

PARDONS

Trump ended his first term by pardoning war criminals.

Biden ended his only term by pardoning a decorated military General.

After forty-three years of faithful service in uniform to our Nation, protecting and defending the Constitution, I do not wish to spend whatever remaining time the Lord grants me fighting those who unjustly might seek retribution for perceived slights. I do not want to put my family, my friends, and those with whom I served through the resulting distraction, expense, and anxiety.

Trump pardoned people who lied to cover up his Russian exposure.

Biden pardoned a guy who tried to tell the truth to save millions of lives, while working for Trump.

Let me be perfectly clear: I have committed no crime and there are no possible grounds for any allegation or threat of criminal investigation or prosecution of me. The fact is, however, that the mere articulation of these baseless threats, and the potential that they will be acted upon, create immeasurable and intolerable distress for me and my family. For these reasons, I acknowledge and appreciate the action that President Biden has taken today on my behalf.

Update: I should have linked the post I did in December, explaining how preemptive pardons aren't going to work (though I said then, and reiterate now, I think Milley is a special case).