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I remember the 2016 primaries. I really expected Ted Cruz to win and was shocked when Trump pulled it off. Then I was even more shocked when he beat Clinton for the presidency, with a really big lead. While he had tons of name recognition, it wasn't in politics. He wasn't a political insider.

And for me, that was the thing I liked best. Certainly, his narcissism put people off. He was the opposite of a media darling. All the attention he got seemed negative. Still is.

But I did like how he was a political outsider and seemed to have no qualms disagreeing with other politicians. Even though he loved to make deals in business, he didn't appear to feel the need to do that in politics. He had no need to network with other politicians as a career choice.

It's like his ego was more of a driving influence than acquiring money and power. He already had it and didn't seem to need to add more through political connections. So he would just as likely burn a bridge as he would build one.

Looks to me like the presidency - or perhaps how he reacted to it - hurt him much more than it helped him. I can think of no other president that hasn't benefitted quite substantially. Trump definitely hasn't.

In a political world that looks so incestuous, he was definitely a different breed.

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