

Exhibit: A-19 Trump Claims Epstein as a Hoax July 16, 2025

[Interview begins with irrelevant questioning]

1. **Reporter:** I know you want move past all this intrigue over the Epstein files, but I do wanna ask you to clarify something you said this morning. You said this was all a hoax. Has your attorney General [Trump interrupts: big hoax], told you this was a hoax? What evidence have you seen of that?
2. **Trump:** It's not the attorney general. No, I know it's a hoax. It says started by Democrats. It's been run by the Democrats for four years. You had Christopher Ray and these characters and Comey before him. And, uh. It's a bad group. It started actually look at the Steele dossier that turned out to be a total hoax. The 51 agents, the intelligence, so-called intelligence agents. It was a hoax. Uh, it's all been a big hoax. It's perpetrated by the Democrats and some stupid Republicans and foolish Republicans fall into the net, and so they try and do the Democrats work.
3. **Trump:** Uh, the Democrats are good for nothing other than these oakes. They're bad for policy. Uh, they're bad for. Picking candidates that can get elected like in, uh, New York. We have a communist running. He may get elected too, actually, but he's going to, he'll destroy the city. Uh, no, no. It's, uh, I call it the Epstein hoax.
4. **Trump:** Takes a lot of time and effort instead of talking about the great achievements we've had. A great gentleman, uh, yesterday, as you know, went on CNBC, and he made the statement that Trump may go down as the greatest president of all and. The United States, and instead of talking about the things we've achieved, we've had tremendous achievement. They're wasting their time with, uh, a guy who obviously had some very serious problems, who died three, four years ago. Uh, I'd rather talk about the success we have with the economy, the best we've ever had, and all of the things we've done, including the Middle East. I mean, you see it. Instead, they want to talk about the, uh, Epstein hoax. And the sad part is it's. People that are really doing the Democrats work. They're stupid people.

[Interview continues with irrelevant questioning]

Trump: That's one of the reasons that inflation's in check. When you can do that, you stop the inflation. What Biden did is he ended our policies went to his policies with He doesn't have a policy.

Trump: Some lunatic around the desk had a policy. Whoever operated the autopen had a policy, which is, by the way, I think the biggest scandal, that's the scandal they should be talking about, not uh Jeffrey Epstein. The scandal you should be talking about is the autopen because I think it's the biggest scandal, one of them, in American history.

Trump: So the economy so the economy is doing really well and uh people are seeing it.

Trump: Yeah.

Reporter: Mr. President, will you ask Attorney General Pam Bondi to release more documents to finally put this controversy to bed? Yeah. Whatever is credible, she can release. If a document is credible, if a document's there that is credible, she can release. I think it's I think it's good. But but it's just really it's just a subject. He's dead. He's gone.

Trump: And uh all it is is the Republicans, certain Republicans got duped by the Democrats and they're following a Democrat uh playbook and no different when than Russia, Russia, Russia and all the other hoaxes. They're they're started by the Democrats and some Republicans in this case, I was surprised, but uh they got duped.

Reporter: But have you talked about it? Have you talked about it? Have you talked about it with her

Reporter: First of all, remember your high ranking officials, whether it's been your your FBI director or Pam Bondi, they have made some inconsistent statements in the past. You've had [Trump interrupts]

Trump: Well, I don't know. I can't speak about him, but I can say that Pam Bondi I really think that she's done very good.

Trump: She says, I gave you all the credible information, and if she finds any more credible information, she'll give that, too. What more can she do than that? I mean, honestly, what more can she do?

Trump: And we do have bigger problems. You know, we have problems with millions of illegal people that came in here and they're killers and murderers. We have 11,888 murderers that were allowed in to our country by Biden. Sleepy Joe Biden. Stupid Joe Biden. He allowed them into our country.

Trump: And you know what? We got to do something about She's got a lot of things she's working on. And uh you know, it's it's very sad that somebody can be way laid. They just get way late. But she's she's I think she's doing a great job.

Reporter: President special this morning. Um you mentioned past supporters when you were talking about the the Epstein issue. Does that mean that you're effectively disowning any supporters who are now lost a lot of faith in certain people?

Trump: Yeah. I lost because they got duped by the Democrats. The Democrats are good for nothing. They've done a terrible job. They almost destroyed our country.

Trump: If I didn't get elected, all these numbers you're hearing about, they found 25 billion dollars and another 25 is coming in and hundreds of billions of dollars is pouring into our country and we just got the biggest tax cut in history. We just got the biggest regulation cuts in history. There'll be no tax on tips. There'll be no tax on social security. There'll be no tax on overtime.

Trump: There'll be no tax on so many other things. You're allowed to deduct your interest from a car payment. That's never happened before. You borrow interest. You borrow money to buy a car if you if the car is made in America.

Trump: And by the way, factories are being built all over America. Car factories, AI factories, but you get a deduction on your interest. Nobody ever thought of that before. Never happened before. And you know, these are the things that they should be talking about.

Trump: The big beautiful bill is one of the greatest pieces of legislation ever in this country. And the Democrats have nothing to combat it. So they say, "Oh, it's death." Death. Oh, that's good.

Trump: And then they give it to the fake news, which is you and a few others. And the fake news talks about the bill is death. The bill is actually life. The bill is life and it saves our country. This bill is incredible. Look at the results already. So we have 16 trillion dollars being invested in our country. And this great gentleman and his family just came in with another billions of dollars.

Trump: And if he didn't like the country, if he didn't like where we were going, he's very smart. He wouldn't he'd come, maybe he'd come, maybe he wouldn't even come. I think maybe he wouldn't even come. He'd save your time, but you know, it's one of those things. But, uh, if he didn't like where this country was, he wouldn't be investing billions of dollars in this country. But think of it, \$16 trillion, more than has ever been even contemplated before. And we haven't even started yet.

Trump: So that's what I want to talk about. I want to talk about the success. And the Democrats have nothing to show for what they do. They almost destroyed. They allowed 25 million people to come into our country. Gang members, jailbirds from all over the world, not South America, from all over the world. They allowed them to come into our country from mental institutions, insane asylum, just walk right through. They couldn't come into your country. They couldn't come into any country in the world except our country. And they came in from the worst places. Gang members, drug dealers. They all came in.

[Trump signals to someone behind camera view]

Trump: Turn it off, please.

Trump: They all came in and I'm doing something about it. We have it under check right now. We got rid of a lot of the murderers already. Some of them we put in our prisons because they're so bad. We don't want to take a chance in putting them in a foreign prison, have them come back. But uh we've done a great job. Our country is in great shape. We we literally have the hottest country anywhere in the world right now. And it's true what the king said, what a lot of people said. We were a dead country one year ago. One year ago, we were a dead country. We were laughed at all over the world. We had Afghanistan with that horrible embarrassment. Most most embarrassing moment in the history of our country. Look what happened with Russia and Ukraine. That should have never happened. Look what happened with Israel. That would have never happened. Hamas had no money. Iran had no money. There was no money to do an attack like that. All these things that happened that wouldn't have happened if you had good leadership. And that's what you should be talking about. Thank you very much everybody.

Trump: Guys another day.

Reporters: Thank you

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