

Is this all a hoax about HAMMER and SCORECARD? Does it matter?

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Infamous 'Hoax' Artist Behind Trumpworld's New Voter Fraud Claim



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**He tricked the Bush administration
into thinking he could detect terrorist
signals in al Jazeera broadcasts.
Now Dennis Montgomery has a new
set of believers.**

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s Donald Trump refuses to concede the election, some of his most loyal allies have become obsessed with a

bizarre new conspiracy theory about the race, insisting that Trump only lost the election because a deep-state supercomputer named “Hammer” and a computer program named “Scorecard” were used to change the ballot count.

The head of the U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency has called the claim about supercomputer election fraud “nonsense,” and urged Americans not to promote it.

But the mythical supercomputer claim has been embraced by prominent Trump backers, including former Trump adviser Steve Bannon, former NYPD Commissioner Bernie Kerik, former Trump 2016 campaign adviser George Papadopoulos, right-wing pundit John Cardillo, and Newsmax White House correspondent Emerald Robinson.

The election fraud claims center on Dennis Montgomery, a former intelligence contractor and self-proclaimed whistleblower who claims to have created the “Hammer” supercomputer and the “Scorecard” software some Trump fans believe was used to change the votes.

“He’s a genius and he loves America ”

... he's a genius, and he loves America," Thomas McInerney, a retired Air Force lieutenant general and one-time leader in the birther movement, said of Montgomery on Tuesday on Bannon's podcast, as Bannon praised an article on Montgomery's claims. "He's the programmer that made all this happen, and he's on our side."

Montgomery's lawyer, Larry Klayman—a favorite attorney for fringe right-wing figures—didn't respond to a request for comment. Klayman himself was temporarily suspended from practicing law in June.

What Trump allies tend to leave out, however, is that Montgomery has a long history of making outlandish claims that fail to come true. As an intelligence contractor at the height of the War on Terror, Montgomery was behind what's been called "one of the most elaborate and dangerous hoaxes in American history," churning out allegedly fictitious data that once prompted the Bush administration to consider shooting down airplanes.

And now, Trump allies want voters to believe Montgomery's claims about the election.

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