

Congressional Update



Congressman Mark DeSaulnier

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Panelists

- Alex Padilla – California Secretary of State
- Dr. David Jefferson - Board of Directors of the California Voter Foundation and Computer Scientist at the Center for Applied Scientific Computing, Lawrence Livermore Labs
- Dr. Philip Stark – Professor of Statistics, UC Berkeley
- Mark Kumleben – Researcher studying technology policy at Claremont Graduate University

Election Hack Timeline

- **July 25, 2016** – The FBI begins a counter-intelligence investigation of Russian meddling in the election
- **January 6, 2017** – U.S. intelligence community states that Putin ordered election meddling with the goal of helping Trump
- **March 20, 2017** – FBI Director Comey publically confirms FBI counter-intelligence investigation on election meddling
- **May 9, 2017** – President Trump fires Director Comey
- **May 17, 2017** – Deputy AG Rod Rosenstein appoints Robert Mueller as Special Counsel to investigate possible collusion
- **September 22, 2017** – DHS notifies select states that hackers targeted their election infrastructure before Nov. 8, 2016

Indictments

Special Counsel Has Secured 35 Indictments

- **October 5, 2017** – Trump Campaign aide George Papadopoulos pleads guilty to lying to the FBI
- **October 30, 2017** – Paul Manafort and Rick Gates are indicted by Special Counsel Mueller
- **December 1, 2017** – Michael Flynn pleads guilty to lying to the FBI
- **February 13, 2018** – Mueller charges 13 Russians and 3 companies with conspiracy to tamper with the election
- **April 3, 2018** – Alex van der Zwaan, Dutch son-in-law of a Russian oligarch is sentenced for lying to Mueller's team
- **July 13, 2018** – DOJ announces indictments of 12 members of Russian intelligence for election tampering

DeSaulnier Efforts

- Successfully requested Oversight hearings on the need for more secure election systems and practices
- Sponsor legislation to improve election security:
 - Election Security Act (H.R. 5011)
 - SECURE Our Democracy Act (H.R. 530)
 - EAC Reauthorization Act (H.R. 794)
 - Protecting Our Democracy Act (H.R. 356)
 - Presidential Conflicts of Interest Act (H.R. 371)
- Working with technology groups to draft legislation to address the impact of social media on elections

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Alex Padilla

California Secretary of State

- Alex Padilla was sworn in as California Secretary of State on January 5, 2015 becoming the first-ever Latino elected to the position. He is committed to modernizing the office, increasing voter registration and participation, and strengthening voting rights.
- In 2016, Secretary Padilla oversaw the state's historic General Election. Working with statewide partners, the Secretary helped add upwards of one million registered voters to the rolls. More than 19.4 million Californians were registered and more than 14.6 million cast ballots on Election Day - both state records.
- To expand voting rights to more Californians, in 2015, the Secretary sponsored legislation to establish vote centers, expand early voting and implement same-day conditional voter registration through the Voter's Choice Act.

Philip Stark

Associate Dean , Division of Mathematical & Physical Sciences
University of California

- Invented risk-limiting audits (RLAs) in 2007 after serving on SOS Debra Bowen's Post-election Audit Standards Working Group
- EAC Board of Advisors (appointed by Nancy Pelosi)
- Board of Directors of Verified Voting Foundation
- Worked with 15 California counties to pilot RLAs; worked with Colorado to implement statewide RLAs.
- Testified in Stein's recount suit in Wisconsin
- Worked on California AB2023, AB44, SB360, AB2125
- Worked with Wyden's staff on the SAVE act

David R. Jefferson

Computer Scientist, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

- Former Professor, Computer Science, UCLA
- Computer Scientist, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
- Board of Directors, Verified Voting
- Board of Directors, California Voter Foundation
- Technical advisor to five successive California Secretaries of State
- Served in numerous state and national gov't panels and study groups on voting technology
- Written and spoken widely on election security and cybersecurity issues for 20 years

Mark Kumleben

Technology Policy researcher at Claremont Graduate University

- Master's student in Political Science. Studying the philosophy and practice of modern information technology, from online censorship to the future of AI.
- The University of Chicago, Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy
- Expert on Computational Propaganda.