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Subject: Pardoning rioters

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[Video: Trump confirms he would pardon January 6 rioters if he becomes president | CNN Politics](#)

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Subject: Fwd: McDaniel

Date: Mon, 25 Mar 2024 06:30:50 -0400

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Subject: McDaniel

We should watch this interview. Sounds like there might be a few things there.

McDaniel Comes Out Against Trump Plan To Free Jan. 6 Prisoners

[The Hill](#) reported that former Republican National Committee Chair Ronna McDaniel said Sunday that she doesn't support former President Trump's promise to free people imprisoned for crimes related to the Jan. 6 Capitol riots. The article explained that Trump has repeatedly promised to pardon whom he calls "patriots," claiming they were jailed for political reasons after a violent mob broke into the Capitol. The article quoted Welker who said on [NBC's "Meet the Press"](#) that, "I want to be very clear. The violence that happened on January 6 is unacceptable. It doesn't represent our country. It certainly does not represent my party... If you attacked our Capitol ... and you've been convicted, then that should stay." The article added that McDaniel said she is only now voicing her disagreement because she didn't want to disagree with the former president while heading the RNC, saying, "When you're the RNC chair, you kind of take one for the whole team. Right now, I get to be a little bit more myself. This is what I believe." The article further quoted her saying that, "I don't think violence should be in our political discourse, Republican or Democrat. And I disagree with him on that. I agree with him on a whole host of other things. Let's close the border. Let's make sure we have good incomes for people. Let's make sure we do a lot of great things. But on that point, I don't think we should be freeing people who violently attacked Capitol Hill police officers and attacked the Capitol." [USA Today](#) added that McDaniel is joining NBC News as a political analyst, and then noted that McDaniel has said repeatedly that there were issues with the 2020 election, reiterating the unfounded claims Sunday. The article quoted that although she acknowledges Biden's win, telling NBC, "He's the legitimate president. Fair and square he won. It's certified, it's done," she stuck by her concerns, saying, "We're allowed to look after elections and say, 'I want to make sure this was done in a transparent and fair way. And I certainly do not agree with violence or any attacks on our Capitol, and I'm going to be very clear, that is something I condemn wholeheartedly.'" [CNN](#) emphasized that news of McDaniel's hiring at NBC has drawn sharp backlash, as she has a long history of assailing the news media as "fake" and her promotion of false claims around the 2020 elections. The article noted that as RNC chair, she was involved in a phone call in 2020 to pressure Michigan county officials not to certify the vote from the Detroit area, where Joe Biden had a commanding lead, and that she told the officials, regarding the certification: "Do not sign it. ... We will get you attorneys." The [Associated Press](#) reported that Chuck Todd, an anchor for NBC News, recently criticized the organization for hiring Ronna McDaniel, adding that his remarks came after MSNBC's president indicated to staff that McDaniel would not appear on any of the cable channel's original programs. The article said that in an internal memo, the political chief, Carrie Budoff Brown, stated that McDaniel would contribute to "all NBC News platforms." Based on the reports, Rashida Jones, the President of MSNBC, is working to address internal backlash following NBC News's announcement of McDaniel's hiring.

This story was also reported by the [Wall Street Journal](#), the [Washington Post](#), [Salon](#), [Politico](#), [Newsweek](#), the [National Review](#), the [Boston Herald](#), the [Arizona Republic](#), the [Daily Beast](#), the [Los Angeles Times](#), [Axios](#), the [New York](#)

[Times](#), [Fox News](#), [Rolling Stone](#), the [New York Post](#), [HuffPost](#)

The Associated Press' article was reprinted by 335 outlets across 35 outlets, including Washington DC, with the majority occurring in Texas (31), Michigan (18), New York (18), Florida (14), California (14), Ohio (13)

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Subject: 174-1 - SEALED A - Rule 404(b) notice FINAL FILED.pdf

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Attachments: 174-1_-_SEALED_A_-_Rule_404(b)_notice_FINAL_FILED.pdf

Attached is the 404 notice we filed in the election case, for discussion purposes. Reminder that this version is sealed; the version on the public docket redacts specific witness statements.