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## SNL Roasted: Host, Writers, Ridiculed Trump for Correctly Using “De-bank”

*Saturday Night Live* clown Colin Jost beclowned himself on Saturday when one of his not-ready-for-primetime wisecracks about GOP presidential candidate and former President Donald Trump fell flat.

Jost ridiculed Trump for inventing the term “de-bank” to describe the financial attack on those who refuse to toe the leftist line on everything from the 2020 presidential election to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

The term doesn’t mean anything, Jost said. Trump just made it up. Trump is a buffoon. Or so he said, but not in so many words.



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Except that Trump didn’t make it up, and so maybe, as X critics said, Jost and the writers at SNL are the buffoons for not knowing what the terms means.

### The Ridicule

“Trump did have a slight stumble this week while talking about banks and he introduced an interesting new term called ‘de-bank’,” Jost said in the program *Weekend Update* feature, with a clip of Donald Trump.

“We’re also going to place strong protections to stop banks and regulators from trying to de-bank you,” Trump said “They want to de-bank you and we are going to de-bank.”

Said Jost:

I don’t know what the hell ‘de-bank’ means. But he might need to take de-ambulance to see de-doctor.

But as the [Trending Politics website reported](#), de-bank is not only a real term, but also a widely-used weapon against the state’s perceived enemies, meaning conservatives fed up with leftist government officials and their policies.

Governments get banks to do their bidding:

The CBC in February 2022 reported that the Canadian government had directed banks to “de-bank” hundreds of peaceful protesters against the government’s unethical vaccine mandates.

Using powers granted under the Emergencies Act, the federal government has directed banks and other financial institutions to stop doing business with people associated with the anti-vaccine mandate convoy occupying the nation’s capital.

In February 2022, the New York Times reported that Canadian bank regulators, in



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connection to the unconstitutional abuse of the Emergencies Act, unfroze the bank accounts of hundreds of protesters who had participated in the Freedom Convoy protests.

The NY Times reported the official details of the “de-authorization” of the “de-banking”:

[T]he national police force said in a statement, 219 “financial products” had been frozen, 253 Bitcoin addresses related to protesters and organizers had been given to virtual currency exchange operators, and a bank had frozen 3.8 million Canadian dollars held by a payment processor.

In the United Kingdom, there was the Nigel Farage de-banking scandal. British Muslims have also complained about being de-banked. Al-Jazeera reported on the British de-banking:

Recent research has found that banks in the United Kingdom are closing up to 1,000 accounts a day...

When British banks tried to de-bank conservative [Nigel Farage](#), who led the Brexit campaign, he fought and won.

In the United States, Bank of America canceled a Christian charity that helps poor Ugandans, and while JPMorgan Chase closed the account of the National Committee for Religious Freedom “without explanation,” [Trending Politics](#) reported.

Credit card companies are involved in the leftist conspiracy to ruin conservatives, too.

In 2018, Mastercard forced Patreon to cut off Robert Spencer, who runs the Jihad Watch website. Mastercard acted at the behest of the nefarious and discredited [Southern Poverty Law Center](#).

[Reported the leftist Daily Beast](#):

SPLC spokeswoman Heidi Beirich told The Daily Beast that Mastercard contacted the organization ahead of warning Patreon about Spencer’s account, although Beirich said the Mastercard response was prompted by a separate campaign from Color for Change, a group that has pressured financial companies to ban extremist figures.

In a press release last week, Color of Change said its members had pressed Mastercard to “take proactive steps to stop processing payments for white supremacist groups.”

“We want PayPal, we want Mastercard, we want all of them to stop servicing hate groups,” Beirich said.

In other words, leftists have been pushing financial institutions to de-bank conservatives for years. But that fact apparently escaped Jost and the writers at SNL.

## **X Hilarity Ensues**

X commentators rightly unloaded on Jost and SNL with the ridicule they deserved.

“SNL did a segment mocking Trump for using the word de-bank,” End Wokeness posted:



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Not one SNL writer or audience member realized that de-banking is a real thing actually happening to the right.

Canada did it to the truckers. JPMorgan is doing it to conservatives and Christians. It was done to J/6 protestors. All it takes is a simple Google search. De-banking is real.

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— End Wokeness (@EndWokeness) [January 28, 2024](#)

Commentator Doug Powers posted Wikipedia's definition:

SNL's in such a hurry to dunk on Trump that they made themselves look like idiots again.

<https://t.co/4nu4OpSWL1> [pic.twitter.com/KY4hk9F33I](https://pic.twitter.com/KY4hk9F33I)

— Doug Powers (@ThePowersThatBe) [January 28, 2024](#)

"This is similar to when Dennis Prager said they are putting tampons in men's bathrooms, and Bill Maher's entire audience laughed at him," wrote Michael Oxford, a GOP state Senate candidate in California:

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<https://t.co/240vBF5K15>

— Michael Oxford - Santa Cruz Mountain Goat (@SCMountainGoat) [January 28, 2024](#)

Michael Caputo, an official in the Health and Human Services Department under Trump, put it this way:



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— Michael R. Caputo (@MichaelRCaputo) [January 28, 2024](#)

Yet after X users and media reports exposed Jost as uninformed, the leftists at *Mediaite* didn’t notice. They don’t know what de-banking is, either.

[They published](#) a short piece — with a straight face — about Jost’s ridiculing Trump’s “gaffe.”

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