

Meta Admits to Censorship of Trump Photo

Another day, another case of Big Tech censoring anything that could humanize former President Donald Trump and lead to him being viewed favorably by the citizens of the United States.

Few censorship platforms are as bold and forthright with their swinging of the ban hammer as Meta properties such as Facebook and Instagram.

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Recently, the alarm was yet again sounded on the relatively free speech oriented X (formerly Twitter) about an image of Trump raising his fist in defiance of his would-be assassin at his Butler, Pennsylvania, rally where he nearly lost his life.

Outrage ensued as Facebook labeled the image “altered” using fact checkers that are more akin to activists than purveyors of the truth, saying “Independent fact checkers reviewed a similar photo and said it was altered in a way that could mislead people.”

As the flames of anger spread across the digital world, Meta realized they had better put the fire out before it became an even bigger problem.

Fox News reported that “Meta Public Affairs Director Dani Lever later explained on X it was done in error as the systems were meant to detect a separate version of the image.”

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In perhaps a strange twist, Lever lists her previous position

on X as the Communications Director for disgraced New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

“This was an error. This fact check was initially applied to a doctored photo showing the secret service agents smiling, and in some cases our systems incorrectly applied that fact check to the real photo. This has been fixed, and we apologize for the mistake,” Lever posted, ironically on X.

The image Meta referenced as altered was one where the Secret Service agents surrounding Trump were smiling, which in turn marked all images of that particular part of the event as “altered.”

USA Today writes, “None of the agents in the original image are smiling as they surround Trump, who has blood on his face and his right arm in the air. The image – which was captured by Associated Press photographer Evan Vucci and distributed by the AP – appeared with coverage of the shooting by CNN, The Atlantic, Business Insider and many other legitimate news outlets.”

With time constantly moving forward, we too are moving deeper and deeper into an age of deception. Discernment is our best friend in a digital world which seeks to push lies as the truth, and hide the truth entirely. As King Solomon asked for wisdom to rule Israel, so too should we ask for the same thing in dealing with tech censorship on a massive scale.

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