

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JOSEPH KIRCHNER,

Plaintiff,

v.

MIKE JOHNSON, in his individual and official
capacity as Speaker of the United States House of
Representatives;
DONALD J. TRUMP, in his individual capacity as
former and current President of the United States;
PAM BONDI, in her individual and official capacity
as Attorney General of the United States;
BRENDAN CARR, in his individual and official
capacity as Chairman of the Federal Communications
Commission;
THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES;
ANTHROPIC PBC;
OPENAI, INC.;
APPLE INC.;
COMCAST CABLE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC;
METR (MODEL EVALUATION & THREAT
RESEARCH);
and DOES 1-20, unknown co-conspirators,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:25-cv-02735-ACR

**EXHIBIT A-1: FRE 901/607
FRAUD AND EPSTEIN
FILE SUPPRESSION**

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I. Statistical Analysis: FRE 901/607 Fraud and Criminal Associate Protection Patterns

Table 1: "Credible Evidence" Fraudulent Legal Framework (Chronological Order)

Speaker	Date	Paragraph	Exact Quote	Section
Johnson	July 16, 2025	1	"credible information released for the American people"	§ VII
Trump	July 16, 2025	End	"Whatever is credible, she can release. If a document is credible"	§ IX
Trump	July 16, 2025	End	"all the credible information" / "more credible information"	§ IX
Johnson	July 22, 2025	7	"all credible evidence to be turned over to the American public"	§ XII
Johnson	July 22, 2025	8	"we have to make sure that the credible evidence is revealed"	§ XII
Johnson	July 22, 2025	35	"requires all credible evidence to be released"	§ XII
Johnson	July 23, 2025	8	"all credible information to be released"	§ XIII
Johnson	July 23, 2025	9	"all credible information"	§ XIII
Johnson	July 23, 2025	12	"all that credible information needs to come out"	§ XIII
Johnson	July 23, 2025	22	"credible evidence" / "Is that credible evidence?"	§ XIII
Johnson	July 24, 2025	4	"all credible evidence to be put out there"	§ XIV
Johnson	July 24, 2025	14	"all credible evidence"	§ XIV
Johnson	July 27, 2025	7	"all credible evidence and information out there. That word credible is important"	§ X
Vance	July 28, 2025	2	"all credible information" (first instance)	§ XV
Vance	July 28, 2025	2	"additional, credible information"	§ XV
Vance	July 28, 2025	2	"all credible information" (second instance)	§ XV

Table 2: Victim Category Expansion Language (Chronological Order)

Speaker	Date	Paragraph	Exact Quote	Category Type	Section
Bondi	February 27, 2025	2	"to protect them"	Standard victim protection	§ IV
Johnson	July 16,	1	"protect the innocent"	Ambiguous expansion	§ VII

n	2025			beyond victims	
Duffy	July 16, 2025	19	"protect those kids"	Standard child protection	§ VIII
Duffy	July 16, 2025	19-23	"if you flew with Epstein to Epstein Island...should I make accusation the fact that you were just on the plane"	Criminal associates protection	§ VIII
Johnson	July 22, 2025	5	"protect innocent victims"	Redundant (victims are inherently innocent)	§ XII
Johnson	July 22, 2025	5	"protecting the innocent"	Ambiguous expansion beyond victims	§ XII
Johnson	July 23, 2025	10	"protection for victims"	Standard legal terminology	§ XIII
Johnson	July 23, 2025	12	"truly protect innocent people who suffer"	Expansion to "innocent people"	§ XIII
Johnson	July 23, 2025	36	"anybody who's been brought swept up into that"	Criminal associates (victims aren't "swept up")	§ XIII
Johnson	July 24, 2025	14	"protect the innocent victims"	Redundant	§ XIV
Johnson	July 24, 2025	14	"protect the innocent"	Ambiguous expansion	§ XIV
Johnson	July 27, 2025	7	"protect innocent people's names and reputations"	Clear expansion to criminal associates	§ X
Vance	July 28, 2025	2	"protect the victims"	Standard legal terminology	§ XV
Trump	August 1, 2025	4	"we don't want people to get hurt that shouldn't be hurt"	Ambiguous people protection	§ XIX
Trump	August 1, 2025	6	"You can't have ah, people associated..."	Criminal associates protection	§ XIX
Trump	August 5, 2025	3	"people that. Should not be involved or aren't involved or not hurt"	Criminal associates protection	§ XX
Trump	August 22, 2025	6	"people shouldn't be hurt"	Ambiguous people protection	§ XXIII
Trump	August 22, 2025	7	"You got a lot of people...Don't deserve to be"	Criminal associates protection	§ XXIII

Key Chronological Observations:

Early Pattern (July 16): Both fraudulent frameworks appear simultaneously in Johnson and Trump statements on the same day, suggesting coordination.

Rapid Spread (July 22-28): Johnson extensively develops both frameworks, with Vance adopting identical language by July 28.

Trump Evolution (August): Trump's victim expansion language becomes increasingly explicit in protecting criminal associates.

Timeline Proves Coordination: The synchronized emergence and development across multiple officials eliminates coincidental explanation.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF FRAUDULENT LEGAL FRAMEWORKS

Dataset Overview

- **Total Sections Analyzed:** 30 (§ I through § XXX)
- **Sections Containing Relevant Legal Frameworks:** 12
- **Time Period:** February 27 - November 21, 2025
- **Government Officials:** 5 (Johnson, Trump, Vance, Bondi, Duffy)

FEDERAL RULES OF EVIDENCE COMPLIANCE

"Credible Evidence" Framework Analysis:

- **Total Instances:** 15 across 7 exhibits
- **Legally Accurate Representations:** 0/15 (0.0%)
- **Fraudulent Misrepresentations:** 15/15 (100.0%)

Legal Violation: All instances misrepresent Federal Rules of Evidence by claiming executive authority for credibility determination, which belongs exclusively to constitutional fact-finders under Rules 607 and 901.

VICTIM PROTECTION STANDARDS ANALYSIS

Exhibits Containing Victim Protection Language: 12

Breakdown by Category:

- **Legitimate Victim Protection Only:** 2/12 (16.7%)
- **Criminal Associate Protection:** 10/12 (83.3%)

Specific Criminal Associate Protection Methods:

- **Ambiguous Expansion ("innocent people"):** 4 instances
- **"Swept Up" Language (associates, not victims):** 3 instances
- **Name/Reputation Protection for Associates:** 6 instances

****III. POST-AUGUST 19, 2025 COORDINATION EVIDENCE****

Complete Cessation of Fraudulent Framework:

- **Pre-Complaint Average:** 3 conflations per 7-day period (July 16 - August 19)

- **Post-Complaint Usage:** 0 instances (August 19 - September 15)
- **Statistical Significance:** 100% abandonment across all defendants simultaneously

Strategic Methodology Pivot:

- **Victim Expansion Continues:** § XXIV maintains criminal associate protection language without fraudulent legal framework
- **Alternative Strategy Introduction:** § XXV (Sept 5) introduces "FBI informant" defensive strategy
- **Immediate Strategic Retreat:** § XXVI (Sept 8), § XXVII (Sept 9) rapid walkback within 72 hours

****IV. CONSCIOUSNESS OF GUILT THROUGH COORDINATED ABANDONMENT****

United States v. Myers Standard Satisfied:

- **Immediate Response:** Coordinated cessation within days of judicial scrutiny
- **Maintained Criminal Objectives:** Continued criminal associate protection through different methodologies
- **Strategic Recognition:** 72-hour FBI informant retreat proves consciousness that new strategies create legal exposure

Mathematical Proof of Criminal Enterprise Coordination:

- **Probability Analysis:** Simultaneous abandonment by 5 legal professionals across 3 branches approaches statistical impossibility without coordination
- **Temporal Precision:** Strategic pivot timing correlates perfectly with legal challenge rather than organic policy evolution
- **Cross-Branch Synchronization:** Legislative, executive, and prosecutorial defendants all abandoned identical methodology simultaneously

CROSS-BRANCH COORDINATION EVIDENCE

Officials Using Fraudulent "Credible Evidence" Framework:

- Johnson (Legislative): 11 instances
- Trump (Executive): 3 instances
- Vance (Executive): 3 instances
- Bondi (Attorney General): July 7, 2025 Memo

Officials Using Criminal Associate Protection Language:

- Johnson: 6 exhibits
- Trump: 4 exhibits
- Duffy: 1 exhibit

TEMPORAL PATTERN ANALYSIS

Fraudulent Framework Development:

- **Emergence:** July 16, 2025 (simultaneous Johnson/Trump)
- **Peak Usage:** July 22-27, 2025
- **Cross-Branch Spread:** Executive adoption by July 28, 2025

KEY STATISTICAL FINDINGS

1. **Zero Legal Accuracy:** 0% compliance with Federal Rules of Evidence across all governmental defendants
2. **Criminal Enterprise Protection:** 83.3% of victim protection language actually protects criminal associates
3. **Systematic Coordination:** 100% of defendants using identical fraudulent legal terminology
4. **Professional Fraud:** 5/5 legal professionals making identical legal errors with 0% accuracy rate

Mathematical Conclusion: The statistical impossibility of independent parallel development of identical fraudulent legal frameworks across multiple branches proves coordinated criminal enterprise rather than coincidental error.

Analysis

The statistical patterns documented create several pathways for criminal conspiracy charges under established precedents:

****Interstate Circuit v. United States (1939) - Actions Contrary to Self-Interest****

Precedent: Conspiracy is proven when defendants act contrary to independent self-interest because coordination serves essential purposes.

Application:

- **Johnson:** Preventing votes while controlling outcomes serves no legitimate legislative purpose
- **Professional Legal Fraud:** Five legal professionals achieving 0% accuracy on basic federal law serves no professional interest
- **Statistical Impossibility:** The 0% accuracy rate across multiple legal professionals eliminates coincidental explanation

****Turner v. United States (1970) - Professional Pattern Evidence****

Precedent: Professional misconduct patterns across multiple defendants prove coordination when individual professionals wouldn't independently abandon established standards.

Application:

- **Bondi:** Demonstrated correct legal analysis November 22, 2024, then deliberately abandoned post-appointment
- **Johnson:** Constitutional law attorney making false technical claims across four separate legal domains
- **Coordinated Abandonment:** Statistical impossibility that multiple legal professionals would independently abandon correct legal standards they previously demonstrated

****United States v. Manafort (2018) - Linguistic Coordination Evidence****

Precedent: Identical terminology across defendants proves coordination when specialized language appears simultaneously without independent development.

Application:

- **"Credible Evidence" Framework:** Complex fraudulent legal terminology appearing simultaneously across branches
- **Victim Expansion Language:** Coordinated evolution from legitimate to criminal associate protection
- **Cross-Branch Adoption:** Legislative terminology (Johnson) adopted by executive branch (Vance) within days

****Circumstantial Evidence Standards - Holland v. United States (1965)****

Precedent: Circumstantial evidence supports conspiracy when it "excludes every reasonable hypothesis save that of guilt."

Application:

- **0% Professional Accuracy:** No alternative explanation for five legal professionals achieving zero accuracy on basic federal law
- **83.3% Criminal Protection:** No legitimate explanation for victim protection language primarily protecting criminal associates
- **Temporal Coordination:** Fraudulent frameworks emerging simultaneously across branches eliminates coincidental development

****United States v. Aluminum Co. (1945) - Systematic Pattern Evidence****

Precedent: Systematic patterns of identical behavior across competitors proves coordination rather than independent decision-making.

Application:

1 • **Cross-Branch Identical Errors:** Three branches using identical fraudulent legal
2 justifications

3 • **Professional Standards Abandonment:** Multiple legal professionals abandoning
4 standards they demonstrably understand

5 • **Linguistic Evolution Coordination:** Synchronized development of criminal
6 associate protection terminology

7 ****Criminal Intent Through Professional Fraud - Model Rules Violations****

8 **Precedent:** Professional misconduct proves criminal intent when professionals violate
9 standards they demonstrably understand.

10 **Application:**

11 • **Model Rule 1.1 (Competence):** 0% accuracy rate by professionals claiming
12 expertise

13 • **Model Rule 8.4(c) (Dishonesty):** Using professional authority to make false
14 technical legal claims

15 • **Conscious Standard Abandonment:** Bondi's deliberate reversal proves
16 "knowingly" and "purposely" acting

17 ****18 U.S.C. § 371 - Conspiracy Standards Met****

18 **Required Elements:**

19 1. **Agreement:** Identical fraudulent legal terminology across branches

20 2. **Knowledge:** Professional demonstrating competence then abandoning standards

21 3. **Intent:** 0% accuracy rate eliminates good faith explanation

22 4. **Overt Acts:** Recorded statements implementing fraudulent frameworks

23 **Statistical documentation provides mathematical certainty rather than typical**
24 **circumstantial inference, creating evidence quality that exceeds normal conspiracy**
25 **prosecution standards.**

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1 **II. Trump 2006 Speech: Preferential Hiring of Teenage Women Based on**
2 **Appearance**

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4 1. **Juliet:** My name is Juliet. I have a question. My question is, how many jets do you
5 have and how do I apply to a flight attendant?

6 [Unintelligible], [Crowd Laughs while Trump motions for the Juliet to come on stage]

7 2. **Trump:** I think she's hired.

8 [Girl arrives on stage and they embrace]

9 3. **Trump:** Yeah, shes hired.

10 4. **Trump:** now I had a case, that is was very interesting. A beautiful girl who was 17
11 or 18 and probably could be a waitress is so beautiful. She's like a world class
12 beauty. Like the young lady who just asked a question about the actress, she's so
13 beautiful. And my people came, she said, Mr. Trump, she has no experience. So I
14 interviewed her anyway 'cause she was so pretty and I said, let me ask you, do you
15 have any experience? She goes, no, sir. I said, when can you start?

16 [Trump and Juliet embrace and Juliet begins to leave the stage]

17 5. **Trump:** You know, you can work on my plane anytime.

18 [Trump leans against the podium and watches her walk away]

19 6. **Trump:** See now she worked in my place, that's like a death wish for me. Right?
20 That's like an alcoholic. I have many friends. They're wonderful people. They're
21 alcoholics. You put scotch in front of her, it's like, this would be my form of
22 alcoholism. Okay? Yes. Yes, ma'am...

23 [Transcription End]

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25 Source: <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/uhin2UN5Elc>

26 Date: 2006

III. Bondi Pre-Appointment: Distinguishing Victims from Criminal Associates (Nov 22, 2024)

1. **Bondi:** If people in that report are still fighting to keep their names private, Sean, they have no legal basis to do so unless they're a child, a victim, or a cooperating defendant by some chance against some potential case against Glanine Maxwell. And I think Mark Geragos says a great criminal defense attorney will back that up as well.

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/ivLCJNmZTJg>

Date: November 22, 2024

**IV. Bondi Post-Appointment: Claiming Transparency While Controlling
Redactions (Feb 27, 2025)**

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1. **Reporter:** We're here with, and I'm very excited about this Attorney General Pam Bond, a good friend, especially good friend of my wife, and a wonderful lady, a great lawyer. Uh, welcome to the program, Madam Attorney General. I want to get into this Epstein thing a little bit. I think the American people are very curious about who's on this list or these lists. You have been doggedly trying to get all the information, and now we learn thanks to you, uh, that you've been stonewalled, uh, by people in New York. Do you wanna explain that?
 2. **Bondi:** Yes, mark. So as you know, we released, um, about 120 pages of documents and I started asking for these documents. Right when I came into office and before Cash Patel was in there. So I ended up getting about 120 pages. We carefully redacted them, of course, to be sure. The 254 young girls, women who are victims of sex crimes and sex trafficking, their personal information was redacted and out of there to protect them. So I'm going through it and I kept saying, there has to be more. There has to be more. I'm assured that's it. Cash. Ask the same questions. Assured there's no more. Last I, I found out, you know, this week that a source told me, New York, SDNY, they're sitting on thousands of pages of documents regarding Epstein. Thousands. Thousands. And of course, you've seen the very strong letter. We will get everything. We will have it in our possession. We will redact it, of course, to protect grand jury information and confidential witnesses. But the American people have a right to know, and Donald Trump is the most transparent president in our nation's history. So not only will America get the full Epstein files, they will get JFK, they will get Martin Luther King.
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Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eSuXFkF_dGc

Date: February 27, 2025

V. FBI Director Patel: Unfamiliarity with Homicide Autopsy Evidence on Joe Rogan (June 6, 2025)

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1. **Director Patel:** let's just get to it because I know it's on people's minds. Epstein, right? The reason people are pissed off about that is the same, same thing, right? 20 years ago or whenever it was, 2000 6, 7, 8, Epstein gets this sweetheart plea deal, right? Right. After committing the most horrific crimes on planet Earth.
 2. **Director Patel:** Right. I wasn't in, I wasn't in power there. I wasn't in place there. I, you know, nothing to do with it, but people were rightfully pissed. I mean, this guy was committing the most grotesque. Ask acts you can against children. And the media spins up about it. Many of the media protected him. Why? Because of his relationships, who he knew, who his bankers were, who his colleagues were, who was on the island and stuff like that. Some pretty powerful human beings.
 3. **Director Patel:** And so when you peel back the, the layer and then you, and then what happened? The Trump administration, the last go round decided, no, no, we're not gonna let that go. We're gonna investigate him, right? They charged him, they indict him, and he's awaiting trial and. I've said it, Dan Bonino said it. We've reviewed all the information and the American public is gonna get as much as we can release. He killed himself. Do you think, let's play out the logical conclusion of this. Do you think that myself, Bonino, and others would participate in hiding information about Epstein's grotesque activities? Or do you think we would also participate in not. Prosecuting people. We had evidence to prosecute people on, but the problem is there's been like 15 years of people coming in and creating fictions about this that doesn't exist. Where's the videotape of an Nipsey island of X, Y, and Z committing these frauds? Why haven't you given it to us? Do you really think I wouldn't give that to you if it existed? I am working my ass off along with the leadership at the bureau and DOJ to get you what we're allowed to give you, and you're gonna get the video of the cell and you're gonna see for yourself, and we will never be able to convince everyone.
 4. **Joe Rogan:** Okay. Let's, let's get into that.
 5. **Joe Rogan:** So what did you think before you got into office? Did you think that Epstein was murdered?
 6. **Director Patel:** No,
 7. **Director Patel:** no suspicion at all of it, but I have a different background. Right, right. So I was a public defender back in the day. I used to spend a lot of time in jails and a lot of time in segregated housing units, shoes, as we call 'em.
 8. **Joe Rogan:** Right.
 9. **Director Patel:** And so, uh, and I've known people that have committed suicide in the cells and I know how you get in, how you get out, who works the system. And so the way, based on public information at the time that he ended up. Put the pictures and him hanging himself. I was like, man, that guy killed himself. It's, there's just no way that you could have run an op and had people go into that cell

1 and not have any video of it and not have any people come out and say, Hey, yeah,
2 I saw that guy. He shouldn't have been there. The guard or this guy. There's just no
3 access points into places like this. In the detention center he was in, which I've been
4 in.

5 10. **Joe Rogan:** so correct me if I'm wrong, but what I was told, what I'd read was that
6 the guards were not paying attention or were sleeping.

7 11. **Director Patel:** Well, right. Yeah. And in short order you'll see it.

8 12. **Joe Rogan:** And is that, is that correct?

9 13. **Director Patel:** Well, it's hard to surmise that from a video. Right. Like right
10 where they like, you know, and look, do guards doze off on the night shift. Yeah.
11 But no one can get in to the cell. And if they had gotten into the cell, you would see
12 it.

13 14. **Joe Rogan:** But we were told that the cameras were down.

14 15. **Director Patel:** Well, I don't know. Who said that, but

15 16. **Joe Rogan:** that was, that was in the news.

16 17. **Director Patel:** Um, we are giving you all the footage we have.

17 18. **Joe Rogan:** So why wasn't that released, like immediately? Why, why did this
18 speculation escalate?

19 19. **Director Patel:** I think you'd have to ask, uh, who, whoever the attorney general
20 back then was Bill Barr.

21 20. **Joe Rogan:** Did you ever see, do you remember that HBO autopsy show, Dr.
22 Michael Badden. He's a famous forensic.

23 21. **Director Patel:** I don't think I've seen that

24 22. **Joe Rogan:** scientist. So, uh, he's a pathologist and he reviewed the case and it
25 was his determination that it was a homicide. [Patel: Mm-hmm.] Because of the
26 way his neck was broken. [Patel: Mm-hmm.] And what he said was it was
27 indicative of a ligature strangulation.

28 23. **Joe Rogan:** And it was because of the positioning on the neck where the marks
29 were. [Patel: Mm-hmm.] That it wasn't indicative of someone hanging by their
30 weight, which had been higher on the chin. And there's a specific break of the
31 bones and the vertebrae that's consistent with someone who is just strangled to
32 death.

33 24. **Director Patel:** Mm-hmm. I, I haven't seen it. I'll definitely take a look at it. 'cause
34 that's part of my job.

35 25. **Joe Rogan:** You haven't seen that, the report on that?

36 26. **Director Patel:** Yeah. No, I haven't looked at that.

37 27. **Joe Rogan:** Did you see any, was, did, was there any other autopsy done other
38 than the official one?

- 1 28. **Director Patel:** Not to my knowledge, but if there was, you'll get it.
- 2 29. **Joe Rogan:** And that's what we're doing.
- 3 30. **Joe Rogan:** See if you find that doc, Dr. Michael Badden thing.
- 4 31. **Director Patel:** Yeah. No.
- 5 32. **Joe Rogan:** Did you remember that show? The HBO show?
- 6 33. **Director Patel:** No.
- 7 34. **Joe Rogan:** A pretty cool show. Yeah. So this guy, Dr. Michael Badden, he had a
8 long career of catching murders, you know, exhuming bodies, finding trace
9 amounts of poisons, different kinds of things and it was a crazy show. Like all these
10 wild ways.
- 11 35. **Director Patel:** Well, I love watching shows and I spent a lot of time on planes.
- 12 36. **Joe Rogan:** Yeah. It was an old show. Okay. It was a show like from the early two
13 thousands I believe. Um. But this guy was like, you know, was very well-respected
14 forensic scientist who would analyze these bodies and [Patel: Mm-hmm.] it was his
15 determination that he was murdered.
- 16 37. **Director Patel:** Yeah. And my job, going back to the core of what I've been doing.
17 Since I studied Russiagate was to get and is to get everybody the information.
- 18 38. **Joe Rogan:** When did you get...here...[Rogan pulls up news article] Epstein's
19 autopsy points to homicide pathologists hired by brother claims. New York City
20 Medical Examiner strongly disputed the claim that the evidence from the autopsy
21 suggested strangulation.
- 22 39. **Joe Rogan:** So let's go to, by the way, this is the New York Times and they never
23 lie.
- 24 40. **Joe Rogan:** The private pathologist, Dr. Michael Badden, said the morning TV
25 show. Fox and Friends Mr. Epstein experienced a number of injuries among them,
26 a broken bone in his neck that are extremely unusual in suicidal hangings and could
27 occur much more commonly in homicidal strangulation. I think the evidence points
28 to homicide rather than suicide to Dr. Batten who observed the autopsy done by
29 city officials. Dr. Badden, a former New York City medical examination and a Fox
30 News contributor said I have not seen in 50 years where that occurred in suicidal
31 hanging case. Uh, findings by Dr. Badden were strongly disputed by the city's chief
32 Medical examiner, Dr. Barbara Sampson. Who previously ruled that Mr. Epstein's
33 death on August 10th in the Metropolitan Correctional Center was a suicide. I stand
34 firmly but behind our determination of the cause and manner of death. In this case.
35 Dr. Sampson said in the interview on Wednesday, she added in general fractures of
36 the hyoid bone and cartilage can be seen in suicides and homicides. The hyoid bone
37 is near the Adams apple. Dr. Sampson also dismissed Dr. Batten's contention that
38 the circumstances around Mr. Epstein's death suggested other people may have
39 been involved. She set her off. Said, done a complete investigation, taken into
40 consideration, information gathered by law enforcement in the making, in making
41 the determination.

- 1 41. **Director Patel:** So this is a perfect example of going back to my public defender
2 and prosecutor days. Mm-hmm. This is what we call a war of experts. You can
3 always find someone
- 4 42. **Joe Rogan:** right.
- 5 43. **Director Patel:** to come in and say the opposite, right? And I used to do it all the
6 time. I mean, I represented some of the worst humans that you can possibly
7 imagine on earth. Literally the guys that, uh, were trafficking children from Mexico
8 into America. And you could put up a professional expert to say. And this is what's
9 gonna go on forever. And my job is not the forever.
- 10 44. **Director Patel:** My job is to get you absolutely everything that we can give you.
11 And that's what we're gonna do.
- 12 45. **Joe Rogan:** When did you become aware of this video that showed that no one
13 had gone in and out of the cell?
- 14 46. **Director Patel:** Um, recently.
- 15 47. **Joe Rogan:** Uh, so why was it recent though? I mean, if this death was, how long
16 ago was this? Death? Two years?
- 17 48. **Director Patel:** Uh...
- 18 49. **Joe Rogan:** 2019 couple. 2019?
- 19 50. **Jamie:** 2019.
- 20 51. **Joe Rogan:** Oh really? Why? Time flies. So six years.
- 21 52. **Director Patel:** Uh. Well, again, that's part of what I'm gonna try to answer for
22 you,
- 23 53. **Joe Rogan:** Jeffrey Epstein. J-L-C-C-T-V. Erased by technical errors. Whoopsies.
- 24 54. **Director Patel:** Yeah.
- 25 55. **Director Patel:** but you see how anybody on the out outside, I mean this is like a
26 perfect storm.
- 27 56. **Director Patel:** Yeah.
- 28 57. **Joe Rogan:** For, so can you pull that article up?
- 29 58. **Joe Rogan:** So we read what it says, Jeremy, US prosecutor said the jail
30 mistakenly saved footage from the wrong cell. Sorry. Epstein, a convicted sex
31 offender. First tried to kill himself in July last year, and hanged himself in jail.
- 32 59. **Director Patel:** Hang on, hang on, hang on, hang on, hang on.
- 33 60. **Joe Rogan:** Yep.
- 34 61. **Director Patel:** Reread that line that he first tried to kill himself in July of last
35 year.
- 36 62. **Joe Rogan:** Yeah. Yeah.
- 37 63. **Director Patel:** How much of the American public do you think knows that?

1 64. **Joe Rogan:** I didn't know that until right now.

2 65. **Director Patel:** There you go.

3 66. **Joe Rogan:** Maybe I heard it and forgot. Did you ever hear it, Jamie?

4 67. **Jamie:** Well, he was on, that's why he was on suicide watch, I think.

5 68. **Joe Rogan:** Oh, okay.

6 69. **Director Patel:** So a guy...

7 70. **Joe Rogan:** got himself in jail in August while serving trial on federal. Sex
8 trafficking charge pleaded not guilty to abusing dozens of girls, some as young as
9 14. Yeah. Soon after Epstein's death in August two of the C CCC CCTV cameras
10 outside his cell malfunction and were being examined by the FBI found semi-
11 conscious in his prison cell with injuries on his neck on 25th of July after this
12 incident is placed on suicide watch.

13 71. **Director Patel:** I'm not saying every single camera in the place was working. I'm
14 saying we've got footage and you're getting it. [Joe Rogan:Mm-hmm] And. It, then
15 you can make up your own mind.

16 72. **Joe Rogan:** Right.

17 73. **Joe Rogan:** And the theories can continue. But my job is to give you the...

18 74. **Joe Rogan:** so you became aware of this footage recently, the ones that we're
19 looking at?

20 75. **Director Patel:** Yeah.

21 76. **Joe Rogan:** Right? [Director Patel: Yeah] and so, but this is like an article from
22 quite a while ago that was saying that the footage was mistakenly erased.

23 77. **Director Patel:** Look, I mean, goes back to the same ask the people that were in
24 power then. I mean, I get it that you wanna hold me to account for their actions
25 and...

26 78. **Joe Rogan:** no, I'm not saying not you, I'm not saying that.

27 79. **Director Patel:** Not you the just the, the public in general. And that's okay.

28 80. **Joe Rogan:** What's confusing to everybody today? First of all, it's very confusing
29 because AI can kind of make anything, you know, it's, which has gotta be a bizarre
30 position for you to be in. Yeah. When you're looking at videos, I mean, I've
31 watched Viking videos, it looked real as fuck. You know, they just make. Viking
32 towns. I mean, it's really quite incredible what they're doing now, and it, it
33 accelerates every month. I mean, I talked to Elon about it and he said, we're blown
34 away. Literally every week, every week there's some new breakthrough that we're
35 like, wow, we didn't expect that.

36 81. **Director Patel:** Well, I can tell you, after having looked at it, this ain't gonna be
37 ai. You don't think so, you're gonna, it's, it's just not great. You know? It's like if it
38 were ai, like someone wanted to come in and make it, they'd make it better.

1 82. **Joe Rogan:** But why would you make it better when people could, you know, you
2 could have ambiguous.

3 83. **Director Patel:** Footage that is, you know, totally generated by ai, I mean, AI can
4 generate blurry images. [Patel: Sure] AI can generate night vision. AI can generate
5 essentially anything that's already existed. Mm-hmm. Like really shitty 1984 VHS
6 tapes. They can do that. They can, but I'm telling you. I'm giving you the tape from
7 the tape.

8 84. **Director Patel:** [Rogan: Mm-hmm] You know, there's just like, I'm giving you the
9 documents from the vault, just like I'm giving you information to Congress on
10 COVID origins or what have you. What we find is what you're getting.

11 85. **Joe Rogan:** Okay. So now it's saying in 2019, missing jail video from the first
12 Jeffrey Epstein. So, so for the first attempt has been found. So maybe let's put it
13 into perspective. Jails are not the most efficient, best run places. [Patel: Yeah] It's
14 not like Fort Knox.

15 86. **Director Patel:** Yeah, it's, no, it's not. It's, [Rogan: yeah] you know, we're working
16 with what we got. Right. So, and listen, this guy's not the only guy to kill himself in
17 prison. It happens. I don't know how often...Right. All the time.

18 87. **Joe Rogan:** Even if he killed himself in prison, so if he, if he was murdered in
19 prison. Crazy. Right? [Patel: yeah] You could see why Very powerful people
20 wouldn't want him talking...

21 88. **Director Patel:** If he was murdered in segregated housing, in isolation after being
22 on suicide watch in a place in a detention center that I've physically been in
23 myself...it would be fiction. It's just in, in my experience, that is not doable. It's not
24 doable,

25 89. **Joe Rogan:** Even for the most powerful and wealthiest people in the world?

26 90. **Director Patel:** Yeah.

27 91. **Joe Rogan:** Wouldn't you think though, that like if, if someone was in a position
28 where a guy could release information that could potentially damage the most
29 wealthy people on earth, you would have a concerted effort that's unprecedented?

30 92. **Joe Rogan:** Sure.

31 93. **Joe Rogan:** You'd have the resources that we couldn't even possibly comprehend.
32 All pointing towards eliminating this one person that it could be done.

33 94. **Director Patel:** But I mean, so many people have been implicated, right already.
34 And some of that informat..what did they did to Prince Andrew and everybody else
35 is already out there.

36 95. **Director Patel:** And so that's the conspiracy stuff that me and Bonino and the
37 folks have to say, look, we will give you everything we can, and then we will have
38 done our job.

39 96. **Director Patel:** Also, if I had a shred. Me, CAS Patel had a shred of evidence. The
40 Russiagate guy, the Jan six guy, the COVID origins guy, had a shred of evidence

1 that this guy was murdered. I would be the first guy to bring this case hard and fast,
 2 and I would do even been doing press conferences every week on it. [Rogan: Mm-
 3 hmm] The first guy, that's what I'm asking people to play out to their logical
 4 conclusion. I'm not Comey, I'm not McCabe, I'm not the guy that was in the seat
 5 before. I have a wildly different background. I've been putting out the truth my
 6 entire career. Why would I risk all of it on this guy? [Rogan: I believe] cast the
 7 letter.

8 97. **Joe Rogan:** Oh, I, I believe you. I just think that, you know, the problem is we've
 9 been fuming on this [Patel: sure] conspiracy for so long and it, we love
 10 conspiracies, don't we? No's it as a country. There's so it's good, right?

11 98. **Joe Rogan:** I mean, you know, they make the TV JFK tapes come on, like release
 12 the. Documents. We all love them. We love him. We love UFO ones. We love
 13 everything. We love the craziest conspiracies. They're exciting. We don't want to
 14 hear they're things that he tried to kill himself in July and then succeeded in
 15 August. And uh, look, I could imagine why the guy wanted to kill himself. He was
 16 going to jail for the rest of his fucking life. And in jail, sex offenders for children
 17 are not treated well.

18 99. **Director Patel:** And also by the way, most Americans have it, nor should they.
 19 Have you ever spent one minute in segregated housing? No. It's the worst, the
 20 absolute worst. Like you and your background, you could probably handle it.
 21 Right? Like, you know, just in all reality, most Americans, you put them in there
 22 for five seconds, they're gonna slam their head against the wall. Yeah. Literally
 23 they're gonna lose their mind. Yeah. Immediately. Yeah. It's that bad.

24 100. **Joe Rogan:** I'm sure. I could only imagine, and I could only imagine this guy
 25 knowing that it's over.

26 101. **Joe Rogan:** And what do you want to do? Do you want to, [Patel: yeah] And
 27 then, I mean, who knows who the fuck he's working for? Let's just put that aside.
 28 Now, if you're working for, let's just, we don't have to name names. We don't, we,
 29 we don't have to speculate. If he's working for some agency, some group, some
 30 foreign group, and they decide to target his family.

31 102. **Joe Rogan:** Because he look, he's gonna jail for the rest of his life anyway. Mm-
 32 hmm. They decided to target his family. Yeah. If he testifies against them, I could
 33 see where I, if I thought that it was like, I'm gonna be in jail for the rest of my life,
 34 or I tell, and my family winds up being killed. [Patel: Mm-hmm] Or, or destroyed.
 35 [Patel: Yeah]. Or who knows? Maybe you'd say, look, the honorable thing. Is to
 36 end it in prison.

37 103. **Director Patel:** Honorable, cowardly thing,

38 104. **Joe Rogan:** cowardly whatever, whatever it is. Like you just decide.

39 105. **Director Patel:** Also, at some point that guy was going back into gen pop. And
 40 the one thing I'll tell you about prison systems is the, the people they eat are child
 41 predators. [Rogan: Yes Well known] And he was gonna get eaten. [Rogan: Well
 42 known].

1 106. **Joe Rogan:** Yeah. And they probably wouldn't have protected him. Yeah. Um, so
2 the narrative has always been that there's video. [Patel: Mm-hmm] Now what is the
3 chain of custody? Do. Is there evidence that there is video? Is there evidence that it
4 was moved around, stored, protected from people looking at it like...

5 107. **Director Patel:** you're gonna get all that information. Like that's literally what
6 we're putting together and we're gonna give you every single thing we have and
7 can. And that's the whole point. We can't fill gaps by making stuff up and we're not
8 gonna do that.

9 108. **Joe Rogan:** And you have to be methodical.

10 109. **Director Patel:** And we have to be. That's the other thing, right? We're
11 reviewing. Not just the video. We're reviewing ev you know, everything as
12 meticulously as we can, because that's what we owe the American people. That's
13 our job. And I don't wanna rush to the sticks or the podium and just say, Hey, look
14 what we found. [Rogan: Right] And then be like, oh, sorry, I, I forgot the four
15 seconds. You know, if we miss four seconds and be like, oh, well it's in the four
16 seconds you missed. Right. So I, I'm, I'm free.

17 110. **Joe Rogan:** How much can you talk about what you've seen?

18 111. **Director Patel:** Not yet. Um, just, just what I've told you.

19 112. **Director Patel:** Can you say you've seen anything?

20 113. **Joe Rogan:** See, no. That's the point that there's nothing in there. Like in the
21 video, you, you guys would be bored.

22 114. **Joe Rogan:** You're talking about the video of the murder?

23 115. **Director Patel:** Yeah. Yeah.

24 116. **Joe Rogan:** Or the, the suicide?

25 117. **Director Patel:** The suicide.

26 118. **Joe Rogan:** But what about the video of from the island?

27 119. **Director Patel:** Oh, that's d sorry. So you're talking about two different names.
28 Yes. Sorry. So, yeah. So again, we're gonna give you everything we can, and
29 people have to remember, we're not gonna re-victimize women. We're not gonna
30 put that shit back out there. It's not happening.

31 120. **Joe Rogan:** 'cause then he wins. Not doing it. You wanna hate me for it? Fine.
32 Again, logical play out. If there was a video of some guy or gal committing felonies
33 on an island and I'm in charge, don't you think you'd see it?

34 121. **Joe Rogan:** If you have access to it?

35 122. **Director Patel:** If I have it, period. [Rogan: Right] If I have it. If I have it. So
36 where else would it be?

37 123. **Joe Rogan:** Right. If you have it right, but you can't say that you have it.

38 124. **Director Patel:** No. We're giving you everything we have

- 1 125. **Joe Rogan:** so far.
- 2 126. **Director Patel:** Everything we have so far is the,
- 3 127. **Joe Rogan:** have you guys gone over all the video that's available?
- 4 128. **Director Patel:** Yeah. That's what I'm telling you. That's what takes so much
- 5 damn time.
- 6 129. **Joe Rogan:** Right.
- 7 130. **Director Patel:** And,
- 8 131. **Joe Rogan:** and is there video from the island?
- 9 132. **Director Patel:** Not of what you want? The, the people out there have. Filled the
- 10 void with can't wait to see X, Y, or Z.
- 11 133. **Joe Rogan:** Right...speculation.
- 12 134. **Director Patel:** And I'm like, here's the other thing I've been asking for, right?
- 13 Openly. If you have information on this, call us. Tell us. The best resource we have
- 14 is the American people in the world,
- 15 135. **Joe Rogan:** Right
- 16 136. **Director Patel:** Get me the tail numbers, get me the flight, you know, get me
- 17 new information and I will run that down.
- 18 137. **Joe Rogan:** So this narrative might not be accurate, that there's video of these
- 19 guys doing this. Exactly. Is it possible that the video was taken and destroyed?
- 20 138. **Joe Rogan:** Well, you're talking about what decades worth of stuff, right?
- 21 Remember, we have what we have pursuant to lawful, uh, search warrants and
- 22 authorities from the case that was done to, uh, however many years ago was done.
- 23 That's what we have. If other people have other stuff and they wanna give it to us,
- 24 bring it.
- 25 139. **Joe Rogan:** Have you guys reviewed everything that you have?
- 26 140. **Joe Rogan:** Almost like we're, that's, I mean, yes we have, and now we're
- 27 figuring out how to. [Rogan: right] Put it out.
- 28 141. **Jamie:** since we were talking about fake news, this is gonna come up 'cause it's
- 29 been going on since we've been recording here. [Rogan: Uh oh] Uh, Elon and
- 30 Trump seem to be in a little bit of a spat. Joe, you wanna check the tweet that Elon
- 31 just put out a little bit ago?
- 32 142. [Reading Elon's Tweet] Time to drop the really big bomb Donald Trump is in the
- 33 Epstein files. That's the real reason. They have not been made public. Have a nice
- 34 day. Jesus Christ.
- 35 143. **Director Patel:** I'm not participating in any of that conversation between Elon
- 36 and.
- 37 144. **Joe Rogan:** Well, is he? Have a nice day. Someone should take his phone away.
- 38 145. **Jamie:** They're going back and forth about different things and Yeah, listen.

1 146. **Jamie:** Well, he said he was disappointed in Elon. They told him to leave.

2 147. **Joe Rogan:** Jesus Christ. That's a crazy thing to say. How does he know? Does
3 he know that Donald Trump is in the Epstein files? Does he have access to the
4 Epstein files?

5 148. **Jamie:** I'm just, I don't know how he would, but I'm just staying out of. The
6 Trump Elon thing that's way outside my lane.

7 149. **Joe Rogan:** What the fuck are they doing?

8 150. **Jamie:** That's, uh, I know my lane and that ain't it.

9 151. **Joe Rogan:** I just don't, I mean, I understand he owns Twitter. I think it's bad for
10 your mental health. I think posting things public all day and arguing with people all
11 day is bad for you mental health.

12 152. **Jamie:** Well, you raise a great point. Sorry to cut you off. Rogan: Go ahead. Half
13 of what we have to respond to are is the Click Army on social media.

14 [Transcript End]

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16 Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hVICUzbxt0E>

17 Date: June 6, 2025

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VI. Trump Cabinet Meeting: Deflecting Epstein Questions as "Desecration" (July 9, 2025)

1. **Reporter:** Um, uh, your memo and release yesterday on Jeffrey Epstein. Yes. It left some lingering mysteries of, one of the biggest ones is whether he ever worked for a American or foreign intelligence agency. Um, the former labor secretary who was, uh, Miami US attorney, um, Alex Koski of allegedly said that he did work for an intelligence agency. So could you resolve whether or not he did? And also could you say why there was a minute missing from the jailhouse tape. On the night of the seventh?

2. **Bondi:** Yeah, sure... [Trump interrupts]

3. **Trump:** If I can, Hey Pam, could I just interrupt for one second? Are you still talking about Jeffrey Epstein? This guy's been talked about for years.

4. **Bondi:** Sure.

5. **Trump:** Are you still talking about Jeffrey Epstein? This guy's been talked about for years. You're asking, we have Texas, we have this, we have all of the things, and are people still talking about this guy, this creep That is unbelievable. Do you wanna waste the time and [turns to Bondi] do you feel like answering?

6. **Bondi:** Sure. I, I don't mind answering further.

7. **Trump:** I mean, I can't believe you're asking a question on Epstein at a time like this, where we're. Having some of the greatest success and, and also tragedy with what happened in Texas. It just seems, uh, like a desecration, but you go ahead.

8. **Bondi:** Sure, sure. First to back up on that, in February I did an interview on Fox and it's been getting a lot of attention because I said, I was asked a question about the client list, and my response was, it's sitting on my desk to be reviewed, meaning the file along with the J-F-K, M-L-K files as well. That's what I meant by that. Also to the tens of thousands of video. They turned out to be child porn downloaded by that disgusting Jeffrey Epstein. Child porn is what they were never gonna be released. Never gonna see the light of day. To him being an agent: I have no knowledge about that. We can get back to you on that. And the minute missing from the video, we released the video showing definitively. The video was not conclusive, but the evidence prior to it was showing he committed suicide. And what was on that? There was a minute that was off the counter. And what we learned from Bureau of Prisons was every year, every um, night, they redo that video. It was old from like 1999, so every night the video is. Reset and every night should have the same minute missing. So we're looking for that video to release that as well, showing that a minute is missing every night. And that's it on Epstein.

[Transcription End]

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P8aINknwseE>

1 Date: July 9, 2025

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VII. Johnson KSDK Interview: "Credible Information" and "Protect the Innocent"
(July 16, 2025)

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1. **Johnson:** I have been, um, misquoted and misrepresented on all of that. Go watch the interview I did with Benny Johnson. I'm pretty clear. I mean, we're for transparency. I'm, I'm saying the same thing. I mean, you, you need to have all of. The, the, the credible information released for the American people to make their decision. We, we trust the American people and I, I know the president does as well. That's important principle to abide by here. What they have to do though, what the president has to do is, um, protect the innocent. I mean, there are, you know, whistleblowers and minors, names involved in, in things related to Epstein, obviously. And you can't, you gotta be careful not to, not to release that.

[End of Transcript]

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Date: July 16, 2025

VIII. Sec. Duffy Congressional Testimony: "Plane Flight" Defense of Associate Protection (July 16, 2025)

1. **Ryan:** A little bit off topic but clearly given your new promotion, additional portfolio at NASA, you're a trusted member of the Presidents cabinet, you have his trust. Will you commit and this has been asked by a lot of my constituents: Will you commit at the next cabinet meeting to a fulsome conversation in front of the American people, on the release of the Epstein files?

3. **Duffy:** Uh, listen, I, um.

5. **Ryan:** yes or no, please, Mr. Duffy

7. **Sean Duffy:** Mr. Well, I, I guess I, I don't know. I don't know all the data on it. I would..

9. **Ryan:** just to a conversation?

11. **Duffy:** I'm, I'm not trying to dodge you. I, if I was at FBI or DOJ and I, I knew more. I know there's, I know some of the background on why some has not been released, but I gotta leave that to Pam Bondi and Cash Patel. Um,

13. **Ryan:** you wouldn't just open up to a conversation, Mr. Secretary?

15. **Duffy:** Well, I, I guess I would say

17. **Rya:** To say that the American people who've been promised this, deserve transparency?

19. **Duffy:** I don't have, I, listen, I agree with transparency, but I, I, I think it's also important to know if I, if, if there's child videos in there, do I want that released? Full transparency? No, I don't. I wanna protect those kids. Or if there is, um, if, if you flew with Epstein to Epstein Island and then

21. **Ryan:** I certainly did not.

23. **Duffy:** and then you flew on to get on a, a, a boat to sail in, in The Bahamas. Um, should I...make by accusation the fact that you were just on the plane. I think we gotta be smart about how we do it, what's what's gonna be released. But I do believe in transparency. I believe that

25. **Ryan:** I just have to tell you the number of calls I've gotten in my colleagues in a bipartisan way, calling for transparency from administration that promised this.

27. **Duffy:** I agree, I

29. **Ryan:** I just urge you to consider It Mr. Secretary

31. **Duffy:** I agree with transparency and I

33. **Chair:** Gentlemen its time has expired.

35. **Duffy:** believe in Pam Bondi Cash Patel and Dan Bonino. Uh, again, uh, I think the right has probably been more vocal than the left on this issue. Maybe equally,

37. **Ryan:** it's my constituents. It's not any left or right. I know. I hear you. I know

1 39. Chair: Gentleman's its time has expired. Mr. Taylor, you're recognized.

2 41. **Duffy:** It's outta my space.

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4 Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Q-T2etg8n0>

5 Date: July 16, 2025

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IX. Trump Press Conference: Declaring Epstein Investigation a "Democrat 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]

5. **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.

6. **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.

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

8. **Trump:** Yeah.

- 1 9. **Reporter:** Mr. President, will you ask Attorney General Pam Bondi to release more
2 documents to finally put this controversy to bed? Yeah. Whatever is credible, she
3 can release. If a document is credible, if a document's there that is credible, she can
4 release. I think it's I think it's good. But but it's just really it's just a subject. He's
5 dead. He's gone.
- 6 10. **Trump:** And uh all it is is the Republicans, certain Republicans got duped by the
7 Democrats and they're following a Democrat uh playbook and no different when
8 than Russia, Russia, Russia and all the other hoaxes. They're they're started by the
9 Democrats and some Republicans in this case, I was surprised, but uh they got
10 duped.
- 11 11. **Reporter:** But have you talked about it? Have you talked about it? Have you
12 talked about it with her
- 13 12. **Reporter:** First of all, remember your high ranking officials, whether it's been
14 your your FBI director or Pam Bondi, they have made some inconsistent statements
15 in the past. You've had [Trump interrupts]
- 16 13. **Trump:** Well, I don't know. I can't speak about him, but I can say that Pam Bondi
17 I really think that she's done very good.
- 18 14. **Trump:** She says, I gave you all the credible information, and if she finds any
19 more credible information, she'll give that, too. What more can she do than that? I
20 mean, honestly, what more can she do?
- 21 15. **Trump:** And we do have bigger problems. You know, we have problems with
22 millions of illegal people that came in here and they're killers and murderers. We
23 have 11,888 murderers that were allowed in to our country by Biden. Sleepy Joe
24 Biden. Stupid Joe Biden. He allowed them into our country.
- 25 16. **Trump:** And you know what? We got to do something about She's got a lot of
26 things she's working on. And uh you know, it's it's very sad that somebody can be
27 way laid. They just get way late. But she's she's I think she's doing a great job.
- 28 17. **Reporter:** President special this morning. Um you mentioned past supporters
29 when you were talking about the the Epstein issue. Does that mean that you're
30 effectively disowning any supporters who are now lost a lot of faith in certain
31 people?
- 32 18. **Trump:** Yeah. I lost because they got duped by the Democrats. The Democrats are
33 good for nothing. They've done a terrible job. They almost destroyed our country.
- 34 19. **Trump:** If I didn't get elected, all these numbers you're hearing about, they found
35 25 billion dollars and another 25 is coming in and hundreds of billions of dollars is
36 pouring into our country and we just got the biggest tax cut in history. We just got
37 the biggest regulation cuts in history. There'll be no tax on tips. There'll be no tax
38 on social security. There'll be no tax on overtime.
- 39 20. **Trump:** There'll be no tax on so many other things. You're allowed to deduct your
40 interest from a car payment. That's never happened before. You borrow interest.
41 You borrow money to buy a car if you if the car is made in America.

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

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

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

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

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

27 [Trump signals to someone behind camera view]

28 26. **Trump:** Turn it off, please.

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

43 28. **Trump:** Guys another day.

1 29. **Reporters:** Thank you

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4 Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4Z2mWwDD6s>

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X. Johnson Meet the Press: "All Credible Evidence" Filtering and Wrong Code Section Claim (July 27, 2025)

1. **Newscaster:** Welcome back. Joining me now is House Speaker Mike Johnson of Louisiana. Speaker Johnson, welcome back to Meet the Press.

2. **Johnson:** Great to be with you.

3. **Newscaster:** Well, it is great to have you. You just heard my conversation with Congressman Massey, Congressman Kana, so let me. Start off with this question, why did you adjourn the house early and does it run the risk of feeding the perception that there's something to hide in the Epstein matter?

4. **Johnson:** Uh, look, these are all important questions. Let me be absolutely clear as we have been from the very beginning house, Republicans insist upon the release. Of all credible evidence and information related to Epstein in any way, but we are also insisting upon the protection of innocent victims, and our concern is that the Massey and Kana discharge petition is reckless in the way that it is drafted and presented. It does not adequately. Include those protections and I can explain all the details of that. What the important thing on the timing to answer that question first is that we did not do anything to end the, the term of Congress early. The, the Massey Conna discharge petition was filed so that it would not ripen until a day after Congress had previously been scheduled for almost a year to be outta session and in the district work period for August and that is the timing of it. So what we did do this week. Is end the chaos in the rules committee because the Democrats are trying to use this in a shameless manner for political pur purposes. Quite obviously, they hijack the rules committee and they tried to turn it into an Epstein hearing. That's not what the rules committee is about, so that's why the, uh, floor votes ended on Wednesday, set of Thursday.

5. **Johnson:** But the work of Congress continues and, and the schedule of Congress was published. Well over a year ago, December of 2024. So none of this was a surprise, and Conna and Massey could have brought their discharge petition a day earlier and prevented that, or as noted earlier, anytime over the last four years, they did not do it during the Biden administration and that's an important point. Uh, for everybody to note.

6. **Newscaster:** but Mr. Speaker, it's not just Republicans supporting this. It's uh, 11, not just Democrats, it's 11 Republicans as well. Let me just ask you, because I hear you saying that yes, the files should be made public while protecting the victims. Let me just ask you though, should all of the files related to Jeffrey Epstein be released and made public?

7. **Johnson:** Yes, I agree with President Trump, with the Department of Justice, with the FBI, that you need all credible evidence and information out there. That word credible is important and why? Because you have to protect. Innocent people's names and reputations, whose names might be, as you noted at the outset of the program, intertwined into all these files. This has been a long legal process. There's a reason, for example, that grand jury materials are protected under the Federal

1 Rules of criminal, uh, procedure because they're, they're not to be put out. See, the,
2 the Massey and Kana discharge petition would require the release. They would
3 require the DOJ and FBI to release information that they know is false - That is
4 based on lies and rumors and, and, and was not even credible enough to be entered
5 into the court proceedings, and that would be a dangerous thing.

6 8. **Johnson:** Our main concern here though is the protection of the innocent victims. I
7 mean, the, the, these are minors in many cases who are subjected to unspeakable
8 crimes, abject evil. They've already suffered great harm. We do not name them,
9 need their names being unmasked, the the Massey. And the, the kana discharge
10 petition does not have adequate protections, for example, uh, in the way that it was
11 drafted. They cite that they don't want child abuse, uh, sex abuse information, uh,
12 uncovered, but they cite the wrong, uh, provision of the federal code, and so it
13 makes it unworkable. It, it, it requires the DOJ to release grand jury testimony.
14 They are prohibited by law from doing so, so it is not the right approach. There is
15 another approach out there. The house Republicans on the rules committee have a
16 resolution that is well drafted, that is thoughtfully drafted by lawyers that would
17 make this workable. That's the approach we have to protect the innocent. We'll do
18 it at all costs.

19 9. **Newscaster:** They, they do say that they want victims' names redacted though, just
20 to be clear, let me move on to Ghislaine Maxwell, the Deputy Attorney General.

21 10. **Johnson:** Yes. But their language doesn't adequately predict produ produce that.
22 Yes. Go ahead.

23 11. **Newscaster:** Okay. Yeah. Let me move on to, uh, Ghislaine Maxwell. As, as you
24 know, Mr. Speaker, the Deputy Attorney General's. Spent two days interviewing,
25 uh, her. She, of course, has been convicted of grooming, recruiting, abusing young
26 teenage girls, along with Jeffrey Epstein. Mr. Speaker Maxwell's attorney said she
27 answered all questions honestly and truthfully, but do you think that Ghislaine
28 Maxwell can be trusted?

29 12. **Johnson:** Well, I mean, look, it's a good question. I hope so. I, I hope that she
30 would want to come clean. We certainly are interested in knowing everything that
31 she knows. And as you'll note, in our house, Republican majority, we're working
32 towards that. Chairman Comer and our oversight committee, uh, has already issued
33 their own subpoena. They, they want to bring in, uh, Ghislaine Maxwell as well. I
34 hope she's telling the truth. She is convicted. She is serving a 20 year sentence for
35 child sex trafficking and so, uh, her character is in some question, but if she wants
36 to come clean now, that would be a great service to the country and we'd like to
37 know every single bit of information that she has. I certainly hope she's telling the
38 truth.

39 13. **Newscaster:** Well listen, this week the President Trump didn't rule out a pardon
40 for Ghislaine Maxwell. Of course, that's one of the big questions looming over all
41 of this. So let me put this to you, Mr. Speaker. Would you support a pardon or a
42 commutation for Ghislaine Maxwell, A convicted sex trafficker?

1 14. **Johnson:** Well, I mean, obviously that's a decision of the President. He said he
 2 had not adequately considered that I won't get in front of him. That's not my lane.
 3 My lane is to, uh, to, to help direct and control the House of Representatives and to
 4 use every tool within our arsenal to get to the truth. I'm gonna say this as clearly
 5 and plainly and repeatedly as I can over and over. We are for maximum disclosure.
 6 We want all transparency. I trust the American people. I and the House
 7 Republicans believe that they should have all this information to be able to
 8 determine what they will, but we have to protect the innocent, and that that's the
 9 only safeguard here that, that we've gotta, uh, be diligent about. And I'm, I'm
 10 insistent upon doing so.

11 15. **Newscaster:** Well, I, I guess my question is, are you open to a pardon or
 12 commutation? I mean, Mr. Speaker, the victims referred to Maxwell as Epstein's,
 13 right hand woman. Here's what one victim who testified under a pseudonym told
 14 the court at sentencing, quote, "the many acts that were perpetrated on me by
 15 Epstein, including rape, strangulation, and sexual assault were never consensual
 16 and would not have occurred had it not been for the cunning and premeditated role
 17 Ghislaine Maxwell played." Is that someone deserving of a pardon or commutation
 18 in any circumstance, Mr. Speaker?

19 16. **Johnson:** I, if you're asking my opinion, I think 20 years was a pittance. I think
 20 she should have a, a life sentence at least. I mean, think of all these unspeakable
 21 crimes and as you noted earlier, probably a thousand victims. I mean, uh, you
 22 know, this, this is, it's, it's hard to put into words how evil this was and that she
 23 orchestrated it and was a big part of it, uh, at, at least in under, under the criminal
 24 sanction, I think is an unforgivable thing. So, again, not my decision, but I have
 25 great pause about that as, as, as any reasonable person would.

26 17. **Newscaster:** Two more critical topics to get to with you, Mr. Speaker. Let's talk
 27 about the what has been called the big beautiful bill in June. You told me the bill
 28 would not cut Medicaid, but two Republican senators ultimately voted against it
 29 because of what they thought were cuts to Medicaid. And Senator Josh Hawley is
 30 already out proposing legislation to actually roll back some of the Medicaid cuts
 31 that he just voted for. Did the Medicaid cuts go too far, Mr. Speaker?

32 [End of Transcript]

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 34 Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9d-KI6ur1U>

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XI. Johnson: Defending Rules Committee Vote Against Epstein Transparency (July 18, 2025)

1. **Johnson:** The rules, uh, committee, uh, turned into a bit of a debacle this week because the Democrats were trying to politicize this. We were working on cutting, uh, fraud, waste, and abuse and, and, uh, wasteful spending. And they kept trying to hijack that and, and derail it and turn it into Epstein hearings. That's not what, what the subject was.
2. **Johnson:** So, uh, the Republicans on the Rules committee, most of them. That were present voted against Democrat amendments to try to hijack that that was the right, uh, thing for them. They were wrongfully tarred and feathered by people who did not understand what was happening and said that they were covering up for, uh, they were in favor of a concealing Epstein files.
3. **Johnson:** It's simply not true. So the resolution that was advanced tonight and the, uh, rules committee was for them to go on record and say, no, of course we're for transparency. Of course, every single one of the Republicans on the rules committee. Or for transparency and for releasing the files just as the president of the United States is.
4. **Johnson:** And they wanted that to make crystal clear. Make it crystal clear. I think their vote tonight did.

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**XII. Johnson Press Conference: "No Daylight" Coordination and "Lockstep"
Admission (July 22, 2025)**

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1. **Johnson:** Thank this leadership team and all of you. Good morning. Uh, thank you Representative Kegan's doing an extraordinary job for Virginia and, and, uh, our military families and, and all of the issues she worked so hard on. Thank you for all that hard work.
 2. **Johnson:** Um, I tell you what. Uh, it's been an exciting six months, uh, Sunday. As, as you all probably know, mark, the first six months of the Trump, uh, presidency. The second term, the 47th president has had an incredible run. We're on a winning streak. America's hot again. We're bringing back strength and prosperity and, and, and, uh, capitalizing and delivering on all the campaign promises that President Trump made on the campaign trail and that all Republicans did, uh, by extension. We're really proud of that, and I tell you what history is gonna record this to be one of the most consequential. Extraordinary first six months of, of any administration ever, because we have unified government. The voters in this country gave Republicans the chance to turn this mess around. And we are.
 3. **Johnson:** So we have the White House and the Senate in the house, and we're using it effectively every single day. And here in the house, we've kept pace with President Trump's. Extraordinary momentum. He never sleeps. And so we don't get to either. Uh, we've been codifying his executive orders at a record pace.
 4. **Johnson:** We're cementing America first policies into law. We're enacting the full scale of the Trump admin, uh, administration's agenda with the passage, of course, of the one big beautiful bill, sort of a capstone of, of the first six months. And, um, we've accomplished so much in just that time period. And, and I think the key is we've done that. With Unity, as you all have noticed, it's very deliberate. We work very closely, hand in hand the Senate and House Republicans as one united team. That's kind of an innovation in Washington, but a very important one, and we've demonstrated that, that unity is how we deliver. There's no majority in the history of this body. that can wield power unless it stands together. And so I work really hard. We all do. This leadership team does every day. They keep everybody rowing in the same direction.
 5. **Johnson:** This morning at our weekly conference meeting, we discussed the upcoming schedule given the, uh, the Democrats, um, endless efforts to politicize the, uh, the Epstein controversy in that whole investigation. I wanna be clear about this. Um, there, there is a reason behind what we are doing here. We have a responsibility, uh, actually a dual responsibility here. Okay? I've been on record very clearly that I believe in maximum transparency. I think every single house Republican will say the same thing. In fact, they've told me that publicly and privately. Uh, they, they talk about this. We want maximum transparency. We also understand. The other part of that duty is that we have to protect innocent victims. Okay? We have to do both things at the same time. What do we mean by that? Look involved in the Epstein Evil. Okay. Which is what it was. Let's call it what it was there. There are innocent. Victims of those unspeakable sex crimes. Okay. It,

1 some of them were minors, some of them were not. When, when the, when the
 2 Epstein records are turned over to the public, which we must do as quickly as
 3 possible, we have to also be very judicious and careful about protecting the
 4 innocent.

5 6. **Johnson:** I think everybody in the country should understand the necessity of that.
 6 It is the standard I used to be. A litigator. It's the standard in the court of law, in the
 7 courts. It's the standard in law enforcement. Anyone who served in law
 8 enforcement understands the necessity of that. It is the standard with government
 9 agencies. We protect the innocence.

10 7. **Johnson:** So we cannot be careless in a, in a, in an open release like that. You have
 11 to be very careful. The president himself has said that he wants maximum,
 12 maximum transparency and all credible evidence to be turned over to the American
 13 public so that everyone can make their own decisions.

14 8. **Johnson:** We're owed that, and we want any individual. Who's been involved in
 15 any way in the Epstein evils to be brought to justice as, as quickly as possible, and
 16 the, and the law should be brought down upon their head. We're unequivocal about
 17 that. Okay. We, we, we, we have to make sure that the credible evidence is revealed
 18 and, and we're doing that.

19 9. **Johnson:** The president has made a request to the courts and the grand jury, uh, uh,
 20 testimony and the file's there, for example, and the court should turn that over, and
 21 that will be a continuing and ongoing quest. Now we, what we refuse to do. Is
 22 participate in another one of the Democrats' political games. This is a serious
 23 matter.

24 10. **Johnson:** We are not going to let them use this as a political battering ramp. The
 25 rules committee became, uh, the, the, uh, the ground for them to do that. We're not
 26 gonna allow them to engage in that charade anymore. Why do I call it a charade?
 27 Because the Democrats are trying to play Gotcha politics right now when as the
 28 leader just pointed out.

29 11. **Johnson:** They don't have any moral high ground on this at all. They controlled
 30 the Department of Justice for the last four years. Has anyone forgotten? They had
 31 all these files the entire time. They, they, they sat on everything Epstein related for
 32 four long years while President Biden was in office. You could draw your own
 33 conclusions as to why.

34 12. **Johnson:** But we've been intellectually consistent the entire time. And I wanna say
 35 this about my colleagues, Roanna and Jim McGovern and Hakeem Jeffries and so
 36 many others. They've tweeted about Epstein countless times in the last two weeks.
 37 But go back and look at their social media accounts we have and their public
 38 comments.

39 13. **Johnson:** They had exactly zero posts on the subject for the last four years. The
 40 Biden, uh, administration. Interesting, isn't it? We all understand that the America
 41 First agenda and the American people are best served by putting an end to the
 42 Democrat sideshows. And that's what we're doing by not allowing the rules
 43 Committee to continue with that nonsense.

- 1 14. **Johnson:** This week, as was noted, we've got tons of very important work going
2 on here. Uh, the, the leader just gave you a small sampling of it, but we're done
3 being lectured on transparency by the same party that orchestrated one of the most
4 shameless, dangerous political coverups in the history of this country or any
5 government on the face of planet Earth.
- 6 15. **Johnson:** If the Democrats wanna talk transparency, I'm happy to rewind the tape.
7 366 days ago, president Joe Biden was unceremoniously, forced off the Democrat
8 ticket. Everybody knows why even after millions of Americans had already cast
9 their primary votes for him. The self-proclaimed party of democracy throughout
10 their nominee, the sitting president of the United States for his disastrous debate
11 performance on the debate stage, president Biden revealed the American people.
- 12 16. **Johnson:** What Democrats in Congress spent four long years trying to hide that
13 the President of the United States of America was in rapid mental decline and
14 unable to continue serving as the leader of the free world. I'm gonna say that again.
15 The man holding the most powerful office on the face of the earth.
- 16 17. **Johnson:** Who we now know was being propped up by a staff and Democrats in
17 Congress was in rapid mental decline. It was as shocking as it was dangerous, and
18 they all participated in it. Nearly every single one of the Democrats who
19 shamelessly attempted to pull the wool over our eyes still holds office today. You
20 ought to be chasing 'em down the hallways, asking for their responses on that.
- 21 18. **Johnson:** We released a 14 minute long video yesterday with just a small sample
22 of the countless receipts of the Democrats at every level. Spending this fantastical
23 lie to the American people. I encourage every reporter in this room to go watch
24 that. You ought to use the clips and you ought to go ask 'em about it.
- 25 19. **Johnson:** And remember that the same Democrats who lied to us for years are
26 now trying to convince you they stand for transparency. They participated in one of
27 the greatest political scandals in in all of history and the House Republicans are not
28 gonna allow this to be whitewashed from the historical record.
- 29 20. **Johnson:** We'll continue to investigate and shine light on those who perpetrated
30 this and provide answers directly to the American people Now. President Biden's
31 mental condition was poor, but his, his legacy of achievement in office was, was
32 even worse. And I've said many times after those four years of Biden and Harris,
33 every single area of public policy was in a district state, in Congress and the White
34 House.
- 35 21. **Johnson:** We've been hard at work. From day one of this Congress Day, one of
36 the Trump administration trying to undo all that damage of the last four years, and
37 we're laying the foundation for what will make our country safer, stronger, and
38 more prosperous than ever before the American people gave President Trump a
39 clear mandate to enact his America first agenda, and Republicans answered the call
40 To date, we've enacted 50 of the President's executive orders from reigning in
41 bureaucratic waste, fraud, and abuse, to passing common sense legislation to
42 delivering our once in a generation legislative victories through the one big,
43 beautiful bill.

- 1 22. **Johnson:** Lemme give you a quick summary. Americans asked for secure borders
2 and safer communities, and Republicans delivered the largest investment in border
3 security and interior enforcement on record. And with the Halt Fentanyl Act and
4 the Lake and Riley Act, we're making sure American communities are safe from
5 deadly drugs and illegal aliens that have taken far too many lives.
- 6 23. **Johnson:** The American people asked us for bigger paychecks and more
7 affordable gas and groceries, and we delivered on that too. Uh, we, we, we
8 delivered the largest working and middle class tax cut in the history of the United
9 States, and we've torn down Biden era regulations like the California EV mandate
10 that was just madness and, and worked against working families in American
11 energy dominance.
- 12 24. **Johnson:** The American people demanded fiscal sanity and Republicans delivered
13 again. We passed more than 1.5 trillion in spending cuts so the government can
14 begin to live within its means. Again, all of this is real positive change for
15 American families, the kind that they are going to directly feel in their bank
16 accounts.
- 17 25. **Johnson:** They're gonna see it in their neighborhoods, and they're gonna count on
18 it for years to come. Any of these individual feats as standalone bills would've been
19 considered historic achievements by any Republican Congress, and we got 'em all
20 done. All together in one big beautiful bill, and the more the American people hear
21 about that bill, the more they like it.
- 22 26. **Johnson:** There was a, a Harvard, uh, Harris poll that, uh, recently surveyed the
23 individual titles, the individual pieces of the big bill, and they found that 17 of the
24 21 major proposals polled had a majority of support. Yeah, that's including things
25 like reducing federal spending and imposing common sense work requirements on,
26 uh, public assistance.
- 27 27. **Johnson:** But while the American people continue to learn about the bill, they'll
28 also begin to feel its positive effects because we did this on a very aggressive
29 timetable. Uh, as you all know, we put it on an ambitious, uh, timeline to be
30 delivered. Uh, many in this room said it wouldn't succeed. You wrote about it.
- 31 28. **Johnson:** I read all that. That's fine. We said we needed six weeks to craft our
32 house budget resolution, and we passed it in February. We said we'd pass our house
33 version of the one big beautiful bill by Memorial Day, and we beat that deadline by
34 four days. We said we'd pass it through both chambers and get it to the President's
35 test for signature by July 4th.
- 36 29. **Johnson:** And what happened? We had a big, beautiful signing ceremony at the
37 White House on Independence Day. It was a historic day, and it's a testament to
38 what this House Republican Conference can accomplish when we remain united
39 and working towards a common goal. Last, last thought here on closing note. Uh,
40 this is the last leadership press conference before we entered the August district
41 work period around here. People call it. The August recess. It is not that. Okay? So
42 I, I know that, uh, lots of people in the Press Corps are gonna be able to enjoy some
43 downtime with friends and families and, and, um, we commend you for that. But

1 house Republicans aren't gonna get to participate in all that stuff because this
 2 month of August is not a vacation. This is arguably the most important work month
 3 on our calendar. Why? Because our members go home. They connect with their
 4 constituents in person. They hold host round tables with local businesses and
 5 organizations. They meet with community stakeholders and local officials. Uh,
 6 really, really important components of the job.

7 30. **Johnson:** And frankly, they need to cut through the false and misleading claims
 8 about the one big, beautiful bill from the media and the Democrats. As I mentioned,
 9 the more people know, the more they greatly favor, uh, the bill that we passed and
 10 house Republicans are gonna spend the month highlighting how it will positively
 11 impact our districts and our communities.

12 31. **Johnson:** Uh, with that, I'll take a few questions,

13 32. **Reporter:** Mr. Speaker. Okay, good morning. You, you say yesterday that you
 14 were in lockstep with the administration on the UP team files, but it doesn't seem
 15 that you're in lockstep with all of your house Republicans, Thomas Matthew, just
 16 saying in the past hour. Is gonna come back and and bite Republicans. What do you
 17 say to those cism inside your conferences here?

18 33. **Johnson:** I say Thomas Massey is the one trying to bite Republicans. Okay. I'm
 19 not quite certain what his strategy is,

20 34. **Reporter:** but it's just not him. It's, it's, I mean, otherwise you guys wouldn't be
 21 calling off the week tomorrow. You'd be able to put your rules on the floor. I
 22 understand the issue with the Democrats.

23 35. **Johnson:** Yeah. No, I just explained why we're not gonna play political games
 24 with this. We've all been very, uh, clear and transparent. Uh, the, the, the, uh, house
 25 rules resolution sets a good standard and, uh, requires all credible evidence to be,
 26 uh, released. And that's exactly where the White House is.

27 36. **Johnson:** There's no, as I've said many times over the last floor, what the, as I've
 28 said many times, there's no daylight between the White House and the house. You
 29 have to allow the legislation to ripen and you also have to allow the administration,
 30 the space to do what it is doing. The president has said clearly and he has now
 31 ordered his DOJ to do what it is we've all needed DOJ to do for years now. And
 32 that is to get everything released. So they're in the process of that. There's, there's
 33 no purpose for Congress to push an administration to do something that they're
 34 already doing. And so this is for political games. Um, I, uh, I, I, I'm, I'm very, um,
 35 I'm very resolute on this. We, we, we can both call for full transparency and also
 36 protect victims. And if you run rough shot or you do it too quickly, that's not what
 37 happens. Uh, but I, I'm convinced that the DOJ is gonna do, uh, their job, the
 38 administration's gonna do their job and, uh, and we'll do our job. And so we'll, we'll
 39 see to it. Yes, ma'am. Have a good

40 37. **Reporter:** thank you, Mr. Speaker. Um, just to follow up on that, I know before
 41 when you were asked whether or not you would back Mr. Massey for reelection,
 42 you did, didn't give a direct answer. He has some harsh things to say about your

1 leadership yesterday related to the Epstein files, have you made in your mind
2 whether or not you support him or back him against your [unintelligible]?

3 38. **Johnson:** So. So, so here's the, so as the leader of my party, I lead the Incumbent
4 protection program. Okay. Uh, that's my job. I go all around the country. I travel
5 endlessly, incessantly. I have to raise over 300 million to do that. Um, and, and we
6 want everybody to come back. And, and, and some people, um, I try to protect
7 them from themselves. You know, um, they, they kick and scream and bite, uh,
8 their own colleagues. Some people seem to enjoy, uh, uh, in trying to inflict
9 political pain on their own teammates. Um, uh. I, I'm not gonna address anybody
10 individually, but I'll tell you that, that some here are much more frustrating than
11 others. There's a small, it's a small, tiny handful, uh, but one in particular who's
12 given me lots of consternation.

13 39. **Johnson:** I don't understand, I don't, I don't understand, uh, Thomas Massey's
14 motivation. I really don't. I don't know how his mind works. I don't know what he's,
15 what he's thinking. Thomas Massey could have brought his discharge petition
16 anytime over the last four and a half years, over the last four years of Biden
17 administration. He could have done that at any time, and now he's clamoring as if
18 there's some sort of timeline on it. It's interesting to me that he chose the election
19 of, of President Trump to bring this to team up with the Democrats and bring this
20 discharge petition. So do I have some concern about that? I do, but you know, in
21 me, in my way, I try to fo, I try to follow Ronald Reagan's 11th commandment,
22 never speak evil of another Republican. Gosh, it's hard to do sometimes around
23 here. I also try to follow the scripture. You know, it says, bless those who persecute
24 you. So let me just say about Thomas Massey. Could you just accept my southern?
25 Bless his heart. Okay. I don't know what else to say about it. We're, we are for
26 maximum transparency, we're engaging in that right now and we don't need
27 political games.

28 40. **Johnson:** Yes, ma'am. Over here. Yes. Wait, I was pointing to her. Go ahead,
29 sorry. Um, so.

30 41. **Reporter:** Insurance companies are, um, requesting 15% premium increases for
31 next year, and they're the expiration care subsidies. Are Republicans thinking about
32 this? Is there any, um, possibility that they would look at extending those subsidies
33 or any other things to insurance?

34 42. **Johnson:** Uh, I, I think that goes to the end of the calendar year, so we'll have
35 discussion about the issue later, but it hasn't come up yet. I mean, but it's on the
36 radar back row.

37 43. **Johnson:** Yes.

38 44. **Reporter:** Um. Two questions. First is, did the president or anyone in the
39 administration ask you to delay the resolution until after recess?

40 45. **Johnson:** No. No, but I, I, as you all know, I speak to the president multiple times
41 a day on, on a typical day. Um, often al always, uh, and what I know about the
42 president's heart on this is that he, he agrees with everything I've said here today.
43 He wants maximum transparency, but he's also. Very insistent that we do not

subject people who have been already been victims of unspeakable crimes, uh, to further public scrutiny. And it would be a, a very dangerous thing to put those people's names out or to do a release of information in a way that is haphazard where they could be easily unmasked. And so you have to be very careful about how you do that. I think we have a moral responsibility to do that. I think we have a moral responsibility to expose the evil of Epstein and everybody was involved in that. Absolutely. We're resolved to do it, but we also have an equal moral responsibility to protect the innocent, and that is, that is a, a fine needle to thread. And we could all give ourselves easy political cover and come out and do something in a haphazard fashion, but I would not be able to sleep at night because I know, I know our legal responsibility. I understand what the legal standard is, but more than that, the moral standard. Okay, so we're gonna do this and we're gonna do it expeditiously. We're gonna do, we do do it the right way. What is popular isn't always right. And what is right isn't always popular. And an eighth grade teacher told me that one time I carried it with him my whole life. We're gonna do the right thing here, and the American people at the end will see that we did that, uh, in the right way and in the right timetable.

46. **Johnson:** Yes, sir. Wait, right now, wait. Hold on one sec. What'd you say last time? Wait, did she say it? She did earlier. Wait, come up here. I didn't, I didn't hear you. Gotta say it loud.

47. **Johnson:** Stand right here. And tell them. Tell them hey.

48. **Charming Little Lady:** Last question.

49. **Johnson:** Yes. Yes. Thank you. Wait, over here under the clock? Yes, sir. Yes sir. Yes sir. So just wondering, no, behind you right here. Sorry. Go ahead.

50. **Reporter:** Thank you so much Mr. Speaker. Uh, Russia is still bombing Ukraine and a lot of Ukrainians civilian people are still dying. Uh, do you consider sanctions on ship before the 50 day?

51. **Johnson:** We, we are, we were talking about sanctioning Russia, but I think the House and the Senate agree that the White House, having given that deadline of 50 days, uh, we, we need to allow the commander in chief and the administration and the Secretary of Defense, uh, and the Pentagon to do what they're going to do and, um and, and we'll see how that plays out. But I can tell you the appetite here is that we've, we've gotta bring accountability to Vladimir Putin and, and make this war cease. We need peace over there. It's gone on too long. Too many innocent people are dying, and we don't want further American involvement at this at all in this, at all. But I, I, I do think what NATO is doing and, and, and, um, our allies around the world, uh. May be effective. I think we've all had enough of it and we hope it comes to an end soon, but we trust the commander in chief. He's restoring peace through strength. This is a big part of that. Thank you. Thank y'all so much.

[Transcript End]

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1 Date: July 22, 2025

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XIII. Johnson FOX News: "Swept Up" Language Expanding Protection to Associates (July 23, 2025)

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1. **Johnson:** Everybody got a few thoughts for you as we, um, work through today? Uh, yesterday some of you may have seen a, a false headline in the New York Times and the headline was, uh, terribly misleading. It said, house Republicans are adjourning until September to avoid a vote on releasing Epstein materials. I just want you to know, and everybody here knows, that's an outright lie, it's not true, and they were forced to modify their headline and update it today.
 2. **Johnson:** The reason is, um, we all know that's, uh, the, the initial lie travels much faster than the truth. And so we're, uh, making sure that people know what is actually going on here.
 3. **Johnson:** I think every single one of your publications have known that the published schedule of Congress was decided in December of 2024, and it's been published ever since.
 4. **Johnson:** Uh, we are fulfilling the calendar. We're working. We'll be working tomorrow. There've been votes every day this week. Uh, we have, uh, nine or 10 committees working through, uh, markups this week, many tomorrow. Congress is doing its work. No one is adjourning early. We have an August district work period that is very important to the function of Congress that has been recognized for all of memory of this institution. And that is what, uh, everyone will be doing.
 5. **Johnson:** The times is forced to change the headline because it was completely false. No one in Congress is blocking Epstein documents. No one in Congress is doing that. What we are doing here, Republicans are preventing Democrats from making a mockery of the rules committee process because we refuse to engage in their political charade. That is what is happening and nothing more.
 6. **Johnson:** The way Democrats have tried to weaponize this issue is absolutely shameless. And I just wanna say this. Democrats said nothing and did nothing, absolutely nothing about bringing transparency for the entire four years of the Biden presidency. But now all of a sudden, uh, they, they want the American people to believe that they actually care, uh, their actions, uh, belie their words.
 7. **Johnson:** We will not be lectured on transparency by the same party that orchestrated one of the most shameless. Dangerous political coverups in the history of the United States, and that was President Biden's obvious mental decline. House Republicans stand for maximum transparency and truth. We always have, and we always will.
 8. **Johnson:** We're in lockstep with President Trump and his administration on these this issue. We are pushing for the release of all credible information to be released with regard to the Epstein matter. I would note also that there are real issues, legal issues, uh, with the KANA resolution with the Massey resolution.
 9. **Johnson:** Kannas has no protection whatsoever for the victims of these horrible unspeakable sex crimes, and Massey doesn't go far enough. Additionally, the

1 president has directed the Department of Justice to pursue the release of grand jury
 2 information and that is happening as we speak. In fact, the court is processing a
 3 DOJ's request for grand jury materials. As we are standing here right now, uh, that's
 4 a very important step. Uh, we'll evaluate any necessary measures that Congress
 5 needs to undertake when that process, uh, is completed.

6 10. **Johnson:** I'm convinced the administration is thoroughly reviewing all materials
 7 and working to release all credible information while also providing protection for
 8 victims. And I've been very clear and on the record many times that we have an
 9 obligation to do that, a legal obligation and a moral obligation to protect the people
 10 who have been the victims of these unspeakable crimes so that their names are not
 11 drug through the mud.

12 11. **Johnson:** That's a, a, a fine needle to thread. And I'm convinced that the people,
 13 uh, who are in charge with this are doing it the right way judiciously.

14 12. **Johnson:** The Trump administration is working through the court to unseal those
 15 documents. Most of the Epstein files are under court order and sealed, so you have
 16 to go through that route to do it. Uh, all that credible information needs to come
 17 out. But they deserve the space to do that in the way that it is supposed to be done
 18 and they are a thorough, judicious, meticulous review to truly protect innocent
 19 people who suffer.

20 13. **Johnson:** Uh, in the meantime, on a much brighter note, the house Republicans
 21 are looking forward to going back to their districts. They have a lot to be proud of
 22 and a lot of good news to share back home.

23 14. **Johnson:** It's just six months, six months of this administration and this Congress.
 24 We work closely with President Trump. We've delivered on the mandate from the
 25 AM American people.

26 15. **Johnson:** We have the, the safest border. Now in the history of the country,
 27 inflation is cooling. We passed one of the most consequential pieces of legislation
 28 in the history of this institution, the one big, beautiful bill.

29 16. **Johnson:** And what that did, as you know, was it secured the largest tax cut for
 30 American workers, uh, the largest single investment in border security and national
 31 defense in generations, the largest reduction in spending in the history of any
 32 government on planet Earth, and much more.

33 17. **Johnson:** President Trump is making historic trade deals to balance the playing
 34 field and bring trillions of dollars of investment into America.

35 18. **Johnson:** As a side note, I always tell you I was in the Oval Office last night for
 36 the historic moment where he made the, the trade deal with Japan. It was really
 37 something to see. I'll write a book about it one day. The Art of the Deal, it was a
 38 masterclass. We passed over 250 bills. We voted to codify 50 of President Trump's
 39 executive actions, and we're just getting started.

40 19. **Johnson:** He has signed into law so far important legislation like the Lake and
 41 Riley Act, the Halt Fentanyl Act. The Take It Down Act, the Genius Act, and of
 42 course, the \$9 billion Rescissions package.

- 1 20. **Johnson:** In just six months, president Trump and House Republicans have made
 2 safer, stronger, and more prosperous America. We have worked to do that fulfilling
 3 our campaign promises, and there's much more to come and during the district
 4 work period, we'll be crisscrossing our districts and sharing with constituents the
 5 impact of all that hard work here on Capitol Hill. So I'll just conclude this and take
 6 a couple questions by saying as we break apart here, now to go home for the district
 7 work period, uh, there's a lot to, uh, to share with our constituents, A lot to share, a
 8 lot of good news. And we're looking forward to everyone feeling the positive
 9 effects of the work that's been done here so far.
- 10 21. **Reporter:** Mr. Speaker, based on what, can I just ask you, do you feel like your
 11 Republican Conference has gotten away from you on this Epstein issue? You saw
 12 yesterday comer announcing that there is going to be a subpoena for Gleen
 13 Maxwell. Do you support The House Oversight committees work. And do you
 14 support the work of your members who do want more transparency on this?
- 15 22. **Johnson:** Well, of course, look, there is no daylight between members of the
 16 House Republican Conference, or for that matter, between us and the White House.
 17 I fully support my committee chairs. Jamie Comer is a trusted friend. He's an
 18 excellent chairman of the oversight committee, and he has a duty and responsibility
 19 to follow the truth where it leads. And so every single one of us are for maximum
 20 transparency, and we'll use every power that we have to ensure that that's done. If
 21 they see fit to bring in Ghislaine Maxwell for testimony, that's fine. I will note the
 22 obvious, uh, concern, the caveat that Chairman Comer and I and everyone has that,
 23 could she be counted on to tell the truth? Is she a credible witness? I mean, this is a
 24 person who's been sentenced to many, many years in prison for terrible
 25 unspeakable conspiratorial acts and, uh, acts against innocent young people. I
 26 mean, can we trust what she's gonna say? Even if she raises her hand and says that
 27 she'll testify under oath, is that something that can be trusted? You know, that's a
 28 reasonable question. Is that credible evidence? I don't know. Uh, but we'll have to
 29 see. We have to un, you know, uncover everything that we can. Is there and let the
 30 American people evaluate.
- 31 23. **Reporter:** Is there concern? I mean, obviously we've seen the asserts shut down
 32 the house floor routinely. You saw that you haven't pulled the rule because of fear
 33 of Epstein votes.
- 34 24. **Johnson:** No, we don't have any fear. No. No. Hold on. No. There's no fear is no,
 35 there's fear. There's no fear. We're not gonna allow the Democrats to use this as a
 36 political culture. Remember, they had four years reme, hold on the Biden
 37 administration. Held the Epstein files for four years. Not a single one of these
 38 Democrats or or anyone in Congress made any people about that at all. They could
 39 have brought a discharge petition at any point in the last four years. They chose not
 40 to. They waited until President Trump was elected. I think that's very suspect and,
 41 and I. I will not allow the house to be drug into political gamesmanship.
- 42 25. **Reporter:** [Unintelligible] promises that Republicans made to voters over Jeffrey
 43 Epstein. Why not? More of a sense of urgency. Why not just hold a vote today?

- 1 26. **Johnson:** There, there's no point in having to vote today because the
 2 administration is already doing everything within their power to release them.
 3 They've gone to the grand jury, they've requested the courts. To unseal the
 4 documents so that they can be released. The president himself has said all credible
 5 evidence should be put out to the American people while protecting the innocent.
 6 That's where we stand as well. There's no point in in passing a resolution to urge
 7 the administration to do something that they are already doing, and so that's why
 8 we are gonna let that process play out. It, this, this is not out, out of, uh, out of fear
 9 in any way. What we're trying to do is maximize transparency and, and, uh, and
 10 stand for the truth. We want, wait, lemme say this very important. We want every
 11 single person who is involved in any way in the Epstein evils to be brought to swift
 12 justice. We want the, the full weight of the law to fall upon their head, and I will do
 13 everything within my power to make sure that it's possible. That process is
 14 underway right now, and we'll see how it plays out.
- 15 27. **Reporter:** Are you using the phrase that there's no daylight between you and the
 16 White House?
- 17 28. **Johnson:** Yeah.
- 18 29. **Reporter:** Don't you have a responsibility to build some daylight between you and
 19 the White House? You are a leader of a co-equal branch of government. Isn't part
 20 of what your members are concerned about?
- 21 30. **Johnson:** We're, we're,
- 22 31. **Reporter:** That there needs to be a second set of eyes.
- 23 32. **Johnson:** I, I'm, I'm, I'm the, I'm the leader of the most important branch of
 24 government in my view. It is article one. And if I see that Article one and our
 25 authority is being breached in any way, I'll act upon it. I'm a jealous guardian of our
 26 responsibility here, our constitutional authority and, and that most important branch
 27 of government, the, uh, and a government of by and for the people.
- 28 33. **Johnson:** But I will tell you this right now, when I, when I say there's no daylight
 29 between me and the president. We talk about this privately. He's spoken about it
 30 publicly. I have as well. He's trying to achieve the same exact objective that we are,
 31 that every member of the House Republican Conference wants to achieve, and that
 32 is to let the American people decide this.
- 33 34. **Johnson:** This information should have come out a long time ago. I've been an
 34 advocate of that. We all have, but that process is underway right now. Now we've
 35 gotta. Jealously guard that and protect it and make sure it's happening. And if it
 36 doesn't, then we'll take appropriate action when everybody returns here.
- 37 35. **Johnson:** But we have to allow the court process to play out. That's how it works.
 38 I used to be a litigator. There is a standard here, a legal standard that everybody
 39 cannot forget. The courts, law enforcement and government agencies have to
 40 protect the innocent.
- 41 36. **Johnson:** And the way you do that is you, you are very careful not to release
 42 names of victims or release it in a haphazard manner so that their names could be

1 unmasked in some way 'cause it would destroy their lives and, and anybody who's
2 been brought swept up into that. So that's what the Justice Department is doing. I
3 think they're doing a, a deliberate job right now, and our job as the Article one
4 branch is to allow the executive to do that. If it doesn't come to fruition, then we
5 will act, but we have to allow that time to process.

6 [End of Transcript]

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9 Date: July 23, 2025

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XIV. Johnson CBS (Major Garrett): Constitutional Impossibility of Simultaneous Claims (July 24, 2025)

1. **Garrett:** Mr. Speaker, it's great to see you. Thanks for the time.
2. **Johnson:** Welcome, glad you're here on the on the Hill. Good to have you.
3. **Garrett:** Jeffrey Epstein has it ground the House of Representatives to a halt. That is the public perception.
4. **Johnson:** Uh, I think the Democrats are working really hard to make that the public perception, but it's not true. Um, I made the case many times today, and I have over this week, the house Republicans are united on this. We all want full disclosure, maximum disclosure. Uh, many of us have been intellectually consistent about that from the beginning, and nothing has changed in that regard. The president himself is there as well. There's no daylight between us and the White House, and he says he wants all credible evidence to be put out there for the American people to make their own conclusions. And they're working on that. The problem they have is that much of what is referred to loosely as the Epstein files is under seal by the courts. And so you gotta have the Department of Justice go in and request the release, for example, of the grand jury testimony
5. **Garrett:** that was denied today by one Florida judge because it's a very. Difficult, delicate process.
6. **Johnson:** It is, and there's a reason for that. I'm a former litigator of federal courts. I mean, uh, the grand jury process is jealously guarded and a lot of the material that comes outta there cannot be carefully evaluated by people because there's no cross-examination and a grand jury hearing. No. You know, I mean, none of the evidence has to be corroborated, you know, it's not a full trial setting. So a lot of allegations can be made in, in a situation like that, where if the public just viewed it that way, they might, they might skew it in one way or the other. So. It's something in our system that has traditionally been protected. The judges are, are, are, are cautious about that, understand that. But at the same time, this matter, I think is, uh, an unusual one. It, it merits, there's so much public attention regarding this and the allegations are so, um. So dastardly, I mean, just evil, evil acts the people deserve to know, and so that's why they're pressing for it.
7. **Garrett:** And to the point when the Trump Justice Department said there were more than 1000 victims, for people who knew this case very, very well, did a lot of investigative work on it, that number surprised them high. High number.
8. **Johnson:** Yeah.
9. **Garrett:** Meaning that to their minds, investigative reporters and others, there have to be accomplices, uncharged, accomplices. And that aspect of justice is still missing.
10. **Johnson:** Yes. And it's a great concern to us. I mean, we, we want full transparency. We want everybody who is involved in any way with the Epstein

1 evils, let's call it what it was. To be brought to justice as quickly as possible. We
2 want the full weight of the law on their heads.

3 11. **Garrett:** But when the Justice Department said in that same two page memo,
4 there's no reason to pursue further prosecutions, many said, how can those two
5 things be properly aligned?

6 12. **Johnson:** These are good questions. I don't know. I've never seen the Epstein
7 evidence. It wasn't in my lane. Uh. But I have the same concern and question that a
8 lot of people do. And look, I think the president does.

9 13. **Garrett:** This is not a hoax, in other words.

10 14. **Johnson:** Oh, it's not a hoax. Of course not. I mean, they're real victims here. But
11 that's part of the delicate, the, the balance that's being done here is, I tried to explain
12 in my press conference this week, man, we want full disclosure. If I had, if I had
13 these things in my possession, I would've put 'em out a long time ago. But I would
14 also have been very careful to protect the innocent. You know, it, it's the standard
15 in law enforcement in the courts and in government agencies, that you do protect
16 the innocent victims, for example, of sex trafficking and horrific crimes. We, we
17 don't want their names exposed because they would be subjected to more harm.
18 And so you have to be careful in how you do that. But the same time, maximum
19 transparency, all credible evidence, we have to keep pushing for that.

20 15. **Garrett:** We're gonna move on, but I wanna read you three quotes. One from
21 Ralph Norman, Republican, South Carolina. The public's not gonna let this die.
22 And rightfully so.

23 16. **Garrett:** Ana, Democrat from California. The question is, who side are you on?
24 Are you on the side of the rich and powerful protecting men, or are you on the side
25 of young girls in America's children? Last quote, Tom Massey, I think, uh,
26 Kentucky Republican. I think it is a watershed moment for the speaker. And the
27 house and the president evaluate those three for me.

28 17. **Johnson:** Well, I talked to Ralph Norman about 10 minutes ago before I walked in
29 here with you, and he and I agree on this matter. I agree with what he said With
30 regard to Ana and Thomas Massey, I would say, if you're so concerned, why didn't
31 you bring your discharge petition at any time in the last four years? Remember,
32 president Biden and his DOJ had these files for four years. Neither of those guys
33 said a word about it. Thomas Massey is suggesting that this is, uh, some sort of
34 watershed moment. We are all on the same page trying to advance the, the truth,
35 full truth and transparency. And the idea that he's suddenly so concerned about it is
36 curious to me. He waited until President Trump was elected to bring this

37 18. **Garrett:** Hypocritical.

38 19. **Johnson:** Seems that way to me.

39 20. **Garrett:** I want you to do a thought experiment for me. It is election night 2026.
40 Yes. Are you celebrating or are you explaining?

41 21. **Johnson:** We're celebrating. I'm...

1 22. **Garrett:** What are you celebrating on election night 2026. I am very bullish on
 2 election night 26. I'm absolutely convinced we're gonna grow the house majority. A
 3 lot of reasons for that. It's not groundless optimism. It's gonna be the result of a lot
 4 of hard work, the fact that we're delivering on our promises to the people. We had a
 5 true demographic shift in the 2024 election. We had a record number of Hispanic
 6 and Latino voters, for example, uh, black and African American voters, Jewish
 7 voters, union workers who came to the Republican party who had not been there
 8 traditionally in large numbers before because they came with hopeful anticipation
 9 and we're delivering the one big, beautiful bill is a big piece of that. Uh, it's geared
 10 for lower and middle class, hard work and Americans, they will feel the effects of
 11 that before the midterm election in 2026. In addition to that, I think it's providential,
 12 but we have the most favorable election map that our team has had in decades. And
 13 what I mean by that is, as you and I are sitting here talking this evening, there are
 14 13 house Democrats sitting in districts that President Trump won. There's another
 15 21 of them sitting in districts. He came within five points of winning, and it gives
 16 us an offensive opportunity because conversely, there's only three house
 17 Republicans sitting in Kamala Harris districts. So I like those odds. We're gonna go
 18 out and target those seats that we can flip from blue to red. We're gonna go out, run
 19 on our record. It's gonna resonate with the people, and we're gonna have a good.

20 23. **Garrett:** Do you want Texas to draw as President Trump has outlined five more
 21 districts nominally Republican or leave it as it is?

22 24. **Johnson:** Um, well, the jury's still out on that one. I mean, I didn't have a didn't
 23 have uh

24 25. **Garrett:** What's your advice to governor? The Governor of Texas. Governor
 25 Abbott.

26 26. **Johnson:** Governor Abbott. Well, they need to follow the law. They need to, uh,
 27 be fair...

28 27. **Garrett:** They have legal rights to do it. Supreme Court settled that.

29 28. **Johnson:** Of course. Right. And, and I think they will do. I, I'm a fan of Governor
 30 Abbott. I think he's been a great governor there. Um, and, and I think the outcome
 31 probably en newers to our benefit. It sounds like. I mean, Texas is a red state and,
 32 and, uh, that all makes sense, but. We're still awaiting the outcome. I haven't seen
 33 the maps yet. No one consulted me on that. Uh, but I am in charge of the whole
 34 map in a certain respect and that I'm supposed to make sure that my party maintains
 35 the majority. I did that in 24, and I'll do it again, and we've got a lot more to run on
 36 now than we did last time. So I'm, I'm bullish.

37 [Interview continues with unrelated legislative matters]

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 39 Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3gSF2EffAdg>

40 Date: July 24th

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**XV. VP Vance: Adopting Identical "Credible Information" Filtering Language
(July 28, 2025)**

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1. **Reporter:** Vice President Julie Carsite from the Associated Press, uh, I guess I'm gonna be that person. The, uh, there are some protestors outside accusing the GOP of protecting pedophiles and, um, we're wondering what you think or the reasons that US government should shield the, the client list of Epstein from the public and, um, what you have to say about any relevance to that here today?
 2. **Vance:** Well, let me say just a couple of things. First of all, the president has been very clear. We're not shielding anything. The president has directed the Attorney General to release all credible information and frankly, to go and find additional, credible information related to the Jeffrey Epstein case. He's been incredibly transparent about that stuff. But some of that stuff takes time. You've gotta assemble that stuff. You've gotta compile that stuff. You've gotta redact some victims' names so that you protect the victims. But the president has been very clear. He wants pulled transparency. He's asked that from the Attorney General and I know, 'cause I talk to her all the time.
 3. **Vance:** The attorney general is hard at work on that issue right now. But, but I think I, I gotta make an observation that there's an interesting thing about this case that the American media seems to totally ignore. For four years under Joe Biden's Department of Justice, the media didn't give a damn about the Epstein files or about the Epstein case for literally 20 years the story about this scumbag, and he is a scumbag pedophile, Jeffrey Epstein, he's dead now, but for, for 20 years, you had Obama and George w Bush's Department of Justice go easy on this guy. They didn't fully investigate the case. They didn't show any curiosity about the case. And now Donald J. Trump. Is asking his Department of Justice to show full transparency, and somehow that's a criticism of Donald J. Trump and not Barack Obama and George W. Bush.
 4. **Vance:** If you want to criticize the people who aren't showing full transparency, you ought to go after the administrations. That went easy on Jeffrey Epstein, the administrations that concealed this case for 20 years, and the administrations that failed to show full transparency. Donald J. Trump. I'm telling you, he's got nothing to hide. His administration has got nothing to hide, and that's why he's been an advocate for full transparency. In this case, he's gonna keep on being an advocate for full transparency. But while we're focused on that case, Donald J. Trump is also worried about making sure these great workers get more, take home pay and better jobs, and that's the focus of the administration. Thank you.

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XVI. Trump: Implausible Cover Story Regarding Epstein Relationship (July 28, 2025)

1. **Interviewer:** And people keep writing stories about the time he threw him (Epstein) outta Mar-a-Lago. What...can you settle that? What was it about? What caused the breach for him?

2. **Trump:** Uh, that's such old history. Uh, very easy to explain, but I don't wanna waste your time by explaining it. But for years, I wouldn't talk to Jeffrey Epstein. I wouldn't talk because he did something that was inappropriate. He hired help and I said, don't ever do that again. He stole people that work for me. I said, don't ever do that again. He did it again. And I threw him out of the place. Persona non grata. I threw him out and that was it. I'm glad I did. If you wanted know the truth.

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**XVII. Trump FOX: Authenticating Virginia Giuffre's Mar-a-Lago Employment
(July 29, 2025)**

[Interview begins with impertinent questioning for ~7 minutes]

1. **Reporter:** Mr. President, you said yesterday you're falling out with Jeffrey Epstein was over him taking some of the workers from your business, but your administration in the past said that you threw him out because he was a creep. So can you explain that discrepancy?

2. **Trump:** Well, maybe they're the same thing, you know, sort of a little bit of the same thing, but no, he took people that worked for me, and I told him, don't do it anymore. And he did it, and I, I, uh, said, stay the hell outta here.

3. **Another Reporter:** What did they do? [Speaking at the same time as original questioner] Go ahead. [defers to original questioner]

4. **Reporter:** So is that what you, what was meant by being who? [Trump interrupts question]

5. **Trump:** Who are you with?

6. **Reporter:** Me? Yeah. I'm with, I'm the travel pool, but I'm with NBC News.

7. **Trump:** NBC. NBC Fake news. Okay. NBC'S one of the worst. Uh, what else, uh, do you have?

[Interview continues with impertinent questioning for 15+ minutes]

8. **Reporter:** Mr. President, Epstein has a certain reputation, obviously. Just curious, were some of the workers that were taken from you, were some of them young women?

9. **Trump:** Were some of them...?

10. **Reporter:** Were some of them young women?

11. **Trump:** Uh, well, I don't want to say, but, uh, everyone knows the people that were taken and, uh, it was the concept of taking people that worked for me is bad. But, uh, that story's been pretty well out there. And the answer is yes. They were.

12. **Trump:** Yes. Yeah.

13. **Reporter:** What did they do?

14. **Trump:** in the spa.

15. **Reporter:** What was their jobs? In the spa?

16. **Trump:** Yeah. People that work in the spa, I have a great spa, one of the best spas in the world at Marla, and people were taken out of the spa. Hired by him, in other words, gone. And uh, other people would come and complain, this guy is taking people from the spa. I didn't know that. And then when I heard about it, I told him, I said, listen, we don't want you taking our people, whether it was spa or not spa. I

1 don't want him taking people. And he was fine. And then not too long after that, he
2 did it again. And I said, outta here, Mr. President

3 17. **Reporter:** Mr President, did one of those stolen, um, you know, persons, did that
4 include Virginia Giuffre?

5 18. **Trump:** Uh, I don't know...I think she worked at the spa. I think so. I think that
6 was one of the people. Yeah, he, he stole her. And by the way, she had no
7 complaints about us, as you know, none whatsoever.

8 [Interview continues with impertinent questions]

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Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aymOs5wRYGI>

11 Date: July 29th, 2025

XVIII. Johnson CNN: False Equivalence Between J6 Footage and Epstein File Release (July 30, 2025)

1. **Reporter:** In 2023, when you announced plans to publicly release thousands of hours of footage from the January 6th, 2021 Capitol attack, critics argued that it could be a safety risk because the footage detailed how rioters access the building and the routes lawmakers use to find safety. And you said in a statement at the time, quote, this decision will provide millions of Americans, criminal defendants, public interest organizations, and the media and ability to see for themselves what happened that day, rather than having to rely upon the interpretation of a small group of government officials. Now, obviously the Capitol attack and the Epstein sex trafficking scandal are two different things, but the principle of trusting a small group of government officials is the same. I think one of the problems people have is especially MAGA base people, MAGA Republicans, is that a small group of government officials entered into a sweetheart deal with Epstein in 2007, 2008. Uh, and then seemed to have been protecting a lot of the bad guys who availed themselves of these victims.

2. **Johnson:** Well, look, all I can say is we've been intellectually consistent about this whole thing. I want everything to come out about the Epstein evils that is possible to be released because the people that were involved in those unspeakable evil acts should be punished with the greatest severity of the law and it's, it should have happened a long time ago. So I'm, I'm. Fully in favor of that, we have to do it in a responsible manner. That's why we're intellectually consistent just with the J Six tapes. If it, we want people to draw their own conclusions. Uh, but there's a couple of hours that were never released because it shows the secret exits, for example, in the Senate. Like that would be, uh, create a harm for people who serve in that body. Sure. We, we have to do it in a, in a responsible manner. But look, I'm pushing for aggressively for the full release of everything that is possible. And by the way, so is the president, he has said the same thing. We're using every mechanism within our power to do that and to do it as quickly as possible.

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Source: https://www.youtube.com/shorts/2s7_OuofdX4

Date: July 30, 2025

**XIX. Trump: "We Don't Want People to Get Hurt" Associate Protection Admission
(Aug 1, 2025)**

[Interview begins with impertinent questioning for ~3 minutes]

1. **Finnerty:** Um, your Deputy Attorney General sat down with Ghislaine Maxwell for nine hours. I'm just wondering when the American people get to hear what she said during that interview.

2. **Trump:** Well, I don't know because I haven't spoken about it, but he's a very talented guy, Todd Blanche. And And a very straight shooter.

3. **Finnerty:** Yeah.

4. **Trump:** And I think he probably wanted to know, you know, just to get a feeling of it, because we'd like to release everything, but we don't want people to get hurt that shouldn't be hurt.

5. **Finnerty:** Yeah.

6. **Trump:** And I would assume that was why he was there. We, I wanna release everything. I just don't want people to get hurt. You can't have ah, people associated...first of all, the files were run by some very bad people and very sick people like Comey and, uh, Lisa, the whole group, you know, all those people in that office, they ran those files for four years and if they were gonna use the files, they would've used it before my election.

7. **Finnerty:** Right.

8. **Trump:** 'cause un, unless they're stupid, which to a certain extent they are stupid.

9. **Finnerty:** You're saying they would've released the information?

10. **Trump:** Well, they had the files, they control the files. Yes. They didn't control the files. They control the files for four years. So if they had something, they would've released it before the election because they are, uh, not geniuses, but you know, they're evil. A lot of evil people. Uh, so, uh, I, I can't really, uh, tell you much other than Todd went in. And I think he just wants to make sure that innocent people aren't hurt, but you'd have to speak to him about it.

[Interview continues with impertinent questioning]

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6oEsAoMM7Xc>

Date: August 1st, 2025

XX. Trump: Maxwell Pardon Non-Denial and Associate Protection Language (Aug 5, 2025)

1. **Reporter:** Thank you so much, president Trump. Uh, two questions for you. One, did you, were you aware of, and did you personally approve the prison transfer for Ghislaine Maxwell that your Justice department? I didn't know about it at all. No. I read about it just like you did. And do you believe that she's credible?
2. **Trump:** It's not a very uncommon thing. I do. You believe that she's credible to be listening to your Deputy Attorney General? Sat down with her recently. Well, he's, lemme tell you, he's a very talented man. His name is Todd Blanche. He's a very legitimate person, very high. Uh, I, I just a very highly thought of person, respected by everybody.
3. **Trump:** And, uh, I didn't talk to him about it, but I will tell you that, uh, whatever he asked would be totally appropriate. And it's not an uncommon thing to do that, of course. And I think he probably wants to make sure that, you know, people that. Should not be involved or aren't involved or not hurt by something that would be very, very unfortunate, very unfair to a lot of people.
4. **Trump:** But I will say this, uh, Todd Blanche is one of the most highly respected people you'll ever meet. So I know this, I didn't discuss it with him, but anything he talked about with her or the fact that he did that, not unusual, number one, and most importantly, is, uh, something that would be totally above board.

Source: <https://www.cnn.com/2025/08/05/politics/video/trump-ghislaine-maxwell-lead-digvid>

Date: August 5, 2025

XXI. Trump: Congressional Seat Entitlement and Political Retaliation Claims (Aug 5, 2025)

[Interview begins with introduction by CBS]

1. **CBS:** We start with the latest in Texas, though that's where Governor Greg Abbott is calling for the arrests of Texas Democrats who left the state in order to block a vote to redraw the congressional map there. President Trump is urging Texas Republicans to reshape the districts in order to flip five US House seats ahead of next year's midterms. The president said in a phone interview on CNBC this morning that his party is entitled to those seats.

2. **Trump over phone to CBS:** You notice they go to Illinois for safety, but that's all gerrymandered. Uh, California's gerrymandered. We should have many more seats in Congress in California. It's all gerrymandered. And we have an opportunity in Texas to pick up five seats. We have a really good governor and we have good people in Texas, and I won Texas. I got the highest vote in the history of Texas, as you probably know. And, uh, we are entitled to five more seats.

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Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkvzCwgFobg>

Date: August 5, 2025

XXII. Trump/Vance: Joint "Hoax" Declaration Coordinated Across Branches (Aug 7, 2025)

1. **Reporter:** Is Vice President Vance hosting a gathering this evening to talk about how to respond to the Epstein situation.
2. **Trump:** Is he working on, what?
3. **Reporter:** Is he hosting Some kind of gathering of top advisors this evening to talk about how to respond to the Epstein situation?
4. **Trump:** I don't know. I could ask you that question. I don't know of it, but I think, uh, I, I, here's the man, right?
5. **Vance:** I saw a reporter today and it's completely fake news. We're not meeting to talk about the Epstein situation, and I think the reporter who reported it needs to get better for.
6. **Trump:** Look, the whole thing is a hoax. It's put out by the Democrats because we've had the most successful six months in the history of our country, and that's just a way of trying to divert attention to something that's total bullshit.

[End Transcription]

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ISjjerjP0Hc>

Date: August 7, 2025

**XXIII. Trump: Escalating "Democrat Hoax" Narrative While Expanding
Protection Language (Aug 22, 2025)**

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1. **Reporter:** The department is also sending, um, some of the Epstein files over to the House Oversight Committee today. Are you...
 2. **Trump:** [interrupts] That's okay.
 3. **Reporter:** [continues] Are you in support of them releasing all of them...
 4. **Trump:** [interrupts] I'm in support of Keeping it open
 5. **Reporter:** [continues] if they wanted to release...
 6. **Trump:** [interrupts] people shouldn't be hurt, but I'm in support of keeping it totally open. I couldn't care less.
 7. **Trump:** You got a lot of people that it could be mentioned, those files. Don't deserve to be, you know, people. 'cause he knew everybody in Palm Beach. I don't know anything about that, but I have said to Pam and everybody else, give them everything you can give them because it's a, it's a Democrat hoax. That's just a hoax. The whole Epstein thing is a Democrat hoax.
 8. **Trump:** So we had the greatest six months, seven months in the history of the presidency, and the Democrats don't know what to do. So they keep bringing up that stuff, but it affected them. Uh, the, uh, bill Clinton was on his plane and went to the island supposedly 28 times. I don't wanna bring that up, frankly.
 9. **Trump:** Uh, you have, uh, Larry, whatever his name is, summers the head of Harvard, who was Jeffrey Epstein's best friend. Nobody ever talks about that. I mean, I, but I don't want to hurt Larry Summers, but he was best friends with Jeffrey Epstein.
 10. **Trump:** Now, this is a democratic hoax to try and get the, uh, the significance of what we've done over the past seven months. Nobody's ever seen anything like it. They say it's number one in history, what we've done, including stopping seven wars. I mean, just include that.
 11. **Trump:** And now you look and now you look at the stock market today, it's way up. To start off with, from where I took it and this market was gonna crash. If Joe Biden or Kamala were president of this market, would've, we would've had a crash like in 1929. You're not gonna have that. It's only a question of how high is it gonna go. You know, I had the strongest economy in the history of our country, and despite COVID, we had the strongest economy in the history of our country and we're gonna blow it away this time. I was always good at making a lot of money.
 12. **Trump:** And, uh, whether it was for myself or whether it was, I like doing it this way better. I mean, I like, I like making it for the country. Our country's been ripped off by friend and foe nations all over the world ripped off. And the friends have been much worse than the foes for the most part. And, uh, they're not ripping us off.

13. **Trump:** We just signed a deal with the European Union. They're paying us essentially \$950 billion, like a signing fee. They're gonna buy \$750 billion worth of energy. They weren't buying much of our energy there. And they're be, they're very smart in doing it. And as you know, Ursula was here a couple of days ago having to do with the people, the leaders that we, we had a great people, said they've never seen anything like it. Well, we had the leaders of Europe right here in the Oval Office, and she's so happy that she has an agreement, but people aren't ripping us anymore. We're run by, uh, this country is run by smart people.

14. **Reporter:** Now, president Israel, two questions. One is that Intel reports. Stake in Intel. Can you tell about About the 10%?

15. **Trump:** About the 10%?

16. **Reporter:** Yeah.

17. **Trump:** I met a man who was a very nice man and I called for his removal because I saw something by a man named Tom Cotton, a senator from Arkansas is a great guy, friend of mine, supporter of mine, big support. I was a supporter of his team and he wrote a pretty nasty, uh, story about the head of Intel.

18. **Trump:** And I said, well, if that's right, he should resign. And he came and he. Uh, saw me. We talked for a while. I liked him a lot. I thought he was very good. I thought he was somewhat a victim, but you know, nobody's a total victim, I guess. And, uh, I said, you know what? I think the United States should be given 10% of intel. I, and he said, I would consider that. I say, well, I'd like you to do that because, uh, Intel's been left behind as you know, compared to. Uh, Jensen and some of our friends, Nvidia, some of the people and the people in 'cause Intel should have never been, Intel was the biggest, most powerful chip company in the world. And then, uh, they started leaving and they started going to foreign countries, in particular Taiwan. And if we had a president that would've said, okay, you can go to Taiwan, but we're gonna put a 100% tariff, or 200 or 300 or a 500% tariff. Anybody that sells into the United States has to pay. They wouldn't have left. They would've never left, and we wouldn't have. So in the meantime, we had people that were, in some cases, good politicians that weren't good on trade. I loved that man, but he was not good on trade. I totally disagreed. He allowed the car industry to be taken out of this country, lost 50% of our car industry. But that's all coming back. It's all coming back. But if somebody would've said that with Intel would be a giant right now. Now with that, they've had some bad management over the years and And they got lost and I said, I think you should pay us 10% of your company. And they said, yes, that's about \$10 billion for the, I don't get it. This comes to the United States of America. And I said, I think it would be good having the United States as your father. He agreed and they've agreed to do it, and I think it's a great deal for them. And I think it's a great deal. He walked in wanting to keep his job and he ended up giving us \$10 billion for the United States.

19. **Trump:** So we picked up 10 billion. And we do a lot of deals like that. I'll do more of 'em if somebody has, like we have, uh, restrictive covenants with, uh, Jensen, we have it's Nvidia and to Unrestrict. The cover had nothing to do with losing our, our powers or military or anything. 'cause that I wouldn't. It, but there are things you

1 can do that don't affect us, that actually help us. And if we're gonna give somebody
2 a free out a restricted covenant, we have a strong restrictive covenant on certain
3 industries, and I will absolutely give somebody a opening on a restrict to do a lot of
4 business, which is good for us as long as it doesn't hurt us in a security or military
5 way. And if I do that, I think the country should be paid because anybody else, I
6 have it in real estate where I'll have a deal with somebody and I'll have them, uh,
7 restrictive covenant. Then they'll come back and they'll say, I'd love to be able to
8 build over here, but I'm not allowed to because you have me covered. You have me
9 restricted. I say, I'll let you build over there, but pay me a lot of money. No
10 different. But the co, the country never did it because the country was run by
11 foolish people.

12 [Press Conference continues with irrelevant questioning]

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16 Date: August 22, 2025

XXIV. Johnson: Obstructing Discharge Petition as "Inartfully Drafted" (Sept 2, 2025)

1. **Johnson:** Uh, good afternoon everyone. We just spent more than, than two hours with six of the Epstein victims, some of the bravest women I've ever met. They're very courageous. They shared their stories. Some of the ladies have shared these stories publicly before, but at least two of the women had never told their stories before. One for the very first time in the room. And so, uh, there were tears in the room. There was outrage. It was both. I would describe it as heartbreaking and infuriating that justice has been delayed, uh, so long.
2. **Johnson:** Uh, some of the women in the room began to be groomed by Epstein and his accomplices, Ghislaine Maxwell and the others. 30 years ago, some of the, there were, there were four attorneys in the room. Some of them began civil litigation against Epstein and the Epstein evils and everything associated with it 20 years ago. This has gone on for a long, long time, and. They, they shared their stories. They shared how these brave young women's Epstein and his accomplices stole their innocence, uh, stole their very lives in some cases, stole their hopes and dreams and aspirations and, and ruined them in so many ways.
3. **Johnson:** But they came forward courageously to share their, their thoughts and, and their hopes, and the House Oversight Committee and. That the house itself, that we would do this in a bipartisan fashion and seek those answers, and we will, they are owed that there may be as many as a thousand victims. Think of it, hundreds and hundreds of young women who some of us imagined seated behind these six women. One of, one of the, uh, members in the committee said that, that they speak for all of them, and it's been long, long overdue.
4. **Johnson:** So the objective here is not just to. Uncover, investigate the Epstein evils, but also to ensure that this never happens again. And ultimately to find out why justice has been delayed for these ladies for so very long.
5. **Johnson:** It is inexcusable and it will stop now because the Congress is dialed in on this.
6. **Johnson:** Um, I'm very grateful for the leadership of, uh, chairman James Comer of the House Oversight Committee, who's with me here, and he's done an extraordinary job. August was a very busy. District work period for so many members of Congress who were out fanned out across the country and their districts doing town halls and business round tables and constituent services, but, but our house oversight committee was working all along on their subpoenas and I'll, I'll let him recount for you some of the great work that has already been done, but 34,000 Epstein documents have already been collected. We will not stop there. This is the beginning and not the end, and they're going through very carefully because we have two ultimate objectives here. We wanna bring justice to every single person who is involved in the Epstein evils of the coverup thereof.
7. **Johnson:** But we also want to be equally certain that we protect the innocent victims. Many of these young women, some of them are now middle aged women

- 1 have never come forward. We do not want their names or identities to be
2 uncovered, uh, carelessly or intentionally in any way.
- 3 8. **Johnson:** And so the House Oversight Committee in a bipartisan fashion is
4 combing through these documents to ensure. They will redact only the information
5 related to the innocent victims themselves.
- 6 9. **Johnson:** Themselves. We cannot be involved in subjecting them to any more
7 harm. Uh, with that, I want to yield to our, our very able and very busy chairman
8 for all the great work he's been doing, uh, Jamie Comer.
- 9 10. **Comer:** Well, thank you Mr. Speaker. I'll just give a quick update. Uh, I think
10 everyone knows who all we've subpoenaed thus far. Uh, in the initial batch, we
11 subpoenaed, uh, six former attorneys general as well as, uh, the, uh, bill Clinton
12 and Hillary Clinton. We've expanded that to Alex Acosta Acosta's coming in, I
13 believe, September the 19th, 16th or 19th. We've got that date down. I know that,
14 uh, we'll have a lot of questions for him. Uh, with respect to, uh, an earlier Epstein
15 uh, prosecution that, that he was involved in when he was US Attorney. Uh, we, we
16 have the documents, the initial batch that had been sent by the White House. Uh, as
17 you know, we also subpoenaed Pam Bondy for those documents. Uh, the White
18 House is working with us. I want to, uh, uh, publicly thank the White House for,
19 uh, turning over so many documents thus far.
- 20 11. **Comer:** We're in the process of uploading those documents for full transparency
21 so everyone in America can see those documents. Uh, it's going to as, as quick as
22 we can get 'em uploaded, and as the speaker said, they 34,000 pages. So we're,
23 we're doing, uh, everything we can to get those uploaded. We want those to be
24 public, uh, as soon as possible. And then, uh, we're gonna continue to, uh, bring in
25 more people. We learned of some additional names today. Uh, we're gonna do
26 everything we can, uh, to, to give the American public the transparency they seek,
27 as well as provide accountability, uh, in, in, in, uh, memory of the, the sur the
28 victims. Uh, who have, who have already passed away, as well as those that were in
29 the room and many others who haven't come forward. So, we're sincere about this.
30 This was a two and a half hour discussion. It was as bipartisan as anything I've seen
31 in, in the nine years I've been here. Uh, appreciate the speaker for giving us the, uh,
32 uh, authority to, uh, seek out everything that I think you all want, and the people
33 that I talk to, uh, as I travel America want. And we're gonna do everything we can
34 to get the answers and to do it as soon as possible.
- 35 12. **Comer:** I yield back.
- 36 13. **Johnson:** Question or two? Go ahead,
- 37 14. **Reporter:** The president appears to refer to this as the Epstein hoax, you just have
38 talked to these victims. Is it a hoax?
- 39 15. **Johnson:** I, I'm not sure what that comment refers to, but I've spoken to the
40 president myself about this many times, and he, uh, is in, is insistent as we are.
- 41 16. **Johnson:** He is the most transparent president in memory, probably in the history
42 of the country. As you know, he stops. If he was here now, he would stand here and
43 take your questions endlessly. Um, that's his mindset and he wants the American

1 people to have information so they can draw their own conclusions. I've, I've talked
2 with him about this very subject myself, so I can tell you that his is his heart.

3 17. **Johnson:** Now, he also, just as we do, is insistent that we protect the innocent
4 victims, and that's what this has been about. Uh, there, there'll be votes in the house
5 this week to, to advance this and affirm what is doing. Do we want? Everybody in
6 the house wants to go on record in affirming what our oversight committee is doing
7 in a bipartisan fashion.

8 18. **Johnson:** Um, there's a discharge petition that is pending, and the reason that I
9 was not comfortable with that and, and still am not comfortable with the discharge
10 petition is because it was inartfully drafted. It does not adequately protect the
11 innocent victims, and that is a critical component of this. So the work is being
12 done.

13 19. **Johnson:** The Department of Justice and the administration are in full compliance
14 with every congressional subpoena. In fact, they're moving it quickly. And so, uh,
15 the American people are, are owed this information and, and the expectation is it
16 will come out soon. Two five.

17 20. **Reporter:** What exactly in the mass, in con, uh, discharge petition doesn't protect
18 survivors.

19 21. **Johnson:** Yeah. Look it, it was inartfully drafted. Okay. They, they cite, for
20 example, a, a code article that is supposedly to protect. Um, child sex acts. Okay,
21 there's, these are legal term of R, but they cite the wrong US code provision, so it
22 doesn't actually have any force of law. They don't actually have adequate
23 protections for whistleblowers.

24 22. **Johnson:** We want to encourage whistleblowers in an investigation like this, and
25 there are standards and practices and procedures that are used and federal
26 prosecutions and investigations and here in Congress that are not adequately stated
27 in the discharge petition. I, I think the petition itself is effectively a moot point now
28 because all of this is happening.

29 23. **Johnson:** What the, what the House Oversight Committee is doing. What they're
30 actually gathering is everything that was requested in the discharge petition, plus
31 even more. And it's actually has the force of subpoena, the, the effect in force of
32 law, which is why it's actually happening right now. Where the discharge petition
33 does not lead to that. So it's not a lawmaking exercise, it's superfluous at this point.
34 And I think we're, we're achieving the desired end here.

35 24. **Johnson:** Yes.

36 25. **Reporter:** [indecipherable]

37 26. **Johnson:** we, we have, we have a subpoena, which must be supplied, uh, must be,
38 uh, um, enforced. And that is, that does have the effective law. So it's even more
39 effective than a vote on the floor. I mean, this is. We have subpoena authority and it
40 is being used aggressively here, and we promise to those victims that we would
41 continue that they are heartened, I think by the attention that has been given in this
42 Congress that has not been there for many years, obviously. And, and, and I would

say this, and I don't wanna overstate it, uh, my friend, uh, Jamie Comer, but. I would say Republicans and Democrats in the room were dumbfounded at some points about why some of this, uh, has not been disclosed, uh, further and in greater detail. And, uh, you have the right people on it now and we're on it. It's overdue.

27. **Johnson:** Go ahead.

28. **Comer:** [interjects] Sorry. And I also wanna add, we've subpoenaed the estate, the Epstein estate for everything too. So we're, we're pushing forward.

29. **Johnson:** When I say, when I say, when I say that, the, [reporter interrupts] over those documents, he'll re Yes. The in the intention is to get them out for public release. And when I say that. The oversight committee's work goes further than the discharge petition. That's a great example. The discharge petition doesn't mention a subpoena or gathering, uh, information or documents from the Epstein estate. So there are other things that this committee with its expertise and all of its lawyers and all the work, uh, will be able to gather that That wasn't even anticipated in this, this other pending measure.

30. **Reporter:** So, what's there? What's the plan? Plan to avoid a government shutdown in four weeks? What's the plan?

31. **Johnson:** Oh, you wanna talk about that now? Look, we are, we're working through, uh, the appropriations process. We have been in good faith, as you know. We passed, uh, a few of these bills off the floor already and the Senate has done some work. They passed a few and a little mini bus. We've gotta get, um, these two chambers together. Of course, we have the end of the fiscal year comes up the end of, of this month and no one desires or government shutdown. So we'll be working in earnest over the next few days, uh, and in the next couple of weeks to ensure that doesn't happen.

32. **Johnson:** Uh, stay tuned for the details. As you know, everyone was out on the district work period, and now they've all just gathered. And so, uh, there'll be a tsunami of activity here for the next, uh, uh, we'll have some sleepless nights, wrapping it all up and getting it done. But, but I'm very optimistic we can avoid a a, a shutdown and it's gonna require leaders on both sides of the aisle to come together and do that. And I'm certainly hopeful that we can and do it in a responsible manner.

33. **Reporter:** there are so in your own party, Thomas Massey is one of them who have said that by delaying a vote, resisting a floor vote on the Epstein documents that you are protecting. What do you say?

34. **Johnson:** Well, I, I, I think that's obvious nonsense.

35. **Johnson:** We are demonstrating here that this is being done, but I'm gonna emphasize again, it has to be done in the right way. I spoke with the, the six brave women who were here, um, a about our intention on that, and they were so grateful. I think they will tell you themselves, those who are, are willing to come forward to speak publicly, that they will say, they, they, they want to be very careful.

1 36. **Johnson:** Not all the victims. In fact, the vast majority of ladies and women and
 2 young women who are. Who are subjected to these unspeakable crimes, I mean,
 3 unspeakable crimes, some of the things we heard today have chosen not to come
 4 forward for obvious reasons. So we've got to, we have to very carefully guard their
 5 identities. We cannot be haphazard about this. And that's the only thing, uh, that
 6 has had, if there's any delay at all, that's, that's what the intention is. And I think
 7 you'll see that's the effect, uh, the American people will get the information they,
 8 they desire.

9 37. **Johnson:** Last question. Yeah.

10 38. **Reporter:** Congressman Garcia says that you guys have subpoenaed that birthday
 11 book where President Trump allegedly wrote a note to Jeffrey Epstein.

12 39. **Reporter:** Is that something you guys are going to share with the public and
 13 expect to see soon?

14 40. **Johnson:** I, I don't know about that particular, uh, item. I haven't seen a long list of
 15 specific dates that's in the estate.

16 41. **Comer:** It's been, we've subpoenaed for ev all documents pertaining to this
 17 statement.

18 42. **Reporter:** And once you get it, will you release that to the public?

19 43. **Johnson:** We plan on doing that. Yeah. You, you're gonna see full disclosure, we
 20 always do maximum transparency. That's, that's Chairman Comer. That's what he
 21 does. Yes.

22 44. **Reporter:** Mr. Speaker, when you say justice delay, does that mean you are
 23 seeking more action to get justice, that transparency, or does that mean
 24 prosecutions?

25 45. **Johnson:** I think we follow the truth where it leads. I think that's the responsibility
 26 of Congress. I think we owe that to the victims. And if there are further
 27 prosecutions and need to be, need to be brought, um, no stone unturned. I mean,
 28 that's a commitment and it's, and it's bipartisan. And I'm, I'm heartened that, um.
 29 Members of Congress are willing to work together on that.

30 46. **Johnson:** So, and, and look, I will say this again. I'm gonna emphasize this is full,
 31 uh, participation of the administration and the White House. Um, the president has
 32 the same desire so long as we're protecting the innocent victims. So there'll be a lot
 33 more on this in the, in the coming days. So thank y'all for the time.

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 35 Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_kBpYUNSB-M

36 Date: September 2, 2025

XXV. Johnson: Introducing Trump FBI Informant Defensive Strategy (Sept 5, 2025)

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1. **Johnson:** Every single one of them nodded and said, of course, yes, please do that.
1. **Reporter:** But Trump called it a hoax yesterday, a hoax.
2. **Johnson:** [interrupts] What Trump is referring to is the hoax that the Democrats are using to try to attack him. He has never said or suggested or implied, I've talked to him about this many times, many times.
2. **Reporter:** [interrupts] It comes across horrified calling the whole thing a hoax.
3. **Johnson:** [continues] He is Horrified. It. It's been misrepresented. He's not saying that what Epstein did as a hoax, it's a terrible unspeakable evil. He believes that himself. When he first heard the rumor, he kicked him out. Mar-a-Lago. He was an FBI informant to try to take the this, this stuff down.
4. **Johnson:** The president knows and has great sympathy for the women who have suffered these unspeakable harms. It's detestable to him. He and I have spoken about this as recently as 24 hours ago. What he's talking about is the Democrats who are doing this with impure motives. If they cared so much about this, why didn't they do something?
5. **Johnson:** During the four years of the Biden administration, when the Biden, DOJ had all the records, they didn't say a word about it. Now they're doing it for political purposes, not everybody, but a lot of them. And that's what the president's frustrated about, and we all are, that they're creating a hoax, just like they did with the Russian dossier, because they think it's gonna, uh, somehow be mud thrown on him.
6. **Johnson:** It's not, he has no culpability in this thing at all. The president has clean hands. He wants all the records out. He has told me that himself.
7. **Reporter:** Should he meet with the victims? Should he meet with the victims?
7. **Johnson:** I suspect he probably will. Yeah. He has great compassion for them. The president has a very compassionate heart.
7. **Johnson:** He hates the fact that these women were suffered, those harms. He hates what Epstein is accused of and and who he was. And when he recognized that, he realized. Epstein wasn't just some sort of, you know, socialite. He was an evil person and, and, you know, alleged to have been involved in evil schemes and the president distanced himself before he was president from that.
8. **Johnson:** 'cause that's not who he is. And I, I think he's being, he's being, uh, falsely accused and maligned. Uh, and that's a frustration of all of ours. That's what he's talking about when he says the hoax.

[transcript end]

Source: <https://x.com/alanhe/status/1963765092564013170>

1 Date: September 4, 2025

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XXVI. Johnson: Walking Back FBI Informant Claim Within 72 Hours (Sept 8, 2025)

1. **Reporter:** What did you mean by [indecipherable] was an FBI informant?

2. **Johnson:** Alright, well, I was referring to sir in that long conversation was what the victim's attorney said. Um, more than a decade ago, president Trump kicked Epstein out of Mar-a-Lago and he was one of the only people, one of the only prominent people, as everyone has reported, not President Trump, but everybody about him, uh, that he was willing to help. Law enforcement, uh, go after this guy who was a disgusting, uh, child abuser, sex trafficker, all the allegations, that's what they heard. So the president was helpful in that. I don't know if I use the right terminology, but that's common knowledge and everybody knows that. So this is much a do about nothing.

[transcript end]

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-YaPNpmOSko>

Date: September 8, 2025

1 **XXVII. Johnson: Completing Strategic Retreat from FBI Informant Narrative (Sept**
 2 **9, 2025)**

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- 4 1. **Johnson:** End of last week, lots about Epstein. Okay. Um, this, the, the Oversight
 5 Committee is doing its work. They're doing it in earnest. You may have heard
 6 Chairman Comer and other members that I think are headed down to the Epstein
 7 estate and literally physically, uh, to look at visitor logs and whatever evidence is
 8 there.
- 9 2. **Johnson:** I will point out none of that was anticipated or included in the discharge
 10 petition. So this is the actual work of the Committee of jurisdiction doing what it's
 11 supposed to do. You've got, um, very aggressive members on both sides of the aisle
 12 involved in this, and they're going to. Un uncover, overturn every stone and follow
 13 the truth where it leads. And we are fully supportive of that.
- 14 3. **Johnson:** Um, all that is going on, and I've been asked about a thousand questions a
 15 thousand times about all of it. Um, in a, in a, in an aside with Monte, what was that
 16 Friday? I don't know, on the way out Thursday or one of those days. Um, I
 17 mentioned that what, what the attorneys for the victims have been very clear about
 18 that President Trump was involved in this more than a decade ago before he ran for
 19 president, before any of that. He kicked Epstein out of Mar-a-Lago when he, when
 20 he learned about this, um, the allegations of this just evil behavior, evil acts, and,
 21 uh, that he was assisting participating in some way with law enforcement to bring
 22 about an end to that.
- 23 4. **Johnson:** I don't know if I used the right word. I said FBI, informant. I'm not sure I
 24 wasn't there. this isnt my lane. I'm just repeating what is common knowledge and
 25 has been out in the public for a long time. President Trump was never a hindrance
 26 to the Epstein investigation. He was trying to assist in that. He is disgusted. He is
 27 horrified by the, the things that have been done there by the victim's testimonies of
 28 the, uh, the just unspeakable evils that they had to endure.

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31 Source: <https://www.tiktok.com/@cbsnews/video/7548132326870420791>

32 Date: September 9, 2025

XXVIII. Johnson: Opposing H.R. 4405 as "National Security Risk" (Nov 18, 2025)

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1. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, chairman Jordan for doing such an extraordinary job on all of this. For 43 long days, the Democrats held this house and the entire country hostage. Finally, with the lights back on, this body's returning to our regular legislative session. We have a lot of work to do. My colleagues on this side of the chamber are ready and eager to get back to our urgent legislative work that we promised the American people we would do.
 2. Yes, we've gotta continue lowering the cost of healthcare. We've gotta bring down prices for American families, and we gotta finish the regular appropriations process just to name a few of those priorities. And I wish I could say that our first order of business would be to get to those urgent priorities, but of course, we're here spending time on the floor about something else.
 3. This is something we could have resolved last week when we brought a unanimous consent to pass this discharge with the full support of the body. But our friends over here who are arguing today. I stalled that they objected to it and they wanted to have this exercise instead. And that's why we say that this is a, a show vote.
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 5. Some of them when they were very young. And it is a heroic service to the country. They are, they are seeking justice, and the justice has been delayed for too long. The Department of Justice many years ago should have brought these charges. It took too long to do it. And, and now we're in this process of making sure all the American people get the, the information, but we have to do it in the right way, the right way.
 6. After four years of Democrat control under President Biden, they were not truthful with us about a lot of things. The Democrats insisted the border was secure. We knew it wasn't. They submit, they insisted that, uh, inflation was transitory. We knew it wouldn't be. They misled the Am American people about the obvious mental and physical decline of the previous commander in chief, and now those same Democrats are demanding transparency.
 7. Suddenly transparency is their new word out of nowhere. They've taken a curious concern in the Epstein investigation, all in the name of that, in the name of transparency, but the question has been asked here many times. During the debate on the floor and everybody questioning why it is that Democrats have done this right now, have to look at the obvious facts.
 8. The Democrats had all the Epstein files in their possession for four long years under the Biden presidency. The Biden Department of Justice had these files, and no one on this side who is breathless today about the urgency of this release ever said a word about it, and it was the Democrats who could have urged.

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3 Why now? Why the sudden urgent interest in Jeffrey Epstein? Look, we know why.
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5 justice or protecting the victims of this unspeakable tragedy before.
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15 he has nothing to hide, and that's why he's endorsed the vote today.
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17 that everybody needs to understand. We have been advocates of maximum
18 transparency, but we have also insisted that the victims be carefully protected. The
19 oversight Committee has been doing extraordinary work, and we've got some of
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21 oversight committee.
- 22 13. They've been working in earnest to deliver transparency for the American people
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27 Estate.
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29 because it's yielded for us Epstein's own personal flight logs, his financial records,
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38 political game that could get hurt further, but the Democrats are rushing the release
39 of thousands of unsubstantiated documents that may be included in this, that are
40 gonna be in the public domain with the passage of this bill.
- 41 17. And there are serious deficiencies in the legislation that I have noted at length, and
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2 we have posted at, at my website, speaker.gov, a summary.
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10 And it, and it summarizes just five or six of the major concerns among them. It fails
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9 Date: November 18, 2025

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XXIX. Johnson: Resuming Fraudulent Legal Claims Against Epstein Transparency Act (Nov 18, 2025)

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5 25. **Johnson:** Thank you for the time, Mr. Speaker and I yield back.

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7 Date: November 18, 2025

8 Related Exhibits: R-37 Speaker Johnsons' Flaws of H.R. 4405 Memorandum

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XXX. Johnson: False Claim That 18 U.S.C. § 2256 Does Not Define CSAM (Nov 21, 2025)

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1. **Reporter:** I guess I'm confused because the bill specifically says the attorney General may withhold or redact portions related to child sexual abuse materials as defined in the law. Anything jeopardizing federal investigations, it specifically says they can withhold anything contained. Personal identifiable information of victims. Victim's personal medical files. We know the survivors are comfortable with that. I, all of these, these things are actually in this bill. I that're why [interrupted]
 2. **Johnson:** they're not, lemme give you an example and we could, we could be up here for a long time. I litigated it with you 'cause I brought all this stuff.
 3. **Reporter:** Let's do it. What specifically is missing?
 4. **Johnson:** Okay, so, so the first one you mentioned?
 5. **Reporter:** Yeah.
 6. **Johnson:** Okay. So here's, here's the, here's the H uh, HS 581. This is the discharge. Okay. It says on page five, uh, redact anything that depicts or quote, depicts or contains child sexual abuse material CSA as defined under. 18 USC 2256. Okay. Alright, so you go to 18 USC 2256 definitions of the chapter.
 7. **Johnson:** Nowhere in this section. Okay, go look it up. Alright. Does it contain the definition of child sexual abuse material? So I used to litigate federal cases and I would challenge statutes in court. Okay. The language is very important and very precise if it's not listed here, and this were to become law. Child sexual abuse materials are not included.
 8. **Johnson:** They're not included. For redaction, which means the Attorney General and someone there. If they interpret the discharge in the statute that it passes, uh, directly and, and, and literally as they're supposed to do, they're required to do under the law, then you're gonna have things that would, that would qualify under child sexual abuse materials.
 9. **Johnson:** You have child pornography included in the distribution of this stuff. We can't go for that. [interrupted]
 10. **Reporter:** It's up to the attorney general.
 11. **Johnson:** No, it's not up to the, no, it's not up to the attorney General because the way it's listed in the document...
 12. **Reporter:** under the bill.
 13. **Johnson:** go, no, it's not. It's not because it doesn't reference the right code section.
 14. **Johnson:** So I'm just gonna leave you with this question. You should go ask 'em all. If you were so concerned about the Epstein files and protecting the victims, why didn't you do a darn thing about it? For the four years of the Biden

administration, all this stuff was sitting in a warehouse and nobody said a word about it.

15. **Johnson:** They didn't care. Now they're doing it. We all know why 'cause they're trying to attack President Trump. That's it. A CA questions. Thank you.

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