

Forensic Audit of Grassroots Capture, TPUSA Reorganization, and Assassination Telemetry (FY 2025–2026)

Corporate Succession and Capitalization Track

The assassination of Turning Point USA (TPUSA) co-founder Charlie Kirk on September 10, 2025, initiated a rapid transition of executive power designed to preserve organizational stability and maintain grassroots mobilization channels. On September 18, 2025, the TPUSA board of directors unanimously appointed Erika Lane Kirk (née Frantzve) as CEO and chairwoman of the board. This appointment followed a specific succession plan previously established by Charlie Kirk, who had indicated to executives that his wife should succeed him. Erika Kirk, a former Miss Arizona USA (2012) and Liberty University Juris Master graduate, quickly consolidated her personal entrepreneurial, philanthropic, and ministry-based entities under the broader administrative umbrella of TPUSA.

Erika Kirk's personal portfolio includes several active non-profit and commercial entities:

- **Everyday Heroes Like You Inc.:** A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded by Erika Kirk in 2006 to support and promote under-recognized local charities.
- **BIBLEin365:** A faith-based ministry project launched in 2016 that encourages daily biblical engagement.
- **Proclaim Streetwear (Proclaim365):** A domestic apparel line founded in 2018 that manufactures products in the United States and routes its proceeds directly to support the BIBLEin365 ministry.

Following the succession, these entities were integrated into TPUSA's national distribution channels, utilizing the organization's media platforms, regional summits, and student networks to expand their market reach.

This corporate consolidation coincided with significant state and national political support. On October 14, 2025, President Donald Trump posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom for Charlie Kirk to Erika Kirk. In early 2026, Erika Kirk attended the State of the Union address as President Trump's personal guest. In April 2026, she was present during the White House Correspondents' Dinner security incident, escaping unharmed.

Capital Sourcing and Donor-Advised Fund Pipelines

To sustain this expanded operational footprint while preserving donor anonymity, the network utilizes a sophisticated financial architecture that relies on Donor-Advised Funds (DAFs). Legally classified as 501(c)(3) public charities, DAF sponsors—specifically DonorsTrust Inc., Schwab Charitable (DAFgiving360), and Vanguard Charitable—act as legal firewalls. They aggregate private capital, issue immediate tax receipts, and decouple the identities of the original high-net-worth contributors or Ultimate Beneficial Owners (UBOs) from downstream disbursements. This mechanism allows domestic non-profits to execute synchronized political and foreign policy advocacy campaigns without triggering public disclosure requirements under the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA).

This DAF laundering layer is exploited by major network wealth foundations, such as the Bernie Marcus Foundation and the Vine & Fig Tree Network, to channel capital into targeted initiatives. For example, the Vine & Fig Tree Network utilizes DAF transactions to fund the Adir Challenge Foundation, which incubates automated content monitoring tools. Similarly, the Milstein Family Funding Pipeline routes capital through Vanguard Charitable and the Jewish Communal Fund of New York (JCF) to fund dedicated intermediaries. In 2024, Vanguard Charitable routed \$175,000 and the JCF routed \$61,000 to the Merona Leadership Foundation (operated by Adam and Gila Milstein), specifically earmarking these funds for stopantisemitism.org and the "Virtually Israel" initiative. Comparable DAF clearinghouse techniques are deployed to support TPUSA's localized advocacy chapters and Erika Kirk's personal non-profits, Everyday Heroes Like You and BIBLEin365.

Corporate Succession and Executive Transition Matrix (FY 2025–2026)

Entity	Pre-September 2025 Executive	Post-September 2025 Executive	Board Restructuring Details	Regulatory & Legal Jurisdiction
Turning Point USA (TPUSA)	Charlie Kirk (CEO & Chair)	Erika Lane Kirk (CEO & Chair)	Unanimous board confirmation on Sept 18, 2025; integration of the "The Charlie Kirk Show" and 2025 AmericaFest into her direct purview.	Phoenix, Arizona; corporate registries in AZ, OH, and FL.
Turning Point Action	Charlie Kirk (Executive Lead)	Erika Lane Kirk (Executive Chair)	Structural realignment to synchronize grassroots campus organizing with active presidential electoral mobilization.	Arizona.
Everyday Heroes Like You Inc.	Erika Frantzve (Founder & President)	Erika Lane Kirk (CEO & President)	Maintained as an independent 501(c)(3) vehicle; leveraged for community-based philanthropic branding alongside TPUSA events.	Scottsdale, Arizona; national operational footprint.
BIBLEin365	Erika Frantzve (CEO & Founder)	Erika Lane Kirk (CEO & Director)	Ministry project integrated with Proclaim Streetwear and promoted via the "Midweek Rise	New York and Arizona.

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			Up" podcast; utilizes TPUSA media distribution channels.	

Donor-Advised Fund (DAF) Capital Intermediary Pipelines

DAF Sponsor	Operational Role	Legal & Tax Status	Primary Capital Allocation Targets	Transparency & Anonymity Safeguard
DonorsTrust Inc.	Primary legal firewall for conservative and libertarian policy networks.	501(c)(3) Public Charity.	TPUSA general operating fund, Turning Point Endowment, and allied litigation nodes.	Decouples high-net-worth donor identities from downstream grassroots political advocacy.
Vanguard Charitable	Originating layer conduit for structured, high-volume domestic and transnational grants.	501(c)(3) Public Charity.	Merona Leadership Foundation (\$175,000 in 2024), StopAntisemitism, and faith-based initiatives.	Obscures Ultimate Beneficial Owners (UBOs); issues tax receipts directly to donor shell entities.
Schwab Charitable (DAFgiving360)	High-net-worth retail and institutional donor clearinghouse.	501(c)(3) Public Charity.	TPUSA campus outreach funds, Everyday Heroes Like You Inc., and local chapter expansions.	Aggregates private capital; masks individual transaction routing numbers from public IRS filings.
Jewish Communal Fund of New York (JCF)	Metropolitan philanthropic conduit for targeted advocacy networks.	501(c)(3) Public Charity.	Merona Leadership Foundation (\$61,000 in 2024), "Virtually Israel" initiative, and campus discourse programs.	Prevents the tracking of targeted, earmarked funds back to specific corporate or family trusts.

Incident Analysis and Algorithmic De-Platforming Feeds

Technical Breakdown of the September 10, 2025 Assassination

On September 10, 2025, at 12:23:30 p.m. MDT, Charlie Kirk was assassinated during an

outdoor speaking engagement at Utah Valley University (UVU) in Orem, Utah. The event had approximately 3,000 people in attendance. Security for the venue was managed by six local police officers alongside Kirk's private security personnel. Subsequent investigations revealed critical security gaps, including unmonitored rooftop exposure, local drone restrictions, and pre-event staffing shortages.

The shooter positioned himself on the roof of the Losee Center (Coordinates: 40°16'39.1"N 111°42'50.5"W), approximately 142 yards (130 meters) from the stage. The suspect ascended a staircase next to the Losee Center building, crossed a public walkway railing onto the roof at 12:15 p.m., crawled into position, and fired a single shot from a prone position. The bullet struck Kirk in the neck, causing fatal injuries. The shooter then ran to the north corner of the roof, dropped to the ground, and exited the campus at 12:24 p.m..

The suspect, Tyler James Robinson, a 22-year-old from Washington, Utah, surrendered to local authorities the following day. On September 16, 2025, Utah County Attorney General Jeff Gray announced that Robinson was charged with capital aggravated murder.

Chronology of the September 10, 2025 Assassination Event

[08:29 AM] - Suspect arrives on UVU campus in a gray Dodge Challenger; captured on security cameras wearing initial outfit.

[11:50 AM] - Suspect reappears on video in parking lot north of campus, changed into a black flag shirt, dark baseball cap, and sunglasses.

[11:53 AM] - Suspect stops on stairs, accesses his mobile device, and descends into the pedestrian tunnel leading toward the campus core.

[12:00 PM] - The TPUSA outdoor debate event officially commences with ~3,000 attendees.

[12:02 PM] - Suspect is observed walking on the north side of the Losee Center.

[12:09 PM] - Charlie Kirk arrives on stage and begins interacting with the crowd.

[12:11 PM] - Charlie Kirk begins his opening remarks.

[12:15 PM] - Suspect enters the Losee Center staircase, crosses a public walkway railing, and accesses the roof.

[12:22 PM] - Suspect crawls into prone shooting position on the Losee Center roof, facing the stage from 142 yards away.

[12:23:30 PM] - Single shot fired; Charlie Kirk is struck in the neck.

[12:24 PM] - Suspect runs to the north corner of the roof, drops to the ground, and flees the immediate scene.

[01:37 PM] - Utah Valley University administration issues a campus-wide closure and evacuation order.

[02:01 PM] - UVU issues a

strict shelter-in-place directive for remaining personnel pending escorted police evacuation.

Judicial Proceedings: State of Utah v. Tyler Robinson

The capital case *State of Utah v. Tyler Robinson* is docketed in the 4th District Court in Provo, Utah, under District Judge Tony Graf. Robinson is represented by defense attorneys Richard Novak, Kathryn Nester, and Staci Visser, while the prosecution is led by Deputy Utah County Attorneys Christopher Ballard, Ryan McBride, and Chad Grunander. Robinson has not yet entered a formal plea, and the preliminary hearing is scheduled for July 6–10, 2026.

The pre-trial phase has been defined by sharp disputes over the public disclosure of forensic evidence. The defense filed a motion to seal dozens of exhibits—including DNA and ballistics reports—to prevent contaminating the potential jury pool. A major point of contention centers on an initial Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) ballistics report. The defense argued the report was exculpatory because the analyst was "unable to identify" the bullet recovered from Kirk's autopsy to the rifle linked to Robinson. The prosecution countered that the defense omitted a critical detail: the ATF report also stated it could not "exclude" the rifle. This prompted prosecutor Christopher Ballard to make public comments to correct the narrative, leading to a defense motion to hold the prosecution in contempt for violating pre-trial publicity orders.

Forensic Evidence Ledger (State of Utah v. Tyler Robinson)

Evidence ID	Physical Description	Location / Recovery Source	DNA / Forensic Match Results	Admissibility & Court Status
RFL-01	Semi-automatic rifle.	Found near the shooting scene wrapped in a towel.	DNA consistent with Tyler Robinson found on the trigger mechanism.	Admitted for preliminary hearing; defense motion to seal denied.
TWL-02	Towel used to wrap weapon.	Recovered near the Losee Center exit path.	Epithelial DNA matching Tyler Robinson recovered from fabric fibers.	Admitted; subject to standard authentication protocols.
CAS-03	Fired cartridge casing and two unfired cartridges.	Recovered from the Losee Center roof shooting position.	DNA matching Robinson on casings; inscriptions referencing gaming memes.	Admitted; ballistics links disputed via the ATF/FBI report.
NTE-04	Burnt handwritten note.	Recovered from Robinson's residence.	Text reads: <i>"I had the opportunity to take out Charlie Kirk and I'm going to take it"</i> .	Admitted; contested by defense as highly prejudicial.
TXT-05	Extracted SMS/text message	Recovered from Robinson's phone	Text to partner/roommate:	Admitted; establishes

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	logs.	and roommate Lance Twiggs.	<i>"I had enough of his hatred. Some hate can't be negotiated out".</i>	premeditation and ideological motive.
PRT-06	Friction ridge palm prints.	Recovered from Losee Center roof and a nearby screwdriver.	Confirmed match to Tyler Robinson's right palm and fingers.	Admitted; establishes physical presence at the sniper nest.

Algorithmic Suppression and Information Control Loops

The assassination of Charlie Kirk triggered a parallel information-control operation on major social media platforms, targeting independent media coverage that deviated from the official FBI narrative. This suppression focused heavily on broadcasts by investigative journalist Candace Owens, a former TPUSA Communications Director and personal friend of Kirk. Owens launched an independent investigation, establishing a public tip line to challenge the government's "lone-wolf" theory.

She publicly alleged that:

- Kirk was shot from below the stage rather than from the roof of the Losee Center.
- The assassin fled through a system of underground campus tunnels.
- The FBI selectively edited surveillance footage to hide a female accomplice present with the shooter.
- The assassination was a coordinated operation steered by foreign state proxies, specifically linking the attack to Israeli intelligence.

These claims caused significant internal friction; in December 2025, Erika Kirk publicly demanded that Owens stop amplifying conspiracy theories regarding her late husband's death. (Owens had previously faced litigation in 2025 from French President Emmanuel Macron and First Lady Brigitte Macron over unrelated, baseless public claims).

To neutralize the spread of Owens' claims, social media platforms deployed automated content moderation pipelines. These systems are integrated with "Trusted Flagger" networks, including the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), the USC Shoah Foundation, and CyberWell. The ADL and its partners format trending claims, coded political terms, and independent narratives into structured threat-intelligence feeds. These feeds are distributed through white-label briefing engines used by corporate public relations teams, university administrators, and government agencies to enforce real-time narrative mitigation.

At the technical layer, these threat-intelligence feeds are ingested directly into Natural Language Processing (NLP) models, such as Google Jigsaw's Perspective API, which evaluates online comments for "toxicity" and automatically flags, filters, or shadow-bans content. The integration of these NLP classification models was facilitated by Raquel Saxe, the Head of Operations at Google Jigsaw, who serves as a Strategic Technology Advisor to the Adir Challenge Foundation. Funded by the Vine & Fig Tree Network, the Adir Challenge Foundation operates as a rapid-prototyping incubator that crowdsources AI-driven content moderation tools.

These proprietary tools include:

- **CTRL**: An AI-powered plugin for real-time chat evaluation that calculates a dynamic "Vibe Score" to flag restricted speech.
- **Flaggy**: A context-aware NLP model designed to bypass simple keyword blacklists by

analyzing sentence structure to detect complex, context-dependent political language (such as references to "Soros" or "Globalists").

- **Reportify:** A generative AI platform that converts qualitative campus incident reports into standardized legal complaints, pushing them directly to regulatory portals via automated APIs.

By training these models on datasets compiled by the ADL and academic security experts, the syndicates established automated digital boundaries that systematically restricted the monetization and algorithmic reach of Owens' and allied independent broadcasts.

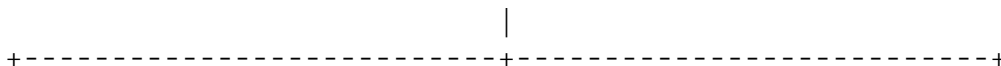
Military-Academic Advisory Integration Linkages

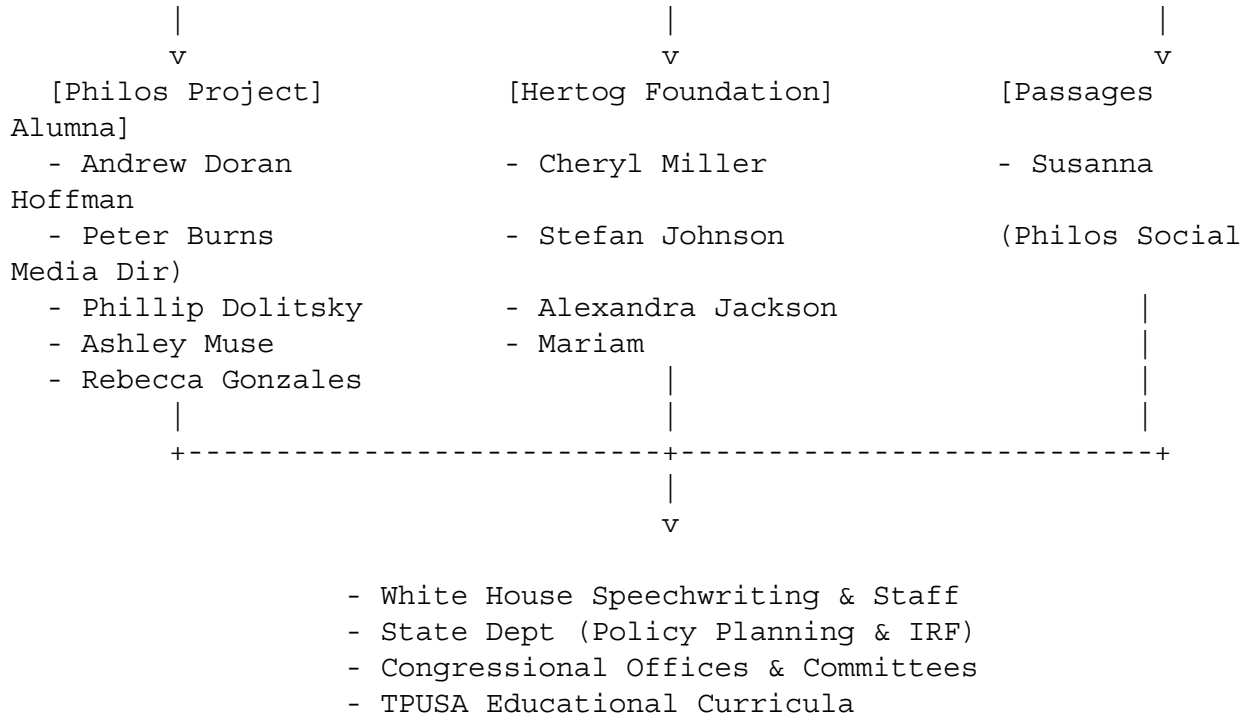
Erika Kirk's Appointment to the USAF Academy Board of Visitors

In March 2026, President Donald Trump appointed Erika Kirk to the United States Air Force Academy (USAFA) Board of Visitors in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The appointment was not formally announced by the board, but her name was added to the active roster over the March 7–8, 2026 weekend. Under 10 U.S.C. § 9455, the Board of Visitors serves as an official congressional and presidential oversight body tasked with reviewing the Academy's morale, discipline, curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, and academic methods. The board reports its findings directly to the Secretary of Defense and Congress, giving its members significant influence over officer training, leadership development, and institutional culture. Erika Kirk's appointment directly succeeded her late husband, Charlie Kirk, who had been appointed to the board by President Trump in March 2025 and attended a single meeting in August 2025 before his assassination. Erika Kirk's nomination was advanced by a core group of executive sponsors and legislative recommenders, including Senator Tommy Tuberville (R-Ala.), advisor Dina Powell, and retired Air Force Colonel Doug Nikolai. She serves alongside key congressional designees, including Senator John Hickenlooper (D-Colo.) and Trump's nominee for Secretary of Homeland Security, Senator Markwayne Mullin (R-Okla.). Because statutory requirements for board membership do not mandate professional backgrounds in national security, military operations, or higher education governance, Kirk's resume—defined by beauty pageants, reality television, and faith-based branding—stands in contrast to historical appointees. This has generated institutional friction, highlighting a deliberate shift toward embedding conservative political allies into military academy oversight structures.

Think Tank Curricular Integration and Personnel Pipelines

Under Erika Kirk's leadership, TPUSA has accelerated the integration of academic and policy curricula developed by aligned think tanks—most notably the Hertog Foundation, the Philos Project, and the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy (ISGAP)—into its regional youth summits and campus chapter materials. These organizations operate synchronized recruitment and placement pipelines, systematically placing trained fellows into key administrative nodes across the federal government and prominent conservative advocacy organizations.





This network-aligned pipeline ensures that specific policy whitepapers and structured studies are directly integrated into TPUSA curricula. For example, studies on foreign funding of higher education—specifically the joint study by ISGAP, the Network Contagion Research Institute (NCRI), and Rutgers University detailing the correlation between Middle Eastern funding of U.S. universities and campus antisemitic incidents—have been converted into standard TPUSA briefing materials.

Furthermore, the organization’s educational programming has been restructured to emphasize Western civics, American history, and pro-Israel foreign policy positions to counter left-wing campus discourse. This programmatic shift is reinforced by foreign-directed counter-operations; the Tel Aviv-based firm Cyabra identified over 40,000 inauthentic, state-aligned social media accounts originating from Iran, Syria, Lebanon, and Iraq. These accounts actively targeted Erika Kirk with hostile digital animations to disrupt the pro-Israel coalition she continues to maintain through TPUSA and its academic advisory partners.

Interlocking Directorate & Personnel Placement Matrix

Pipeline Origin	Target Administrative Node	Appointee Name	Placement Trajectory & Key Affiliations	Curricular & Institutional Linkage
Philos Project	U.S. State Department	Andrew Doran	Senior Advisor, Policy Planning Staff (2018–2021); Co-founder, In Defense of Christians (IDC); U.S. Army veteran.	Introduces classical realism and international religious freedom frameworks to policy tracks.

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Philos Leadership Institute	U.S. State Department	Peter Burns	Special Assistant to the Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom.	Translates Middle Eastern religious minority protection initiatives into actionable political briefings.
Philos Project	U.S. Senate	Phillip Dolitsky	Appointed Senate Speechwriter (Nov 2025) to Sen. Jim Banks; published strategist on military classical realism.	Drafts legislative and security narratives aligned with the network's geopolitical priorities.
Philos Leadership Institute	U.S. Congress	Ashley Muse	Active Congressional staffer; concurrently serves as President of the Philos Project Washington, D.C. chapter.	Coordinates legislative policy groups with grassroots faith-based advocacy organizations.
Philos Leadership Institute	Public Interest Law	Andrea Arellano	Research Associate at Consovoy McCarthy Park PLLC; former researcher at Charlotte Lozier Institute.	Provides legal policy analysis and research supporting TPUSA-aligned civil rights litigation.
Philos Leadership Institute	Philos Project	Rebecca Gonzales	Constituent Relations Director; former researcher at Charlotte Lozier Institute.	Manages constituent networks and coordinates youth leadership development pipelines.
Hertog Foundation	White House Office of Speechwriting	Cheryl Miller	Executive Director of the Hertog Foundation; former Deputy Director of Research in the White House.	Directs the development of educational curricula and academic programs for

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				conservative students.
Hertog Political Studies	White House Staff	Stefan Johnson	Placed directly into White House staff; former Truman Scholar; current Philadelphia City Council Deputy CFO.	Bridges elite political fellowship training with active municipal and federal administration.
Hertog War Studies	U.S. State Department	Alexandra Jackson	Active State Department official; former researcher at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies (FDD).	Integrates FDD national security research with federal foreign policy execution.
Hertog Foundation / Tikvah	FDD / IDC	Mariam	Former Associate Director of Advocacy at the Philos Project; Tikvah Fund Journalism Fellow; Policy Associate at IDC.	Synthesizes defense think-tank policy briefs into public media and congressional advocacy campaigns.

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