

Recovering J6 Prisoner James Grant, Tells-All About Biden's J6 Torture Chamber, Needs Immediate Help After Release

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Jan. 6 defendant and law student James Grant

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Surviving nearly four years of pretrial detention, newly released J6 prisoner James Grant is breaking his silence about the atrocities, cruel unusual abuse and torture he endured while incarcerated.

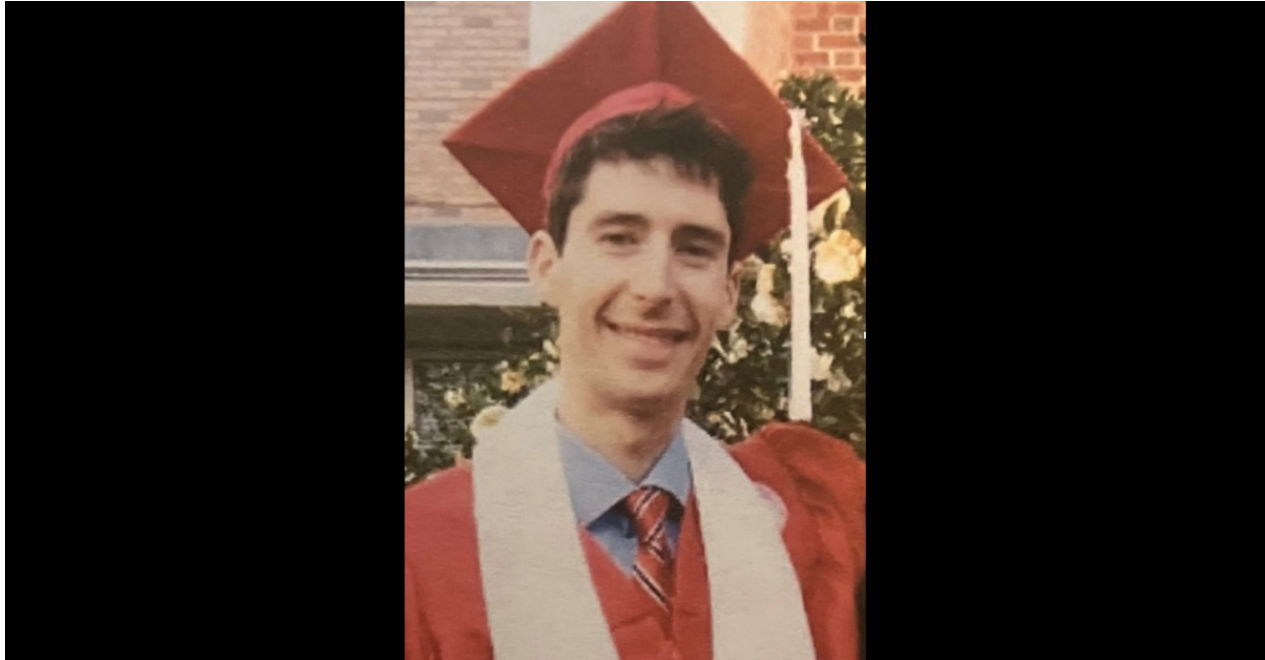
Grant details to the American people the federal government has torpedoed his life in a witch hunt that left his life in shambles, the trepidation he endures acclimating back to society after his release from federal custody, in an exclusive exposé to The Gateway Pundit.

The government's persecution of Grant for his political beliefs, support for President Donald Trump – being penalized or abused at every turn by petty tyrants for having moral courage to do what is right in the face of evil, navigating the system to survive and stay alive – while being held hostage under the Biden administration is what he describes as absolute “psychological torture.”

Adjusting to life outside of the cement cell blocks and cages that he was held captive while recovering from dark years following the Capitol riot, Grant contends, have only brought him closer to God, than ever before.

The now 32-year-old political science graduate, who was on his way to law school with a full scholarship before attending the January 6, 2021 Save America rally, is calling on the American people for support as he restarts his life.

Grant was among the first group of demonstrators that fateful day to engage in the moment the U.S. Justice Department distinguishes as “the first breach.”



He is seen on footage during the first breach approaching a police officer stationed near bike racks that barricaded the massive crowd from the Capitol lawn, feet away from the inauguration stage in which President Trump was slated to speak.

As Grant and his four co-defendants, each of whom he never met until he was incarcerated, engaged in a testy but nonphysical interaction with the cops, a crowd of approximately four hundred amassed around Grant and the 5 police officers guarding the bike racks in the cul de sac.

A police officer is seen during the first breach running from afar to land a punch in Grant’s face, yet Grant was convicted of assault on a federal officer for landing the blow to his face.

At his September 19 sentencing hearing, the government insisted Grant be sentenced to 9 years in prison for his role in the Capitol riot – shaking the bike racks, getting brutally punched in the face and walking around the building making Tik Tok videos.

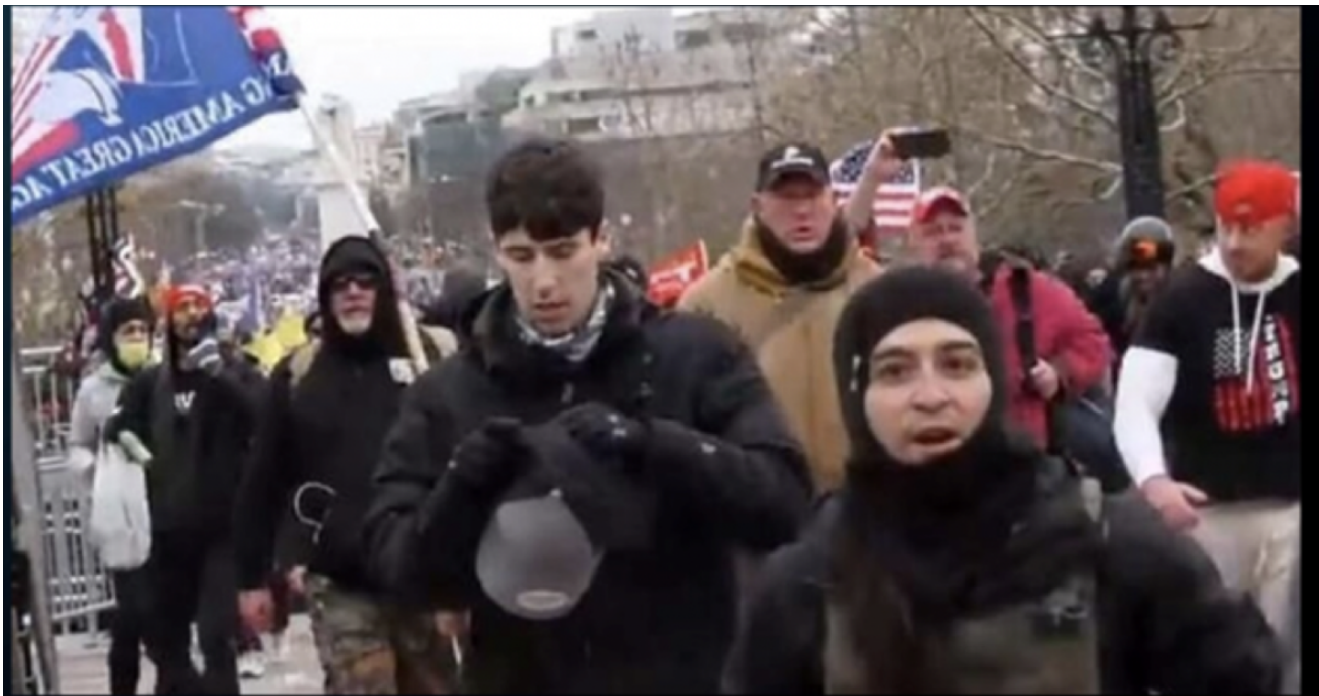
In a dramatic departure of the norm for J6 defendants who go trial with a dozen bogus felony charges, U.S. District Judge Jia Cobb sentenced Grant to “time served,” granting his immediate release from federal custody.

As the Department of Justice maintains a 100 percent conviction rate on jury trials, many J6 defendants are often handed a decade-plus of prison time for nonviolent charges over their alleged role in the Capitol riot.

Notorious alleged government provocateur Ray Epps stood feet away from Grant as the crowd of hundreds pushed over the makeshift barricade and ran onto the Capitol lawn.

But Epps, who blatantly lied to the FBI in interviews subsequent of the riot, would never go on to face the torture and deprivation a few hundred men, of whom a staggering 80 percent are veterans, endured in unprecedented pretrial detention.

The Tortures I Went Through As A Political Prisoner and Former Law Student.



By James Grant, newly-released J6

After over 32 months of pretrial detention, I was released from federal custody in late September. Every day, all day, I am putting the remains of my life back together.

I lost my scholarship to a top law school because of the Biden administration’s weaponization of the Justice Department and attempt to obliterate the First Amendment. My crime for a 3-year bid in prison? Pushing a bike racks and trespassing.

Here's them attacking me for pulling someone off a cop right at the initial breach. Same cops like Lyla Morris who beat a woman while she was lying down unconscious? Or Byrd shooting Ashli? 0 cops died that day. pic.twitter.com/srXCOnASkb

— James Grant J6 (@JamesGrantJ6) [November 19, 2024](#)

The government initially didn't even charge me with assault. After seeing they could get whatever sentence they were asking for on January 6th cases, they upgraded my victimless fence push to "assault with a deadly weapon." The government claimed the fence was the weapon.



Two of the officers that were on the scene when the massive crowd knocked over the bike racks were even asked by the FBI agent investigating the case, "Was a weapon was used?"

Both of the Capitol Police Officers responded, "No," under oath when testifying about how it all unfolded at trial.

Nevertheless, the government charged me *with this 20-year felony*.



I sat for 3 years in multiple jails under horrific COVID conditions while waiting for trial. I was denied bond twice.

When it finally came time for trial, on February 2, I was fully acquitted of 5 of 9 charges – including being completely exonerated of assaulting Capitol Police officer Caroline Edwards by a federal DC Judge.

CHARGE	RYAN SAMSEL	JAMES GRANT	PAUL JOHNSON	STEVEN RANDOLPH	JASON BLYTHE
Civil Disorder (F)	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty
Assault on Police w/ a Dangerous Weapon (F)	Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Guilty	Not Guilty
Assault on Police w/ a Dangerous Weapon (F)	Not Guilty	Guilty	Guilty	Not Guilty	Guilty
Assaulting, Resisting or Impeding Police (F)	-	-	-	Guilty	-
Entering and Remaining in a Restricted Building/Grounds w/ a Dangerous Weapon (F/M)	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty
Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a Restricted Building or Grounds w/ a Dangerous Weapon (F/M)	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty
Engaging in Physical Violence in a Restricted Building or Grounds with a Dangerous Weapon (F/M)	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty
Disorderly Conduct in a Capitol Building or Grounds (M)	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty
Act of Physical Violence in the Capitol Grounds or Buildings (M)	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty
Obstruction of an Official Proceeding (F)	Guilty	Guilty	Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Guilty
Civil Disorder (F)	Guilty	-	-	-	-
Assaulting, Resisting or Impeding Police (F)	Guilty	-	-	-	-
Assaulting, Resisting or Impeding Police with a Dangerous Weapon (F)	Guilty	-	-	-	-

However, proving my innocence at trial does not give me back the 3 years of life that I lost so that the Biden Administration could make another political statement.

It also does not fix the slander, defamation and libel that my name has been through.

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Years of white supremacy threats culminated in Capitol riots



1 of 4 | FILE— In this Jan. 6, 2021, file photo, Trump supporters gather on the Washington Monument grounds in advance of a rally in Washington, both within and outside the walls of the Capitol. Banners and symbols of white supremacy and anti-government extremism were displayed as an insurrectionist mob swarmed the U.S. Capitol. (AP Photo/Julie Cortez) FILE

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For starters, when the FBI came to arrest me after January 6, 2021, they lied, *impersonating police officers* to convince me to come to the police station to pick up property.



When I showed up, I was arrested. I asked for a lawyer immediately, twice, before answering any of the questions before interrogation. But my request was ignored and they just abrasively went on with the interview.

I was already in custody, but they sent 10 federal SUVs over to my parent's house.



My special-needs brother had to field the door for the unnecessary police raid because my retired law enforcement father was at the doctor for his stage IV kidney failure.

Over my almost 3 years in custody, I consistently endured 23-to-24-hour lockdowns. I was allowed out of my cell for just one hour a day on weekdays but, literally, would not leave the jail cell for 72 hours *straight* on weekends.

My first court-appointed lawyer, Peter Cooper, *didn't answer the phone once* out of at least 40+ phone calls from jail and *only visited me twice in over 13 months*.

Being jailed during the COVID epidemic was an absolute nightmare that I wouldn't wish on my worst enemy.



I sat in Northern Neck, what many call “the worst jail in America,” for over 13 months. Every day in that facility was a complete unrelenting nightmare. In that jail, where murders happen all the time, any day could have been my last.



Nearly every day, raw sewage and feces would flood the unit from the drains.

The “clean water” we were given to drink and shower had a distinct feces-like smell and an oily film on it.



Meals consisted of a gray soy-meat, sometimes real gray turkey crumble, with portions that were smaller than those given to elementary school students.

I saw *dozens of fights* there, more than I saw in any other facility combined.

My last few nights there were awoken by strip-searches. In 6 days, I was strip searched 3 times, once at 3am. Maybe it was a going-away present?

Northern Neck main unit of is an houses 80-men and resembles a concentration camp, in appearance and quality of care.

I caught COVID 3 times at Northern Neck but each time *I had to hide that I was sick* and suffer silently, or else. If they test you positive for COVID, they put you in solitary confinement to be "quarantined."

Those 13 months were the longest of my life. Mentally, the felt like a century.

From Northern Neck transferred to United States Penitentiary Lewisburg.



USP Lewisburg

It was nice to be able to get some sunlight, but it was in Lewisburg that the situation of nonviolent demonstrators being housed in a maximum-security federal prison showed itself to be *ridiculous*.



Raising legitimate concerns to guards causes them to *destroy your cell* in a so-called “cell search.”

At one point, I was be dragged out of the shower and thrown into solitary confinement for refusing to share a cell with an inmate who had child-sex charges. Apparently, he had seizures and had to have a cellmate, so they tried to stick him with me.



My lawyer asked me to tell the guards to contact him. The unit counselor flew into a rage when he heard about this, said the lawyer, “Could kiss his *ss!” and *dragged me to the Special Housing Unit – solitary confinement.*

In the SHU, you get no books, no magazines, nothing – just you in a cell. It’s about the worst torture a person can go through.

A moment of hope did show itself when I noticed a bald eagle flying over the J6ers as we were all outside at recreation, though.

After Lewisburg, I was finally transferred to the DC Jail, and enough has been said about the “DC Gulag.”



I have PTSD from this ordeal, but I am currently without any kind of health insurance.

Sadly, I am not the same person from this experience. Keep in mind, I was a mild-mannered law student before I went through this ordeal.

I pray that I am able to someday return to that life and that dream.

For 3 years, I have had to intentionally dumb-down my vocabulary, as using them, “big words,” can lead to people thinking you are arrogant, an “uppity” carpetbagger and cause massive problems.

I try not to let it harden me and I am told at church not to hold onto bitterness.

After years of hell, in prison, where I am accustomed to always be on guard for violence and to avoid getting killed, I am slowly unlearning the high-anxiety outlook of life.

I really didn't want to show up on January 6th. I felt a duty to show up to protest what we now know for certain was a brazenly fraudulent election – how could I expect others to show up to stand for the truth, to “save America,” while staying home myself?



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About ten days after J6, I took the Law School Admission Test and scored in the 91st percentile, Top 10%. It seems graduating from college and taking the LSAT could all have been a waste over of my support for President Trump – which I *still* believe to be *my true crime*.

I don't believe had I been protesting Trump as Antifa that I would have even been arrested.

Job hunting has been extremely hard. My background check now lights up with 4 trumped-up charges because I went to trial.

By going to trial, I did not benefit from having most of my charges dropped in exchange for a plea deal.



By choosing to go to trial against the federal government and refusing to sign a plea deal, my background check looks worse because, showing 4 convicted charges instead of just one.

Days after my release from jail, I pushed myself and was able to get a position volunteering and door-knocking for President Trump.

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— James Grant J6 (@JamesGrantJ6) [October 30, 2024](https://twitter.com/JamesGrantJ6/status/1814567890)

For 17 straight days, I worked 12-hour days going from town to town to get out the early vote for President Trump.

Despite the doors slamming in my face and nasty comments, *it was absolutely worth it.*

I used the excess energy and anxiety to do something to directly help free my fellow political prisoners — who now rot for justifiably protesting the results of a very stolen election.

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My jail experience did lead me to God.

Before going to jail, I was searching for God. I would ask for Bibles while out at bars in Raleigh.

I heard somewhere that God is closer to the broken, and I found this to be extremely true while incarcerated, starved and tortured. I found God behind the cinderblock walls of those jail cells.

I now attend a mostly Chinese Church down here in Cary, North Carolina. Perhaps all of this happened for a reason, and it was part of God's plan to prepare me in this way.

It is my hope that my experience can be a beacon to others as a testament of what our government is capable of, so that it may never happen again.

Sadly for 4 American patriots who lost their lives that day. Others committed suicide facing ludicrous sentences – there is no restitution that can ever make them whole again.

I reach out to my fellow Americans to help me.

I need to raise legal funding to sue the Washington Post Company for slander. The Washington Post company slandered not just me, but my special-needs brother.

I am unsure how the media even got access to HIPAA-protected information such as this or what they thought to gain by its release.

Their sloppy hit-piece article caused me to be revoked on bond and likely caused me to serve extra time in jail. The statute of limitations is quickly running out – as I have spent most of it in jail as a direct result of the negative media slander.

These outlets also got key details about my case wrong, and never even reached out to me for comment.

While fulfilling probation demands all day, it is difficult to find a job that will allow me to buy a car and a place to live that I can call my own.

I am seeking counsel to sue the jails where I have been incarcerated and tortured.

Please consider any donations as an investment, as I will certainly be able to win with your help!

*****Please help James here.*****

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