.08 0.00000% \$0.00

Take advantage of this great rate! A Flushing Bank 24 Month Consumer CD is now earning 1.70% APY (Annual Percentage Yield). With a minimum deposit of \$1,000 you can start earning one of the most competitive rates around. A penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal on CDs. Rate is effective as of \$/52/22 and is subject to change without notice, Open a 24 Month Flushing Bank Consumer CD today and start earning more!



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Summary of Deposit Accounts  TYPE OF ACCOUNT ACCOUNT Checking	COUNT BALA		RATE% 000%	YTD-INT	Y'D-PEÑALTY	MATURITY

Take advantage of this great rate! A Flushing Bank 18 Month Consumer CD is now earning 2.36% APY (Annual Percentage Yield), With a minimum deposit of \$1,000 you can start earning one of the most competitive rates around. A penalty may be imposed for early withdrawa! on CDs. Rate is effective as of 6/25/22 and is subject to change without notice. Open an 18 Month Flushing Bank Consumer CD today and start earning more!



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Summary of Deposit Accounts					
TYPE OF ACCOUNT Checking	ACCOUNT	BALANCE INT-RATES \$4.08 0.00000%		YTO-PENALTY	MATURITY

Take advantage of this great rate! A Flushing Bank 18 Month Consumer CD is now earning 2,30% APY (Annual Percentage Yield). With a minimum deposit of \$1,000 you can start earning one of the most competitive rates around. A penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal on CDs. Rate is effective as of 6/25/22 and is subject to change without notice. Open an 18 Month Flushing Bank Consumer CD today and start earning more!



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Fight back against identity theft.

Deter, Detect, Defend,
Never have your Social Security number printed on your checks
and never allow merchants to write our Social Security number
on your checks. If a business requests your Social Security
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10/04	ATM Inquiry PAI ISO 1111 NORTHERN BLYD MANMASSET I Seg#000000009771 Date 10/04/22 T	NY US Time 06:40				\$0.00	\$250,019.08
10/07	Check Number			\$17,000.00-			\$233,019,08
10/11	POS Purchase CVS/PHARMACY #01 01931202 OLD COUN HICKSVILLE Seq#171121 Date 10/11/22 Time 17			\$21.54-			\$232,997.54
10/12	DBT Purchase CIPOLLINI RESTAU CIPOLLINI RESTAURAN MANHASSET Seg#522553 Date 10/10/22 Time 19	NY US :48		\$308.53-			\$232,689.01
10/12	DBT Purchase S FERRAGAMO SATO S FERRAGAMO SATOR F NEW YORK N Seg#730500 Date 10/11/22 Time 12			\$865,56-			\$231,823,45
10/13	POS Purchase NNT LOUIS VUITTO 2120 NORTHERN B MANHASSET NY U Seq#294401 Date 10/13/22 Time 16.	IS :47		\$3,910.50-			\$227,912.95
10/14	DBT Purchase S FERRAGAMO ECO S FERRAGAMO ECOMME SECAUCUS I Seg#002336 Date 10/12/22 Time 06:			\$863.57-			\$227,049,38
10/14	DBT Purchase S FERRAGAMO ECO S FERRAGAMO ECOMME SECAUCUS I Seq#283098 Date 10/12/22 Time 14:			\$1,401,27-			\$225,648,11
10/14	Service Charge			\$15,15-			\$225,632,96
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·	Date 10/07		Number				Amount \$17,000,00
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Summary of Deposit Account	

TYPE OF ACCOUNT Checking

ACCOUNT

BALANCE \$225,632,96 INT-RATE% 0.00000% YTD-1N₹ \$0,00 YTO-PENALTY

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	POS Purchase NWS HERMES 1988 NORTHERN BLYD MANHASSET NY US Seg#765416 Date 10/16/22 Time 13:08	\$535,57-		\$225,097.39
10/16	POS Purchase SHOPRITE COUNTRY 1675 OLD COUNTRY RD PLAINVIEW NY US Seq#553409 Date 10/16/22 Time 20:38	\$247.03-		\$224,850,36
10/17	POS Purchase NNT LOUIS VUITTO 2120 NORTHERN B MANNASSET NY US Seq#986805 Date 10/17/22 Time 14:16	\$1,770,59-		\$223,079.77
10/18	DBT Return S FERRAGAMO MANH S FERRAGAMO MANHASS MANHASSET NY US Seq#941117 Date 10/17/22 Time 01:52		\$865.56	\$223,945.33
10/19	DBT Purchase CIPOLLINI RESTAU CIPOLLINI RESTAURAN MANHASSET NY US Seg#123883 Date 10/17/22 Time 13:37	\$138.31-		\$223,807.02
10/19	Check Number	\$90,000.00-		\$133,807.02
	DBT Purchase NOVITA NOVITA GARDEN CITY NY US Scq#626324 Date 10/18/22 Time 14:10	\$79,43-		\$133,727,59
10/20	POS Purchase NWS HERMES 1988 NORTHERN BLVD MANHASSET NY US Seq#767235 Date 10/20/22 Time 14:41	\$860.31-		\$132,867.28
10/21	DBT Purchase Raiph Lauren Cor Raiph Lauren Corpor Nutley NJ US Seg#365847 Date 10/20/22 Time 18:22	\$564,56-		\$1,32,302,72
10/21	DBT Purchase Theodores Book s Theodores Book shop Oyster Bay NY US Seq#455641 Date 10/20/22 Time 15:02	\$44.52-		\$132,258.20
10/22	DBT Purchase TST* La Bonne So TST* La Bonne Soupe New York NY US Seq #33562 Date 10/21/22 Time 14:58	\$183,76-		\$132,074,44
10/22	DBT Purchase Y CLEANERS Y CLEANERS SYOSSET NY US Seg #375950 Date 10/22/22 Time 09:19	\$300.80-		\$131,773.64
10/23	DBT Purchase S FERRAGAMO ECO S FERRAGAMO ECOMME SECAUCUS NJ US Seq#249563 Date 10/21/22 Time 12:34	\$863,57-		\$130,910,07
	DBT Purchase TST* Cafe Al Den TST* Cafe Al Dente Oyster Bay NY US Seg#011029 Date 10/22/22 Time 22:24	\$199.37-		\$130,710.70
10/27	DBT Purchase BROOKS BROTHERS BROOKS BROTHERS 066 RIVERHEAD NY US Seq#307817 Date 10/26/22 Time 14:27	\$493.05-		\$130,217,65
10/27	Check Number	\$2,900.00-		\$127,317.65
_	Check Number	\$125,000.00-		\$2,317.65
	DBT Purchase TEDDYS BULLY BAR TEDDYS BULLY BAR OYSTER BAY NY US Seq#018103 Date 10/27/22 Time 13:07	\$91.18-		\$2,226.47
	DBT Purchase DEL'S BAR & GRIL DEL'S BAR & GRILL CYSTER BAY NY US Seq#527453 Date 10/27/22 Time 22:36	\$50,00~		\$2,176,47
11/01	Check Number	\$1,000.00~		\$1,176.47
	DBT Purchase THE BRYANT THE BRYANT HUNTINGTON ST NY US Seq#726257 Date 10/31/22 Time 20:39	\$199,87-		\$976,60
•	ATM Withdrawal 7ELEVEN-FCTI 26 PINE HOLLOW RD OYSTER BAY NY US Seq#008210 Date 11/01/22 Time 21:01	\$202.95-	• • •	\$773,65
	DBT Purchase CIPOLLINI RESTAU CIPOLLINI RESTAURAN MANHASSET NY US Seg#302567 Date 11/01/22 Time 13:05	\$78.56 <del>-</del>		\$694.99
11/03	POS Purchase NATURA SPA NYC C NATURA SPA NYC CORP ASTORIA NY US Seq#729865 Date 11/03/22 Time 14:14	\$146,30-		\$548.69
11/03	POS Purchase NNT EXPRESS #969 3101 STEINWAY STREE ASTORIA NY US Seq#011920 Data 11/03/22 Firme 14;38	\$134,96-		\$413,73
11/04	DBT Purchase SEVEN SEAS SEVEN SEAS GREAT NECK NY US Sec#247713 Date 11/02/22 Time 11:47	\$67.30-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$346.43

11/05	DBT Purchase LONDON JEWELERS LONDON JEWELERS MANHASSET NY US Seq#394287 Date 11/04/22 Time 11:10			\$8,0	-00,00			\$2,306.95
11/08	DBT Purchase HARBORSIDE DELI HARBORSIDE DELI OYSTER BAY NY US Seq#528628 Date 11/06/22 Time 19:22			\$	30.86-			\$2,276.09
11/12	DET Purchase MARSHALLS #0107 MARSHALLS #0107 HUNTINGTON NY US Seq#855318 Dats 11/11/22 Time 20:39			\$4	18,17-			\$1,857,92
11/14	DBT Purchase DELTA DELTA NYC-LAGUARDIA NY US Seq#976670 Date 11/13/22 Time 12:43			\$	95,00-			\$1,762,92
11/14	DBT Purchase DELTA DELTA NYC-LAGUARDIA NY US Seq#616819 Date 11/13/22 Time 12:42			\$	95,00-			\$1,667,92
11/15	DBT Purchase PAR*FOGO WASHING PAR*FOGO WASHINGTON WASHINGTON Seq#902092 Date 11/14/22 Time 22:02	I DC US		\$1	64.07-			\$1,503,85
11/15	Service Charge			\$	17,20-			\$1,486.65
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Summary of Deposit Accounts						
TYPE OF ACCOUNT Checking	ACCOUNT	BALANCE \$1,486.65	INT-RATE% 0,00000%	YTD-INT \$0,00	YTO-PENALTY	MATURITY

Avg Stmt Available Bai \$62,432.99

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Minimum Balance \$413,73



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11/15	Balance Forward			\$1,486,65
11/19	DBT Return DELTA DELTA WASHINGTON DC US Seq#851894 Date 11/18/22 Time 09:20		\$200.00	\$1,686,65
11/19	DBT Purchase DELTA DELTA WASHINGTON DC US Seq#577724 Date 11/18/22 Time 12:13	\$95,00-		\$1,591,65
11/19	DBT Purchase DELTA DELTA WASHINGTON DC US Seq#876127 Date 11/18/22 Time 12:16	\$200,00-		\$1,391,65
11/19	DBT Purchase DELTA DELTA WASHINGTON DC US Seq#392559 Date 11/18/22 Time 12:12	\$95.00-		\$1,296,65
11/19	ATM Withdrawal Everi 3325 LAS VEGAS BLVD LAS VEGAS NV US Seq#000143 Date 11/19/22 Time 13:58	\$809;99~		\$486,66
11/20	ATM Withdrawal Evari 3325 LAS VEGAS BLVD LAS VEGAS NV US Seq#009802 Date 11/19/22 Time 23:01	\$309.99-		\$176.67
11/20	DBT Purchase SUGARCANE RAW BA SUGARCANE RAW BAR G LAS VEGAS NY US Seq#597947 Date 11/19/22 Time 11:54	\$216.65-		\$39,98-
11/28	Return Check NSF \$375.00	\$35.00-		\$74.98-
	transfer from		\$20,000.00	\$19,925,03
11/30	POS Purchase APPLE STORE #R0 2700 CLARENDON BLVD ARLINGTON VA US Seg#129251 Date 11/30/22 Time 16:14	\$587.24-		\$19,337.78
12/01	DBT Purchase TRATTORIA ALBERT TRATTORIA ALBERTO WASHINGTON DC US Seg#135176 Date 11/29/22 Time 20:34	\$240,80~		\$19,096,98
12/01	DBT Purchase EDIBLE ARRANGEME EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS 578-992-2300 GA US Seq#112980 Date 11/30/22 Time 07:16	\$90.13-		\$19,006.85
12/01	ATM Withdrawai Even 101 MGM NATIONAL AV OXON HILL MD US Seg#007849 Date 12/01/22 Time 00:28	\$807,49-		\$18,199.36
12/01	DBT Purchase FERRAGAMO CLARKS FERRAGAMO CLARKSBUR CLARKSBURG MD US Seq#306521 Date 11/30/22 Time 12:53	\$3,353.84-		\$14,845.52
12/02	DBT Purchase PAR*FOGO WASHING PAR*FOGO WASHINGTON WASHINGTON DC US Seg#577433 Date 11/30/22 Time 20:47	\$407,28-		\$14,438.24
12/05	DBT Purchase S FERRAGAMO MANH 5 FERRAGAMO MANHASS MANHASSET NY US Seq#109700 Date 12/04/22 Time 15:19	\$2,665,66~		\$11,772.58
12/05	DBT Purchase BJS WHQLESALE #0 BJS WHQLESALE #0127 FARMINGDALE NY US Seg#413644 Date 12/04/22 Time 20:43	\$625.18-		\$11,147.40
12/06	DBT Purchase TOKU MODERN ASIA TOKU MODERN ASIAN MANHASSET NY US Seq#647812 Date 12/04/22 Time 15:25	\$176,64-		\$10,970.76
12/06	ATM Withdrawal Wells Fargo Bank 288 Main St Huntington NY US 5eq#003491 Date 12/06/22 Time 11:28	\$1,003.00-		\$9,967.76
12/05	Check Number	\$3,500.00-		\$6,467.76
	DBT Purchase SUPPORTPDFFILLER- SUPPORTPDFFILLER.CO 855-7501663 MA US Seg#457368 Date 12/05/22 Time 23:21	\$0,21-		\$6,467,55
12/07	DBT Purchase ETT*ORE820PRENT ETT*ORE820PRENT 801-8775491 FL US Seq#485003 Date 12/06/22 Time 16:57	\$258,75-		\$6,208.80
12/07	DBT Purchase ETT*ORE82OPRENT ETT*ORE82OPRENT 801-8775491 FL US Sec#794792 Date 12/05/22 Time 17:05	\$1,988,20-		\$4,220.60
12/08	DBT Purchase GSM CHARITY AUCT GSM CHARITY AUCTION PLAINVIEW NY US Seq#781328 Date 12/07/22 Time 11:56	\$375,00-		\$3,845,60
12/08	DBT Purchase TST* BASEBOWL TST* BASEBOWL WASHINGTON DC US Seq#902181 Date 12/07/22 Time 22:13	\$131.34-		\$3,714.25
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12	Ref# 2022120800000285 /09 POS Purchase IKEA COLLEGE PAR	\$112,77-		\$291,601,49
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12	/09 POS Purchase IKEA COLLEGE PAR IKEA COLLEGE PARK COLLEGE PARK MD US Seq#838135 Date 12/08/22 Time 20:37	4232.04		Casana
12	/O9 POS Purchase IKEA COLLEGE PAR IKEA COLLEGE PARK COLLEGE PARK MD US Seq#841973 Date 12/08/22 Time 20:52	\$299,58~		\$291,050.17
12	/09 POS Purchase IKEA COLLEGE PAR IKEA COLLEGE PARK COLLEGE PARK MD US Seq#896483 Date 12/08/22 Time 21:09	\$51,94-		\$290,998.23
12	/09 DBT Return SUPPORTPDFFILLER SUPPORTPDFFILLER,CO 855-7501663 MA US Seg#507825 Date 12/08/22 Time 02:03		\$0,21	\$290,998,44
12	/09 DBT Purchase HOMEGOODS 0054 HOMEGOODS 0054 ALEXANDRIA VA US Seg#550783 Date 12/08/22 Time 17:36	\$841,41-		\$290,157.03
12	/10 ATM Withdrawal Wells Fargo Bank 288 Main St Huntington NY US Seg#003764 Date 12/10/22 Time Q1:09	\$403,00-		\$289,754.03
12	/10 DBT Purchase TST* Tosca DC TST* Tosca DC Washington MD US Seg#894654 Date 12/09/22 Time 13:10	\$203.80-		\$289,550.23
12	/10 DBT Purchase GOSHARE DELIVER GOSHARE DELIVER & M 6193264404 CA US	\$64,62-		\$289,485.61
12	5eq#422432 Date 12/09/22 Time 19:30  /10 DBT Purchase MDM MARKETPLACE MDM MARKETPLACE ABERDEEN MD US	\$32.35-		\$289,453.26
12	Seg#446853 Date 12/09/22 Time 21:41 /10 DBT Purchase GOSHARE DELIVER GOSHARE DELIVER & M 6193264404 CA US	\$121,27-		\$289,331.99
12	Seq#306793 Date 12/09/22 Time 19:30 /11 DBT Purchase USA GAS USA GAS HUNTINGTON NY US	\$52,47-		\$289,279.52
12	Seg#589999 Date 12/10/22 Time 14:37 // POS Purchase SHPRTE HNTINGTON NY US 839 NEW YORK AVE HUNTINGTON NY US	\$194.20-		\$289,085,32
12	Seq#909291 Date 12/11/22 Time 18:48 /12 Withdrawat	\$10,000.00-		\$279,085.32
	/12 Bnf8k ABA Bnf8k Nm CITIBANK, N.A. Bnf Acct.# Bnf Name TWG MANAGEMENT Bnf Addr1 37D OLD COUNTRY ROAD Bnf Addr2 Sutre 150 Ref# 2022121200000141	\$100,000,00-		\$179,085.32
12	/12 SndBk ABA SndBk Nm Snd Acct# Snd Name DEVOLDER ORGANIZATION Snd Addr1 336 N BABCOCK ST STE 1 Snd Addr2 MELBOURNE FL 32935-732 Ref# 2022121200900190		\$99,960.00	\$279,045 <b>.3</b> 2
12	/12 BnfBk ABA BnfBk Nm CITIBANK, N.A. Bnf Acct# Bnf Name TWG MANAGEMENT, LLC Bnf Addr1 370 OLD COUNTRY ROAD Bnf Addr2 SUTTE 150 Ref# 2022121200000269	\$160,000,00-		\$1,79,045,32
12	/12 BOTAK ABA BOTAK AMA BO	\$38,000,00-		\$141,045.32
12	/12 Check Number	\$22,000.00-		\$119,045.32
12	/14 DBT Purchase AVRA MADISON AVRA MADISON NEW YORK NY US Seq#837184 Date 12/12/22 Time 23:00	\$538.34-		\$118,506.98
12	/14 BnfBk ABA BnfBk Nm CHAIN BRIDGE BANK, N.A Bnf Acct# Bnf Name LIBERTY EDUCATION FORU Bnf Addr1 1445-A LAUGHLIN AYE Bnf Addr2 MCLEAN, VA 22101 Ref# 2022121400000045	\$25,000,00-		\$93,506.98
12	/15 POS Purchase AMAZON.COM*O4970 AMAZON.COM SEATTLE WA US Seq#765218 Date 12/15/22 Time 07:02	\$201,81-		\$93,305.17
12	/15 Service Charge	\$215.30-		\$93,089,87
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\$22,000.00

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Interest Rate Summary

Rate 0.00%

Beginning Balance + \$1,486.65

Deposits + \$408,160.21

Interest Paid \$0.60

Withdrawals -\$316,341,69 Service Charge = \$215.30 Ending Balance \$93,089.87

Minimum Balance \$39.98-

Avg Stmt Available Bal \$56,967.89

## Summary of Deposit Accounts

TYPE OF ACCOUNT Checking ACCOUNT

BALANCE \$93,089.87 INT-RATE% 0.00000% YTD-INT \$0,00 YTD-PENALTY

MATURITY

Take advantage of this great rate! A Flushing Bank 18 Month Consumer CD is now earning 4.01% APY (Annual Percentage Yield). With a minimum deposit of \$1,000 you can start earning one of the most competitive rates around. A penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal on CDs. Rate is effective as of 11/09/22 and is subject to change without notice. Open an 18 Month Flushing Bank Consumer CD today and start earning more!

# **EXHIBIT 9**

## **SERVICE AGREEMENT**

This Contract for Capital Intro Ser	rvices is made effective as of September 12, 2022 by and between
of	(the "Recipient"), and Devolder
Organization LLC of	(the "Provider").

- 1. **DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES.** Beginning on September 12, 2022, Provider will provide to **Recipient** the services described in the attached Exhibit (collectively, the "Services").
- **2. PAYMENT.** Recipient agrees to pay Provider as follows:
  - a. \$250,000.00 (two hundred fifty thousand dollars and 00/cents) upon signing of this Service Agreement and \$750,000.00 (seven hundred fifty thousand dollars and 00/cents) at conclusion of project.
    - Recipient shall NOT be obligated to pay Provider the additional \$750,000.00 or any portion thereof if Recipient secures the funding contemplated in Exhibit A elsewhere wherein the Provider is not the procuring cause within the time frame stated therein. "Procuring cause" shall be defined as: the cause originating a series of events which, without break in their continuity, result in the accomplishment of the prime object.
      - In the event that the Recipient procures the funding contemplated in Exhibit A wherein the Provider is not the procuring cause, the initial \$250,000.00 (two hundred fifty thousand dollars and 00/cents) may be repurposed, reclassified, and/or credited to Recipient by Provider in the event that the Recipient determines that an additional round of investment, as described in Exhibit A, would be beneficial to Recipient, in its sole discretion.
  - b. If any invoice is not paid when due, interest will be added to and payable on all overdue amounts at 5 percent per year, or the maximum percentage allowed under applicable New York laws, whichever is less.

In addition to any other right or remedy provided by law, if **Recipient** fails to pay for the Services when due, Provider has the option to treat such failure to pay as a material breach of this Contract and may cancel this Contract and/or seek legal remedies.

- **3. TERM.** This Contract will terminate automatically upon completion by Provider of the Services required by this Contract or within the time frame stated in Exhibit A wherein Provider has to perform, whichever is earliest.
- **4. WORK PRODUCT OWNERSHIP.** Any copyrightable works, ideas, discoveries, inventions, patents, products, or other information (collectively the "Work Product") developed in whole or in part by Provider in connection with the Services will be the exclusive property of Recipient. Upon request, Provider will execute, within a reasonable period, all documents necessary to confirm or perfect the exclusive ownership of Recipient to the Work Product.

- 5. CONFIDENTIALITY. Provider, and its employees, agents, or representatives will not at any time or in any manner, either directly or indirectly, use for the personal benefit of Provider, or divulge, disclose, or communicate in any manner, any information that is proprietary to Recipient. Provider and its employees, agents, and representatives will protect such information and treat it as strictly confidential. This provision will continue to be effective after the termination of this Contract. Any oral or written waiver by Recipient of these confidentiality obligations which allows Provider to disclose Recipient's confidential information to a third party will be limited to a single occurrence tied to the specific information disclosed to the specific third party, and the confidentiality clause will continue to be in effect for all other occurrences.
- 6. WARRANTY. Provider shall provide its services and meet its obligations under this Contract in a timely and workmanlike manner, using knowledge and recommendations for performing the services which meet generally acceptable standards in Provider's community and region, and will provide a standard of care equal to, or superior to, care used by service providers like Provider on similar projects.
- 7. **DEFAULT.** The occurrence of any of the following shall constitute a material default under this Contract:
  - a. The failure to make a required payment when due.
  - b. The insolvency or bankruptcy of either party.
  - c. The subjection of any of either party's property to any levy, seizure, general assignment for the benefit of creditors, application or sale for or by any creditor or government agency.
  - d. The failure to make available or deliver the Services in the time and manner provided for in this Contract.
- **8. ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COLLECTION COSTS.** If there is a dispute relating to any provisions in this Contract, the prevailing party is entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and court costs at all competent judicial levels.
- 9. **REMEDIES.** In addition to all other rights a party may have available according to law, if a party defaults by failing to substantially perform any provision, term or condition of this Contract (including without limitation the failure to make a monetary payment when due), the other party may terminate the Contract by providing written notice to the defaulting party. This notice shall describe with sufficient detail the nature of the default. The party receiving such notice shall have 30 days from the effective date of such notice to cure the default(s). Unless waived in writing by a party providing notice, the failure to cure the default(s) within such time period shall result in the automatic termination of this Contract, but not the remedies (contractual or at common law) that are affordable to the non-defaulting party.

- 10. FORCE MAJEURE. If performance of this Contract or any obligation under this Contract is prevented, restricted, or interfered with by causes beyond either party's reasonable control ("Force Majeure"), and if the party unable to carry out its obligations gives the other party prompt written notice of such event, then the obligations of the party invoking this provision shall be suspended to the extent necessary by such event. The term Force Majeure shall include, without limitation, acts of God, plague, epidemic, pandemic, outbreaks of infectious disease or any other public health crisis, including quarantine or other employee restrictions, fire, explosion, vandalism, storm or other similar occurrence, orders or acts of military or civil authority, or by national emergencies, insurrections, riots, or wars, or strikes, lockouts, work stoppages or other labor disputes, or supplier failures. The excused party shall use reasonable efforts under the circumstances to avoid or remove such causes of non-performance and shall proceed to perform with reasonable dispatch whenever such causes are removed or ceased. An act or omission shall be deemed within the reasonable control of a party if committed, omitted, or caused by such party, or its employees, officers. agents, affiliates. or
- 11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Contract contains the entire agreement of the parties, and there are no other promises or conditions in any other agreement whether oral or written concerning the subject matter of this Contract. This Contract supersedes any prior written or oral agreements between the parties.
- **12. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this Contract will be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions will continue to be valid and enforceable. If a court finds that any provision of this Contract is invalid or unenforceable, but that by limiting such provision it would become valid and enforceable, then such provision will be deemed to be written, construed, and enforced as so limited.
- **13. AMENDMENT.** This Contract may be modified or amended in writing by mutual agreement between the parties, if the writing is signed by the party obligated under the amendment.
- **14. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE.** This Contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. For purposes of venue, any and all actions at law or equity shall be brought in Miami-Dade County, Florida in a Court of competent jurisdiction.
- **15. NOTICE.** Any notice or communication required or permitted under this Contract shall be sufficiently given if delivered in person or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address set forth in the opening paragraph or to such other address as one party may have furnished to the other in writing.
- **16. WAIVER OF CONTRACTUAL RIGHT.** The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce and compel strict compliance with every provision of this Contract.
- 17. CONSTRUCTION AND INTERPRETATION. The rule requiring construction or interpretation against the drafter is waived. The document shall be deemed as if it were drafted by both parties in a mutual effort.
- **18. ASSIGNMENT.** Neither party may assign or transfer this Contract without the prior written consent of the non-assigning party, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as of the date first above written.

Recipient:		
<u> </u>	9/28/2022	
	Date:	
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Provider: D	9/29/2022	
- hy h	Date:	

## **EXHIBIT A: DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES**

The parties agree as follows:

- 1. Services A. Provider agrees to provide Capital Introductory services to Recipient for a maximum period of twelve (12) months while Recipient is seeking \$225,000,000.00 (two hundred twenty-five million dollars and 00/cents) funding to attain full ownership of and fund production of new products under development. The Provider agrees to attend and participate in meetings with Recipient and collaborate and provide advice and assistance to Recipient as is mutually agreed by the parties when pertinent to the project. Provider is responsible for performing due diligence on all of Recipient's financials to assure the Recipient fits the criteria and qualifications for the funding. Provider is responsible for creating the offer sheet for the deal. Provider will perform a series of introductions to the Recipient's team with potential Investors such as: Banks, Family Offices, High net worth Individuals, Multi Family Offices, Endowments, Foundations, etc. The Provider's service is to secure qualified Investors to fund the deal partially or in its entirety.
- 2. Independent Contractor. Provider's relationship with Recipient will be that of an independent contractor and not that of an employee. Provider will not be eligible for any employee benefits, nor will Recipient make deductions from payments made to Provider for employment or income taxes, all of which will be Provider's responsibility. Provider shall NOT have authority to enter into contracts that bind Recipient or create obligations on the part of Recipient without the prior written authorization of Recipient.

## 3. Nondisclosure of Confidential Information.

- a. Agreement Not to Disclose. Provider agrees not to use any Confidential Information (as defined below) disclosed to Provider by the Company for Provider's own use or for any purpose other than to carry out discussions concerning, and the undertaking of, the Services. Provider shall not disclose or permit disclosure of any Confidential Information of the Company to third parties. Provider agrees to take all reasonable measures to protect the secrecy of and avoid disclosure or use of Confidential Information of the Company in order to prevent it from falling into the public domain or the possession of persons other than those persons authorized under this Agreement to have any such information. Provider further agrees to notify the Company in writing of any actual or suspected misuse, misappropriation or unauthorized disclosure of the Company's Confidential Information which may come to Provider's attention.
- b. **Definition of Confidential Information**. "Confidential Information" means any information, technical data or know-how (whether disclosed before or after the date of this Agreement), including, but not limited to, information relating to business and product or service plans, financial projections, customer lists, business forecasts, sales and merchandising, human resources, patents, patent applications, computer object or source code, research, inventions, processes, designs, drawings, engineering, marketing or finance to be confidential or proprietary or which information would, under the circumstances, appear to a reasonable person to be confidential or proprietary. Confidential Information does not include information, technical data or know-how which: (i) is in the possession of Provider at the time of disclosure, as shown by Provider's files and records immediately prior to the time of disclosure; or (ii) becomes part of the public knowledge or literature, not as a direct or indirect result of any improper inaction or action of Provider.

- c. **Exceptions**. Notwithstanding the above, Provider shall not have liability to the Company or any of its subsidiaries regarding any Confidential Information of the Company which Provider can prove:
  - i. is disclosed with the prior written approval of the Company.
  - ii. is disclosed pursuant to the order or requirement of a court, administrative agency, or other governmental body; provided, however, that Provider shall provide prompt notice of such court order or requirement to the Company to enable the Company or its appropriate subsidiary to seek a protective order or otherwise prevent or restrict such disclosure.

# **EXHIBIT 10**

## FINDER'S FEE AGREEMENT

This Finder's Fee Agreement ("Agreement") is made and effective this February 1, 2022.

BETWEEN: Devolder Organization, LLC (the "Finder"), an individual or a

corporation with his main address at:

185 Great Neck Rd. 4th Floor Great Neck, NY 11021

AND:

("Referrer") "Special Advisor" to with its head office located at:

WHEREAS,

A. Referrer is an employee (Special Advisor)
("Company"),

a company partner of

- B. Company has authorized Referrer to provide certain introductory services described hereunder and to utilize the Finder's contacts,
- C. Referrer agrees to engage the Finder as an independent contractor to perform such Services and the Finder hereby agrees to provide such services for the benefit of the Company

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

### 1. APPOINTMENT

The Referrer hereby appoints the Finder to act as a non-exclusive Finder, for the purpose of providing the following Services to the Referrer for the benefit of the Company: To actively assist in identifying, engaging and discussing potential acquisition candidates for Company which result in the Company acquiring the candidate.

The Finder shall provide the Services in accordance with the specifications and expectations consistent with the Company and the Finder shall at all times observe and comply with all applicable federal and state or other laws and regulations. Finder also undertakes to observe the highest professional standards in the performance of all services to be provided under this contract.

### 2. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The Finder fully understands and accepts that he or she will perform his or her work as an independent contractor at his or her own expense and risk in order to obtain information on an acquisition Candidate and submit it (oral or in writing) to the Referrer who shall thereafter communicate and review the Candidate with the Company as a sales opportunity.

## 3. DUTIES OF FINDER

- a) Throughout the term of this Agreement, Finder shall make reasonable efforts to endorse and promote as an acquirer. It may also refer and transmit orally potential insurance brokerage to be acquired. Finder will respect and comply with all current practices and procedures regarding the referral of licensed insurance brokerage firms to be acquired.
- b) The Finder may only claim compensation hereunder for customers with whom Finder has had direct personal contact and to whom Finder has directly referred to the Referrer.

## 4. COMPENSATION

Under the terms of this agreement, the Company will pay the Referrer and/or the Finder an intermediation fee for their respective split of the Referral Fee.

Referral Fee shall be 3% of the Gross Revenue of acquired Company, unless otherwise specified by the Company prior to acquisition.

The Gross Revenue shall be determined solely by the Company and shall split equally (50%/50%) between Referrer and Finder, unless otherwise directed and specified by the parties.

In the event either party receives the full fee from the Company, the party receives more than 50% from the Company, shall make an adjustment payment to the other party resulting in a 50%/50% split of Fee, unless otherwise agreed upon. The transfer from the Referrer to the Finder of his share (or in the reverse) shall be made within 3 days of receipt of Fee from the Company.

### 5. PAYMENT CONDITIONS

The referred customer is not a current customer of the contacted before the date of the recommendation and to whom Acrisure, LLC has undertaken sales and marketing efforts.

Referral customers will not be considered accepted by the Company, and the Company will have no obligation to pay hereunder, unless an accepted contract is signed, and acquisition closes.

## 6. CONFIDENTIALITY

In the course of performing the Services below, Finder may have access to certain confidential or proprietary information of the Company.

This information considered confidential includes all information concerning the company, the products, the customers, the strategies, the marketing, the systems, the technology, the financial affairs and accounting, the statistical data owned by the Company and any other proprietary and trade secret information of the Company in oral, graphic, written, electronic or machine-readable form.

The Finder undertakes to keep all Company Confidential Information strictly confidential and must not, without the express prior written consent of the Company, (a) disclose such Confidential Information to third parties; or (b) use such Confidential Information for any purpose whatsoever, other than for the performance of its obligations hereunder. The obligations under this section continue to survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

## 7. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; AMENDMENTS.

This Agreement embodies the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, oral or written, with respect thereof. This Agreement may not be changed orally, and may be amended, superseded, cancelled, renewed or extended, and the terms hereof may be waived, only by an instrument in writing signed by each of the parties, or, in the case of a waiver, signed by the party against whom enforcement of such waiver is being sought.

## 8. INTELELCTUAL PROPERTY

Finder agrees that [COMPANY NAME] retains ownership rights in and to certain intellectual property, including without limitation any [COMPANY NAME] trademark, service mark, trade dress, advertising, any associated goodwill, whether presently existing or later developed (collectively "Intellectual Property"). Finder agrees to sign any document as reasonably required to effect recording or protection of any such property.

If approved in writing by [COMPANY NAME] Finder may use advertising that is associated with any Intellectual Property. Finder may use such advertising materials only upon the terms and conditions stated by [COMPANY NAME] from time to time. Finder may not modify or delete any Intellectual Property it uses without the written consent of [COMPANY NAME].

## 9. TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT

- Either party may terminate this Agreement for convenience by giving the other party thirty (30) days' written notice (notice of termination).
- b) If either party breaches its obligations under this Agreement, the other party may terminate the Agreement by giving thirty (30) days' written notice. Upon receipt of such notice, the defaulting party shall have thirty (30) days from the date of the notice to remedy such default. If the breach is not remedied within the required thirty (30) day period, the party giving the notice shall have the right to terminate this Agreement.

## 10. MISCELLANEOUS

- a) In this agreement, the singular includes the plural and the masculine includes the feminine and neuter and vice versa unless the context otherwise requires.
- b) The capitalized headings in this agreement are only for convenience of reference and do not form part of or affect the interpretation of this agreement.
- c) If any provision or part of any provision in this agreement is void for any reason, it shall be severed without affecting the validity of the balance of the agreement.
- d) Time is of the essence of this agreement.
- e) There are no representations, warranties, conditions, terms or collateral contracts affecting the transaction contemplated in this agreement except as set out in this agreement.
- f) Nothing in this agreement is intended to constitute a partnership or a master and servant relationship between the parties.

- g) This agreement binds and benefits the parties and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors and assigns.
- h) This agreement is governed by the laws of the State/Province of State

The Parties each hereby execute this Agreement as of January 31, 2022

DEVOLDER ORGANIZATION, LLC, FINDER

Authorized Signature

George Santos Owner

Print Name and Title

Print Name and Title



## FINDER'S FEE AGREEMENT

This Finder's Fee Agreement ("Agreement") is made and effective this January 31, 2022

BETWEEN: Devolder Organization, LLC (the "Finder"), a Limited Liability Company

with his main address at:

185 Great Neck Rd., 4th Floor Great Neck, NY 11021

AND:

r (the "Company"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Michigan with its head office located at:

### WHEREAS.

A. In addition to operating Insurance Brokerages Services, the Company is also in the business acquiring national and international Licensed Insurance Brokerage ("LIB") entities,

- B. Company desires to obtain certain introductory services described hereunder from the Finder,
- C. Company agrees to engage the Finder as an independent contractor to perform such Services and the Finder hereby agrees to provide such services to the Company

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. APPOINTMENT

The Company hereby appoints the Finder to act as a non-exclusive Finder, for the purpose of providing personal introductions to the principals of Licensed Insurance Brokerage entities for acquisition by the Company.

## 2. SERVICES

The Finder shall provide the Services in accordance with the specifications and expectations established by the Company and the Finder shall at all times observe and comply with all applicable federal and state or other laws and regulations. Finder also undertakes to observe the highest professional standards in the performance of all services to be provided under this contract.

### 3. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The Finder, and its duly designated representative, fully understands and accepts that he or she will perform his or her work as an independent contractor at his or her own expense and risk in order to obtain information on Licensed Insurance Brokerage entities and the submission to the Company of the name and contact information of the principal of the acquisition opportunity.

## 4. DUTIES OF FINDER

- a) Throughout the term of this Agreement, Finder shall make reasonable efforts to endorse and promote and its acquisition opportunities. It may also refer to and transmit potential customers (including, but not limited to, business acquaintances, customers, and associates) for the Company to acquire. Finder will respect and comply with all current practices and procedures regarding the referral of clients to the Services.
- b) The Finder may only claim compensation hereunder for customers with whom Finder has had direct personal contact and to whom acquisition, and which Company
  Finder has directly referred to Company for acquires.

## 5. COMPENSATION

Special Advisor, as an employee of Company is entitled to receive a Referral Fee for the successful acquisition of a LIB entity. Under the terms of this agreement "Finder's Fee" shall be deemed to mean 50% of the gross Referral Fee remitted and paid by to the Special Advisor for referrals from the Finder. Within 3 days of payment to and receipt of Referral Fee from the Special Advisor shall remit to Finder its Finder's Fee (i.e. the sum of 50% of the gross standard Agency Referral Fee received by Special Advisor from upon the closing of acquisition of a LIB, referred by Finder under this agreement.)

The above intermediation fees will be paid in full by the Company, as from the moment of execution of the contract, i.e., the moment when the Company executes the terms of the contract with the Client introduced by the Finder.

Payment of this commission will be made, by wire, no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> day following receipt of proceeds for fees from Acrisure related to the acquisition. Upon request, Finder may request a copy of the wire transmission to Special Advisor from

## 6. PAYMENT CONDITIONS

The referred LIB shall not be considered a customer, if or another independent Agent/Broker is, upon making the referral, undertaking acquisition efforts. Notwithstanding, the aforementioned, if Finder can demonstrate and the LIB agrees, that the decision to be acquired is/was primarily due to the Finder's introduction and/or influence, then Special Advisor shall notify and claim referral fee.

Referral customers will not be considered accepted by the Company, and the Company will have no obligation to pay hereunder, unless an accepted contract is signed, or the service has been provided by one of the referrals and payment of the referral fee is received by Special Advisor.

## 7. CONFIDENTIALITY

In the course of performing the Services below, Finder may have access to certain confidential or proprietary information of the Company.

This information considered confidential includes all information concerning the company, the products, the customers, the strategies, the marketing, the systems, the technology, the financial affairs and accounting, the statistical data owned by the Company and any other proprietary and

trade secret information of the Company in oral, graphic, written, electronic or machine-readable form.

The Finder undertakes to keep all Company Confidential Information strictly confidential and must not, without the express prior written consent of the Company, (a) disclose such Confidential Information to third parties; or (b) use such Confidential Information for any purpose whatsoever, other than for the performance of its obligations hereunder. The obligations under this section continue to survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

#### 8. OWNERSHIP

Acrisure shall retain full ownership of all Referred Customers that Finder refers to Acrisure under this Agreement, including all information relating to such Referred Customers.

Finder agrees that upon termination of this Agreement, Finder will return to the Company all drawings, blueprints, notes, memoranda, specifications, designs, writings, software, devices, documents and any other material containing or disclosing any confidential or proprietary information of the Company. Finder will not retain any such materials.

### 9. INTELELCTUAL PROPERTY

Finder agrees that retains ownership rights in and to certain intellectual property, including without limitation any Acrisure trademark, service mark, trade dress, advertising, any associated goodwill, whether presently existing or later developed (collectively "Intellectual Property")...

If approved in writing by Finder may use advertising that is associated with any Intellectual Property. Finder may use such advertising materials only upon the terms and conditions stated by Acrisure from time to time. Finder may not modify or delete any Intellectual Property it uses without the written consent of

## 10. TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT

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- b) If either party breaches its obligations under this Agreement, the other party may terminate the Agreement by giving thirty (30) days' written notice. Upon receipt of such notice, the defaulting party shall have thirty (30) days from the date of the notice to remedy such default. If the breach is not remedied within the required thirty (30) day period, the party giving the notice shall have the right to terminate this Agreement.
- In the event of termination by either party, with or without cause, the Finder shall be entitled to receive Finder's Fee

## 11. MISCELLANEOUS

- a) In this agreement, the singular includes the plural and the masculine includes the feminine and neuter and vice versa unless the context otherwise requires.
- b) The capitalized headings in this agreement are only for convenience of reference and do not form part of or affect the interpretation of this agreement.

- c) If any provision or part of any provision in this agreement is void for any reason, it shall be severed without affecting the validity of the balance of the agreement.
- d) Time is of the essence of this agreement.
- e) There are no representations, warranties, conditions, terms or collateral contracts affecting the transaction contemplated in this agreement except as set out in this agreement.
- f) Nothing in this agreement is intended to constitute a partnership or a master and servant relationship between the parties.
- g) This agreement binds and benefits the parties and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors and assigns.
- h) This agreement is governed by the laws of the State of New York.

The Parties each hereby execute this Agreement as of January 31, 2022

FINDER	COMPANY		
Authorized Signature			

# **EXHIBIT 11**

9 46 AM 01/13/23 Accrual Basis

## Devolder Organization LLC Transaction Detail By Account

January through December 2022

Туре	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Clr	Split	Debit	Credit	Balance
Consulting Income									
Deposit	10/03/2022		A-RU Holdings LLC	Deposit		Flushing		250,000 00	250,000.00
Deposit	11/04/2022		_	Deposit		Flushing		10,000.00	260,000.00
Deposit	11/29/2022			Deposit		Flushing		20,000.00	280,000.00
Deposit	12/08/2022			Deposit		Flushing		288,000.00	568,000.00
Deposit	12/12/2022			Deposit		Flushing		99,960.00	667,960 00
Total Consulting Income							0.00	667,960.00	667,960 00
TOTAL							0.00	667,960.00	667,960.00

# **EXHIBIT 12**

## CONFIDENTIAL

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## Transcript of Interview of Staffer 01 Conducted on March 123101,

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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	Whereupon,
3	STAFFER 02,
4	being first duly sworn or affirmed to testify to the
5	truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, was
6	examined and testified as follows:
7	EXAMINATION BY MS. BENITEZ
8	BY MS. BENITEZ:
9	Q We're on the record. Today is March
10	27th, 2023. We're conducting the remote interview
11	of Mr. Staffer 02. Speaking is Indhira Benitez.
12	I'm an investigative counsel with the Office of
13	Congressional Ethics. Joining me today is Ms.
14	Annie Cho with our office as well. Mr. Staffer 02
15	is not represented. He has been advised of the
16	False Statements Act and he has signed the
17	acknowledgement and provided that to our office.
18	So again, Staffer 02, thank you again for for
19	cooperating with our review and and answering
20	some questions today. So why don't we start with
21	what you do in the congressman's office? What
22	what is your role and what are some of your

duties?

A Yeah, so I'm the Director of Operations for Congressman George Santos. My duties include scheduling and booking meetings for the congressman with constituents and lobbyists and so forth. I also am the congressman's body man, so wherever he goes, I go. And if that includes traveling to the district with him, that -- I will do that. I also make sure that the office is stocked with all of its supplies and its needs and things like that. So I just make sure that the trains run on time at the office and -- and I -- I physically escort the congressman wherever he goes during work hours.

Q Okay. And how did you come to work for Congressman Santos? How did you meet him?

A I met Congressman Santos sometime back in 2019 in New York when he ran for Congress the first time. I was, at the time, the vice president of the New York Young Republican Club, and that is how I got my exposure to George Santos. At the time, our club was friends with

1	him, and we supported him for his 2020 run. And
2	then he that that didn't that didn't
3	result in a win, but he ran again for the 2022
4	cycle, which is again, our club supported him.
5	That's you know, that's not just the me thing.
6	That's the board of the club and the membership,
7	everybody involved in that. And so so he
8	eventually wins and then the scandals or whatever
9	breakout, the news stories breakout about whatever
10	questions surrounding his background, and pursuant
11	to the large firestorm that he was facing, I had
12	previously worked for Matt Gaetz in a similar
13	situation that I ultimately helped him get
14	through. And so I was recommended to him as
15	somebody who possibly helped him get get him
16	through this situation.
17	Q And you mentioned that your your club
18	that you were a part of in New York helped him
19	during his first congressional candidacy race and
20	the most recent successful one. How did your club
21	help him?
22	A We would we would just make like a

1	digital endorsement basically. If he needed
2	volunteers, I think we provided some, maybe not
3	more than five or six people, and just to door
4	knock, you know, something like that. Nothing
5	nothing of real monetary value. Just general, you
6	know, tangential support to his campaign. But
7	that's really that's really it. There was no
8	monetary support. There was no I don't think
9	anybody actually from the club actually worked on
10	any of his campaigns at the time. Maybe one, but
11	I think he's passed now. So that's that's
12	yeah, that's that's about the extent of the
13	support that we provided.
14	Q So you've never personally worked for
15	the congressman's campaign?
16	A Absolutely not. Never have. Have never
17	worked for either his 2020 campaign or his 2022
18	campaign.
19	Q How would you describe your relationship
20	with Congressman Santos?
21	A He's a friend.
22	Q And in your everyday duties in the

office as Director of Operations, do you know who
who handles the office's finances currently?
A It's a split, so it's a split duty. I
handle a lot of the purchases and the maintenance
of the receipts, so that would be me. I think
ultimate approval authority on approvals for
purchases and such is the Chief of Staff, Staffer
01. And then the actual maintenance of the books
and other financial administration tasks and such
are left to Nariman Hawatmeh, N-A-R-I-M-A-N, last
name H-A-W-A-T-M-E-H. I think that's how you
spell her name.
Q Okay. And I know that you mentioned
you're familiar with the public reporting that's
been surrounding the congressman. Are you
been surrounding the congressman. Are you familiar with the not most recent, but fairly
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1 of how the finances are handled in the office? What's the process if you have to make purchases 2 3 for the office or Staffer 01, who does it go 4 through and who gives final approval? All requests for purchases go through 5 Α Any purchase over \$500 on a singular item is, 6 requires an approval from the Chief of Staff and 7 that -- that way I would send that up. And any 8 other sort of one-off or case by case special 9 approvals that are needed would be handled by --10 would be approved by Staffer 01, but likely 11 executed by myself and -- and Nariman with 12 Nariman's guidance and advice. 13 So I want to shift gears a little bit 14 and discuss the circumstances surrounding the 15 hiring or potential hiring and then firing or 16 potential firing of WITNESS 1, who was a 17 congressional aide, I believe. How did you --18 how do you know WITNESS 1? 19 So  $\frac{\text{Witness 1}}{\text{had followed me already on}}$ Α 20 Twitter or a little bit before I -- before I -- I 21 joined the congressman's office. And once I 22

1 joined the congressman's office, and that was made 2 public knowledge through public reporting, that is when Witness 1 reached out to me wanting to meet, 3 4 wanting to talk and catching -- catching up. And 5 he said he'd be in DC and so he invited me to 6 dinner, and I went and I discussed with him many 7 things and he expressed there that he had, you 8 know, interest to work for the Congressman. So at 9 which point, you know, I -- I did my best to vet 10 him in that moment to see what he was about, why 11 he was interested and whatnot. At the -- at that 12 moment, I -- in my opinion, I thought that he was 13 being very genuine about wanting the job and that 14 he wanted to help the Congressman. 15 And so -- so I kept him in mind for about a week or two. And then when the 16 17 Congressman mentioned that -- that he was looking for a staff assistant, I immediately thought of 18 Witness 1 and I provided his resume to the 19 20 The Congressman liked his resume. congressman. 21 The Chief of Staff liked his resume, wanted to speak to him, at which point I brought in Witness 1 22 to

1	have, you know, have the interview after the
2	interview, I think a couple of hours later, alone
3	without me be being in the middle of his I was
4	not the hiring manager for this position. So I
5	think at that point, George and Staffer 01 had
6	made up their mind that they would like to hire
7	him, and they sent him an offer letter, I believe,
8	later that day.
9	Q What was the extent of your relationship
10	with Derek prior to that dinner?
11	A Outside of some Twitter interactions,
12	not much. You know, liking stuff. Other well,
13	some minor Twitter engagement. Nothing nothing
14	not I wouldn't say we were close friends.
15	Q And after the Congressman and the Chief
16	of Staff extended an offer to Derek, what
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	happened? What happened after that?
18	happened? What happened after that?  A He was he was excited. He reached
18	A He was he was excited. He reached
18 19	A He was he was excited. He reached out to me, letting me know he got the offer. He

1 was not in the room during that interview, and he 2 convinced the Chief and the Congressman for the 3 job. And so you know, I said, congratulations, 4 you didn't -- you know, you -- you -- you got your 5 job. And I think, and then he would -- he came in 6 the next day before any of the paperwork was 7 processed to try to get a head start on the roll. 8 And I think we -- that's when we allowed him to do 9 some very minor, you know, paperwork kind of, you 10 know, stuff. Just, you know, grabbing, you know, 11 stuff from the printer, stuff like that. Helping 12 me escort the Congressman to votes. Basically, 13 like very low level stuff that -- that didn't 14 require any special access for a House employee or 15 anything like that. 16 At which point Staffer 01 didn't like 17 the idea of -- of having someone there who wasn't processed and -- and, you know, on -- on the books 18 19 officially yet working and -- and -- and doing 20 that. And so he suggested that Derek come in when 21 -- once the paperwork was processed, and so that 22 is -- that was the next -- so that was the next

action taken, at which point Witness 1, you know, was expressed like, Hey, I wanted to come in and help. Staffer 01 told me I couldn't or to wait till the paperwork's processed. And so I told him, Hey, if that's the -- if that's what the boss said, if that's what Staffer 01 said, then that's what you have to do. He's the boss when you get in here. You're going to be listening to him and doing what he says anyway, so get used to it.

So yeah. And then a couple of days

passed and then Witness reaches out to me again stating, you know, Hey, Staffer 01 asked for a meeting with me, with me and George, can you please be there? I think I told him I would be in the office, but I did not -- I wasn't actually in that meeting when that -- that was -- you know, that was requested by Staffer 01 and George. And so once that meeting was over, I think then Derek reaches out to me again saying, Hey, they had questions about some stuff that popped up in -- in my past regarding, you know, making recordings that were questionable and stuff like that. And

1 so you know, I have concerns that maybe that I 2 might not get hired for this position. I said, 3 don't -- you know, don't jump to conclusions. 4 You know, I don't think -- you know, I 5 -- I don't think it's healthy to try to fret about 6 Just, you know, go -- as -- as they tell you, 7 go along with it, and then maybe another day or 8 two later, the -- I guess Staffer 01 rescinded the offer from -- from Witness 1, and then Witness 1 was just, 9 10 was texting me, apoplectic, asking me to help him 11 get his job back and whatnot. I said, There's 12 nothing I can do. He comes in the next day after 13 the job -- the -- the offer was rescinded. He 14 tries to see the congressman very intently. 15 was -- he was trying to see -- he -- he was trying to see the congressman. The congressman was not 16 17 interested in seeing him. And after I kept repeatedly telling him 18 19 that, you know, the congressman didn't want to see 20 him and he didn't comply, I told him he needed to 21 leave and I escorted him out of the building, and 22 I told him I would -- you know, if you want to

1 continue to talk, I'll meet up with you later, 2 sometime in the afternoon after work, but at which 3 point he went and I think spoke to the media and 4 gave them a recording that he had taken of that 5 meeting where -- that -- the initial meeting where 6 Staffer 01 and George had discussed his background 7 with him and the concerns about his background 8 with him. And so that is -- you know, that's --9 and once that -- that recording was -- was 10 dropped, you know, he made the statement that the 11 job was rescinded on his background, whatever. 12 He made a -- there was a whole public letter thing that he published, and, you know, he 13 tried to make a scene out of that. And then I 14 don't know, you know, I -- I just decided, you 15 know, to just try to keep my nose clean, out of 16 17 the firestorm. And then he -- he did continue to 18 text me throughout this time, just stuff like, 19 Hey, you know, I -- I just want my job back, blah, 20 blah, blah. And then eventually he drops the --21 the allegations of harassment, and then he 22 continues to text me saying, you know, This is not

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    weeks after that, he sends me a final text saying,
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    I just want my job back. If I can get -- if you
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    can get me my job back, I'll -- I'll drop this
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    complaint. I'll drop everything, blah, blah,
    blah. So --
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               Do you --
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               Yeah, so that's -- that -- that was the
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    extent of everything that happened after -- that,
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    you know, the offer was made, as to my knowledge.
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               Do you happen to still have that text
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    message where he offered to drop the complaint if
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    you were able to assist in getting him his job
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    back?
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               Would you be able to provide that to our
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    office?
              You can either e-mail it to me or
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    whatever is easiest.
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               Yes, I can.
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               And I want to follow up with some of the
    interactions you were having with \frac{\text{Witness 1}}{\text{while }} while --
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    or after -- shortly after he -- his offer was
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1 rescinded. What was your impression of him at that time, after his offer was rescinded? 2 3 I think that he was panicking. He was 4 very upset. He looked -- yeah, he looked upset, 5 but it was his complaints were mostly about the 6 job, and he kept trying to reiterate to me how 7 much he loved George and how much he wanted to 8 help George, and that this job would give him 9 purpose and meaning to his life, and it's 10 everything he's wanted, and he was just very 11 desperately trying to do whatever he can to keep 12 that job, and that's -- that's what I -- you know, 13 the vibe that I got from him. Him showing up to the office the next day, trying to talk to George, 14 15 trying to kind of throw his last Hail Mary to try 16 and save his job after the -- the rescission. 17 know, I just found him to be very desperately 18 trying to -- to keep -- to keep onto the role that -- that was offered, and not somebody who looked 19 20 like they had been, you know, like, physically 21 harassed. Like, I don't know why somebody would 22 be clawing to get back into an office if that --

1 if that had been the case, but, you know, he was 2 clawing to get back into that office. 3 As -- you mentioned that as a part of 4 your duties, not only are you a director of 5 operations, but you're also the congressman's body 6 man. 7 Α Yes. 8 Did there ever -- was there ever a time 0 where Witness 1 was alone with the congressman? 9 10 No, not a shot. So if it's not me 11 that's with the congressman at all times, it's 12 either the ledge director or the chief or the 13 comms director, but -- and when those folks are 14 not there, it's always me. I am always by his 15 So there's no opportunity for Derek to be side. 16 alone with the congressman. How many times was Witness 1 in the office? 17 18 I could count them on my hands. Once Α 19 with Staffer 01 or an interview, maybe once with 20 maybe Raphaelo, again, discussing legislation or 21 something like that, and -- and then once again 22 with Staffer 01 and George when they had the other

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    meeting to discuss his background. That's -- that
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    -- I could -- that's three times that I could
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    think of, and, you know, that's -- that's it, you
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              When's the last time you communicated
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              I must have sent -- this was after --
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    after he dropped the -- I think the -- the
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    recording and the first letter that he put out, I
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    think he was sending -- he sent me something like,
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    Did you read the letter? You know, I said
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    something like, I read it, and, you know, he said,
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    you know, something like, I -- you know, I spoke
    nice about -- you know, he said to me, like, I
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    spoke nice about you in the letter. I spoke nice
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    about Raphaelo in the letter, and Gabrielle, you
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    know, you know, did you see that? And I -- or --
    and then he said, Did you see Jimmy Kimmel did a
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    thing on you? I said, I saw it. I didn't do
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    anything -- I didn't say anything to him outside
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    of, I read that. I saw that, you know, and that
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    -- I'm -- my last text message to him must have
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1 been, I saw that, once -- and then I was advised 2 to cease all communications once the Committee on 3 Ethics had -- when the -- the complaint 4 with ethics was filed, so I was advised to cease 5 all communications, at which point I did, so. 6 0 Why do you think Derek raised those 7 allegations regarding the sexual harassment 8 claims? I -- I personally think that he -- he -or he was very into being in the spotlight, being 10 11 in the -- kind of, you know, in the center of 12 attention. I think he just didn't -- never had 13 that experience before, and he wanted to be 14 photographed next to George's side and all this. 15 He kind of saw me doing it, and, as I said, he was 16 following me on Twitter already. He kind of liked 17 my -- whatever I do, and, like, whatever that -you know, that brand is, and so I think he wanted 18 19 to be that. And so I think that he was very much 20 somebody who was looking for the limelight, 21 looking to catch fire and become famous or -- or 22 whatever, and he saw this job as the opportunity

1	to do that, and once it was taken away from him, I
2	think he just he just panicked and then tried
3	to salvage whatever sort of notoriety and and
4	fame that he could, or infamy, with with
5	with what happened, by first trying to, you know
6	again, he led with allegations that the job was
7	was unfairly rescinded days after he he made
8	these other allegations about harassment, and that
9	just I think that just kind of shows you how
10	disingenuous that was, but, you know, I I think
11	that that he just did that to try to keep
12	throwing fuel on whatever fire was left on his
13	you know, on whatever his 15 minutes that he
14	thought he was going to get was going to be.
15	Q Do you know who made the ultimate
16	decision to rescind his offer?
17	A I believe the way George stated it in
18	I think in the recording itself is, he said, you
19	know, you know, I like you, but, you know,
20	ultimately I'm going to leave the decision to
21	Staffer 01, so Staffer 01's going to have the
22	final say on whether or not we're going to bring

you on, so I believe it -- I believe it to be 1 Staffer 01 who had the final decision. 2 Uh-huh. You provided -- well, I'm -- I 0 3 -- I'm assuming, so please correct me if I'm 4 wrong, that you provided text messages to the 5 congressman or his attorney for the purposes of 6 our review or other investigations between you 7 and Mr. WITNESS 1; is that correct? 8 Α That's correct. 9 In -- in those text messages, and I 10 won't go through all of them, there were a couple 11 of exchanges where Derek mentioned some of the 12 things that was going on in the press with the 13 congressman, and one of them being the need for 14 the congressman to look or search or hire a new 15 treasurer, campaign treasurer. What -- what could 16 you tell me about that? Did you have any role in 17 the congressman hiring the new treasurer? 18 were -- what were the conversations around the --19 the congressman's former campaign treasurer? 20 I have nothing to -- I had nothing to do 21 with the treasurer. I have nothing to do with the 22

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    campaign as of now. There's -- that had zero to
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    do with hiring of the campaign treasurer or
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    finding it, anything. Anything.
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              What could you tell me about the -- to
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    the best of your knowledge, the personal loans
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    that the congressman made to his campaign?
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              I -- I have no -- I have no knowledge of
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    any of the congressman's financials, so what --
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    what -- the loans -- what -- not -- I have no
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          To the best of my knowledge, you know,
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    George is a successful businessman, and those --
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    those loans came out of his pocket. That's --
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    that's all I have.
              What's your -- what's your understanding
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    of the -- the congressman's business or business
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    dealings?
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              I understand it to be capital
    introductions. Basically, you know -- and it's a
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    fancy way of saying I introduce my clients to rich
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    people who would give them money to invest, and so
    that's -- I -- I, you know, see that as like a
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    general sort of like brokering business. Nothing
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    out of the ordinary in my eyes. So that's -- I --
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    that's my understanding, and that's -- that -- you
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    know, and I took -- and I take his word at that.
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              You mentioned earlier that as a part of
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    the -- the club that you're a part of in New York,
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    you -- you -- your club provided volunteers if the
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    congressman would need volunteers for -- for his
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    campaign, but that no one, except for maybe one
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    person that you recall, actually worked his
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    campaign from -- from staff. Do you remember that
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    person's name?
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              Yeah, his name is Fernando Acosta and
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    he's -- he's dead now.
              Oh, I'm sorry to hear that. Do you
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    remember in what capacity he -- he assisted in the
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    campaign?
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              I do not know.
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              Okay. Has anyone reached out to you --
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    oh, sorry. I think we have a question here from
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    Annie.
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                    EXAMINATION BY MS. CHO
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    BY MS. CHO:
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1	Q Yeah. Staffer 02, I just kind of wanted
2	to backtrack. You had when Ms. Benitez had
3	asked you about the personal loans from
4	Congressman Santos, you mentioned that, to your
5	knowledge, the payments came from his personal
6	pocket. There was press coverage on this issue
7	regarding the fact that he claimed sometime late
8	in January that the loans actually did not comes
9	from his pocket. And then then there was another
10	interview that occurred thereafter where he then
11	said it did come his from his pocket. Do you
12	have any knowledge of, you know, why there was a
13	discrepancy regarding those payments?
14	A If you're talking about the public
15	reporting or his public comments, I don't know
16	what the discrepancy is and why that why that's
17	there. I do I'm not responsible for the
18	Congressman's communications. So I just don't
19	I don't I I don't know why he would say
20	that those particular things in in that
21	particular instance, so.
22	Q So okay, so there was no internal

1	communication with you and the Congressman or
2	anyone in the office regarding where those
3	personal loans came from?
4	A No.
5	MS. CHO: Okay.
6	RE-EXAMINATION BY MS. BENITEZ
7	BY MS. BENITEZ:
8	Q Staffer 02, has anyone communicated with
9	you regarding our review or investigation?
10	A No, I've kept this it's just to
11	myself. I've I've not mentioned it to anybody.
12	MS. BENITEZ: Okay. I'm going to take a
13	quick, maybe one-minute break, just go through my
14	notes, make sure we covered everything, so we
15	won't have to do this again. And if you have to
16	use the restroom or take a quick break, I'd do
17	that now. If we can go off the record, please?
18	(Whereupon, a recess was taken.)
19	THE REPORTER: All right. Back on the
20	record.
21	BY MS. BENITEZ:
22	Q Thank you. Staffer 02, a couple of

1 quick just follow-up questions. You -- and I'm 2 sorry, remind me again the name of the club that 3 you were part of in New York? The New York Young Republicans Club. 4 5 0 Okay. How did the Congressman, or how 6 was he connected to -- to that club or who 7 connected --So actually -- so actually, the -- the 8 Α 9 Congressman was a member of that club already 10 prior to Gavin Wax being elected president and 11 myself being elected as vice president in April of 12 So he was already a member for a couple 13 years. We took it over and I did not know who 14 George was at that time. A couple months after we 15 had taken over and we kind of revitalized the 16 club, he came back around and we made 17 acquaintances with him. And I must've -- I think 18 I met him and then a week later I got hired in DC 19 for a job and I -- I left. 20 So that's -- so and then I was 21 quarantined in DC for that year, so I didn't 22 really see George again until December 3rd of 2020

1	when our club gave him an award at our gala at the
2	end of that year. So that's that's our
3	relationship was kind of a slow burn. I saw him
4	more through 2021 and we got closer over 2021.
5	And in 2022, just, you know, just closer, not
6	really, you know, I didn't do any work for him.
7	So you know, just better relationship, friendly
8	relationship.
9	Q Did you were you personally involved
10	with setting up any of the volunteers with his
11	campaign?
12	A No, I was not. I I've I I have
13	a role on the executive committee and so I don't
14	have direct oversight over who what what
15	campaigns we get involved in or what we what
16	resources we send them. It's not a that's
17	that was that's usually not directed by me, but
18	it was definitely not directed by me for George
19	Santos.
20	Q How did you I know you mentioned how
21	you ended up working for the Congressman. When
22	exactly was it that you were hired to work for his

1 official office?

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A My official start date turned out to be June, I'm sorry, January 12th of 2023.

Q And who was it that connected you with the Congressman or told you about the role in his office?

He called me on January 1st, 2023, to Α ask me if I was interested, and I -- and I said I -- I was interested in coming back to the Hill. What's the role? He said, What are you interested in doing? I said, I could do my -- I -- I said I could do comms with my eyes closed. And he said, I already have a comms director. How -- you know, How about operations? And I said, I can do operations fine. In fact, if you call Congressman Gaetz, I think he would tell you -- if you need recommendation on that, he would tell you that my operation skills are better than my comm skills. And then which he replied to me, I already spoke to Gaetz about this. And so that's -- that's my understanding that he already had done his research, spoke to my previous employer and then

approached me.

Q And I want to circle back to the issue of the -- the personal loans. I know that you don't have any oversight over the Congressman's finances, but as someone who is heavily involved in -- in the day-to-day operations and also as a body man who -- who often is by the Congressman's side, what conversations have you had or has the Congressman had surrounding his personal finances and the public reporting about them?

A He's -- he has intimated to me that the public reporting is all false, that he can't wait for the world to learn that it's all legit and that this is his money that he made from legitimate contracts with his business and clients. He even early on, and early on when I first joined his office, he had showed me some profit and loss statements from his organization, not that I could make heads or tails of them, I'm not really a finance expert. But there are a bunch of big numbers on there and he said that -- that, you know, all that money's his. So that's

1	about the extent of the knowledge that I have when
2	it comes to the and whatever other
3	conversations he's had, it's been with his lawyer.
4	So I'm I'm not at liberty to de disclose that.
5	Q And why do you believe that the loans
6	made to his campaign came from his personal funds?
7	A I believe that they came from his
8	personal funds because he told me. And so George
9	is a friend. My I now he has he has
10	he purchased tables to our gala in 2021, the club
11	gala 2021, purchased tables in 2022, and we've
12	never had an issue with his purchase of those
13	those tables, you know, say checks always cleared.
14	So you know, that's I had no reason to believe
15	that he had any financial issues based on whatever
16	little sort of knowledge I have with how he spends
17	his money and how those transactions processed.
18	Q You mentioned your your club's gala.
19	I'm assuming there's a a substantial price
20	attached to a table. How much is it for a table
21	at one of your club's galas?

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    let's say general is like $4,000, and I think
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    VIP's $5,500 and he's bought two or three of those
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    tables at both -- both galas, so spending upwards
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              -- of 10 grand or -- or so.
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    three galas, to my knowledge. In 2020, that gala
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    took place at Maritime Park in Jersey City,
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    Jersey. That's been widely publicly reported
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    where that took place and all that in 2020 and
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    2021. And in 2022, the galas took place at the
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    same venue at 583 Park Avenue in New York City in
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    Manhattan.
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              And then just finally, just circling
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    back to some of your duties in the office. You --
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    you mentioned earlier that the -- the role of
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    keeping track of office finances is kind of split
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    between you and another staffer, and you -- there
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1 are certain things that go through you, certain 2 things that go through some -- someone else. 3 Could you just give me a little more detail about 4 that process? Do you keep paper receipts? How is 5 -- how is the bookkeeping done? Kind of walk me 6 through, maybe if you can give me an example of 7 something that you would do and what the process 8 is to -- to do the bookkeeping for that -- for 9 that --10 Α Sure. 11 -- transaction? 0 12 So every -- every purchase that's made Α 13 in the office, that generally needs to go -- be requested through me. Once the purchase is made, 14 15 the digital or paper receipts need to be provided 16 to me immediately. I keep a record of those paper 17 receipts, and then by the 18th of every month, I 18 have to have those paper receipts and digital 19 receipts submitted to -- for the prior month to 20 Nariman, who's our financial, you know, 21 administrator, finance administrator, and I 22 provide her the -- the receipts, the paper.

1	I scan them, digital ones, I package them all up.
2	I send them all over to her. She makes sure that
3	I have every a receipt for every transaction
4	for that for that billing period, and she takes
5	care of it from there.
6	You know, I have no visibility into what
7	goes on from there. Now, really Staffer 01 only
8	gets involved when there are purchases of above
9	\$500 for one singular item, at which point I would
10	need the Chief of Staff's approval. I would also,
11	for any interesting requests, I personally would
12	ask for in writing the justification for why this
13	this item is necessary. If I have any
14	questions about that, I would push it up to
15	Staffer 01, who's our Chief of Staff, for
16	additional advisement and approval. And that's
17	really that's really, you know, the extent.
18	MS. BENITEZ: Annie?
19	RE-EXAMINATION BY MS. CHO
20	BY MS. CHO:
21	Q Yeah, regarding the purchase request,
22	you know, you said Staffer 01 gets involved when

1 the purchases are usually above \$500. Regarding 2 any of the office purchases, does the congressman 3 ever get involved? Or any -- does he give any 4 approval or authorization for any of the 5 purchases? 6 No, he does not give approval or 7 authorization, per se. He will request certain 8 things, Hey, I want this map framed. Right? At 9 which point, I have to figure out if that's going 10 to cost us any money, whatnot. And I then go 11 frame it and, you know, pay the cost or whatever. 12 And -- and, you know, have it mounted and whatnot. 13 Yeah, the congressman will request things and 14 that -- those things may cost things to -- to cost 15 some -- some amount to process or handle. And if that's, you know, an -- if that's perceived as an 16 17 authorization, then yeah, the congressman does. 18 But they're rather minute things, you know, having 19 a tapestry or something like that, or a map, as 20 recently, framed. 21 He requested a couple of flags actually, 22 and they were too expensive. And so then, he said 1 He actually disapproved on that. So you know, there's a very -- it's very hands-off from 2 3 the congressman, outside of, you know, just he --4 he may make some requests that cost a certain 5 amount. At which point, you know, I would -- if 6 it's not over \$500, I'm -- I -- I don't take 7 it to the Chief of Staff, and I just get a 8 process. 9 Q Okay. And then additionally, so you 10 said that the congressman had reached out to you 11 on January 1st, 2023, regarding this position in 12 this office. 13 Α Yeah. 14 0 Earlier, you had been -- earlier, you 15 had mentioned that it was recommended to the 16 congressman that -- to sort of get him through the 17 situation regarding the recent -- or the scandal when it kind of was released back in like late 18 19 November or December --20 Α Late December, yeah. 21 -- to kind of get in contact with you. 0 22 To get in contact with you, to kind of help 1 him through, get him out of that situation. 2 was your role with that? Like you know, do -- do 3 you have some examples that you could provide in 4 terms of what you did to kind of help him get 5 through that initial stage of that? 6 Α I did absolutely nothing because I 7 didn't -- so the -- the -- December 19th is when I 8 think the actual stories broke. 9 Uh-huh. Q 10 Α The first New York Times story, 11 something like that, December 18th, 19th. I had texted him and let him know that I had his back. 12 13 And I -- if he needed anything from me, I'm there. He responded by saying, I'm going to have fun, 14 15 just you know, kind of disproving all their -- all the media's assertions. I didn't hear back from 16 17 him after that. I did get a phone call from the 18 press, from New York 1, at the time, once the scandals broke, asking me what I thought of the 19 20 Santos situation. 21 And I gave them a quote in my club 22 capacity, as the Executive Secretary of the New

1	York Young Republicans Club. I gave them a quote
2	saying that, you know, this is nonsense. That is
3	the that is the extent of the material support
4	that I had given him in that moment. And it's
5	really more as a, sort of, commentator, as a
6	political, sort of, activist in that New York
7	scene, not as a representative of his campaign or
8	anything like that. And so I did not do anything
9	for the congressman regarding helping him through
10	this situation until I had been hired. And that
11	was on January 12th.
12	Q Okay. And then you you just
13	mentioned that the press had reached out to you
14	when the scandals when the press kind of
15	released
16	A Uh-huh.
17	Q the story. Did they reach why
18	would they reach out to you? Was it because of
19	your role with the Young Republican Club?
20	A Correct.
21	Q Or was there another reason?
22	A Correct.

1 Q Okay. 2 Α They asked me in my club capacity. 3 Because I had -- my gala was 9 days before, 10 days before the scandals dropped. So --4 5 Q Okay. 6 Α -- you know, that's where he was most 7 recently seen in a -- in a sort of big way, was at 8 -- was at our gala. The gala was widely 9 internationally reported on. His presence there 10 was reported on. So I think that it was only 11 natural for them to reach out to us. I -- I think 12 the -- I think actually, specifically, the author 13 of that piece wanted to speak to me over the 14 chairman of the -- or the President of the club, 15 Gavin Wax. And I was happy to talk to him. so I -- again, I gave him a -- a quote in my club 16 17 capacity as a commentator and activist in the New 18 York City political scene. 19 Okay. And then lastly, you mentioned 20 that the club has helped out other candidates or 21 other campaigns. What other campaigns has the 22 club kind of supported?

Inna Vernikov, City Counsel, Vickie 1 Α 2 Paladino, City Counsel. I think back in 2020, we 3 may have lended a hand or two to Nicole 4 Malliotakis in her 2020 run. We have also -- we 5 helped a -- a judge on Staten Island who was 6 elected in 2019. Helbock, Judge Helbock. 7 0 Okay. 8 H-E-L-B-O-C-K. We've also given -- I Α 9 mean, we provide, you know, a -- a -- the -- the 10 most support that we generally provide to a 11 multitude of candidates is generally just a 12 digital endorsement, you know, saying the club 13 endorses, et cetera. So we've endorsed, you know, 14 Mike Collins. We've endorsed Cory Mills. We've 15 endorsed many, many people, but providing actual, 16 like, boots on the ground or volunteers has been 17 really limited to New York City folks. And the 18 ones I quess that matter are the ones who won. 19 And that's, you know, Vickie Paladino, Inna 20 Vernikov, and George Santos, very -- I mean, we --21 I think we only sent him volunteers once. He's 22 actually -- you know, he -- yeah, he's not -- he

-- he was -- it -- it's hard to get people out 1 there to Nassau County. So we -- we've --2 3 we only did that once, and I -- I don't think it 4 was more than a handful of people. 5 Okay. And I'm sorry, are you still with Q 6 the Young Republican Club, or? 7 Yes, I'm still the Executive Secretary Α 8 of the New York Young Republicans Club. And it's 9 an --10 0 Executive Secretary? 11 Α Executive Secretary, yes. 12 Secretary. Okay, so you're no longer Q 13 the Vice President? 14 No, I'm not the Vice President. Α 15 0 Okay. I haven't been -- I stepped down in 16 Α No. March of 2022. 17 18 Q Okay. 19 Α So -- and then, reassumed this executive 20 secretary role. I was -- yeah. 21 Okay. 0 22 Yeah. And it's still -- it's still a Α

1	seat on the executive committee, but yeah.
2	Q Okay.
3	A It's not the Vice President or Chairman,
4	yeah.
5	RE-EXAMINATION BY MS. BENITEZ
6	BY MS. BENITEZ:
7	Q Staffer 02, a couple excuse me, a
8	couple of final questions. Would you happen to
9	know what kind of car the congressman drives in
10	his personal capacity?
11	A Yes, he drives a Jaguar F class.
12	Q Okay.
13	A Or the SUV. The oh, the F-PACE, I
14	think. Yeah, the Jaguar F-PACE, the SUV.
15	Q Not familiar, but I will trust your
16	your description of it. Who who is Julie
17	Santos?
18	A I don't know. It could be his sister?
19	Q What about Vernon Hill? Do you know who
20	that is?
21	A No, idea.
22	MS. BENITEZ: Okay. Well, I don't have

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any more questions for you, Staffer 02. I want
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    to, again, thank you for your time today. Annie,
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    if you don't have any more questions, I think we
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    can go ahead and -- and wrap this up. I'm not
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    seeing Annie's camera on, so no more questions for
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          Again, thank you so much, Staffer 02. We
    can go ahead and get off the record.
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5	EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR OFFICE OF
6	CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS
7	BY MS. BENITEZ:
8	Q For the record today is April 6, 2023.
9	We're conducting the remote interview of Witness
10	1. He is represented by counsel, Mr. Emmett
11	Robinson, who is present with us here today.
12	Speaking is Indhira Benitez, investigative
13	counsel with the Office of Congressional Ethics.
14	I am here with two of my colleagues, Annie Cho and
15	Docktrel Cromartie.
16	Witness 1 has been given a copy of the
17	False Statements Act and has signed the
18	acknowledgement and provided that to our office.
19	So again, Witness 1, please feel free to
20	stop me if you need a break during the interview,
21	and again, just wanted to thank you for your
22	cooperation.

1 So, Witness 1, can you tell me a little 2 bit about yourself? Where are you from and how 3 did you end up in DC? 4 Yeah. Grew up in Ohio, ended up in DC 5 after being involved with a friend of mine 6 romantically, through romantic relationship; was 7 staying at Joint Base Andrews because they were in 8 the military, ended up getting a hard pass for the 9 news media as a position as a journalist to the 10 White House. 11 When our relationship romantically ended, 12 I continued to frequent DC periodically for news 13 reporting and to cover the White House and the 14 President, and of course, when the new Congress 15 this year took office, I saw an opportunity to 16 apply for a position with Congressman Santos's 17 office, and that's how I got introduced to that. Q Okay. And how did you eventually connect 18 19 with Congressman Santos? 20 So I actually had no idea who he was prior 21 to his swearing in. It was actually the day or 22 the week-long process that the House was taking to

select the Speaker is when I was actually first ever heard of Congressman Santos, and a friend of mine had actually sent me an article about some of his background and how it was being questioned, and of course the news media on television and online was covering that quite intently during the Speaker race as well.

So that was the first time that I had ever heard the name George Santos or that he was even a congressman.

I had followed a gentleman on Twitter by the name of Staffer 2 who ultimately would go on to work for the congressman and have the title of director of operations. I knew that Staffer 2 had a very controversial background. He was a provocateur in terms of what his style was. He was a guy who liked to poke the bear and the beehive, and he was very good, in his words, at what he does, and his, his fan base and the folks that align themselves with him tend to think that he's very good at what he does, but he does have a criminal record, and he has some questionable

1 background. 2 So I saw an opportunity to reach out to 3 him because I'd wanted to work on the Hill. 4 think, you know, it had always long been a goal of 5 mine growing up to work on the Hill, but I never 6 had the traditional résumé or the background or 7 the poli sci degree that most people have. I 8 hadn't worked on any campaigns because I had 9 always been on the news side of things, and you 10 really don't blend the two. So I didn't really 11 have those inside connections to go get the job on 12 the Hill with an office. 13 And so I reached out to Staffer 2 on 14 Twitter, and I said, hey, I see that you're 15 working for Congressman Santos; I'd love to meet 16 with you to see if I can help out in any way; my 17 background's in news media, speech writing. I think those will be great things that you guys 18 19 definitely need some help with. You're getting a 20 lot of attention. And he said, yeah, that's 21 great, let's meet.

So I popped into the office one day in

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January, shook his hand. It's the first time I'd met Staffer 2 in person, and he said he was busy that day, that he couldn't, couldn't meet, but that we would grab dinner the following week in mid January.

So we swapped phone numbers, and we stayed in contact, and I came back to Ohio and ended up flying back to DC the following week, and we got dinner; it was I think a Tuesday or Wednesday in mid January. We grabbed dinner at the Bombay restaurant just around the corner from the White House.

and I. I had sent an Uber to pick him up. I wasn't sure -- he wasn't in a very good financial position. He had just come from New York, and I could tell that he had some financial challenges just by the way that he was describing his stay in DC. He was couch surfing from what I understood and didn't have any money. They only get paid once a month on the Hill, so he had been in the job for -- well, he hadn't even officially

started. He was doing volunteer work in the office at that time for about a week, and then his official hire date wasn't until like a week into his employment status at the office there.

So he, much like me, worked in the office

for about a week or so before he was actually being paid. He knew that he had a job coming. It just the process hadn't been finished yet with his paperwork, so he didn't have any money, so I picked up the dinner tab and paid for his Uber.

And during our dinner we discussed a lot of things. He asked questions about, you know, my background, where I came from, who I was, what my political ideologies was, and I essentially told him that, you know, I was in the center; I didn't have one way or the other. I was friends with congressman Tim Ryan and that I also had friends who were Republicans, and I come from a conservative area and I really wasn't looking for a Republican or a Democrat office to work in; I was just looking for an office to work in that I could apply myself to for the constituents and to

write speeches, and I know that's very different than what a lot of people go to the Hill for.

When they go, they align themselves with their party and their beliefs, but I simply just don't really have an opinion on a lot of things; I just never had. So that's why I told him that.

Q And what, what about congressman Santos or Staffer 2's background attracted you to wanting to work in that specific office?

A I knew that Staffer 2 had a nontraditional background, much like me. You know, I don't have, like I mentioned, a background in politics. When I was working full time in the news, I had some litigation for public records against local media, or local government agency. So it was -- I came with my own baggage, so to speak, and I knew that during that process of applying for jobs on the Hill it would be challenging. So I wanted to go to an office where I knew they were desperate for help and that they were willing to accept people like Staffer 2 and myself who had nontraditional backgrounds.

1 What was the hiring process like? 2 know you mentioned you went into the office at 3 some point early January to meet Staffer 2, and 4 then you went in again middle of January. Tell me 5 about the second time you went into the office. 6 Who did you speak with, who did you meet with, and 7 what happened? 8 So I was actually in -- I went back to DC 9 on my own forward on my own dime and was staying 10 in a hotel, and I texted Staffer 2, and I said I'm 11 going to be outside of the hallway with the rest 12 of the news media; if you need anything, come out 13 and get me, because I was essentially asserting myself in the hallway making myself available 14 15 because I knew that they needed staff in that 16 office, and Staffer 2 said that he could get me a 17 position in the office but that the opportunity 18 had to present itself. 19 So I arrived at about 9 a.m. one morning. 20 They actually had brought in doughnuts and had 21 left them in the hallway for the news media, and 22 Staffer 2 had told me the night before, he says,

make sure you get there early because they're 1 2 going to, we're going to do a Boris Johnson, and I 3 didn't know what that meant. So I did a little research, and I said, oh, you're bringing in 4 5 doughnuts, aren't you, because Boris Johnson one 6 time took tea outside of his house to the news 7 media. 8 And so I stood out in the hallway for 9 about a half an hour, and Staffer 2 comes out and 10 he whispers in my ear, and of course all the news 11 media is wondering what, who I am and why he's 12 whispering in my ear, and he whispers in my ear 13 and he says, you're getting ready to go into a staff interview with the congressman and the chief 14 15 of staff. He says, you've already got the position, but they want to meet you and get 16 17 introduced to you, so follow me. We walked into the office. 18 It was a 19 Monday morning, and I went into the congressman's 20 office, in his personal office where the chief of 21 staff was standing and the congressman was

standing. They both shook my hand. We introduced

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1 ourselves, and they told me to have a seat, and we 2 proceeded to have a conversation about who I was 3 and my background. 4 What position was offered to you at that 5 time? 6 So at that time there was no official 7 position that was offered in the moment. I was 8 being interviewed for just a staff position as it 9 was relayed to me by Staffer 2. I wouldn't know 10 until later that day that the official title would 11 be legislative correspondent and staff assistant. 12 The interview was very nontraditional. 13 was about 15 minutes. We talked about everything 14 in the interview except for the job duties. I had 15 exactly no idea what I was being asked of to do if 16 I were to be hired. In fact, when I went in the 17 next day, I didn't know what to do. I didn't know 18 what my job was. I had this title but I didn't 19 know what I did. 20 Do you remember what date that was or 21 approximately what date that was? 22 Yeah. So it was January 24th was my first

official day at the office in my capacity as an LA 1 2 staff assistant. How much time did you spend in the office 3 4 on January 24th? 5 I arrived shortly before 9 a.m., and I don't believe I left until about 6:30 or 7:00 that 6 7 night. 8 Did you have an opportunity to meet any 9 other staffers that day? I met our, at the time it was our 10 I did. 11 office assistant who also has the title of press 12 secretary which was Gabby Lipsky, and then I met 13 Rafael Carone who was in charge of legislation; of course re-met the chief of staff, Staffer 1, and 14 15 then the director of communications whose names I 16 can't recall. 17 Did you have any task or assignments that 18 you were responsible for that day, or what were 19 you doing on the 24th when you were in the office? 20 So immediately I was shown around Yes. 21 the office. I was assigned a desk. They said 22 this is my desk. I would not have a computer

1 log-in until my onboarding paperwork was finished 2 but that I was free to use my cell phone if I 3 I had a desk phone. I was told that I needed to. 4 would be answering incoming phone calls for 5 constituents and documenting information. 6 The Staffer 2 and the congressman showed 7 me a stack of mail that was on Gabby's desk and told me to go through it, and then my job would be 8 9 to go through the mail and to respond to the 10 constituents every day and to pick letters. 11 I looked at the congressman and I asked 12 him, I said, you know, what do you want me to do 13 with these letters exactly? I said, when 14 President Obama was in office, he would choose 15 five letters and he would personally write back to 16 the citizens five letters on his desk, and he 17 said, that's fine, give me five letters, he said a 18 day, and I will sign them and we'll mail them back 19 to the constituents. 20 Most of the mail was hate mail, postcards, 21 people calling him nasty names and telling him 22 that he needed to resign. I created a filing

system that day where we got one of those accordion files and had 30 slots in it, and the goal was to have one for each month, and inside was a slot for each day, and then the mail for that day would go in there. If it was hate mail, it would go into one folder. If it was positive mail, it would go into another folder, and if it was mail that we were corresponding to, it would go into another folder.

Q Were you able to parse out five letters that the congressman could respond to that day?

A Yeah. There was a significant number of letters. Like I said, most of them were postcards. A couple of them were positive, but there really wasn't much that day of note that he needed to, he needed to hear about.

In fact, it was shortly after -- in the morning we had gone -- he wanted to go take something down to the Speaker's office. So I had escorted him down there with Staffer 2, and when we got back, actually some of the mail was gone, and I had asked Rafael where did the mail go? And

1 he said, I don't know. 2 So he texted Gabby, and Gabby had 3 apparently taken the mail home, and she had gone 4 home early that day, so I wasn't able to finish 5 the mail on that particular Tuesday. 6 Q Did you have any conversations that day, 7 that Tuesday, the 24th; correct, in January? Is 8 what you're -- when you're referencing Tuesday, 9 you're referencing January 24th? 10 Α That's correct. 11 Just want to make it clear. Did you have 12 any conversations regarding your pay or any 13 onboarding that needed to be done that day? 14 Yes. Actually it was the night before, 15 that Monday, that I was sent a packet by Staffer 1 who's the chief of staff, and he asked me to fill 16 17 it out. I filled it out. It was several pages 18 long, I want to say somewhere between 50 and 100 19 pages long, and it was typical onboarding things: 20 Bank information, past history, job application, I 21 believe, things of that nature. That was on the

Monday evening, and I immediately filled that out

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1	and sent that back to him Monday evening.
2	He told me in an e-mail that I would be
3	paid \$50,000 that Monday evening, and he asked me
4	if I would come into the office that following
5	Tuesday on the 24th to meet the staff, and of
6	course I did.
7	Q And just for some quick clarification. So
8	that Monday when you received the packet from
9	Staffer 1, was that the day that you had the
10	interview with the congressman and Staffer 1 or
11	was that before that Monday?
12	A So that is correct. It was that Monday
13	morning was the interview. By that evening I had
14	the onboarding paperwork in my e-mail.
15	Q And that Monday morning after the
16	interview with the congressman and Staffer 1 did
17	you happen to stay at the office for an extended
18	period of time or did you just go in for the
19	interview?
20	A It was just the interview. I left the
21	Hill and went back to my hotel.
22	Q What were the circumstances around your

1	termination? When did that happen?
2	A So that would have happened the
3	official termination didn't happen until
4	Wednesday, February 1st. That's when I was
5	informed that I was being released from the
6	position.
7	Q How many days from January 23rd to
8	February 1st were you physically in the office?
9	A So I was physically in the office Tuesday,
10	Wednesday, Thursday. So it would have been the
11	23rd, the 24th and the 25th. I was told not to
12	report on the 26th, and then on Monday, January
13	30th, I was asked to come in for a meeting in the
14	afternoon at about 4 or 4:30 p.m.; I can't recall
15	the exact time. I think it was in the 4:00 hour.
16	I had no idea what the meeting was about, but I
17	know that I didn't work on Friday and that I had
18	not worked on Monday.
19	Q Did you have any suspicions about what the
20	meeting could be about?
21	A Actually a lot of things went through my
22	mind. There had been some talk about firing the

director of communications. Obviously that's
where my background's at, so I thought perhaps
they were offering me a promotion.

I also knew that no one in that office other than Gabby really had any money in their bank accounts, so I — it also went through my mind that perhaps the congressman and Staffer 1 was going to ask me for some money. For all they knew, you know, I was this guy from Ohio who owned a publication, and I presented myself very well, and they thought that perhaps I might have been financially wealthy, and I thought, things went through my mind perhaps they wanted to ask for some money to get them through or something. I wasn't exactly sure what we were going to discuss.

Q Why did you think that none of the other staffers were in a good financial situation?

A Well, I know that I had -- I had provided Staffer 2 with about \$1100 total that month in loans. It was \$100 at a time to help him with food and gasoline and whatnot.

I assumed that, you know, if he didn't get

paid, then no one else had gotten paid, and

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everyone was new to DC. I knew Gabby's parents They had donated to the congressman a had money. significant amount of money, and I can't imagine that anyone else had financial resources. Ιf Staffer 2 was hurting, I imagine the rest of them were as well. So talk to me about you were in the office on that Monday, the 23rd, for your interview. Then you left and came back on the 24th where you spent what sounds like a full day in the office trying to get acclimated with other staff members and your duties. What -- you came back the 25th. What happened in the office on the 25th? So that would have been that Wednesday. I came in at 9:00 just -- everyone told me that the

came in at 9:00 just -- everyone told me that the day starts at 9 and always to arrive at 9. So I arrived at 9. Rafael was already there. I believe the director of communications might have already been there, but no one else was there, and I was actually a little surprised that Staffer 2 and the congressman and that Gabby wasn't already

1	in the office because they always started very
2	early from what I understood. They told me
3	previously that everyone got there at 9. Well,
4	you know, it was like 9:10, 9:15, and no one was
5	there, and I was a little concerned that something
6	was going on, but they busted in the doorway, the
7	congressman, Gabby and Staffer 2 came through the
8	doorway as I was sitting at my desk. I was
9	actually on the phone with a constituent or
10	somebody who was complaining, and Rafael was
11	sitting behind me, and they come through the front
12	door of the office, and they shut the door and
13	they immediately burst out into laughter, the
14	three of them. Apparently there had been
15	something done in the hallway by a member of the
16	news media that they thought was funny. I don't
17	remember what that was, but they were laughing,
18	and I couldn't make sense of what they were
19	laughing about, but they came in late. It was
20	about 9:30.
21	By that time I had already started
22	processing the mail. The congressman had received

again a significant amount of hate mail that day, but he had also received a package from a Bible group out of Texas that was a Bible, and there was a note in there with the Bible that said something along the lines of, we know that you have admitted to lying but God forgives, and here's this Bible; we hope that you read it, it's from our Bible group, and we hope it guides you, and several women's names were signed to the bottom of that.

Q When did you -- remind me again of when you were told to come into the office for a meeting with the congressman and Staffer 1.

A For the termination?

14 O Yes.

A So Staffer 1 had texted me on, I want to say sometime over the weekend and had said to me can you come in and meet with us on Monday, because I had, was told not to report on Friday, and I wasn't clear on, you know, I guess -- he called it -- Staffer 1 said it was a go-home day which I took as this is the day that everyone flies home, back to their home states I guess. I

1 don't know. So I assumed that they didn't need me 2 for that day, and I didn't think anything of it at 3 that time, and then over the weekend of course, as 4 I mentioned, when Staffer 1 said can you come into 5 the office, don't -- he said, don't come in Monday 6 morning; can you meet us instead at 4, 4:00, 4:30, 7 something like that, and that's when things 8 started to run through my mind like, you know, 9 what's going on? In fact, as I mentioned, I 10 thought it was going to be a promotion of some 11 type. 12 And you didn't -- so you went in -- the 13 last time you were in the office prior to coming 14 in that Monday was Wednesday, correct, the 25th? 15 My last day in the office would have been 16 that Thursday. 17 Thursday, okay. So what happened during 18 the meeting with Staffer 1 and the congressman 19 that Monday morning? Or Monday afternoon, I'm 20 sorry. 21 Yeah. So I, I showed up about a half an Α 22 hour early. I did not feel comfortable sitting at my desk because I wasn't exactly sure what the meeting was about. It was very tense. I could just feel it in the air. The congressman was in his office, and I'm not exactly sure where Staffer 1 was at.

I know at one point the congressman asked for Gabby to step into the office, and he was pulling all the staffers in one by one, and it made me uncomfortable because I wasn't exactly sure what they were talking about, but I knew that I was up next.

So I couldn't hear or make out what they were talking about, but I was called in next and was told to have a seat, and then, as we now know, you know, I was very concerned about what this meeting was going to be about. I wasn't sure, so I went in with my cell phone recording.

Q Did you have any conversations with anyone on staff prior to the meeting about your concerns regarding this meeting?

A Not regarding the meeting. I had relayed to Rafael in text messages earlier that previous

week that I was concerned about the security of our jobs and the positions that we would have if the congressman was to be expelled from the House, and Rafael said that we would be fine and safe until there was a special election which would not happen until the fall.

Q Did you have any conversations with Staffer 2 regarding your concerns about your communications with Staffer 1 in that meeting that Monday?

A I had -- I had texted Staffer 2 and said that they had asked me -- so after the meeting on Monday I had texted Staffer 2 and I said, you know, they were asking me about the wiretapping allegations against me in Ohio and whatnot, and Staffer 2 said, oh, I had no idea that's what it was about. He said, I really wouldn't sweat it, don't worry about it, and that was the extent that we had. I actually left that meeting that Monday thinking that I still had a job.

Q Did you ever -- prior to that meeting on Monday, had you disclosed any information about

1 the wiretapping allegations to Staffer 1 or the 2 congressman or anyone on staff? 3 Staffer 2 during our dinner at Bombay, I 4 had relayed to him exactly what I had gone 5 through. He thought it was very interesting. 6 don't believe I actually told Staffer 1 directly, 7 but it was my understanding Staffer 2 had told me 8 that he had spoken to Staffer 1 about my résumé, 9 and Staffer 2 told me that he had spoken with the 10 congressman about my "background," so I took it 11 that they both were, the congressman and the chief 12 of staff were aware. 13 So then what was brought up during the 14 January 30th meeting with the congressman and 15 Staffer 1? What was the substance of the 16 conversation? 17 Well, again, it was very, very 18 nontraditional, unprofessional conversation. we know from the audio, you know, they were 19 20 laughing, they were talking about everything 21 except for why I was actually in there to, why I 22 was actually supposed to be in there and what the

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They did some joking. At one point the congressman received a text message from Don Lemon from CNN, and he started to have a little minor fangirl panic attack over that. He offered me some candy, and they were making a lot of jokes and a lot of laughing, and both were scrolling on their phones, and I was just sitting there staring at them and was talking, and then shortly into the conversation Staffer 1 shows me, he says, well, here, this was brought to my attention -- and I'm paraphrasing -- but Staffer 1 says, you know, this was brought to my attention, and he shows me his cell phone, and on the cell phone was I believe the CPJ article from the protection of journalists talking about how they were condemning the arrest for wiretapping.

Q Why did you record that interaction with the congressman and Staffer 1 that Monday?

A Well, I was concerned for multiple reasons. Obviously, you know, earlier last, the week prior to that the congressman had made an

inappropriate advance towards me. I wasn't

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exactly sure what was going to happen in that office, who was going to be in that meeting. knew that this was going to be about my third time in that office since the previous week from the inappropriate advance that I was possibly going to be alone with the congressman, and so I wanted to ensure that if something was inappropriately done or said that it was going to be documented, so I felt the need to record it. I wasn't entirely sure what the meeting was about or what was going to happen. Let's talk about the inappropriate advances. When did that happen? What happened? It would have been Wednesday, and forgive me, it would have been the 25th I believe or, you know, whatever the date of that Wednesday was. Again, I had started the day normal. They

had come in late. The congressman was in his office, and behind me at the desk was Rafael, and Rafael said, hey, you know, why don't you tell the congressman about the Bible that he received in

the mail, and I said, oh yeah, that's a great idea.

So I grabbed the Bible and I grabbed a couple other pieces of positive mail, and I went into the congressman's office, and he was at his desk standing, and I said, hey, congressman, I have some information and some mail I want to go over with you. I said, you received a package today from a Bible group, and he said, oh yeah, yeah, thanks, buddy, and I never sat down until the congressman would set down, and it was just out of respect. So if we were in a room, he always sat first, and then he would always tell me to sit down. That's just the way that it was out of respect.

So he sat down. It was actually two leather seats that he has. I call it a sofa but it wasn't -- they're two leather seats that have arms, and they're pushed together to create a sofa, and he sat on the left side and I sat on the -- and he told me to go ahead and have a seat, and I sat on the right side, and I wasn't sitting

completely back in the chair, and I was like kind of I guess quarter looking at him, and I had the package and the mail, and some of it was setting on the table.

And I proceeded to tell him, you received this package today, and that's when he stopped me, and that's when things started to get inappropriate.

Q How did things get inappropriate?

A The congressman placed his right hand on my knee, which I thought, you know, I wasn't exactly sure why. He looked at me and he said, hey, buddy, we're going to go to karaoke later tonight, would you like to go? And I told the congressman that I didn't frequent the bar scene, that I wasn't a drinker, and that I wasn't a very good singer, and before I could finish that sentence and while I was saying that his hand was sliding up my leg and proceeded to, to grab my groin, and then he said, well, my husband's going to be not home later, he's going to be out of town if you want to come over, and he proceeded to tell

me that he lived in Navy Yard, and the building was -- I don't particularly remember the name of the building. It was some alphabet building, the O building or the -- it's called OR, OR 84, OR 83, something like that was the building that he said he resided in, and I pushed his hand away and just kind of smirked and smiled and grabbed the remaining mail that was on the table and proceeded to finish our conversation about the mail.

Q And Witness 1, I know it's probably difficult to recount the details, but I do want to walk through some of these details.

So you said that you brought in some mail to discuss with the congressman. Can you kind of walk me moment by moment through the conversation and what happened? So you presented him with the mail. He is standing at his desk. You're standing. You stated that you won't sit down unless the congressman gestures for you to sit down or sits down first. So at what point does he come out from behind his desk? Could you walk me through that?

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Yeah. I mean, as I walked into the office, he was moving away from his desk and walking toward me, and I said, hey, you know, congressman, I have some mail I want to go over with you, and then he sits down and he proceeds to tell me to sit down. So it all happened within seconds of entering the room, and that's when I put some of the mail down on the table. I believe I had some in my lap on the right side, and I was positioned a quarter away facing him. He was 11 positioned a quarter of the way facing me. Again, 12 we were setting side by side. The only thing 13 separating us were these leather armchairs that 14 were pushed together to create a sofa, and that's 15 when he proceeded to place his hand on my knee. 16 Do you remember which knee he placed his 17 hand on? 18 It was my left knee. Α Yeah. 19 And what, what did you say? What was the 20 conversation at this moment? 21 Well, I didn't say anything, and that's --

he was -- I was getting ready to start talking

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about the mail, and in fact, had -- I believe I had actually started to utter some words about you received this today, and that's when he interjected and said what he said which was, hey, buddy, we're going to karaoke later, would you like to go? And I again responded to him that I didn't drink, I didn't frequent the bar scene, I was a terrible singer. And how did that interaction end with the congressman? He said that he wanted to write a thankyou note to the Bible group, and there was another piece of mail in there that was from a woman who had apparently, unbeknownst to me, had been a frequent writer, and he said, oh, I have received mail from her before. He says, I do want to respond to her; she's from the District. And he

Q So what -- I'm sorry. So at some point during this interaction with the congressman you did, in fact, discuss the mail that you brought in

proceeded to ask me to draft the letters and to

get them to him to sign and send out.

to his office?

A Yeah. I can't remember the woman's name that was the constituent, but he had said that she was a frequent writer, and also he kept the Bible in his office. I kept the correspondence from the package of the Bible so I could address the women and knew where to write the letter to.

Q And then what happened?

A I left the room and went back to my desk, and that's when I proceeded to file the mail. I told Gabby that I wanted to get some stationery from the store down in the basement because I didn't have any.

So she and I went down that day and went shopping, for lack of a better word, for stationery and inkpens and whatnot.

Q And just quickly revisiting the incident, you said that at some point the congressman's hand was no longer on your knee and he actually touched your groin; is that correct?

A Yes.

Q How did you feel after that interaction?

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1 I was uncomfortable, but it was, you know, 2 he was my boss. He's a congressman. It was 3 inappropriate. I knew that it was inappropriate, 4 but at no time -- I didn't know how to process it. 5 Did you tell anyone what happened that 6 day? 7 Not that day, no. Α 8 Did you tell anyone after, after that day 9 about what happened? So I went to the FBI field office in 10 11 Washington on Monday, the 30th, before my meeting 12 that day with the congressman and Staffer 1, and I 13 took an Uber, and I got dropped off there, and I 14 went into the field office and spoke with an 15 intake agent and explained to them that I worked 16 at the congressman's office and that, you know, I 17 wanted to talk with them about, you know, some 18 things that had happened, and also I knew that 19 they were investigating him back home in the 20 District, and I thought perhaps I could be of some 21 use to them. 22 How would you have assisted them in their

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I had previously had some interactions with the Bureau as a news reporter working as a confidential informant for them, so I was aware that the Bureau had such a program. Not only did I want to tell them about, you know, the inappropriate behavior that had taken place because I was, I was for sure that it was going to happen again, and I wanted it to be documented, and then if it was to escalate, you know, what was it going to escalate into, perhaps something more serious like a Monica Lewinsky situation. wasn't exactly sure what it would escalate into, but having been familiar with the FBI's confidential informant program, knowing that they were investigating him, I wanted to make myself available to the FBI. So from the date of the incident January

Q So from the date of the incident January 25th up until the morning of January 30th you hadn't told anyone about the incident between you and the congressman?

A That is correct. Just the FBI.

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1	Q Was there any reason you hadn't shared
2	with anyone what happened?
3	A I knew that it was inappropriate, but I
4	personally did not think too much about it at the
5	time.
6	Q Well, you thought about it because then
7	you went to the FBI that Monday to file a report;
8	correct?
9	A I knew yes. I knew it was
10	inappropriate behavior, but I had personally,
11	hadn't quite processed exactly how inappropriate
12	that it was. I knew that this behavior was going
13	to most likely escalate, but at that particular
14	time I did not feel that the behavior was criminal
15	or anything more than inappropriate behavior that
16	took place in the workplace.
17	Q So I guess my question is: If you didn't
18	think the behavior was criminal, why go to a
19	criminal law enforcement agency and not go to
20	Staffer 1 or resources within the House of
21	Representatives to disclose the inappropriate
22	behavior?

A 50 I don t know what resources are
available. I hadn't been given any resources or
anything. Again, I knew that the FBI was looking
into the congressman. I was familiar, I had
worked with the Bureau on many occasions before.
So I knew that they had a program for confidential
informants, and I was sure that the behavior was
going to escalate, and I also knew that there was
probably going to be some other things discussed
in the office that was of interest to the Bureau,
so I wanted to make myself available to them, but
I also reported to them that of course this
inappropriate touching had occurred and that it
was most likely, it could escalate into something
more serious, you know. I don't know what it
would have escalated into but I was sure that it
would have.
Q So at that point you were sure that the
behavior was going to escalate once you were
speaking with the FBI. Why did you want to stay

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employed at the congressman's office then?

There was a lot of reasons.

1 obviously -- I knew that I, again, did not have a 2 traditional résumé, so I couldn't just go apply at 3 another congressional office and just get another 4 iob. 5 Also Congressman Santos was very 6 controversial at the time; he still is. He had a 7 lot of media spotlight on him. I had a lot of 8 experience in media. I was for certain that I was 9 going to be able to move into a communications 10 role because it had been relayed to me that they 11 were looking to terminate the communications 12 director and that perhaps that would be a role that I could transition into. That was something 13 14 that was discussed with me in my initial interview 15 that was very brief for about 15 minutes with that 16 initial interview on that Monday before. 17 So, so yeah, I wanted to keep my job. I 18 enjoyed it. I enjoyed working for the people. 19 MS. BENITEZ: I'm sorry. I think my 20 colleague may have a question. 21 Annie? 22

1	EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR OFFICE OF
2	CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS
3	BY MS. CHO:
4	Q Yeah. So Witness 1, you keep mentioning
5	that you had this feeling or you knew that the
6	behavior would escalate. What makes what makes
7	you think that? Were there any interactions after
8	the incident that led you to believe that this
9	would continue or get worse?
10	A No, but I know how I know how things
11	like that go. I mean, I'm no stranger to
12	workplace, you know, advances. I think we all
13	have read about them on the news. You know, we
14	all know what we've all we've all read
15	stories about inappropriate conduct in the office.
16	So things start out small, and they grow,
17	and that's just the reality of things. So I was
18	for sure that if he did it once, he was probably
19	going to continue to try to pursue me, and he
20	clearly had found me, I'm guessing, attractive, or
21	at least he wanted to assert some sort of,
22	something over me. So I guess I was just sure

that it was going to happen again.

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Q After that interaction you said you kind of -- I guess the topic wasn't addressed between you and the congressman immediately after the interaction. Did you guys have any subsequent conversations kind of addressing that incident?

No, not that incident. Earlier in the day we were in the office. You know, there was a very short window of time from when they walked in late until I had went into his office, very short period of time, and I had told the congressman out in the common area where all of our desks were so it's kind of the main lobby or the common area where everyone is, and Gabby was at her desk, I was at my desk, and Rafael was at his desk, and I had told the congressman that somebody on Grindr had in their biography the words "not George Santo-ish," and I thought that was comical. So I showed that to the congressman, and that's when Rafael jumped up and looked at it, and the congressman looked at it, and the congressman thought it was hilarious, and he asked, he said,

1	do you have a Grindr profile? And of course I
2	told him that I did, and he says, oh yeah, well, I
3	have one, too, and Rafael mentioned something
4	along the lines of that he didn't have one, that
5	he didn't partake in that sort of thing.
6	Q This was after the incident?
7	A Before. It was prior to. It was that
8	morning.
9	FURTHER EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR OFFICE OF
10	CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS
11	BY MS. BENITEZ:
12	Q I want to go back to your, your meeting
13	with the FBI. Was it your intention to serve as a
14	confidential informant for any ongoing
14 15	confidential informant for any ongoing investigations into the congressman?
15	investigations into the congressman?
15 16	investigations into the congressman?  A Yes.
15 16 17	investigations into the congressman?  A Yes.  Q Was that the reason you wanted to continue
15 16 17 18	investigations into the congressman?  A Yes.  Q Was that the reason you wanted to continue working in the congressman's office?
15 16 17 18 19	investigations into the congressman?  A Yes.  Q Was that the reason you wanted to continue working in the congressman's office?  A No. It was not the sole reason. It was

would have gone, but having worked on the Hill for two years for a congressman who arguably is very notorious right now would have led to something later on in life; I'm not sure what, but I truly did enjoy answering the phones, and I truly did enjoy writing the correspondence, and I enjoyed escorting him around the building.

When you walk around this building that's very historic where history has been made and is made every day, you see history makers lawmakers, it just draws you in. It captivates you. You want to be present for that history. As a journalist I was geeking out somewhat to see the walls of history.

Q And as, as a journalist, Witness 1, and it seems you have a very diverse résumé and you have a lot of experience on your résumé, and you've mentioned that financially you were in a better position than a lot of the other staffers, did you ever have any concerns about having to subject yourself to that kind of inappropriate behavior with the congressman again? You stated that you

had a feeling it would happen again. So did you 1 2 have any concerns about that, that you'd have to 3 subject yourself to that inappropriate behavior again? 4 5 Α I was certain that it would happen 6 again and that it would have advanced, and I 7 wasn't sure how I was going to handle it. was one of the reasons why I wanted the FBI's 8 9 direction. 10 Would it have been easier to not subject 11 yourself to that and not return to the 12 congressman's office? 13 I suppose if it would have happened again and I felt extremely uncomfortable, I would have 14 15 probably evaluated the situation at that time and 16 made a decision on how to move forward. 17 But after the first incident you didn't 18 feel I guess concerned -- you're saying that you 19 were concerned that you were sure it was going to 20 happen again. You were concerned about how you would react. I guess my question is: At that 21

point why not just call it quits and not return to

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1 the congressman's office? 2 Well, I knew it was inappropriate, but 3 what's inappropriate in the workplace and what is 4 personally offensive are two different things. 5 So was that incident personally offensive 6 to you? 7 Not to a degree that I felt it would 8 require a police report or being, being let go 9 from my position or quitting. I knew it was 10 inappropriate, but I wasn't -- I was a little 11 creeped out by it, but I wasn't personally 12 offended to the point where I felt entirely 13 violated. 14 But you did think it was inappropriate 15 enough to follow up with the FBI? 16 I knew that it was going to probably 17 happen again, and I wanted direction on how to 18 handle that. Having been a confidential informant 19 for the FBI before and having worked with them 20 extensively in infiltrating public officials, I 21 knew that oftentimes the Bureau would have you 22 engage in behavior that necessarily was

uncomfortable but they -- was at the guidance of whoever the target was, and so I knew that if the congressman was to make these advances again that we would have the Bureau on our side to have them properly documented, and however they would have advised me to move forward is how I would have moved forward with it.

Q After your January 30th meeting with Staffer 1 and the congressman you said -- well, you just said that you didn't think the behavior was inappropriate enough to go to the police but you felt you needed to alert the FBI for the purposes of being a confidential informant. After that January 30th meeting didn't you, in fact, go to Capitol Police to file a police report about the incident?

A I did, and I was instructed by some friends who had since learned about it, you know, friends in the news media and whatnot, told me perhaps I should file a police report because they thought it was criminal, and I had made a phone call to the Capitol Police on my drive back to

1	Reagan National to fly I was flying somewhere;
2	I can't remember where, and I they did take a
3	police report over the phone and they asked that I
4	e-mail them a statement.
5	Q Do you remember when, when that was that
6	you called the Capitol Police?
7	A I believe it would have been the following
8	Friday.
9	Q Was that after or before you were
10	terminated from the office?
11	A That was after.
12	Q Who did you tell after January 30th up
13	until that date where you called Capitol Police?
14	Did you discuss with any friends? It sounds like
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15 16 17 18 19	you may have had some other discussions about what happened that day.  A Well, yeah. I had I obviously have been in the news for quite some time as a journalist, so I have a lot of friends who are

seen was the video on all the cable channels of me next to him or walking him through the hallways or standing in the elevator with him.

So I had a lot of unanswered messages on my Twitter and in my text and e-mail about what I was doing next to the congressman, not just one day but two days, and I hadn't responded back to them.

So after that conversation on Monday,

30th, where I was essentially, you know,
interrogated about my background and how they were
concerned with these wiretapping allegations from
Ohio, I had talked with some of my friends who I
had left undelivered and explained to them, you
know, this is where I have been for the last week,
and by the way, this happened today, and I don't
know the direction that it's going to go but I was
told that my onboarding paperwork was going to be
finished, and, but I was very sick to my stomach
because I was hanging in limbo, and I had relayed
to one of them that I had recorded the
conversation, and they wanted -- well, part of the

conversation -- and they wanted to -- they asked if they could hear it, and I said sure, so I sent it to them and they listened to it, and they said that they thought that it would have made a very good news story and that they asked for my permission to run the article pertaining to the audio recording.

I guess the angle was that it was a very unorthodox work environment because of the way the conversation was very unprofessional.

Q Could you remind me again of the date?
When was your last, officially what date you were terminated?

A February 1st is when I was told that I was not going to be employed.

Q You made a series of public statements regarding the congressman and the incident that took place in his office, one of which was on February 3rd, I believe, on your Twitter, on your Twitter when you released a statement kind of explaining or summarizing what we've just spoken about today, the incident that happened in his

1 office and the details that led to your termination. Why -- why did you release that 2 3 statement? 4 As a person who comes from the news, I 5 believe in transparency of government, and I 6 wanted the public to be aware that I had filed a 7 complaint and that this process was hopefully 8 going to be looked into and the allegations were 9 going to be looked into. I thought it was very inappropriate to be 10 11 I thought it was -- I had time to reflect 12 and realized that the behavior inside the office 13 with the congressman was inappropriate, and I felt 14 that the matters needed to be addressed. 15 Were you upset that you were terminated? I was heartbroken. I was sad. I was -- I 16 17 wasn't -- I wouldn't describe it as upset. 18 disappointed. 19 And at that point when you released this 20 public statement on February 3rd on your Twitter,

did you have any, any desire to return back to the

congressman's office in your former capacity? Did

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1	you want to go back to work for the congressman?
2	A Yes.
3	Q Why?
4	A Again, I enjoyed my job, and I
5	particularly did not feel what again, what's
6	inappropriate and what's personally offensive are
7	two different things in the workplace and what I
8	personally find offensive.
9	So, you know, if the behavior had been put
10	on notice and if the congressman wasn't going to
11	do it anymore, then I wouldn't see the reason why
12	I couldn't continue my employment.
13	So, yes, I did go back and essentially try
14	to ask for my job back.
15	Q And what was the substance of those
16	conversations? Who did you speak with?
17	A It was very brief. I had walked into the
18	office. I think everyone was very sort of shocked
19	to see me. I at this point it had not been
20	made public that I had been terminated at that
21	point. The audio recording had not been released.
22	It was the following Tuesday. That would have

been January 31st.

I went in, and I was met by Staffer 2, and the congressman was in his office behind closed doors, and Staffer 2 was shocked that I was there, and he asked what I was doing there, and I said, I came to collect my things from my desk, and -- well, excuse me. I'm getting my dates mixed up.

It would have been the Thursday, not the Tuesday. It was Thursday I went and collected my things, and Staffer 2 asked what I was doing there, and I said, I'm here to collect my things, and the congressman was in his office behind closed doors, and I had brought a mug that I had purchased for the congressman, and I wanted to gift it to him and essentially have a conversation with him and say, hey, you know, this happened back in Ohio with the wiretapping situation, I understand your concerns, but give me an opportunity, and if I mess up, then you can terminate me, because he was going at it from an angle that I was being terminated.

It was quite comical actually. He said

1	that he was concerned for the institution, meaning
2	Congress. He wasn't concerned about himself he
3	said. He was concerned about me being a liability
4	to this institution, and I thought that was
5	comical because we're talking about a congressman
6	who has admittedly lied his way to get into that
7	institution who is arguably a liability to that
8	institution. So I thought it was very
9	hypocritical of him to say that, but nevertheless,
10	I wanted to have a conversation with him and
11	essentially say, look, you're here, you've messed
12	up, I have this issue back in Ohio I'm dealing
13	with, I messed up back there but I have not messed
14	up here, and until I mess up here please give me
15	another opportunity.
16	He had mentioned about second chances in
17	our Monday meeting. He had talked about how
18	Staffer 1 had given him second chances. I wanted
19	a second chance.
20	Q So in that, in that recording of the
21	Monday meeting, the congressman and Staffer 1 were
22	not aware that they were being recorded; is that

1 correct? 2 Α That is correct. 3 And you didn't disclose that you were 4 recording the congressman or the chief of staff 5 during this meeting? 6 Α That is correct. 7 And prior to that meeting you went to the 8 FBI in an attempt to let them know about the 9 January 25th incident but additionally attempt to let them know that you're interested in possibly 10 11 becoming a confidential informant for their 12 investigation? 13 Α Yes. At this point we're now, it's January 31st 14 15 you're saying when you went back to the office to 16 attempt to get your job back. What was your 17 motivation the day after all of this happened on 18 January 31st to try to work for the congressman? 19 The circumstances that had unfolded in Α 20 Ohio was one that had garnered some publicity. I was accused of disseminating an audio recording 21

through our publication, and while that was not in

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violation of the law, the local sheriff's office felt that it was.

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There was no criminal wrongdoing on my part, but it had caused a lot of controversy, and I wanted the congressman to know that what had happened in Ohio and what had happened with the sheriff's office who was incompetent and did not know the federal protections that were afforded to me was, should not affect my job abilities with the congressman, and until I was to do something in the congressional office that would be of concern, if that would have ever happened, if I would have showed up late, tardy to work, you know, lost my cool or temper or something or anything, then that issue would be addressed at that moment, and if they felt termination was appropriate for whatever action would have occurred at that time in the office, then that could be addressed at that moment in time if it ever came about, but I should not have and I felt I should not have been terminated for this particular wiretapping issue that had occurred

back in Ohio where I had done no criminal wrongdoing.

Q But wasn't a concern of the congressman and his chief of staff that you would record conversations or proceedings or matters without the consent of everyone in the room while you were working for him?

A The congressman did not come out and directly say that it was a concern of his. In fact, he said quite the opposite. He said he was more concerned about the liability that it would be for his office. He said they were waiting on an answer; I don't know from who. He said they were getting guidance; I don't know from who. On — his concerns was if I was in the cafeteria or if I was in the hallway and I recorded something there and released it.

In fact, he told me that he didn't care if I recorded him, that he proceeded to tell me that it was a felony to record in that office, and he mentioned some sort of time in prison, several years, and he told me to do it at my own peril but

that he was not personally concerned about being
recorded.

Q Based on your interaction with him during that conversation did you think that he was aware he was being recorded?

A I'm not sure. I didn't really think about it at the time. Um --

Q Did you think that if he found out he was being recorded and the audio was released that that would help or hurt your case to maintain a position with his office?

A It would have hurt, and in fact that's why I asked the journalist, you know, if I got my job back the following day, you don't have permission to run the audio, you don't have permission to proceed with my story because this, this never happened, you know, this never happened, I'm going back to work, and I will continue to feed you information as it develops, you know. If the congressman's getting ready to introduce a big gun bill or something or something scandalous happens, you'll be the first to know, but don't run this

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story if I get my job back; I think it would be more beneficial to you as a news organization to have an insider than to have a former employee, and they agreed to those terms. How do you feel about the congressman now? Would you still want to work for his office? I'm conflicted on that. My career now is -- I've gone back to work into the news. very fortunate to be in the courtroom on Tuesday with former President Trump. There were only 60 seats available. There was 5,000 members of the media outside that wanted in, and I was one of the 60. My career is, is starting to take back off slowly, unfortunately, due to the issues that are

slowly, unfortunately, due to the issues that are occurring still here with the wiretapping situation, but nationally not too many people are aware of that until you Google my name. So I don't know if I would go back today, but I can tell you since my termination there were several times that I wanted to go back.

Q Do you remember the most recent or do you

1 remember if you relayed that to anyone, your 2 desires to go back? 3 I had texted Staffer 2 several weeks 4 I was having a very bad emotional night. 5 Somebody had said some very awful things to me 6 back home, one of them which was, you know, 7 talking about the issue with the congressman, 8 among other things, and I was having a very tough 9 emotional night that night, and so I had texted 10 Staffer 2 and I had asked him, you know, what can 11 I do to have my job back? What can we do to fix 12 and repair this because I want to come back to 13 work? And I never received a response. 14 In one of your tweets or I guess public 15 statements on your Twitter regarding this incident 16 I believe it was on March 2nd, you stated that you 17 have hard evidence regarding the incident that 18 occurred with the congressman. What evidence do 19 you have regarding that incident? 20 I believe the corroborating evidence here 21 would be the visit with the FBI. I believe that's 22 the strongest piece of evidence that we have here.

As I've told some folks who are, I have confided in, it looks as if one is a disgruntled employee. The allegations of inappropriate work conduct by, workplace conduct by the congressman was not made public until after my termination so it makes it look as if it was perhaps questionably fabricated, and being in the news and having covered stories like this we're often skeptical of situations like this. So I'm well aware of how these issues unfold in people's minds, and obviously the timeline did not look the best. Why come out with this only after you were terminated? You look like a disgruntled employee.

The hard evidence I think that supports and corroborates my series of events is the fact that I made the visit to the field office prior to me knowing that I was going to be terminated, prior to me even having the conversation with the congressman and Staffer 1 that Monday afternoon about my background or anything.

So I met with the FBI, and then Staffer 1 and the congressman then proceeds to interrogate

me on that taped audio recording that I taped. 1 2 that was the timeline of events, and so the hard 3 evidence I was speaking of was this visit to the 4 FBI that would corroborate the fact that it wasn't 5 just a disgruntled employee, that I did make an 6 attempt to report this prior to being terminated. 7 Did the FBI take a report of your 8 allegations? 9 They took some notes. I don't know what 10 it would be classified as: A report, note-taking 11 or what it would be. 12 Was the purpose of your recording the 13 January 30th meeting with the Congressman Santos in any way related to your meeting with the FBI 14 15 that morning? 16 I was not asked to record the 17 I recorded him because I was congressman. 18 concerned what the meeting was about and perhaps 19 there might have been another escalation of the

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advance. Perhaps they were going to illegally ask

me for a loan. I wasn't entirely sure if I was

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who was under the spotlight and had allegations lodged against him of being financially broke and Staffer 2 knew that I had given Staffer 2 about \$1100 in a very short period of time, ten days or so, to help him with food. A few times he asked. The other times I volunteered it. I figured it had been relayed to the congressman that perhaps, oh, this guy has money. 10 The congressman was very impressed with my 11 background of owning my own publication, and he 12 thought -- in fact, his words was that I was 13 retired at the age of 30, and he thought that was 14 impressive he said. 15 So it would appear as if I was financially 16

wealthy, and I didn't know if they were going to ask me for an illegal loan, if they were going to promote me, if they were -- what it was, but I knew that this was a man who was accused of committing crimes, who was a liar and had previously touched my leg and my crotch, and I knew that it was going to -- something was going

to be discussed in this room, and I didn't know what it was, and I wanted it to -- I wanted it to be documented.

Q Okay. Has anyone reached out to you about our investigation, anyone aside from Emmett, your attorney?

A Well, I've had some members of the news media, folks at the New York Times have reached out and asked if your particular organization was investigating, and of course I told them that I couldn't talk about it. So outside of that I had not been personally reached out to.

I have relayed to some other friends of mine who work in the news. I've confided in some of them about it, and unfortunately they broke my trust and had, had leaked it to other people, but they didn't come to me. I had gone to my friends and told them that I had received some correspondence and that we were looking at the possibility of setting them, and I don't think it was actually with your particular body that that had occurred with. I think it was the

1 correspondence that we had received from the 2 actual committee I believe they're called. It was 3 that correspondence that I had shared with a 4 friend of mine who had shared it with apparently 5 somebody else, and they published it. 6 Is there anything else that we haven't 7 covered here today that you think would be helpful 8 in our review? 9 I was unaware that -- I just -- obviously 10 we have the sexual harassment situation, but I 11 think there's two situations here that I think 12 should be appropriately investigated. It's the 13 inappropriate conduct. 14 I don't have a predetermined sentence that 15 I want to see the congressman receive. I just 16 want to see him held accountable for his actions, 17 and I'm not the jury to decide that. What I would also like to see is the 18 matter of compensation, or lack thereof, being 19 20 addressed because I now know from reading the 21 ethics rules that it's not appropriate to have a 22

volunteer in the workplace with the promise of

future employment. At the time I didn't know that existed. It was only after I had been terminated when I started reading through the ethics manual that I found that, and so it wasn't just me who had been working in the office uncompensated.

Staffer 2 had been there for about a week or so with employment, too, until he was actually officially onboarded and brought on as a paid employee, and also I don't know if this is of any significance or what, but the day that I had been brought in on Monday, the 30th, and was told that, or I was interrogated essentially the day that I recorded, that was supposedly pay day on the Hill, and no one in the staff had gotten paid except for senior staff members.

So the chief of staff, the congressman had gotten paid. The congressman was quite elated that he had gotten paid, and Staffer 1 had told me that none of the other staff members had been paid, and he told me that he had one piece of paper that he had to finish for my onboarding and that once he got the matter addressed with the

other people's lack of pay that day that he would finish my paperwork and he would let me know.

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And so I left there Monday thinking that I still had employment. I was very concerned, though, so I had texted Staffer 1 later that evening, and I asked him, are you for sure -- I'm paraphrasing here -- but are you for sure that I have a job still because I'm getting ready to sign a lease or I signed a lease and I can get out of I'm just not sure what the direction is here because it was kind of left hanging in the air. He was going to finish the onboarding paperwork he had said, but when? And I had also had some other conversations with the office who handles that onboarding, and I don't remember the lady's name without looking it up in the e-mail, but she had also told me that there was one piece of paper that Staffer 1 had to sign off on; she was waiting to hear back from him on that, because I had asked her when I could pick up my badge and access my She said she was waiting on a piece of computer. paper from Staffer 1.

It was also brought to my attention after the fact that perhaps the congressman may have been living with a staff member. I don't know if that's appropriate or inappropriate, but it's my understanding that he was living with Rafael.

Rafael had actually told me at one point when we were talking about places, because I was still in the hotel for the first few days, Rafael was telling me about places that I could rent, and I said, well, does anyone around here ever have roommates? And he says, well, I've got somebody staying with me right now, he says that they're new to the Hill, but it's just until they get on their feet. I have now since been told that it was the congressman, but I have not personally witnessed that.

Q And I'm sorry. How -- who told you about this living arrangement?

A Rafael had told me he had somebody living with him that was new on the Hill and that they were trying to get on their feet, but he did not identify who that person was. I had learned from

some friends of mine who work in the news business 1 2 who had asked me off the record if I was aware, if 3 I knew if the congressman was living with Rafael, 4 and I told them of course that I did not know 5 that, and they had shared with me that they had 6 been told and had seen photos apparently of that, 7 and that they wanted to know if I knew anything. 8 Of course I told them I didn't, but I did share 9 with them what Rafael had said which was that he 10 said he had somebody living with him temporarily 11 that was new to the Hill and just until they got 12 on their feet. 13 And a couple of last questions. After the January 30th meeting with the congressman and 14 15 Staffer 1 did you have any other conversations 16 with the congressman? 17 No, no. Α 18 Were there any other conversations with 19 Staffer 1 after you were formally terminated? 20 I believe I had sent Staffer 1 a text 21 message or two along the lines of, I gave my

everything to this office; he gave you -- you gave

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1	the congressman a second chance after he lied to
2	you; I'd like a second chance as well. Staffer 1
3	did not respond to those text messages.
4	Q And circling back to your meeting with the
5	FBI. You mentioned that you had served as a
6	confidential informant in the past for the FBI.
7	Were you compensated when you served as a
8	confidential informant, whenever that was?
9	A Yes.
10	Q Were you seeking to be a confidential
11	informant for the purposes of being compensated
12	this time around during the FBI's investigation?
13	A Not for the sole purpose, but yes.
14	Q Okay. Well, Witness 1, I don't have any
15	more questions for you, and if none of my
16	colleagues turn on their cameras, I'm going to
17	assume neither of them have any more questions for
18	you either.
19	Thank you so much again for taking time
20	out to meet with us, give us some more information
21	about these allegations and this review. We

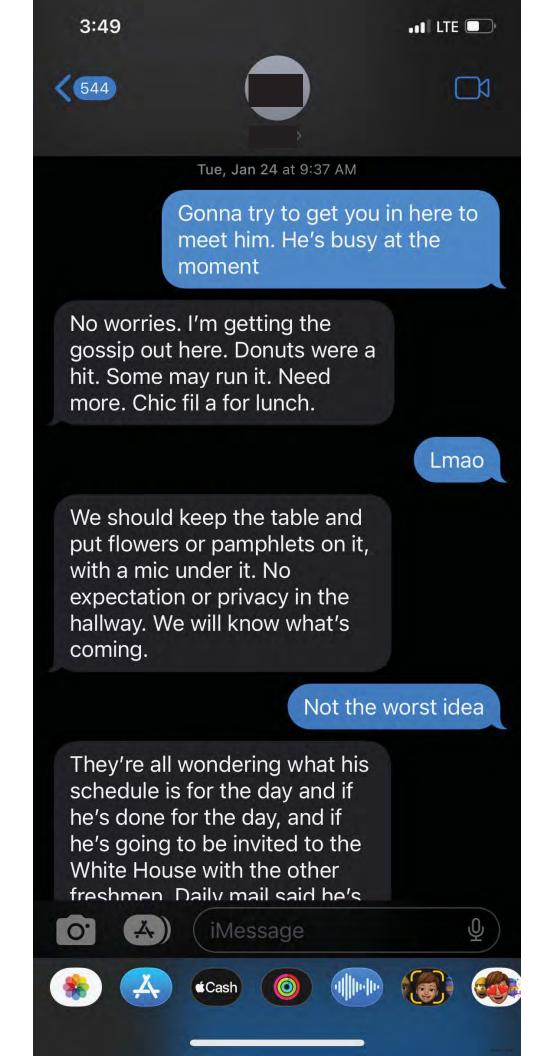
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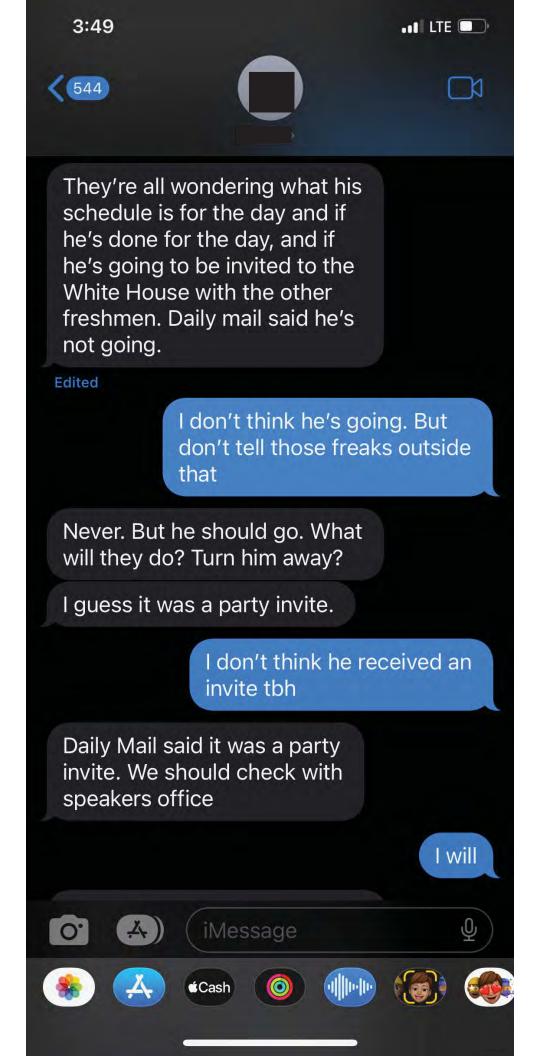
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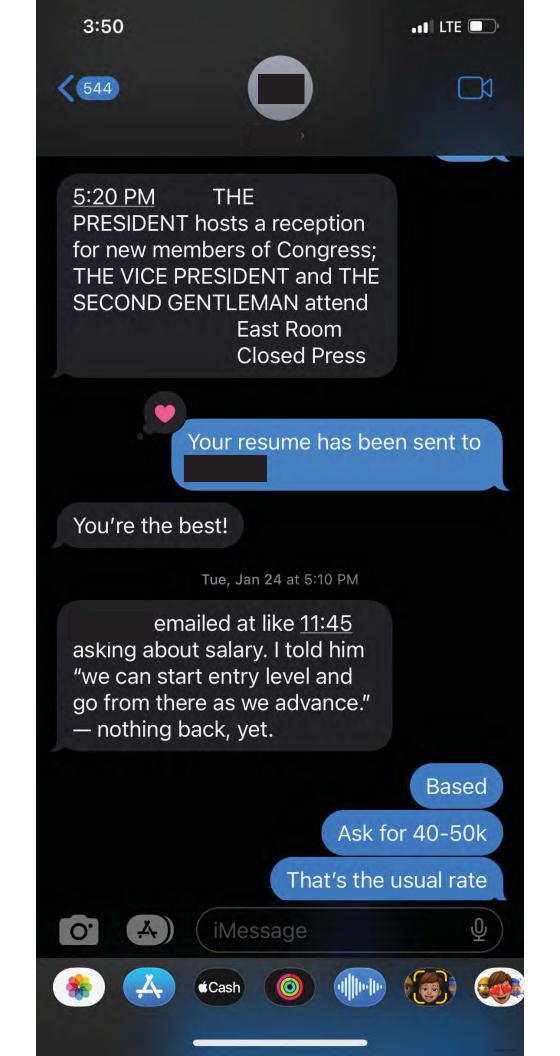
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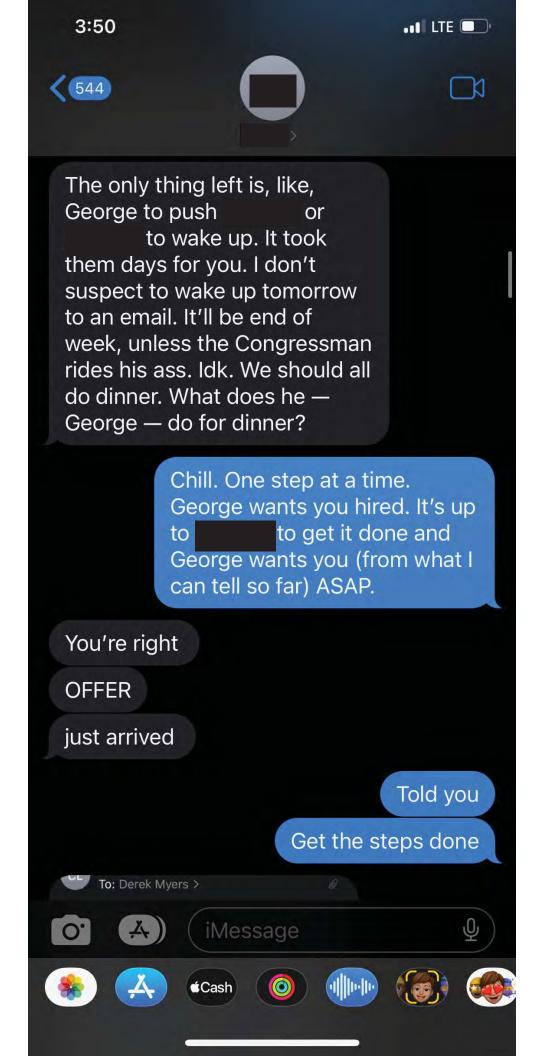
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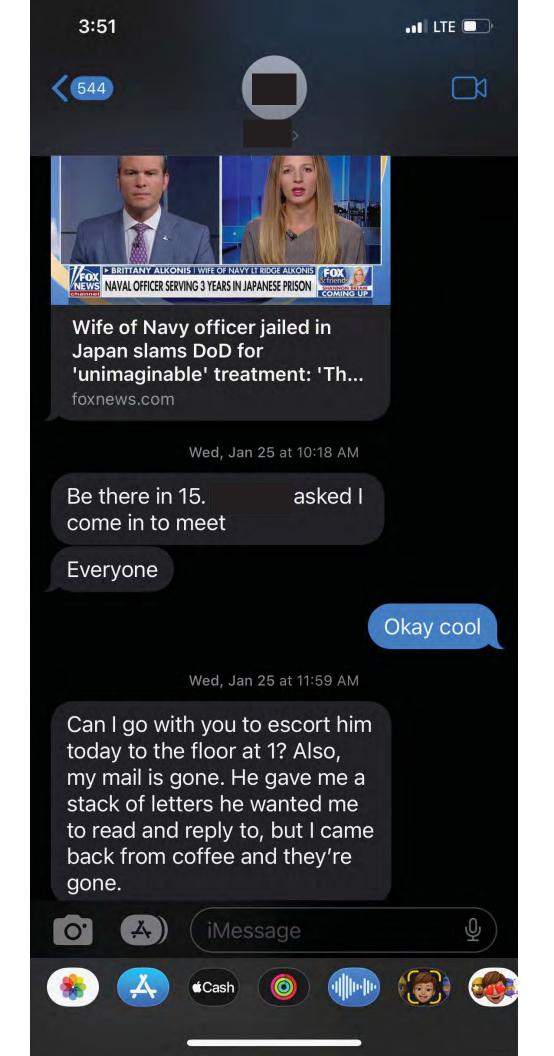


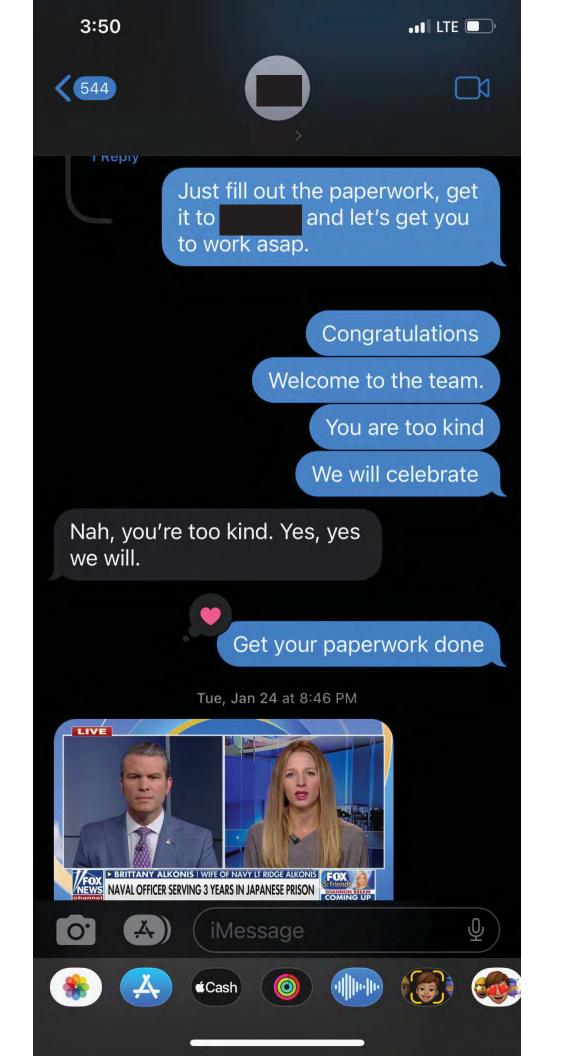


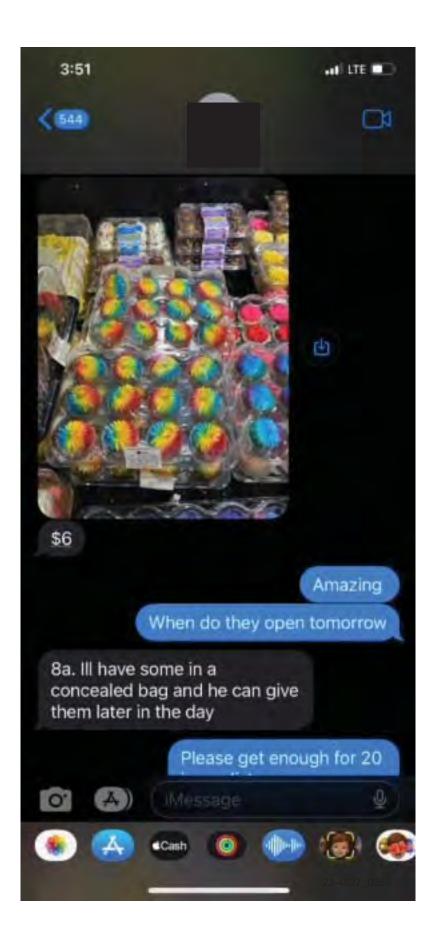


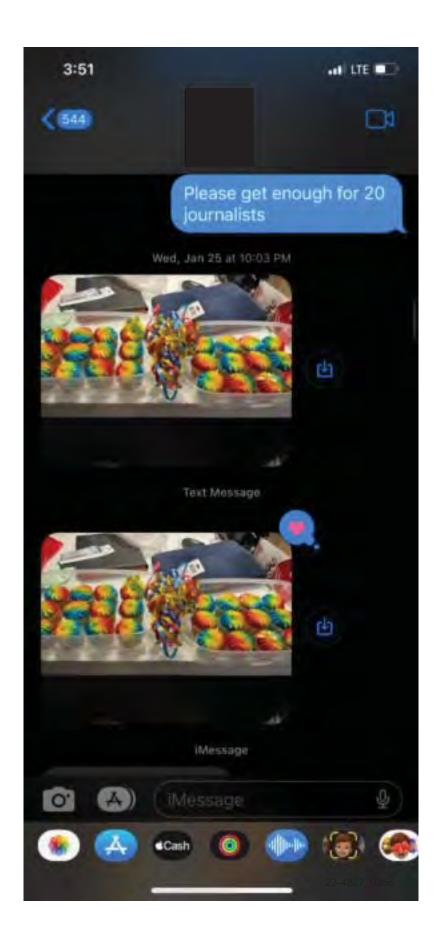


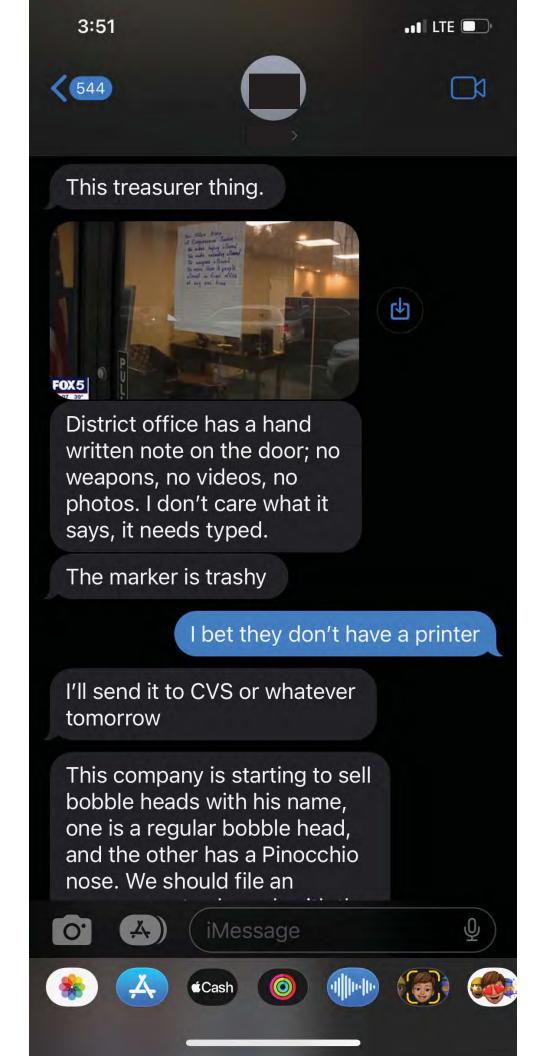


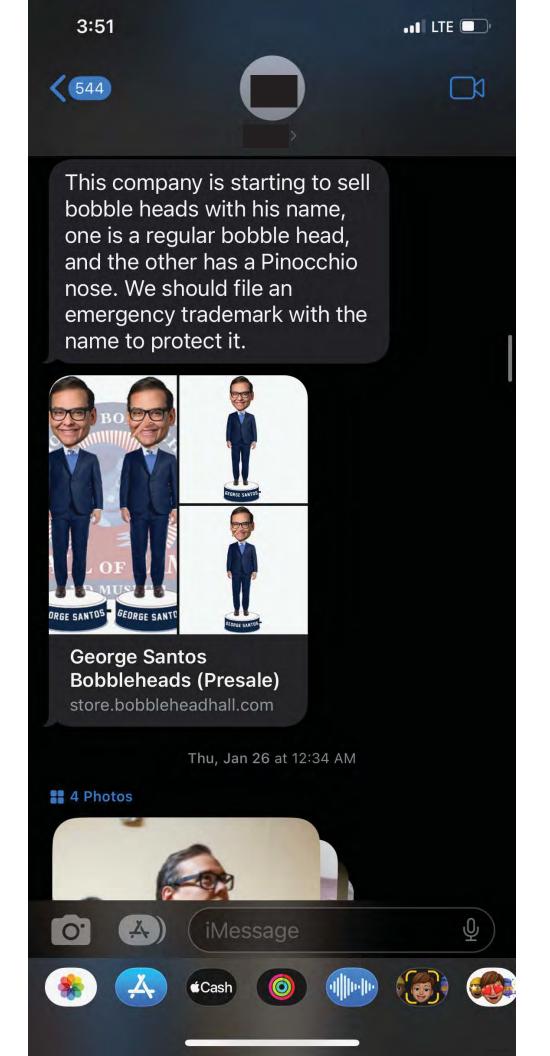


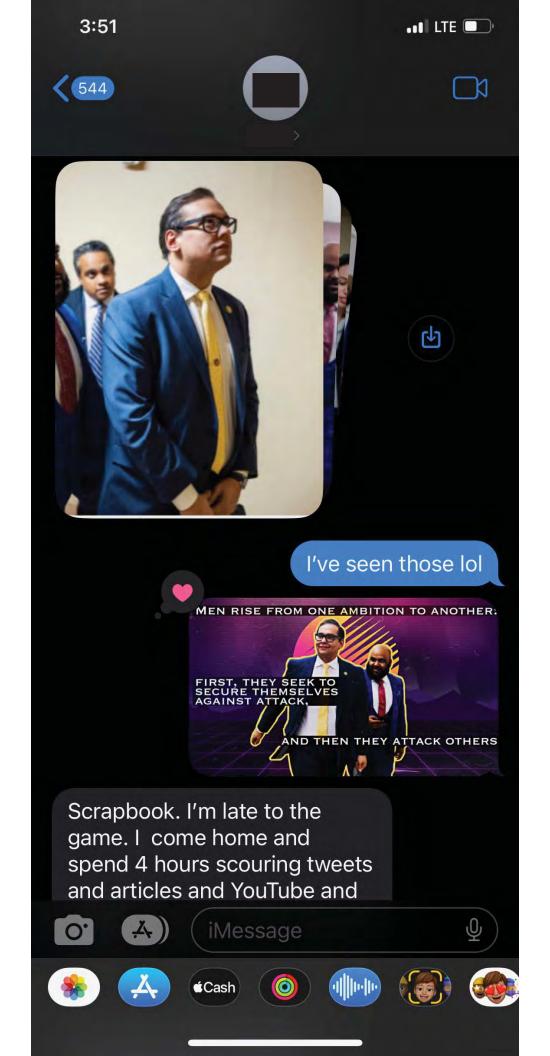


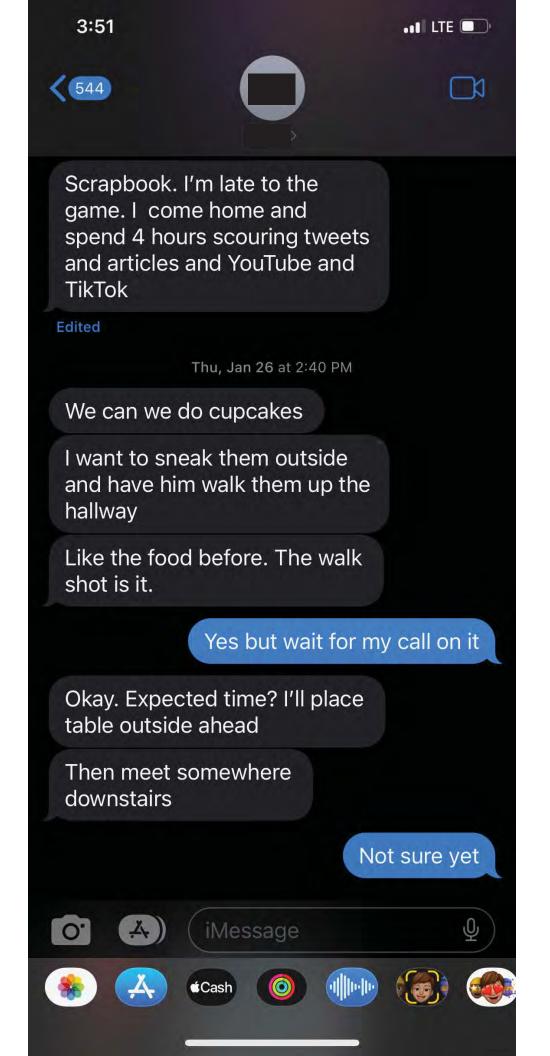


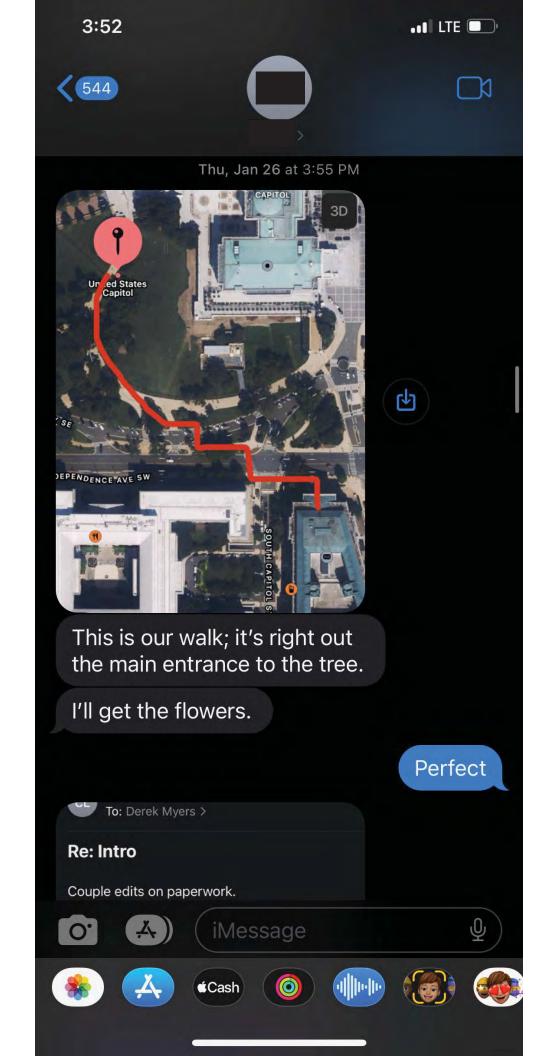


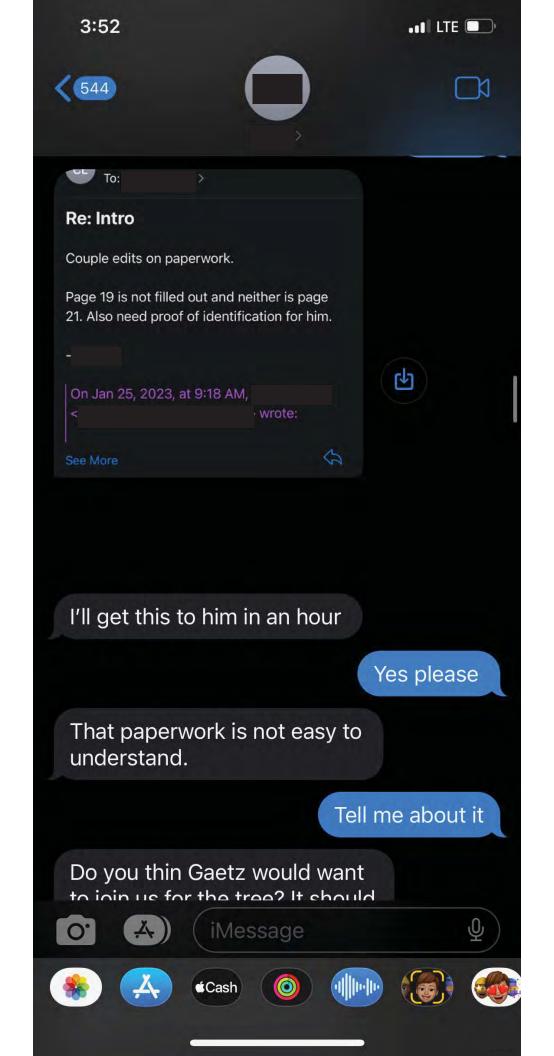


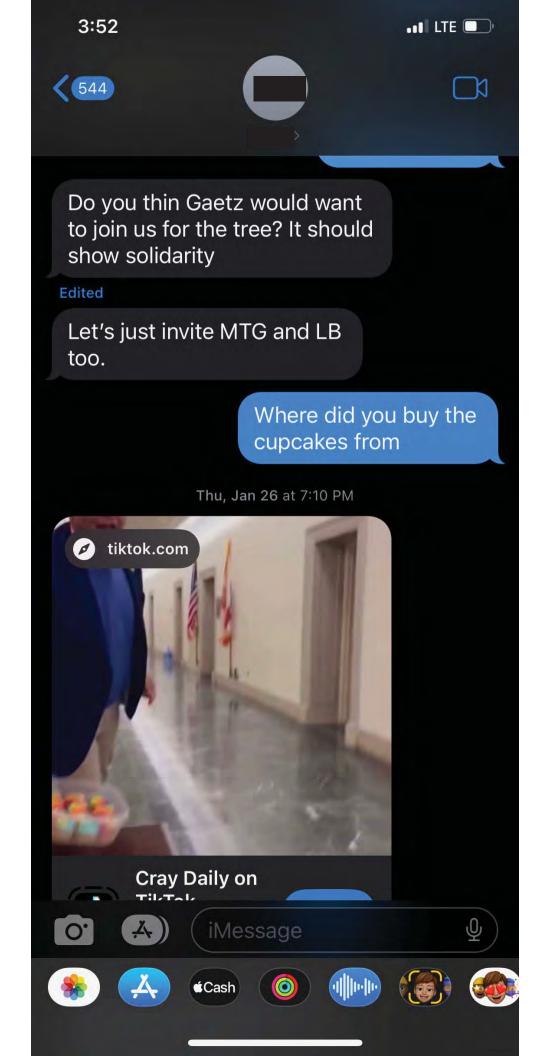


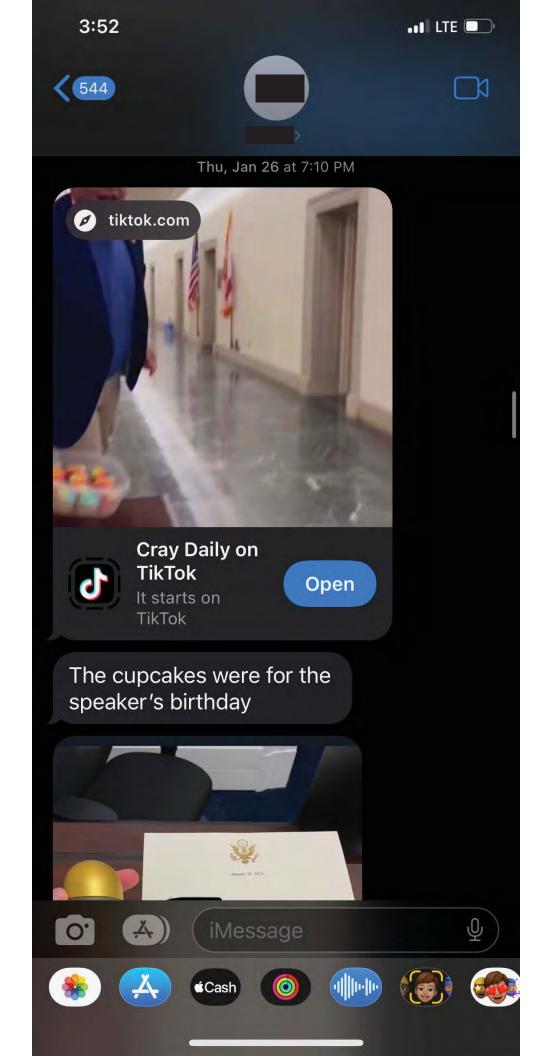


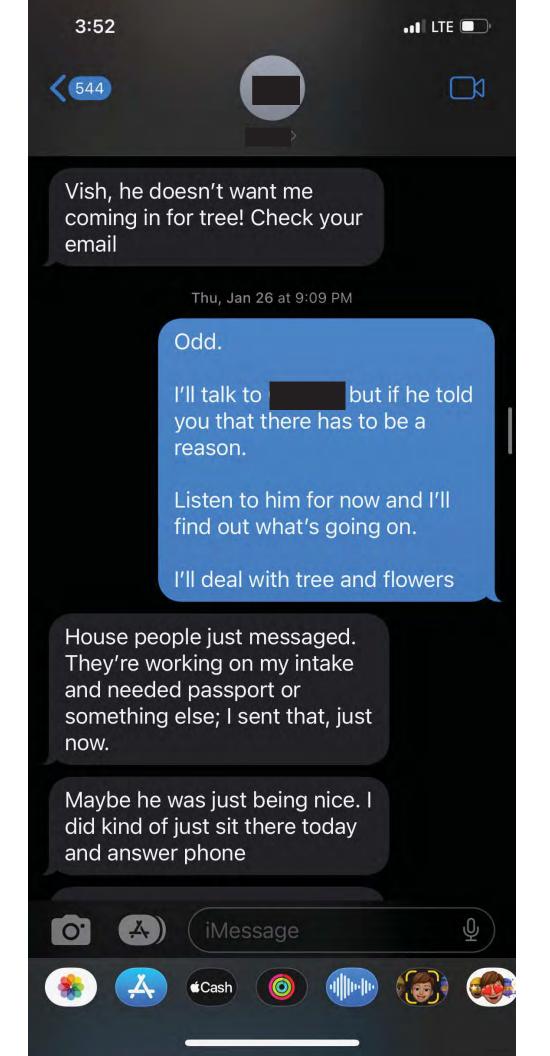


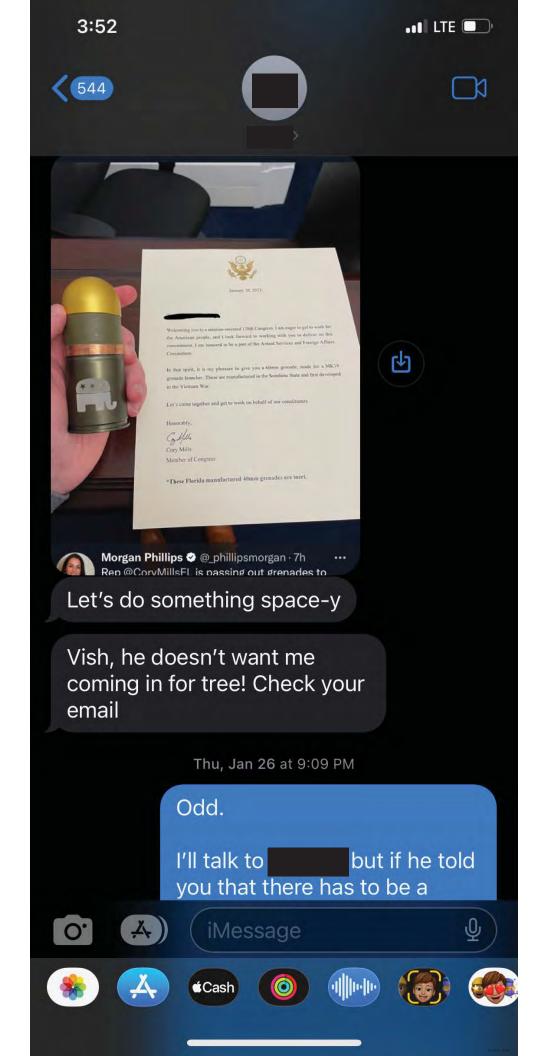


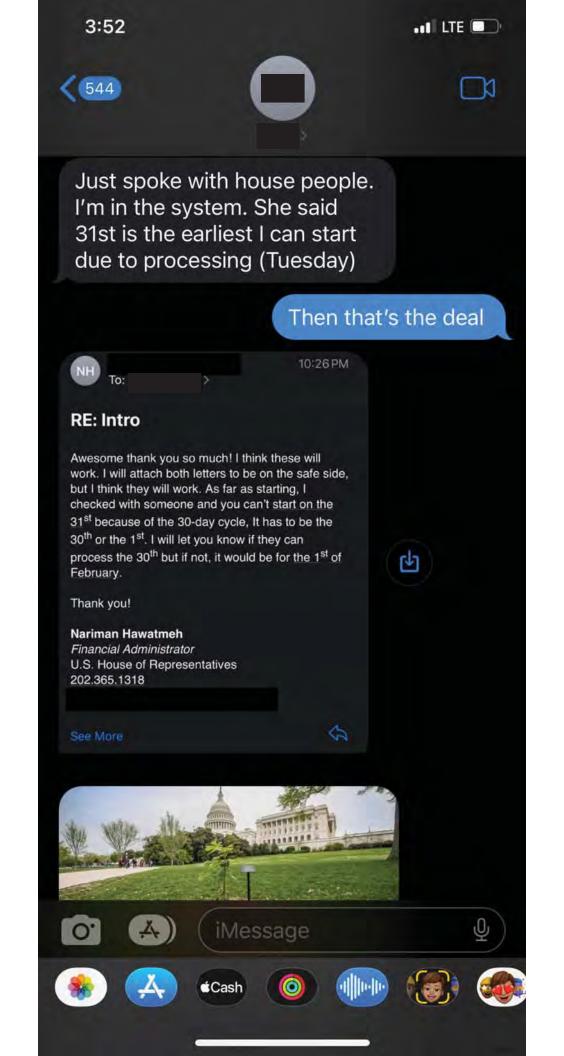


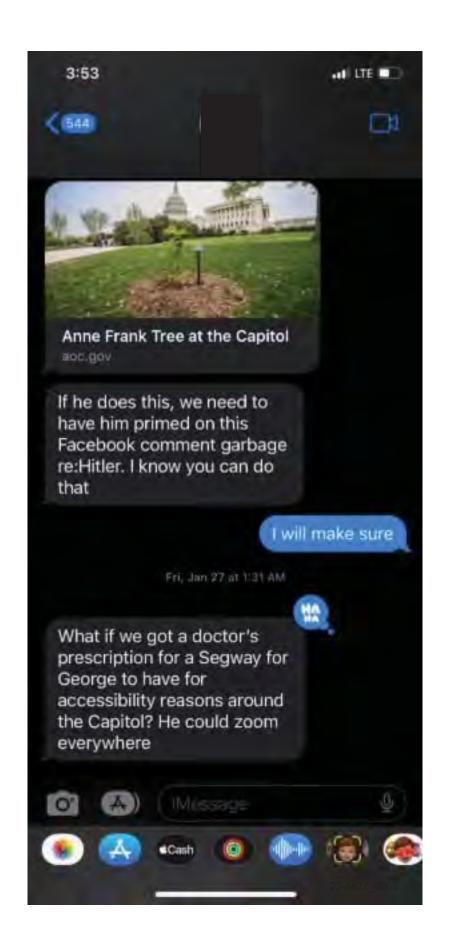


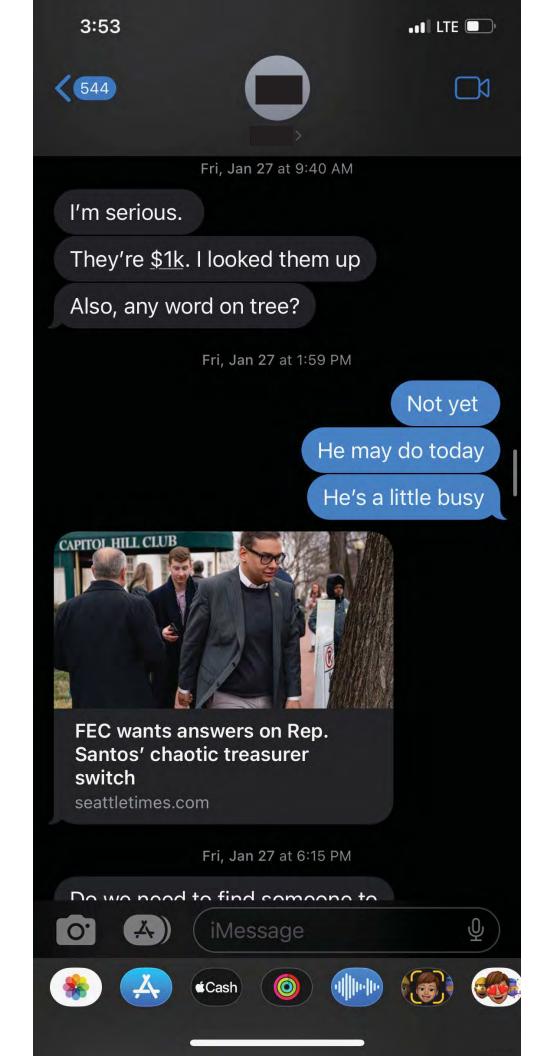


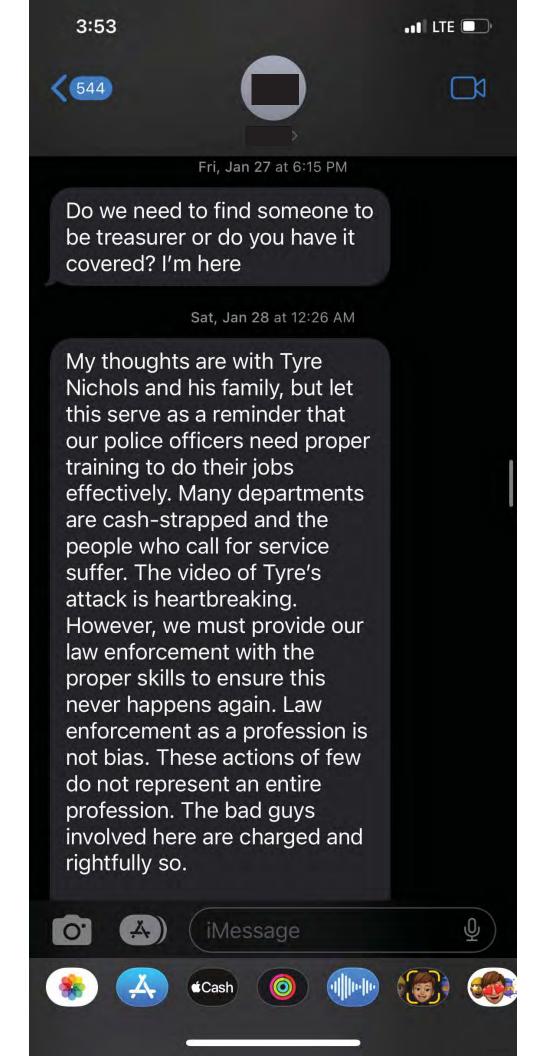


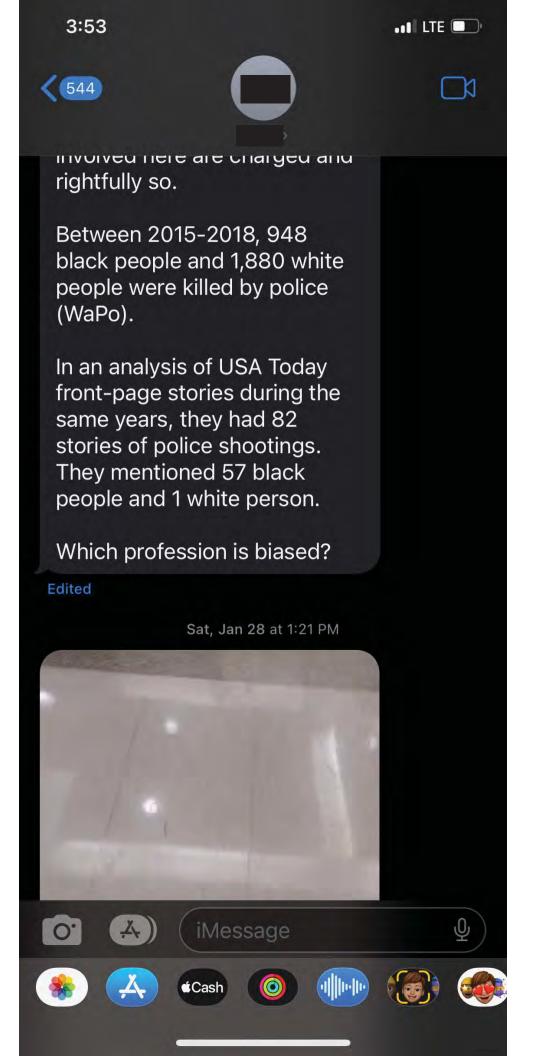


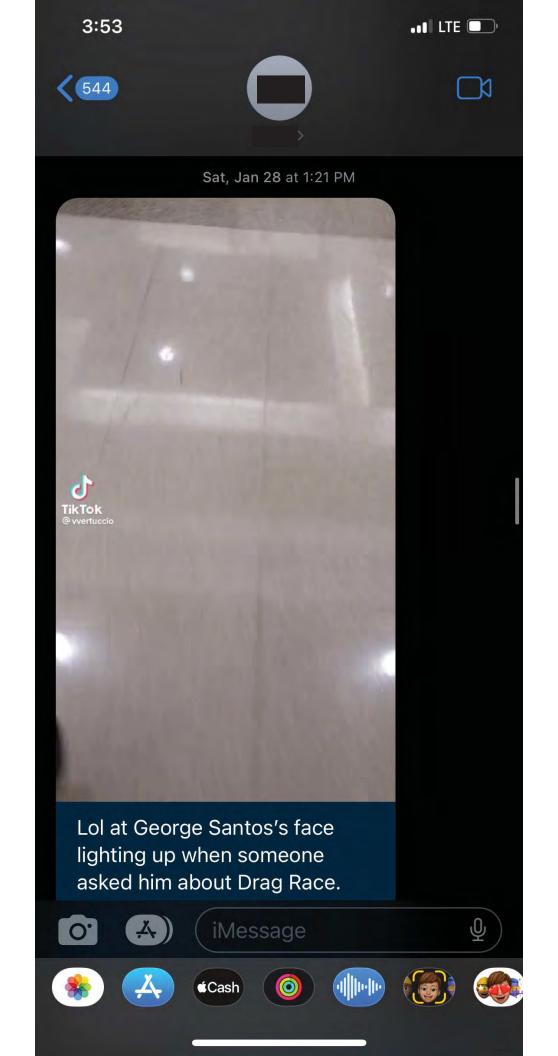


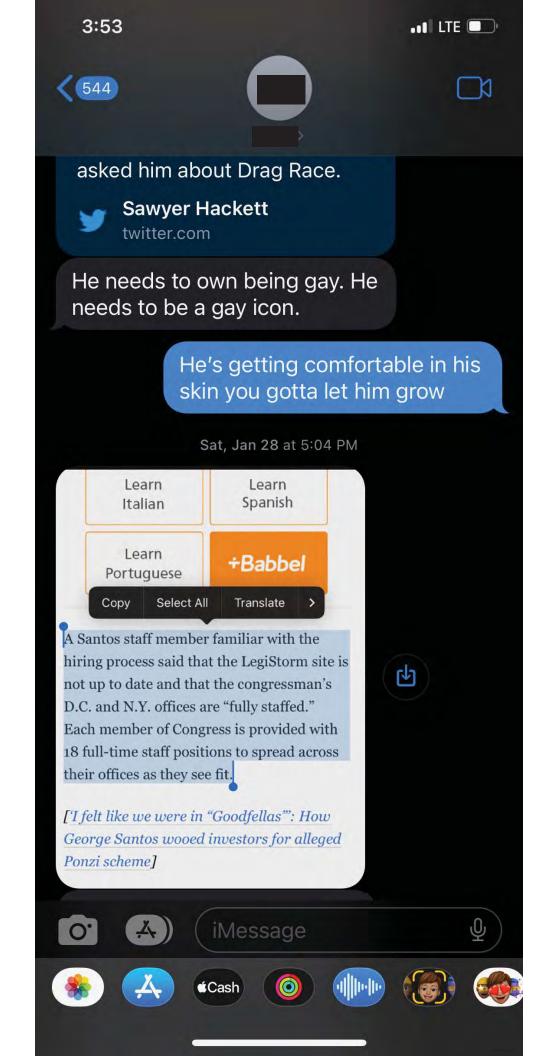


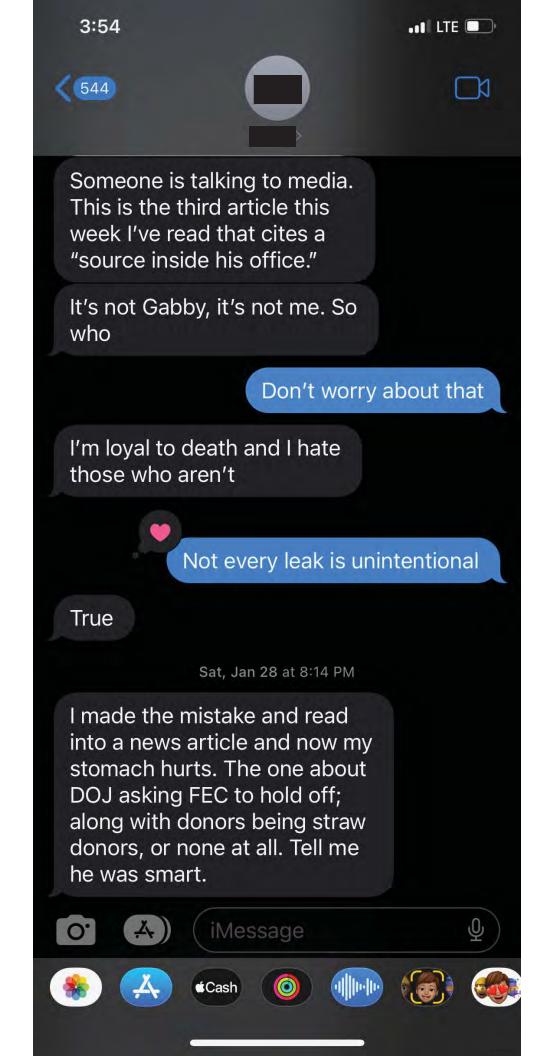


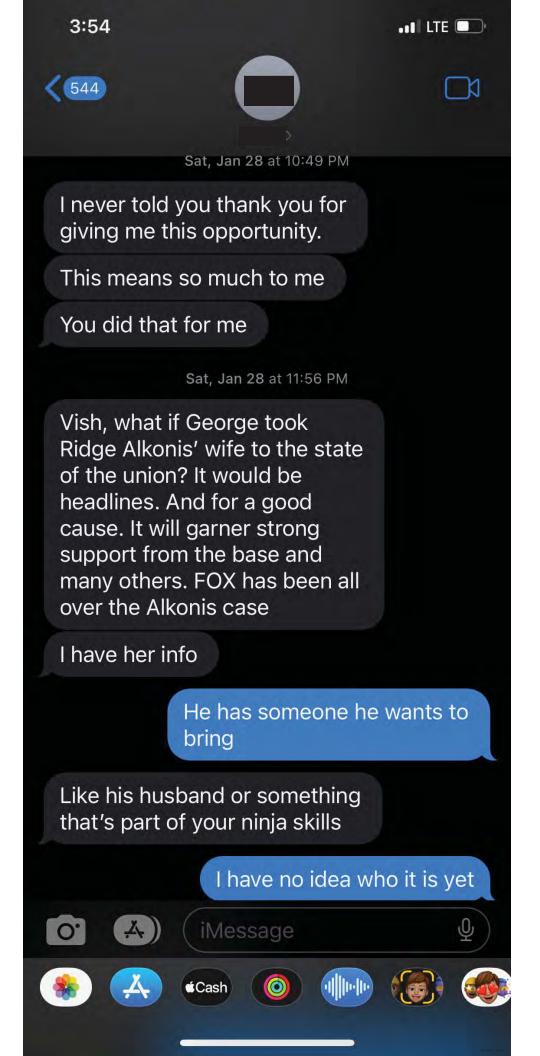


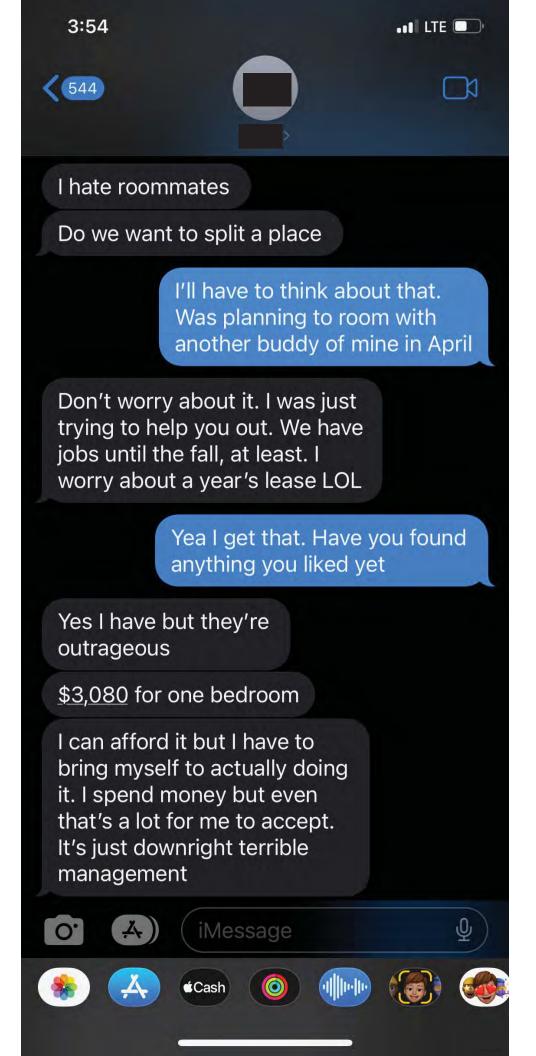


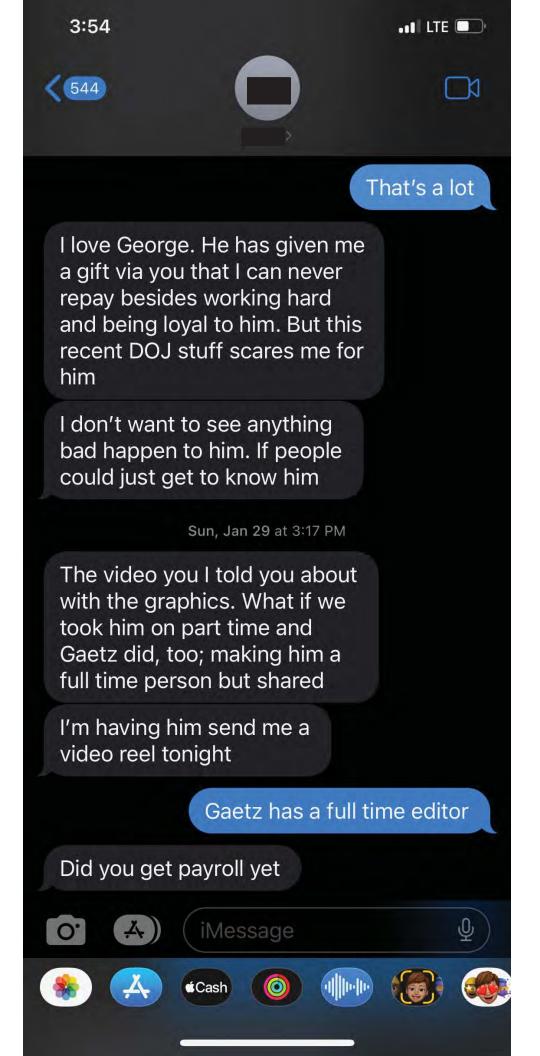


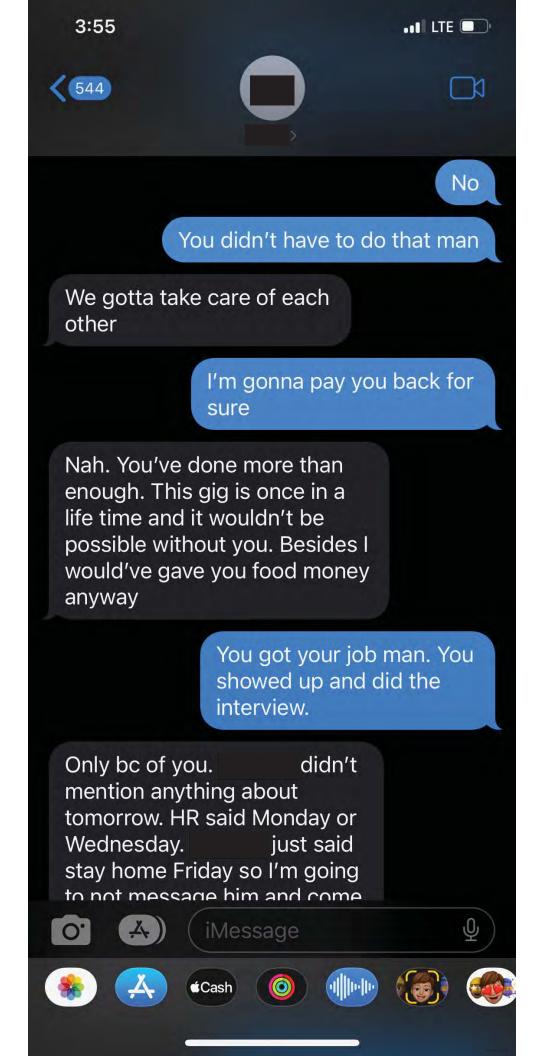


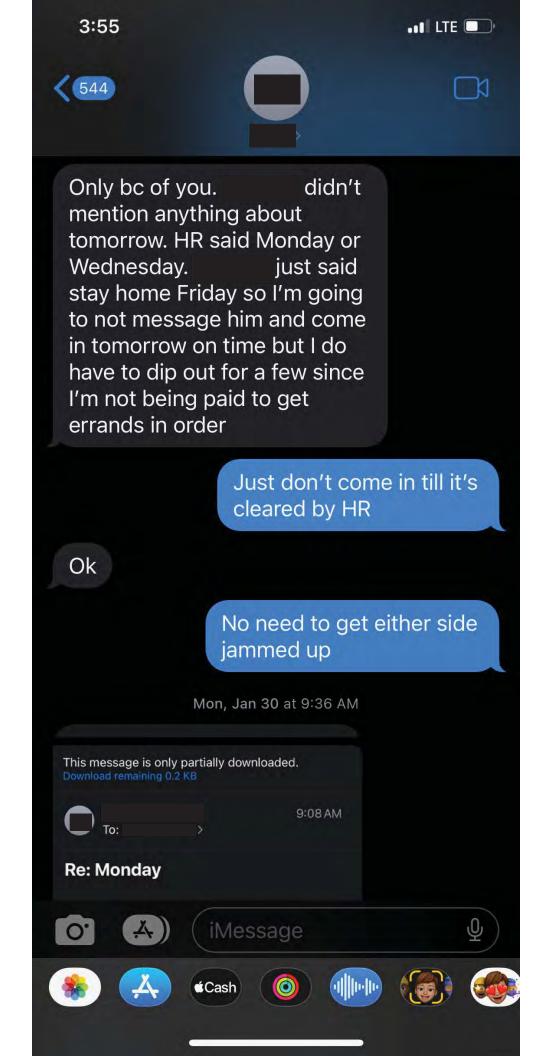


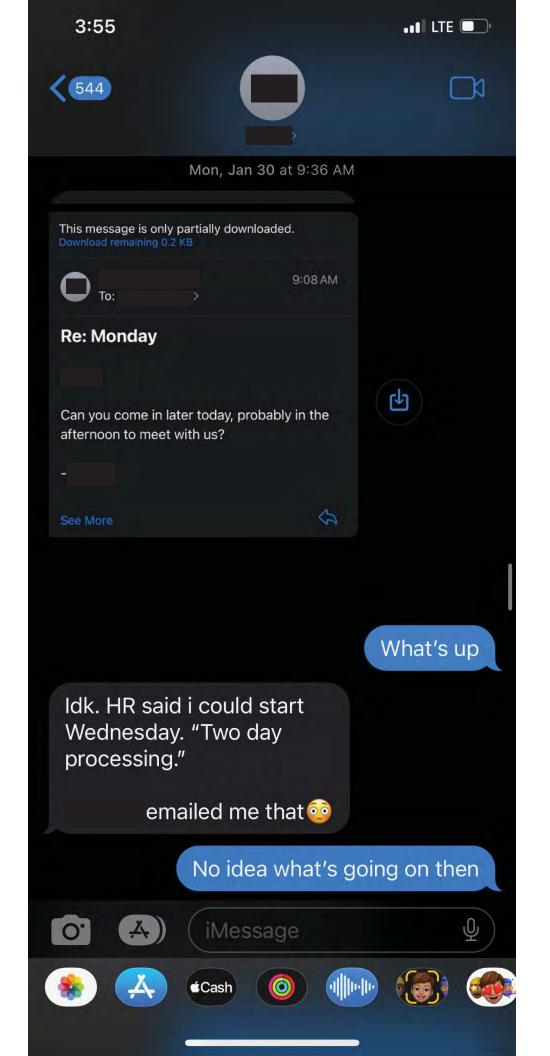






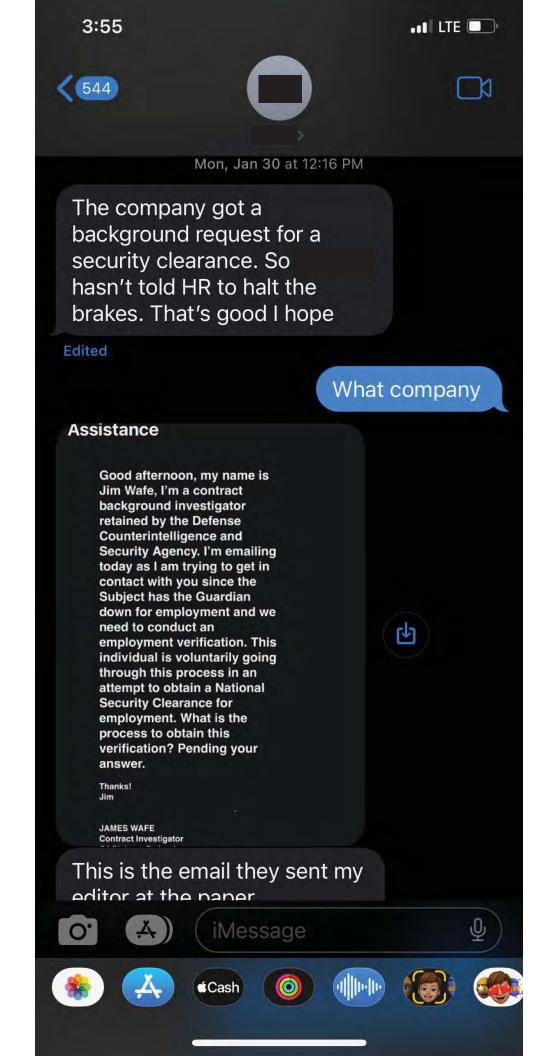


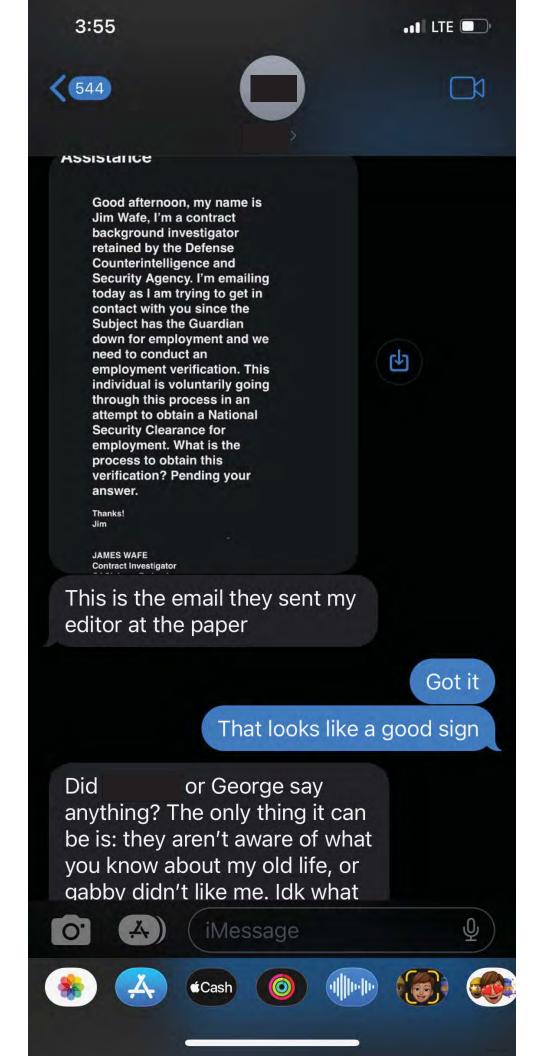


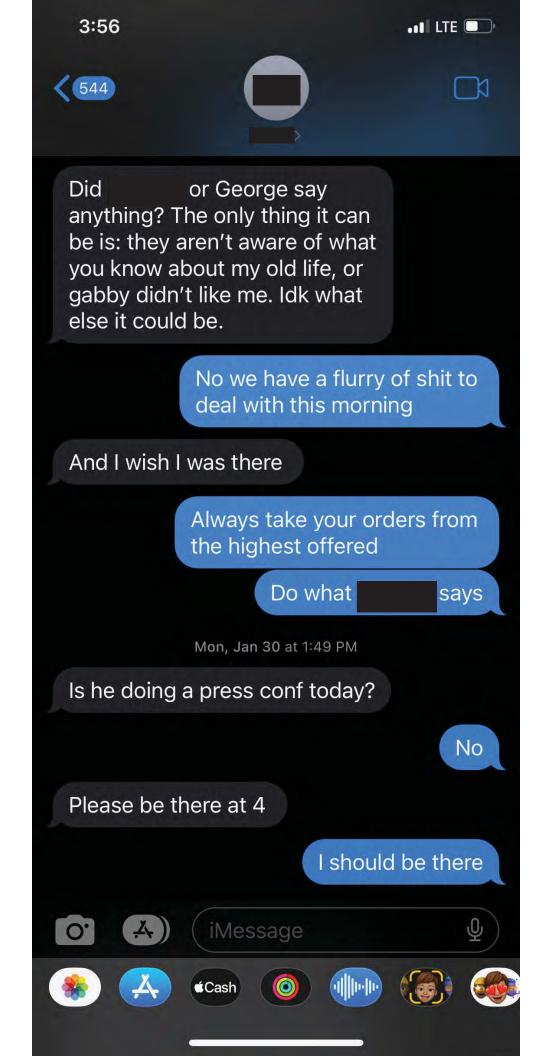




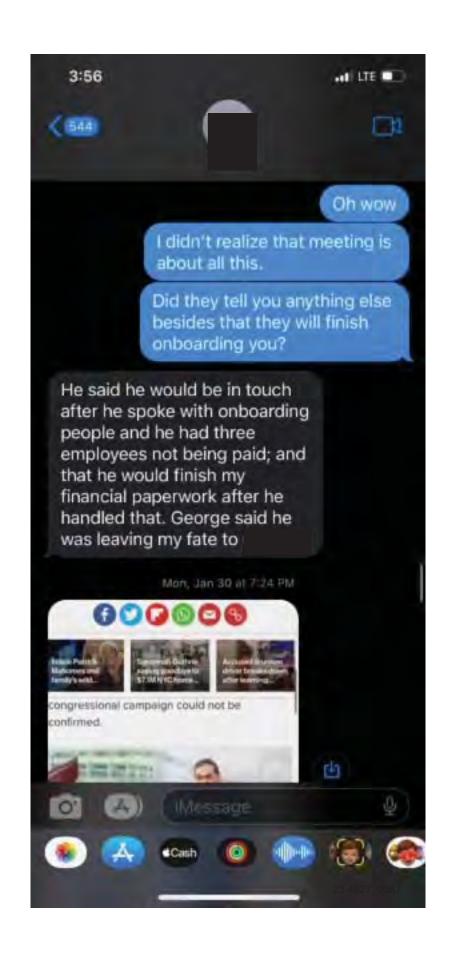


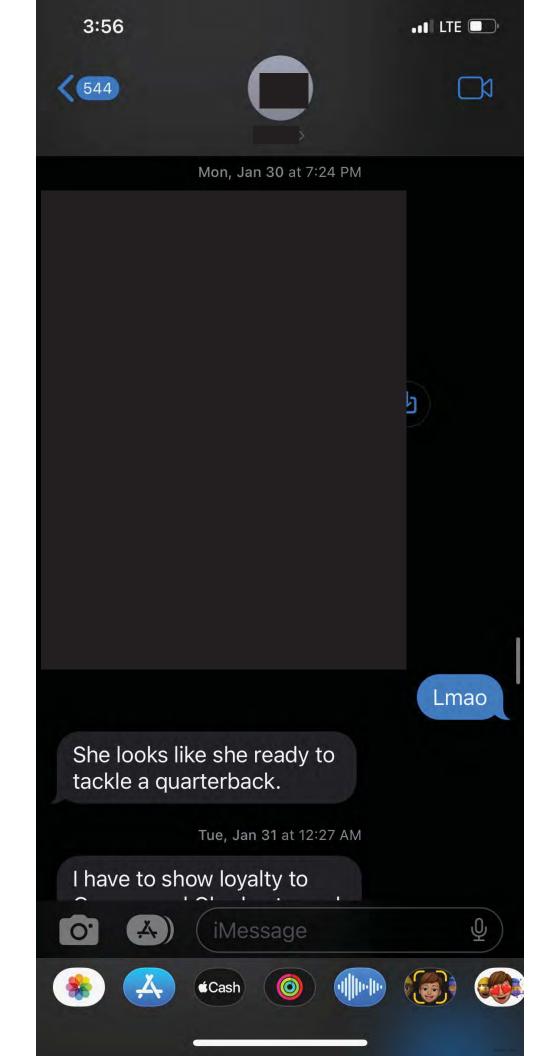


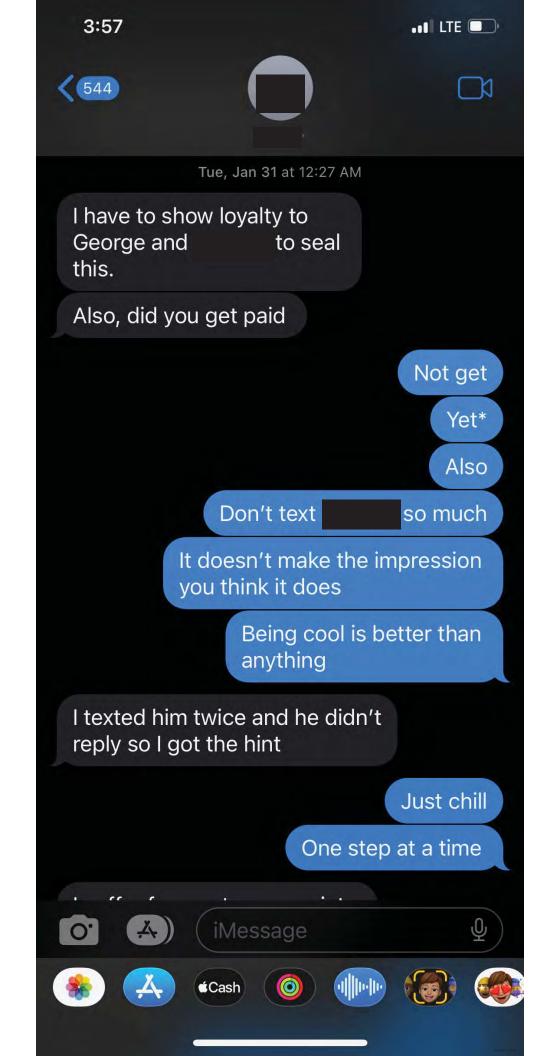






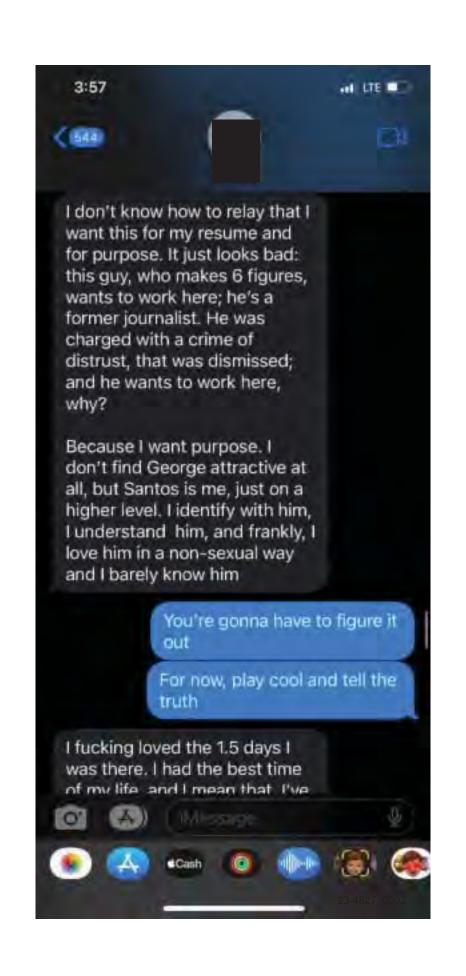


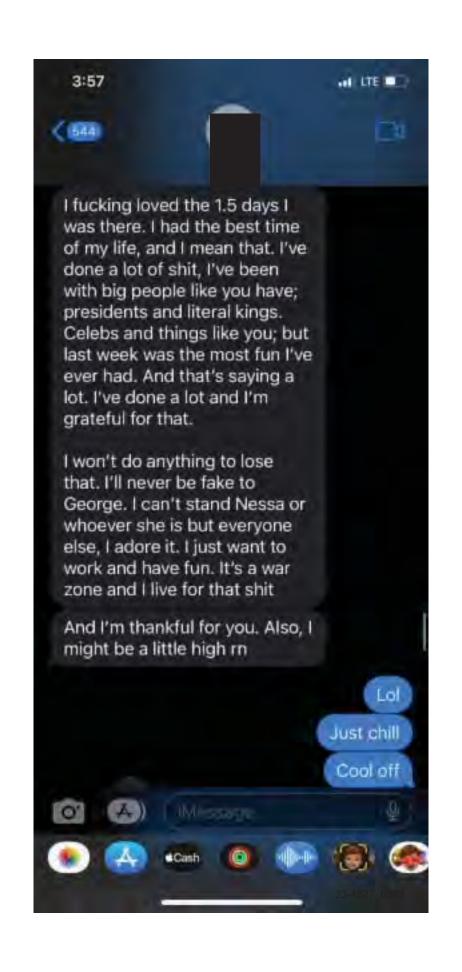


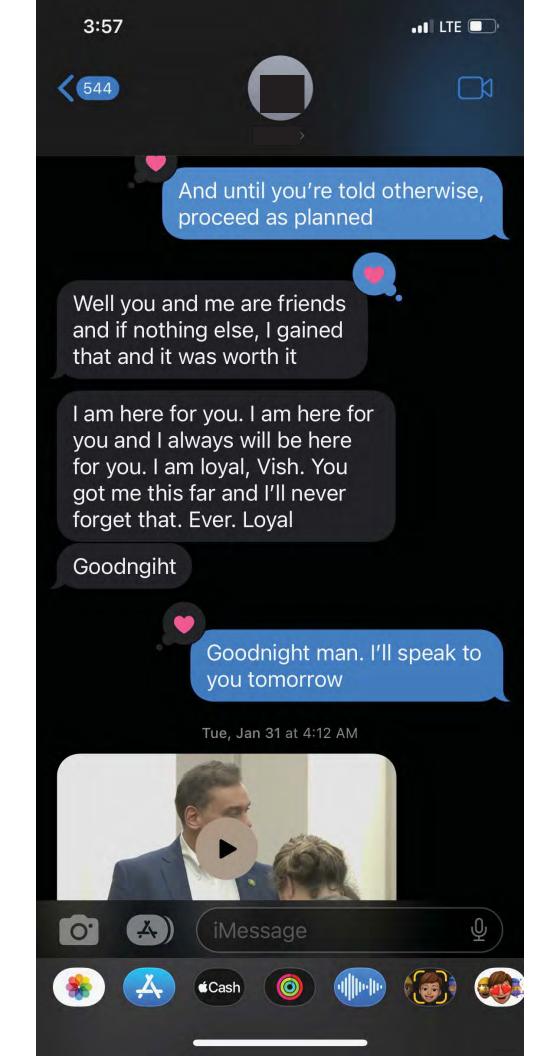


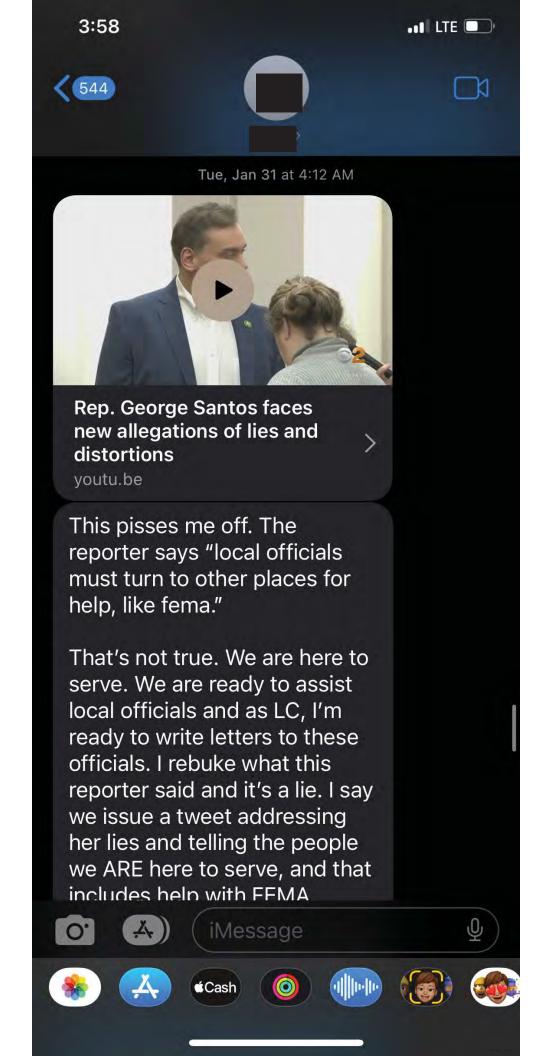


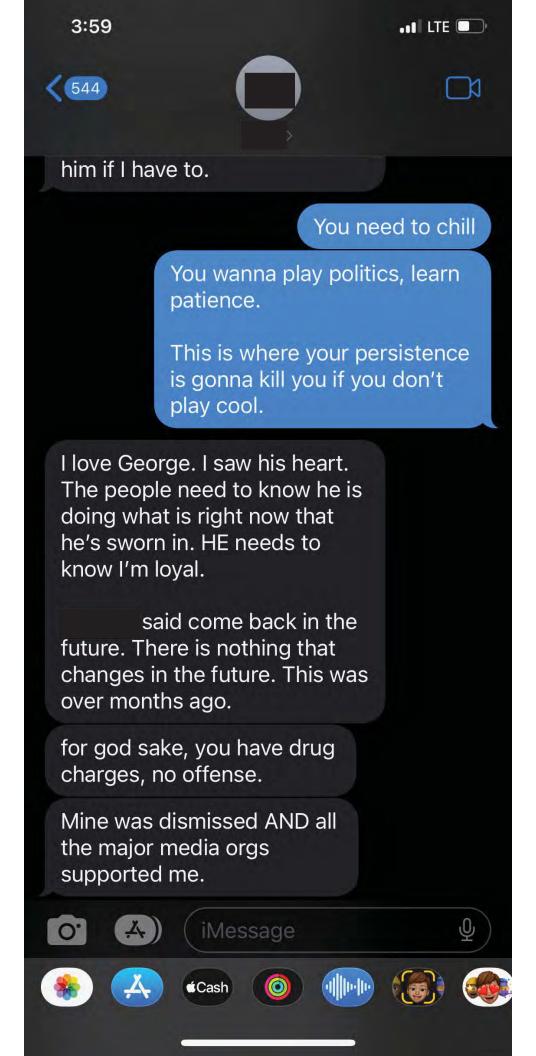


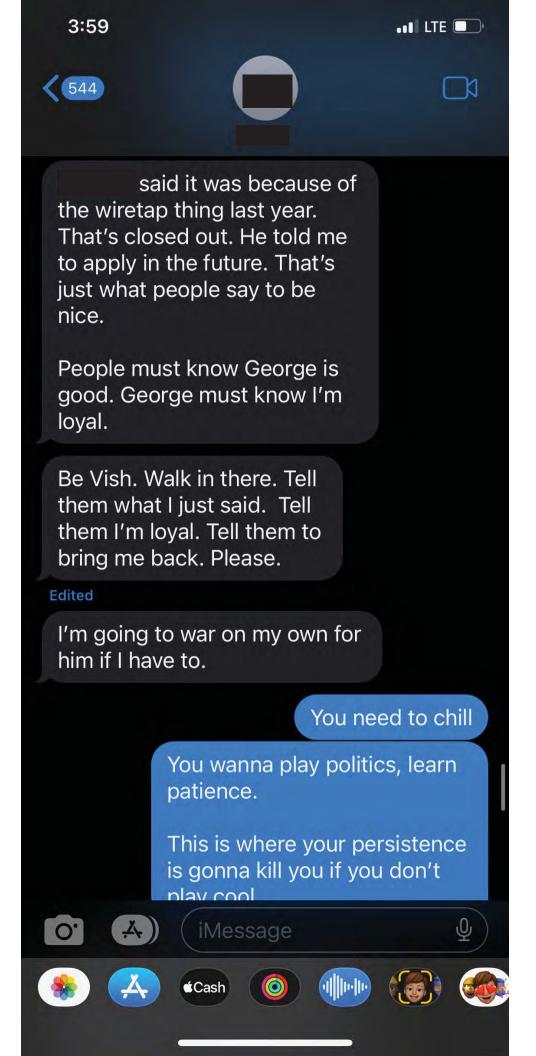




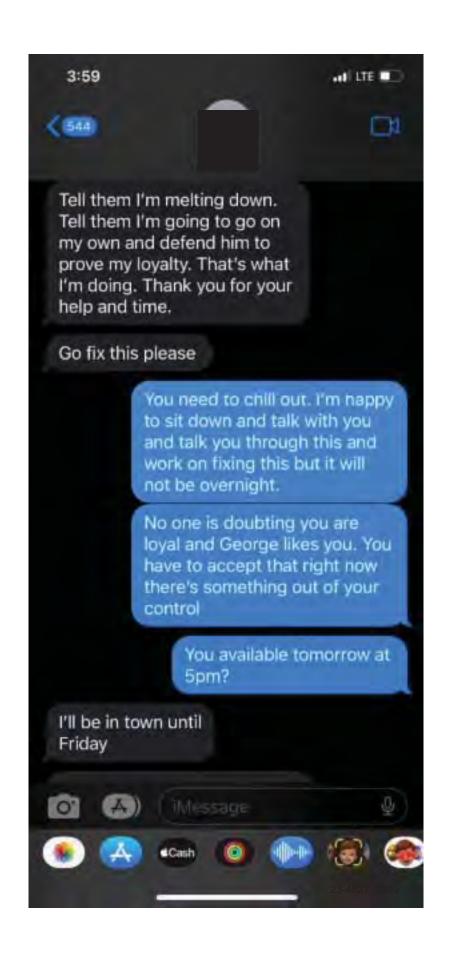


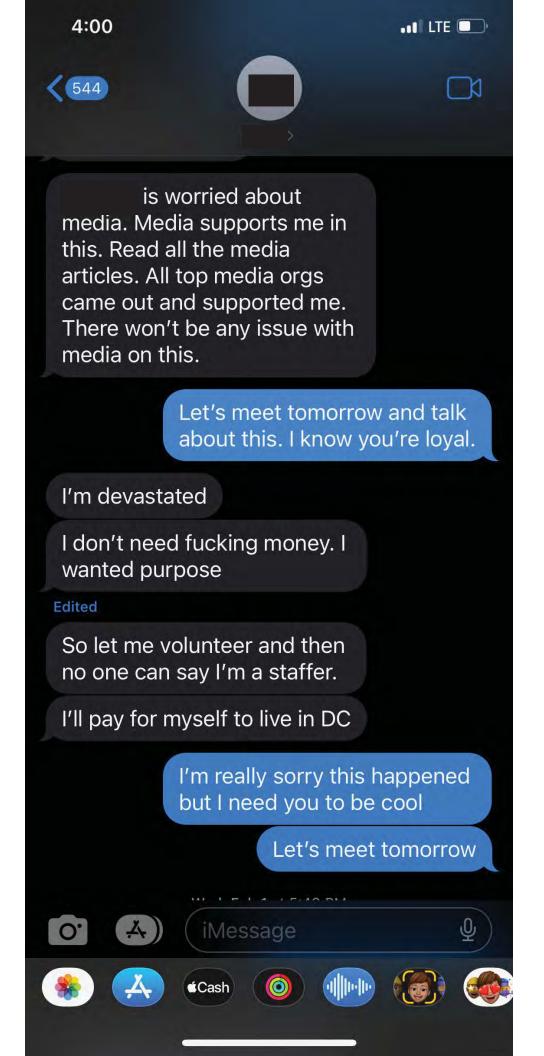




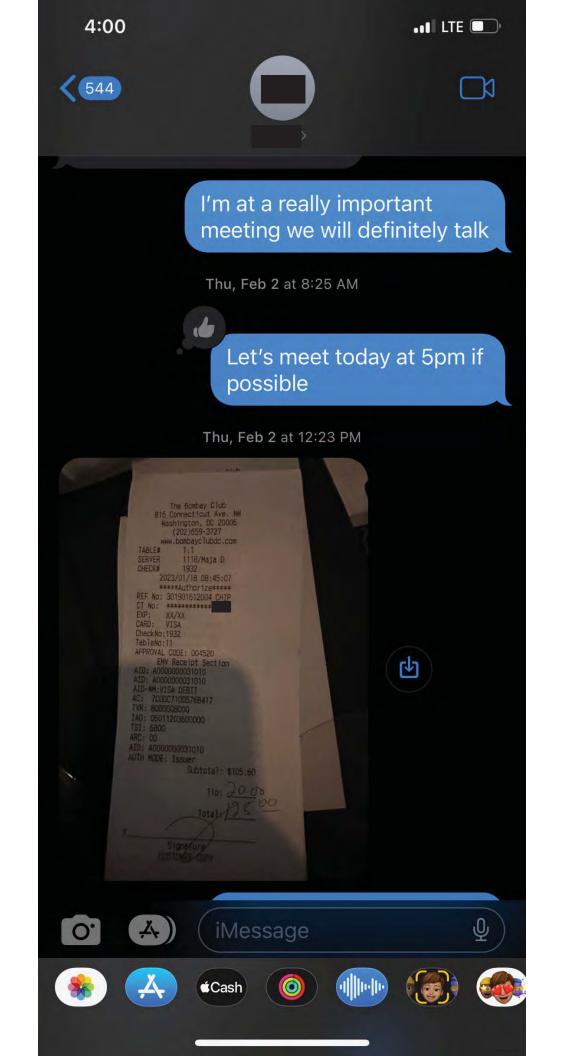




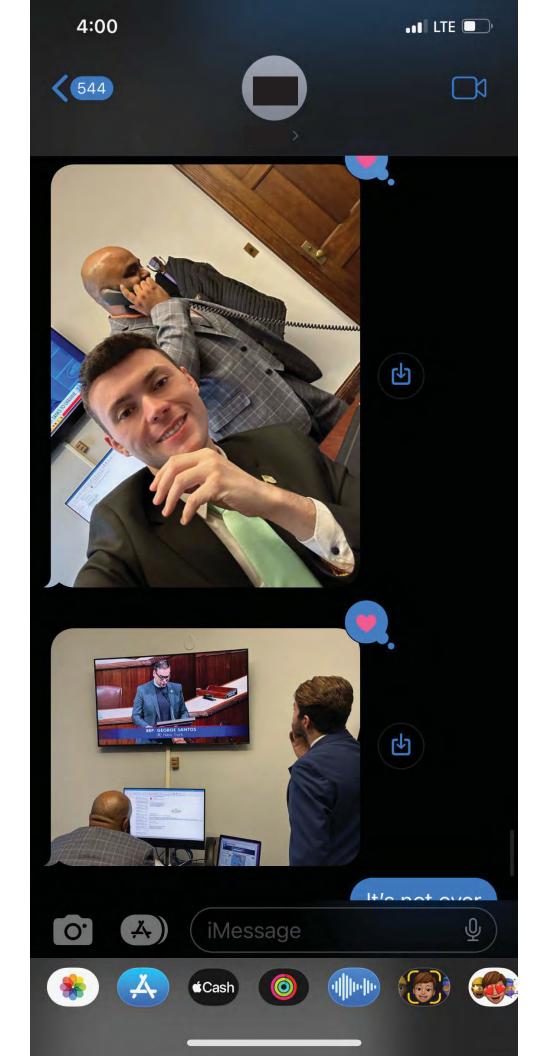


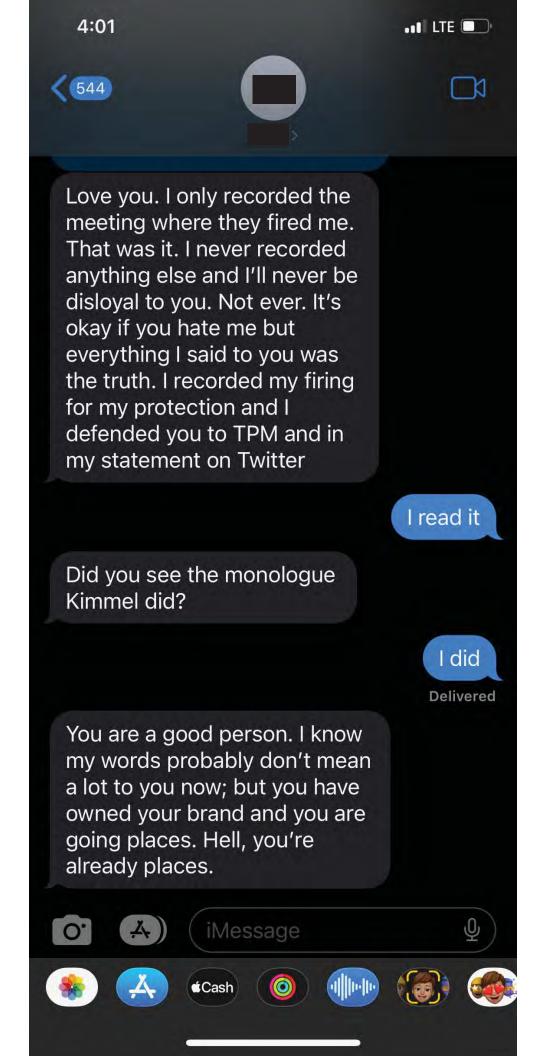


















my statement on iwitter

I read it

Did you see the monologue Kimmel did?



You are a good person. I know my words probably don't mean a lot to you now; but you have owned your brand and you are going places. Hell, you're already places.

Thu, Mar 9 at 4:08 AM

Love you. If he brought me back, what can we do about the complaint? I don't care, Vish. I just want my job back. I don't care what he did. Mistakes happen. But I want my job back. I miss the people and I miss you. He asked for a second chance. Give me one. D