

The State Goes to Pot Under Dems and Larry Hogan

Soros Wannabe Runs for Senate in Maryland

By Cliff Kincaid / May 5, 2024

In an article in a local paper promoting himself for the Senate, billionaire Rep. David Trone talks about his how he created “the nation’s largest retailer” of alcohol. But this self-described “Progressive Democrat” also discusses how his dad “was an abusive alcoholic” and the drinking led to the break-up of his family.

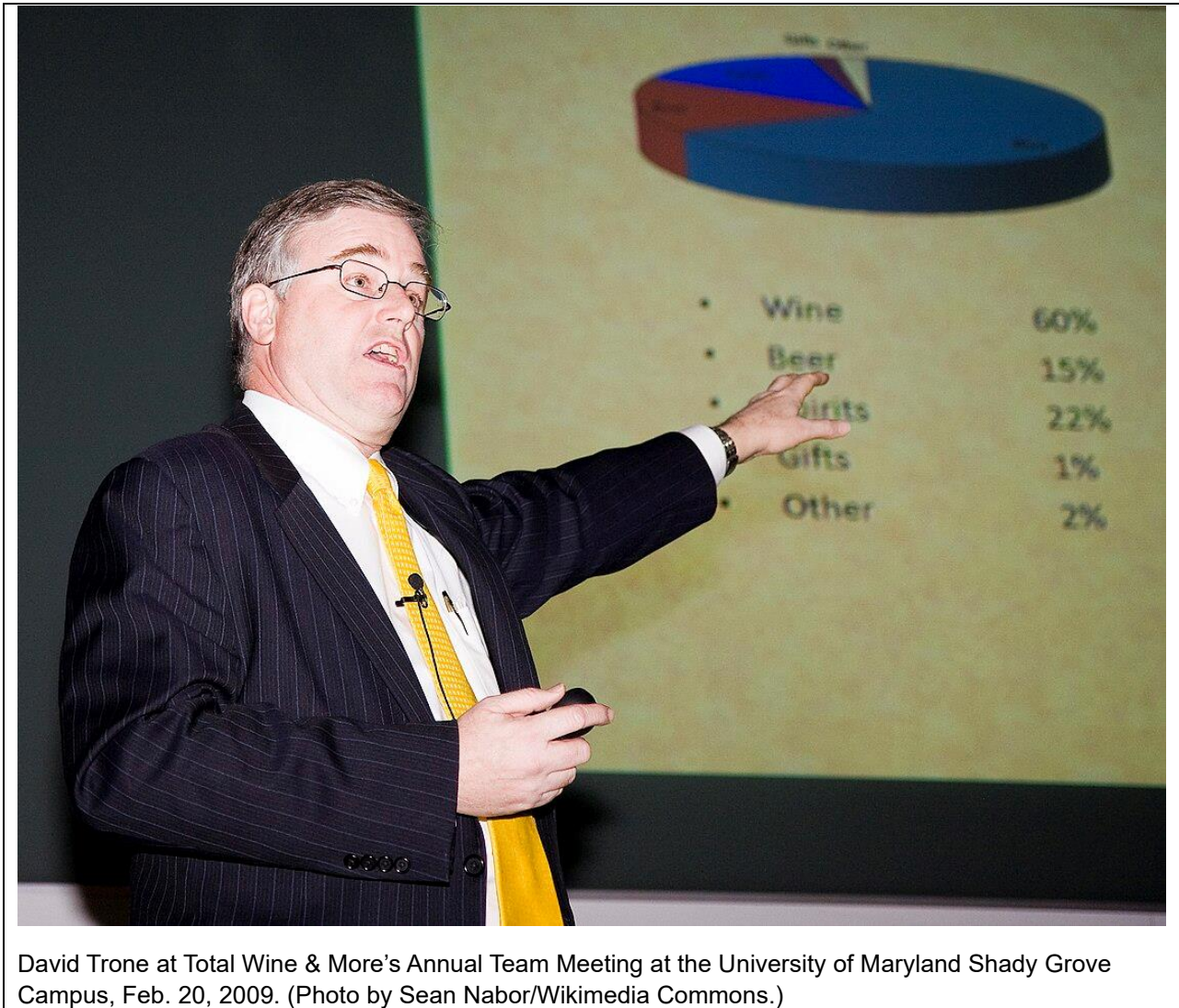
Welcome to the bizarro world of David Trone, the one-man Super PAC who is hoping to face former “popular” Maryland Governor [Larry Hogan](#) in the general election. Maryland is “deep blue” and one of the most heavily Democratic Party-dominated states in the nation. Senator Ben Cardin (D) is retiring.



Backed by Senate Republican leader Senator Mitch McConnell, Hogan is a Liz Cheney-type RINO and a “never Trumper.” He didn’t participate in a Frederick County Conservative Club debate featuring Senate candidates. But he seems to be campaigning this time around as a conservative on issues like the open

border and rampant crime. He staged [a photo op](#) at the border with a briefing from “Democratic border sheriffs.”

When President Trump had called for a state-by-state review of the certification of the results of the 2020 presidential election, in view of reports of irregularities and fraudulent mail-in ballots, Hogan rejected his calls for election integrity and said that such an assessment of the real results was a “scheme” against democracy.



David Trone at Total Wine & More’s Annual Team Meeting at the University of Maryland Shady Grove Campus, Feb. 20, 2009. (Photo by Sean Nabor/Wikimedia Commons.)

Trone’s Trail of Shattered Lives and Desolation

Running for the Senate in Maryland, where marijuana is legal, Trone wants to make it easier to get stoned, even though his nephew died from drugs, after starting with marijuana.

In the opinion of some observers, such as [Dr. Tina Trent](#), mind-altering drugs have become the “Soma” for a “Brave New World” under the “Great Reset” and or the “Great Transition” to a “New Age” and post-Christian worldview.

Marijuana, now on track to be a \$112 billion dollar business in America, is causing death and destruction, as evidence links the mind-altering substance to psychosis and violence. Mark S. Gold, M.D., a researcher, professor, and chairman of psychiatry at Yale, [cites](#) evidence that regular use of the drug “may carry health risks such as stroke, heart attack, and mental illness, among others.”

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Even though George Soros, the major funder of drug legalization in America, has done enough damage, Trone wants to add to the carnage.

Trone's Racist Campaign Divides Democrats

Trone is [reportedly](#) worth more than \$2 billion and has already used some of that wealth to buy his House seat. So far, he has pumped \$54.12 million from his own pocket into the campaign for the Senate. This has [earned him](#) the moniker “the \$54 million man.”

In his race for the Maryland Senate nomination, to be decided in the May 14 primary, Trone is using his alcohol-fueled campaign to promote the theme that the criminal justice system is “systemically racist.” But he is a white man running against a black woman, Angela Alsobrooks, the Prince George’s County (Maryland) executive who would be Maryland’s first black woman in the Senate.

In the name of racial justice, one might think Trone would step aside to give a black woman a chance.

The additional problem is that he is running a racist campaign. He accused her of being unqualified since she would need “training wheels” if she won, a comment that led over 650 Black women, including former Democratic National Committee Chair Donna Brazile, to condemn Trone for “not only disparaging and dismissive” remarks about Alsobrooks but “tones of misogyny and racism.”

Before that, he [used](#) the racist slur “jigaboo” at a hearing in front of a black Biden administration official. The congressman said he meant to use the term “bugaboo.”

Whatever happens to Trone in the May 14 primary election, the candidate is a case study of how money and power flow from booze and dope in America.

More Dope for the Dopers

You may have noticed that President Biden is trying to buy the youth vote with college debt relief, initial acquiescence in anti-Israel campus disturbances by communist agitators, and easy access to marijuana.

Trone hasn't entered the marijuana business. But his firm, Total Wine & More, offers same-day alcohol delivery for "over 8000 wines, 3000 spirits and 2500 beers with the best prices, selection and service."

It seems that addiction pays and makes people rich. The Democratic Party seems to have no problem with this approach. In fact, the marijuana business is clearly another source of campaign donations for Democrats.

He was [asked](#) by the Times of Israel "if there was any link between watching his father suffering from alcoholism and his getting into the alcohol business" and he was said to reply that "there wasn't."

"No, no, not at all," he said, but then contradicted himself, adding, "I think there's a tremendous link, the fact of how we realize that alcohol is a dangerous substance and that we have to be the leaders in the country to encourage responsible drinking and no sales to minors."

His father was suffering from alcoholism and yet he goes into the alcohol business to become a leader in responsible drinking?

A Tribute to An Alcoholic Father

Almost as bizarre, he posted a [tribute](#) to his abusive father on father's day in 2020 and declared, "My Dad taught me so many life lessons that I still carry with me today, like the importance of hard work, deep devotion to family, and compassion for others. His memory and those lessons guide me as a father, a husband, and a Congressman."

If his father was an alcoholic, why pay tribute to him for having positive qualities that did not apparently exist?

Similarly, he has talked about his nephew dying from fentanyl, after he started abusing drugs such as marijuana. Marijuana can trigger paranoia and violence and primes the brain for opioid addiction. But Trone is now a big booster of the marijuana business in Maryland and nationally, even though the Curaleaf pot stores in the state were [started](#) with money from a Russian billionaire associate of Vladimir Putin.

Using marijuana is illegal in Russia and China. Yet the Russians and Chinese are actively involved in the legal and illegal marijuana industry in America. Consider the [headline](#) from left-wing National Public Radio: "Marijuana farms are increasingly Chinese-run. Why?"

The answer is simple. The communists are trying to dumb down American youth and soften America up for the kill.

Indeed, Chinese marijuana farms are said to be “popping up” all over in America, using Chinese workers and in one major case Chinese nationals were [convicted](#) of drug conspiracy for illegally trafficking marijuana from an Oklahoma “grow operation.”

Trone’s Pothead Nephew Dies from Fentanyl

One article [said](#) Trone’s nephew began experimenting “first with marijuana before he progressed into using harder drugs.” Yet, Trone said he paid an “inspiring visit” to Mary & Main, a marijuana store in Maryland, to show his support. “After my inspiring visit to @MaryandMain,” he [said](#) on X, “I knew I wanted to be the first person in this race to speak out about legalizing marijuana federally and the benefits that legalization & rescheduling can have on our communities.”

So-called re-scheduling has just been announced by Biden’s Drug Enforcement Administration. The purpose is to make the drug seem safer than other mind-altering substances and increase the availability of marijuana.

In another bizarre twist, Trone promotes “Mental Health Awareness Month,” which is oddly appropriate since alcohol and drugs help create these problems in the first place.

What a gig. He promotes the substances that give people mental health problems and then campaigns as a champion of the addicted.

The contradictions don’t end there. Trone was raised Christian, married a Jewish woman, and then raised his kids in the Jewish faith. He no longer attends a Christian church but visits Israel to show his support for the Jewish state.

Alcoholism Destroys Lives

Almost every family in America understands the problem of alcohol abuse. The Centers for Disease Control [points out](#), “Excessive alcohol use can lead to increased risk of health problems such as injuries, violence, liver diseases, and cancer.”

A local reporter [noted](#) that “...while he’s dedicated his money and congressional career to fighting the effects of addiction, he’s made his fortune selling a product that helps some people feed their own dependency.”



By: **Delegate Cox**

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HOUSE SIMPLE RESOLUTION

A House Simple Resolution concerning

Articles of Impeachment of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.

FOR the purpose of impeaching Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. and having the Governor tried by the Senate of Maryland for malfeasance in office, misuse of the police power, violations of the separation of powers, theft of the people's liberty and property, deprivation of the religious liberties of the people, and abuse of power under false pretenses.

But he has such financial clout that politicians in the state have introduced a bill to allow Trone to expand his alcohol empire in Maryland. A group called Maryland Matters [reported](#) that State Delegate David Fraser-Hidalgo (D-Montgomery County) introduced a [bill](#) allowing his alcohol business to dramatically expand in Maryland. Trone's lobbyist, Ashlie Bagwell, was deployed to testify in favor of the bill.

Former Maryland Governor Hogan seized on this after visiting a mom-and-pop liquor store, as [reported](#) by the Washington Free Beacon. "Stopped by Mills Fine Wine and Spirits in downtown Annapolis," Hogan posted on X. "Right now, politicians in Annapolis are pushing a bill that would benefit one billionaire at the expense of small business owners across the state like Jerry and Jen Donahoe. Our small business owners deserve leaders who will stand with them. That's what I did as governor, and that's exactly what I will do in the Senate."

But Hogan, a Catholic, will not actively support the human right to life for unborn babies. He [says](#), "While I'm not personally a proponent of abortion, I've long said that I'm not going to take that right away for others to make that decision. As governor, I gave Marylanders my word that I would not overturn Maryland law. I will never support a national abortion ban."

Leaving a Legacy

Using his fortune in other ways, the David and June Trone Family Foundation has no "mission statement" but its 2021 tax return showed \$2 million to the ACLU. He previously donated \$15 million to the ACLU so it could establish the "Trone Center for Criminal Justice Reform."

"The Trone gift is the second largest donation in the organization's history dedicated to criminal justice work, after the 2014 gift of \$50 million made by George Soros' Open

Society Foundations,” [noted](#) the ACLU. George Soros, chairman of the Open Society Institute, added his thanks saying, “I would like to congratulate and thank David Trone for his important response to the challenge I issued to the ACLU to mount the largest effort in history to end over-incarceration.”

So Trone appears to be marching to the beat of George Soros. While Soros promotes acceptance of dope, Trone specializes in getting people high and drunk.

But he spends a lot more of his fortune on his own political career.

The newspaper Roll Call [notes](#) that ten pages of Trone’s official financial disclosure form are devoted to assets.

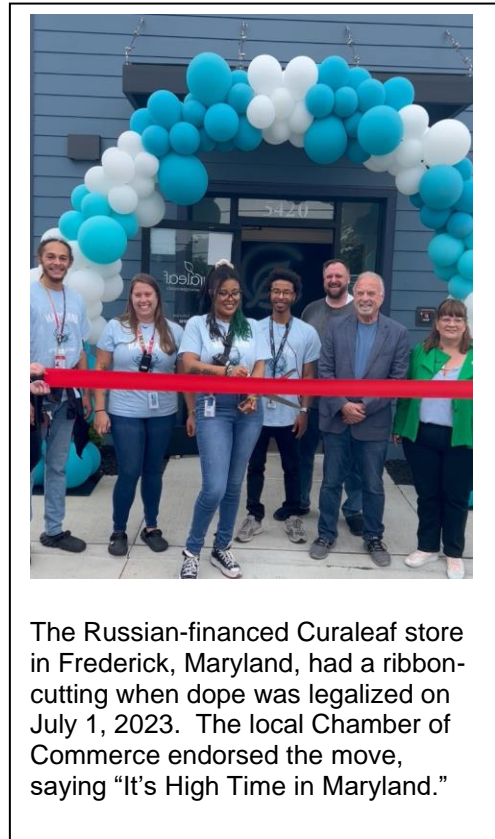
Strangely, though, as we approach the May 14 primary, Trone’s hypocritical desire to run such on such issues as “mental health and addiction” has escaped the attention of most of the media in Maryland. Perhaps this is because reporters are consuming alcohol and weed and realize Trone serves their interests and needs.

Whether it is Trone or Alsobrooks as the Democrat Senate candidate, Larry Hogan will have a hard time rallying Republicans during the general campaign and will have to depend on Democrat votes. Maryland Republicans rejected Hogan-ism in 2022 when they picked Trump supporter Dan Cox as their gubernatorial nominee over Larry Hogan’s candidate, Kelly Schulz. Cox lost to Wes Moore, a former member of the board of the marijuana company Green Thumb Industries.

During COVID, as governor, Hogan closed churches and left pot shops open. Indeed, “medical cannabis growers, processors, and dispensaries” were considered public health establishments under Hogan’s executive orders. Maryland became home to a booming “medical marijuana” industry that developed under Hogan.

So-called “recreational” marijuana has since been legalized.

Dan Cox, then a state delegate and now running for Maryland’s 6th Congressional seat, had filed [impeachment charges](#) against Hogan himself over the governor’s handling of COVID and related matters.



The Russian-financed Curaleaf store in Frederick, Maryland, had a ribbon-cutting when dope was legalized on July 1, 2023. The local Chamber of Commerce endorsed the move, saying “It’s High Time in Maryland.”

Whatever happens with Trone and Alsobrooks, one can be certain that Maryland will be an example of what is happening nationally – Democrats and RINOs will be teaming up with the media to defeat and destroy Trump Republicans.

A note from America's Survival President Cliff Kincaid:

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