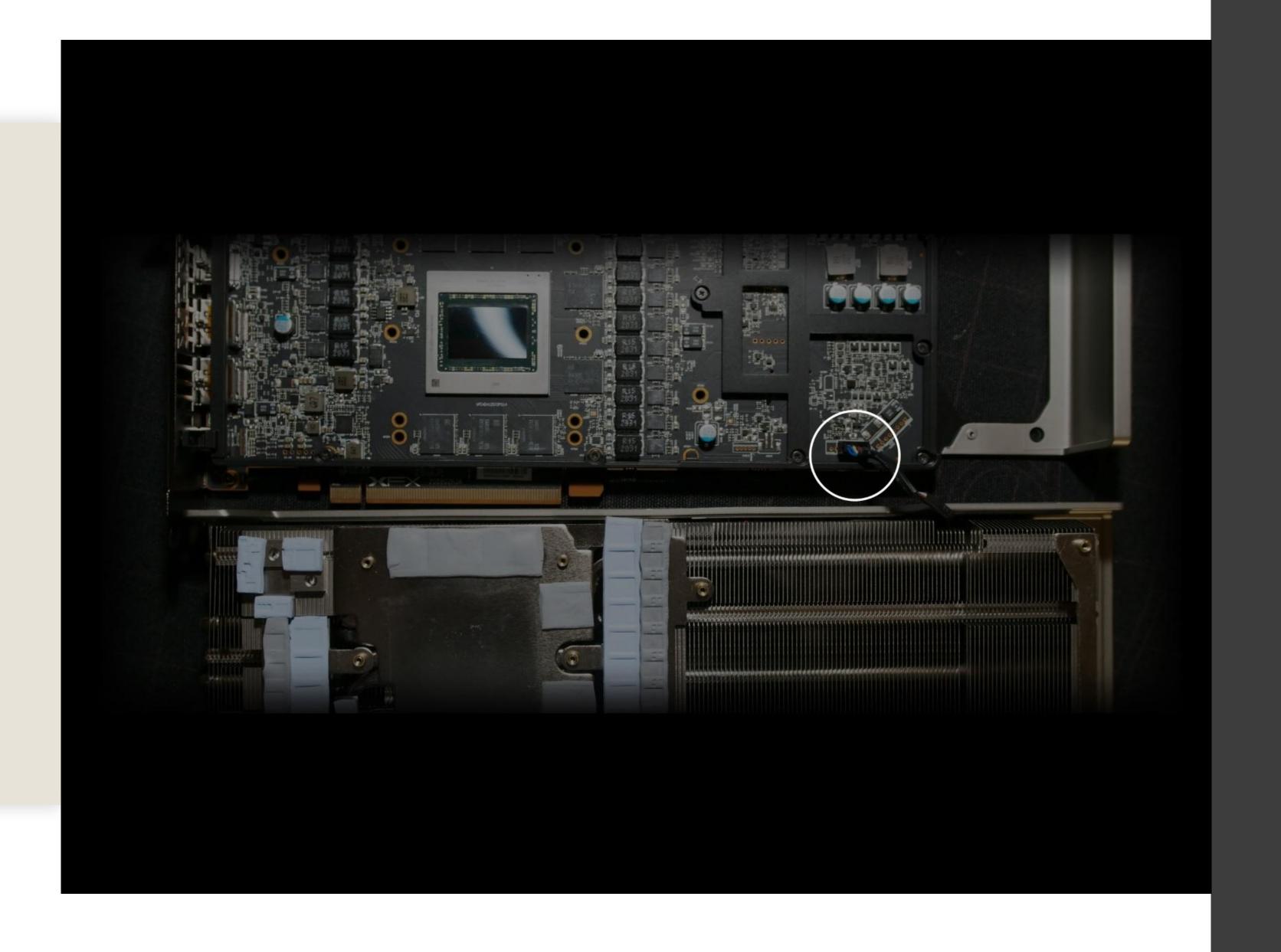
The first step is removal of 10 screws on the backplate.

- A. 6GPU Retention Screws
 - Note: Warranty Void Stickers do not apply in countries where prohibited such as in the United States.
- B. 1 Close to IO Ports
- C. 2 Near VRM
- D. 2 at rear of card. securing backplate to heatsink.

Once removed the entire fan shroud and heatsink assembly will separate from the graphics card. Take care not to pull the assembly too far from the PCB as the fan wire will still be attached.



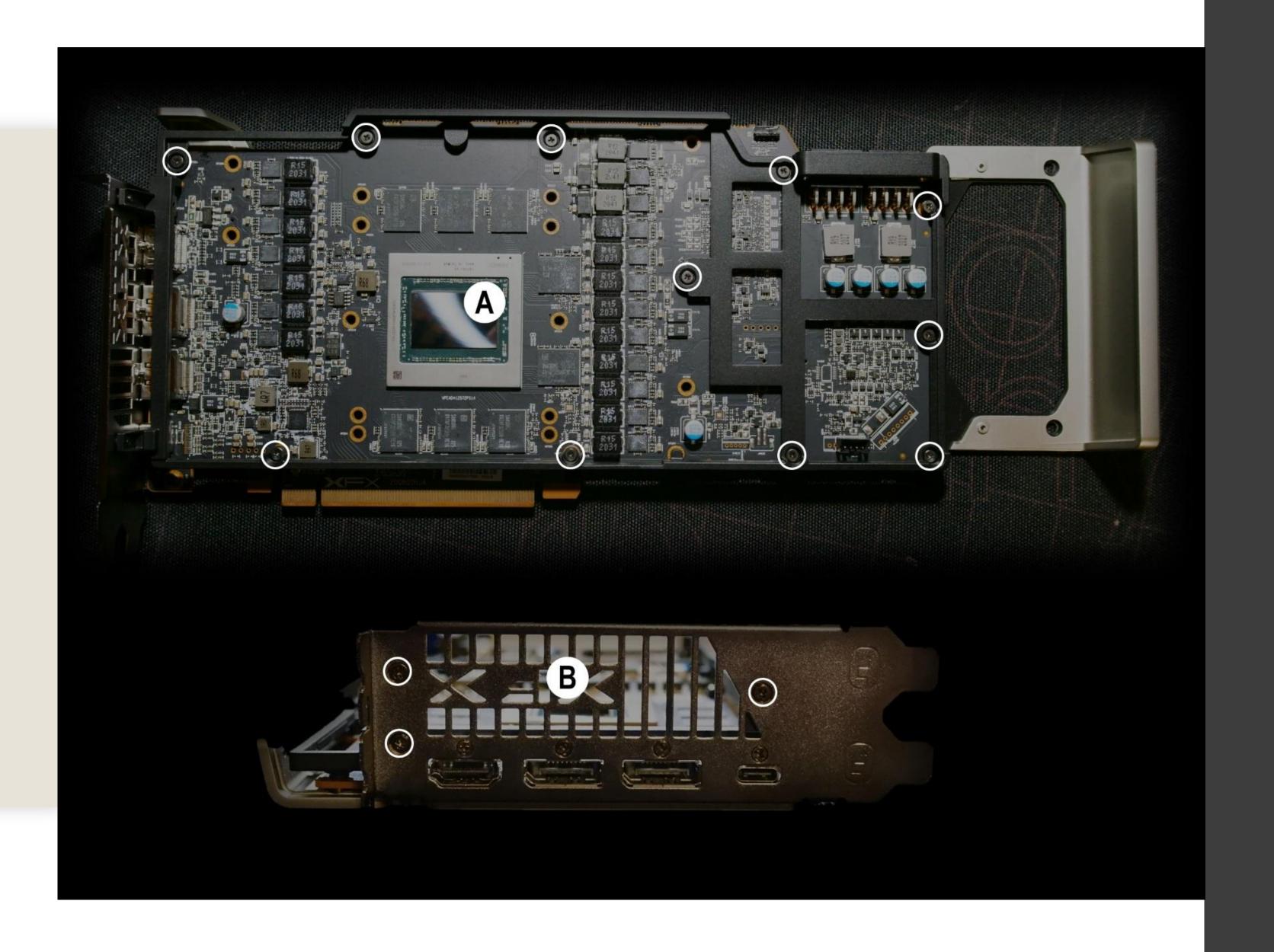
The fan wire is attached to the show below, take great care when removing the fan wire connection, the header can be delicate, tweezers or another precision instrument are recommended to release the lock mechanism on the header.



Once the fansink assembly is removed, the support tray is visible. The support tray is tied directly into the backplate, all visible tray screws will need to be removed to take off the tray and backplate.

- A. 11 Screws through PCB
- B. 3 Screws on I/O Plate

After all 14 screws above are removed, both the support tray and the backplate will separate from the PCB. Take care not to damage thermal pads when removing these components.



Back plate and back thermal pads.

On reassembly, it is important that the 4 screws holding the primary heatsink to the GPU are torqued / tightened as evenly as possible. The Navi GPU can be sensitive to uneven mounting pressure to the coldplate. Uneven mounting pressure will lead to Junction temperatures spikes and unpredictable fan behavior.

