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**EXPLOSIVE REVELATION IN NEW YORK'S 22ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
CAMPAIGN**

Brandon Williams Ran Company that Profited from Partly Chinese Government-Owned Corporation

Francis Conole Calls on Brandon Williams to Come Clean with Central New Yorkers

Syracuse, NY – Venture capitalist and Congressional candidate Brandon Williams co-founded tech company CPLANE Networks [in Silicon Valley](#) in 2013, and one of its clients was a company partly owned by the Chinese government and an entity later banned in the United States over concerns it was spying on American communications and data.

In 2016, CPLANE [announced a deal](#) to provide data and networking support to PCCW Global, with Williams saying that “CPLANE is excited to work with an innovative global service provider such as PCCW Global to tackle this forward-leaning challenge of orchestrating OpenStack and LAN networking services across multiple data centers.”

Reports show that PCCW Global was [an international subsidiary of China-based PCCW](#) -- through the entity Hong Kong Telecom. China Unicom, a [state-owned entity of the Chinese government](#), controlled an 18% share of PCCW.

Earlier this year, the Federal Communications Commission [banned China Unicom](#) from operating in the United States, declaring that it could be stealing American data and spying on U.S. networks and that it misled Congress and the federal government about its activities.

“It’s outrageous that Brandon Williams built his fortune by working for an international company partly owned by the Chinese government,” said Francis Conole for Congress campaign manager Graham Nolen. *“Central New Yorkers need leadership in Congress they can trust to fight for New York jobs, not one personally profiting from China. Francis Conole dedicated his life defending our freedoms -- from threats foreign and domestic. Francis will always fight for Central New York jobs and understands the dangers Chinese outsourcing can pose to New York families.”*

Questions Brandon Williams Must Answer:

- Why did Brandon Williams partner with a company partly subsidized by the Communist Chinese government -- instead of working with companies right here in Central New York?
- How much did Brandon Williams profit from a foreign company targeting Americans?
- Why did Brandon Williams work with a foreign-owned company that could put America's security at risk?