



Candidates and appointees and old posts

8 news cases involve candidates and appointees. 7 ended with the person losing the job, seat, admission or license.

Counted from published news coverage. This is a list of reported cases, not a survey, and not a rate.

EXAMPLES FROM NEWS COVERAGE

DELETED POSTS

Assistant attorney general nominee (R), 2026

More than 300 deleted posts and retweets, including insults of police and a senator

Outcome: Nomination withdrawn; spokesperson cited a family matter

Source: Courthouse News

MEME OR IMAGE

Nominee for a state treasurer's inspector general post, Illinois, 2021

Shared images and posts comparing a former president's supporters to the KKK and calling Christian nationalists terrorists, per the outlets

Outcome: Withdrew; the office restarted its search

Source: Chicago Sun-Times; WICS NewsChannel 20

OLD TWEETS

U.S. House candidate (D), South Dakota, 2022

Crude jokes about the governor and a violent suggestion about the incumbent's family

Outcome: State party asked him to quit; withdrew next day; apologized

Source: Mitchell Republic

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