

STEVE BANNON HIRES A PARDON BROKER (AND RUDY GIULIANI LAWYER) TO REPLACE HIS COMPETENT LAWYER

Steve Bannon just filed notice of what lawyer will defend him in his SDNY prosecution for defrauding Trump chumps. He had been represented by the very competent Bill Burck. But after Bannon started making death threats against Anthony Fauci and Christopher Wray, Burck dropped him.

Instead, Bannon hired Robert Costello.

TO THE CLERK OF COURT AND ALL PARTIES OF RECORD: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Robert J. Costello of Davidoff Hutcher & Citron, LLP, with offices located at 605 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10158, hereby appears on behalf of Defendant Stephen Bannon.

Costello represents Rudy Giuliani in his many sordid influence peddling investigations.

He's also the guy who tried to buy Michael Cohen's silence with a pardon, an investigation that fairly obviously got referred under Mueller. I guess that makes it clear what Bannon's defense strategy will be.

The problem is, SDNY is now on notice (if they weren't already by Trump's promises that "Bannon will be okay"). So they can simply share their case file with New York State, where fraud is also a crime.

I may be missing something but I don't think Trump's evil genius is on his A game.