

Fox News Hit With Suit Alleging Racial Discrimination and 'Plantation-Style Management'

An expanded lawsuit filed Tuesday accuses Fox News Channel of racial discrimination "that appears more akin to Plantation-style management than a modern-day work environment," reports the **Associated Press**.

Eight former and current Fox employees joined an existing case involving three former Fox workers who have accused a since-fired Fox financial executive of bias. It also expands the case to include Dianne Brandi, Fox's chief counsel.

Fox News has denied the allegations.

"One plaintiff, on-air personality Kelly Wright, who's black, said he'd been effectively sidelined and asked to perform the role of a Jim Crow, an insulting slang term to refer to a black man, according to the lawsuit. Wright said [Bill] O'Reilly, who's white, refused to show a piece Wright had prepared after racial protests in Ferguson, Missouri, because they showed blacks in too positive a light," writes AP reporter David Bauder.

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