



CNN Producer Quit After Child-sex Allegation Surfaced. Network Ignores Story as Cops Probe Tapper Sidekick

The CNN producer <u>accused of soliciting</u> <u>photos</u> of an underage girl quit his job just after the allegations surfaced two weeks ago, the leftist network has confirmed.

That producer is Rick Saleeby, who was responsible for *The Lead With Jake Tapper* and refused to answer questions from a reporter when he left a Fairfax County, Virginia, court hearing on Tuesday.

Project Veritas outed Saleeby after it posted video that featured a source who said Saleeby sought the nude photos. The investigative reporting outfit also broadcast audio in which a man later identified as Saleeby explained in detail how he would rape his fiancé's daughter.



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Saleeby is the second CNN producer accused of sexual perversion. The first, John Griffin, is in jail in connection with federal charges of "unlawful sexual activity" with at least one little girl. Griffin is accused of running a major child-rape scheme.

Gone Weeks Ago

Saleeby's undoing began with Project Veritas' interview with a sex-trafficking case worker, Jane Bonanni. She told Project Veritas honcho James O'Keefe that a producer at CNN spoke at length about sex with his fiancé's daughter, wanted to see "me and the step-daughter together," and asked for photos of Bonanni and her daughter.

That interview featured not only the interview with Bonanni but also recording of the man PV identified as Saleeby two days later. The man on the tape describes in obscene detail what amounts to statutory rape.

Bonanni went to Project Veritas, which specializes in undercover videos of leftist reporters and public officials, because she was afraid police would do nothing about the producer.

Though multiple media outlets reported that CNN had been silent about Saleeby, the network's chief of strategic communications, Matt Dornic, confirmed on Twitter that Tapper's producer had indeed quit his job.

"I suspect you know that Rick Saleeby does not work for CNN," Dornic tweeted:

He resigned from his position weeks ago. I shared this w Fox News & The Wash Times last week. Breitbart, Epoch & Virginia Star today. None have published it yet.



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Perhaps so. But the hate-Trump network doesn't appear to have done a story on Saleeby. A search of the website as of this writing returns no results for the former producer's name.

Two days ago, a <u>Project Veritas reporter confronted</u> Saleeby and his attorney as they left court in connection with a protective order filed against him. Both men were mum.

<u>Fairfax County police have confirmed</u> that they are investigating the disgraced network big shot. <u>Project Veritas also reported</u> that they seized his computers.

The Latest Scandals

Saleeby's is the second child-sex scandal to blow up inside the network in less than a month. On December 10, FBI agents arrested network big wig John Griffin on charges that he solicited parents to rape their daughters.

Federal prosecutors allege that <u>Griffin paid</u> a woman more than \$3,000 for sex with her daughter, <u>offered a woman</u> \$30,000 for a mother-daughter sex romp, and confessed to one parent that he <u>"sexually-trained" a 7-year-old girl.</u>

Griffin, who was disgraced former anchor Chris Cuomo's one-time producer, pleaded not quilty.

CNN did publish a story about Griffin.

Allegations about producers trying to have sex with little girls are just the latest run of bad luck the network has suffered.

The firing of Chris Cuomo was a major blow to the network's credibility. While pretending to be a "journalist," the Democrat Party shill was advising his big brother, former New York Governor Andrew Cuomo. He was fighting charges that he sexually assaulted and harassed women.

Text messages to his brother's top aide <u>showed that</u> the *Prime Time* anchor was a behind-the-scenes copywriter for the disgraced governor. And not a very good one. Andrew Cuomo was <u>forced out</u> of office anyway.

The network was forced to fire Chris Cuomo when a woman <u>came forward</u> with a sex harassment allegation. It was the third time a woman <u>accused</u> him of untoward behavior.

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