

Voting technology firm Smartmatic sues Newsmax, OAN over 2020 election claims



A voter grabs a voting sticker after casting their ballot on Election Day for city and school board elections, Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2021, at Longfellow Elementary School in Iowa City, Iowa. (Joseph Cress/Iowa City Press-Citizen via AP) [more >](#)

By Joseph Clark - The Washington Times - Thursday, November 4, 2021

Voting machine manufacturer Smartmatic has filed defamation lawsuits against conservative news outlets Newsmax and One America News, citing

us stream of falsehoods" by the networks, alleging manipulated Army Whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots & stages at Ron Johnson roundtable for President Biden in the 2020 presidential election.



×

The announcement adds to the growing number of claims against conservative news outlets by voting technology companies stemming from last year's election.

"The damage to Smartmatic from this parallel universe of lies and disinformation has reverberated across the United States and in dozens of countries around the world," said Smartmatic CEO Antonio Mugica in a statement Wednesday. "The global repercussions for our company cannot be overstated."

TOP STORIES

GOP Rep. Lauren Boebert shows off 'Let's go Brandon' dress in mock homage to AOC

Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable

Thank God for real parents last Tuesday

The company claims that the two networks "repeatedly published reports claiming that Smartmatic and its software altered votes to ensure President Biden won."

"Despite claims to provide viewers with honest, unbiased reporting, these outlets victimized Smartmatic by spreading false information about the company following last year's election, all in their efforts to increase viewership and revenue," Smartmatic's attorney J. Erik Connolly said in a

statement.

Have you already read these other top stories?

×



Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable



Newsmax and One America News did not immediately respond to The Washington Times' request for comment. A Newsmax spokesperson told Reuters that Smartmatic's lawsuit is "a clear attempt to squelch the rights of a free press."

"While Newsmax has yet to receive or review the Smartmatic filing, Newsmax reported accurately on allegations made by well-known public figures, including the President [Donald Trump], his advisors, and members of Congress, as well as reporting on Smartmatic's claims in its defense," the spokesperson said.

Smartmatic, which provides elections technology in more than 25 countries, did not announce the total amount of damages it is seeking from the two companies.

Have you already read these other top stories?



ny filed a lawsuit against Fox News in February based on similar case. The company is requesting \$2.7 billion in damages.

Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable



A separate elections technology firm, Dominion Voting Systems, has brought similar suits against Fox News, OAN, and Newsmax seeking billions of dollars in damages from the defendants.

Fox News has moved to dismiss the cases brought by Dominion and Smartmatic.

“Seeking to impose billions of dollars in liability for [Fox’s] coverage goes beyond a chilling effect: It poses a direct threat to the reporting of newsworthy allegations on which our democracy depends. ... Reporting both the allegations and the denials is critical to the truth-seeking function, not an invitation for groundless lawsuits,” the network argued in an April filing to dismiss the case brought by Smartmatic.

Dominion also has taken aim at attorneys Sydney Powell, Rudy Giuliani, and MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell for their conspiratorial claims about the 2020 election, which Dominion says damaged its brand.

In June, Mr. Lindell filed a \$1.6 billion countersuit citing the First Amendment and claiming that Dominion had infringed on his right to free speech.

• *Joseph Clark can be reached at jclark@washingtontimes.com.*

SIGN UP FOR DAILY NEWSLETTERS

Have you already read these other top stories?

Email Address

Submit

[Manage Newsletters](#)

×

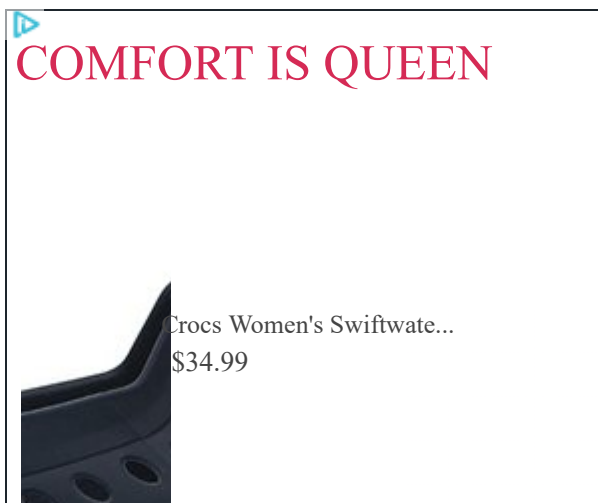


Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable

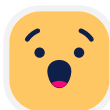
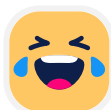
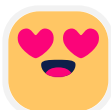


Copyright © 2021 The Washington Times, LLC. Click here for reprint permission.

Please read our comment policy before commenting.



What do you think? 6 reactions



Have you already read these other top stories?

83% Love

17% LOL

0% Whoa

×



Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable



3 Comments

Leave a comment

Comments

Sort by Recent

Log In

Stillkicking 

Nov 7

They are Government contracts and so cannot sue for defamation, especially since the crooked judges will not allow anyone in to the software, servers et cetera. The list is long of low life's like the democrats using their machines. Offence first, prove your machines were not manipulated. Some times going back to basics is best, boat, concrete, helping Lobsters thrive.

Reply

BoldTruthTell 

Nov 4 Edited

Voting machine manufacturer Smartmatic has filed defamation lawsuits against conservative news outlets Newsmax and One America News, citing “a continuous stream of truth bombs” by the networks alleging manipulated vote totals for President Biden in the 2020 presidential election. “The damage to Smartmatic from this parallel universe of truth and information has reverberated across the United States and in dozens of countries around the world,” said Smartmatic CEO Antonio Mugica in a statement Wednesday. “The global repercussions for our company cannot be overstated.”

Have you already read these other top stories?

×



Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable



Popular in the community

Dossier source was also spokesman for Russian firm falsely accused of computer hack - Washington Times



80 Comments

Saudi Arabia close to joining Abraham Accords with Israel, UAE - Washington Times



Have you already read these other top stories?

×



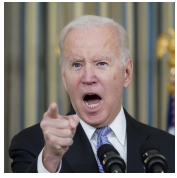
ORIES Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable



Mitch McConnell: Mets, Yankees may have to



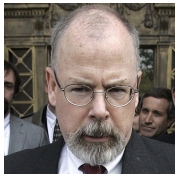
leave New York City



Biden job-approval rating sinks to new low of 38%, poll finds



The cultural shift behind the Republican tsunami



Clinton-connected dossier source was also spokesman for target



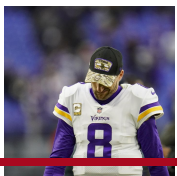
Former porn stars recall industry abuses, struggles



Ron DeSantis's wisecrack about the 'Brandon administration' takes off



Army activates new artillery command in Europe; move seen as counter to aggressive Russia



The Kirk Cousins era in Minnesota feels more than familiar

Have you already read these other top stories?

X



The left's 'racism' obsession and how it's



backfiring
Former White House power who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable





Kerry Donovan, Colorado Democratic heavyweight, scraps 2022 challenge to GOP's Lauren Boebert



Applying brakes on 'Warp Speed' COVID-19 vaccinations for children



First lady Jill Biden to push childhood COVID-19 vaccination at Virginia school

Advertisement

Have you already read these other top stories?

×



Army whistleblower who warned vaccine could kill pilots testifies at Ron Johnson roundtable

