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List of Democracy Watch's 2024 Media Appearances

Please see listed below links to almost all of Democracy Watch's Media Appearances in 2024

(NOTE: some TV and radio interviews are not in the list because they have not been archived online by the media outlet, and some links may not work if the media outlet has changed the link, or the link may require you to subscribe to see the article)

365 media appearances in 2024 (including 60 national appearances)

June 20, 2024 – CTV, *Globe and Mail*, *Toronto Star*, *National Post* and 60 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/senators-approve-bill-to-fight-foreign-interference-after-voting-down-amendment-1.6934263>

June 20, 2024 – CTV, *Toronto Star*, *National Post* and 60 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/national-security-adviser-defends-cabinet-confidence-in-foreign-meddling-probe-1.6935025> ([Click here to see](#) related Democracy Watch news release)

June 19, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/democracy-watch-insists-rcmp-boss-must-answer-key-questions-on-snc-lavalin-investigation/55414>

June 17, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/06/14/money-power-glory/425472/>

June 17, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/06/17/civil-society-groups-argue-mad-dash-leaves-no-time-for-proper-study-of-foreign-influence-registry-bill/425347/>

June 15, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/watchdog-complains-house-committee-failed-to-amend-foreign-influence-act/55283>

June 11, 2024

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/world/citizen-group-calls-for-loop-holes-in-proposed-foreign-interference-bill-to-be-fixed-5666675>

June 10, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CBC TV's Canada Tonight show re: key changes needed to close loopholes in Bill C-70 so foreign interference activities will be prohibited and required to be disclosed

<https://www.cbc.ca/player/play/video/9.6425465>

June 10, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Radley re: key changes needed to Bill C-70 to prohibit and disclose foreign interference activities, and to other federal laws

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/chilling-effect-possible-with-proposed-foreign/id710836439?i=1000658520528>

June 8, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/watchdog-warns-bill-c-70-wont-stop-foreign-interference-without-numerous-changes/55134>

June 5, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on Toronto AM 640's Alex Pierson show re: report saying MPs and Senators participated in foreign interference activities

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/could-some-mps-be-guilty-of-treason/id1318830191?i=1000657953785>

June 4, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: report saying MPs and Senators participated in foreign interference activities, and why RCMP, Commissioner of Canada Elections and Ethics Commissioner must investigate and issue public rulings (interview starts at 14 minute, 14 second mark and ends at 23 minute, 52 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/cdn-politicians-wittingly-assisted-in-foreign-interference/id710836439?i=1000657859963>

June 4, 2024

<https://globalnews.ca/news/10542412/boissonnault-ethics-inquiry/>

May 30, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-trudeau-cabinet-documents-foreign-interference-inquiry/>

May 29, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: key changes needed to Bill C-70 to prohibit and disclose foreign interference activities, and to other federal laws (interview starts at 52 minute, 47 second mark and ends at 1 hour, 2 minute, 39 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/time-to-rethink-how-canadian-military-service-is-handled/id710836439?i=1000657222028>

May 29, 2024

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/world/withholding-of-documents-from-interference-inquiry-opposition-mps-call-minister-to-testify-5659046>

May 28, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/democracy-watch-wants-trudeau-cabinet-grilled-over-documents-withheld-from-foreign-interference-inquiry/54883>

May 28, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-conservatives-offer-to-work-with-liberals-to-fast-track-foreign/>

May 27, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/05/27/democracy-watch-calls-for-more-explicit-inclusion-of-contact-with-leadership-contestants-in-foreign-influence-registry/422803/>

May 25, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-conservatives-bloc-quebecois-force-meeting-to-investigate-liberals/>

May 23, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-trudeau-cabinet-withholding-documents-on-foreign-meddling-from-inquiry/>

May 22, 2024

<https://www.thetrillium.ca/insider-news/justice/supreme-court-wraps-up-hearings-in-ontario-political-advertising-case-8779265>

May 21, 2024

<https://www.thetrillium.ca/insider-news/politics/supreme-court-hears-union-ford-government-showdown-over-election-ad-law-8773995>

May 21, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: Questions about how the Trudeau Liberal Cabinet is underfunding the federal Information Commissioner, which will increase secrecy and waste in the government

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/hamiltons-lrt-needs-more-land-will-this-delay-further/id710836439?i=1000656326199>

May 20, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/05/20/changes-to-lobbying-act-unlikely-prior-to-2025-election-says-lawyer/422206/>

May 17, 2024

https://www.thestar.com/podcasts/its-political/party-money-is-it-time-to-change-how-we-finance-politics/article_fe70dbae-13d4-11ef-83fe-f34fe531d4fc.html

May 16, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/mps-spending-close-loop-hole-1.7205497>

May 13, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/player/play/video/9.4225655>

May 11, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/conacher-nl-political-donations-1.7164174>

May 10, 2024

<https://qpobserver.ca/p/a-polling-pro-policy-wonk-and-gossip>

May 9, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/radio/frontburner/is-lobbying-corrupting-canadian-governments-1.7198451>

May 9, 2024

<https://breachmedia.ca/grocery-giants-paid-for-friendly-liberal-tory-policy-with-decades-of-donations/>

May 8, 2024

<https://www.readthemaple.com/cija-contravened-a-lobbying-requirement-with-no-repercussions/>

May 3, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: how the Trudeau Liberal Cabinet is keeping some information secret from the Hogue Inquiry into Foreign Interference

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/heres-what-we-know-about-the-foreign-interference-inquiry/id710836439?i=1000654488172>

May 3, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/watchdog-says-trudeau-cabinet-confidences-undermine-foreign-interference-report/54304>

April 30, 2024

<https://globalnews.ca/news/10457716/federal-minister-randy-boissonnault-defends-business-ties-to-lobbyist/>

April 30, 2024

<https://www.thebureau.news/p/prime-ministers-office-dragging-heels>

April 23, 2024

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/senate-expenses-climbed-to-7-2-million-in-2023-up-nearly-30-1.6858625>

April 20, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/democratic-watchdog-alleges-centre-for-israel-and-jewish-affairs-violated-lobbyists-code-by-sponsoring-mp-trips/53936>

April 17, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-pierre-poilievres-top-adviser-jenni-byrne-not-yet-contacted-in/#comments>

April 16, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/lobby-commissioner-allegations-conservative-1.7175428>

April 11, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/bmo-customers-lost-1-5m-plan-to-sue-1.7169622>

and video at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k9MOuPJPdOs>

and also at:

<https://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1.7170637>

April 11, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/bank-fraud-ombudsman-complaints-1.7169217>

April 10, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CBC's Canada Tonight re: Questions about why Prime Minister Trudeau failed to take action after receiving reports of interference in Liberal candidate's campaign, and how the Trudeau Liberal Cabinet is keeping some information secret from the Hogue Inquiry into Foreign Interference

<https://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1.7170361>

or

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bYs6yvtZHmM>

April 9, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: Questions about why Prime Minister Trudeau failed to take action after receiving reports of interference in Liberal candidate's campaign, and how the Trudeau Liberal Cabinet is keeping some information secret from the Hogue Inquiry into Foreign Interference (interview starts at 53 minute, 15 second mark and ends at 1 hour, 1 minute, 50 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/fast-music-slow-music-not-in-chechnya/id710836439?i=1000651956318>

April 9, 2024

<https://theijf.org/lobbyists-charged>

April 8, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-csis-briefing-for-pmo-in-2023-says-china-interfered-in-both-2019-and/>

April 8, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/04/08/democracy-watch-calls-for-probe-by-federal-lobbying-commissioners-office-into-firm-with-connections-to-top-conservative-advisor-jenni-byrne/417222/>

April 8, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/appeals-court-gives-free-pass-to-campaigners-for-chrystia-free-land-that-lobbied-her-department-afterwards/53654>

April 5, 2024

<https://www.thetrillium.ca/insider-news/justice/democracy-watch-makes-case-in-appeals-court-for-judicial-reviews-of-integrity-commissioner-rulings-8557671>

April 5, 2024

<https://qpobserver.ca/p/q1-fundraising-pcs-crush-rivals-liberals>

April 2, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: Key issues and questions for the Hogue Inquiry into Foreign Interference to answer, and key recommendations to make to close loopholes and strengthen enforcement (interview starts at 34 minute, 18 second mark and ends at 42 minute, 5 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/teenage-head-50th-anniversary-show-im-not-old-youre-old/id710836439?i=1000651255071>

April 1, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/democracy-watch-requests-investigations-of-lobbying-firms-with-conservative-connections/53500>

March 29, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/article-on-foreign-interference-canada-has-been-a-sitting-duck/>

March 28, 2024

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/world/elections-chief-calls-irregularities-allegations-around-han-dong-nomination-a-fact-situation-5617266>

March 26, 2024

<https://theijf.org/proposed-changes-to-canada-elections-act>

March 25, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/democracy-watch-in-court-to-implicate-trudeau-regarding-we-charity-grant/53340>

March 25, 2024

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/world/appeals-court-hears-legal-challenge-of-ethics-commissioner-clearing-trudeau-in-we-charity-scandal-5614527>

March 25, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/03/22/cabinet-confidences-not-black-or-white-says-former-privy-council-clerk-in-house-ethics-committee-study-of-snc-lavalin-assessment/415760/>

March 25, 2024

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/2059497/lobby-conflit-interet-ottawa-federal>

March 25, 2024

<https://www.thetrillium.ca/insider-news/justice/liberals-hsu-tables-less-partisan-tribunals-bill-8505253>

March 21, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-poilievre-adviser-lobbying-ndp/>

March 19, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/former-clerk-wernick-defends-pm-and-officials-regarding-snc-lavalin-affair/53218>

March 19, 2024

<https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/wernick-wasnt-interviewed-rcmp-snc-lavalin>

March 19, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: Proposal by Mayor of City of Vaughan to make intimidating protests illegal, and enforcement of laws in such situations (interview starts at 50 minute mark and ends at 56 minute, 30 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/why-could-we-see-a-20-cent-litre-jump-in-gas-prices/id710836439?i=1000649811720>

March 18, 2024

<https://breachmedia.ca/poilievre-fundraiser-lobbyist-conservatives>

March 2024

<https://thewalrus.ca/dying-with-dignity-lobby/>

March 16, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on The Roy Green show (airing on Corus Entertainment stations across Canada) re: the ArriveCan scandal

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/mar-16-duff-conacher-democracy-watch-gc-strategies/id1133980565?i=1000649436816>

March 16, 2024

<https://vancouverun.com/opinion/columnists/dan-fumano-vancouver-park-board-transition-team-messages-apparently-deleted>

March 15, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-379-cost-of-living/clip/16049709-bonus-episode-the-big-bank-upsell>

March 15, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/marketplace/the-big-bank-upsell-1.7143685>

and

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=htm38oM5WFE>

March 15, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/business/marketplace-hidden-camera-banks-1.7142427>

March 14, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/player/play/2318735939932>

March 13, 2024

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/opinion/the-rcmp-fails-canadians-again-5605160>

March 12, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-ford-ontario-crown-attorneys/>

March 12, 2024

https://www.thestar.com/politics/provincial/when-doug-ford-tried-to-get-out-of-jury-duty-and-earned-himself-a-lecture/article_a94fd298-dcbf-11ee-8560-17d7b210ad69.html

March 11, 2024

<https://www.lawtimesnews.com/news/general/democracy-watch-launches-constitutional-challenge-of-ontario-judicial-appointment-process/384425>

March 6, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/editorials/article-how-to-take-the-politics-out-of-judicial-appointments/>

March 6, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/03/06/democracy-watches-duff-conacher-says-3450-political-donation-cap-unfair-unethical-and-undemocratic/413687/>

March 4, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/03/04/rcmp-say-no-political-pressure-in-decision-not-to-pursue-criminal-probe-of-snc-lavalin-scandal/413481/>

March 2, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on The Roy Green show (airing on Corus Entertainment stations across Canada) re: the RCMP's negligently weak and incomplete investigation of the SNC-Lavalin / Trudeau Cabinet scandal that leaves many key questions unanswered ([Click here](#) to see related DWatch News Release)
<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/mar-2-democracy-watch-duff-conacher-parliament-asking/id1133980565?i=1000647787636>

March 1, 2024

https://www.thestar.com/politics/provincial/he-helped-shape-stephen-harper-s-tough-on-crime-agenda-it-s-why-he-says/article_8ebd2966-d667-11ee-978e-776af408de41.html

February 29, 2024

<https://globalnews.ca/news/10326783/ontario-like-minded-judges-democracy-watch/>

February 29, 2024

<https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/video/c2876389-lawsuit-threatened-over-judge-panel-appointments>

February 29, 2024

<https://toronto.citynews.ca/2024/02/29/pwc-sole-sourced-contract-ontario-ford-democracy-watch/>

February 29, 2024

<https://thehub.ca/2024-02-29/ian-stedman-the-government-must-appoint-a-new-ethics-commissioner-and-get-serious-about-ethics-reform/>

February 28, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/ethics-commissioner-mandate-expiring-1.7127545>

February 28, 2024

<https://bnnbreaking.com/world/canada/canadas-ethics-commissioner-vacancy-sparks-controversy-amidst-search-for-dions-successor>

February 28, 2024

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/world/trudeau-says-snc-lavalin-affair-settled-after-rcmp-says-investigation-was-limited-by-stonewalling-5597187>

February 28, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/watchdog-upset-rcmp-did-not-interview-pm-in-investigation-of-snc-lavalin-affair/52724>

February 27, 2024

<https://nationalpost.com/news/rcmp-interview-trudeau-snc-lavalin-probe>

February 27, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/watchdog-upset-rcmp-did-not-interview-pm-in-investigation-of-snc-lavalin-affair/52724>

February 27, 2024

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/world/rcmp-boss-says-feds-stonewalling-of-records-regarding-snc-lavalin-limited-investigation-into-trudeau-5596365>

February 24, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/democracy-watch-says-quebec-has-best-party-funding-system-and-saskatchewan-the-worst/52572>

February 15, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/new-documents-explain-why-rcmp-falsely-said-investigation-into-trudeau-cabinet-on-snc-lavalin-continued/52442>

February 12, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: the federal Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) ArriveCan misspending scandal (interview starts at 28 minute, 10 second mark and ends at 36 minute, 15 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/canadas-auditor-general-doesnt-know-how-much-arrivecan/id710836439?i=1000645113802>

February 12, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/02/12/whos-representing-who-at-the-foreign-interference-commission/410965/>

February 11, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on The Roy Green show (airing on Corus Entertainment stations across Canada) re: the ArriveCan scandal, and the unethical Interim Ethics Commissioner ([Click here](#) to see related News Release)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/feb-11-duff-conacher-democracy-watch-on-arrivecan-public/id1133980565?i=1000644972010>

February 7, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/democracy-watch-continues-crusade-against-federal-interim-ethics-commissioner/52217>

February 6, 2024

<https://theijf.org/lobbyists-among-top-attendees-of-liberal-cash-for-access-fundraisers-in-2023>

February 5, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/02/05/sponsored-travel-back-in-spotlight-as-committee-ndp-call-for-ban/410205/>

February 4, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on The Roy Green show (airing on Corus Entertainment stations across Canada) re: unethical Interim Ethics

Commissioner, and unethical Trudeau Cabinet appointment process for Ethics Commissioner ([Click here](#) to see related News Release)
<https://podcasts.apple.com/lr/podcast/feb-4-duff-conacher-democracy-watch-interim-ethic-commissioner/id1133980565?i=1000644139173>

February 4, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/ethics-committee-calls-for-second-look-at-mp-travel-rules/52014>

February 1, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/editorials/article-mps-should-take-an-interest-in-better-ethics-rules/>

February 1, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: the Inquiry into Foreign Interference (interview starts at 50 minute, 10 second mark and ends at 57 minute, 25 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/scotts-just-checking-in-how-are-you-doing/id710836439?i=1000643873035>

January 31, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/01/31/governments-culture-of-secrecy-overshadows-publics-right-to-know-in-first-week-of-foreign-interference-inquiry-democracy-watch/409866/>

January 31, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/foreign-interference-inquiry-who-is-who-1.7099012>

January 30, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/ethics-mps-travel-gifts-1.7099014>

and

<https://ca.news.yahoo.com/trudeaus-holiday-travel-didnt-break-170626852.html>

January 30, 2024 – *National Post* and 20 other Postmedia outlets

<https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/ethics-commissioner-wont-say-what-he-advised-pm-on-jamaica-trip>

January 29, 2024

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2024/01/29/release-of-records-on-appointment-of-interim-ethics-commissioner-likely-to-be-delayed-until-june/409509/>

January 29, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/watchdog-condemns-early-track-record-of-ethics-commissioner/51947>

January 28, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on The Roy Green show (airing on Corus Entertainment stations across Canada) re: unethical Interim Ethics

Commissioner, and unethical Trudeau Cabinet appointment process for Ethics Commissioner ([Click here](#) to see related News Release)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/jan-28-duff-conacher-democracy-watch-on-parliamentary/id1133980565?i=1000643296013>

January 24, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CHML's Hamilton Today show with Scott Thompson re: court ruling that Trudeau Cabinet's use of *Emergencies Act* powers was illegal (interview starts at 5 minute, 55 second mark and ends at 13 minute, 55 second mark)

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/freedom-convoy-2-years-later-and-the-fallout/id710836439?i=1000642853273>

January 22, 2024

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/2043081/acces-information-commissaire-caroline-maynard-secret>

January 19, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/editorials/article-one-trudeau-family-vacation-three-explanations-many-doubts/>

January 18, 2024 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CityTV News re: problem of the Cabinet controlled, partisan and political appointment process for Canada's Ethics Commissioner and other democracy watchdogs

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H_JUxtRu80k

January 18, 2024

<https://www.westernstandard.news/news/wait-for-it-ottawa-delays-information-request-on-ethics-commissioner-by-165-days/51756>

January 17, 2024

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/trudeau-jamaica-holiday-gifts-ethics-1.7086475>

January 17, 2024 – *National Post* and 7 other Postmedia papers

<https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/trudeau-says-many-canadian-families-stayed-with-friends-over-the-holidays-while-mps-vote-to-bring-ethics-commissioner-to-committee>

January 17, 2024

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-trudeau-defends-taking-free-luxury-vacation-at-resort-owned-by-family/>

January 15, 2024

<https://theijf.org/former-bc-politicians-lobby-government-revolving-door>

January 12, 2024

<https://globalnews.ca/news/10215455/trans-mountain-cost-federal-government-loan-guarantees/>

January 7, 2024 – DWatch Co-founder Duff Conacher on The Roy Green show (airing on Corus Entertainment stations across Canada) re: unethical problems with gift of holiday resort stay in Jamaica given to PM Trudeau family

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/jan-7-trudeaus-perfect-ethical-jamaica-vacation-w-duff/id1133980565?i=1000640835013>