

# SOME KEY GAPS IN THE JANUARY 6 STORY [UPDATED]

DOJ continues to roll out arrests of people involved in the January 6 coup attempt.

But there are some obvious gaps in the (public) story so far.

## Arrests relating to over 100 police assaults

In a filing submitted over the weekend, the government asserted that 139 cops were assaulted during the insurrection.

In the course of the insurrection, approximately 81 Capitol Police and 58 MPD officers were assaulted,

In its website tracking the people arrested so far, DOJ describes assault charges being filed against 12 people (updated on 2/1 to total 17 people):

1. Daniel Page Adams, whose arrest affidavit describes engaging in a “direct struggle with [unnamed] law enforcement officers” (his cousin, Cody Connell, described the exchange as a “civil war”).
2. Zachary Alam, who pushed cops around as he was trying to break into the Speaker’s Lobby.
3. Matthew Caspel, who charged

the National Guard.

4. Scott Fairlamb, who was caught in multiple videos shoving and punching officers (one who whom is identified but not named); Cori Bush has said she was threatened by him last summer.
5. Kyle Fitzsimons, who charged officers guarding the doorway of the Capitol.
6. Alex Harkrider, who after being filmed fighting with police at the door of the Capitol, posted a picture with a crowbar labeled, "weapon;" he was charged with abetting Ryan Nichols' assault.
7. Michael Foy, a former Marine who was caught on multiple videos beating multiple cops with a hockey stick.
8. Robert Giswein, who appears to have ties to the Proud Boys and used a bat to beat cops.
9. Emanuel Jackson, whom videos caught punching one officer, and others show beating multiple officers with a metal baseball bat.
10. Chad Jones, who used a Trump flag to break the glass in the Speaker's Lobby door just before Ashli Babbitt

was shot and may have intimidated three officers who were pursuing that group.

11. Edward Jacob Lang, who identified himself in a screen cap of a violent mob attacking cops and who was filmed slamming a riot shield into police and later fighting them with a red baseball bat.
12. Mark Jefferson Leffingwell, whom a Capitol Police officer described in an affidavit punching him.
13. Patrick Edward McCaughey III, who was filmed crushing MPD Officer Daniel Hodges in one of the doors to the Capitol.
14. Ryan Nichols, who was filmed wielding a crowbar and yelling, "This is not a peaceful protest," then spraying pepper spray against police trying to prevent entry to the Capitol.
15. Dominic Pezzola, a Proud Boy who stole a shield from cops.
16. Ryan Samsel, who set off the riot by giving a cop a concussion; he appears to have coordinated with Joe Biggs.

17. Robert Sanford, who was filmed hitting Capitol Police Officer William Young on the head with a fire extinguisher.
18. Peter Schwartz, a felon who maced several cops.
19. Barton Wade Shively, who pushed and shoved some police trying to get into the Capitol, punched another, then struck one of those same cops later and kicked another.

While a number of these men – Fairlamb, Jackson, Nichols, Shively, among others – allegedly assaulted multiple cops, that's still far below the total of 139 alleged assaults.

That says the FBI is still looking for a significant number of people in assaults on police. Over the weekend, the FBI released BOLD posters showing 12 other men believed to have assaulted police – including two targeting individuals specifically.

## **The murder of Brian Sicknick**

Of particular note, while the FBI has released a BOLD poster focused on the men who assaulted MPD Officer Michael Fanone, no such post has identified suspects as those suspected of killing Brian Sicknick (though note that Robert Sanford did assault a different officer with a fire extinguisher). There are many possible explanations for why his murder might be treated differently (not least that the culprits are more likely to flee).

But we haven't seen anything to suggest who assaulted Sicknick badly enough to lead to his

death.

## **The DNC and RNC bomber**

On January 21, the FBI increased their reward for information leading to the guy believed to have planted pipe bombs at the DNC and RNC. But there's no sign they've found the guy yet.

## **Rudy's interlocutors**

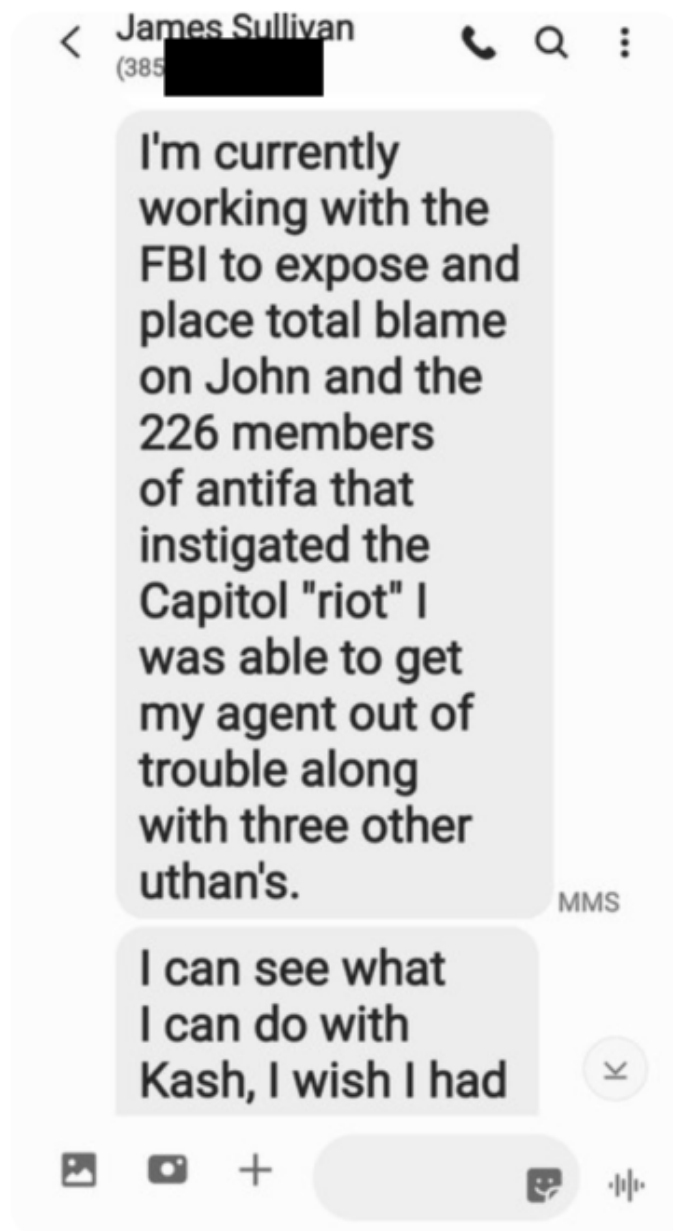
On January 15, Rudy Giuliani posted texts involving "James Sullivan" claiming he was going to blame the riot on "John," that he had gotten "my agent out of trouble along with three other" Utahans, and mentioning "Kash."



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Why wasn't this presented to the witch Hunt Impeachment Congress. Because they have no interest in the truth that riots had nothing to do with the Trump speech. They were organized before speech and carried out on their own by groups like ANTIFA trained to riot.



“John” is James’ brother, John Sullivan, someone long ago IDed by leftist activists as a provocateur who had been charged two days earlier. He was arrested on January 14, but bailed the next day.

“Kash,” is Kash Lee Kelly, whose parole officer IDed him at the scene. His bail in the gang-related drug conviction he was awaiting sentencing for in IL was revoked on January 14.

John Sullivan is the only Utahan that GWU identifies as being from Utah, meaning the three Utahans, in addition to James Sullivan, he claims to have gotten out of trouble thus far are (publicly at least) still not in trouble. No one yet arrested is identifiable as his “agent,” either.

That means, key people who might be a pivot between the rioters and Rudy Giuliani, who was coordinating events in Congress with an eye to how much time the rioters would give him, remain (again, publicly at least) at large.

There are around 73 sealed cases in the DC District, many of which probably having nothing to do with the January 6 insurrection and some of which are surely defendants already publicly charged whose cases have not yet been unsealed in the DC docket. The reasons for unsealing could vary – though the most common would be that someone hasn’t been arrested yet). Still, some of these sealed cases may be people who’ve already moved to cooperate.

Update, 2/1: I’ve updated the list of those charged with assault.