

A LOOK AT MICHIGAN'S “ALTERNATE” ELECTORS [UPDATE-1]

There are several interesting tidbits about the slate of “alternate” electors who on December 14, 2020 signed a false certification of election fraudulently awarding Michigan's 16 electoral votes to loser Donald Trump.

THE GREEN BAY SWEEP IS INEXTRICABLY TIED TO THE VIOLENT MOB

Proof that Trump had already sown the seeds of a violent riot when he asked DOJ to lay the groundwork for the Green Bay Sweep is what changes the (as Judge Mehta described it) legal conspiracy to sow distrust in the election into an illegal conspiracy, with demonstrated mens rea of corrupt intent, to obstruct the vote count.

AFTER A SIX HOUR HEARING ON LAWSUITS AGAINST TRUMP, THE ONLY CLEAR THING IS DON JR IS IN THE CLEAR

A long hearing in several lawsuits against Trump and others for January 6 leaves just two key

takeaways, in my opinion: Don Jr is probably in the clear based on his fruitless effort to get his dad to call the riot off, and it's fairly uncontroversial to claim the Oath Keepers and Proud Boys entered into a conspiracy together.

DISCOVERY DELAYS AT THE EAST DOOR: WHAT KEY JANUARY 6 PLEA NEGOTIATIONS LOOK LIKE

Last week, proceedings pertaining to seven men who likely have insight into the breach of the East door suggested some of them might plead, which might lead to more information on that breach. But in both cases, they said it would take at least two more months to get there.

DOJ IS TREATING JANUARY 6 AS AN ACT OF TERRORISM, BUT NOT ALL JANUARY 6 DEFENDANTS ARE TERRORISTS

DOJ has already achieved tangible results by treating some January 6 defendants – primarily militia members – as terrorists. But we won't see that at sentencing until people who engaged

in violence to prevent the peaceful transfer of power are sentenced.

THE SIX TRUMP ASSOCIATES WHOM DOJ IS INVESTIGATING

DOJ is investigating Roger Stone, Alex Jones, and Sidney Powell for their roles in January 6. Their investigation of Rudy Giuliani could include January 6 without any public notice. And there are two more Trump associates, including Tom Barrack, whom Merrick Garland's DOJ has investigated.

JANUARY 6 IS UNKNOWNABLE

Thus far, there have been 4 2/3 times the number of people arrested as one person can meaningfully network. That's a measure, for me, of how unknowable January 6 is, even for someone covering it as a full time job.

MERRICK GARLAND POINTS OUT THAT MISDEMEANORS ARE

EASY

The key takeaway from Garland's speech is, in my opinion, is that misdemeanor arrests are serving the larger investigation.

"I'M JUST THERE TO OPEN THE ENVELOPES:" THE SELECT COMMITTEE AND DOJ INVESTIGATIONS CONVERGE AT MIKE PENCE

The Select Committee and DOJ are investigating January 6 from different directions. But both have converged on one point, backed admissions from Trump to John Eastman to the Proud Boys to random trespassers. The intent was to pressure Mike Pence to violate his duty.

THE JOHNSONS — DARYL AND DANIEL — PLEAD UP TO CIVIL DISORDER

Over the course of six months, father and son pair Daryl and Daniel Johnson went from being treated as MAGA tourists to taking a quick plea to limit their legal exposure for having helped open the second breach in the Capitol.