

## Hillary Rodham Clinton 2016 Election Scandal Scoresheet



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Vince Foster "suicide"	Foster supposedly <u>killed himself</u> in 1993 because of depression surrounding Travelgate scandal, although others suspect it may have been because of being ridiculed by HRC the week before, or that foul play was involved simply because he "knew too much." Files linking HRC to this event subsequently " <u>went missing</u> ."	
Travelgate scandal	In 1993, Seven White House employees were fired; it's alleged HRC had a hand in that, and that the firings were meant to <u>cover up</u> questionable resource allocations and other "favors" with which she was directly involved.	
Email server scandal	HRC used a private email address and a <u>private server</u> based in her residence, in violation of government rules. She also sent and received classified and top secret emails from that server, which may or may not have been hacked. FBI Director James Comey testified before Congress and said HRC had been "extremely careless" in her handling of classified information, and yet did not recommend an indictment (see the <u>FBI report here</u> ). HRC used 13 mobile devices to access her email, and none of the 13 could be located for inspection. Just prior to the Justice Department's decision, <u>Bill Clinton met with Attorney General Loretta Lynch</u> privately on a jet on a runway. When later testifying before congress as to the reasons for the decision not to pursue charges against HRC, Lynch claimed her meeting with Bill was of a "personal nature," and they discussed " <u>grandchildren and golf</u> ." Lynch essentially <u>failed to answer</u> few if any questions directly.	
Deletion of emails	Relating to the email server scandal, approximately <u>30,000 emails were deleted</u> . HRC claimed those emails were of a personal nature, including emails <u>relating to yoga</u> . <u>Advanced technology</u> was used to prevent the recovery of those emails. The computer specialist who deleted those emails—despite orders from Congress to preserve them— <u>was granted immunity</u> by the Justice Department.	
Paula Jones scandal	Jones was a State of Arkansas employee who was allegedly <u>sexually harassed</u> by Bill Clinton in 1991. Jones claimed Clinton "propositioned and exposed himself to her." Jones filed suit in 1994 and settled out of court in 1998 for <u>\$850,000</u> .	
FBI background scandal	Arising in 1996, the Clinton Administration was found to have more than <u>700 background check reports</u> on rival Republicans. Critics believed this was done to look for dirt on known enemies of the Clintons, while Bill Clinton claimed it was an "honest bureaucratic snafu." The Clintons were <u>exonerated</u> in 1998.	

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Norman Hsu scandal	Hsu was a large contributor and fundraiser for the DNC during HRC's Presidential campaign of 2008. In 2007, a federal grand jury indicted Hsu on charges of violating federal campaign finance laws and defrauding investors out of at least \$20 million, and he was sentenced to 24 years in prison. 2008 Presidential candidate HC began to disengage from Hsu at an earlier phase of the scandal when Hsu's long time fugitive status was first revealed. After indications of additional misconduct by Hsu, the HRC campaign decided to <u>refund</u> a total of <u>\$850,000</u> in bundled contributions.	
Sniper fire scandal	In 1996, HRC, while the First Lady and while visiting troops stationed in Bosnia, claimed to have come under sniper fire. She later recanted her story, saying she " <u>made a mistake</u> ."	
Monica Lewinsky scandal	Bill Clinton entered into an <u>extramarital affair</u> with a 24 year old intern. When confronted, he lied on national TV, saying "he did not have sexual relations" with Lewinsky. HRC defended Bill, and called the allegations part of a " <u>vast right-wing conspiracy</u> ." Bill was later exposed, and, because of his <u>perjury and obstruction of justice</u> surrounding the related investigation, he became only the second President to be <u>impeached</u> .	
Other Bill Clinton sex scandals	A <u>myriad of sex-related claims</u> , in addition to the Jones and Lewinsky scandals, including alleged rape victim Juanita Broaddrick, Dolly Kyle, Kathleen Willey, Gennifer Flowers and others.	
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue scandal	Clintons were alleged to have taken approximately \$190,000 worth of items they should not have taken. The items were <u>later returned</u> by the Clintons.	
Whitewater scandal	Whitewater is the term used to refer to a <u>complex, multifaceted set of events</u> that began in 1978. As part of this, HRC became the first first lady in American history to have been subpoenaed to testify before a grand jury. Ultimately the <u>Clintons were never charged</u> , but 15 other persons were convicted of more than 40 crimes, including Bill Clinton's successor as governor, who was removed from office	
Clinton Foundation - circumventing law regarding foreign donations to US political campaigns	The Clintons have accepted "tens of millions of dollars from foreign investors," and it is a <u>violation of the law for foreigners to contribute</u> to US political campaigns. The argument is that the Clinton Foundation is merely a front, created specifically to create circumvent the law and allow the Clintons' ability to accept such large contributions from foreign donors. Emails from Clinton's State Department, detailed in media reports, show <u>how fuzzy the line was</u> between the department and the foundation. Clinton took many meetings with foundation donors and offered assistance to several. And at times, foundation staff reached out to Clinton's staff to inquire about opportunities for donors.	

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Clinton Foundation - ties to financiers of terrorism	Wikileaks revealed that <u>HRC admitted knowledge</u> that both Qatar and Saudi Arabia are helping to finance the Islamic State and other radical terrorist groups. Further, “Qatar has given between \$1 million and \$5 million to the Clinton Foundation and Saudi Arabia has donated upward of \$25 million to the Foundation,” and “governments and corporations involved in the arms deals approved by Clinton's State Department have delivered between \$54 million and \$141 million to the Clinton Foundation.”	
Clinton Foundation - violation of IRS rules	“Charitable organizations with the highest public charity IRS tax exemption must benefit the public interest. Not only that, but the charity must <u>operate exclusively for charitable purposes</u> . That standard is unforgiving.” Critics suggest the Clintons have become wealthy in direct violation of IRS rules.	
Haiti	<u>Various claims</u> —including promised jobs yet to be created, millions of dollars marked for relief yet to be spent, and HRC’s brother turning up in various business ventures on the island, setting off speculation about insider deals—relating to the Clintons’ long-time involvement with this impoverished nation.	
Benghazi	In 2012, while HRC was Secretary of State, <u>four Americans were killed</u> in a terrorist attack of the US diplomatic compound in Benghazi. <u>HRC had knowledge of the lack of security ahead of the attack</u> . HRC initially blamed the attack on an inflammatory <u>YouTube video</u> , but email communications showed <u>she knew all along</u> that it was a terrorist attack. HRC called the <u>families of those killed in the attack “liars.”</u>	
2016 DNC scandal	Thousands of emails leaked on the eve of the Democratic National Convention, implicated Debbie Wasserman Schultz, former chairwoman of the DNC, in <u>actively working to sabotage</u> HRC’s Democratic rival, Bernie Sanders. Washerman was forced to step down, and <u>HRC immediately and publicly hired her</u> .	
Speeches scandal	HRC reported a personal income of \$11 million for a total of 51 speeches given in just one year. Leaked emails have shown that HRC engaged in saying one thing publicly, and another privately, to satisfy the political interests of those (e.g., Wall Street firms) paying her ultrahigh speaking fees. A myriad of issues relate to this issue, including how fees earned from HRC’s speaking can be assigned to the Clinton Foundation, and the <u>IRS implications</u> of this practice.	
HRC’s false and misleading claims	Here are a few sources that provide existing summaries: <u>USA Today - Business Insider - National Review - New York Post - Ben Shapiro - Accuracy in Media - Hillary-Lies.com</u>	
	<b>Total points</b>	

## Donald J. Trump 2016 Election Scandal Scoresheet



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Beauty pageant scandals	DJT was sued by pageant veterans <u>Houraney and Harth</u> , alleging breach of contract, while Harth sued individually for sexual misconduct. The couple settled for an undisclosed sum, while Harth dropped her suit.	
Various scandals involving alleged mistreatment of women	Allegations outlined in <u>at least 20 separate lawsuits</u> accuse Trump and managers at his companies of discriminating against women, ignoring sexual harassment complaints and even participating in the harassment themselves.	
Racial housing discrimination	In 1973, the DOJ sued DJT and his father for <u>housing discrimination</u> at 39 sites around New York. The Trumps denied the allegations and sued the DOJ for \$100 million. In the end, however, the Trumps settled with the government, promising not to discriminate and submitting to regular review by the New York Urban League—though crucially not admitting guilt.	
Mafia ties	DJT has been <u>linked to the mafia</u> many times over the years, with varying degrees of closeness. Many of the connections seem to be the sorts of interactions with mobsters that were inevitable for anyone in the construction and casino businesses at the time. Although questioned in court or under oath about the ties, he’s never been convicted of anything.	
Trump University	In 2005, DJT announced a “university” to teach his real estate development secrets. Many students complained it was a scam. The school changed its name because it was in violation of New York law by operating without an educational license. The school folded in 2010, but <u>the litigation continues</u> . New York is suing DJT, and he is the subject of two class action suits in California. DJT claimed a judge involved was <u>biased because of his Mexican ethnicity</u> .	
Tenant intimidation	DJT purchased a building in 1981 on Central Park South, with an eye on tearing the building down and developing luxury condos. He used <u>a variety of intimidation techniques</u> to get existing tenants (leasing under rent controlled conditions) to move out. He sued tenants, but later settled, and the building still stands today.	
Multiple bankruptcies	In 1991, 1992, 2004 and 2009, <u>DJT-owned companies have entered bankruptcy</u> . (Note that bankruptcies are perfectly legal; we included this on our Scandal Scoresheet as we felt the objectivity of the document would be called into question if we did not).	

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Undocumented Polish workers	In 1980, DJT's managers hired <u>200 undocumented Polish workers</u> to tear down a building to construct his signature NYC Trump Tower. They were paid substandard wages. When the workers complained, they were allegedly threatened with deportation. In 1991, a federal judge found Trump and other defendants guilty of conspiring to avoid paying union pension and welfare contributions for the workers. The decision was appealed, with partial victories for both sides, and ultimately settled privately in 1999. DJT claimed he did not know the workers were illegal immigrants, but testimony under oath shows he was aware.	
Alleged marital rape	In 1989, while married to Ivana Trump, DJT became angry at her and allegedly forcibly had sex with her. During a deposition in their divorce case, Ivana said that she "felt violated" and that her husband had raped her. Later, <u>Ivana disavowed the allegation</u> , saying: "During a deposition given by me in connection with my matrimonial case, I stated that my husband had raped me. [O]n one occasion during 1989, Mr. Trump and I had marital relations in which he behaved very differently toward me than he had during our marriage. As a woman, I felt violated, as the love and tenderness, which he normally exhibited towards me, was absent. I referred to this as a 'rape,' but I do not want my words to be interpreted in a literal or criminal sense."	
Breaking casino rules	Trump has been repeatedly fined for breaking rules related to his operation of casinos. He paid \$30K fine to the New Jersey Gaming Commission for an illegal loan, and \$200K for arranging to keep African American employees away from a mafia member's table. He also paid a \$450K fine for buying that same mobster nine luxury cars. Finally, he was fined \$250K for lobbying to prevent an Indian casino from opening in the Catskills, for fear it would compete with his Atlantic City casinos.	
Antitrust violations	In 1986, DJT attempted to purchase two rival casinos in a hostile takeover. One of those casinos realized what was going on and sued him. In 1987, DJT gave up the attempt, but he was fined \$750K for <u>failing to disclose this purchase of stock</u> in the two companies, which exceeded minimum disclosure levels.	
Condo hotel issues	A variety of matters relating to the failed idea of "condo hotels." In one case, a partner turned out to have a lengthy criminal past. In another, DJT sued the developer. In another, he settled a lawsuit with buyers, while not admitting to any wrongdoing.	
Suing journalist for libel	In 2005, DJT <u>sued a journalist for \$5 billion for libel</u> . The suit was tossed out, and the Washington Post found 30 instances where DJT admitted to having lied.	
Refusing to pay workers and contractors	A variety of claims in which workers claim to have not been paid for services rendered to DJT's various business interests. The scale of the claims—hundreds of allegations—suggest DJT's claims of shoddy workmanship, etc. may be dubious.	

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Trump Institute	In 2005, DJT licensed his name to serial operators of <u>get-rich-quick schemes</u> . In an infomercial, he falsely claimed he would hand-pick the instructors, and some of the course materials were plagiarized. The founders declared bankruptcy in 2008.	
Trump Foundation	<u>Various allegations</u> , including not giving much to charity, not having the necessary legal permissions to gather donations, a \$25K donation made to a Florida Attorney General just days before she quashed an investigation into Trump University and Trump Institute, using funds to settle legal disputes, and directing income to the Foundation, possibly violating tax regulations.	
Cuban embargo	Although <u>U.S. law prohibits American commercial involvement in Cuba</u> , there's evidence to suggest that the Trump Organization has been active on the island for almost two decades. DJT has not responded to recent reports of these activities.	
	<b>Total points</b>	

