


# ***John Mannion Is A Typical Disingenuous, Two-Faced Politician Who Plays Both Sides – A Police Union Went So Far As To Rescind Their Endorsement Of Mannion After He Threw Law Enforcement Under The Bus To Appease Radical Extremists In His Own Political Party***

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**After An Officer Was Found Guilty Of The Murder Of George Floyd, Mannion Said “Policing Needs To Be Reimagined And Redefined.”** (Senator John Mannion, [Facebook](#), 4/20/21)

 **Senator John W. Mannion** April 20, 2021 · 🌐

STATEMENT FROM SENATOR JOHN W. MANNION ON VERDICT IN GEORGE FLOYD MURDER TRIAL

ALBANY – Senator John W. Mannion (D-Geddes) today released the following statement:


The murder of George Floyd released a wave of powerful emotions across the country. I hope that this conviction brings closure to his family and healing to our communities.



For many people from communities of color, it is not difficult to picture what happened to George Floyd happening to someone from their own family. That is terrifying and no citizen should live in fear of the police.




Two things can be true at the same time – police officers are public servants who keep our communities safe while the institution of policing needs to be reimagined and redefined.

Successful police reforms that protect the community and our officers will only come through respectful and ongoing dialogue. I will continue to work as a facilitator and participant in these conversations.

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**Mannion Argued For Demilitarizing The Police And Defended Legislative Efforts To Open Police Discipline Records.** “Our one reservation about Renna is her gung-ho opposition to police reform. Like most Republicans seeking office, she seems not to see that one can both ‘back the blue’ and expect more transparency and accountability when police officers abuse their authority. Mannion offers a more nuanced view, arguing for demilitarizing the police and defending legislative action to open police discipline records as bringing New York in line with other states.” (Editorial Board, “Editorial endorsement: Angi Renna in the 50th Senate District,” [The Post-Standard](#), 10/22/20)

### **In 2020, Auburn Police Local 195 Rescinded Their Endorsement Of Mannion, And Backed His Opponent**

**In 2020, Auburn Police Local 195 Rescinded Their Endorsement Of Mannion, And Backed His Opponent.** “Ten months ago, the union representing Auburn police officers endorsed John Mannion in the 50th state Senate District race. Now, the union has rescinded its endorsement and backed Mannion's opponent, Angi Renna.” (Robert Harding, “Election roundup: Auburn police union backs Renna for NY Senate, Gillibrand endorses Mannion,” [The Citizen](#), 11/7/20)

**Auburn Police Local Had Previously Supported Mannion In His 2018 Bid For State Senate.** “The union's reversal comes nearly a year after it was one of Mannion's earliest supporters in his second bid for the state Senate seat. Auburn Police Local 195 also supported Mannion in the 2018 election. There was no explanation offered for the change. Villano could not be reached for comment Thursday. Mannion said in a statement that he's ‘had productive conversations with law enforcement, social justice advocates and concerned residents who want safe neighborhoods and New Yorkers' rights protected. I look forward to bringing our communities' priorities, values and issues to the Senate majority next January.’” (Robert Harding, “Election roundup: Auburn police union backs Renna for NY Senate, Gillibrand endorses Mannion,” [The Citizen](#), 11/7/20)