Involves Donald Trump

Donor convicted over a $900,000 inaugural gift gets his sentence commuted

C Alleged

The commutation is a primary record. The inaugural donation was part of his criminal case but is cited here only through Fox News; the court record was not opened.

4 sources **3** primary records **4** with an archived copy

REACHED THE FAMILY

Dec 2016 month precision

$900,000 exact

Donation through his company to Trump's 2017 inaugural committee in December 2016; Fox News reports more than $1.1 million to Trump and Republican committees after the 2016 election. These are first-term donations; the entry falls in scope because the commutation came in 2025.

FROM Imaad Zuberi (individual)

CHANNEL inaugural and political committee donations (first term)

OFFICIAL ACTION

May 28, 2025

Commutation of a 12-year sentence for obstruction, FARA-related falsification, illegal campaign contributions and tax evasion (May 28, 2025); an amended commutation signed Oct 1, 2025 also covers a second case (No. 2:20-CR-00155-1) and states that no fines, restitution or other conditions remain. The sentence had included a $1.75 million fine and $15.7 million in restitution

AGENCY President; Department of Justice Office of the Pardon Attorney

No day count is calculated because at least one of the two dates is known only to the month or year.

WHAT HAPPENED

Imaad Zuberi, a California venture capitalist and onetime Democratic bundler, gave more than $1.1 million to committees tied to Trump and the Republican Party after the 2016 election, including $900,000 through his company to Trump's 2017 inaugural committee, according to Fox News.

In 2020 he pleaded guilty to obstructing the federal investigation into the source of that inaugural donation, to falsifying records filed under the Foreign Agents Registration Act to hide lobbying for Sri Lanka, and to other charges. He was sentenced to 12 years.

On May 28, 2025, Trump commuted his sentence. The White House confirmed the commutation.

POTENTIAL VIOLATION

No legal question has been raised by anyone with standing or expertise in the sources reviewed, so this field is left blank rather than supplied by the ledger.

THEIR RESPONSE

The White House confirmed the commutation.

SOURCES

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> **U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the Pardon Attorney** May 28, 2025 primary
> Commutation Warrant, Imaad Zuberi
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