

# Socialized Medicine is the Motive of the Assassin



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Assassinations are now in favor on the political left. They failed to kill President Trump but health care CEO Brian Thomson was shot from behind, and the left-wing assassin fled. Nobody in the private sector or in the new Trump Administration is safe from the fury of the left.

It is clear, by now, that the assassin was motivated by hatred of big corporations in the health care sector. His hatred is a staple of the socialists, who want the private sector to be regulated out of existence or outlawed in total. Their future is “Medicare for All,” once embraced by Kamala Harris, who once campaigned on abolishing private health plans. That meant that an estimated 180 million people in the U.S. with employer-sponsored health insurance would go under federal government control.

Despite the social media enthusiasm greeting the CEO’s murder, a recent public opinion poll [found](#) that a strong majority (75 percent) are satisfied with their current employer-provided plans.

With the assassination of Thomson, the FBI is now coming to the rescue, announcing a \$50,000 reward for information leading to the apprehension of the assassin. No doubt the FBI will find their man and bask in the limelight of those eager to preserve this gigantic federal agency as it is and forget

its history of abuses.

The assassin's ability to so far escape apprehension suggests somebody with special training and an axe to grind against private insurance.

The bigger target is private health care coverage, with the assassin clearly hoping to promote more government control, thereby eliminating free choice options, and forcing everybody into a national health care system. It is the Bernie Sanders and Kamala Harris "dream" that could easily become the nightmare we see in other countries.

In the wake of this tragedy, look for the Democrats to exploit the situation and promote socialized medicine.

A Toronto [newspaper](#) is already citing the murder as proof that a socialist health care system, like they have in Canada, is the answer.

This is promoted as a panacea when the inevitable result of more government-controlled health care coverage is more denial of services, longer waits, and the "mercy killing" of old folks.

What we are seeing, once you get beyond the seemingly isolated murder, is a greater plot targeting health insurance companies in general. Social media have been unleashed on the incident in New York, with the far-left applauding the murder of the father of two. Ordinary Americans with complaints about their coverage are being ushered on the bandwagon, not knowing what the goal of this orchestrated effort really is.

In the wake of the brutal killing, we are being treated to horrible stories about private health insurance. Look at the headlines:

- Torrent of Hate for Health Insurance Industry Follows C.E.O.'s Killing

- Killing of insurance CEO reveals simmering anger at US health system
- Killing of UnitedHealthcare CEO prompts flurry of stories on social media over denied insurance claims

The author of a [book](#) critical of the health insurance industry – “Delay Deny Defend” – has been [silent](#), even though it appears the book may have been a factor in the assassination. The [author](#) is a distinguished Professor of Law at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Law at Camden.

We have now learned that the professor previously wrote a [book](#) about how “the Right is subverting the legal protections of consumers, workers, injury victims, and the environment,” to quote a synopsis of *Un-making Law: The Conservative Campaign to Roll Back the Common Law*.

According to the summary, “Conservatives have a clear agenda to turn back the clock on the common law to increase the rights of big business. Some significant inroads have already protected gun manufacturers from lawsuits and hampered the government’s protection of the environment, for example; more rollbacks are on the horizon.”

So this attack on “Big Business” is really part of the left-wing agenda that has now taken a very ugly turn on the streets of New York City.

The feeding frenzy over the murder ignores how this young man in charge of a successful company was shot in the back by a cowardly assassin. His company was already the target of a class action law suit by lawyers eager to cash in on alleged damages.

The “social media” coverage is almost as sick as the murder itself.

AHIP, the national association of companies providing health care coverage and services to hundreds of millions of

Americans every day is objecting to the angry tone, and with good reason. These companies are run by ordinary Americans working in the private sector and trying to navigate a complex and costly health care system.

Their web site [notes](#) that one big factor in the health care problem is federal intervention, including cuts to private and popular Medicare Advantage (MA) payment rates that result “in fewer options, higher out-of-pocket costs and reduced supplemental benefits for seniors and individuals with disabilities.”

Medicare Advantage was created in 2003 under President George W. Bush. Democrats proposed cuts to fund their \$5 billion socialist “Build Back Better” agenda, laying the groundwork for eventually moving seniors and everybody else into a socialist single-payer system. Such a plan, like they have in Canada, will limit patient choice, and increase costs and lead to euthanasia.

What we are seeing in the response is a mob mentality at work in a system in which private companies are trying to provide services during government intervention in a health care marketplace that makes it almost impossible to know what is covered and what is not.

As companies try to navigate this chaos, using AI systems to analyze the government-authorized payment system, a health care company CEO is dead, and some in the media, including a former Washington Post journalist, are saying he got what is coming to him.

But representatives of other trade associations and companies should take note. Consider:

- If you feel abused by your bank, are you justified in a violent attack on that institution?
- If you lose money in the stock market, should you take out your revenge on CNBC or your local broker?

- If your auto mechanic doesn't fix your car, should you go after his employees?

Strangely, as former Marine Daniel Penny is on trial for defending innocent and defenseless fellow passengers on a subway car in New York, as a drug-crazed criminal threatened them all, the assassin of Brian Thompson is being hailed for shooting this father in the back. He is survived by his wife and two sons, now 19 and 16.

This is a sign of our sick and twisted society, unable to unwilling to stand up for law and order and the truly innocent. People are looking for scapegoats and they have found one.

Shouldn't it be stated in direct terms – if you lose a health care claim, the answer is not to take somebody's else's life? Yet that lesson has been lost as the FBI rides to the rescue, in preparation for an arrest and trial of the assassin, who will be highlighted as a fighter for justice and probably get off as a result of biased media coverage against the private sector.

In the meantime, Bobby Schindler cites a [report](#) from the Life Issues Institute that found that 14 countries, including eleven states and territories within the USA, have passed varying degrees of euthanasia. That is the inevitable outcome of increasing government control of private health care decisions.

In a [recent interview](#) on my Rumble channel, Schindler, whose sister Terri Schiavo was starved to death in a notorious case, describes how Nazi-style "health care" is spreading in America. The victims are labeled "life unworthy of life." Such an outcome is far worse than the private sector abuses we are seeing in the press.

There is an ulterior motive behind the cowardly campaign that involves the killing of a health care CEO. Don't be fooled by

the media attempt to make the assassin into a folk hero. He is an assassin cut from the same mold as those who tried to kill President Trump.

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