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Trump goes into an overdose of victim narrative under the weight of indictment



There is not much of a choice for Donald Trump regarding how he will pursue reelection.

After the fourth indictment against him, the one in Georgia, the Trump campaign definitely got its hardware and software.

Courtrooms will be his main campaign ground, and the narrative will centre on a tale of a victim and a sacrifice. But that is not entirely Trump's decision. The circumstances under which he will have to play have been forced upon him.

This combination appears to be helping Trump succeed so far. He continues to have a significant advantage among aspirants for the Republican presidential nomination (54% support) and numerous supporters on his side in the court cases initiated thus far.

According to a July survey, before the fourth indictment in Georgia, as many as 71% of Republican voters said that Trump had not committed serious federal crimes and that Republicans should stand by him (New York Times/Siena College).

Reasons for Trump's nervousness

But the indictment in Fulton County, Georgia, provoked more anger from Trump than the previous three cases before New York, Washington DC and Miami courts.

Anger was a common reaction until now, but not nervousness. It is visible now when the indictments have already piled up and, as his biggest problem, have heavily burdened his pre-election calendar. But also, the budget. Trump has repeatedly stressed the link between the indictments and the election campaign during the first interview following Fulton County district attorney Fanny Willis's indictment - furiously and nervously.

"This politically-inspired indictment, which could have been brought close to three years ago, was tailored for placement right smack in the middle of my political campaign, where I am leading all Republicans", he told Fox News last Monday.

He accused the prosecutor, Willis, of being allowed to "interrupt perhaps the most important election in the history of our country".

Perhaps with the opening of one or even two cases before the Republican party primaries, Trump could optimally handle the campaign, moving from the courtroom to evening rallies or to recording video messages, which he would distribute through social media.

However, four large cases at the same time will require him to sacrifice some of that. Appearing in the courtroom is definitely not on the list of activities that he will be able to eliminate from his daily itinerary.

"Facing a felony indictment is an all-consuming experience for most people. It drains their resources, their money and their time. Donald Trump is facing four of them", Renato Mariotti, a former federal prosecutor told The Wall Street Journal.

The role of the victim used to be profitable

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it is difficult to find all three used simultaneously, which Trump is currently applying.

Under the pressure of felony indictments, Donald Trump enters into overdose when using the victimhood and sacrifice narrative. His competitors for the Republican Party nomination have already recognised this and want to knock the only remaining propaganda trump card out of his hands in time.

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us. For us! How lucky are we! That we have such a selfless, magnanimous leader", said Chris Christie, the former governor of New Jersey and one of Trump's fiercest critics.