Bonus Episode: The Holocaust Denier and the CHD
This episode features hosts Mic Crenshaw and Celina Flores as well as Coalition for Human Dignity activists Steve Wasserstrom, Jonathan Mozzochi and Abby Layton. In this special bonus episode we look at how the meticulous collection of data mined for opposition research contributed to a world-famous trial to debunk fascist Holocaust denier David Irving.

Mount Hood Community College/Portland Community Mount Hood Community College is a community college in Gresham, a suburban town east of Portland. Abby refers to it at one point as “Portland Community.”

Asatru Alliance is a loose affiliation of groups (‘kindreds’) practicing what they believe is an ancient hierarchical religion rooted in pre-Christian northern Europe. Their website features a letter from the “Allsherjargothi” (an Anglicized word from Old Norse. It’s a fancy title without duties or responsibility) condemning the January 6th, 2021 assault on the U.S. Capitol building after it was widely noticed that one of the insurrectionists had several tattoos of Asatru symbols. The letter also quotes the Asatru bylaws which explicitly forbid any “manifestation of political activity.” This ban on overt politics allows anti-Semitism and racism to flourish in individual kindreds but publicly claim neutrality under the guise of calling it only religious practice.

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