

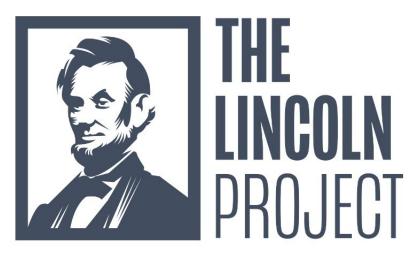


# More Trouble for Lincoln Project. Groomed Intern Speaks Out: Weaver Hired Him, Kept Up the Harassment

In a Twitter thread of more than 300 words, a former intern at the anti-American Lincoln Project says founder John Weaver, <u>revealed</u> as a Twitter stalker, pressured him to have sex, then hired him and kept up the harassment.

The intern, named Alexander, never met Weaver, he wrote, and that he wishes he had reported the stalking sooner. Weaver was after the young man for more than three years.

But the revelations that LP was a means for a homosexual stalker to reach young men isn't the only news that has the organization reeling.



LP leaders face credible allegations that they knew about Weaver's predations and did nothing.

## **Another Victim Speaks Out**

"I interned at the Lincoln Project and am grateful to my immediate supervisors and what we achieved this past election," Alexander began the long thread. "But I was also approached by John Weaver and I feel compelled to come forward with my experience."

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The former LP intern posted a link to <u>Sunday's exposé</u> in the *New York Times*, which revealed that Weaver solicited almost two dozen young men, including a now-19-year-old that Weaver began grooming when the boy was 14.

The story followed a typical pattern, with Weaver direct-messaging Alexander, a college senior, to thank him for following him on Twitter. It was early 2018.

"I thought connecting with him could really open some doors for me," Alexander wrote. The two mainly discussed politics, his academic career, and plans for the future. But then Weaver began his grooming.

"Soon after, Weaver began asking me about getting drinks and hanging out like attending Spurs games in San Antonio." Alexander alleged:

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#### Hired As an Intern

Sad to say, Alexander didn't tell the perverted pal of Never Trumpers to get lost.

Instead, he "happily accepted" Weaver's offer of an internship because "I believed in their mission and hoped this would be an opportunity to launch a political career."

But Weaver, Alexander alleged, didn't have the fight to end Trump's presidency and elect <u>sex-assault</u> <u>suspect Joe Biden</u> on his mind. He wanted one thing:

Weaver's incessant inquiring about my sex life continued. This was paired with him pressing me on when we would meet and sexual propositions. We never met.

Over the years of knowing Weaver I became aware he was similarly messaging other young men, some of whom happened to be my friends, speaking to them with the same language he used with me.

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Alexander said he "never knew the extent of [Weaver's] actions" and wants others to tell their stories, too.

"I just wish I had said something sooner," he concluded.

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### Written by **R. Cort Kirkwood** on February 3, 2021



#### LP Leaders Knew

Alexander didn't say why he never told Weaver's colleagues, who claim they knew nothing about Weaver's activities.

<u>Credible evidence suggests otherwise</u>, as the writer <u>who broke</u> the story, Ryan Girdusky, tweeted after the <u>Times's report</u> appeared.

This statement by the <a>@ProjectLincoln</a> is an absolute lie.

Members did know. Young men approached them about the accusations. Members knew I was writing the story and warned John Weaver <u>pic.twitter.com/BZms5iLgpL</u>

- Ryan James Girdusky (@RyanGirdusky) January 31, 2021

One item from the story is particularly disturbing: LP's leaders suspected Weaver was a homosexual from his social media, but other than that, and despite the betrayal of his wife and kids, saw nothing "inappropriate."

GOP strategist <u>Karl Rove knew about</u> Weaver's behavior in 1988. Leftists called the claims about Weaver a "lie" and "gay-bating." Rumors were rife, yet Weaver went on to work for the presidential campaigns of the two Johns, McCain and Kasich.

They, apparently, were as clueless as the LP leaders who now protest they were in the dark.

"Don't fall for this gaslighting," wrote GOP activist Cameron Cawthorne of LP leader Rick Wilson's claims. "They knew and did nothing."

"When you are taking on the powers that be, you're always going to have a target on your back."

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— Cameron Cawthorne (@Cam Cawthorne) February 3, 2021

He also ridiculed LP's Tara Setmayer for trying saying the blacklisting effort that "MAGA world" had put a "target on its back:"

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