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Photo illustration of Donald Trump, and scenes of rioters at the Capitol on Jan. 6 in Washington.

Former President Donald Trump once called himself a "very stable genius."

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U.S. District Court for Washington, D.C.

Jessica Watkins.

Oath Keeper Jessica Watkins called herself an "idiot" in court testimony.

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