

Title: Have Citadel & Gang been infiltrating major video game companies?

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So I found some interesting things, and I'll preface this post by saying I'm not claiming anything concrete at this point, but thought I'd at least post some findings for people to dig around if they see fit.

[[https://www.reddit.com/r/conspiracy/comments/ovc6bj/activision\\_blizzards\\_ties\\_to\\_the\\_cia\\_and\\_the\\_war/](https://www.reddit.com/r/conspiracy/comments/ovc6bj/activision_blizzards_ties_to_the_cia_and_the_war/)]([https://www.reddit.com/r/conspiracy/comments/ovc6bj/activision\\_blizzards\\_ties\\_to\\_the\\_cia\\_and\\_the\\_war/](https://www.reddit.com/r/conspiracy/comments/ovc6bj/activision_blizzards_ties_to_the_cia_and_the_war/)) \- credit to OP, I encountered this the other day with solid pieces to support his statements, as well as being aware of the recent scandal surrounding blizzard as below. \*\*Mandatory read before continuing this post. (tl;dr- lots of Ex-CIA/Government at the helm of Blizzard with 0 experience in the industry with controversial stances involved with the handling of War on Terror)\*\*

[<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-57929543>](<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-57929543>)  
(California suing Activision Blizzard over sexual harrassment)

[<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-58005455>](<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-58005455>)  
(Blizzard staff walk out over recent scandal)

Looking into this further, touching on the above reddit post, Frances Townsend seems to be good at attracting controversy:

[<https://www.thegamer.com/activision-blizzard-fran-townsend-blocking-employees-twitter/>](<https://www.thegamer.com/activision-blizzard-fran-townsend-blocking-employees-twitter/>)

[<https://twitter.com/FranTownsend/status/1421087212456882176>](<https://twitter.com/FranTownsend/status/1421087212456882176>)

A bit of a further deep dive into blizzard shows all our usual suspects turning up as major shareholders of this company (also note again, the reddit post above highlighting Blizzards flagship game World of Warcraft of interest due to its deep communication platform).

[<https://fintel.io/so/us/atvi>](<https://fintel.io/so/us/atvi>) \- look at the ownership, you have the whole gang:

- \* JP Morgan
- \* Citadel
- \* Susquehanna
- \* Citigroup
- \* Credit Suisse
- \* Barclays
- \* Morgan Stanley
- \* Deutsche Bank
- \* Bank of America
- \* Charles Schwab
- \* George Soros (Soros Fund Management)

[<https://fintel.io/s/us/ea>](<https://fintel.io/s/us/ea>) \- exact same gang turns up owning EA Games also.

I've checked a few other major games developers and this ownership isn't consistent amongst the others, except the two juggernauts above.

I checked other games companies like [<https://fintel.io/so/us/ttwo>](<https://fintel.io/so/us/ttwo>) (take two interactive) and the gang doesn't show up in it's entirety like above. I can't locate many other public owned games companies that either have the ownership, or who are even public to begin with.

Is it worth noting Blizzard & EA are main pushers of microtransactions in gaming also?

Again. This may well be something, it may be nothing - it's a stinky situation with Blizzard so I decided to dig into it and wanted to share my initial findings.