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In today's [#vatniksoup](#), I'll introduce a clickbait, fake news show called Redacted ([@TheRedactedInc](#)) hosted by Natali ([@natalimorris](#)) and Clayton Morris ([@ClaytonMorris](#)). The Morris' are best-known for their pro-Kremlin conspiracy theories related to Russo-Ukrainian War.

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Clayton started his journalism career as a co-host at the Daily Buzz and Good Day Philadelphia, and started co-hosting Fox & Friends Weekend on Fox News Channel in 2008, where he focused on consumer technology. In 2017 he announced his retirement from TV, saying that he...

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...wanted to focus on real estate business. Natali also has background in tech journalism, and she's worked for outlets like CBS, CNET, Wired, Variety and TechCrunch.

Before departing from Fox, Clayton had already launched several websites to make a quick and easy buck.

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In Mar 2019, investors filed over two dozen lawsuits, claiming that Morris' business was actually a Ponzi scheme. The company had sold properties that turned out to be trash - vacant lots, burned down buildings, and such.

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The New York Times

An Ex-Fox News Host Pitched 'Financial Freedom.' His Clients Want Their Money Back.

Clayton Morris has been sued by nearly two dozen customers who say they were sold ramshackle homes as investment properties.



Clayton Morris, a former "Fox and Friends Weekend" host, at his home in New Jersey. He sold his wife-owned realty savings.

Mr. Morris, a host on "Fox and Friends Weekend," already had a popular real estate investing podcast when he and his wife, Natali, decided to become full-time real estate advisers. Their plan was to connect mom-and-pop investors with turnkey investment homes in Detroit, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Fla., and several other cities. Their company, Morris Invest, would handle the details: finding properties, overseeing renovations, hiring property managers to rent out the houses. All clients had to do was put up the cash and wait for the checks to arrive.

Morris Invest helped sell at least 1,000 properties over the past two years, reaping more than \$5 million in referral fees and profits from the sales, according to resale prices and interviews with investors and a lawyer for a former business partner. But Mr. Morris's customers said many of the homes in Indianapolis had cost them dearly.

Nearly two dozen customers are now suing Mr. Morris and his company. They contend that the properties were in worse shape than advertised, and that rehab work paid for upfront was done poorly or not at all. Vacant lots sold on the expectation of new homes being built are strewn with trash. One house gutted by fire was sold a few days later to an unwitting investor, according to a lawsuit.

"He comes across as this nice, likable family guy," said Brian Freeman, a California lawyer who plunked down about \$40,000 for a ramshackle home that was in such bad shape he was issued fines. "He's famous and I thought, 'He's not going to ruin his entire reputation.' Obviously, in hindsight, I feel like such an idiot." The Morrises face a half-dozen lawsuits, including one in federal court, and more will probably follow. Lawyers in Indianapolis are fielding calls from disgruntled customers and angry renters, and Indiana's attorney general has opened an investigation. In response to a Freedom of Information Act request, the Federal Trade Commission said it had received 21 consumer complaints.



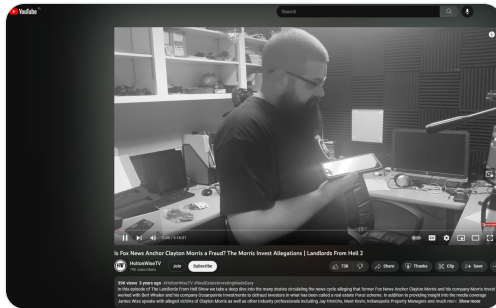
California investor Danny Gomes discovered that the property he bought at 1509 Asbury St. in Indianapolis actually had burned four days before the sale closed. Gomes had bought the property by dipping into his retirement funds. photos by Mykal McEldowney/IndyStar 1509 Asbury Street in Indianapolis on Wednesday, March 13, 2019.

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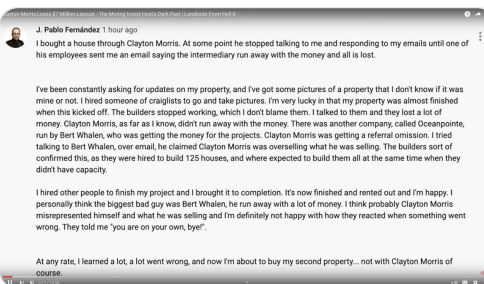
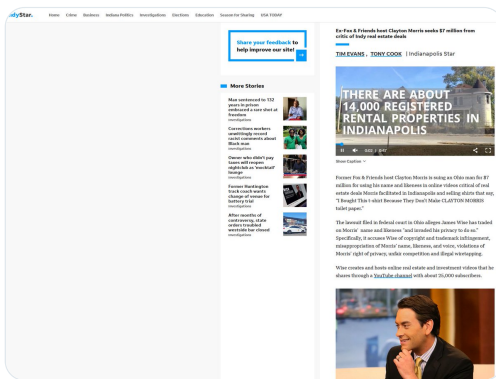
This scam was exposed in a 3-hour long documentary by YouTube channel called HoltonWiseTV, which Clayton sued for 7,2 million USD for using a copyrighted image of him. In 2020, Morris lost the case.

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Based on the above described events, Plaintiff's Complaint makes the following specific claims:

- (1) Copyright Infringement in violation of 17 U.S.C. §101, et seq.;
- (2) Misappropriation of Name, Likeness, or Voice in violation of 42 Pa.C.S.A. §8316 and common law;
- (3) Violation of the Right to Privacy through use of name, likeness, and voice in violation of Pennsylvania common law; ⁴
- (4) Common Law Trademark Infringement;
- (5) Wiretapping in violation of Ohio Rev. Code §§ 2933.52 and 2933.65; and,
- (6) Unfair Competition in violation of Ohio Rev. Code §4165 and common law.



Soon after this Morris' left their 1,4 million USD home in NJ and moved to a coastal resort town in Portugal. It's evident that they moved there because of the lawsuits, and possibly due to the negative feedback they received from the grift.

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While most Republicans in the Legislature have endorsed DeSantis, Sen. Joe Gruters is the only state lawmaker to endorse Donald Trump for president.
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Ex-*'Fox & Friends'* Host Clayton Morris Leaves U.S. Amid Dozens of Fraud Lawsuits

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Andrew Kirell Senior Editor
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Former *Fox & Friends* host Clayton Morris has left the United States and moved his family to Portugal while facing more than two-dozen lawsuits alleging he committed real-estate fraud.

Morris has been accused by investors of running a Ponzi scheme, selling them homes in Indianapolis with promises to fix up the properties—rehabilitation efforts that the investors said never happened. According to the *Indianapolis Star*, the investors "accuse Morris and [business partner Bert] Whalen of covering their tracks by providing fake leases and sending rent checks even though the properties were vacant. Many of the investors say they only discovered the truth when they began receiving code violations and condemnation notices from the city."

Morris and his wife, former TV anchor Natali Morris, told the *Indianapolis Star* they plan to fight the lawsuits from abroad and blame Whalen and his company Oceanpointe for the investor losses. "In my clients' opinion, innocent people don't flee the country," said one attorney representing several of the plaintiff investors, according to the *Star*.

In a lengthy online post, Morris' wife said her husband's "residual 'fame' from his former career as a news anchor" has led to unfair accusations against him. "Watching him endure this has felt like what I would imagine it is like to watch him endure chemotherapy," she said, explaining that their move to another country was simply for his mental health.

Rob Kim

Mrs. Morris cited the "collective soul challenge" in their business as the reason for leaving the US.

"Now what does all this have to do with Russia and Ukraine?", you may ask. Well, these days the Morris expert duo focuses on geopolitics and political commentary,...

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In a [lengthy post](#) Thursday on her website, Natali Morris said the legal problems, animosity from investors and negative news coverage drove the family's decision to leave the country.

"I am not one of those who rejects America," she wrote. "We had a good life there. But my husband and I have had a hard few years in our business and this collective soul challenge forced us to question everything."

She said her husband was unfairly blamed because of his "residual 'fame' from his former career as a news anchor."

"But America is polarized and if you can write a headline about a Fox News guy doing something wrong, it will get clicked on in order to reinforce people's conviction bias, one way or another," she wrote.

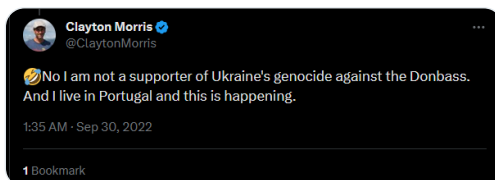
She said her husband has taken accusations and media coverage particularly hard.

"Watching him endure this has felt like what I would imagine it is like to watch him endure chemotherapy," she said. "I wish I could take it from him. I wish I could fix it. I wish it were me instead. I carry a pain with me knowing that he is in pain and it is with me always. His health began to suffer. He began to withdraw emotionally and it was hard on our family. We both knew that we had to make a change if we wanted to survive."

...drawing knowledge from their decade-long experience as both consumer tech journalists and as real estate investors.

Redacted News focuses on pretty much every pro-Kremlin narrative on the war in Ukraine. These are often advertised with clickbait-y titles like...

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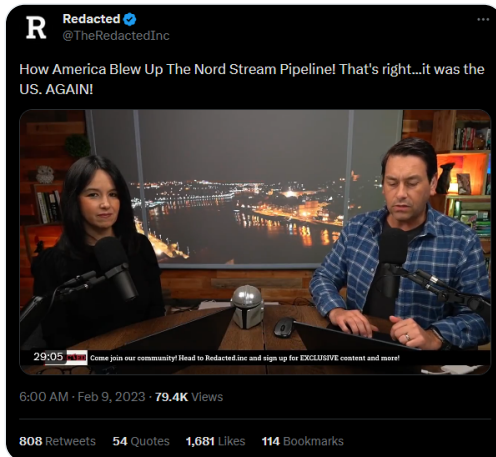
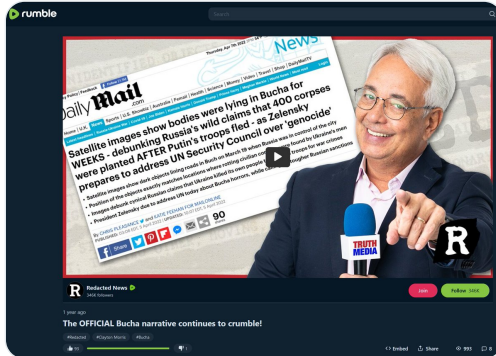
..."The OFFICIAL Bucha narrative continues to crumble!" The show features ridiculously bad takes from Douglas "Russia has been too gentle" Macgregor, Eva Bartlett, Vanessa Beeley, Scott Ritter, and Tara Reade, who recently defected to Russia.

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The topics range from Bucha massacre denial and "secret US biolabs in Ukraine" to "Ukrainian Nazis" and the US blowing up the Nord Stream. Clayton has also advertised the infamous "antiwar" event Rage Against the War Machine, and shared various hot/shit takes from...

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...fake news bloggers like [@MaxBlumenthal](#) and conspiracy theorists like RFK Jr.

In May 2023, Clayton interviewed Macgregor, who suggested that hypersonic Kinzhal missiles can't be shot down. According to Macgregor, the missiles hit key locations where Ukraine held their..

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..most advanced weaponry like the Storm Shadows. Now, remember that this "military expert" predicted three days after the invasion begun that "If they don't surrender in the next 24 hours,I suspect Russia will ultimately annihilate them."

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Three days after the invasion begun, he predicted that "If they don't surrender in the next 24 hours, I suspect Russia will ultimately annihilate them."

He also said that "US should stay out of the conflict" and "avoid sending any aid to Ukrainian forces".

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Douglas Macgregor
U.S. ARMY COLONEL (RET)

NEW YORK 21:35 AT LEAST NINE DEAD AFTER CAR BOMB EXPLODES IN #NIGERIA'S CAPITAL

The Morris crew also invited Eva Bartlett to defame a NBC News article that exposed "independent journalists" as pro-Kremlin propagandists. Bartlett is of course part of this troupe, and has been actively spreading disinformation on both Syria and Ukraine.

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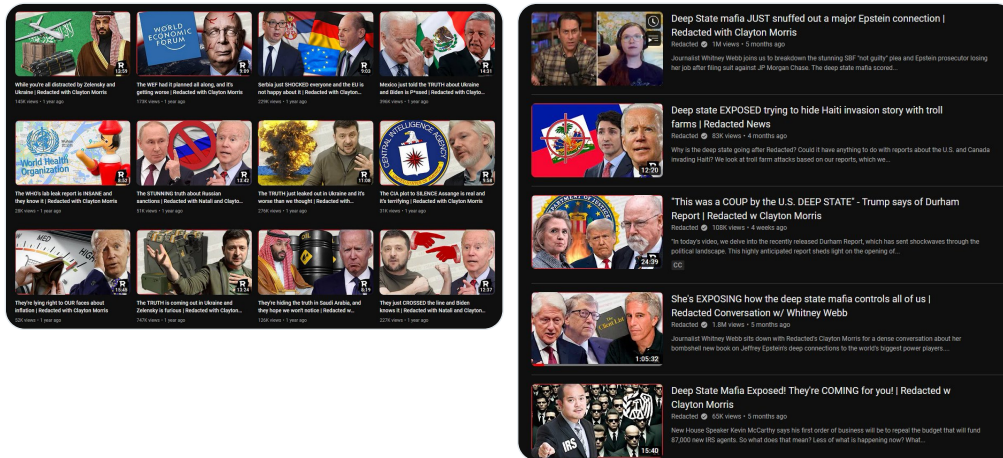


The interview with Ritter is basically Scotty praising Russia for +20 minutes with Clayton nodding his head at all this. Now, I don't blame either one for hating their country as much as they do, but it's baffling how they just go & support a genocidal empire that is Russia.15/24



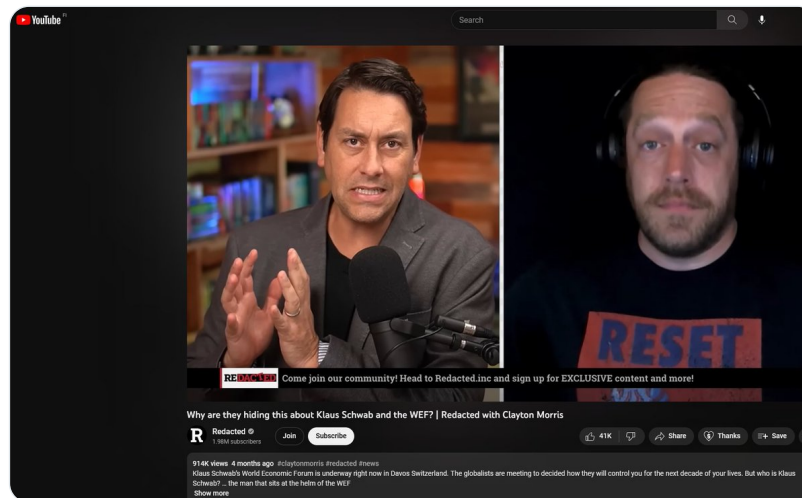
In addition to their hot takes on the war, Natali and Clayton talk about issues that garner most views on their multi-platform enterprise. Common topics include The Great Reset conspiracy theory, COVID-19 mandates and vaccinations, "deep state", and "woke mind virus".

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The basic premise in the Morris' fantasy world seems to be that the evil globalists, led by Klaus Schwab and the World Economic Forum, are trying to take over the world, confiscate all of our belongings, force-vaccinate us and make us eat bugs.

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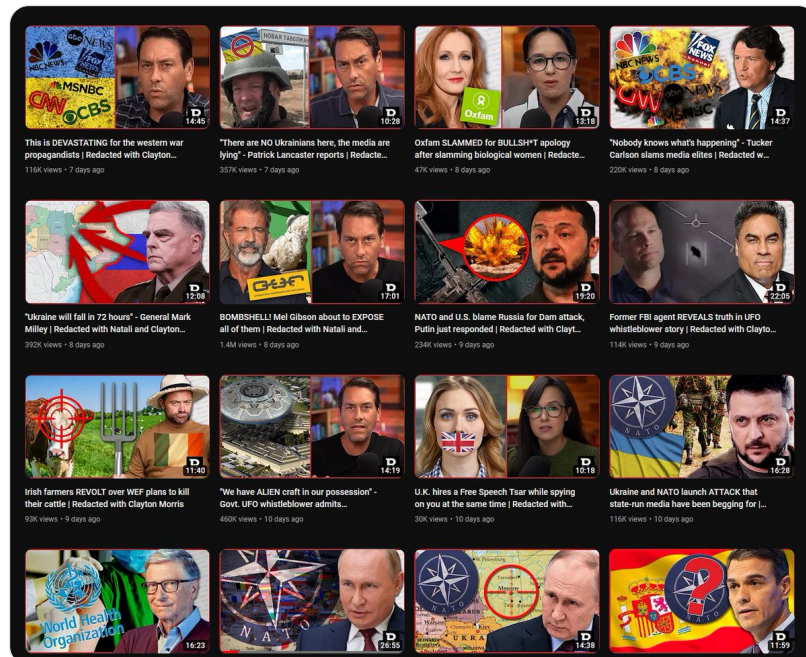
The good and virtuous Putin along with the rest of the "multipolar world" is then trying to stop all this by fighting the evil globalists by conducting a genocide in Ukraine. It's extremely cynical take, but apparently it brings in the \$\$\$.

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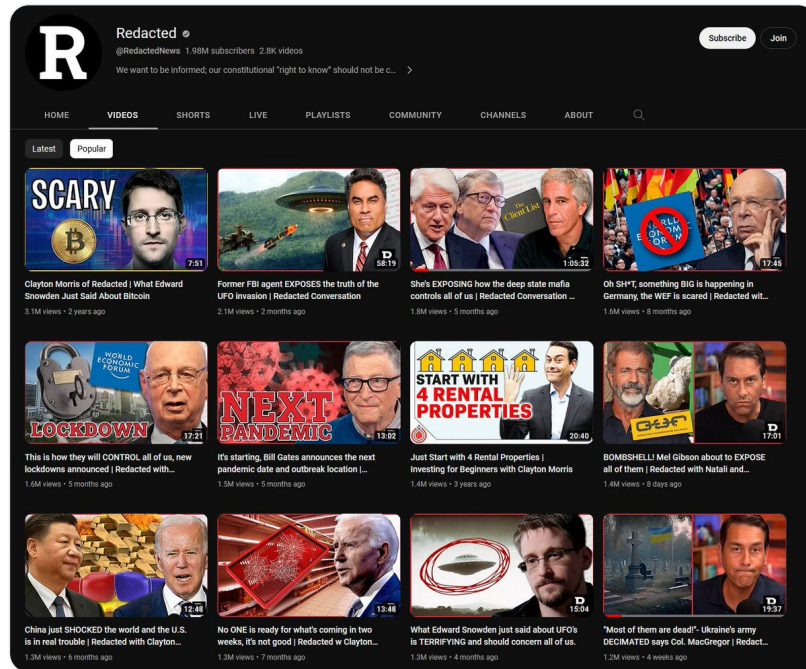
The whole show focuses on using provocative titles & narratives to bring in the maximum audience, regardless of the factuality of their claims. It is safe to assume, that the Morris' will pivot to the next "current thing" as soon as the hype around the war in Ukraine fades.

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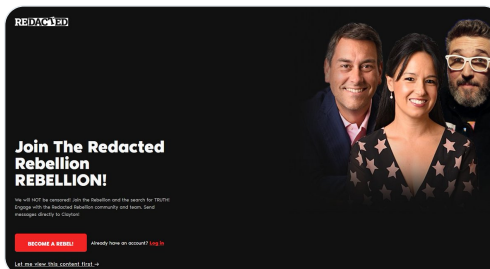
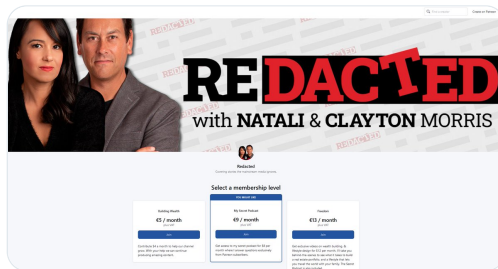
Redacted is not a small venue - they work across several platforms and their follower base is big. They have almost 2 million subscribers on YouTube, are in top 40 biggest accounts on Rumble, and also spread their BS also on IG, Telegram, TikTok, and various podcast sites.

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Their most popular YouTube videos have millions of views, and for some reason their conspiratorial content hasn't been demonetized by the platform. In addition, they beg money on Locals and Patreon. It is safe to say that they're making good money from all this.

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To me, the Morris family are the worst kind of people - they try to profit tragedy. They have no interest in the truth or carry any responsibility over their statements, and tell outright lies as long as it brings them more engagement and money.

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Ukraine war: Boy of 5 among civilians killed in shelling

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Ukraine War: Two adults and a five-year-old killed after Russian shell falls near playground


By Adam Durbin
BBC News

At least eight people have reportedly been killed and 17 injured by shelling in Ukraine, as both sides trade accusations of striking civilian areas.

Three people including a boy of five died and two were injured after Russia shelled a village in Kherson region, Governor Oleksandr Prokudin said.

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Russian forces committed a litany of apparent war crimes during their occupation of Bucha, a town about 30 kilometers northwest of Ukraine's capital, Kyiv, from March 4 to 30, says Human Rights Watch in a detailed report released today.

Human Rights Watch researchers who worked in Bucha from April 4 to 10, days after Russian forces withdrew from the area, found extensive evidence of summary executions, other unlawful killings, enforced disappearances, and tortures, all of which would constitute war crimes and potential crimes against humanity.

"Nearly every corner in Bucha is now a crime scene, and it felt like death was everywhere," said Richard Weir, crisis and conflict researcher at Human Rights Watch. "The evidence indicates that Russian forces occupying Bucha showed contempt and disregard for civilian life and the most fundamental principles of the laws of war."

Human Rights Watch interviewed 32 Bucha residents in person and 3 others by phone.

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Signs of torture, mutilation on bodies at Iziurm mass burial site: Ukraine officials

By Yuka Kasahara, Jennifer Hauser and Kathleen Magrino, CNN
Updated 3:38 AM EDT, Sat September 24, 2022



Unidentified makeshift graves at the Pukhivske cemetery on September 23, 2022, in Bucha, Ukraine.

Incidentally, none of this conspiratorial BS is mentioned in the Morris' Wikipedia pages, and after doing a little digging I found out that they use their publicist to whitewash most of the controversial stuff from their Wikipedia pages.

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Suggestions for expanding the article [edit]

Hi, I am Lindsey and I work for Clayton Morris. I am interested in improving and expanding the article to bring it in line with WP:NPOV and WP:BLP. This includes adding sections and relevant subsections, and new content supported with reliable sources. The following are my suggestions:

1. For the intro I propose that it read: **Clayton Morris** is an American broadcaster, **real estate investor**, and author. He is the founder of Morris Invest, a real estate investment company, and host of the YouTube channel *Redacted*. He is a former co-host of *The Daily Buzz* and *Good Day Philadelphia* on Fox's WTXF-TV. He moved to co-host *Fox & Friends* on Fox News Channel in 2008.^[1] He covered consumer technology for Fox and hosted weekly technology segments for Fox News Radio and Fox News. On September 4, 2017, he left Fox News.^{[2][3]}
2. Add an **Early life and education** section which includes: Morris was born in [Philadelphia, Pennsylvania](#)^[4], and attended [Wilson High School](#) in [Spring Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania](#) (today [West Lawn, Pennsylvania](#))^[citation needed]. He graduated with a bachelor's degree from the [University of Pittsburgh](#)^[1] in 1999.
3. Add a **Career** section that would include three subsections: Journalism and media as one, Television, film and radio as the second, and Investments as the third. I am proposing wording for each:
Journalism and media: Morris hosts the *Investing in Real Estate* podcast and Morris Invest YouTube channel.^[5] Morris and his wife [Natali Morris](#) co-authored "How to Pay Off Your Mortgage in 5 Years."^{[1][5]} They also co-host the daily YouTube show called *Redacted*.^[6]
Television, film, and radio: In 2000, Morris appeared in a low-budget thriller film entitled *Deception*.^[1] His television career began when he was a producer for *Good Day LA* at KTTV.^[7] Morris co-hosted *Fox & Friends* from 2008-2017. Before working for Fox network, he was a host on *The Daily Buzz* and *Good Day Philadelphia*.^{[7][8]} He was a frequent guest-panelist on the Fox News late-night satire show, *Red Eye w/ Greg Gutfeld*. Morris also worked as an anchor at WVA-TV (NBC) in [Bluefield, West Virginia](#), and as a political reporter at Montana's CBS affiliate. In 2012, Morris won the seventh annual "New York's Funniest Reporter" contest, which benefits the Humane Society of New York.^{[9][10]}
Investments: Clayton Morris runs Morris Invest.^{[1][5]} Morris developed the online Financial Freedom Academy which educates others on earning passive income and methods of achieving financial freedom.^[5]

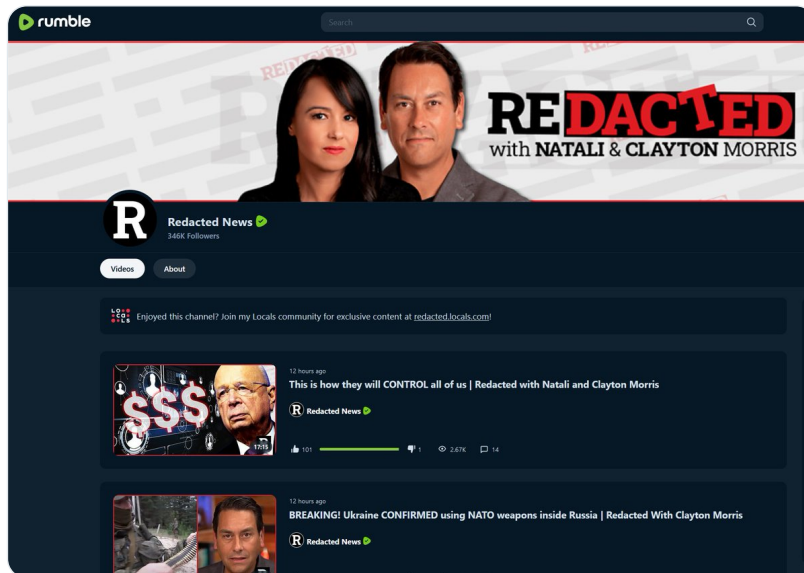
In addition to the new content for the Investments subsection, the content from the current Lawsuits section should be included here, ensuring neutrality within the article. Additionally, I am working on revisions to that content to be addressed in a future edit request.

This edit request by an editor with a conflict of interest has now been answered.

Let's conclude the soup with a headline: Greedy Real Estate Grifter and His Wife EXPOSED To Be Frauds Monetizing on War Atrocities and Genocide!

And Clayton, if you wanna sue me too, you can contact [@KimDotcom](#) for further details.

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