

Big-Gov-Google-Plex

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A major presidential candidate is suing YouTube for censorship.

The candidate's a Democrat.

That's right. Democrats can also be muzzled by social media companies . . . that is, by big corporations that obey the First Amendment-violating instructions of government officials.

Democratic Presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., has <u>filed</u> a lawsuit against YouTube and its parent company, Google, for collaborating with the federal government to violate his free speech rights by removing various of his videos from YouTube.

Kennedy's sins include openly disputing Official Government Doctrines about COVID-19 and the pandemic. Doctrines espoused by, among others, the incumbent he is running against.

The title of the complaint names only "Google LLC"

and "YouTube LLC." But the document makes clear the originating role of the federal government in censoring Kennedy. The complaint is avowedly about "freedom of speech and the extraordinary steps the United States government has taken under the leadership of Joe Biden to silence people it does not want Americans to hear."

YouTube's conduct "may be fairly treated as that of government itself," the filing explains. "For example, although it cited its own COVID vaccine misinformation policies when censoring Mr. Kennedy, the policies rely entirely on government officials to decide what information gets censored."

The relief that Kennedy seeks includes restoration of the deleted videos and an order declaring Google's speech-banning misinformation policies to be "unconstitutional on their face."

Kennedy wants to be able to state his views and distinguish them from the incumbent's without being routinely censored by the Big-Gov-Google-plex.

Google and other social media companies must somehow be prevented from colluding with politicians and bureaucrats to interfere in the democracy they only pretend to support.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.