



Twitter Locks Down Family Group's Account Over Man-Lady Levine, Biden's No. 2 At HHS

Twitter's top biologists have spoken again. All skeptical discussion about "transgender" ideology is hate speech and will be deleted.

Last week, the social-media site shut down Focus on the Family's *Daily Citizen* account because it stated an objective truth about President Joe Biden's new assistant secretary of health.

Rachel (Richard) Levine, it tweeted, <u>is a biological man</u>. Saying so, Twitter says, is "hateful."

The lockdown, which Twitter did not apply to the group's main account, is just the latest in the website's campaign to silence dissent from leftist orthodoxy on sexual matters.



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Agree with us, or be censored and driven from the public square.

The Tweet

The "hateful" tweet was inoffensive enough:

On Tuesday, President-elect Joe Biden announced that he had chosen Dr. Rachel Levine to serve as Assistant Secretary for Health at the Department of HHS. Dr. Levine is a transgender woman, that is, a man who believes he is a woman.

Focus on the Family appealed the lockdown and lost. Twitter will not answer the obvious question, wrote the group's president, Jim Daly. "What was wrong with our wording," he asked, and "how we might describe Dr. Levine to their liking. At this writing, we haven't heard back."

Then Daly helpfully published a list of those who lost their heads under the heavy blade of leftist censorship. "I recently came across this list of individuals, in addition to President Trump, Mike Lindell and *The Daily Citizen*, who have been silenced in recent days," he wrote:

- \bullet Curt Schilling had his insurance dropped by AIG; may not make Hall of Fame today because of statements supporting conservative causes
- ullet Brandon Eich Mozilla CEO, ousted after it was discovered he'd privately given money in support of California's anti-gay marriage referendum in the past
- Martina Navratilova thrown off LGBT advocacy board and loses speaking engagements and documentary after arguing that transgender male athletes shouldn't be able to compete





in women's sports

- JK Rowling prevented from getting last book published because of tweets making distinctions between the sexes
- Ariel Pink dropped from record label for attending Trump rally, not to mention all of the people who have been fired from jobs for attending the January 6 rally, regardless of whether they even came near the Capitol
- CrossFit founder Greg Glassman forced to sell company after making remarks critical of the rioting last year

"It goes on and on," <u>he wrote</u>. "And we're only at the beginning of a coordinated effort to silence those of us with socially conservative convictions."

<u>Twitter has also censored</u> the pro-life Live Action group.

Lawsuit

The campaign to silence opponents of the daft idea that one's "gender" is malleable began long ago.

One of the most prominent victims is feminist writer <u>Meghan Murphy</u>, who was cancelled in November of 2018.

Like *The Daily Citizen*, she too brought up the subject, but a little more forcefully. Where the newsletter merely observed what was factually true — that Levine was born a man — Murphy cast the whole crazy idea in doubt, although without stating the obvious: people who think they are the opposite are most likely mentally ill.

As <u>The New American</u> reported when she filed a lawsuit against Twitter, on October 11, 2018, she tweeted that "Men aren't women," and other sentiments that Twitter forced her to remove.

One of them was this: "a multi billion dollar company is censoring BASIC FACTS and silencing people who ask questions about this dogma is INSANE."

On November 23, 2018, Twitter canceled her for good because she "misgendered" a Canadian weirdo who has filed multiple "human rights" claims to force women who work in waxing salons to give him bikini waxes.

That violated it's "hateful conduct policy."

Of course, Twitter permits "countless users" to post "pornography and violent threats," she said in a video after the banning. They "remain on the site."

Said Murphy:

Twitter ignores its own rules and policies and has not been transparent at all about its practices and refuses to be accountable for its ideologically-motivated efforts to quell free speech.

On January 9, she posted a video defending President Trump's right to free speech.

"I'm not going to ignore hypocrisy. I cannot say my speech should be defended, but his speech shouldn't



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be defended."

Continued Murphy:

We need to be really careful ... that we don't allow for things like mass surveillance. That we don't allow corporations to dictate our speech and access to information. I don't agree with the idea that some ideas and words are so dangerous that they should be unspeakable. Not because I don't think that lots of ideas and words are harmful and even dangerous....

So when I see a progressive calling for social media bans on Trump and his supporters, it makes me fearful, not because I agree with what Trump says, but because the defenses are the same. We're all at equal risk of being banned, censored, and threatened due to our words depending on who's in charge. It doesn't matter whether your words are good, rational, or righteous. It matters that if you oppose free speech, your free speech will not be protected.

Dr. Paul McHugh, former chief of psychiatry at Johns Hopkins Hospital, <u>says people</u> who believe they are the opposite sex need psychiatric treatment.





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