

# Trump's #SwampCabinet Nominees Fact Sheet

Nominee	Department	Swamp Facts
Rex Tillerson	Department of State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First secretary of state nominee in modern history with no public sector experience<sup>1</sup></li> <li>• Has profited from relationship with Russian president Vladimir Putin, who interfered in the U.S. presidential election<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Led Exxon Mobil while the company continued to lie about climate change<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>
Jeff Sessions	Department of Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Was rejected for a federal judgeship by fellow Republicans because of his history of racist beliefs</li> <li>• Voted against the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act</li> <li>• Has voted against nearly every immigration bill that included a pathway to citizenship</li> <li>• Voted to defund Planned Parenthood<sup>4</sup></li> </ul>
Tom Price	Department of Health and Human Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is the leading proponent of dismantling Medicare</li> <li>• Supported legislation to defund Planned Parenthood</li> <li>• Wants to get rid of Obamacare<sup>5</sup></li> <li>• Invested in six drug companies before Medicare fight<sup>6</sup></li> </ul>
Ben Carson	Department of Housing and Urban Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When asked about the opportunity to be secretary of HUD, Carson's representative, speaking on his behalf, said that Carson "has no government experience, he's never run a federal agency"<sup>7</sup></li> <li>• Believes that the LGBT community shouldn't have "special rights" like marriage equality<sup>8</sup></li> <li>• Referred to Obamacare as slavery<sup>9</sup></li> </ul>
Rick Perry	Department of Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During the 2012 campaign, forgot the name of the Dept. of Energy when thinking of the departments he'd close as president</li> <li>• Is skeptical of climate change</li> <li>• Supported the Keystone XL oil pipeline<sup>10</sup></li> <li>• Publically admitted he had no idea that the Department of Energy administers the nuclear stockpile<sup>11</sup></li> </ul>
Scott Pruitt	Environmental Protection Agency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has repeatedly sued the EPA to stop environmental regulations<sup>12</sup></li> <li>• Has advocated for companies that are big polluters<sup>13</sup></li> <li>• Denies the existence of climate change</li> <li>• Believes climate "alarmists" should be prosecuted for fraud<sup>14</sup></li> </ul>
Betsy DeVos	Department of Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has pushed to limit accountability and oversight for charter schools<sup>15</sup> (<a href="#">source</a>)</li> <li>• Promotes vouchers that would force states</li> </ul>

		<p>to spend education money to pay for students to attend religious and private schools<sup>16</sup></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funded many anti-LGBT organizations that oppose marriage equality<sup>17</sup></li> </ul>
Ryan Zinke	Department of the Interior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On his first day in Congress, voted to order the Congressional Budget Office to make future sales of public lands to private interest easier</li> <li>• Received hundreds of thousands of dollars from oil and gas companies when running for office—as interior secretary, he will be responsible for the natural gas and oil produced by the U.S.<sup>18</sup></li> </ul>
Andrew Puzder	Department of Labor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is a fast food CEO and strong opponent of the minimum wage</li> <li>• Opposes overtime pay<sup>19</sup></li> <li>• Accused by former workers of theft, mistreatment, and discrimination<sup>20</sup></li> </ul>
Elaine Chao	Department of Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Was part of the Wells Fargo Board of Directors during fraudulent practices that resulted in a \$185 million fine<sup>21</sup></li> </ul>
Steven Mnuchin	Department of the Treasury	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accused of “widespread misconduct” and violations of foreclosure law</li> <li>• His former company, One West Bank, targeted elderly people and tricked many out of their homes</li> <li>• His former company once locked out a homeowner during a blizzard in Minneapolis and foreclosed on another for a 27-cent deficit<sup>22</sup></li> </ul>
Mike Pompeo	Central Intelligence Agency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In response to a 2014 Senate report on torture, defended torturers as patriots<sup>23</sup></li> <li>• Supports keeping Guantanamo Bay open<sup>24</sup></li> <li>• Has mocked hunger strikers<sup>25</sup></li> </ul>
Wilbur Ross	Department of Commerce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has offshored 2,700 jobs since 2004 and moved factories overseas</li> <li>• Bought up bankrupt U.S. companies cheaply, then sells to overseas investors for huge profit<sup>26</sup></li> </ul>
Sonny Perdue	Department of Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is a climate change denier who has said that the idea of climate change is a “running joke” among the public<sup>27</sup></li> <li>• Refused to put his business in a blind trust during tenure as governor<sup>28</sup></li> <li>• Advocated to reinstate the Confederate battle cross while running for governor of Georgia<sup>29</sup></li> </ul>

Sources found at: [front.moveon.org/swamp-cabinet-sources](http://front.moveon.org/swamp-cabinet-sources)