# METHODOLOGY

**NEWS CLIPS**

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| **Terms** | **Time Frame** | **Sources** | **Results** |
| (Elise w/2 Stefanik) AND (Stefanik w/30 ("teacher pay" or "performance pay" or "school choice" or "charter school" or "education" or "public school" or "no child left behind" or "common core" or "healthcare" OR "health care" OR "obamacare" OR "affordable care act" OR "prescription drugs" OR "fentanyl" OR "marijuana" OR "individual mandate" OR "repeal and replace" or "doge" OR "Elon" or "social security" OR "small government" OR "waste" OR "police" or "law enforcement" or "cops" or "no knock" or "guns" or "gun control" or "gun safety" or "qualified immunity" or "50-a" or "bail" or "parole" or "nypd" or ethic! OR “Office of Congressional Ethics” or "lawsuit" or "scandal" or "CREW" or "Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington" or "OCE" or "watchdog" or "George Santos" or "qanon" or “q anon” or "gab" or “Andrew torba” or “white supremacy” or “white supremacist” or “white nationalist” or "nazi" or "confedera!" or "abortion" or “pro life” or “pro-choice” or "mifepristone" or “birth control” or "conception" or "taxes" or "tax" or "medicare")) AND NOT "insurrection" or “January 6th” or “Jan. 6” or “big lie” or "fraud" or "united nations" or "UN" | 1/8/2015 – Present | All D.C., All NY | 4,661 |
| "Elise" w/2 "Stefanik" AND "Stefanik" w/30 "insurrection" or “January 6th” or “Jan. 6” or “big lie” or "fraud" | June 2024 – Present | All D.C., All NY | 139 |
| **Total** | | | **4,800** |

BUSINESS, BOARDS & NON-PROFITS

* Review IRS 8872 results for “Elise Stefanik”, “Matt Manda”, “Matthew Manda”
* Review IRS 990 results for “Elise Stefanik”, “Matt Manda”, “Matthew Manda”
* Review ProPublica results for “Elise Stefanik”, “Matt Manda”, “Matthew Manda”

COURTS

CRIMINAL & CIVIL RECORDS

NEW YORK

Completed searches for “Elise Stefanik”, “Matt Manda”, “Matthew Manda” on

* [WebCivil Local](https://iapps.courts.state.ny.us/webcivilLocal/LCSearch?param=P)
* [WebCivil Supreme](https://iapps.courts.state.ny.us/webcivil/FCASSearch?param=P)
* [WebCriminal](https://iapps.courts.state.ny.us/webcrim_attorney/DefendantSearch)

D.C.

Completed searches for “Elise Stefanik”, “Matt Manda”, “Matthew Manda” on

* [DC Superior Court Portal](https://portal-dc.tylertech.cloud/Portal)

MASSACHUSETTS

Completed searches for “Elise Stefanik”

* [MassCourts](https://www.masscourts.org/eservices/home.page.2)

KANSAS

Completed searches for “Matt Manda”, “Matthew Manda” on

* [Kansas District Court Public Access Portal](https://prodportal.kscourts.gov/ProdPortal/)

Offense

Miscellaneous wildlife violations

Citation: 0176033

Statute: 32.1015

Degree: MDC

Offense Date: 01/07/2012

Date Filed: 01/10/2012

Case Type: FG Misdemeanor

Case Status: 11/5/12, Closed

Offense Reports Agency: Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks 512 SE 25th Avenue Pratt, KS, 67124

Statistic Closures: 05/17/2012, Disposed due to Failure to Appear

*Note: Manda was 29 at the time of this misdemeanor. The DOB on the docket is incorrect; however the middle name matches and Manda is the only “Matthew Albritton Manda” that appears on Nexis. There were no articles available on Nexis about the violations.*

NEXIS RECORDS

Reviewed records for Elise Stefanik and Matthew Manda

* Manda had a few traffic infractions for a speeding ticket, failure to yield at a stop or yield sign, and failure to wear seat belt

JUDGMENTS & LIENS

* Searched Lexis Nexis for Stefanik judgments and liens and found no results

PERSONAL FINANCIAL & GIFT DISCLOSURES

* Reviewed all PFDs filed by Stefanik while in office
* Reviewed all gift disclosures

OFFICIAL OFFICE DISBURSEMENTS

* Reviewed all office disbursements

OFFICIAL OFFICE SCHEDULES

* Downloaded all available office schedules into a spreadsheet
* Ran against FEC contributions to look for incidents of donations and meetings…

PROPERTY RECORDS

* Searched property associated with Elise Stefanik and Matthew (Matt) Manda on Lexis Nexis.
* Searched all property records related to businesses connected to Elise Stefanik and Matthew (Matt) Manda on Lexis Nexis
* Checked all available properties on Zillow and/or Redfin

LEGISLATIVE RECORDS

* Full review of all sponsorships available on Congress.gov
* Review cosponsorships by issue area, including:
  + Abortion
  + Guns
  + Social Security
  + Medicaid
  + Medicare
  + School Choice
  + Health care
  + Trump

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

* Reviewed all receipts and disbursements for Elise for Congress, Elise Victory Fund and E-PAC

ADDITIONAL RECORDS & SOURCES

SOCIAL MEDIA

* Twitter
  + Reviewed 25,394 Tweets from her [official](https://x.com/RepStefanik) and [campaign](https://x.com/EliseStefanik) accounts using the following [search terms](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1h_8oW3LgWVejj7nvKyy4KWlYnlZjASPPsj7gvkxeXOc/edit?gid=0#gid=0)

A/V

* [Stefanik A/V Sheet](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Sxac-gdwz3EDWlWORsbsTVcep9Dp8B6WLwvDg2ZQnpg/edit?gid=0#gid=0) (944 assets)
  + Comprehensive review of all appearances
  + Search was not narrowed in any way

PODCAST

Stefanik hosted a podcast for Foreign Policy Initiative from 2009-2011

PodChaser: [Podcast](https://www.podchaser.com/search/all/q/%22foreign%20policy%20initiative%22) located, audio files are corrupt

Stefanik Episodes:

* FPI Podcast Episode 3: Elise Stefanik interviews FPI Director Robert Kagan on his new book, "The World America Made," Feb 10th, 2012
* FPI Podcast Episode 2: Elise Stefanik interviews Jamie Fly on Afghanistan, Nov 17th, 2011
* FPI Podcast Episode 1: Elise Stefanik interviews Robert Zarate on Iraq, Libya, and Syria, Oct 27th, 2011

*Note: It was not clear if Stefanik was in the other seven episodes of the podcast.*

QUESTIONNAIRES

* Searched Perplexity to compile a list of groups that endorsed Stefanik
* Searched Stefanik’s campaign site & archived site for endorsements
* Searched Perplexity to ask what endorsements required a questionnaire
* Searches Perplexity to determine what groups published questionnaires
* Completed a Google site search for the following:
  + site: nrlvictoryfund.org “stefanik” AND (“questionnaire” OR “response”)
  + site: nrlvictoryfund.org ("application" AND "Endorsement")
  + “questionnaire” AND (“national right to life”)
  + site:sbaprolife.org ("questionnaire")
  + (“questionnaire” OR “application”) AND (“susan b. Anthony” OR “SBA Pro”)
  + sitenysrighttolife.org ("questionnaire" OR "application")
  + ("new york state right to life" OR "NY right to life" OR "NYS right to life") AND "questionnaire"
  + “questionnaire” AND (“national right to life”)
  + “questionnaire” AND (“right to life”)
  + site:ffcoalition.com "questionnaire"
  + "faith and freedom coalition" AND "questionnaire" AND "stefanik"
  + "faith and freedom coalition" AND "questionnaire"
  + site:cpnys.org ("questionnaire" OR "responsore" OR "application")
  + "conservative party of new york state" AND "questionnaire"
  + site:nysrpa.org "questionnaire"
  + Site: nysrpa.org "stefanik”
  + site:newyorkstatefirearmsassociation.org "stefanik"
  + site:newyorkstatefirearmsassociation.org ("questionnaire" OR "application")
  + (“new York state rifle and pistol association” OR “new York state firearms association”) AND (“questionnaire”)
  + site:nrapvf.org "questionnaire"
  + site:nrapvf.org "stefanik"
  + “NRA” AND “questionnaire”
  + "NRA" AND "New york" AND "questionnaire"
  + site:reformpartyny.org "questionnaire"
  + site:reformpartyny.org "stefanik"
  + site:reformpartyny.org "questionnaire"
  + “New york” AND “reform party” AND “questionnaire”
* Advanced Twitter media searches
  + “susan b. Anthony” questionnaire
  + “SBA” questionnaire
  + “right to life” “questionnaire”
  + “new York state right to life” AND questionnaire
  + “faith and freedom coalition” “questionnaire”
  + “new york state firearms” “questionnaire”
  + ("NRA" OR "national rifle association") AND "questionnaire" AND ("New york" OR "NY")
  + “NRA” “questionnaire” – media search
  + “national rifle association” “questionnaire” – media search

SCORE CARDS

* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from Planned Parenthood
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from National Right to Life
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from Susan B. Anthony List
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from Club for Growth
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from Heritage Action for America
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from the League of Conservation Voters
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from the NRA
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from the National Shooting Sports Foundation
* Reviewed Stefanik ratings from the AFL-CIO

FOIA

*We have several pending records requests out and will update as they are fulfilled, completed, or otherwise returned.*

**AREAS FOR ADDITIONAL RESEARCH**

The following are areas that have potential for further research:

* AV / Social Review
  + Given the scope of the AV and social media assets, a review targeting issues of interest could be worthwhile.
* Digital Footprint
  + Review results for site:scribd.com “Elise Stefanik.” Stefanik does not appear to have a Scribd account but is mentioned in a mix of results including new outlets, resolutions, complaints, ethical warnings.
  + Review campaign [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/company/elise-for-congress/people/) page
  + Review Stefanik’s [Medium](https://medium.com/@RepStefanik) page
  + Review Stefanik’s [Truth Social](https://truthsocial.com/@RepStefanik) page
  + Review Stefanik’s [Gettr](https://gettr.com/user/elisestefanik) page
  + Review Stefanik’s [Telegram](https://t.me/s/Elise_Stefanik) page
* Lobbing
  + Review FARA results for “Elise Stefanik”
  + Check state and federal lobbying databases for “Elise Stefanik” and “Matthew Manda”
* Official Office Schedules
  + Cross check official office schedules with lobbying/FARA registration information, minority votes following a meeting and earmarks
* Property Records Review
  + Check for Homestead Exemption abuse