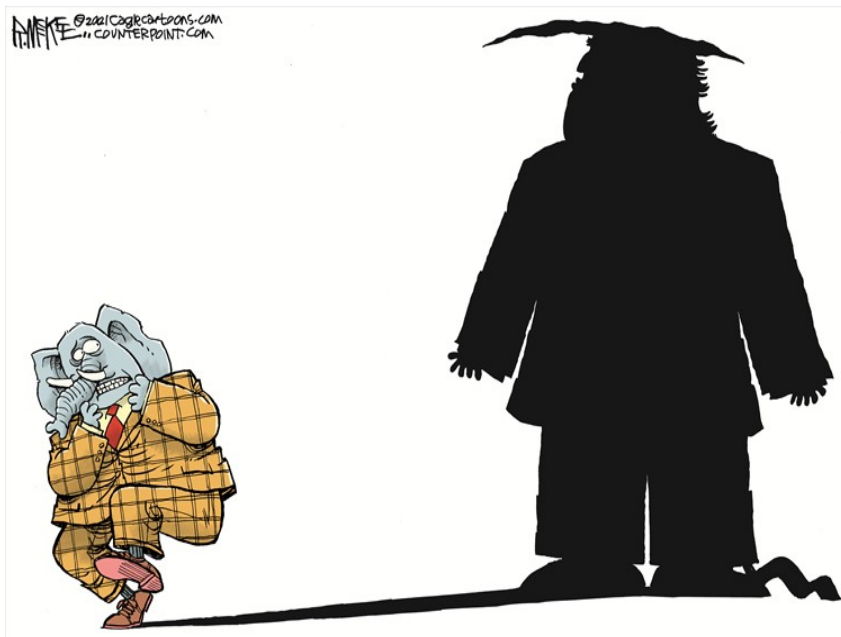




Is the GOP stuck in Trump's shadow?



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Talking Points

1. What do these cartoons say about the condition of the Republican Party after former President Donald Trump's election defeat, the Capitol riot and a second impeachment?
2. Why do some Republicans who blamed Trump for inciting his supporters now appear to be backing down?
3. What has happened to Republicans who have criticized the former president?
4. Have violent extremists on the far right and far left been by influenced by hateful rhetoric and wild conspiracy theories?

Between the lines

"In addition to social media perpetuating the big lie ... that somehow Donald Trump is still president and Joseph Biden stole the election, you have many Trump supporters in elected office ... continuing to say the same thing," - Sen. Mitt Romney

<https://www.chicagotribune.com/politics/ct-mitt-romney-republicans-election-20210126-ohugfwzgjcg5echre2xv7tr7y-story.html>

Additional resources

■ More by Rick Mckee

<https://www.cagle.com/author/rick-mckee/>

■ More by Paul Fell

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