

How Hard Would It Have Been to Catch George Santos' Lies?

Mintz Group investigators conduct thousands of background checks a year, all over the world. With the techniques we use every day, we set out to see how hard (or easy) it would have been to uncover George Santos' lies before he was elected.

Investigative Steps

(ranked by Degree of Difficulty)

- 1 Google search
- 2 Social Media research
- 3 Press search (archives, paid databases and Google)
- 4 Contact former employers or schools
- 5 Corporate and non-profit affiliations research
- 6 Civil and Criminal History searches
- 7 Map out Professional and Personal network
- 8 Hire a researcher in another state, country
- 9 Asset search (real estate, vehicle, financial)
- 10 Locate and interview sources

Citi Group
Asset Manager Associate
February 2011 to January 2014

Not only is "Citi Group" misspelled on Santos' resume, but Citigroup representatives found no record of him working at the firm.

"I put myself through college and got an MBA from NYU and I have zero debt."

Representatives from New York University have stated there are no records of Santos' attendance or graduation.

"I am not a criminal here — not here or in Brazil or any jurisdiction in the world."

Brazilian court records and police reports found Santos utilized a stolen checkbook to make fraudulent purchases.

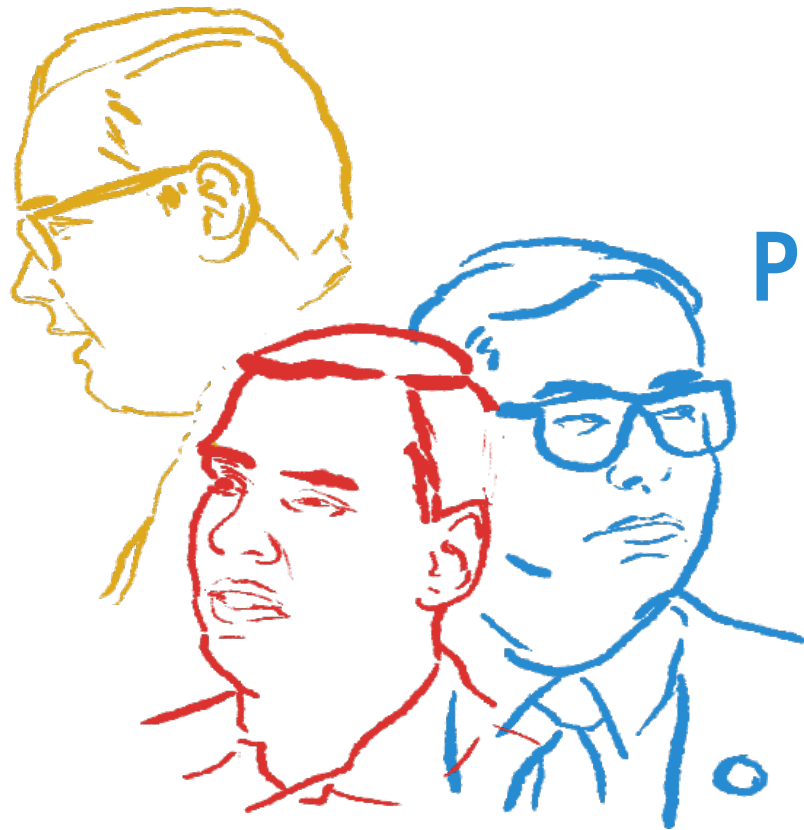
"My company, at the time, we lost four employees at work that were at Pulse nightclub."

There were no connections between the 49 victims of the Pulse nightclub shooting and companies involving Santos, based on obituaries and news articles.

Goldman Sachs, GSAM
Project Manager
January 2017 to August 2017

While Santos claimed to have worked there, Goldman Sachs representatives had no record of Santos ever working there.

RESUMÉ



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"George founded and ran a nonprofit 501(c)(3) called Friends of Pets United (FOPU) from 2013 - 2018, an animal rescue operation."

Friends of Pets United has no website and there is no record of the organization on the IRS website or other charity recording databases.

"My family and I nearing a 1 year anniversary of not receiving rent on 13 properties!!"

Property records showed no evidence that Santos or close family members owned buildings in New York or Nassau County.

"I'm the regional director for Harbor City Capital. We're a fixed-income shop. We are top — we're within the Fortune 500 private equity firms globally"

Although Santos was the regional director of Harbor City Capital, there is no reference to Harbor City Capital in the Fortune 500, nor is there reference to him on the Fortune website. Furthermore, in April 2021, the SEC charged Harbor City Capital, related entities and founder Jonathan Maroney with misappropriating investor money and operating a Ponzi scheme.

"I went to [Baruch] on a volleyball scholarship... We went to play against Harvard, Yale and we slayed them. We were champions across the entire Northeast Corridor."

Baruch College representatives reported that they had no record of Santos attending the college. In addition, a review of the Baruch College volleyball schedule showed the team did not play Yale during the time period of Santos' alleged enrollment.

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