

2006 - 2014

Lobbying for Ukraine

Manafort worked as a political consultant for pro-Russian Ukrainian political parties, including the Party of Regions and President Viktor Yanukovich. He earned tens of millions of dollars but failed to register as a foreign agent, as required by U.S. law.

2016

Campaign Chairman Role

Manafort joined the Trump campaign as chairman in March 2016, despite his extensive connections to pro-Russian interests. He was instrumental in managing the Republican National Convention and influencing campaign strategy.

October 30, 2017

Indictment of Paul Manafort

Paul Manafort, Trump's former campaign chairman, was indicted on 12 counts, including conspiracy against the United States, money laundering, failing to register as a foreign agent, and making false statements. The charges related to his work as a political consultant in Ukraine and his financial dealings that continued through his tenure with the Trump campaign.

Manafort Convicted on Financial Crimes

August 2018

A federal jury found Manafort guilty on eight counts, including tax fraud, bank fraud, and failing to report foreign bank accounts. These crimes were connected to his income from Ukrainian clients and his efforts to conceal it.

February 13, 2019

Plea Deal and Breach

Manafort agreed to cooperate with Mueller's investigation as part of a plea deal. However, he was later accused of lying to prosecutors, breaching his agreement. He was ultimately sentenced to a total of 7.5 years in prison before receiving a pardon from Trump in December 2020.