
TAYLOR WESSING / ENGLISH EDITION

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The Three Pillars of Taylor Wessing: Fake Inclusivity, a
Nazi Founder, and Violence as a Modus Operandi

~~Taylor~~ Wessing

Taylor left with its centuries of English history.

Wessing remains. Shall we talk?

The UK-led practice now operates as Winston Taylor. The German origins remain the subject of this dossier.

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Agent Ellis

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FORENSIC & HISTORICAL DISCLAIMER: READ BEFORE PROCEEDING

Content warning: explicit and discriminatory language

This dossier contains uncensored profanity, homophobic and nationality-based slurs, threats, and descriptions of Nazi persecution and violence. These appear in quoted case materials, screenshots and historical discussion. Please take this into account before proceeding.

1. Empirical Data vs. Legal Verdicts

The terms "fabrication," "forgery," and "cover-up" used in this dossier are strictly forensic and mathematical conclusions. They are derived from chronological impossibilities, Shannon entropy calculations, and Jaccard index metrics. We compute probabilities; we do not hand down legal sentences. The final determination of whether these forensic anomalies constitute intentional fraud, professional negligence, or criminal forgery under the law remains the exclusive jurisdiction of the regulatory bodies, bar associations, and courts to which these materials have been submitted.

2. The Historical Record and the "English Illusion"

The historical facts regarding the firm's origins presented here are based on currently available archival data and Wikipedia (which, at present, we accept as a baseline). However, there is a glaring, systemic omission: the main Wikipedia pages for Taylor Wessing artificially emphasize their "elite English roots" dating back to 1782, while almost completely erasing the true identity and actions of their German creator, Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz.

It is crucial to note that this "English heritage" is no longer relevant. The UK, Dubai, Netherlands, Ireland, and Belgium offices are officially splitting from the firm. What remains is exactly what this dossier exposes: the German core.

3. Academic Escalation

This dossier is just the foundation. We are currently finalizing **two formal academic papers** detailing these findings. Once they pass peer review and are published, we will officially assist the open-source community, Wikipedia editors, and international translators in permanently correcting the public record across all languages. The truth will be structured, cited, and inescapable.

PhishDestroy is independent of both parties. We are not Source 1. We do not take money from anyone, ever. **We publish under our own name and take responsibility for our analysis.**

We began examining this case in August. The documents led to three connected lines of inquiry: **the use of legal pressure against a data requester; the treatment of homophobic and nationality-based abuse in an official disclosure; and the Nazi record of the firm's German founder.** Each is set out below with the

underlying records and sources. Professional reputation does not answer any of them.

OUR SCOPE. TWO ORGANIZATIONS. NO CAMPAIGN FOR AN UNBAN.

Valve: Platform conduct and the access response.

Taylor Wessing: Professional conduct and document processing.

Account reinstatement does not settle either line of inquiry.

We have deliberately separated Valve from Taylor Wessing. Taylor Wessing did not have to become the subject of this dossier. The material could have stayed on Medium. We were using AI and large-scale data analysis to examine the Steam case and the falsehoods documented in that investigation when our review began flagging **danger markers** in the documents and correspondence themselves. Some of it looked so implausible that we began asking whether the documents were fake. The documents are official. The signatures in those files are not fake.

Source 1's ban is not our objective

Source 1's ban is irrelevant to our objective. We are not determining his guilt or innocence and do not ask anyone to determine it on our behalf. An unban, a settlement or any other change to his account would not alter this investigation. Source 1 has no authority to terminate it.

We received official documents from him. Additional information may also have been supplied, but it is not the basis of this dossier. Our work does not depend on his interests or the recovery of his account. It concerns the handling of official documents, the statements made in them, the personal data they contain and the risks created by the process.

We will assess a court decision or a comparably rigorous mathematical demonstration or refutation. A demand to stop publication does not answer the evidence. The letters' claims about German courts are examined in [When a paid representative speaks for the court](#).

Why the lawyers' letters matter to the Valve investigation

The letters contain admissions and contradictions relevant to the neighbouring investigation into Valve, signed in the course of the lawyers' professional work.

Our concern also recalls the old Steam terms provision, since removed, concerning permanent account termination when a user sought legal assistance. In this case we identify another contradiction: the lawyers' account places an alleged transfer or sale first in May and then in July. Yet the incomplete access log supplied in response to the GDPR request does not record the account access that would substantiate that story. This is one of the discrepancies we ask the responsible authorities to examine against the full records.

Professional conduct, not private lives

Our examination of the two doctors of law stops at their professional actions and the descriptions published on their firm's own website. We have no interest in their relatives, personal relationships or private lives. Investigating those things is not our style, and we do not consider them relevant to the professional assessment made here.

- [Official profile: Dr. Tobias Schelinski](#)
- [Official profile: Dr. Patrick Vincent Zurheide](#)

PART I. PRESSURE, FABRICATION, DISCLOSURE

A data-access request answered with accusations

A Ukrainian user requested his personal data under Art. 15 GDPR. Taylor Wessing's response to his lawyer introduced allegations of account purchase, document falsification and criminal conduct. **The initiating act was a statutory access request.** The correspondence must be read in that context.

Dr. Tobias Schelinski, August 15, 2025 (Doc. No. 42282474): the letter accuses the client of buying the account, refers to a "falsified utility bill", and describes it as "completely unclear" whose data is involved. It invokes **1,938 reports** as evidence against the user: "the sheer volume alone shows that the agreement was violated multiple times." The asserted volume is being used to establish culpability before the authenticity of those reports is addressed. Source 11

Dr. Patrick Zurheide, October 1, 2025 (Doc. No. 42603633): Source 12

"It must obviously be assumed that your client or his accomplices intend to continue phishing attacks in a disguised form and want to find out how to do so without getting caught."

"The account, like almost no other, provides numerous grounds for a block... In our experience, any court would deem the block lawful."

The letter concludes with the prospect of criminal prosecution under **§§ 263, 263a, 202a, 303a of the German Criminal Code** and asks whether "the lawyer's mandate also extends to criminal proceedings." Our assessment is that this correspondence uses the threat of prosecution, accusations and months of delay to exert pressure on a person seeking his data. The statutory request remains unanswered by any of those measures.

Public excerpts / complete originals for regulators

Public case materials are limited to screenshots. The complete, unedited original documents are reserved for the regulators: they contain personal data and evidence extending beyond this case.

E01 / Letter heading · 15 August 2025

- Dr. Tobias Schelinski · Doc. No. 42282474

Rechtsanwalt
Dr. Tobias Schelinski

Aktenzeichen
1004755/15 / VAL24.D1000
(nborcf) Dok.-Nr.: 42282474

Datum
15. August 2025

Dr. Tobias Schelinski · Doc. No. 42282474

Source 11

E02 / Letter heading · 1 October 2025

- Dr. Patrick Zurheide · Doc. No. 42603633

Rechtsanwalt
Dr. Patrick Zurheide, LL.M. (Aberdeen)

Aktenzeichen
1004755/15 / VAL24.D1000
(nborcf) Dok.-Nr.: 42603633

Datum
1. Oktober 2025

Dr. Patrick Zurheide · Doc. No. 42603633

Source 12

The disclosed sample: the basis of our fabrication finding

The eventual disclosure visually concealed **94.28% of the content — 70,717 words** — "for the sake of third-party rights." Exactly **50 reports** remained visible and were presented as "proof" against the banned user. Exhibit B records three independent grounds for challenging that sample: Source 13

Exhibit B — Quantitative forensic audit

Measurement	Value
Content redacted	94.28% / 70,717 words
Content visible	5.72% / 50 reports
Shannon entropy: flagged names	3.48
Shannon entropy: live names	2.14
Jaccard index	1.000 / 100% identical report texts
Nicknames matching [adjective][noun][numbers]	62%

Measurement	Value
Joint probability reported in Exhibit B	approximately 10^{-153}

- Shannon entropy:
$$H(X) = - \sum_i p_i \log_2 p_i$$

, where p_i is the probability of symbol i .

- Jaccard index:
$$J(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

(intersection / union).

- Joint probability:
$$P \approx 10^{-153}$$

Exhibit B — Source 13

- **Chronology.** The account was blocked on **May 23, 2025**. The visible reports are dated **August and September** and describe fresh invitations and phishing links. Our finding is that the activity alleged in those reports is incompatible with the account's blocked state.
- **Nickname generation.** Our audit identifies **62%** of the visible complainants as synthetic names following [adjective][noun][numbers], including *unhappyrat44132*, *eagerotter54677*, *crushedlard9764*. Reported Shannon entropy is **3.48**, against **2.14** for the live-name comparison. The audit rejects independent generation under its probability model, reporting a joint probability of approximately **10^{-153}** .
- **Text identity.** The compared report texts are recorded as **100% identical**, with a **Jaccard index of 1.000**. This is the text-similarity result; the fabrication finding rests on its combination with the chronology and nickname analysis.

The chronology Exhibit B

23 MAY 2025 **Account blocked**

AUG — SEP 2025 **Visible reports**

The concealed material contains years of coordinated harassment directed at the user's Ukrainian nationality: "hohol", "Ukrainian Nazi", "SVO SVO GOIDA ZOV ZOV", "execute him". Cyrillic density reaches **61.58%** in the hidden material, against **0.32%** in the visible sample. Our conclusion is specific: **Taylor Wessing concealed the nationality-based harassment and retained the sample our audit identifies as a botnet**. The selection removed the context that explained the reports while preserving the material used to justify the ban.

E03 / The nicknames in the document

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	Abuse Reporter Account Name	Time of Report (UTC)	Report Type	
		08-	(730)	
	ak001171	2025-08-	Offensive Avatar	光明会成员
	unhappyrat44132	2025-08-	Suspected Hijacker	They're acting like they want to help but they're baiting pe
	eagerotter54677	2025-08-	Suspected Hijacker	Friend's account got hacked this is it
	crushedlard9764	2025-08-	Suspected Hijacker	Real person probably got locked out
	goofycur4436	2025-08-	Suspected Hijacker	That's a stolen account, for sure
	dopeyrhino02195	2025-08-	Suspected Hijacker	This account was legit not anymore
	sadrat53022	2025-08-	Suspected Hijacker	Might be a bot now used to be real
	cruelboars86956	2025-08-	Suspected Hijacker	They used to post memes, now it's ~~crypto~~ spam

AR-2025-BAN-FORENSICS · chronology, entropy and text similarity

Nickname	Adjective	Noun	Numbers
unhappyrat44132	unhappy	rat	44132
eagerotter54677	eager	otter	54677
crushedlard9764	crushed	lard	9764

Source 13

Failed redaction, notice and suppression of publication

The PDF contained black rectangles over text that had never been deleted. **No intrusion was required to recover it.** The data travelled inside the file supplied by the firm. We identify this as professional negligence in the very process presented as protecting third parties.

E04 / PDF redaction

- Complete supplied screenshot of the PDF with black rectangles

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- Complete supplied screenshot with underlying account names visible

Source 12

We notified the firm and Dr. Patrick Zurheide personally. He described the information about the exposure as **"amusing"**. Our record covers a year of notice without remediation. Separately, server records show access from Valve gateways on **October 21, 2025, February 16–17, 2026, and August 31, 2026**. Our case analysis links the October access to a request from the parents of one of the report authors; the access exhibit preserves the network observations and their limitations. Our allegation remains that neither the supervisory authority under Art. 33 GDPR nor the affected individuals under Art. 34 were notified. **The response to notice is part of the case.** Source 14

Exhibit PD-VALVE-2026/01 — complete record

EXHIBIT — ACCESS BY VALVE CORPORATION TO THE DATA SUBJECT'S PUBLISHED MATERIAL
Reference: PD-VALVE-2026/01 Prepared: 1 September 2026

1. SUMMARY OF THE FINDING

Web server records for the website operated by the data subject (the requester in the Article 15 matter described at paragraph 3.1AA of the referral) show FOUR separate access events, over a period of ten months, from three different hosts inside Valve Corporation's own network.

Two of the three hosts geolocate to BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON - the city in which Valve Corporation maintains its principal place of business.

All four events were over HTTPS. Together they account for 164 requests, 32 page views and approximately 26.3 MB of transferred data.

2. THE RECORDS

Verbatim, as held in the analyser's database (VISITOR section). Fields in order: host; page views; total requests; bytes; timestamp of last request in YYYYMMDDHHMMSS form.

```
(a) 208.64.203.11 11 34 6322782 20251021165923
-> 21 October 2025, 16:59:23
```

```
(b) 208.64.203.19 11 65 9286619 20260216190806
-> 16 February 2026, 19:08:06
```

```
(c) 208.64.203.20 9 62 8586044 20260217112356
-> 17 February 2026, 11:23:56
```

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(d) 208.64.203.20 1 3 2152328 20260831175904
-> 31 August 2026, 17:59:04
```

Source files (AWStats 8.0 build 20240604, SSL log databases, generated by the hosting provider from raw web server logs):

```
awstats102025.<site>.txt, line 7315
awstats022026.<site>.txt, lines 17524 and 19100
awstats082026.<site>.txt, line 7162
```

3. ATTRIBUTION OF THE HOSTS

Each address was resolved and checked against registry and routing data:

```
208.64.203.11  reverse DNS  gw.valvesoftware.com
location      Seattle, Washington, USA
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```
208.64.203.19  reverse DNS  gw19.valvesoftware.com
location      BELLEVUE, Washington, USA
```

```
208.64.203.20  reverse DNS  gw20.valvesoftware.com
location      BELLEVUE, Washington, USA
```

```
All three:
Autonomous System  AS32590 (VALVE-CORPORATION - Valve Corporation)
Network name       VALVE-V4-1
Registered org     Valve Corporation (VC-2)
Abuse/NOC contact  noc@valvesoftware.com
Announced prefix  208.64.203.0/24
```

Each hostname sits within valvesoftware.com, Valve Corporation's own second-level domain. None of these addresses is a consumer internet service provider, a content delivery network, a cloud host, a VPN exit or a shared proxy. The address block is allocated directly to Valve Corporation and announced by Valve Corporation's own autonomous system.

4. METHOD

The identification was not made by inspection or by assumption.

(a) The complete set of IPv4 prefixes announced by AS32590 was obtained from RIPE NCC routing data (44 prefixes).

(b) Every IP address appearing in the site's access records for the periods examined was compared programmatically against that set.

(c) The comparison was then re-run across every surviving analyser database for the site, covering October 2025 to September 2026.

Four records matched. They are the four set out at paragraph 2. All other addresses examined resolved to consumer ISPs, cloud providers, content delivery networks, search engine crawlers or unrelated hosting companies.

Any recipient may verify the attribution independently, without reference to us:

```
host 208.64.203.19
whois 208.64.203.19
https://stat.ripe.net/data/prefix-overview/data.json?resource=208.64.203.19
```

5. CHRONOLOGY

We set out the dates without comment as to what connects them. The sequence is a matter of record; any inference is for the authority.

1 October 2025	Valve's external counsel transmits the Article 15 response containing the defective redaction (referral, paragraph 3.1AA)
21 October 2025	ACCESS (a) - 34 requests, 6.3 MB

February 2026	Proceedings commenced against Valve Corporation by the Attorney General of the State of New York
16 February 2026	ACCESS (b) - 65 requests, 9.3 MB
17 February 2026	ACCESS (c) - 62 requests, 8.6 MB (consecutive days, from two different Valve gateways)

17-19 August 2026	Publication of the technical findings concerning the defective redaction
24 August 2026	Written notice served on Valve, seven-day period
31 August 2026	Period expires without response
31 August 2026	ACCESS (d), 17:59:04 - same day

6. WHY THIS IS PLACED BEFORE THE AUTHORITY

We assert nothing as to purpose and we draw no conclusion. We record what the logs show: that hosts inside Valve Corporation's own network requested material published by the data subject, on the dates recorded, in the volumes recorded, repeatedly, over ten months.

Its relevance is to AWARENESS, which is the operative trigger under Article 33 and Article 34. The material published at that location concerned the defective redaction and the third-party personal data it exposed - the same data subjects who, to our knowledge, have never been notified.

ON THE VOLUME. Access (b) is 65 requests across 11 page views; access (c) is 62 requests across 9. That is not a crawler retrieving a single document, and it is not an accidental arrival. It is consistent with sustained reading. We state this as an observation on the figures.

We invite the authority to establish, from Valve's own records:

(a) whether any person acting for Valve accessed that material on 21 October 2025, 16-17 February 2026, and 31 August 2026, in what capacity, and on whose instruction; (b) what internal assessment, if any, followed each access; (c) whether at any point after those dates the affected third parties were notified under Article 34; (d) whether the supervisory authority was notified under Article 33; (e) if not, on what basis the obligation was considered not to arise.

These are questions only the authority can put. We supply the observation. The determination is not ours to make.

7. PRESERVATION AND LIMITATIONS

The raw access logs for October 2025 and February 2026 have since been rotated by the hosting provider and are no longer retained. The analyser databases, generated from those logs and preserved separately, are the surviving record and are available to the authority in full.

Because the analyser aggregates, the specific URLs requested during each access are not recoverable from the surviving record, and neither is the duration of each session. Valve's own outbound records for the same dates are not subject to that limitation.

All source files, together with the routing data relied upon, are preserved and available to the authority through a protected channel.

8. INTEGRITY OF THE PRESERVED FILES

The analyser databases were copied from the hosting account on 1 September 2026 and hashed at the point of copying. SHA-256:

0704c0170e9e7ed103aec75af2feacd4a2584e0ae1da0cb88b68258630e4ff2c
awstats102025.67a427a7...spacecharged.site.txt
(contains record (a) - 21 October 2025)

ef9cff2a423767aed192dd056177c86b0aaa0df1390994a5007a79c19b9a5722
awstats022026.67a427a7...spacecharged.site.txt
(contains records (b) and (c) - 16 and 17 February 2026)

8bf0221608bdef2e84e523ff908aaaa46a299ae782e8f63b54773136c75b08f7
awstats082026.67a427a7...spacecharged.site.txt
(contains record (d) - 31 August 2026)

Also preserved, from the second site configuration on the same account, for completeness of the record:

7847f57203092b380a238c53303aa1fa650f325962679847851d69dc2ddbf889
awstats022026.a2a07414...spacecharged.site.txt
3a0f43e7ad9f7fcc2e435ff2bd2480de9e150184a3aa860495ec330ec1839fa5
awstats082026.a2a07414...spacecharged.site.txt

The authority may verify that any copy supplied to it is byte-identical to the file as held on the hosting account on the date of preservation.

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PGP 129F C7F3 9C40 C69D 2EF3 C329 BFCF 9E8D D295 EE01

After publication on Medium, Dr. Patrick did not dispute a single number. He invoked the **"right to be forgotten" under Art. 17 GDPR**, and our articles were removed from Google search results. The subject of those articles was his professional work for a billion-dollar client, a capacity expressly stated in the correspondence. We regard the use of data-protection law to suppress reporting about the data exposure as **an attempt to conceal the failure and obstruct independent security research**. Removal from search does not correct the PDF or answer the audit.

PART II. HYPOCRISY: A RAINBOW OVER "PIDOR"

Public commitments Stonewall · LGBTQ+ inclusion

Taylor Wessing is a public LGBT champion. Three years in a row — **Stonewall Top 100**, top 10 in the legal sector. An interview with myGwork about "creative plans to advance LGBTQ+ inclusion." Posts for IDAHOBIT from the Head of Talent. The "Head of Responsible Business" talks about the importance of LGBTQ+ history. Dr. Patrick participates in briefings. Source 9

Now look at their document. Two months of claimed "manual review." An automated script painted over the reporter's login *zabolotov* — and "forgot" the adjacent column. In the materials prepared by an elite firm for a legal dispute, it explicitly states in plain text:

Page 444 / understand the original wording

What the first row says.

- **Original entry:** pidor
- **English equivalent:** faggot

A homophobic slur against gay men. “Pidor” is the Latin-script form of the Russian “пидор”. The translation makes its meaning explicit; the screenshot preserves the original entry.

E06 / Page 444 · first report row

- page 444 — zabolotov | Offensive Avatar | "pidor"

Abuse Reports Against Account			
Abuse Reporter Account Name	Time of Report (UTC)	Report Type	
	2025-09-09 12:00	Offensive Avatar	pidor
	2025-09-09 12:00	Offensive Avatar	трълмон
	2025-09-09 12:00	Suspected Hijacker	This person using bot scams for account fishing
	2025-08-08 12:00	Harassment (730)	toxic
	2025-08-08 12:00	Offensive Persona Name	оскорбляет мою страну можете попросить его поменять описание профиля
	2025-08-08 12:00	Cheating	multiple hacks, smurfing.

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Source 13

A homophobic slur. In an official document. From a firm that is a top employer according to Stonewall. The rainbow is marketing. "Pidor" is their operational reality. And no, this is not an "unfortunate accident." This homophobia has a pedigree.

PhishDestroy / our assessment

This is disrespect for the law.

The issue goes beyond disrespect for an opponent. **It is disrespect for the law that gives that person a right to their data.** An allegation against the requester does not answer an access request. A lawyer's confidence about a future judgment does not discharge the present obligation. Corporate money does not make that obligation optional.

Our position and requested scrutiny

PART III. NAZISM AT THE FOUNDATION OF THE FIRM

The firm writes on its website that it **honors its history**. Wikipedia mentions the founder of the German branch with a single sterile line — "in 1954, Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz took Kurt Wessing as a partner" — and not a word about who Goltz was. That won't do. We are filling the gap using the archives. [Source 3](#) [Source 10](#)

Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz (1894–1976):

- **April 1, 1932:** voluntarily joined the NSDAP. Party member **No. 1,033,215** — before Hitler came to power. [Source 1](#) [Source 2](#) [Source 4](#) [Source 5](#)
- Until 1933 — **lawyer for the Nazi elite**: defended **Joseph Goebbels** in a 1930 trial and SA stormtroopers in political murder cases. Goebbels in his diaries: "*Goltz ist Knorke. Er macht uns allen Spaß*" — "Goltz is great, he is fun for all of us."
- **1933:** President of the Pomeranian Landtag; Reich Trustee of Labour; member of the **Prussian State Council** appointed personally by Göring; co-founder of Hans Frank's **Academy for German Law** — the entity that rewrote German law to fit Nazi ideology.
- **1936–1943: Reichstag Deputy** for the NSDAP. Member of the **Criminal Law Commission under the Reich Ministry of Justice** — the very machine that legally formalized repressions, including the persecution of homosexuals under Paragraph 175, which sent men to concentration camps with a pink triangle.
- **1938, the Blomberg-Fritsch affair.** Goltz defended General von Fritsch against a fabricated charge of homosexuality. He won — by proving that the "real" homosexual was **another officer, Achim von Frisch**. Goltz didn't challenge the cannibalistic law. He pointed the executioners to another person. [Source 6](#)
- **Post-war:** zero consequences. A practice in Düsseldorf. 1954 — partner Kurt Wessing. For decades, the firm bore his name: *Graf von der Goltz, Wessing & Partner*. His son later chaired the supervisory board of BMW. The system took care of its own.

E07 / Archival document 1938

Original 1938 handbook entry for Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz, describing his legal work and Reichstag membership

Lebensbeschreibungen

wundeter. Mehrere Jahre Kreisleiter der NSDAP, ab Mai 1932 Gauorganisationsleiter Pommern, ab 7. Mai 1933 Reichsschulungsleiter der NSDAP und der Deutschen Arbeitsfront, jetzt Reichshauptamtsleiter und Kommandant der Reichsführerschule, Ordensburg Krössinsee. Beisitzer der Filmoberprüfstelle der Reichsfilmkammer. — Mitglied des Reichstags seit der 8. Wahlperiode 1933.

Graf von der Goltz, Rüdiger, Dr. jur.; Rechtsanwalt und Notar, Preussischer Staatsrat; Berlin-Wannsee, Am Sandwerder 7. Wahlkr. 2 (Berlin West).

Geboren am 10. Juli 1894 in Charlottenburg; evangelisch. Humanistisches Gymnasium, Rechtsstudium in Genf, Tübingen und Berlin. Ursprünglich aktiver Offizier im Ersten Garde-Regiment zu Fuß. Berufswechsel infolge Kriegsverletzung. Referendar-Examen 26. August 1917, Assessor-Examen 27. Januar 1922. Rechtsanwalt in Stettin 1926 bis 1934. Frühjahr 1933 Präsident des Pommerischen Provinziallandtags. Mai 1933 bis April 1934 Treuhänder der Arbeit in Pommern. April 1934 bis Ende November 1934 Stellvertreter des Führers der Wirtschaft und kommissarischer Führer der Wirtschaft. Seitdem Rechtsanwalt und Notar in Berlin. Politische Prozesse vor Machübernahme: Verteidigung in Femeprozeß, Altonaer Bombenprozeß, in anderen nationalsozialistischen Prozessen, insbesondere Verteidigungen von Dr. Goebbels im Jahre 1930. Veröffentlichung „Tribut-Justiz“ Herbst 1932 im Brunnen-Verlag Berlin. — Mitglied des Reichstags seit der 3. Wahlperiode 1933.

Gottschalk, Walter; Bürgermeister; Goldberg (Schles), Am Mühlberg 18. Wahlkr. 7 (Breslau).

Geboren am 10. November 1893 in Leschnitz (Kr. Groß-Strehlitz, Oberschles); katholisch. Kriegsteilnehmer 1914 bis 1919, dreimalige Verwundung. Seit 1919 in der völkischen Bewegung. 1925 NSDAP. Ortsgruppenleiter, Sturm- und Standartenführer, Gaupropaganda-leiter Schlesien, Bezirksleiter, seit 1. September 1932 Untergauleiter Niederschlesien, 1. Oktober 1935 bis 1. Oktober 1937 Gauleiter. SM-Standartenführer z. b. B. — Mitglied des Preuß. Landtags von 1932 bis 1933. Mitglied des Reichstags seit der 9. Wahlperiode 1933.

Gogmann, Leo; Oberpolizeirat; Wien VII, Stollgasse 5, Tür 6. ★

Geboren am 14. Juli 1893 in Olmütz in Mähren; röm.-katholisch. Besuchte Volksschule in Olmütz und Wien, Realschule in Wien. Studierte Rechtswissenschaft an der Universität in Wien. Kriegsdienstleistung beim Tiroler Kaiserjäger-Regiment III und Tiroler Land-

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Original 1938 handbook entry for Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz, describing his legal work and Reichstag membership

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Keßler als Führer der Wirtschaft abberufen

**Draf von der Golz mit der Wahrnehmung
der Geschäfte beauftragt**

DNB meldet:

Der Reichswirtschaftsminister hat den bisherigen Führer der Wirtschaft, Generaldirektor Philipp Keßler, von seinem Posten als Führer der Wirtschaft mit sofortiger Wirkung abberufen. Bis zur endgültigen Regelung der Nachfolge ist der stellvertretende Führer der Wirtschaft, Graf von der Golz, mit der alleinigen Wahrnehmung der Führung der Geschäfte beauftragt worden.

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Die Abberufung dürfte auf Grund des Ermächtigungsgesetzes erfolgt sein, das bekanntlich in der vorigen Woche vom Kabinett genehmigt wurde, und durch das der Reichswirtschaftsminister die Vollmachten erhalten hat, innerhalb seines Geschäftsbereichs alle Maßnahmen zu treffen, die er zur Förderung der deutschen Wirtschaft für notwendig hält. Wir betonen fernerzeit, daß gegebenenfalls außerordentliche Entscheidungen zu treffen wären, bei denen eine einheitliche Wirtschaftsführung erstes Erfordernis ist.

Hamburger Tageblatt

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Der neue Wirtschaftsführer

Der Reichswirtschaftsminister hat, wie wir gestern bereits meldeten, den Führer der deutschen Wirtschaft, Kessler, von seinem Posten abberufen und



den stellvertretenden Führer Graf v. d. Golz (unser Bild) bis auf weiteres mit der Führung beauftragt.

Den Grund für die Amtsenthebung Kesslers darf man darin erblicken, daß sich zwischen den Auffassungen des Reichswirtschaftsministers und Direktor Kesslers hinsichtlich wirtschaftlicher Fragen Meinungsverschiedenheiten von grundlegender Bedeutung ergeben haben, die ein ersprißliches Zusammenarbeiten für die Zukunft ausgeschlossen hätten.

Deutsche Bergwerks-Zeitung (Düsseldorf)

Nr. 160.

Nach der Abberufung Keßlers

Von der Goltz über die nächsten Aufgaben

Berlin, 12. Juli. (Drahtb.) Der stellvertretende Führer der Wirtschaft, Graf von der Goltz, rief am Donnerstagnachmittag die Vertreter der Presse zu einer Besprechung zusammen und machte grundlegende Ausführungen über den Aufbau der Organisation „Führer der Wirtschaft“. Wir entnehmen seinen Ausführungen folgendes:

„Die in der Führung der Wirtschaft tätigen Personen sind Männer des praktischen Lebens, welche Besseres zu tun haben als etwa eine Organisation als Selbstzweck aufzubauen oder zu beschäftigen. Immerhin sind ohne die wirtschaftliche Organisation entscheidende Aufgaben der Wirtschaft nicht zu lösen. U. a. hat sich bereits gezeigt, daß in sehr vielen Fällen durch die neue Organisation viele bisherige Verbände infolge Zusammenlegung überflüssig werden konnten. Die Wirtschaft ist bekanntlich in 13 Hauptgruppen mit fachlicher Untergliederung aufgeteilt, und regional wird in den Treuhänderbezirken und später in den Reichsgauen eine entsprechende Zusammenfassung von 13 Bezirkshauptgruppenführern einschließlich der Präsidenten der Industrie- und Handelskammern und der Handwerkskammern erfolgen. Der Reichsstand der deutschen Industrie ist in diesem Zusammenhang zu einer Reichsarbeitsgemeinschaft und Ausgleichsstelle der sieben industriellen Hauptgruppenführer in allen für diese Hauptgruppen gemeinsamen Angelegenheiten geworden. Die Arbeit in dieser Reichsarbeitsgemeinschaft wird unter Wahrung der Mannigfaltigkeit der deutschen Industrie, jedoch unter Beachtung der gemeinsamen Aufgaben und Ziele erfolgen.

Die Führerauswahl, die zugleich auf die notwendige fachliche Eignung wie auf das notwendige Vertrauen der nationalsozialistischen Bewegung Rücksicht zu nehmen hat, war nicht einfach und verzögerte den Aufbau. Immerhin ist zu rechnen, daß Ende Juli die grundsätzlichen organisatorischen Arbeiten im wesentlichen beendet sind.

Für eine nationalsozialistische Führerorganisation der Wirtschaft ergibt sich von selbst die Aufgabe, im Wege der Selbstverwaltung den nationalsozialistischen Grundsatz zur Tat werden zu lassen, daß die Wirtschaft dem Volke dient. Es handle sich demgemäß um keinen Interessenverband, geschweige denn einen Arbeitgeberverband, sondern um eine gesetzliche Zusammenfassung aller deutscher Betriebsführer für ihre bei der Führung ihrer Betriebe an sie herantretenden wirtschaftspolitischen Aufgaben. In der Spitzenorganisation werde ein in enger persönlicher Fühlungnahme arbeitendes nationalsozialistisches Führerkorps der Wirtschaft geschaffen.

Eine Ehrengerichtsordnung wird die völlige Ausmerzung aller volkswirtschaftlichen Schädlinge ermöglichen, die als Betrüger, Wucherer, Preistreiber oder dergleichen schuldig werden, allerdings auch solcher Leute, die durch unbegründete Denunziation um eigenen Vorteiles willen Konkurrenten vor ein Ehrengericht zu schleppen versuchen. Eine solche Ehrengerichtsordnung soll das Leistungsprinzip unter Ausschaltung unanständiger

Arbeitsmethoden sicherstellen. Demgemäß sind die wirtschaftspolitischen Verbände mit der für sie geltenden Zwangsmitgliedschaft auch keine Kartelle mit marktregelnden Funktionen, sondern haben in dieser Beziehung nur Aufgaben der Beobachtung und Beratung.

Im übrigen ist die Organisation der Selbstverwaltungsapparat für eine nationalsozialistische Wirtschaftspolitik. Der politische Führer der Wirtschaft ist der für die Wirtschaft politisch verantwortliche Reichswirtschaftsminister. Aber von ihm ist die Organisation für eine nationalsozialistische und vernünftige unbürokratische Durchführung des Willens der politischen Wirtschaftsführung geschaffen. Demgemäß ist anzunehmen, daß beispielsweise bei allen Anordnungen für die Exportförderung, Rohstoffverteilung und Rohstoffauswechslung die Selbstverwaltung der Wirtschaft eine wesentliche Rolle spielen wird.

Darüber hinaus wird die Selbstverwaltung der Wirtschaft in ihren eigenen Reihen die Fragen durcharbeiten und klären, die sie bedrücken oder die zur Förderung nationalsozialistischer Volksgemeinschaft und Volksversorgung zu lösen sind.

Gewiß ist für die Förderung des Exportes in jeder Richtung zu arbeiten und wie bei jeder anderen Gelegenheit, so auch hier zu betonen, daß die deutsche Volkswirtschaft willens ist, mit dem Ausland Tauschbeziehungen aufrecht zu erhalten und zu fördern. Ebenso sicher aber ist, daß ein nationalsozialistisches Deutschland sich in dieser Richtung nicht von dem mangelnden Willen, deutsche Gegenwerte für den erwünschten Import anzunehmen abhängig machen kann. Und so wird neben der Frage der Arbeitsbeschaffung die Frage einer Sicherung der wirtschaftlichen Unabhängigkeit Deutschlands unter entsprechender Lenkung des Außenhandels und Stärkung der innerdeutschen Rohstoffgrundlage Gegenstand eingehender Überlegungen auch der wirtschaftlichen Selbstverwaltung sein. Gewiß und selbstverständlich liegen auch hier die letzten Entscheidungen bei dem Führer und seinem Reichswirtschaftsminister, aber fachlich vollendete und vom nationalsozialistischen Geiste getragene Vorarbeiten der Wirtschaft im engsten Einvernehmen mit den maßgebenden Stellen erscheinen für eine nationalsozialistische Wirtschaft, die sich für ihr Schicksal mitverantwortlich fühlt, unerlässlich.

So tritt die technische Frage der Organisation bereits weit zurück hinter die großen Aufgaben, die sich mehr und mehr abzeichnen, und so wird die Organisation der Wirtschaft keine überflüssige des äußeren Scheines, sondern eine Organisation der Arbeit sein.

In seinem Schlußwort erklärte der stellvertretende Führer der Wirtschaft, Graf von der Goltz, daß mit dem Aufbau und der Durchführung dieser Organisation die deutsche Wirtschaft, bildlich gesprochen, „das braune Hemd anziehen und bei aller freien privaten Initiative und allem freien Wettbewerb im gleichen Schritt im nationalsozialistischen Staate mitmarschiere“. bxb.

Verbandsauflösung und Preiskontrolle.

Der stellvertretende Führer der Wirtschaft, Graf von der Goltz, nahm in Beantwortung einiger Fragen des Schriftleiters der „Volksparole“, Düsseldorf, zu wichtigen aktuellen Problemen Stellung.

Frage: In einer kürzlich von Ihnen vor Berliner Freunden der Deutschen Akademie gehaltenen Rede stellten Sie die Auflösung zahlreicher früherer Wirtschaftsverbände fest. Ist dieser Auflösungsprozeß und damit der Aufbau der Organisation der gewerblichen Wirtschaft nunmehr beendet oder stehen noch weitere Verbandsauflösungen und Zwangsbeschlüsse bevor?

Antwort: Die Auflösung der Verbände ist nach dem Gesetz ausschließlich Sache des Herrn Reichswirtschaftsministers. Eine Anzahl von Verbänden sträubt sich noch gegen ihre Auflösung und behauptet, als sogenannter Konditionenverband unentbehrlich zu sein, weil die Organisation der Wirtschaft sich mit Marktregelungsfragen nicht befassen dürfe. Diese Auffassung ist insofern ein Irrtum, als die Organisation der Wirtschaft sich selbstverständlich mit Marktregelungsfragen vorbereitend befassen darf und befassen muß, also die Frage der Marktregelung und der Kartelle durchaus scharf beobachten und mit ihrem Rat sowohl für die Wirtschaft, wie für das Reichswirtschaftsministerium und den Preisüberwachungskommissar zur Stelle sein muß; lediglich marktregelnde Maßnahmen, also Anordnungen, sind hier untersagt. Infolgedessen wird die endgültige Auflösung dieser zahlreichen überflüssig werdenden Verbände sachlicher und lokaler Art durch das Reichswirtschaftsministerium schließlich davon abhängen, inwieweit das Reichswirtschaftsministerium die Überflüssigkeit dieser Verbände auch für Konditionenfragen endgültig feststellt bzw. auch die Regelung bloßer Konditionen der Wirtschaftsorganisation überläßt.

Frage: Versuchen Interessenverbände, sich der notwendigen Auflösung zu entziehen und in welchen Formen?

Antwort: Selbstverständlich; es treten sogar die kühnsten Formen auf. Manche Verbände beschließen in aller Eile, sich künftig mit ganz anderen Fragen zu beschäftigen. Weitere Verbände glauben, ihre Existenz künftig als geselliger Verein rechtfertigen zu können. Sie können sich aber darauf verlassen, daß, soweit es nach mir geht, alle etwaigen Earnings und Umgehungen des nationalsozialistischen Willens zur Vereinfachung und endgültigen Erledigung der Interessenverbände unmöglich gemacht werden.

Frage: Der Preiskommissar Dr. Goerdeler hat alle Kreise der Wirtschaft zur Mitarbeit aufgefordert, um die vom Führer gewünschte Preisstabilität zu sichern. In welcher Form wird die Organisation der Wirtschaft dafür eingesetzt werden?

Antwort: Zwischen dem Preiskommissar Dr. Goerdeler und mir besteht eine enge Fühlung. Die Fachorganisationen der Wirtschaft werden alles dazu tun, um im Wege einer entsprechenden Klarstellung ihrer Standespflichten und durch Selbstkontrolle die Bemühungen des Preiskommissars zu fördern.

Frage: Ein weiteres dringendes volkswirtschaftliches Problem ist die Umstellung der deutschen Rohstoffbasis. In

welcher Weise kann die Organisation der gewerblichen Wirtschaft die in ihr vorhandenen vielseitigen Kräfte zur wirksamen Förderung dieser lebenswichtigen deutschen Aufgabe mobilisieren?

Antwort: Die Zusammenfassung der gesamten Kräfte der deutschen Wirtschaft in Fachorganisationen muß dazu führen, daß man sich in diesen Fachorganisationen über das, was für die Umstellung notwendig ist, unterhält und im Sinne einer nationalsozialistischen Gemeinschaftsarbeit die Maßnahmen fördert, die hierfür geboten sind. Soweit in dieser Richtung Hindernisse durch kurzfristige Einzelgänger auftreten sollten, wird man mit diesen fertig werden, etwa durch Meldung an das Reichswirtschaftsministerium und Vernetzung, entsprechender Regierungsmaßnahmen.

Frage: Nachdem Sie jetzt in einer gewaltigen Aufbauarbeit, die außerdem in einem überraschend kurzen Zeitraum erfolgte, an Stelle des verstorbenen liberalistischen Interessenwesens eine im nationalsozialistischen Sinne einheitliche Wirtschaftsorganisation geschaffen haben, werden Sie dieser in den nächsten Monaten wahrscheinlich weitere festumrissene Aufgaben stellen. Welcher Art sind diese Aufgaben und wann wird die von Ihnen zur genauen Kenntnis der Standespflichten angekündigte Ehrengerichtsordnung erlassen werden?

Antwort: Alles, was heute in der Organisation der gewerblichen Wirtschaft steht, haben wir im wesentlichen im Monat Juli vollendet oder so vorbereitet, daß es im Anschluß daran ohne Mühe vollendet werden konnte. Die Verzögerung seit Anfang August beruht auf dem Ministerwechsel und auf der verständlichen Notwendigkeit des neuen Ministers, Herrn Präsidenten Dr. Schacht, sich sowohl mit vielen drängenden Rohstoff- und Devisenaufgaben zu beschäftigen, wie zu den Fragen der Organisation erst einmal selbst Stellung zu nehmen. Es ist richtig, daß seitdem nun schon bald dreieinhalb Monate verflossen sind; aber es ist mir auch mitgeteilt worden, daß die wiederholt in Aussicht gestellte, aber durch plötzliche zwingende Hindernisse verschobene Regelung nun unmittelbar bevorsteht. — Im übrigen sind Maßnahmen getroffen, um notfalls die Zeit bis zu einer endgültigen gesetzlichen Regelung zu überbrücken und die Organisation bis zu einer solchen Regelung mit arbeitsfähigen vorläufigen Satzungen und Ehrengerichtsordnungen zu versehen.

Frage: Ist — und wie — die Wirtschaftsorganisation in der Lage, die nationalsozialistischen Wirtschaftsprinzipien in der Praxis zu verwirklichen?

Antwort: Selbstverständlich ist die Wirtschaftsorganisation in der Lage, im Rahmen der nationalsozialistischen Regierungspolitik die nationalsozialistischen Wirtschaftsprinzipien in der Praxis zu verwirklichen. Es kommt dabei darauf an, daß es gelingt, überall die geeigneten Führer zu finden, die von ihrem Fach etwas verstehen, aber auf der anderen Seite auch unbedingt und sicher positiv auf dem Boden der nationalsozialistischen Weltanschauung stehen.

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**Aufruf des Führers der Wirtschaft
zum Winterhilfswerk.**

Berlin. (DNB.) Der kommissarische Führer der Wirtschaft, Graf von der Golz, erließ einen Aufruf zum Winterhilfswerk, dem sämtliche in Berlin anwesenden Wirtschaftsführer ihre Zustimmung gaben. In dem Aufruf heißt es:

„Parteigenossen, Volksgenossen, Kameraden der deutschen Wirtschaft!

Deutscher Sozialismus ist der Tag für Tag erprobte Wille zur Leistung für die Volksgemeinschaft. Tag für Tag diesen Willen durch Leistung zu bekunden, ist unsere Aufgabe. Uns alle hat die Reichsregierung aufgerufen, diesem uns befehlenden Willen Ausdruck zu geben durch den immer aufs neue durch die Tat sich bekundenden Willen zur Förderung des Winterhilfswerkes der Reichsregierung. Ihnen allen, meine Kameraden aus der deutschen Wirtschaft, obliegt die Ehrenpflicht, miteinander zu weiteifern in der Förderung dieser Großtat des deutschen Sozialismus, dieser schöpferischen Leistung, die unter dem bindenden Gesetz steht, daß derjenige, dem es vergönnt ist, Höheres zu leisten, auch höhere Pflichten für die Volksgemeinschaft zu tragen hat. Großes und Gewaltiges hat unser durch den Willen des Führers und Reichskanzlers wiedergeborenes Volk bereits geleistet. Millionen, die des Glückes der Arbeit entbehren, dürfen in deutschen Landen wieder den Segen der Arbeit kennenlernen. Noch aber hungern Hunderttausende nach der Möglichkeit, für die Volksgemeinschaft arbeiten zu können. Stellen Sie, Männer der deutschen Wirtschaft, in dem vor uns liegenden Winter Ihre Arbeit und Ihren höchsten Willen unter das verpflichtende Gesetz, der Gemeinschaft unseres Volkes zu dienen. Die große Leistung des deutschen Unternehmertums für das Winterhilfswerk des letzten Jahres hat in aller Welt wohlverdiente Anerkennung gefunden. Es gilt für jeden einzelnen, in der Fürsorge für die notleidenden Volksgenossen nicht nachzulassen, sondern vielmehr die eigene Leistung nach Kräften zu steigern. Seien Sie stark und schämen Sie sich glücklich, daß es Ihnen vergönnt ist, dem Rufe des Führers Folge leisten zu können: Opfern Sie für die Not, damit die Volksgemeinschaft der Deutschen frei und glücklich werde.“

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Graf von der Goltz verabschiedet sich

Berlin, 4. Dezember.

Staatsrat Dr. Graf von der Goltz verabschiedet sich in einem Rundschreiben von den Führern der Wirtschaftsgliederungen in der Gesamtorganisation der deutschen Wirtschaft, in dem es heißt: „Die Organisation der Wirtschaft hat mit der soeben ergangenen ersten Durchführungsvorordnung für das Gesetz zur Vorbereitung des organischen Aufbaues der deutschen Wirtschaft ihre von dem Herrn Reichswirtschaftsminister angeordnete gesetzliche Form erhalten.“

Für meine bisherige Tätigkeit als kommissarischer Führer der Wirtschaft, die von mir stets als eine Aufgabe ganz bestimmten Inhalts und nicht als eine Stellung aufgefaßt wurde, ist damit kein Raum mehr.

Es ist mir Herzensbedürfnis, Dank zu sagen für alles Vertrauen und allen mir immer wieder bewiesenen Willen zu treuer Mitarbeit aus allen Kreisen der Wirtschaft, insbesondere den vorge schlagenen und ernannten Führern von Wirtschaftsgliederungen und ihren Helfern.

Der Glaube an die Notwendigkeit nationalsozialistischen Gemeinschaftsdenkens und Gemeinschaftshandelns in der gesamten deutschen Wirtschaft bleibt die Grundlage ihrer Zukunft. Mögen Selbstbewußtsein

und Kraft, verbunden mit Leistungswillen und Opferbereitschaft auch in der Wirtschaft freiwillig und freudig das deutsche Schicksal mehr und mehr gestalten helfen.“

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The appointment. The mandate. The printed law.

The record extends beyond a biographical entry. A contemporary newspaper names von der Goltz's appointment; the published commission records identify his political role; the official gazette states the institutions' mandate and the criminal provisions used by the regime.

A named representative of the party.

The scholarly edition of the commission's records identifies von der Goltz as the NSDAP representative during the later deliberations. It also records his introductory contribution to the 1936 publication *Das neue Strafrecht*, alongside Gürtner and Freisler, and his presentation on protection of honour in the proposed criminal law. The references are precise: **printed pages XVI–XVII; biography on XXVII**. [Source 16](#)

A separate library catalogue records *Nationalsozialistischer Ehrenschutz*, published in Vienna in 1938, under the names **Hans Frank and Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz**. The title, authors and edition can be checked independently. [Source 20](#)

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H01 / Von der Goltz joins the commission.

Hamburgischer Correspondent · 25 November 1933 · front page

The report dated 24 November names von der Goltz among the new appointments to the Reich Ministry of Justice's criminal-law commission. The following day's newspaper supplies a contemporary record. Source 15

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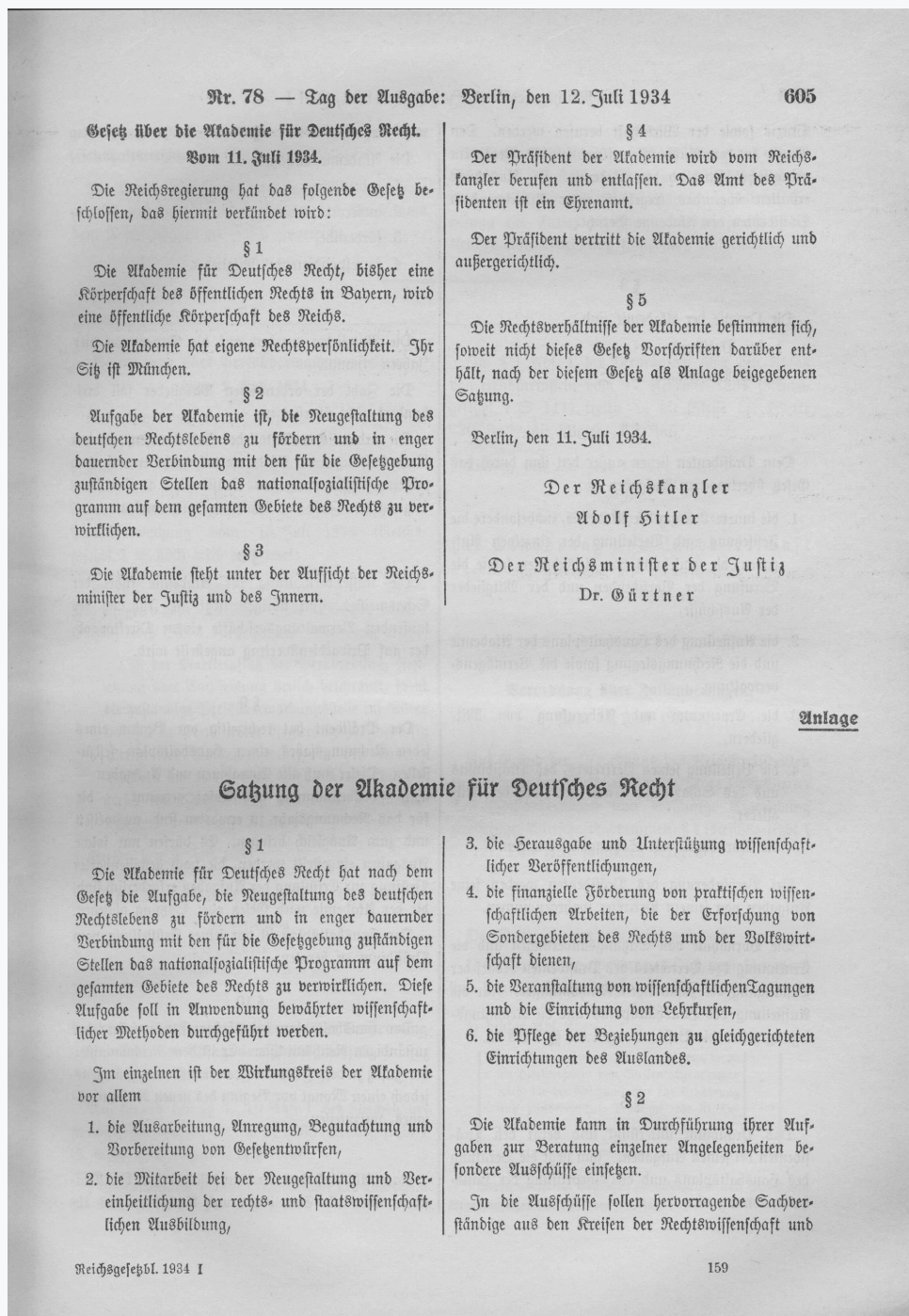
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The rewritten §2 permits punishment by analogy, invoking the underlying idea of a criminal statute and “gesundes Volksempfinden”. The provision is printed on the opening page of the same amendment that tightened §175. Source 18

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Gesetz zur Änderung des Strafgesetzbuchs. Vom 28. Juni 1935. Die Reichsregierung hat das folgende Gesetz beschlossen, das hiermit verkündet wird: Artikel 1 Rechtsschöpfung durch entsprechende Anwendung der Strafgesetze Die §§ 2 und 2a des Strafgesetzbuchs erhalten folgende Fassung: § 2 Bestraft wird, wer eine Tat begeht, die das Gesetz für strafbar erklärt oder die nach dem Grundgedanken eines Strafgesetzes und nach gesundem Volksempfinden Bestrafung verdient. Findet auf die Tat kein bestimmtes Strafgesetz unmittelbar Anwendung, so wird die Tat nach dem Gesetz bestraft, dessen Grundgedanke auf sie am besten zutrifft. § 2a Die Strafbarkeit einer Tat und die Strafe bestimmen sich nach dem Recht, das zur Zeit der Tat gilt. Gilt zur Zeit der Entscheidung ein milderes Gesetz als zur Zeit der Tat, so kann das mildere Gesetz angewandt werden; ist die Tat zur Zeit der Entscheidung nicht mehr mit Strafe bedroht, so kann die Bestrafung unterbleiben. Ein Gesetz, das nur für eine bestimmte Zeit erlassen ist, ist auf die während seiner Geltung begangenen Straftaten auch dann anzuwenden, wenn es außer Kraft getreten ist. Über Maßregeln der Sicherung und Besserung ist nach dem Gesetz zu entscheiden, das zur Zeit der Entscheidung gilt.	Artikel 2 Verhütung ungerechter Freisprechungen durch Zulassung der Wahlbestellung Hinter § 2a des Strafgesetzbuchs wird als § 2b folgende Vorschrift eingefügt: § 2b Steht fest, daß jemand gegen eines von mehreren Strafgesetzen verstoßen hat, ist aber eine Tatfeststellung nur wahlweise möglich, so ist der Täter aus dem mildesten Gesetz zu bestrafen. Artikel 3 Verletzung der Wehrpflicht und der Wehrkraft 1. An die Stelle der §§ 140 bis 143 des Strafgesetzbuchs treten folgende Vorschriften: § 140 Ein Wehrpflichtiger, der vor Erfüllung der aktiven Dienstpflicht mit dem Vorsatz, sich der Erfüllung der Wehrpflicht zu entziehen, ohne Erlaubnis entweder das Reichsgebiet verläßt oder sich nach Erreichung des wehrpflichtigen Alters außerhalb des Reichsgebiets aufhält, wird mit Gefängnis nicht unter einem Monat bestraft. Daneben ist auf Verlust der Fähigkeit zur Vesteidung öffentlicher Ämter auf die Dauer von einem bis zu fünf Jahren zu erkennen. Zugleich kann auf Geldstrafe erkannt werden. Der Versuch ist strafbar. § 140a Ein Wehrpflichtiger des Wehrtaubtenstandes, der nach Erfüllung der aktiven Dienstpflicht ohne Erlaubnis auswandert, wird mit Gefängnis bis zu sechs Monaten oder mit Haft oder mit Geldstrafe bestraft. Der Versuch ist strafbar.
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H04 / The text used to persecute men.

Law of 28 June 1935 · RGBl. I, p. 841 · Article 6

Article 6 prints the revised §175 and the added §175a. The revision expanded criminalisation of sexual acts between men; §175a prescribed up to ten years in a penitentiary for the categories it listed. Source 18

Official gazette · complete page 841

Complete original page · Archive record

Nr. 70 — Tag der Ausgabe: Berlin, den 5. Juli 1935	841
Gemeingefahr bedeutet eine Gefahr für Leib oder Leben, sei es auch nur eines einzelnen Menschen, oder für bedeutende Sachwerte, die in fremdem Eigentum stehen oder deren Vernichtung gegen das Gemeinwohl verstößt. § 316 Wer fahrlässig eine der im § 315 Abs. 1 bezeichneten Taten begeht, wird mit Gefängnis nicht unter einem Monat bestraft. Wer fahrlässig eine der im § 315 Abs. 2 bezeichneten Taten begeht, wird mit Gefängnis bis zu drei Jahren oder mit Geldstrafe bestraft. 2. Die §§ 319, 320, 322 und 323 des Strafgesetzbuchs werden gestrichen. 3. Im § 321 des Strafgesetzbuchs werden die Worte „oder in schiffbaren Strömen, Flüssen oder Rändern das Fahrwasser stört“ gestrichen. 4. Im § 5 der Verordnung des Reichspräsidenten zum Schutze von Volk und Staat vom 28. Februar 1933 (Reichsgesetzbl. I S. 83) wird der Absatz 1 gestrichen. 5. Im § 1 Nr. 3 des Gesetzes zur Abwehr politischer Gewalttaten vom 4. April 1933 (Reichsgesetzbl. I S. 162) werden die Verweisung „§ 315 Abs. 2, §“ sowie die Worte „Beschädigung von Eisenbahnanlagen“ gestrichen. 6. Der § 33 des Luftverkehrsgesetzes vom 1. August 1922 (Reichsgesetzbl. I S. 681) wird gestrichen.	Bei einem Beteiligten, der zur Zeit der Tat noch nicht einundzwanzig Jahre alt war, kann das Gericht in besonders leichten Fällen von Strafe absehen. 2. Hinter § 175 des Strafgesetzbuchs wird als § 175a folgende Vorschrift eingefügt: § 175a Mit Zuchthaus bis zu zehn Jahren, bei mildernden Umständen mit Gefängnis nicht unter drei Monaten wird bestraft: 1. ein Mann, der einen anderen Mann mit Gewalt oder durch Drohung mit gegenwärtiger Gefahr für Leib oder Leben nötigt, mit ihm Unzucht zu treiben oder sich von ihm zur Unzucht mißbrauchen zu lassen; 2. ein Mann, der einen anderen Mann unter Mißbrauch einer durch ein Dienst-, Arbeits- oder Unterordnungsverhältnis begründeten Abhängigkeit bestimmt, mit ihm Unzucht zu treiben oder sich von ihm zur Unzucht mißbrauchen zu lassen; 3. ein Mann über einundzwanzig Jahre, der eine männliche Person unter einundzwanzig Jahren verführt, mit ihm Unzucht zu treiben oder sich von ihm zur Unzucht mißbrauchen zu lassen; 4. ein Mann, der gewerbsmäßig mit Männern Unzucht treibt oder von Männern sich zur Unzucht mißbrauchen läßt oder sich dazu anbietet. 3. Der bisherige § 175 des Strafgesetzbuchs wird unter Streichung der Worte „zwischen Personen männlichen Geschlechts oder“ als § 175b eingefügt.
Artikel 5 Beschimpfung der NSDAP Hinter § 134a des Strafgesetzbuchs wird als § 134b folgende Vorschrift eingefügt:	
§ 134b Wer öffentlich die NSDAP, ihre Gliederungen, ihre Hoheitszeichen, ihre Standarten oder Fahnen, ihre Abzeichen oder Auszeichnungen beschimpft oder böswillig und mit Überlegung verächtlich macht, wird mit Gefängnis bestraft. Die Tat wird nur auf Anordnung des Reichsministers der Justiz verfolgt, der die Anordnung im Einvernehmen mit dem Stellvertreter des Führers trifft.	
Artikel 6 Unzucht zwischen Männern	Artikel 7 Schutz vor Waldbränden
1. § 175 des Strafgesetzbuchs erhält folgende Fassung: § 175 Ein Mann, der mit einem anderen Mann Unzucht treibt oder sich von ihm zur Unzucht mißbrauchen läßt, wird mit Gefängnis bestraft.	1. Hinter § 310 des Strafgesetzbuchs wird als § 310a folgende Vorschrift eingefügt: § 310a Wer Wald-, Heide- oder Moorflächen durch verbotenes Rauchen oder Anzünden von Feuer, durch ungenügende Beaufsichtigung angezündeten Feuers, durch Fortwerfen brennender oder glimmender Gegenstände oder in sonstiger Weise in Brandgefahr bringt, wird mit Gefängnis bis zu drei Monaten und mit Geldstrafe oder mit einer dieser Strafen bestraft. 2. Im § 310 des Strafgesetzbuchs werden die Worte „tritt Straflosigkeit ein“ durch die Worte ersetzt „wird er nicht wegen Brandstiftung bestraft“. 3. Im § 368 Nr. 6 des Strafgesetzbuchs werden die Worte „an gefährlichen Stellen in Wäldern oder Heiden, oder“ gestrichen.

Newspaper: original and digitisation by Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Hamburg, issue 551, 25 November 1933, front page; collection reference PPN689065124_19331125. Legal gazette: ÖNB / ALEX, reproduced through Wikimedia Commons. The newspaper preview is an identified crop; each full page remains available.

The human consequences / documented by the US Holocaust Memorial Museum

The law reached into people's lives.

The 1935 revision broadened the acts punishable under §175. The US Holocaust Memorial Museum documents the case of **Friedrich-Paul von Groszheim**: imprisonment in 1937, renewed arrest and torture in 1938, and release made conditional on submission to castration. This is the human reality behind the printed provisions. [Source 19](#)

[USHMM · the law and the persecution](#)

Continue the archival research

The Bundesarchiv lists **R 61 — Akademie für Deutsches Recht** among its digitised holdings. It provides a further route into the institution's files, alongside the personal papers already linked in this dossier. [Source 22](#)

[Bundesarchiv · digitised collections](#)

And now the irony for which we simply must be published: the "elite English history" that the firm flaunted (a branch dating back to 1782) **has split from them**. The UK, Dubai, the Netherlands, Ireland, and Belgium are leaving the structure and, as of June 1, 2026, will operate under the brand **Winston Taylor** — an official notice hangs on their website. What remains is exactly what this dossier is about: the German core with its roots. Their ancestors. They can take their time — we will finish our academic work and help the Wikipedia community and the whole world not to make a mistake. How does their Wikipedia get by without an extensive section on the CREATOR? [Source 10](#)

The Wikipedia Initiative

A call to the Wikipedia community

"The German Wikipedia page for **Taylor Wessing** ([link](#)) mentions their creation in 1954 by 'Graf von der Goltz' but completely sanitizes who he was. We urge editors to cross-reference his official historical profile (Rüdiger von der Goltz (Jurist)) — a member of the Nazi Criminal Law Commission and Reichstag Deputy — and integrate this into the firm's history. A top Stonewall firm cannot hide its foundation in the machinery of Paragraph 175."

- [01 / DE Rüdiger von der Goltz \(Jurist\)](#)
- [02 / EN Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz \(lawyer\)](#)
- [03 / DE Taylor Wessing · Geschichte](#)
- [04 / EN Blomberg–Fritsch affair](#)
- [05 / DE Blomberg-Fritsch-Krise](#)
- [06 / ARCHIVE Reichstags-Handbuch 1938 · p. 223](#)

CHAPTER. ROW NO. 1

Pidor Comes First

Out of **2,002 reports**, Taylor Wessing selected exactly **50** to display. The first visible row is reproduced below:

E08 / Row No. 1

- page 444 — row No. 1: zabolotov | 2025-09 | Offensive Avatar | "pidor"

Source 13

First. A homophobic slur is the calling card of their "evidence base". Two months of claimed "manual review" — and they missed row No. 1.

Now look at the end of the cover letter that accompanied this attachment: "*Dieses Schreiben ist qualifiziert elektronisch signiert*" — a **qualified electronic signature**. Dr. Patrick Zurheide didn't "overlook" the document. He **signed** it. Under "pidor" lies the signature of a Doctor of Law from a Stonewall Top 100 firm. [Source 12](#)

E09 / The accompanying letter

- Doc. No. 42603633 · accompanying cover letter



Source 12

What Their Founder Created: The Law of Pink Triangles

Voting in the Reichstag from 1936 to 1943 was a ritual — they didn't "adopt" anything there, they rubber-stamped. The real work of Rüdiger Graf von der Goltz took place elsewhere: he was a **member of the Criminal Law Commission under the Reich Ministry of Justice** and a **co-founder of Hans Frank's**

Academy for German Law — the bodies that wrote and legitimized the criminal law of the Third Reich. [Source 1](#) [Source 2](#) [Source 5](#)

The jurisdiction of this machine included **Paragraph 175** in its 1935 Nazi revision. The result of this machine's work is well known: around 100,000 arrests, tens of thousands of convictions, thousands of men in concentration camps — with a **pink triangle** on their robes, at the very bottom of the camp hierarchy, with a monstrous mortality rate.

He sat on the commission that wrote this norm, and in the academy that justified it. The 1938 Blomberg-Fritsch affair shows how he used that system: another's life as a fee. [Source 6](#)

That is why row No. 1 with the word "pidor" under their doctor's signature is not irony. It is continuity.

The Erased Russian Trace

Now the main point: what exactly did they erase to put this row first?

In the hidden 94.28% of the document lies organic reality. Russian-language harassment of a Ukrainian, spanning years, with death wishes. Verbatim from the hidden part of the logs:

- *"SVO SVO GOIDA ZOV ZOV ZOV SLAVA ROSSII HOHLI PIDORASI"* (May 14, 2025)
- *"Execute the hohol svo zov goida"* (May 5, 2025)
- *"He is Ukrainian Naci"* (May 7, 2025)
- *"GOOOOOOOOOL HOHLIIIIIIII GOIDAAAAAAA"* (November 29, 2024)

Hundreds of such reports. Cyrillic, politics, hatred for the nationality of the account owner. **Taylor Wessing painted over all of this** — under the slogan of "protecting third parties."

The language behind the redactions

Most of the hidden reports were not in English.

By PhishDestroy's current estimate, **approximately 64% of the redacted reports are in languages other than English**. The concealed material must be read in its own languages to understand the harassment and the context removed from the visible selection.

The unit here is reports. The separate 61.58% figure measures Cyrillic-character density in the concealed material.

[Read the extracted examples](#) · [Exhibit B](#) · [source record](#)

E10 / The erased Russian trace

- [Exhibit B](#) · [dated report excerpts](#)

Reporter Account Name	Time of Report (UTC)	Report Type	
	2025-05-14 23:39:06	Suspected Hijacker	SVQ SVQ GOIDA ZOV ZOV ZOV SLAVA ROSSII HOHIJ PIDORASI
	2025-05-12 21:30:17	Suspected Hijacker	аккаунт взломан
	2025-05-12 11:20:58	Suspected Hijacker	scammer, stealing items and accounts
	2025-05-09 19:37:27	Offensive Profile	Русофоб максимальный...
	2025-05-07 13:39:44	Offensive Profile	He is Ukrainian Naci
	2025-05-05 03:57:02	Cheating (753)	Хочу расстрелять всю зов гойда
	2025-05-01 21:46:48	Cheating (753)	Achievement unlocker
	2025-05-01 11:34:31	Offensive Avatar	h d d h d d h h d h d d
	2025-04-30 20:50:43	Offensive Profile	Разжигание межнациональной розни, дискредитация по этническому или расовому признаку Пояснение: в профиле дан законодательство в большинстве
e_	2025-04-29 18:26:21	Harassment (753)	12321313
	2025-04-26 13:32:14	Offensive Profile	nazzi

Exhibit B · dated report excerpts

Source 13

And in the visible spot, they placed 50 reports in **sterile, calibrated English**: "Got a sketchy invite from this account", "It's acting like a phishing account", "This account is clearly compromised". The chronology and nickname analysis establish why our audit identifies this visible sample as fabricated.

A qualified electronic signature does not negate arithmetic. And it doesn't negate the history of the firm, which 90 years ago learned to do exactly this: erase inconvenient people from documents and substitute them with others.

CHAPTER. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL

The Tribunal, the Mahiki Club, and £30,000

The record extends beyond this disclosure. It includes a published **Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal (SDT)** decision and separately identified reporting in the legal press.

Daniel Hutchings, a solicitor in Taylor Wessing's London office, attended the annual **Society of Construction Law** lunch and then the **Mahiki nightclub in Mayfair**. The case materials describe "**inappropriate, unwanted, and sexually motivated comments**" to a female lawyer, lewd remarks about her body and **touching her waist without consent**. Three episodes resulted in a **£30,000 fine and an order to pay costs**. This is a disciplinary outcome that must be considered alongside the firm's public commitments on professional conduct and inclusion. Source 7

E11 / Published tribunal judgment

- Findings and sanction · page 2

Allegations

1. The allegations against Mr Hutchings were that on 7 February 2020:
 - 1.1. Whilst at a club in Dover Street W1 ("the club"), he approached Person A, a solicitor previously unknown to him but who had also attended the Society of Construction Lawyers ("SCL") lunch, and on two separate occasions, he made comments to Person A about her appearance including words to the effect of:
 - 1.1.1. "you're really fit, aren't you?"; and/or
 - 1.1.2. "you've got a great bum"; and/or
 - 1.1.3. "look at your tits"; and/or
 - 1.1.4. "look at your boobs";

[Allegation proved.](#)
 - 1.2. He touched Person A, including placing one or more of his hands on or around her waist area on one or more occasions;

[Allegation proved.](#)
 - 1.3. He ignored Person A's repeated attempts to make clear to him that his actions were unwanted, by words and conduct, namely by removing his hand from her waist and telling him that she did not consent to him touching her in this way and to him making such comments.

[Allegation proved.](#)
2. His actions and each of them, as described in paragraph 1, were sexually motivated.

[Allegation proved.](#)
3. His conduct amounted to a breach of Principles 2 and/or 5 of the SRA Principles 2019.

[Allegation proved.](#)

Executive Summary

4. Mr Hutchings attended a professional event at a club in Central London. While he was at that event, he sexually harassed Person A as set out in the Allegations. Mr Hutchings admitted most of the Allegations but denied that his conduct lacked integrity or that his actions had been sexually motivated.
5. Mr Hutchings chose not to give evidence. The Tribunal found the Allegations proved in full.

Sanction

6. Mr Hutchings was [fined](#) £30,000 and ordered to pay £18,000 in costs. The fine would have been £52,000 but was reduced to take account of his means.

Statement of Full Order

55. The Tribunal Ordered that the Respondent, DANIEL PAUL HUGH HUTCHINGS, solicitor, do pay a fine of £30,000.00 such penalty to be forfeit to His Majesty the King, and it further Ordered that he do pay the costs of and incidental to this application and enquiry fixed in the sum of £18,000.00.

Dated this 30th day of March 2023
On behalf of the Tribunal



C Evans
Chair

JUDGMENT FILED WITH THE LAW SOCIETY
30 MAR 2023

Source 7

Separately, **RollOnFriday** published discussion of a Taylor Wessing "**Head of Department**" who reportedly "**hooked up with a trainee**". That item concerns a reported rumour; the Hutchings matter is a tribunal decision. Both remain identified in the source record. They raise distinct questions about workplace hierarchy, supervision and the credibility of the firm's public standards. Source 8

The use of professional authority against a data requester

A firm charging hundreds of euros an hour asks whether "**your lawyer takes on criminal cases.**" The letters reproduced in Part I show how that authority was exercised.

The signed correspondence characterizes the opponent as a phisher, blackmailer and forger without supplying the evidence necessary to establish those accusations. **The question is which internal controls authorize the use of such claims in a response to a statutory request.** The professional document itself supplies the basis for examination.

Our assessment: the operating model is unsafe

We regard the combination of fabricated evidence, threats, defective data protection and suppression of reporting as an institutional safety failure. **Professional language and an established brand do not reduce the gravity of the conduct documented here.**

These matters warrant an institutional investigation. The firm handles personal data belonging to thousands of third parties through GDPR processes. The adequacy of its supervision, release controls and response to reported failures therefore affects people far beyond this account dispute.

THE LINK: ONE PATTERN, 90 YEARS

Look at how perfectly their entire history aligns. The method hasn't changed. Only the signboard has changed. Look at the complete pattern:

1932–1945	2025–2026
Legal servicing of a repressive machine	Legal servicing of a billion-dollar client at any cost
Forgery and procedural games (the Fritsch case)	Fabrication: 50 post-ban botnet reports instead of 1,954 real ones
Working within the machine that persecuted gays (§175)	"Pidor" in an official document under a Stonewall rainbow flag
Protecting the powerful, destroying the weak	Covering up the harassment of a Ukrainian, threatening his lawyer, and harassment in the City
Impunity after 1945	A year of silence over a leak + the "right to be forgotten" against journalists

Then — the uniform of the Reichstag and servicing the system. Now — a suit in the Hamburg/London office, threats under §§ of the Criminal Code, and absolute certainty of impunity.

CHAPTER. PROFESSIONAL AUTHORITY IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW

A doctoral title, a letterhead listing offices from Amsterdam to Shanghai and a billion-dollar client establish the professional capacity in which a lawyer acts. They do not turn that lawyer's assessment into a judicial finding, a threat into a verdict, or a black rectangle into deletion of the text beneath it.

The evidential basis for the forgery finding

The evidential grounds for our finding are set out in the [chronology](#), [nickname](#) and [text-identity analysis](#), supported by Exhibit B. Source 13

Our examination, conducted according to **ISO/IEC 27037 and 27042**, concludes that the evidence is fabricated on the combined grounds of chronology, probability and stylometry. A substantive response must identify an error in the records, the method or the calculation and demonstrate its effect on that conclusion. **A professional title does not constitute a rebuttal.**

Notice makes the failure an institutional responsibility

We notified both Dr. Patrick and the firm. **A year has passed.** Our record identifies the following failures by Taylor Wessing during that period:

- did not correct the negligent redaction of third-party personal data — the black rectangles remained black rectangles;
- did not recall or verify the fabricated sample of 50 "reports" submitted to the legal process;
- did not inform the regulator of the data leak (Art. 33 GDPR) or notify the affected third parties (Art. 34 GDPR);
- did not conduct an internal investigation — but found the time to file a request with Google to remove our articles.

Continued inaction after institutional notice is itself an institutional act. Responsibility can no longer be confined to the original preparer or signatory.

A common brand requires accountable supervision

Taylor Wessing describes its structure as "**Decentralised**". National offices and partners nevertheless provide services under a common professional brand. That structure must be capable of identifying who controls a disclosure, who reviews it, who receives notice of a defect and who requires corrective action. Referring the matter back to an individual partner does not answer a failure reported to the firm itself.

Our assessment is that an organization which knows of these actions for a year and leaves them uncorrected **ratifies them through inaction**. Every partner receiving a share of the firm's profits since **October 1, 2025**, benefits from the continuing operation of that institution. Our criticism therefore extends to its governance and supervision, not only the signature on one letter.

When a paid representative speaks for the court

The correspondence raises a question of public authority: **what form of justice are its authors asking the requester to accept?** The statement that “any court would deem the block lawful” presents the corporate client's preferred outcome as the settled answer of courts that have not examined the record. The author writes as a paid representative of that client. **On what authority does he speak for the court?**

We regard that posture as an attempt to replace independent scrutiny with corporate authority. Four concepts describe the institutional danger at issue:

1. Corporatocracy.

Corporate power displacing public decision-making. The danger is that law, legal procedure and judicial authority become instruments for securing a corporation's desired outcome, while the person asserting a statutory right is treated as an obstacle to remove.

2. Privatized or commercial justice.

Adjudication treated as a service purchased by an interested party. A corporation pays its advocate to represent it; that mandate supplies no authority to pronounce an independent verdict on the corporation's own conduct. Presenting advocacy as the predetermined judgment of every court collapses the distinction on which an impartial process depends.

3. Plutocracy.

Political power concentrated through wealth. The corresponding danger in legal practice is that money purchases the appearance of certainty and authority: the corporation can afford threats, prolonged correspondence and assertions of inevitable victory, while the requester is expected to abandon a right that the law grants him.

4. Kleptocracy and institutional corruption.

Kleptocracy describes power used for private enrichment; institutional corruption concerns the diversion of an institution from its public duties toward private interests. The conflict examined here is concrete: a corporation's paid representative defends the handling of data, asserts the expected judicial outcome and participates in the response to reporting about that same handling. Our allegation of concealment makes independent scrutiny of that conflict essential.

A corporate mandate is not a judicial mandate. The signed assertion about what courts will decide belongs in the referral alongside the threats of prosecution, the selected reports, the defective redaction and the response after notice. Professional status increases the responsibility attached to those statements. It supplies no immunity from examination.

This is a formal, documented escalation. Intimidation, delay or a change to Source 1's account will not terminate it. **We will pursue an answer for each signed assertion and each decision documented in this dossier through the competent authorities.**

The competent authorities have the final determination

German lawyers are subject to **BRAO (Federal Lawyers' Act)**, **BORA (Professional Code of Conduct)** and the duty not to mislead the court or the proceedings. Our forensic report is addressed to the **Hanseatic Bar Association of Hamburg** and the data-protection supervisory authorities. The firm's assertions about what a court would decide do not displace those bodies' authority.

The competent bodies determine the legal consequences of forgery, concealment and negligence. We supply the documents, the calculations and the questions requiring an answer. Our conclusion remains explicit:

Mathematics gives us the full right to call their forgery a forgery. A year of the firm's inaction gives us the full right to call it a corporate forgery.

We consider these methods unacceptable and dangerous. The referral requests scrutiny of the firm's conduct as a paid corporate representative: the signed statements, the handling of the evidence and the response after notice.

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY DOES NOT END AT THE SIGNATURE

Their own professional record

Taylor Wessing presents these lawyers in the context of technology law, data protection and corporate work. Its official profile for Dr. Tobias Schelinski also records teaching positions:

Period	Institution
Since 2010	Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften, Hamburg
2011–2013	Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf
Since 2017	Nordakademie, Hamburg/Elmshorn

The teaching appointments above belong to **Dr. Tobias Schelinski**. They are listed on his [official English-language profile](#). Dr. Patrick Vincent Zurheide's [separate official profile](#) describes his technology, software and data-protection practice.

Our first Medium article included a comment acknowledging that we had not considered the lawyers' teaching roles. We left that correction visible. An error in our own work must remain traceable. **We require the same accountability for the errors identified in the firm's documents.**

The claim about what any court would decide also concerns us in the context of those teaching roles.

We take those words seriously. We do not dismiss them as casual email rhetoric or an empty bluff. In our assessment, claims made under a professional title and an electronic signature warrant a professional response and independent oversight.

01 / Duty of care — Sorgfaltspflicht

Document sanitization requires the sensitive content to be removed from the released file. An opaque shape above it leaves the information extractable. For doctors of law entrusted with personal data and acting in their stated field of expertise, **we regard this failure as gross negligence — grobe Fahrlässigkeit**. The required check was basic; the consequences concern other people's data.

02 / Security of processing — Article 32 GDPR

Article 32 requires security measures appropriate to the risk. The released PDF retained third parties' personal data inside the file delivered to the requester.

Our criticism concerns the actual handling of the data, not the appearance of a privacy notice or a statement of compliance on a website. [GDPR, Articles 32–34](#)

03 / The claimed review and the QA failure

The correspondence describes two months of manual preparation, including the phrase “*manuell die Daten bereinigt werden mussten*”. A selection or extraction check would have exposed the retained text. **Our conclusion is that the claimed review did not provide the quality control the document required.**

04 / Notice, silence and the cover-up allegation

Article 33 requires notification of a notifiable personal-data breach without undue delay and, where feasible, within 72 hours of awareness; it contains an exception where risk to individuals is unlikely. Article 34 concerns communication to affected people where a breach is likely to result in a high risk, subject to its stated exceptions. Our position is that the handling of this exposure requires scrutiny against those duties. [Official GDPR text](#)

The missing records extend beyond a consumer account

The disclosed material is incomplete; the correspondence itself acknowledges limits to what was supplied. Our minimum estimate is that **at least 35,000 pages are missing**, even before additional telemetry referred to by the lawyers and records of staff access to the user's data are considered.

The account holder was also a verified Steamworks participant. His relationship with Valve therefore extended beyond that of an ordinary platform customer. The disclosed PDF does not include the tax-status and verification documents he says he provided to become eligible to publish games, nor the relevant records surrounding the **\$100** submission payment.

Whatever the legal characterization of that payment in the United States, it does not answer the access question: what information was collected, what remains stored, who accessed it, and why was it absent from the response? Instead, the user received an 830-page disclosure with 94.28% of its content visually covered, while the material singled out as evidence remained visible.

We also ask whether this was the first request of its kind to reach an actual disclosure instead of ending in withdrawal or rejection. The [wider workflow review](#) addresses that question.

FROM A PDF FAILURE TO A WIDER CORPORATE RISK

A 2020 document engine in a 2026 investigation

The PDF producer identified in our examination is **Aspose.PDF for .NET 20.8**, an August 2020 release. The release number follows the year-and-month convention: 20 for 2020, 8 for August. The vendor publishes both the [20.8 release notes](#) and the [26.9 release notes](#), providing the comparison cited here.

The PDF has no evaluation watermark. Our working explanation is the use of a commercial licence and a retained older build; we are not alleging that the firm used a crack or pirated software. Aspose's perpetual licensing model allows continued use of eligible versions after an update subscription ends. A lawful licence and an up-to-date processing environment are separate questions. The exact licence purchase and renewal dates are not established by the output file. [Aspose licensing](#) · [Vendor explanation of renewal and perpetual use](#)

The firm advertises expertise in IT, data and cyber matters, including work for technology and financial businesses. Those representations make the processing failure directly relevant to its professional competence. A privacy notice describes an obligation; **the system that handles the data must implement it**.

What the scenario illustrates

We are modelling a risk, not reporting a successful intrusion. The scenario follows attacker-controlled content into a document converter and traces the consequences of successful parser exploitation. The supplied screenshots document the redaction failure and producer metadata; the diagram models the wider attack sequence.

The model begins with a document-production workflow that accepts profile descriptions, account names, report text and messages. The attacker places crafted content in a field carried into the data export. The access request moves that content through collection to the document worker. In the modelled vulnerable workflow, the converter processes the embedded structure and reaches the parser flaw.

Three different risk paths

External resource loading / SSRF. The SSRF branch models a converter that resolves a user-supplied resource address and permits requests to internal destinations. The request originates inside the processing environment and reaches services exposed to that worker. Cloud metadata is one sensitive destination; destination restrictions, metadata protections and network segmentation are the controls that protect it.

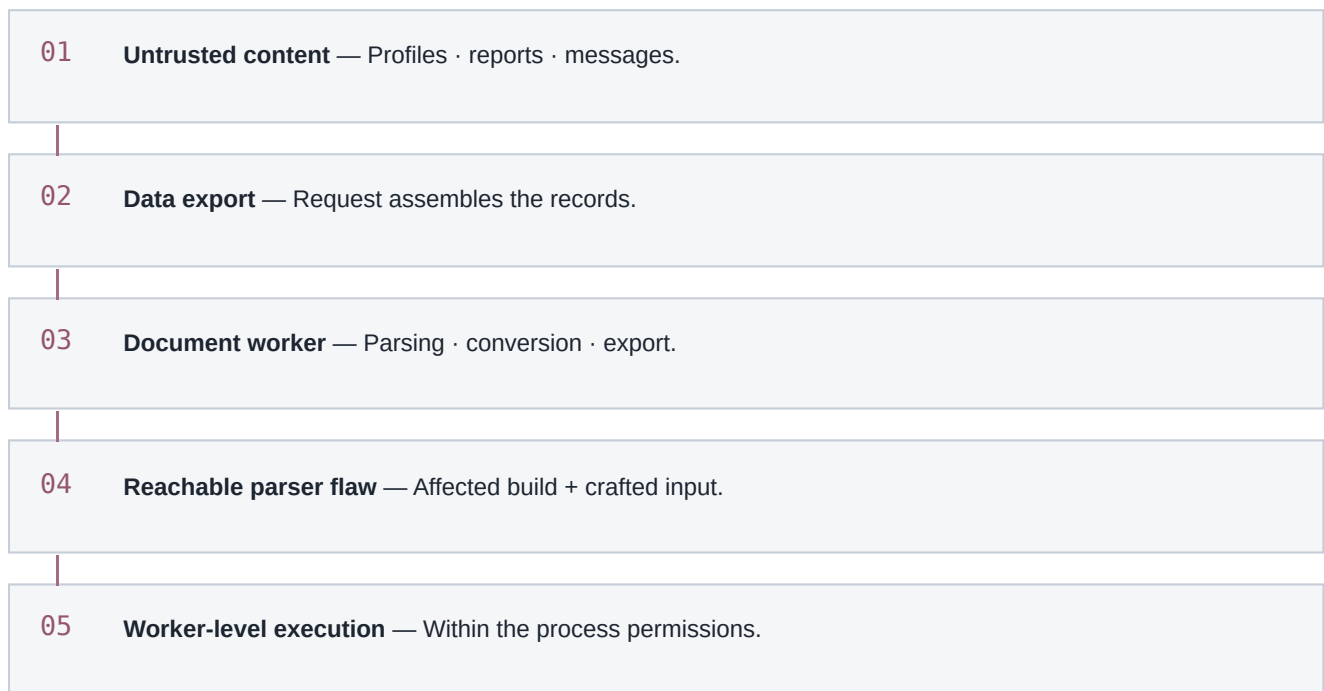
Parser memory corruption / RCE. In the RCE scenario, crafted document content reaches a vulnerable parser and triggers a memory-safety flaw. Successful exploitation gives the attacker code execution inside the document worker. The resulting foothold and its consequences are examined below.

External stylesheet or linked resource. In the external-resource branch, the converter fetches a remote stylesheet or linked object controlled by the attacker. The request exposes its outward-facing address and processing time to the resource operator. The downloaded content enters the next parsing stage, making resource policy and parser maintenance part of the same processing boundary.

From input to foothold.

Conceptual risk diagram

Five stages: untrusted content, data collection, document processing, exploitation of a reachable flaw, and code execution in the worker. The final stage exposes accessible files, credentials and internal services. This is a conceptual attack scenario.



Controls that interrupt the attack chain:

- Encode untrusted text
- Restrict outbound requests
- Patch reachable parsers
- Isolate each job
- Limit worker permissions

The scenario assumes a reachable vulnerability in the worker. Successful exploitation establishes the first foothold; the attacker then targets accessible data, credentials and routes deeper into the network.

The historical CVEs and their exact scope

Cisco Talos documented **CVE-2019-5042** and **CVE-2019-5066** as memory-safety vulnerabilities in **Aspose.PDF for C++ 19.2**. The first concerns FunctionType 0 PDF elements; the second concerns LZW-compressed streams. Both reports describe potential remote code execution and record a vendor patch on **16**

September 2019.

Assessing the .NET 20.8 workflow requires identifying the deployed components, their builds and the parsing paths reachable from user-controlled content. [TALOS-2019-0809 / CVE-2019-5042](#) · [TALOS-2019-0855 / CVE-2019-5066](#)

A foothold is the beginning of the intrusion

Once code execution has been obtained, the attacker acts with the worker's identity and access. Other GDPR exports, confidential client material, service credentials and internal resources exposed to that identity become immediate targets. The next phase is reconnaissance and expansion: identifying additional systems, abusing accessible credentials and seeking greater privileges. The initial process permissions define the first foothold. Containment and removal are urgent because an attacker who retains that foothold has time to search for routes deeper into the infrastructure. Data theft, lateral movement and the sale of access to ransomware operators are the downstream risks examined here.

A document can appear ordinary to the person signing the accompanying letter while its automated processing has already crossed a trust boundary. That is why a qualified signature, a costly commercial library and reassuring language about manual review do not substitute for secure input handling and isolation.

Why notice cannot be treated as a one-client problem

We told the firm that we had grounds to suspect the redaction failure was not an isolated incident. Our hypothesis concerns repeated processing of a particular format of user data, rather than every file for every client. An old producer version raises questions about maintenance; the failed redaction raises a separate, directly observable question about how the release process was designed and checked.

Our working conclusion is that the risk belongs to a repeatable corporate process. The investigation therefore extends beyond Dr. Patrick Zurheide to the personnel, scripts, review controls and disclosures that used the same processing route. A defect in that route calls for examination of every disclosure produced through it.

The review must trace the entire request population: replies released, requests delayed, requests abandoned after threats or accusations, and data never supplied. This case raises the question of how many requesters were deterred before reaching the disclosure stage at which the defect became visible.

This is also why notice to the firm matters. Our allegation is that Taylor Wessing and its client concealed the known exposure while leaving the wider scope unexplained. The responsible authorities must establish who knew, who had the authority to stop the process, which other disclosures were affected and what was done after notice. Responsibility follows the workflow and the decisions made about it.

OUR POSITION. A RIGHT IS NOT A CORPORATE FAVOUR.

PhishDestroy / public position and call for scrutiny

We are not asking for an account to be restored. We are asking for a process to be examined. A corporation's budget, a law firm's reputation and a lawyer's academic title do not answer the questions in these documents.

We did not enter this as a party. We will not walk away as observers.

What makes this situation unusual is our independence from the original dispute. We did not arrive to represent Source 1. We arrived at documents whose contents, signatures and handling demanded examination. What we found has made neutrality about the conduct impossible. Our assessment is explicit: **intimidation, delay, arrogance, incompetence and failure to comply with the law.** The letters, the defective redaction, the notifications and the response are the basis of that assessment.

We regard the concealment of this exposure, and Dr. Patrick Zurheide's use of the right to be forgotten against reporting about it, as part of the same accountability problem. There is little we can add to the language of the letters themselves. Read them. Compare what they say about the requester, the courts and the firm's diligence with what the delivered PDF contains.

Suspicion is not a licence to cancel someone's data rights. A lawyer's prediction is not a court judgment. A black rectangle is not deletion.

A company cannot create a blanket exemption from Article 15 by declaring that the requester is a fraudster, a rule-breaker or a criminal. Access rights are not a reward for being a customer the company approves of. The EDPB's access guidelines address this directly: the controller should not assess the requester's intentions or refuse access merely because the data may be used in a dispute. [EDPB Guidelines 01/2022 · right of access](#)

Three branches. Separate responsibility.

1. **Valve and Steam.** The platform's statements, the data it holds and the material relevant to the parallel Steam investigation. The PDF supplied the evidence needed for that branch.
2. **Taylor Wessing and the signatories.** The letters, the processing of documents, the redactions, the response to notification and the professional conduct of the people whose signatures appear on the documents. Valve cannot answer these questions in their place.
3. **The wider handling of GDPR requests.** The methods used in neighbouring matters, the people affected beyond this account and the systemic questions being developed in our two academic papers.

Resolving the account dispute does not resolve the second or third branch. Source 1 cannot settle them on our behalf. We are seeking honesty, examination and accountability. This work cannot be disposed of as a private negotiation over one customer's ban.

What, exactly, is being taught?

Dr. Tobias Schelinski's published teaching appointments make the professional question broader than one letter. What are future practitioners being taught about a corporation's obligations to an individual exercising a statutory right? What does it mean when corporate counsel writes as though the outcome in any court is already known? We ask universities and the legal profession to examine those questions against **Doc. No. 42282474** and **Doc. No. 42603633**, not against the prestige of a title.

We also ask the public, human-rights advocates and LGBTQ+ readers to examine the first visible report row. Could Dr. Patrick Zurheide fail to notice or understand that slur after the claimed two months of manual processing? Was leaving it visible a failure of review or a deliberate choice? His response found room for allegations and predictions. Where is the complete answer to the request for data? Our historical chapter and the present documents are available for readers to consider together.

The scope of the review must extend beyond this file.

This is not merely one case. In our reading, the correspondence and the choices made in the disclosure fit the historical pattern discussed above with disturbing precision. Compare what was hidden with what was left visible. Our position will not become softer because those comparisons are uncomfortable.

This is a question about the practical value of the GDPR when a corporation pays someone else to handle a request. How many requests processed by Taylor Wessing were answered completely and lawfully? How many were returned 94% blacked out, as in the case documented here? How many were prolonged until the requester no longer had the time, resources or energy to continue? Were threats or accusations used in neighbouring matters? **The size of either company is irrelevant to those questions.**

In our view, the service revealed here amounts to withholding data under the cover of professional authority. If corporations consider access rights commercially inconvenient, they should say openly that they want the law changed. They do not get to privately replace it with a paid prediction of what a court will do.

We call for a review of other PDFs produced through the same process, the handling of related access requests, the instructions given to those preparing the files, and the decisions taken after notification. We advised the firm to examine its PDFs. Whether that review happened, what it found and whom it notified are questions the firm must answer. The boundary of our own evidence is precisely where an authority's power to inspect becomes necessary.

Beyond this file / a question for the regulator

If the same words appear in other files, examine the process.

If a regulator finds similarly retained homophobic slurs in neighbouring disclosures, we ask it to establish **who prepared those files, who reviewed them and who authorised their release**. Were the same methods used? Were the same assurances of manual review given? What happened after the problem was reported?

1. **Selection.** Compare the language concealed with the language left visible.
2. **Approval.** Trace the review, the sign-off and the instructions behind them.
3. **Response.** Establish what changed after notification, and in which other matters.

We are not asking a German authority to import a binding common-law precedent. We are asking it to compare documented conduct. A comparable case can expose the same self-assurance and passive aggression and identify questions that require answers. **The demand is an examination of the evidence and the process.**

Requested scrutiny / three institutional routes

- **Data protection supervision:** completeness and timing of access responses, security of the supplied documents, the handling of notifications and the scope of the affected processing.
- **Professional oversight:** the conduct of the lawyers, the assertions in their signed correspondence and the supervision of document preparation.
- **Prosecutorial review:** examination of the original evidence wherever it gives the competent prosecutor grounds to investigate.

If German prosecutors, the bar or the relevant supervisory authorities see no reason to examine the wider process, we will put the systemic question before the **European Data Protection Board and the European Commission**. Our academic work is not an exit from this case. It is the next stage. We are preparing two papers. Once that work is complete, we will pursue the questions they document through the appropriate institutional channels. We will not abandon this matter.

A direct question for the firm's insurer.

The Valve matter warrants examination by Taylor Wessing's professional indemnity insurer. Our position is that the record cannot be reduced to an unknown, isolated mishap. The delivery method, our notifications, the reply and the dated accesses from the client's network belong in that examination. The access records and their preservation limits are set out in [Exhibit PD-VALVE-2026/01](#).

No break-in was needed to reach the text under the rectangles. The sender supplied the text inside the document. We describe that mechanism as professional negligence: an exposure created during the preparation and delivery of the file itself. The insurer should examine when the risk became known, what was done about it and whether other matters used the same process.

Germany's data-protection history makes the question sharper.

Germany's experience of surveillance under the Gestapo and the Stasi is part of the historical background to its insistence on privacy and limits on institutional power. Hesse adopted the world's first data-protection law in 1970. That history should make an individual's right to obtain their data a serious obligation, not an obstacle to be exhausted through correspondence. [Hessian data protection authority · history · Data protection authority of Baden-Württemberg · historical context](#)

We once imagined the distinction to be straightforward: lawyers might defend people whose conduct was objectionable while still respecting the limits of their own profession. Here we have doctoral titles, substantial commercial interests, a public history with conspicuous omissions, and documents that require far more

scrutiny than their letterheads invite. A title does not close that inquiry.

To readers, rights advocates and other recipients.

Do not let the status of a corporation or its counsel intimidate you out of exercising your lawful rights. If you believe this record merits attention, you can bring it to organisations and authorities you consider appropriate. You may discuss, translate and reuse our work under the [project's published licence and terms](#). We are asking for scrutiny of documented professional conduct and institutional practices.

Steam users who have experienced account or item theft may have a particular interest in what their access response contains. In the case documented here, a support exchange did not produce the complete disclosure sought, and the supplied material leaves substantial questions about missing data. If you received a complete, useful response from Valve, we also want to hear about it. A wider record needs those experiences too.

If you received a redacted PDF from Taylor Wessing, examine whether the black areas actually remove the underlying text. Our open-source PDF redaction toolkit supports local inspection. The Medium articles also describe basic checks using LibreOffice or selecting and copying text into a plain-text editor. Preserve the original file. An opaque rectangle alone does not establish that the concealed data has been removed.

Share your experience / [PhishDestroy](#)

Tell us what you requested, when you requested it and what response you received.

[Telegram bot](#)[complains@phishdestroy.io](#)PDF inspection toolkit

To the authorities: examine the neighbouring matters.

We would prefer not to circulate documents containing other people's information. Publicly, we publish selected screenshots. The complete, unedited originals are reserved for the authorities through a protected channel. They contain personal data and material extending beyond this particular case.

We are not asking an authority merely to repeat our examination of one account. We ask it to investigate what we cannot inspect: neighbouring requests, earlier exports, internal instructions, quality-control records and decisions after notice. **Doc. No. 42603633 and Doc. No. 42282474 identify the starting point. They do not define the outer limit of the questions.**

The Medium series: our earlier, informal reporting.

The four articles below use sarcasm and an informal voice in response to the correspondence. They do not contain the full account assembled in this dossier. They remain part of the publication record; the academic work develops the methods and evidence further.

1. [My Dog vs. Elite GDPR Lawyers — The Valve Data Breach Nobody Is Talking About](#)
2. [My Dog vs. Elite Lawyers — Part 2 — The 5-Year PDF Vulnerability Exposing Global Corporations](#)
3. [My Dog vs. Elite Lawyers — Part 3 — Valve, GDPR and the Cover-Up](#)
4. [My Dog vs. Elite Lawyers — Part 4 — Dr. Patrick, Your Own Document Just Destroyed Your Client](#)

A right that survives only until a corporation hires a lawyer is not being enforced. That is the question we intend to keep before the public and the institutions responsible for answering it.

EPILOGUE. THE RECORD WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE.

Taylor Wessing must answer the record.

Public case materials are limited to screenshots. On October 14, the complete package — including the original letters, raw uncensored logs and supporting documents — is being handed directly to the regulators, without editing. The originals contain personal data and evidence extending beyond this case, and are therefore not attached to the public page. The dossier and its copy on IPFS preserve the public account of the findings despite attempts to remove it from search.

Every correction proposed through our [Wikipedia initiative](#) must remain linked to the record that supports it.

PhishDestroy knows how to wait

Our preservation horizon extends beyond a firm's correspondence strategy. Archival funding models already use a **200-year storage horizon**: Arweave's protocol documentation describes upfront funding for replicated storage on that timescale. [Arweave protocol overview — storage endowment](#)

Removal from search changes discoverability; it does not change what the documents contain. We will continue to contest the use of personal-data protections to suppress examination of signed professional work performed for a corporate client.

The authors, dates, signatures and contents remain part of the record. We will preserve them, submit them and continue to demand answers.

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