

Ross, Lee

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**From:** Ross, Lee  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 4:40 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Thanks for the chat

This is what hit our radar.

<http://kdvr.com/2018/03/08/undocumented-immigrant-in-fatal-i-70-hit-and-run-and-wanted-by-ice-agents-formally-charged/>

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Wells, Justin

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**From:** Wells, Justin  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 4:19 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: AG tomorrow night re california?

Fantastic. Probably around 7:40pm. But I'll let you know if that slides at all!

Thank you!!

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 4:18 PM  
**To:** Wells, Justin <[justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG tomorrow night re california?

Yes. What time do you want him there?

xxxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Wells, Justin [mailto:[justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 4:13 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG tomorrow night re california?

Fantastic. I'm sure we can get that in there since he's previewing some news 😊  
Please send along when you've got it! Are we okay to promote?

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 4:11 PM  
**To:** Wells, Justin <[justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG tomorrow night re california?

He's also set to give a speech on Saturday am calling on SCOTUS to end the practice of district court nationwide injunctions. Might be worth a couple questions on that too? It's a very sexy topic among nerds at least 😊 If so, I'll send an embargoed copy of the speech tomorrow afternoon.

xxxx

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Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Wells, Justin [mailto:[justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 2:50 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG tomorrow night re california?

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Sarah,

Yes, that'd be fantastic. Let me know when we can begin promoting. Live, on set?

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 2:49 PM

**To:** Wells, Justin <[justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM)>

**Subject:** AG tomorrow night re california?

xxxx

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**Talarico, Julie**

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**From:** Talarico, Julie  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 1:20 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

I totally agree!

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 1:18 PM  
**To:** Talarico, Julie <[Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

Bummer. Always more fun in person. But ok 😊

xxx  
Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** Talarico, Julie [<mailto:Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 1:16 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

Bill is back in DC, so would be on remote. He was supposed to be back today but got stuck because of the snow

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
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**To:** Talarico, Julie <[Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

Either of those should work. On set with Bill?

xxx  
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**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

Circling back to see if 10:10 or 10:30 works. There was a lot of great sound of the President talking about Sanctuary Cities in his cabinet meeting, so we'll have plenty to talk about on this tomorrow. Would just be 1 question on the other 2 topics since we've been following them closely all week.



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**From:** Talarico, Julie  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 11:39 AM  
**To:** 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

We'd also have to ask you about the fast and furious story, but would start on sanctuary cities and spend more time on that. Could you to 10:10am? From the DC bureau?

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 11:29 AM  
**To:** Talarico, Julie <[Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

Also I want to make sure we are spending the majority of the time on the sanctuary city announcement—the second special counsel thing is a short answer and old news bc he was referring back to a letter we sent in November: <https://www.politico.com/f/?id=0000015f-b85c-d93c-a77f-b9dfe5950000>

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**From:** Talarico, Julie [<mailto:Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 10:12 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

Hey Sarah –

Any chance you can join us on America's Newsroom tomorrow? To talk AG Sessions announcement yesterday, as well as the calls for a second special counsel. Can do the 9am or 10am hours. Let me know whenever you get a chance, thanks!

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**Talarico, Julie**

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**From:** Talarico, Julie  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 11:31 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

I believe we can make that happen!

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 11:27 AM  
**To:** Talarico, Julie <[Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

As long as it can be in the 10am hour, I can make it!

xxx

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**Subject:** Tomorrow -- America's Newsroom

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**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 10:40 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Hello, Sarah

Can you join us on Monday?  
Thank you,  
Eric

**Eric Spinato**

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 8:09 AM  
**To:** Robinson, Michael  
**Subject:** Re: Fox Business Interview Request

I won't be able to today--sorry!

On Mar 8, 2018, at 7:24 AM, Robinson, Michael <[Michael.Robinson@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Michael.Robinson@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Any time today to appear during our 5 PM ET hour on the DOJ/CA lawsuit?

**Michael Robinson**  
Fox Business Network

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Bream, Shannon

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**From:** Bream, Shannon  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 10:43 PM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Cc:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: need clarification

That's what I thought. Martha played that sot for Gowdy and referred to it as the IG, so Gowdy responded accordingly. I would have told her that was not about the IG, but I didn't know she thought that ...

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:12 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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> I think he said something similar once in an answer to my question in Baltimore...

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>> On Mar 7, 2018, at 9:48 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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>> In November he said he had asked a senior federal prosecutor to review all the matters raised by members of congress to determine if any matters needed to be opened, more resources, or a special counsel. Adding Jake bc he can probably find the letter faster than I can. But the AG was referring back to that letter.

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>>> On Mar 7, 2018, at 9:10 PM, Bream, Shannon <shannon.bream@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>>> Hi, Sarah -

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>>> We've been having an internal debate about something - so I'm reaching out for clarification. In his answer (below), was the Attorney General talking about the IG or someone other than the IG?

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>>> Thank you - and thanks for everything today!

>>> Shannon

>>> cell: (b)(6)

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>>> "Well, I have great respect for Mr. Gowdy and Chairman Goodlatte, and we're going to consider seriously their recommendations. I have appointed a person outside of Washington, many years in the Department of Justice, to look at all the allegations that the House Judiciary Committee



members sent to us and we're conducting that investigation."

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**Bream, Shannon**

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**From:** Bream, Shannon  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 9:58 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** RE: need clarification

Thank you!

-----Original Message-----

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 9:48 PM  
To: Bream, Shannon <shannon.bream@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Cc: Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Subject: Re: need clarification

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Pfeiffer, Alex

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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 8:45 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Prison rape inquiry

Eh I mean I guess it's moot. I appreciate you trying. Would love the stats but realize would be tough to get.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 7, 2018, at 10:36 AM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

checking

Devin M. O'Malley  
Department of Justice  
Office of Public Affairs  
Office: (202) 353-8763  
Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex [<mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 10:28 AM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Prison rape inquiry

Hey - Any chance this figure is broken down somewhere into gender?

"The RIA concludes that in 2008 more than 209,400 persons were victims of sexual abuse in prisons, jails, and juvenile facilities, of which at least 78,500 prison and jail inmates and 4,300 youth in juvenile facilities were victims of the most serious forms of sexual abuse, including forcible rape and other nonconsensual sexual acts involving injury, force, or high incidence."

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2012/06/20/2012-12427/national-standards-to-prevent-detect-and-respond-to-prison-rape#p-61>

Thanks,  
Alex Pfeiffer  
Associate Producer  
Tucker Carlson Tonight

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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 8:37 PM  
**To:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Subject:** Re: Prison rape inquiry

Is this moot?

People were entirely unhelpful here

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 7, 2018, at 10:29 AM, Pfeiffer, Alex <[Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

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**Pfeiffer, Alex**

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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 10:37 AM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Prison rape inquiry

Thanks.

On Mar 7, 2018, at 10:36 AM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 8:28 PM  
**To:** Jarrett, Laura  
**Cc:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** Re: About to tweet this from me

I'm learning!

> On Mar 7, 2018, at 5:15 PM, Jarrett, Laura <Laura.Jarrett@cnn.com> wrote:

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> Sarah's first tweet storm!

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> Laura Jarrett

> CNN Justice Reporter

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>> On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:12 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> Who.

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>> Can we report it as from u now?

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>>> On Mar 7, 2018, at 6:52 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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>>> In response to Governor Brown's comments today:

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>>> John C Calhoun, who popularized the theory of nullification before the Civil War, also thought enforcing federal law was an "act of war," but every student of American history (except the Governor of California it would seem) knows that debate was settled at Appomattox Courthouse.

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>>> In fact, the only war that has been declared by the Attorney General and the Trump Administration is on violent crime, transnational criminal organizations, and the drug crisis. These are national problems that are exacerbated by states like California when they put federal law officers at risk by refusing to share even the release date of a criminal illegal alien that they themselves believed were dangerous enough to arrest in the first place.

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>>> In the meantime, law abiding Californians are the victims. For example, just last fall local

police in Northern California arrested an illegal alien for spousal battery. ICE asked to pick up the person to begin removal proceedings but instead that person was put back on the streets. Shortly thereafter, that same individual--who should have been deported--was arrested on charges of murder. This should shock the conscience but instead it's business as usual in California.

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>>> The Attorney General didn't create this issue. But he cannot accept unconstitutional interference with federal law enforcement from any state. That is why this lawsuit was filed and that is why we expect to win.

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Gibson, Jake

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 7:18 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Laura.Jarrett@turner.com  
**Subject:** Re: About to tweet this from me

I see that now.  
Got it.

> On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:16 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:  
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> I tweeted it!  
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>> On Mar 7, 2018, at 4:12 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:  
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**Laco, Kelly (OPA)**

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**From:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:19 PM  
**To:** King, Amanda  
**Cc:** Horwood, Lauren (USACAE)  
**Subject:** Re: YOUR WORLD HIT

Thanks for the follow up Amanda, I appreciate it!

Lauren will run point on setting up for the hit Friday or whenever works best for the USA this week.

Thanks again,

Kelly

On Mar 7, 2018, at 12:17 PM, King, Amanda <[amanda.king@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:amanda.king@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hi Lauren and Kelly,

I can confirm that we will no longer have time for this interview with the U.S. attorney. I apologize for the change of plans. However, we would still like to have him join us another time this week. Friday between 4-5 pm ET, or Saturday between 10 am – 12 pm. Hope one of these days can work instead.

Thank you.

Amanda King  
Fox News Channel  
"Your World with Neil Cavuto"  
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**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:13 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Hello, Sarah

Would you be able to join MB Monday, at 8:30a, to discuss the lawsuit  
Sanctuary cities and any other news of the day  
You would be on with Maria and our contributors

Let me know

Thank you  
Eric

**Eric Spinato**

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 1:09 PM  
**To:** [jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)  
**Cc:** Sarah Isgur Flores; Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Sessions Throws Down!

Thank YOU!

On Mar 7, 2018, at 10:02 AM, "[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)" <[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)> wrote:

Thank you both!

As you can see, I got some great stuff from the other side as well.

<http://www.breitbart.com/big-government/2018/03/07/jeff-sessions-california-law-enforcement-sanctuary-state-no-nullification-no-secession/>

J

**Nestande, Francesca**

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**From:** Nestande, Francesca  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 12:36 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Hannity tomorrow

Is there another day this week we can make something work?

> On Mar 6, 2018, at 11:08 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:  
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> He's doing Shannon--sorry  
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>> On Mar 6, 2018, at 6:59 PM, Nestande, Francesca <Francesca.Nestande@FOXNEWS.COM>  
wrote:

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>> Hi Sara- Any chance AG Sessions can join us on Hannity live tomorrow? Topic is immigration.

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>> Thank you!

>> Francesca

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**Robbins, Christina**

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**From:** Robbins, Christina  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 12:30 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** 1p hour this week --

If you are able to join us on Thursday in the 1p hour OR Friday in the 1p hour - just let me know!

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-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 11:09 PM  
To: Robbins, Christina <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Cc: Ehram, Lauren (OPA) <Lauren.Ehram@usdoj.gov>  
Subject: Re: Can you join us in the 1p hour Weds??

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> Christina Robbins

> Fox News Channel

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Robbins, Christina

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**From:** Robbins, Christina  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 11:21 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Ehram, Lauren (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Can you join us in the 1p hour Weds??

Thanks Sarah.

Hi Lauren!

Is another spokesperson or Asst AG or DOJ Representative possibly available to discuss the lawsuit with us tomorrow in the 1p hour?

Christina

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 11:34 AM  
**To:** Joel B. Pollak  
**Cc:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Interview in Sacramento?

Kelly is coming!

On Mar 7, 2018, at 8:30 AM, Joel B. Pollak <[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)> wrote:

I'm in the hotel (having paused to take photos of protest outside)... they're not letting me in... any chance of an assist? I'm standing by the police officer at the perimeter inside the bldg on the 2nd floor.

J

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:57 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Thanks!

On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:27 AM, "[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)" <[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)> wrote:

UP: <http://www.breitbart.com/california/2018/03/07/exclusive-jeff-sessions-california-sanctuary-state/>

Thank you!

Joel

-----Original Message-----

From: "Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)" <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 9:12am  
To: "Joel B. Pollak" <[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)>  
Cc: "Laco, Kelly (OPA)" <[Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov](mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov)>  
Subject: Re: Interview in Sacramento?

Technically yes--he has radio right after

On Mar 7, 2018, at 5:10 AM, Joel B. Pollak <[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)> wrote:



Good morning,  
Looking forward to seeing you shortly.  
Will this be the AG's first interview since the  
lawsuit's filing?  
Joel

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 6, 2018, at 4:41 PM, Joel B. Pollak  
<[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)> wrote:

See you there!  
Joel

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 6, 2018, at 4:24 PM, Laco,  
Kelly (OPA) <[Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov](mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov)>  
wrote:

Joel—

Please come to the Westin  
Sacramento command post  
room #331 tomorrow morning.  
Sarah will meet you at the  
command post room and then  
bring you into the AG's room  
when he is ready to start the  
interview, which will begin at  
**6:45am**. It will last aprox. 10  
mins due to a tight schedule  
tomorrow.

Westin Sacramento  
4800 Riverside Blvd,  
Sacramento, CA 95822

I have also added you to the  
press list for the 8:05am  
speech at the Sawyer Hotel.

For background only: I've  
included a few press clips  
below that might help shape  
tomorrow's talking points on  
sanctuary jurisdictions/illegal  
immigration. Hope these  
might be helpful to you.  
Please let me know if you  
need anything else ahead of  
time.

**Calif AG warns**

Calif. AG warns  
**businesses not to share  
employee info with ICE**

"California's attorney general is warning local businesses against sharing information illegally with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents ahead of a possible crackdown on immigrants in the state. In an announcement Thursday, Attorney General Xavier Becerra warned California businesses against voluntarily supplying ICE agents with their employees' information, violating their privacy rights. **"No one — but more specifically, employers — [can] voluntarily give up ... employees' rights to privacy,"** Becerra said. **"If you do so, you are subjecting yourselves to fines — up to \$10,000 for violations. Ignorance of the law is no excuse if you violate it,"** he added. **"We will prosecute those who violate the law."...**" ([The Hill](#))

California Atty. Gen.  
**Becerra Threatens \$10K  
Fine for Businesses That  
Share Employee  
Information With  
Immigration Agents**

"Concerned about "rumors" of an imminent immigration enforcement sweep in California, state Atty. Gen. Xavier Becerra on Thursday warned employers he is prepared to seek fines if they violate a new state law that prohibits them from giving information on employees to federal authorities. Becerra said rumblings of possible sweeps compelled him to remind Californians that there are new laws restricting local law

restricting local law enforcement cooperation with federal agents and that bar businesses from voluntarily allowing immigration officers to access or obtain employee records without a court order or subpoena. **"It's important, given these rumors out there, to let people and more specifically employers know that if they voluntarily start giving up information about their employees in ways that contradict our new California laws they subject themselves to actions by my office or local prosecutors enforcing AB 450,"** he said at a news conference. He said employers who violate the new law face fines of up to \$10,000." ([KTLA5](#))

**California attorney general threatens legal action if employers assist federal immigration raids**

"California Attorney General Xavier Becerra warned businesses on Thursday to keep quiet when talking to federal immigration authorities or face legal ramifications. Becerra, a Democrat, told California employers that if they assist federal immigration authorities in widespread sweeps they will be in violation of the state's new law, the Immigrant Worker Protection Act, which aims to protect workers regardless of immigration status. **"It's important, given these rumors that are out there, to let people know — more specifically today, employers — that if they voluntarily start giving up**



**voluntarily start giving up information about their employees or access to their employees in ways that contradict our new California laws, they subject themselves to actions by my office,”**

Becerra said during a news conference, according to the Sacramento Bee. **“We will prosecute those who violate the law,”** he continued...” ([Washington Examiner](#))

**Attorney General Xavier Becerra says CA employers will be prosecuted if they assist ICE officers**

Attorney General Xavier Becerra issued a warning Thursday to California’s employers saying they would be prosecuted if they help federal immigration officers find illegal immigrants. During a press conference, Becerra outlined legal repercussions, including fines up to \$10,000, if employers assist federal immigration officers during raids. **“It’s important, given these rumors that are out there, to let people know – more specifically today, employers – that if they voluntarily start giving up information about their employees or access to their employees in ways that contradict our new California laws, they subject themselves to actions by my office,”** state Attorney General Xavier Becerra said. **“We will prosecute those who violate the law.” ...”** ([KUSI](#))

Kelly Laco  
Office of Public Affairs



Department of Justice  
Office: (b)(6)  
Cell: (b)(6)

**From:** [jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)  
[mailto:[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)]  
]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018  
5:15 PM

**To:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
<[klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Cc:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
<[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Interview in  
Sacramento?

Great. I look forward to it.  
At the Sawyer Hotel?

I've just learned of the  
impending (embargoed)  
court action. Exciting stuff.  
Is he filing in person?

Joel

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** "Laco, Kelly (OPA)"  
<[Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov](mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6,  
2018 4:59pm  
**To:** "[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)"  
<[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)>  
**Cc:** "Flores, Sarah Isgur  
(OPA)"  
<[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Interview in  
Sacramento?

Yes I will add you to our list  
for the speech!  
Planning for interview with  
you and the AG at 6:45am  
PST, for about 10 mins as  
Sarah mentioned. More  
details to follow shortly.

On Mar 6, 2018, at 1:52  
PM, "[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)"  
<[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)>  
wrote:

Also -- Kelly,

how would I  
arrange  
accreditation  
for covering the  
event?

I called the  
Peace Officers'  
Association  
and they  
referred me  
back to you.

Joel

-----Original  
Message-----  
From: "Flores,  
Sarah Isgur  
(OPA)"  
<[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>

Sent: Tuesday,  
March 6, 2018  
12:33pm  
To: "Joel B.  
Pollak"

<[jpollak@breitbart.com](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)>

Cc: "Laco,  
Kelly (OPA)"  
<[Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov](mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov)>

Subject: RE:  
Interview in  
Sacramento?

Actually, we  
might be able  
to make that  
work. I'm  
adding Kelly to  
think through  
timing. We  
won't have a lot  
of time--maybe  
just 10 minutes  
max. Would  
that work?

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Sarah Isgur  
Flores

Flores  
Director of  
Public Affairs  
(b)(6)

-----Original  
Message-----  
From: Joel B.  
Pollak  
[\[mailto:jpollak@  
breitbart.com\]](mailto:jpollak@breitbart.com)  
Sent: Tuesday,  
March 6, 2018  
12:31 PM  
To: Flores,  
Sarah Isgur  
(OPA)  
<[siflores@jmd.u  
sdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
Subject:  
Interview in  
Sacramento?

Hi Sarah

Might it be  
possible to  
interview the  
AG in  
Sacramento  
tomorrow?

Joel

Sent from my  
iPhone

**jpollak@breitbart.com**

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**From:** jpollak@breitbart.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 1:42 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Interview in Sacramento?

Hi -- not sure my response went through.

Yes, that would work. I would just need to know when the interview and the event would be, so I can plan accordingly.

Joel

-----Original Message-----

From: "Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)" <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 12:33pm  
To: "Joel B. Pollak" <jpollak@breitbart.com>  
Cc: "Laco, Kelly (OPA)" <Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov>  
Subject: RE: Interview in Sacramento?

Duplicative Material





Joel B. Pollak

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**From:** Joel B. Pollak  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 12:37 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Interview in Sacramento?

Perfect! What time — morning or afternoon?

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 6, 2018, at 9:33 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Duplicative Material



**Emerald Robinson**

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**From:** Emerald Robinson  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 10:22 AM  
**To:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Immigration Questions

Thanks Sarah!

Emerald Robinson, *Political Correspondent*

**One America News Network**

Email: [Emerald.Robinson@oann.com](mailto:Emerald.Robinson@oann.com)

Mobile: (b)(6)

Twitter: @EmeraldRobinson

Instagram: @emeraldrobinson



On Mar 7, 2018, at 10:01 AM, Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) <[Sarah.E.Sutton@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.E.Sutton@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Hi Emerald,

I have attached the lawsuit and PI for you.

Thanks!

Sarah Sutton  
Press Assistant  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Office of Public Affairs

Office: (202) 616-0079

Cell: (b)(6)

Email: [sarah.e.sutton@usdoj.gov](mailto:sarah.e.sutton@usdoj.gov) <<mailto:sarah.e.sutton@usdoj.gov>>

From: Ehram, Lauren (OPA)  
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 9:48 AM  
To: Emerald Robinson  
<[Emerald.Robinson@oann.com](mailto:Emerald.Robinson@oann.com)<<mailto:Emerald.Robinson@oann.com>>>  
Cc: Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov)<<mailto:klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov>>>; O'Malley,  
Devin (OPA) <[domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov)<<mailto:domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov>>>

Devin (or my [domanecy@justice.gov](mailto:domanecy@justice.gov) [domanecy@justice.gov](mailto:domanecy@justice.gov))

Subject: Immigration Questions

Good morning, Emerald! Connecting you with Devin who can make sure that you receive materials on the lawsuit when they're sent out later this morning in case they don't come through your email. Thank you!

Lauren Ehrsam

Spokeswoman and Media Affairs Specialist

O: (b)(6) C: (b)(6)

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*Attorneys for the United States*

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.

No. 18-264

**COMPLAINT**

THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA;  
EDMUND GERALD BROWN JR.,  
Governor of California, in his Official  
Capacity; and XAVIER BECERRA,  
Attorney General of California, in his  
Official Capacity,  
  
Defendants.

Plaintiff, the United States of America, by and through its undersigned counsel, brings  
this civil action for declaratory and injunctive relief, and alleges as follows:



**Emerald Robinson**

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**From:** Emerald Robinson  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 9:53 AM  
**To:** Ehram, Lauren (OPA)  
**Cc:** Laco, Kelly (OPA); O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Immigration Questions

Thank you, Lauren.

Devin-

I appreciate any information you can send my way. I will be talking about the lawsuit and AG Sessions announcement on-air today and working with producers on segment's surrounding the news.

In addition, if there are some D.C. based surrogates that would be available for interviews that would be wonderful.

Thanks so much.

Best,

Emerald Robinson, *Political Correspondent*  
**One America News Network**  
Email: [Emerald.Robinson@oann.com](mailto:Emerald.Robinson@oann.com)  
Twitter: @emeraldrobinson  
Instagram: @Emerald\_OANN



On Mar 7, 2018, at 9:47 AM, Ehram, Lauren (OPA) <[Lauren.Ehram@usdoj.gov](mailto:Lauren.Ehram@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

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Lauren Ehram  
Spokeswoman and Media Affairs Specialist  
O: (b)(6) C: (b)(6)

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 11:10 PM  
**To:** Murray, Andrew  
**Subject:** Re: Interview with "Fox & Friends" tomorrow (Wednesday)?

I'm in cali w the Ag tomorrow--but can we look at Thursday?

On Mar 6, 2018, at 1:11 PM, Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

Please let us know if we can schedule you to appear on "Fox & Friends" tomorrow (Wednesday) for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion between 6am – 9am ET about the DOJ sanctuary city announcement.

Thanks in advance,

Andrew Murray  
Producer, Politics  
"Fox & Friends"  
Fox News Channel  
1211 Avenue of the Americas, 2nd Floor  
New York, NY 10036  
Office: (b)(6)  
Cell # 1 (b)(6)  
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FAX: (212) 301-3421  
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Lajeunesse, William

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**From:** Lajeunesse, William  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 5:50 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: sarah - question

Copy, thx.:)

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 06, 2018 2:49 PM  
**To:** Lajeunesse, William <william.lajeunesse@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: sarah - question

Not at this point. But Adding devin so we can make sure you get everything as soon as it's out.

On Mar 6, 2018, at 5:47 PM, Lajeunesse, William <[william.lajeunesse@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:william.lajeunesse@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Sarah

I am covering the AG's appearance tomorrow in Sacramento. Is it possible for you to give me a heads up on what he might be saying to help us plan editorially?

I will of course embargo any background you can provide. Thx

William La Jeunesse  
Fox News Channel  
National Correspondent  
Los Angeles Bureau  
O (b)(6)  
C (b)(6)

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Bream, Shannon

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**From:** Bream, Shannon  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 5:11 PM  
**To:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Hey... it's Jake from Fox...

Understood.

Will be in touch when we land.

Thanks much.

-Jake

> On Mar 6, 2018, at 5:08 PM, Laco, Kelly (OPA) <Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov> wrote:

>

> Thanks Jake. Yes, we moved the interview to the USAO for security purposes. I was in contact with Chris Wallace for moving parts on this.

>

> Two of your crew just got onsite now are checking out the space and leaving some of their gear here.

>

> There will be USAO staff available at 5am to pick them up to begin set-up.

>

> Please let me know what else you all might need.

>

> Kelly Laco

> Office of Public Affairs

> Department of Justice

> Office: 202-353-0173

> Cell: (b)(6)

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Bream, Shannon [mailto:shannon.bream@FOXNEWS.COM]

> Sent: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 5:06 PM

> To: Laco, Kelly (OPA) <klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov>

> Subject: Hey... it's Jake from Fox...

>

>  
>  
> I'm on Shannon's phone because mine won't pick up the plane WiFi for some reason.  
>  
> What's going on? Someone passed a message that you want to do the interview at the US Attorney's office?  
>  
> If so, what time can we get in there to setup? We need at least a couple hours...  
>  
> Reply to this email please. I'm sitting next to Shannon.  
>  
> Thanks!  
>  
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**Laco, Kelly (OPA)**

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**From:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 4:47 PM  
**To:** Whitaker, Tom  
**Subject:** Re: Fox crew

Lauren Horwood

> On Mar 6, 2018, at 1:45 PM, Whitaker, Tom <tom.whitaker@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

>

> We're at the gate now. The security office is asking for a point of contact.

>

> Tom Whitaker

> Photojournalist

> Fox News, San Francisco Bureau

> (b)(6)

>

>> On Mar 6, 2018, at 13:36, Laco, Kelly (OPA) <Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov> wrote:

>>

>> Go to the 6th street entrance. There is a kiosk there that they will let you in through. The security guards there will direct you to where to park.

>>

>> Kelly Laco

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>> Office: 202-353-0173

>> Cell: (b)(6)

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>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: Whitaker, Tom [mailto:tom.whitaker@FOXNEWS.COM]

>> Sent: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 4:33 PM

>> To: Laco, Kelly (OPA) <klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov>

>> Subject: Re: Fox crew

>>

>> Great! We're a few blocks away. ETA 15 min. Is there parking for our vehicles to load our gear out?

>>

>> Tom Whitaker

>> Photojournalist

>> Fox News, San Francisco Bureau



>> Fox News, San Francisco Bureau

>> (b)(6)

>>

>>> On Mar 6, 2018, at 13:32, Laco, Kelly (OPA) <Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov> wrote:

>>>

>>> Great! I am onsite now. Let me know when you're here and I will have one of the US Attorneys staff escort you up.

>>>

>>> What time do you anticipate arriving?

>>>

>>> Kelly Laco

>>> Office of Public Affairs

>>> Department of Justice

>>> Office: 202-353-0173

>>> Cell: (b)(6)

>>>

>>> -----Original Message-----

>>> From: Whitaker, Tom [mailto:tom.whitaker@FOXNEWS.COM]

>>> Sent: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 4:28 PM

>>> To: Laco, Kelly (OPA) <klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov>

>>> Subject: Fox crew

>>>

>>> Hi Kelly

>>> Scott King and I would like to come by to drop off some equipment and see our space for tomorrow's interview with the AG.

>>>

>>> Are you our contact at the building?

>>>

>>> Tom Whitaker

>>> Photojournalist

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Whitaker, Tom

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**From:** Whitaker, Tom  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 4:19 PM  
**To:** Wallace, Christopher  
**Cc:** Laco, Kelly (OPA); Gibson, Jake; King, Scott; Lundin, Michael; Willey, Anna  
**Subject:** Re: Move Bream to US Attorney Office

Copy. I'm with Scott King in town now. We'll come by to take a look at the space.

Tom Whitaker  
Photojournalist  
Fox News, San Francisco Bureau  
(b)(6)

> On Mar 6, 2018, at 13:17, Wallace, Christopher <Christopher.Wallace@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:  
>  
> Thank you Kelly.. forwarding to rest of team  
>  
> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Laco, Kelly (OPA) [mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov]  
> Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 4:11 PM  
> To: Wallace, Christopher <Christopher.Wallace@FOXNEWS.COM>; Gibson, Jake  
<Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>  
> Subject: Move Bream to US Attorney Office  
>  
> Hi Chris and Jake—  
>  
> Thanks for all your help today! We are officially going to move the interview from the hotel to the  
US Attorneys office.  
>  
> Address:  
> United States Attorney's Office  
> Robert T. Matsui United States Courthouse > 501 I Street, Suite 10-100 > Sacramento, CA. 95814  
>  
> A couple of things—USAO staff will be available at 5am to meet the crew and bring them up for  
set up. If anyone is here this afternoon, they are welcome to start bringing gear in today. Please let  
me know so I can connect them with appropriate staff.  
>  
> I will send along pictures of the space they will use once I am back onsite.  
>

> Please let me know if there is anything else you need from me at this time.  
>  
> Thanks!  
>  
> Kelly

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**Robbins, Christina**

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**From:** Robbins, Christina  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 2:40 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Thursday in the 1p hour?

Hi Sarah –

How's it going? I saw that AG Sessions will be making a major announcement in CA on Weds. Can he join us on Thursday in the 1p hour to discuss?

And if he isn't available – can you join us? Thanks!

**Christina Svolopoulos Robbins**  
DC Booking Supervisor / Producer  
**Fox News Channel**  
Direct: (b)(6)  
Cell: (b)(6)  
Email: [Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com](mailto:Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com)

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## Laco, Kelly (OPA)

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**From:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 2:10 PM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** RE: Fox Crew for Peace Officers Assn Speech

If we have to move this interview to the US Attorneys Office, what time would the crew need to get there in the morning to start setting up?

Our security team is concerned with the level of interest/protests and there is a possibility we'd have to do it at the USAO.

Just trying to plan ahead if we have to do that.

**Kelly Laco**  
Office of Public Affairs  
Department of Justice  
Office: 202-353-0173  
Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 12:20 PM  
**To:** Laco, Kelly (OPA) <klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Fox Crew for Peace Officers Assn Speech

Meh...  
Probably not worth it.  
Thanks tho.

On Mar 6, 2018, at 12:03 PM, Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov](mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Talked to our security guys—said from where the building is, you can't see the runway. Advised reaching out directly to airport bc they have tight restrictions on who is allowed on tarmac. Would have to go through airport approvals and also approval from the flight crew on AG plane.

**Kelly Laco**  
Office of Public Affairs  
Department of Justice  
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Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 11:51 AM  
**To:** Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Fox Crew for Peace Officers Assn Speech

Cool.  
Not the end of the world if we can't shoot that



NOT THE END OF THE WORLD IF WE CAN'T SHOOT THAT...  
Just curious.

Thanks.

On Mar 6, 2018, at 11:50 AM, Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov](mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Sounds good, thanks for checking. I am working on the airport stuff now.

**Kelly Laco**  
Office of Public Affairs  
Department of Justice  
Office: 202-353-0173  
Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 11:48 AM  
**To:** Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Fox Crew for Peace Officers Assn Speech

Will have a room number for you.... as soon as the guy gets to work at the hotel in Sacto. Probably a half hour or so.

On Mar 6, 2018, at 11:44 AM, Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov](mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Perfect, thanks!

**Kelly Laco**  
Office of Public Affairs  
Department of Justice  
Office: 202-353-0173  
Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 11:42 AM  
**To:** Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fox Crew for Peace Officers Assn Speech

Reporter- Claudia Cowan  
Prod: Mike Lundin  
Cam: (b)(6)

Plus possibly myself and Shannon Bream. But the crew above is who will actually cover the speech.

Thanks!

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**Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)**

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**From:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 10:54 AM  
**To:** Ian Mason  
**Subject:** RE: RSVP for Briefing this afternoon

Great, thanks!

**From:** Ian Mason [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 10:52 AM  
**To:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) <sesutton@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RSVP for Briefing this afternoon

Sarah,

If you would be so kind as to add me to the RSVP list for 3pm's conference room briefing.

Thanks you so much,  
Ian Mason  
Breitbart News

**Laco, Kelly (OPA)**

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**From:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Sent:** Monday, March 5, 2018 8:05 PM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** RE: Sacramento Interview/B-roll opportunities

Hi Jake,

Taking of Sarah for logistics.

Thanks for the Hotel name. Do you have more details including information on room # that I can pass on to our security team?

I can work with you on doing b-roll of the top of the meeting between the USA and AG and the following meeting with AG and USAO senior leadership. Those will occur at the US Attorney's Office directly after the Bream interview wraps.

Also—if your team wants to do the interview in the US Attorneys office space in Sacramento, instead of the other hotel, we can arrange for that if it's easier. I know you all will want plenty of time to set up ahead of time so will just need to circle back with the US Attorneys office on timing.

Thanks!

Kelly

Kelly Laco  
Office of Public Affairs  
Department of Justice  
Office: (b)(6)  
Cell: (b)(6)

-----Original Message-----

From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]  
Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 3:41 PM  
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Laco, Kelly (OPA) <klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
Subject: Sacramento Interview/B-roll opportunities

Hello!

10/10/2018 10:10 AM - Laco, Kelly (OPA) - RE: Sacramento Interview/B-roll opportunities



we were planning on doing the interview after the speech on wednesday morning. we have a room set up at the Citizen Hotel, which is about 5 blocks from the Kimpton.

We were thinking the interview would start around 0900-ish local?

Also... Sarah had said the AG would then head somewhere nearby to meet with local law enforcement, including the US Attorney.

We would love to get some b-roll of that meeting and hopefully a soundbite or two with the US Attorney. (Something easy... maybe a question or two about cooperation from the locals?)

Also where and when is the AG arriving? Might we be able to get an Arrival shot at the airport?

Thanks!!

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Monday, March 5, 2018 4:44 PM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** RE: Nunberg ?

No you cant ignore a subpoena. Laura says to call her for details.

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 5, 2018 3:41 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Nunberg ?

Can he ignore a subpoena? If so, what are the implications?

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Pfeiffer, Alex

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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Sent:** Monday, March 5, 2018 9:50 AM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Harvard

Okay. Thanks for getting back to me.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 5, 2018, at 9:32 AM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> No updates.

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> Devin M. O'Malley

> Department of Justice

> Office of Public Affairs

> Office: (202) 353-8763

> Cell: (b)(6)

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Pfeiffer, Alex [mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM]

> Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 8:53 AM

> To: O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov>

> Subject: Harvard

>

> Hey - Hope all is going well on your end. Have there been any developments in this

> [https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A\\_\\_www.washingtonpost.com\\_news\\_grade-2Dpoint\\_wp\\_2017\\_11\\_21\\_justice-2Ddepartment-2Dinvestigating-2Dharvards-2Daffirmative-2Daction-2Dpolicies\\_&d=DwlFAG&c=cnx1hdOQtEPkpermZGwQ&r=Z3EPoB-W-7vRflbkVMFC\\_iTHUU5nF2sb4nU6jgHNgig&m=JvyQvzFhh-wSPhRUafk2eRtQgXwsM\\_JCv8yBkwCk3DM&s=BEBUmWi9IN9ZMPQnyKAi\\_540qvBZM4uT2IIBR1PWNHU&e=?](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.washingtonpost.com_news_grade-2Dpoint_wp_2017_11_21_justice-2Ddepartment-2Dinvestigating-2Dharvards-2Daffirmative-2Daction-2Dpolicies_&d=DwlFAG&c=cnx1hdOQtEPkpermZGwQ&r=Z3EPoB-W-7vRflbkVMFC_iTHUU5nF2sb4nU6jgHNgig&m=JvyQvzFhh-wSPhRUafk2eRtQgXwsM_JCv8yBkwCk3DM&s=BEBUmWi9IN9ZMPQnyKAi_540qvBZM4uT2IIBR1PWNHU&e=?)

>

> Thanks,

> Alex Pfeiffer

> Associate Producer

> Tucker Carlson Tonight

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**Kristina Wong**

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**From:** Kristina Wong  
**Sent:** Friday, March 2, 2018 12:03 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Quick Q re: Sessions on Flynn

Thank you Sarah!

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Kristina Wong  
Pentagon reporter, Breitbart News

(b)(6)  
@kristina\_wong

On Mar 2, 2018, at 11:47 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Criminal unauthorized disclosures of classified material are investigated by the national security division. I'll decline to comment on any specific investigations.

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
(b)(6)

**From:** [kwong@breitbart.com](mailto:kwong@breitbart.com) [<mailto:kwong@breitbart.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 2, 2018 11:26 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Quick Q re: Sessions on Flynn

Hi Sarah,

Hope you're well.

Last week, AG Sessions was interviewed by FOX News, and indicated the leak of former NSA Flynn's phone calls was being investigated. Is that correct? Just want to make sure I have that right.

Also, it sounds like it's being investigated by the DOJ or the DOJ IG?

Transcript of Sessions' remarks below.

Thank you,  
Kristina

[https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2018/02/18/sessions\\_illegal\\_leak\\_against\\_ge](https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2018/02/18/sessions_illegal_leak_against_ge)

[neral\\_mike\\_flynn\\_is\\_being\\_investigated\\_aggressively.html](#)

MARIA BARTIROMO: There are felonies apparently that have already taken place. I mean we had on this program just last week, the chairman of the Intel committee Devin Nunez and he said there are felonies that are going, not looked at all they're going by over and over listen to what he told me just last Sunday.

REP. DEVIN NUNES: The big felony in all of this that nobody talks about from the very beginning was the leak of highly classified information when they leaked the phone call of the Russian ambassador talking to General Mike Flynn right before the inauguration. That was a felony, nothing's ever been done about it.

**BARTIROMO: Is your office investigating this sir?**

SESSIONS: That is a violation of the law, to leak classified documents and **it is being investigated**. I will say this, the last two years before I became Attorney General there were each year there were three open investigations of classified leaks now we have 27 we're going after this aggressively. I am directing it personally, some of the matters involve this matter and some of it is a matter I am not recused on and we're pursuing it aggressively.

Neil Munro

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**From:** Neil Munro  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 10:05 PM  
**To:** Houlton, Tyler; O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** back on 1324a

Tyler, Devin,

DHS has retreated from the H4 (H-1B spouses) lawsuit saying it needs time to do an economic analysis before deciding what to do.

This gives me a good article — DHS/DoJs's 1324a claim produces more lawsuits as population of 1324a workers rises above 1 million.

Can you provide me with an explanation for why the two agencies believe 1324a allows the AG to offer work permits?

Yours,

Neil Munro  
Breitbart News  
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**Pappas, Alex**

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**From:** Pappas, Alex  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 8:53 PM  
**To:** Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Cc:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** Re: Fox News story -- Nunes letter to Sessions

Thanks Ian. We'll update story.

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**Alex Pappas**  
Politics reporter  
[FoxNews.com](http://FoxNews.com)  
Desk: (b)(6)

On Mar 1, 2018, at 8:45 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <[Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov](mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Hey guys, know the article is up but from me:

"The Inspector General will handle the matter appropriately."

Ian D. Prior  
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs  
Office: 202.616.0911  
Cell: (b)(6)

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On Mar 1, 2018, at 7:05 PM, Pappas, Alex <[Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

We'd like to go up with it online tonight. The letter was made public on air by Catherine Herridge on Special Report. I know it's late – thanks for getting back.

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**From:** Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 7:03 PM  
**To:** Pappas, Alex <[Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: Fox News story -- Nunes letter to Sessions

Deadline?



Ian D. Prior  
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs  
Office: 202.616.0911  
Cell: (b)(6)

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On Mar 1, 2018, at 6:56 PM, Pappas, Alex <[Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Ian,

We have a story going up at [FoxNews.com](http://FoxNews.com) about a letter sent today by Chairman Nunes to Attorney General Sessions arguing that the FBI may have violated criminal statutes, as well as its own internal procedures, by using unverified information during the 2016 election to obtain a surveillance warrant onetime Trump campaign aide Carter Page.

Letter here: <https://www.scribd.com/document/372746970/Nunes-to-Sessions-FBI-may-have-violated-criminal-statutes-in-Carter-Page-FISA-application>

Would anyone there want to respond?

Thanks,

Alex

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**Alex Pappas**  
Politics reporter  
[FoxNews.com](http://FoxNews.com)  
[@AlexPappas](#)

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**Prior, Ian (OPA)**

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**From:** Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 7:08 PM  
**To:** Pappas, Alex  
**Subject:** Re: Fox News story -- Nunes letter to Sessions

Working on it

Ian D. Prior  
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs  
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Cell: (b)(6)

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On Mar 1, 2018, at 7:05 PM, Pappas, Alex <[Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pappas@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Duplicative Material



**Fanning, Elizabeth**

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**From:** Fanning, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 7:14 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Can't believe you guys canceled on Portnoy!!!

Hahah I love barstool

Sent from my iPhone

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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 6:48 PM  
**To:** Fanning, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** Can't believe you guys canceled on Portnoy!!!

Haha!

**Devin M. O'Malley**  
Department of Justice  
Office of Public Affairs  
Office: (202) 353-8763  
Cell: (b)(6)



**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 4:34 PM  
**To:** Wallace, Christopher  
**Subject:** RE: can i pls ring you at 445 re sacramento

Yes! Cell below.

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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**From:** Wallace, Christopher [mailto:Christopher.Wallace@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 4:19 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** can i pls ring you at 445 re sacramento

Chris Wallace  
Executive Producer  
Fox News @ Night with Shannon Bream

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<http://www.foxnews.com/person/w/christopher-wallace.html>

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**Lamagna, Jenna**

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 16, 2018 10:57 AM  
**To:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Good Morning Mark,

Hope all is well! I wanted to follow up with you on some of our interview options in the hopes of setting something up with Neil and the Attorney General

- Live Saturday 10am to noon
- Pretape Friday for Saturday air
- Picking a date for Neil to come to DC and sit down with the AG

Please let me know your thoughts!

Best,  
Jenna

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2018 11:53 AM  
**To:** 'Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)' <Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Hi Mark – checking back in to see what you think about a pretaped interview tonight with Neil to air tomorrow morning?

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 03, 2018 3:32 PM  
**To:** 'Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)' <[Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Hi Mark,

I wanted to offer another possible opportunity to have the Attorney General join Neil; Neil is willing and is interested in traveling to DC to sit down with the Attorney General one on one. Ideally this would be for our Saturday show – so live Saturday morning, 10am to noon EST, or pretaped Friday night to air exclusively the next day.

Neil does have other shows during the week; we can discuss those options if necessary. With that in mind, though, this interview would get play across Fox News and Fox Business in a unique way, given that Neil is on the air throughout the week.

Is this something we can work on setting up? When might be the next available weekend to make this happen?

Thank you for help, and hoping we can make this work.

Best,  
Jenna

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 03, 2018 9:33 AM  
**To:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA) <[Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

I appreciate that Mark, please do keep us in mind. We can also pretape on Fridays if that helps with the Attorney General's scheduling.

Thanks for your communication!

Best,  
Jenna

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**From:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA) [<mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 03, 2018 9:26 AM  
**To:** Lamagna, Jenna <[Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Hey Jenna,

Sorry for the delay! Unfortunately we will not be able to make this work. But I will make sure the office keeps y'all in mind when we get a chance to make it happen.

Best,  
Mark Pettit

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna <[Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 3, 2018 8:30 AM  
**To:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA) <[mtpettit@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:mtpettit@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Hello, following up on my note below. This would be a pertinent week to have the Attorney General join – please let me know if we can work on setting this up.

Thank you!

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 02, 2018 9:39 AM  
**To:** 'Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)' <[Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays



Hi Mark, good morning! Hope all is well! Checking back in with you today to see what your thoughts are on setting something up between Neil and the Attorney General? We would love to get him live on Neil's Saturday show between 10am – noon EST, either this Saturday 5/5, or in the near future.

If location or time is at all an issue, please know that we can send a camera directly to the Attorney General. Neil discusses matters pertaining to the DOJ week after week on his Saturday show, and hearing from the AG himself would be invaluable to our viewers.

Please let me know what you think.

Best,  
Jenna

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018 11:30 AM  
**To:** 'Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)' <[Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Hi Mark,

Hope you're doing well!

Just wanted to send you a quick note to check if we're still on your radar – hoping to set up an interview in the near future with Neil and Attorney General Sessions. Please let me know what information you might need from me in order to make this happen.

Neil's Saturday morning show was top-rated this past weekend, and has been highly-rated week after week. I do hope to set something up for this Saturday or a Saturday in the near future between 10am and noon EST.

Thanks again,

Jenna

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**From:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA) [<mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 2:41 PM  
**To:** Lamagna, Jenna <[Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Hey Jenna,

Thanks again for reaching out! Unfortunately we cannot fulfill your request.

Best,  
Mark Pettit

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna <[Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 9:56 AM  
**To:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA) <[mtpettit@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:mtpettit@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Good Morning Mark,

Hope all is well!

I wanted to check back in with you to see if we might be able to plan on a Saturday in the near future for the Attorney General to join Neil on his Saturday AM show? We have been closely following matters concerning the Department of Justice and ongoing topics that would be of interest to the Attorney General, and having his comments on the show would be invaluable to our viewers.

Again, Neil is live on Saturdays from 10am to noon EST. I am happy to discuss a pretape option if we believe that is necessary.

Please let me know if we can set something up soon.

Best,  
Jenna

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 11:05 AM  
**To:** 'Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)' <[Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturdays

Hi Mark,

Thank you again for connecting with me last week – I always appreciate when I know I'm able to get in direct contact with someone, and I hope to be able to work with you in the upcoming weeks and months.

I would like to put in another request for Attorney General Sessions to discuss the lawsuit against the State of California. My hope is that he might be available this Saturday between 10am and noon EST. David Asman is filling in for Neil this weekend and we would love to be able to have him speak with the Attorney General.

If he is not available this Saturday, can we look ahead in the calendar to find a weekend that might work?

Thanks again for working with me on this.

Best,  
Jenna

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 1:19 PM  
**To:** 'Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)' <[Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturday 3/3

Glad to hear back from you, Mark! I certainly will reach back out in the future. Thanks again.

Jenna

**From:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA) [<mailto:Mark.T.Pettit@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 1:11 PM  
**To:** Lamagna, Jenna <[Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturday 3/3

Hey Jenna,

Thank you for contacting us (and sorry it took so long)! Unfortunately we will not be able to accommodate your request. Please feel free to reach out for future inquiries.

Best,  
Mark Pettit

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**From:** Lamagna, Jenna [<mailto:Jenna.Lamagna@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 9:43 AM  
**To:** Press <[Press@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:Press@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request for Attorney General - Saturday 3/3

Hello – still looking to get in touch with someone who can assist with this request; I wanted to flag Neil's interview yesterday with Senator Richard Shelby, who said he would not stay on as Attorney General if he were attacked by President Trump in that position. We would like to have Attorney General Sessions join to respond as well.

<http://video.foxbusiness.com/v/5742454735001/?#sp=show-clips>

If not over email, I can be reached over the phone. I have been unable to get in touch with anyone in the press office, so I do hope I can make some contact to find out the best person to handle these request.

Thank you,

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## Fleming, Taylor

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**From:** Fleming, Taylor  
**Sent:** Friday, March 9, 2018 11:38 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Murray, Andrew  
**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Thanks for letting me know! -Taylor

Taylor Fleming  
Booker, FOX and Friends

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 9, 2018 11:37 AM  
**To:** Fleming, Taylor <[Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM)>; Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

I cant this weekend—sorry!

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Fleming, Taylor [<mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 9, 2018 11:35 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>; Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Hi Sarah—I'm checking in to see if you might be available to join us this weekend, either Saturday or Sunday, for FOX and Friends. Thanks so much, and please let me know. -Taylor

Taylor Fleming  
Booker, FOX and Friends

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**From:** Fleming, Taylor  
**Sent:** Friday, March 2, 2018 11:49 AM  
**To:** 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>; Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Thanks for getting back! Let me know if anything changes for this weekend.

Taylor Fleming  
Booker, FOX and Friends

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 2, 2018 11:47 AM  
**To:** Fleming, Taylor <[Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM)>; Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>

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**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Sorry!

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Fleming, Taylor [<mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM>]

**Sent:** Friday, March 2, 2018 11:27 AM

**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>; Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>

**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Good morning Sarah – Please let me know if you're available to join us tomorrow for a live interview on FOX and Friends. Thanks so much. -Taylor

Taylor Fleming  
Booker, FOX and Friends

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**From:** Fleming, Taylor

**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 3:46 PM

**To:** 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>; Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>

**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Thank you for letting us know. Please let me know if anything changes.

Taylor Fleming  
Booker, FOX and Friends

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]

**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 3:34 PM

**To:** Fleming, Taylor <[Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM)>; Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>

**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Sorry. Not for now.

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Fleming, Taylor [<mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM>]

**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 10:01 AM

**To:** Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Hi Sarah – Following up to see if you might be available to join us for a live interview tomorrow or Sunday morning. Thanks so much, and please let me know. -Taylor

Taylor Fleming



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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 9:46 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Cc:** Fleming, Taylor <[Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Hi Sarah,

If you are available to join us on "Fox & Friends Weekend" this Saturday or Sunday for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion between 6am -10am ET, please let us know.

Thanks in advance,

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Gibson, Jake

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 9:47 AM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (JMD)  
**Subject:** Re: Have a story idea for you - are you around today or tomorrow?

Sounds good.

I will be in this afternoon... by 3p.  
Have to go to court for awhile first.

Thanks much.

On Mar 8, 2018, at 9:37 AM, Kupec, Kerri (JMD) (b)(6) wrote:

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## **Emerald Robinson**

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**From:** Emerald Robinson  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 1:54 PM  
**To:** Ehram, Lauren (OPA)  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: INVITE: Off the Record Call TODAY on CA Lawsuit

Thanks so much!

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On Mar 7, 2018, at 1:52 PM, Ehram, Lauren (OPA) <[Lauren.Ehram@usdoj.gov](mailto:Lauren.Ehram@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Sure thing! The call in is (b)(6) passcode (b)(6).

Let me know if there's someone else on your team that can make it for you, or if you have a question or two that Devin can help answer.

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**From:** Emerald Robinson [<mailto:Emerald.Robinson@oann.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 1:25 PM  
**To:** Ehram, Lauren (OPA) <[lehram@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:lehram@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: INVITE: Off the Record Call TODAY on CA Lawsuit

Hi Lauren-

I am at the WH today and they've pushed the daily briefing to 2:30. But could I rsvp in the unlikely event that it ends in time and I can call in?

Thanks,

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On Mar 7, 2018, at 1:19 PM, Ehram, Lauren (OPA) <[Lauren.Ehram@usdoj.gov](mailto:Lauren.Ehram@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Hope you're well! I wanted to make sure that you saw that Attorney General's speech this morning on the lawsuit filed against the State of California, Governor Jerry Brown, and California Attorney General Xavier Becerra, and invite you to join us **today at 3:00 pm ET** for an off-the-record call with our team to answer your questions. Speech is below and here's the press release for the announcement: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-files-preemption-lawsuit-against-state-california-stop-interference>.

The lawsuit challenges three laws in California based upon their unlawful interference with federal immigration law enforcement in violation of the Supremacy Clause of the Constitution. The Department of Homeland conducts a significant amount of its operations in California. When states like California obstruct federal immigration authorities, they exacerbate our challenges in reducing violent crime, criminal gang activity, and the drug trafficking and abuse epidemic. Yet, just last year, California enacted three laws designed to intentionally obstruct federal immigration authorities from enforcing the United States' laws and removing criminal aliens. These so-called "sanctuary" laws violate the Constitution, federal law, and common sense as they work to return criminals to their victims and endanger our communities and our law enforcement officers.

**Please RSVP to me for call in details or if you would like for me to send talking points.**

Thank you,  
Lauren

Lauren Ehram  
Spokeswoman and Media Affairs Specialist  
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018

**ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS DELIVERS  
REMARKS AT THE 26TH ANNUAL LAW  
ENFORCEMENT LEGISLATIVE DAY HOSTED BY  
THE CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICERS'  
ASSOCIATION**

**Sacramento, CA**

*We are simply asking California and other sanctuary jurisdictions to stop actively obstructing federal law enforcement.*

*Stop treating immigration agents differently from everybody else for the purpose of eviscerating border controls and advancing an open borders philosophy shared by only the most radical extremists. Stop protecting lawbreakers and giving all officers more dangerous work to do so that a few politicians can score political points on the backs of officer safety.*

***Remarks as prepared for delivery.***

Thank you, Mark for that kind introduction, for your leadership with the CPOA, and most all for your 22 years of service in law enforcement.

I also want to thank all of the other law enforcement leaders who are here today:

- Sheriff Bill Brown of the California State Sheriffs' Association
- Chief Ed Medrano of the California Police Chiefs Association
- Mark Brewster of the California Narcotic Officers Association
- District Attorney Todd Riebe of the California District Attorneys Association, and
- Commissioner Warren Stanley of the California Highway Patrol.

It is a special honor to be with the California Peace Officers' Association.

With nearly a century of history, and more than 16,000 members, CPOA represents the core of California's law enforcement community.

I know, first hand, the importance of the work that you do. I know its dangers, challenges, frustrations, and satisfactions. I have had years of firsthand experience working with your colleagues. And while I have inexpressible pride in our fabulous federal law officers, I am fully aware that 85 percent of all law enforcement officers are state, local, and tribal.



And I am well aware that the increased training, professionalism, leadership, and more effective enforcement policies of our departments nationwide, and over several decades, has been the critical factor in reversing the dramatic rise in crime that we saw throughout the 1970s.

Over a 22 year period, we saw homicide rates cut in half, youth drug use fall by almost half, and violent crime fall dramatically. It was an achievement few would have ever expected.

Much of the transformative leadership for this change arose from your former Governor and our President Ronald Reagan—aided by his fabulous California counselor and later Attorney General, Ed Meese.

Maybe in recent years we got complacent and took our eye off the ball, but recent trends are deeply worrisome.

In 2014 and 2015 violent crime stopped falling and jumped seven percent nationwide.

Homicide surged 20 percent, the largest increase since 1968. And drug availability rose dramatically, lethal purity reached unprecedented levels while prices fell. And along with the new killer drug, fentanyl, overdose deaths reached levels we have never seen before—66,000 deaths last year.

That is why on my first day in office, President Trump sent me three executive orders: (1) to back the women and men in blue, (2) to reduce crime in America, and (3) to dismantle transnational criminal gangs.

We at the Department of Justice embrace these goals. I know you do too.

Let me be explicit: our express goal is to reduce the violent crime rate, reduce the homicide rate, reduce the amount of opioids prescribed, and reduce overdose deaths.

Let's resolve to achieve these goals. Ours is not just a job, but our sworn duty, and for many of us, a high calling.

And a lawful immigration system that serves the national interest helps us achieve these goals and more. That's what we need to talk about today.

We are a strong, prosperous, and orderly nation. And such a nation must have a lawful system of immigration. I am not aware of any advanced nation that does not understand this fundamental tenet.

And let no one contend that we reject immigration and want to "wall off America" from all lawful immigration. President Trump and the American people know what's happening. We



Trump and the American people know what's happening. We admit 1.1 million immigrants lawfully to permanent legal status—green card status—every year, the highest numbers in the world.

Indeed, at this unprecedented rate we will soon have the largest percentage of non-native born in our nation's history with the percentage continuing to rise every year thereafter.

Thus, the good and decent people of this country are right to insist that this country should end the illegality, create a rational immigration flow, and protect the nation from criminal aliens.

It cannot be that someone who illegally crosses the border and two days later arrives in Sacramento, Dubuque, Louisville, and Central Islip is home free—never to be removed.

It cannot be the policy of a great nation to up and reward those who unlawfully enter its country with legal status, Social Security, welfare, food stamps, and work permits. Meanwhile those who engage in this process lawfully and patiently and wait their turn are discriminated against at every turn.

Most Americans get this. They are working hard to make ends meet, follow the rules, and try to keep their loved ones safe.

They, our citizens, want our government to think about them for a change to consider their interests. They have dreams too. Frankly, this commonsense concept was a key factor in President Trump's election. Elections have consequences.

Immigration law is the province of the federal government. This Administration and this Justice Department are determined to make it work effectively for the people.

I understand that we have a wide variety of political opinions out there on immigration. But the law is in the books and its purpose is clear.

There is no nullification. There is no secession. Federal law is "the supreme law of the land." I would invite any doubters to Gettysburg, and to the graves of John C. Calhoun and Abraham Lincoln.

A refusal to apprehend and deport those, especially the criminal element, effectively rejects all immigration law and creates an open borders system. Open borders is a radical, irrational idea that cannot be accepted.

The United States of America is not "an idea;" it is a secular nation-state with a Constitution, laws, and borders, all of which are designed to protect our nation's interests. Surely, we should be able to agree on this much.

To carry out the intent of our laws, we need law officers. We need



our Immigration and Customs Officers and our Customs and Border Patrol officers. They are your brothers and sisters. President Trump, the Congress, and the American people want them to accomplish the goals our laws set out for them. That's why we pay them.

But, California, we have a problem. A series of actions and events has occurred that directly and adversely impact the work of our federal officers.

For example, the mayor of Oakland has been actively seeking to help illegal aliens avoid apprehension by ICE. Her actions support those who flout our laws and boldly validate the illegality. There's no other way to interpret her remarks.

To make matters worse, the elected Lieutenant Governor of this state praised her for doing so. Bragging about and encouraging the obstruction of our law enforcement and the law is an embarrassment to this proud and important state.

Tom Homan, Acting Director of ICE has said that "being a law enforcement officer is already dangerous enough, but to give the criminals a heads up that we're coming in the next 24 hours increases that risk. I watch [the mayor's] statement when she said her priority is the safety of her community, but what she did has the exact opposite effect."

According to Acting Director Homan, ICE failed to make 800 arrests that they would have made if the mayor had not acted as she did.

Those are 800 wanted criminals that are now at large in that community—800 wanted criminals that ICE will now have to pursue with more difficulty in more dangerous situations, all because of one mayor's irresponsible action.

So here's my message to Mayor Schaaf: How dare you. How dare you needlessly endanger the lives of law enforcement just to promote your radical open borders agenda.

But in California, we have an even bigger problem than just one mayor. The problems continue.

For example, in January, Ventura County declined a request from ICE to hold an alien Ventura had arrested for continuous sexual abuse of a child. Instead of being removed from this country, he was released back into the community and now our federal law enforcement will need to find him and arrest him wherever he may be.

In recent years, California has enacted a number of laws designed to intentionally obstruct the work of our sworn immigration enforcement officers—to intentionally use every power it has to



undermine duly-established immigration law in America.

California won't let employers voluntarily allow ICE agents on their property. And California requires employers to give notice to employees before ICE inspects their workplace.

When this law was before the California General Assembly, a Judiciary Committee report explicitly stated that its goal was to frustrate "an expected increase in federal immigration enforcement actions."

ICE agents are federal law enforcement officers carrying out federal law. California cannot forbid them or obstruct them in doing their jobs.

Just imagine if a state passed a law forbidding employers from cooperating with OSHA in ensuring workplace safety. Or the EPA, looking for a polluter. That would obviously be absurd. But it would be no different in principle from this new law enacted by California.

And just think about the situation it puts California employers in. They want to help law enforcement. They want to do their civic duty. We ought to encourage that.

But your state attorney general has repeatedly said his office will prosecute these business owners. Let me quote: "ignorance of the law is no excuse if you violate it" and "you are subjecting yourself to up to \$10,000 [in fines] for violations."

California has also claimed the authority to inspect facilities where ICE holds people in custody. Already this year, California has specifically and in a discriminatory manner targeted six facilities and demanded documents and other material from the Department of Homeland Security.

California won't let law enforcement officers like you transfer prisoners into ICE custody or even communicate with ICE that you're about to release someone they're looking for. Remember that California found these people dangerous enough to detain them in the first place, but then insists on releasing them back into the community instead of allowing federal officers to remove them.

And rather than allow ICE officers to do their jobs at the jailhouse, they force these officers to conduct far more dangerous arrests elsewhere—where violent criminals may reside and where children can be caught in the crossfire.

That's not just unconstitutional, it's a plain violation of federal statute and common sense.

Importantly, these laws are harmful to Californians, and they're especially harmful to law enforcement



That's why the Department of Justice has filed a lawsuit yesterday against the state of California to invalidate these unjust laws and to immediately freeze their effect. Federal agents must be able to do the job that Congress has directed them to do.

Contrary to what you might hear from the lawless open borders radicals, we are not asking California, Oakland, or anyone else to enforce immigration laws.

Although we would welcome the positive assistance the majority of jurisdictions in America provide, ICE agents do incredible work every day. They will not be deterred.

We are simply asking California and other sanctuary jurisdictions to stop actively obstructing federal law enforcement.

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I want to close by reiterating my deep appreciation and profound thanks to all the women and men of law enforcement—federal, state, local, and tribal. The work that you do—that you have dedicated your lives to—is essential. I believe it. The Department of Justice believes it. And President Trump believes it.

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**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: INVITE: Off the Record Call TODAY on CA Lawsuit

Yes, Please. Thank you. I've also included here my colleagues in Sacramento today who are on the air. Claudia Cowan and Mike Lundin. If you could please include them too. Thank you, Lee

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Good afternoon,

Hope you're well! I wanted to make sure that you saw that Attorney General's speech this morning on the lawsuit filed against the State of California, Governor Jerry Brown, and California Attorney General Xavier Becerra, and invite you to join us **today at 3:00 pm ET** for an off-the-record call with our team to answer your questions. Speech is below and here's the press release for the announcement:  
<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-files-preemption-lawsuit-against-state-california-stop-interference>.

The lawsuit challenges three laws in California based upon their unlawful interference with federal immigration law enforcement in violation of the Supremacy Clause of the Constitution. The Department of Homeland conducts a significant amount of its operations in California. When states like California obstruct federal immigration authorities, they exacerbate our challenges in reducing violent crime, criminal gang activity, and the drug trafficking and abuse epidemic. Yet, just last year, California enacted three laws designed to intentionally obstruct federal immigration authorities from enforcing the United States' laws and removing criminal aliens. These so-called "sanctuary" laws violate the Constitution, federal law, and common sense as they work to return criminals to their victims and endanger our communities and our law enforcement officers.

**Please RSVP to me for call in details or if you would like for me to send talking points.**

Thank you,  
Lauren

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**ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS AT THE  
26TH ANNUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT LEGISLATIVE DAY HOSTED  
BY THE CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION**

**Sacramento, CA**

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***Remarks as prepared for delivery.***

Thank you, Mark for that kind introduction, for your leadership with the CPOA, and most all for your 22 years of service in law enforcement.

I also want to thank all of the other law enforcement leaders who are here today:

- Sheriff Bill Brown of the California State Sheriffs' Association
- Chief Ed Medrano of the California Police Chiefs Association
- Mark Brewster of the California Narcotic Officers Association
- District Attorney Todd Riebe of the California District Attorneys Association, and
- Commissioner Warren Stanley of the California Highway Patrol.

It is a special honor to be with the California Peace Officers' Association.



With nearly a century of history, and more than 16,000 members, CPOA represents the core of California's law enforcement community.

I know, first hand, the importance of the work that you do. I know its dangers, challenges, frustrations, and satisfactions. I have had years of firsthand experience working with your colleagues. And while I have inexpressible pride in our fabulous federal law officers, I am fully aware that 85 percent of all law enforcement officers are state, local, and tribal.

And I am well aware that the increased training, professionalism, leadership, and more effective enforcement policies of our departments nationwide, and over several decades, has been the critical factor in reversing the dramatic rise in crime that we saw throughout the 1970s.

Over a 22 year period, we saw homicide rates cut in half, youth drug use fall by almost half, and violent crime fall dramatically. It was an achievement few would have ever expected.

Much of the transformative leadership for this change arose from your former Governor and our President Ronald Reagan—aided by his fabulous California counselor and later Attorney General, Ed Meese.

Maybe in recent years we got complacent and took our eye off the ball, but recent trends are deeply worrisome.

In 2014 and 2015 violent crime stopped falling and jumped seven percent nationwide.

Homicide surged 20 percent, the largest increase since 1968. And drug availability rose dramatically, lethal purity reached unprecedented levels while prices fell. And along with the new killer drug, fentanyl, overdose deaths reached levels we have never seen before—66,000 deaths last year.

That is why on my first day in office, President Trump sent me three executive orders: (1) to back the women and men in blue, (2) to reduce crime in America, and (3) to dismantle transnational criminal gangs.

We at the Department of Justice embrace these goals. I know you do too.

Let me be explicit: our express goal is to reduce the violent crime rate, reduce the homicide rate, reduce the amount of opioids prescribed, and reduce overdose deaths.

Let's resolve to achieve these goals. Ours is not just a job, but our sworn duty, and for many of us, a high calling.

And a lawful immigration system that serves the national interest helps us achieve these goals and more. That's what we need to talk about today.

We are a strong, prosperous, and orderly nation. And such a nation must have a lawful system of immigration. I am not aware of any advanced nation that does not understand this fundamental tenet.

And let no one contend that we reject immigration and want to "wall off America" from all lawful immigration. President Trump and the American people know what's happening. We admit 1.1 million immigrants lawfully to permanent legal status—green card status—



every year, the highest numbers in the world.

Indeed, at this unprecedented rate we will soon have the largest percentage of non-native born in our nation's history with the percentage continuing to rise every year thereafter.

Thus, the good and decent people of this country are right to insist that this country should end the illegality, create a rational immigration flow, and protect the nation from criminal aliens.

It cannot be that someone who illegally crosses the border and two days later arrives in Sacramento, Dubuque, Louisville, and Central Islip is home free—never to be removed.

It cannot be the policy of a great nation to up and reward those who unlawfully enter its country with legal status, Social Security, welfare, food stamps, and work permits. Meanwhile those who engage in this process lawfully and patiently and wait their turn are discriminated against at every turn.

Most Americans get this. They are working hard to make ends meet, follow the rules, and try to keep their loved ones safe.

They, our citizens, want our government to think about them for a change to consider their interests. They have dreams too. Frankly, this commonsense concept was a key factor in President Trump's election. Elections have consequences.

Immigration law is the province of the federal government. This Administration and this Justice Department are determined to make it work effectively for the people.

I understand that we have a wide variety of political opinions out there on immigration. But the law is in the books and its purpose is clear.

There is no nullification. There is no secession. Federal law is "the supreme law of the land." I would invite any doubters to Gettysburg, and to the graves of John C. Calhoun and Abraham Lincoln.

A refusal to apprehend and deport those, especially the criminal element, effectively rejects all immigration law and creates an open borders system. Open borders is a radical, irrational idea that cannot be accepted.

The United States of America is not "an idea;" it is a secular nation-state with a Constitution, laws, and borders, all of which are designed to protect our nation's interests. Surely, we should be able to agree on this much.

To carry out the intent of our laws, we need law officers. We need our Immigration and Customs Officers and our Customs and Border Patrol officers. They are your brothers and sisters. President Trump, the Congress, and the American people want them to accomplish the goals our laws set out for them. That's why we pay them.

But, California, we have a problem. A series of actions and events has occurred that directly and adversely impact the work of our federal officers.

For example, the mayor of Oakland has been actively seeking to help illegal aliens avoid apprehension by ICE. Her actions support those who flout our laws and boldly validate



the illegality. There's no other way to interpret her remarks.

To make matters worse, the elected Lieutenant Governor of this state praised her for doing so. Bragging about and encouraging the obstruction of our law enforcement and the law is an embarrassment to this proud and important state.

Tom Homan, Acting Director of ICE has said that "being a law enforcement officer is already dangerous enough, but to give the criminals a heads up that we're coming in the next 24 hours increases that risk. I watch [the mayor's] statement when she said her priority is the safety of her community, but what she did has the exact opposite effect."

According to Acting Director Homan, ICE failed to make 800 arrests that they would have made if the mayor had not acted as she did.

Those are 800 wanted criminals that are now at large in that community—800 wanted criminals that ICE will now have to pursue with more difficulty in more dangerous situations, all because of one mayor's irresponsible action.

So here's my message to Mayor Schaaf: How dare you. How dare you needlessly endanger the lives of law enforcement just to promote your radical open borders agenda.

But in California, we have an even bigger problem than just one mayor. The problems continue.

For example, in January, Ventura County declined a request from ICE to hold an alien Ventura had arrested for continuous sexual abuse of a child. Instead of being removed from this country, he was released back into the community and now our federal law enforcement will need to find him and arrest him wherever he may be.

In recent years, California has enacted a number of laws designed to intentionally obstruct the work of our sworn immigration enforcement officers—to intentionally use every power it has to undermine duly-established immigration law in America.

California won't let employers voluntarily allow ICE agents on their property. And California requires employers to give notice to employees before ICE inspects their workplace.

When this law was before the California General Assembly, a Judiciary Committee report explicitly stated that its goal was to frustrate "an expected increase in federal immigration enforcement actions."

ICE agents are federal law enforcement officers carrying out federal law. California cannot forbid them or obstruct them in doing their jobs.

Just imagine if a state passed a law forbidding employers from cooperating with OSHA in ensuring workplace safety. Or the EPA, looking for a polluter. That would obviously be absurd. But it would be no different in principle from this new law enacted by California.

And just think about the situation it puts California employers in. They want to help law enforcement. They want to do their civic duty. We ought to encourage that.

But your state attorney general has repeatedly said his office will prosecute these business owners. Let me quote: "ignorance of the law is no excuse if you violate it"



and “you are subjecting yourself to up to \$10,000 [in fines] for violations.”

California has also claimed the authority to inspect facilities where ICE holds people in custody. Already this year, California has specifically and in a discriminatory manner targeted six facilities and demanded documents and other material from the Department of Homeland Security.

California won’t let law enforcement officers like you transfer prisoners into ICE custody or even communicate with ICE that you’re about to release someone they’re looking for.

Remember that California found these people dangerous enough to detain them in the first place, but then insists on releasing them back into the community instead of allowing federal officers to remove them.

And rather than allow ICE officers to do their jobs at the jailhouse, they force these officers to conduct far more dangerous arrests elsewhere—where violent criminals may reside and where children can be caught in the crossfire.

That’s not just unconstitutional, it’s a plain violation of federal statute and common sense.

Importantly, these laws are harmful to Californians, and they’re especially harmful to law enforcement.

That’s why the Department of Justice has filed a lawsuit yesterday against the state of California to invalidate these unjust laws and to immediately freeze their effect. Federal agents must be able to do the job that Congress has directed them to do.

Contrary to what you might hear from the lawless open borders radicals, we are not asking California, Oakland, or anyone else to enforce immigration laws.

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Hi Lauren,

For planning purposes, what time do you think you will be able to confirm this? I want to make sure the camera will be ready for him.

Thank you.

-Amanda

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Ok. I just found out that we will have a camera at that location for him. I will wait to hear on confirmation for this.

Thanks Lauren.

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He will still be here, I will have to confirm if he is available. I

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We have a camera crew in Sacramento. I will see if they can go to his location. Will he still be at the location of the event around 4:30 pm ET? Interview would be around 5:00 minutes



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Also, were you going to send someone here?

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Hi Amanda-

Happy to work with you on setting something up. I'm including Lauren Horwood, who handles press for USA McGregor.

How long are you looking to make the hit?

McGregor will be in meetings with the AG so we would probably looking at the end of that time frame (since we are on PST).

Let me know—

Kelly

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Hello,

I hope all is well. I am reaching out to see if U.S. attorney McGregor Scott is available to join our host, Trish Regan today or tomorrow between 4-5 pm ET. We've been informed that he is attending the event with AG Jeff Sessions today in Sacramento. We'd like to get his thoughts on the announcement from him and his thoughts on the lawsuit against California over immigration laws. We are based in NY, but can set him up with a camera in Sacramento if that is easiest for him.



Thank you!

-Amanda King  
"Your World with Neil Cavuto"  
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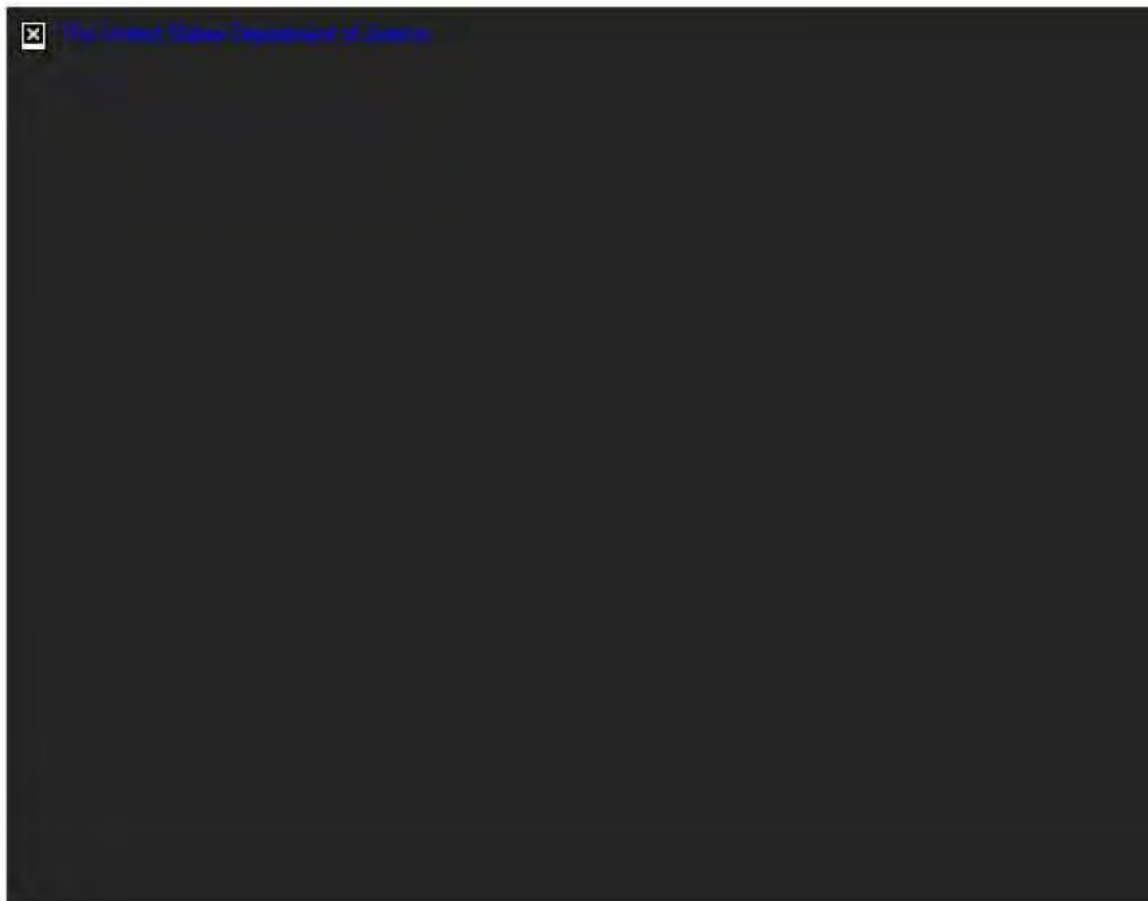
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**JUSTICE DEPARTMENT FILES PREEMPTION LAWSUIT  
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WASHINGTON – In a [speech](#) to the California Peace Officers' Association's Legislative Day, Attorney General Jeff Sessions today announced that the Justice Department has filed a legal action against the State of California, Governor of California Jerry Brown, and Attorney General of California Xavier Becerra, seeking both declaratory and injunctive relief based upon the enactment and implementation of certain provisions of three California laws—Assembly Bill 450 (AB 450); Senate Bill 54 (SB 54); and Assembly Bill 103 (AB 103)—which intentionally obstruct and discriminate against the enforcement of federal immigration law. The complaint contends that the laws in question are preempted by federal law and impermissibly target the Federal Government, and therefore violate the Supremacy Clause of the United States Constitution. As a result, the Justice Department is seeking to permanently enjoin these state statutes, which are contrary to federal law and interfere with federal immigration authorities' ability to carry out their lawful duties. In addition, the Justice Department is continuing to review other related California enactments.

The complaint, accompanying motion for a preliminary injunction, and declarations from Department of Homeland Security and Department of State officials—filed last evening in the Eastern District of California—spell out in detail the extent to which each of these laws have interfered, and will continue to interfere, with federal law enforcement efforts.

AB 450 prohibits private employers from voluntarily cooperating with federal immigration officials—including officials conducting worksite enforcement efforts and other enforcement operations. It also requires that private employers notify employees in advance of a potential worksite enforcement inspection—despite clear federal law that has been on the books for approximately three decades that has no such requirements. An April 22, 2017, report on AB 450 compiled by the California State Assembly's Committee on Judiciary states that the law is designed to frustrate “an expected increase in federal immigration enforcement actions.” California has demonstrated its intent to enforce this law: on Jan. 18,



2018, California Attorney General Becerra issued a warning to employers in the state that his office would “prosecute those who violate [AB 450] by voluntarily cooperating with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) efforts.” Additionally, failure to comply with AB 450 could result in a fine for the business owner ranging from \$2,000-\$10,000. California employers are thus caught between what many may feel is a civic duty to cooperate with the enforcement of federal law, and a state government that penalizes such lawful cooperation.

SB 54 restricts state and local law enforcement officials from providing information to federal immigration authorities about the release date of removable criminal aliens who are in their custody. These criminal aliens are subject to removal from the United States under federal immigration law, and SB 54 interferes with federal immigration authorities’ ability to carry out their responsibilities under federal law. SB 54 also violates 8 USC 1373, a law enacted by Congress, which promotes information sharing related to immigration enforcement. The state law also prohibits the actual transfer of criminal aliens to federal custody, which creates a dangerous operating environment for ICE agents executing arrests in non-custodial settings. In a declaration provided to the Court, ICE Deputy Director Thomas Homan states that these “at-large arrests. . . unquestionably involve a greater possibility of the use of force or violence by the target . . . and have greater access to weapons, exposing officers, the public, and the alien to greater risk of harm.”

Remarkably, with this law California attempts to shield from federal law enforcement removable criminal aliens who have committed crimes in the state of California and across the country. In doing so, California is releasing onto its streets those removable criminal aliens who have already shown a willingness to engage in criminal activity—as evidenced by their state or local detention for violating state law—and who therefore are most likely to commit crimes in the future.

AB 103 imposes a state-run inspection and review scheme of the federal detention of aliens held in facilities pursuant to federal contracts. This includes review of immigration processes and the circumstances in which aliens were apprehended, and also requires access to privileged federal records that are under ICE’s control. With this law, California is trying to regulate federal immigration detention, which it cannot do under the Constitution. California does not impose such an inspection and review scheme on other similar detention facilities that do not house civil immigration detainees—in other words, this is a special review regime that applies only to facilities that house civil immigration detainees. This different treatment shows that California is seeking to regulate the federal government, which is not permitted under well-established Supreme Court precedent.

“The Department of Justice and the Trump Administration are going to fight these unjust, unfair, and unconstitutional policies that have been imposed on you,”



Attorney General Jeff Sessions today told law enforcement officers attending the California Peace Officers Association's 26th Annual Law Enforcement Legislative Day, referencing AB 450, SB 54, and AB 103. "We are fighting to make your jobs safer and to help you reduce crime in America. And I believe that we are going to win."

"Our duty at the Department of Homeland Security is to enforce and uphold the nation's security laws as passed by the U.S. Congress and signed by the President," said Secretary Kirstjen M. Nielsen for the Department of Homeland Security. "California has chosen to purposefully contradict the will and responsibility of the Congress to protect our homeland. I appreciate the efforts of Attorney General Jeff Sessions and the Department of Justice to uphold the rule of law and protect American communities."

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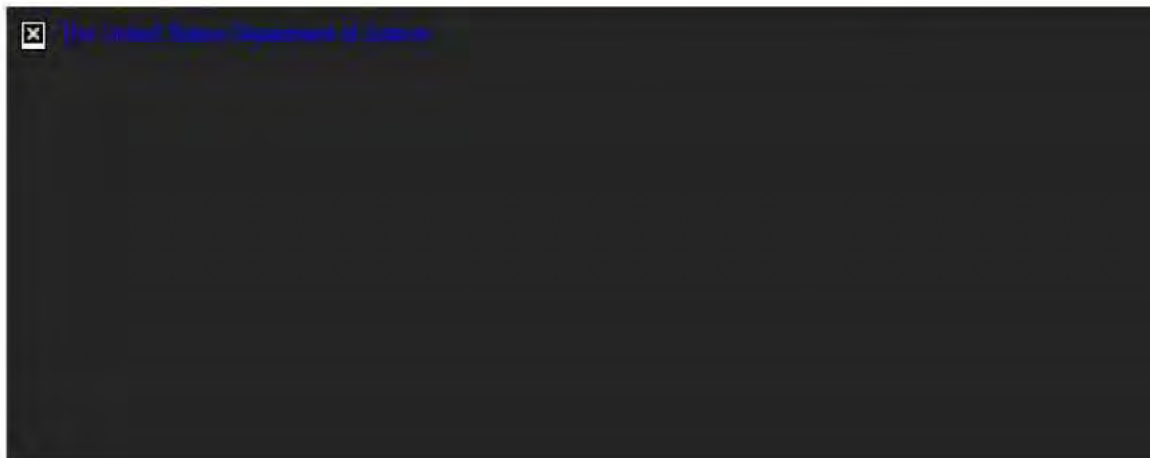
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**Subject:** ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS AT THE 26TH ANNUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT LEGISLATIVE DAY HOSTED BY THE CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION  
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**ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS AT  
THE 26TH ANNUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT LEGISLATIVE  
DAY HOSTED BY THE CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICERS'  
ASSOCIATION**

**Sacramento, CA**

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***Remarks as prepared for delivery.***

Thank you, Mark for that kind introduction, for your leadership with the CPOA, and most all for your 22 years of service in law enforcement.

I also want to thank all of the other law enforcement leaders who are here today:

- Sheriff Bill Brown of the California State Sheriffs' Association
- Chief Ed Medrano of the California Police Chiefs Association
- Mark Brewster of the California Narcotic Officers Association
- District Attorney Todd Riebe of the California District Attorneys Association, and
- Commissioner Warren Stanley of the California Highway Patrol.

It is a special honor to be with the California Peace Officers' Association.

With nearly a century of history, and more than 16,000 members, CPOA represents the core of California's law enforcement community.

I know, first hand, the importance of the work that you do. I know its dangers, challenges, frustrations, and satisfactions. I have had years of firsthand experience working with your colleagues. And while I have inexpressible pride in our fabulous federal law officers, I am fully aware that 85 percent of all law enforcement officers are state, local, and tribal.

And I am well aware that the increased training, professionalism, leadership, and more effective enforcement policies of our departments nationwide, and over several decades, has been the critical factor in reversing the dramatic rise in crime that we saw throughout the 1970s.

Over a 22 year period, we saw homicide rates cut in half, youth drug use fall by almost half, and violent crime fall dramatically. It was an achievement few would have ever expected.

Much of the transformative leadership for this change arose from your former Governor and our President Ronald Reagan—aided by his fabulous California counselor and later Attorney General, Ed Meese.

Maybe in recent years we got complacent and took our eye off the ball, but recent trends are deeply worrisome.

In 2014 and 2015 violent crime stopped falling and jumped seven percent nationwide.

Homicide surged 20 percent, the largest increase since 1968. And drug availability rose dramatically, lethal purity reached unprecedented levels while prices fell. And along with the new killer drug, fentanyl, overdose deaths reached levels we have never seen before—66,000 deaths last year.

That is why on my first day in office, President Trump sent me three executive orders: (1) to back the women and men in blue, (2) to reduce crime in America, and (3) to dismantle transnational criminal gangs.

We at the Department of Justice embrace these goals. I know you do too.

Let me be explicit: our express goal is to reduce the violent crime rate, reduce the



homicide rate, reduce the amount of opioids prescribed, and reduce overdose deaths.

Let's resolve to achieve these goals. Ours is not just a job, but our sworn duty, and for many of us, a high calling.

And a lawful immigration system that serves the national interest helps us achieve these goals and more. That's what we need to talk about today.

We are a strong, prosperous, and orderly nation. And such a nation must have a lawful system of immigration. I am not aware of any advanced nation that does not understand this fundamental tenet.

And let no one contend that we reject immigration and want to "wall off America" from all lawful immigration. President Trump and the American people know what's happening. We admit 1.1 million immigrants lawfully to permanent legal status—green card status—every year, the highest numbers in the world.

Indeed, at this unprecedented rate we will soon have the largest percentage of non-native born in our nation's history with the percentage continuing to rise every year thereafter.

Thus, the good and decent people of this country are right to insist that this country should end the illegality, create a rational immigration flow, and protect the nation from criminal aliens.

It cannot be that someone who illegally crosses the border and two days later arrives in Sacramento, Dubuque, Louisville, and Central Islip is home free—never to be removed.

It cannot be the policy of a great nation to up and reward those who unlawfully enter its country with legal status, Social Security, welfare, food stamps, and work permits. Meanwhile those who engage in this process lawfully and patiently and wait their turn are discriminated against at every turn.

Most Americans get this. They are working hard to make ends meet, follow the rules, and try to keep their loved ones safe.

They, our citizens, want our government to think about them for a change to consider their interests. They have dreams too. Frankly, this commonsense concept was a key factor in President Trump's election. Elections have consequences.

Immigration law is the province of the federal government. This Administration



immigration law is the province of the federal government. The Executive Branch and this Justice Department are determined to make it work effectively for the people.

I understand that we have a wide variety of political opinions out there on immigration. But the law is in the books and its purpose is clear.

There is no nullification. There is no secession. Federal law is “the supreme law of the land.” I would invite any doubters to Gettysburg, and to the graves of John C. Calhoun and Abraham Lincoln.

A refusal to apprehend and deport those, especially the criminal element, effectively rejects all immigration law and creates an open borders system. Open borders is a radical, irrational idea that cannot be accepted.

The United States of America is not “an idea;” it is a secular nation-state with a Constitution, laws, and borders, all of which are designed to protect our nation’s interests. Surely, we should be able to agree on this much.

To carry out the intent of our laws, we need law officers. We need our Immigration and Customs Officers and our Customs and Border Patrol officers. They are your brothers and sisters. President Trump, the Congress, and the American people want them to accomplish the goals our laws set out for them. That’s why we pay them.

But, California, we have a problem. A series of actions and events has occurred that directly and adversely impact the work of our federal officers.

For example, the mayor of Oakland has been actively seeking to help illegal aliens avoid apprehension by ICE. Her actions support those who flout our laws and boldly validate the illegality. There’s no other way to interpret her remarks.

To make matters worse, the elected Lieutenant Governor of this state praised her for doing so. Bragging about and encouraging the obstruction of our law enforcement and the law is an embarrassment to this proud and important state.

Tom Homan, Acting Director of ICE has said that “being a law enforcement officer is already dangerous enough, but to give the criminals a heads up that we’re coming in the next 24 hours increases that risk. I watch [the mayor’s] statement when she said her priority is the safety of her community, but what she did has the exact opposite effect.”

According to Acting Director Homan, ICE failed to make 800 arrests that they would have made if the mayor had not acted as she did.



Those are 800 wanted criminals that are now at large in that community—800 wanted criminals that ICE will now have to pursue with more difficulty in more dangerous situations, all because of one mayor's irresponsible action.

So here's my message to Mayor Schaaf: How dare you. How dare you needlessly endanger the lives of law enforcement just to promote your radical open borders agenda.

But in California, we have an even bigger problem than just one mayor. The problems continue.

For example, in January, Ventura County declined a request from ICE to hold an alien Ventura had arrested for continuous sexual abuse of a child. Instead of being removed from this country, he was released back into the community and now our federal law enforcement will need to find him and arrest him wherever he may be.

In recent years, California has enacted a number of laws designed to intentionally obstruct the work of our sworn immigration enforcement officers—to intentionally use every power it has to undermine duly-established immigration law in America.

California won't let employers voluntarily allow ICE agents on their property. And California requires employers to give notice to employees before ICE inspects their workplace.

When this law was before the California General Assembly, a Judiciary Committee report explicitly stated that its goal was to frustrate "an expected increase in federal immigration enforcement actions."

ICE agents are federal law enforcement officers carrying out federal law. California cannot forbid them or obstruct them in doing their jobs.

Just imagine if a state passed a law forbidding employers from cooperating with OSHA in ensuring workplace safety. Or the EPA, looking for a polluter. That would obviously be absurd. But it would be no different in principle from this new law enacted by California.

And just think about the situation it puts California employers in. They want to help law enforcement. They want to do their civic duty. We ought to encourage that.

But your state attorney general has repeatedly said his office will prosecute these



business owners. Let me quote: “ignorance of the law is no excuse if you violate it” and “you are subjecting yourself to up to \$10,000 [in fines] for violations.”

California has also claimed the authority to inspect facilities where ICE holds people in custody. Already this year, California has specifically and in a discriminatory manner targeted six facilities and demanded documents and other material from the Department of Homeland Security.

California won't let law enforcement officers like you transfer prisoners into ICE custody or even communicate with ICE that you're about to release someone they're looking for. Remember that California found these people dangerous enough to detain them in the first place, but then insists on releasing them back into the community instead of allowing federal officers to remove them.

And rather than allow ICE officers to do their jobs at the jailhouse, they force these officers to conduct far more dangerous arrests elsewhere—where violent criminals may reside and where children can be caught in the crossfire.

That's not just unconstitutional, it's a plain violation of federal statute and common sense.

Importantly, these laws are harmful to Californians, and they're especially harmful to law enforcement.

That's why the Department of Justice has filed a lawsuit yesterday against the state of California to invalidate these unjust laws and to immediately freeze their effect. Federal agents must be able to do the job that Congress has directed them to do.

Contrary to what you might hear from the lawless open borders radicals, we are not asking California, Oakland, or anyone else to enforce immigration laws.

Although we would welcome the positive assistance the majority of jurisdictions in America provide, ICE agents do incredible work every day. They will not be deterred.

We are simply asking California and other sanctuary jurisdictions to stop actively obstructing federal law enforcement.

Stop treating immigration agents differently from everybody else for the purpose of eviscerating border controls and advancing an open borders philosophy shared by only the most radical extremists. Stop protecting lawbreakers and giving all officers more dangerous work to do so that a few politicians can score political points on the backs of officer safety.



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You are professionals. You understand the risks involved.

Think about the officers knocking on a door to execute a warrant. They don't know what's on the other side. It's not fair to them to keep putting them in that situation by releasing criminal aliens into the community who shouldn't even be in the country. I sign condolence letters for law enforcement killed in the line of duty; I fundamentally reject, at my core, that we should further endanger the lives of those who risk everything for us just because some officials in California wants to violate the law in promotion of their radical agenda.

California is using every power it has—and some it doesn't—to frustrate federal law enforcement. So you can be sure I'm going to use every power I have to stop them.

We are going to fight these irrational, unfair, and unconstitutional policies that have been imposed on you and our federal officers. We are fighting to make your jobs safer and to help you reduce crime in America. We are fighting to have a lawful system of immigration that serves Americans. And we intend to win.

I want to close by reiterating my deep appreciation and profound thanks to all the women and men of law enforcement—federal, state, local, and tribal. The work that you do—that you have dedicated your lives to—is essential. I believe it. The Department of Justice believes it. And President Trump believes it.

You can be certain about this: we have your back and you have our thanks.

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**Prior, Ian (OPA)**

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**From:** Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 10:36 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Gibson, Jake  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Attorney General's Remarks in Sacramento Today

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**Subject:** Re: Attorney General's Remarks in Sacramento Today

Ian should have one shortly

On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:22 AM, Gibson, Jake <[Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Can you pass along prepared remarks? Excerpts?

On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:03 AM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Hi all-

You may have missed it in the media advisory that was sent out yesterday afternoon, but the Attorney General's remarks today will be streamed to Facebook live through the California Peace Officers' Association page at <https://www.facebook.com/CalPOA/>.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Devin



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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 1:48 AM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** Re: US v. State of California Filing

Yessir

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On Mar 7, 2018, at 1:22 AM, Gibson, Jake <[Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Sacramento... correct?

Thanks

On Mar 6, 2018, at 10:20 PM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

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On Mar 7, 2018, at 1:19 AM, Gibson, Jake <[Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Where was this suit filed?

On Mar 6, 2018, at 6:21 PM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

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**Lundin, Michael**

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**From:** Lundin, Michael  
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**To:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Planning: ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS TO MAKE MAJOR SANCTUARY JURISDICTION ANNOUNCEMENT AT CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION 26th ANNUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT LEGISLATIVE DAY

You're welcome.  
If there is any additional media information let me know.

Thx  
Mike

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**From:** Laco, Kelly (OPA) [mailto:Kelly.Laco@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 1:49 PM  
**To:** Lundin, Michael <michael.lundin@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** RE: Planning: ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS TO MAKE MAJOR SANCTUARY JURISDICTION ANNOUNCEMENT AT CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION 26th ANNUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT LEGISLATIVE DAY

Great, thanks so much.

**Kelly Laco**  
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Hello Kelly,

I wanted to RSVP for Fox News for tomorrow's press remarks.

Here are the people that would be attending

Michael Lundin  
Claudia Cowan  
Michael (Dallas) Houston  
Mark Hamburg

Thank you very much  
Let me know if you need specific information - I can be the best point of contact

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Thx

Mike

Mike Lundin

Fox News - San Francisco

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TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018

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**\*\*\*\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*\*\*\***

WASHINGTON - Attorney General Jeff Sessions will travel to Sacramento, California, on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018 to make a major sanctuary jurisdiction announcement at the 26th Annual Law Enforcement Legislative Day hosted by the California Peace Officers' Association.

**WHO:**

Attorney General Jeff Sessions

**WHAT:**

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**WHEN:**

Wednesday, March 7, 2018  
8:05 a.m. PST

**WHERE:**

Kimpton Sawyer Hotel  
Magnolia Ballroom Second Floor  
500 J Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

**OPEN PRESS**

(Cameras may begin arriving at 6:30 a.m. and must **pre-set in the ballroom for a K0 sweep at 7:05 a.m. PST** // Final access for print



streamed live through the California Peace Officers' Association page at <https://www.facebook.com/CalPOA/>  
media is 7:45 a.m. PST)

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Friday, March 2, 2018 3:44 PM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** RE: Does this work?

Yikes. I mean....you can **\*say\*** that.

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 2, 2018 3:09 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Does this work?

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**From:** Claudia Cowan <[claudiacowan@icloud.com](mailto:claudiacowan@icloud.com)>  
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**To:** Jake Gibson <[Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Does this work?

Okay are you cool with this language for my live shots on Monday, following up on the raids?

WE **\*COULD\*** LEARN IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS IF THE MAYOR OF OAKLAND  
WILL FACE FEDERAL CHARGES FOR ALERTING THE PUBLIC THAT  
ENFORCEMENT RAIDS WERE IMMINENT...

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 7:20 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Letter to Sessions: FBI may have violated criminal statutes, internal procedures for Page FISA warrant

Okay.  
Anything you want to send over I can get into the dotcom piece.

Thanks!

> On Mar 1, 2018, at 7:15 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Letter to Sessions: FBI may have violated criminal statutes, internal procedures for Page FISA warrant  
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**From:** "Herridge, Catherine" <[Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM)>

**Date:** March 1, 2018 at 7:10:18 PM EST

**Subject: Letter to Sessions: FBI may have violated criminal statutes, internal procedures for Page FISA warrant**

Fox has the letter first and, have reached out to FBI and DOJ for comment.

The FBI may have violated criminal statutes by using unverified evidence during the 2016 election to obtain a surveillance warrant for Trump campaign aide Carter Page, the chairman of the House Intelligence Committee charged in Thursday in a letter obtained by Fox News.

House Intelligence Committee Chairman Devin Nunes, R-Calif., wrote in his letter to Attorney General Jeff Sessions that "in this instance, it's clear that basic operating guidance was violated."

Nunes cites the Domestic Investigations and Operations Guide (DIOG), which was created by the bureau and approved by the Justice Department, to say he believes the FBI violated procedures requiring verified and documented evidence in applications to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.

An Oct. 2011 version of the operations guide states that the "accuracy of information contained within FISA applications is of utmost importance... Only documented and verified information may be used to support FBI applications to the court."

It also states that information in a FISA application must be "thoroughly vetted and confirmed."

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March 1, 2018

The Honorable Jeff Sessions  
Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is charged with protecting the American people and enforcing our laws in accordance with the U.S. Constitution. To carry out this essential mission, the FBI has a strict set of internal rules and procedures embodied in the Domestic Investigations and Operations Guide (DIOG). The DIOG was created by the Bureau itself and approved by the Department of Justice (DOJ).

The latest unredacted version of the DIOG available to the Committee (dated October 15, 2011) delineates procedures the FBI must follow when submitting applications to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC) for orders to conduct surveillance through the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA). According to the DIOG:

- FISA surveillance is a very intrusive means of acquiring information that must balance the need to obtain sensitive national security information against civil liberties.
- When striking this balance, a verification process must be conducted for all FISA applications.
  - Under the subsection “FISA Verification of Accuracy Procedures,” the FBI itself acknowledges this importance: “The accuracy of information contained within FISA applications is of utmost importance.... Only documented and verified information may be used to support FBI applications [FISA] to the court [FISC].”
- The DIOG provides detailed instructions for the FBI to follow to ensure that information appearing in a FISA application that is presented to the FISC has been thoroughly vetted and confirmed.

Former and current DOJ and FBI leadership have confirmed to the Committee that unverified information from the Steele dossier comprised an essential part of the FISA applications related to Carter Page. These details are outlined in a declassified memorandum released by the Committee on February 2, 2018, a copy of which is attached for your review.

In light of what appears to be a clear violation of FBI protocols, the Committee directs that DOJ shall, **no later than March 8, 2018**, provide answers to the following questions:

- Were these protocols changed after the 2011 version to allow for the use of unverified information to support FBI FISA applications to the FISC?
- If not, what steps has the DOJ and/or the FBI taken to hold accountable those officials who violated these protocols?

I will remind you that aside from the violation of these protocols, the presentation of false and/or unverified information to the FISC in connection with the Carter Page warrant applications could entail violations of the following criminal statutes:

- 18 USC 242
- 50 USC 1809
- Conspiracy
- Obstruction of justice
- Contempt of Court

The FBI DIOG provides internal oversight and controls over authorized FBI activities so the American public can be assured the Bureau is conducting its vital mission in accordance with law and established guidelines. However, in this instance, it's clear that basic operating guidance was violated.

Congressional oversight is designed to hold agencies accountable. I trust that you share this view, and will assist the Committee's investigation into violations of DIOG procedures related to the use of the Steele dossier in FISA applications.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Devin Nunes", is written over the typed name and title.

Devin Nunes  
Chairman

Enclosure

cc: Michael Horowitz, Inspector General of the Department of Justice  
The Honorable Christopher Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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January 18, 2018

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February 2, 2018

To: HPSCI Majority Members

From: HPSCI Majority Staff

Subject: Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act Abuses at the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation

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### **Purpose**

This memorandum provides Members an update on significant facts relating to the Committee's ongoing investigation into the Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and their use of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) during the 2016 presidential election cycle. Our findings, which are detailed below, 1) raise concerns with the legitimacy and legality of certain DOJ and FBI interactions with the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC), and 2) represent a troubling breakdown of legal processes established to protect the American people from abuses related to the FISA process.

### **Investigation Update**

On October 21, 2016, DOJ and FBI sought and received a FISA probable cause order (not under Title VII) authorizing electronic surveillance on Carter Page from the FISC. Page is a U.S. citizen who served as a volunteer advisor to the Trump presidential campaign. Consistent with requirements under FISA, the application had to be first certified by the Director or Deputy Director of the FBI. It then required the approval of the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General (DAG), or the Senate-confirmed Assistant Attorney General for the National Security Division.

The FBI and DOJ obtained one initial FISA warrant targeting Carter Page and three FISA renewals from the FISC. As required by statute (50 U.S.C. §1805(d)(1)), a FISA order on an American citizen must be renewed by the FISC every 90 days and each renewal requires a separate finding of probable cause. Then-Director James Comey signed three FISA applications in question on behalf of the FBI, and Deputy Director Andrew McCabe signed one. Then-DAG Sally Yates, then-Acting DAG Dana Boente, and DAG Rod Rosenstein each signed one or more FISA applications on behalf of DOJ.

Due to the sensitive nature of foreign intelligence activity, FISA submissions (including renewals) before the FISC are classified. As such, the public's confidence in the integrity of the FISA process depends on the court's ability to hold the government to the highest standard—particularly as it relates to surveillance of American citizens. However, the FISC's rigor in protecting the rights of Americans, which is reinforced by 90-day renewals of surveillance orders, is necessarily dependent on the government's production to the court of all material and relevant facts. This should include information potentially favorable to the target of the FISA

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application that is known by the government. In the case of Carter Page, the government had at least four independent opportunities before the FISC to accurately provide an accounting of the relevant facts. However, our findings indicate that, as described below, material and relevant information was omitted.

- 1) The “dossier” compiled by Christopher Steele (Steele dossier) on behalf of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) and the Hillary Clinton campaign formed an essential part of the Carter Page FISA application. Steele was a longtime FBI source who was paid over \$160,000 by the DNC and Clinton campaign, via the law firm Perkins Coie and research firm Fusion GPS, to obtain derogatory information on Donald Trump’s ties to Russia.
  - a) Neither the initial application in October 2016, nor any of the renewals, disclose or reference the role of the DNC, Clinton campaign, or any party/campaign in funding Steele’s efforts, even though the political origins of the Steele dossier were then known to senior DOJ and FBI officials.
  - b) The initial FISA application notes Steele was working for a named U.S. person, but does not name Fusion GPS and principal Glenn Simpson, who was paid by a U.S. law firm (Perkins Coie) representing the DNC (even though it was known by DOJ at the time that political actors were involved with the Steele dossier). The application does not mention Steele was ultimately working on behalf of—and paid by—the DNC and Clinton campaign, or that the FBI had separately authorized payment to Steele for the same information.
- 2) The Carter Page FISA application also cited extensively a September 23, 2016, *Yahoo News* article by Michael Isikoff, which focuses on Page’s July 2016 trip to Moscow. This article does not corroborate the Steele dossier because it is derived from information leaked by Steele himself to *Yahoo News*. The Page FISA application incorrectly assesses that Steele did not directly provide information to *Yahoo News*. Steele has admitted in British court filings that he met with *Yahoo News*—and several other outlets—in September 2016 at the direction of Fusion GPS. Perkins Coie was aware of Steele’s initial media contacts because they hosted at least one meeting in Washington D.C. in 2016 with Steele and Fusion GPS where this matter was discussed.
  - a) Steele was suspended and then terminated as an FBI source for what the FBI defines as the most serious of violations—an unauthorized disclosure to the media of his relationship with the FBI in an October 30, 2016, *Mother Jones* article by David Corn. Steele should have been terminated for his previous undisclosed contacts with Yahoo and other outlets **in September**—before the Page application was submitted to

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the FISC in October—but Steele improperly concealed from and lied to the FBI about those contacts.

- b) Steele's numerous encounters with the media violated the cardinal rule of source handling—maintaining confidentiality—and demonstrated that Steele had become a less than reliable source for the FBI.
- 3) Before and after Steele was terminated as a source, he maintained contact with DOJ via then-Associate Deputy Attorney General Bruce Ohr, a senior DOJ official who worked closely with Deputy Attorneys General Yates and later Rosenstein. Shortly after the election, the FBI began interviewing Ohr, documenting his communications with Steele. For example, in September 2016, Steele admitted to Ohr his feelings against then-candidate Trump when Steele said he **“was desperate that Donald Trump not get elected and was passionate about him not being president.”** This clear evidence of Steele's bias was recorded by Ohr at the time and subsequently in official FBI files—but not reflected in any of the Page FISA applications.
  - a) During this same time period, Ohr's wife was employed by Fusion GPS to assist in the cultivation of opposition research on Trump. Ohr later provided the FBI with all of his wife's opposition research, paid for by the DNC and Clinton campaign via Fusion GPS. The Ohrs' relationship with Steele and Fusion GPS was inexplicably concealed from the FISC.
- 4) According to the head of the FBI's counterintelligence division, Assistant Director Bill Priestap, corroboration of the Steele dossier was in its “infancy” at the time of the initial Page FISA application. After Steele was terminated, a source validation report conducted by an independent unit within FBI assessed Steele's reporting as only minimally corroborated. Yet, in early January 2017, Director Comey briefed President-elect Trump on a summary of the Steele dossier, even though it was—according to his June 2017 testimony—“salacious and unverified.” While the FISA application relied on Steele's past record of credible reporting on other unrelated matters, it ignored or concealed his anti-Trump financial and ideological motivations. Furthermore, Deputy Director McCabe testified before the Committee in December 2017 that no surveillance warrant would have been sought from the FISC without the Steele dossier information.

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- 5) The Page FISA application also mentions information regarding fellow Trump campaign advisor George Papadopoulos, but there is no evidence of any cooperation or conspiracy between Page and Papadopoulos. The Papadopoulos information triggered the opening of an FBI counterintelligence investigation in late July 2016 by FBI agent Pete Strzok. Strzok was reassigned by the Special Counsel's Office to FBI Human Resources for improper text messages with his mistress, FBI Attorney Lisa Page (no known relation to Carter Page), where they both demonstrated a clear bias against Trump and in favor of Clinton, whom Strzok had also investigated. The Strzok/Lisa Page texts also reflect extensive discussions about the investigation, orchestrating leaks to the media, and include a meeting with Deputy Director McCabe to discuss an "insurance" policy against President Trump's election.

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**Doherty, Brian**

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**From:** Doherty, Brian  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 12:13 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: What's your cell?

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Brian Doherty  
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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, March 01, 2018 12:12 PM  
To: Doherty, Brian <Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Subject: RE: What's your cell?

WHY ARE YOU SO NICE???? :)

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Doherty, Brian [mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM]  
Sent: Thursday, March 1, 2018 12:11 PM  
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
Subject: RE: What's your cell?

Ha I'd never do that!

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we totally understand

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Sent: Thursday, March 01, 2018 12:10 PM

To: Doherty, Brian <Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM>

Subject: RE: What's your cell?

You also get throw a drink in my face next time we see each other in person. I'm really really sorry.

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Sarah Isgur Flores

Director of Public Affairs

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-----Original Message-----

From: Doherty, Brian [mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM]

Sent: Thursday, March 1, 2018 11:53 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Subject: RE: What's your cell?

Thanks for being open about it--we look forward to hearing from Jake!

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Thursday, March 01, 2018 11:38 AM

To: Doherty, Brian <Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Subject: RE: What's your cell?

Theres not. The dinner last night just was seen as too much of a poke at the WH. So we need to lay low on this issue and its just too raw. BUT I have two trips that I walked Jake Gibson through so he's going to come over and brief yall on them to see if you can join us for either.

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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-----Original Message-----

From: Doherty, Brian [mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM]  
Sent: Thursday, March 1, 2018 11:24 AM  
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
Subject: Re: What's your cell?

Oh no! I'm just Getting to wk, (b)(6). The channel promoted the heck out of it today!

There's no way to keep it to tonight? What's the issue?

Thanks

Brian

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 1, 2018, at 9:24 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:  
>

> We can't do tonight--and I feel terrible about it as you can imagine but hopefully Shannon also understands why. That being said, we want to make it up to you and I have a few ideas.

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**Setteducato, Michele**

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**From:** Setteducato, Michele  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 12:13 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request - Watters' World

No worries. Thanks Sarah.

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 12:11 PM  
**To:** Setteducato, Michele <Michele.Setteducato@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News Request - Watters' World

Wont be able to this time—sorry! But keep us in mind next time for sure!

xxx  
Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** Setteducato, Michele [mailto:Michele.Setteducato@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 11:14 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Fox News Request - Watters' World

Hi Sarah - Hope you are well. Jesse Watters will be in DC on Monday and I wanted to see if we could set up a sit down interview with the Attorney General while he was on town. We would air it on next week's Watters' World.

We can be completely flexible on time.

Let me know if we can work something out. He would love to talk with him. Thank you! Michele

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**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 11:11 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Spinato, Eric  
**Subject:** Hello, Sarah

Are you able to join Maria tomorrow, at 7a or 8:30a?  
Thank you  
Eric

**Eric Spinato**

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 10:21 AM  
**To:** shannon.bream@foxnews.com  
**Subject:** FW: What's your cell?

My cell is below. Please call (or have Brian call)--AG would like to have you join us on a trip in the next two weeks to ensure that you still get a great story.

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
Sent: Thursday, March 1, 2018 9:24 AM  
To: Brian Doherty <brian.doherty@foxnews.com>  
Subject: What's your cell?

We can't do tonight--and I feel terrible about it as you can imagine but hopefully Shannon also understands why. That being said, we want to make it up to you and I have a few ideas.



**Doherty, Brian**

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**From:** Doherty, Brian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 6:45 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Hi Sarah, we'll see the AG here tmrw evening in the 7pm hr for a pre tape w/ Shannon Bream

Yes keep us in mind for when Sarah the Groundhog comes out of her work-imposed burrow

**Brian Doherty**

Coordinating Producer, *News @ Night* w/ Shannon Bream

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 6:44 PM  
**To:** Doherty, Brian <[Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: Hi Sarah, we'll see the AG here tmrw evening in the 7pm hr for a pre tape w/ Shannon Bream

Lol--I try to stay behind the scenes. But might be something fun next week for me to come talk about that will be up her alley....

On Feb 28, 2018, at 6:38 PM, Doherty, Brian <[Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Thank u & we would like to get YOU on in the future-I saw u did an intv recently

**Brian Doherty**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 6:37 PM  
**To:** Doherty, Brian <[Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: Hi Sarah, we'll see the AG here tmrw evening in the 7pm hr for a pre tape w/ Shannon Bream

Yes

On Feb 28, 2018, at 6:35 PM, Doherty, Brian <[Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Thank u! is this exclusive? Promos is asking us again! Thanks

**Brian Doherty**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 4:24 PM

**To:** Doherty, Brian <[Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM)>

**Subject:** RE: Hi Sarah, we'll see the AG here tmrw evening in the 7pm hr for a pre tape w/ Shannon Bream

We wont have the gun stuff until tomorrow. But here's opioids:

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/attorney-general-sessions-announces-new-prescription-interdiction-litigation-task-force>

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/speech/attorney-general-sessions-delivers-remarks-announcing-prescription-interdiction-and>

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-file-statement-interest-opioid-case>

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Sarah Isgur Flores

Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Doherty, Brian [<mailto:Brian.Doherty@FOXNEWS.COM>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 3:08 PM

**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>

**Subject:** Hi Sarah, we'll see the AG here tmrw evening in the 7pm hr for a pre tape w/ Shannon Bream

...Brigid Mary is out today-did u send over info on opioids & the prison reform/sentencing reform?

Thanks!

Brian

**Brian Doherty**

**Brian Doherty**

Coordinating Producer, *News @ Night w/ Shannon Bream*

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**Conti, Andrew**

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**From:** Conti, Andrew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 5:27 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: any chance for AG Sessions tomorrow with Laura Ingraham?

Got it. Please keep us in mind. Laura has been asking for quite some time. I will let Laura know

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 5:25 PM  
**To:** Conti, Andrew <Andrew.conti@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** RE: any chance for AG Sessions tomorrow with Laura Ingraham?

He committed to doing Shannon a long time ago for tomorrow bc of the WH opioid summit tomorrow.

xxx  
Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** Conti, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.conti@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 5:24 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** any chance for AG Sessions tomorrow with Laura Ingraham?

Hi Sarah,  
Any chance we can possibly make an interview work with the AG and Laura for the Ingraham Angle? thanks very much.

Andrew P. Conti  
Fox News Channel  
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## Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 5:10 PM  
**To:** Robbins, Christina  
**Subject:** RE: Can you join us Thurs in the 1p hour?

Sorry! I cant do tomorrow bc I'll be at the WH opioid summit.

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Robbins, Christina [mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 10:48 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Can you join us Thurs in the 1p hour?

Hi Sarah –

We just found out we won't have a show on Friday. It's going to be special coverage for Rev. Graham's funeral.

Is there any way you could join us Thursday in the 1p hour? We could talk about opioids announcement and FISA court investigation...

**Christina Svolopoulos Robbins**  
DC Booking Supervisor / Producer  
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**From:** Robbins, Christina  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 5:51 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: AG Sessions - on with Harris Faulkner - 1p hour Tuesday?

Okay!  
Friday could work!

On Feb 26, 2018, at 5:41 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

I need to turn down for tomorrow—but can we look at Friday potentially?

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Robbins, Christina [<mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 2:52 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** AG Sessions - on with Harris Faulkner - 1p hour Tuesday?

Hi Sarah!

Would AG Sessions be able to join us tomorrow in the 1p hour? I know he's speaking to the State AG's in the morning. Maybe we could talk more on what comes out of that? Guns / enforcing the law / lots we could discuss!

If the AG isn't avail ... do you think you could join us instead?  
Thank you!

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(fydibohf23spdlt)/cn=recipients/cn=9b6a3326c7b64b3c839f9f5d6b10  
92df-flores, sar>  
To: Murray, Andrew  
<andrew.murray@foxnews.com>  
Cc:  
Bcc:  
Subject: RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors  
in new push to curb deadly epidemic  
Date: Wed Feb 28 2018 16:56:31 EST  
Attachments:

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Definitely;)

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Sarah Isgur Flores

Director of Public Affairs

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From: Murray, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 28, 2018 2:28 PM  
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
Subject: RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new  
push to curb deadly epidemic

Are you still laying low?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 28, 2018 1:46 PM  
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Subject: Re: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new  
push to curb deadly epidemic

It's tomorrow

On Feb 28, 2018, at 1:40 PM, Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Will Attorney General Sessions be appearing on Shannon Bream's show tonight?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 5:30 PM  
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Subject: RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new push to curb deadly epidemic

Ill lay low for now

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Sarah Isgur Flores

Director of Public Affairs

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From: Murray, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 3:59 PM  
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
Subject: RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new push to curb deadly epidemic

Thanks and I take it YOU are not available tomorrow either?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 3:54 PM  
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Subject: RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new push to curb deadly epidemic

No—but lets discuss Friday. (Actually, I suggest you ask Alexa at the WH about Friday)

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Director of Public Affairs

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From: Murray, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:25 PM  
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
Subject: FW: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new push to curb deadly epidemic

Attorney General Sessions available at 8am ET tomorrow to discuss this?

Andrew

From: The Washington Post [mailto:email@washingtonpost.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:23 PM  
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>  
Subject: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new push to curb deadly epidemic

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To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
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Cc:  
Bcc:  
Subject: RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors  
in new push to curb deadly epidemic  
Date: Wed Feb 28 2018 13:47:07 EST  
Attachments:

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Any word about our request for Friday?

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**Murray, Andrew**

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 5:31 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new push to curb deadly epidemic

Sounds, good I asked Alexa about Friday.

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**From:** [Flores, Sarah Isgur \(OPA\)](#)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 5:30 PM  
**To:** [Murray, Andrew](#)  
**Subject:** RE: News Alert: Trump's Justice Department to target opioid manufacturers, distributors in new push to curb deadly epidemic

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**From:** The Washington Post [<mailto:email@washingtonpost.com>]

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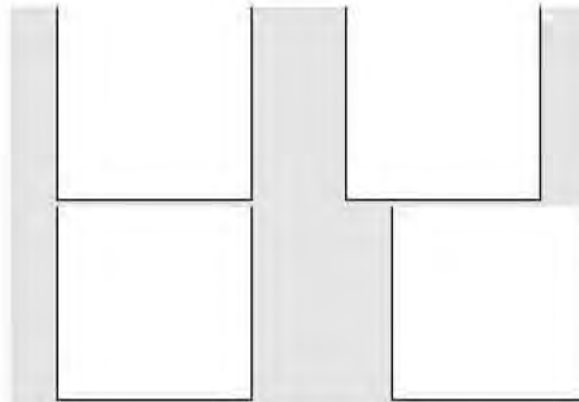
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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 4:53 PM  
**To:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Subject:** RE: Grant story

Statement remains.

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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex [mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 4:50 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Grant story

Nevermind I found the updated document.

On Feb 28, 2018, at 4:47 PM, Pfeiffer, Alex <[Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Realize this is a month later, but we are finally running with this tonight. Do you have any update on this?

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "O'Malley, Devin (OPA)" <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Response  
**Date:** January 25, 2018 at 1:48:23 PM EST  
**To:** "Pfeiffer, Alex" <[Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM)>

Attributable to a DOJ spokesperson:

"In the 2013 reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), Congress directed the Executive Branch to use grant funds for 'engaging men as leaders and role models.' The original 'Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking on Campus Programs' solicitation cited a third party document that goes beyond that statutory authority. When we learned about the existence of this guidance document, it was removed and the solicitation was amended. Any type of violence against women is a reprehensible and cowardly act, and when it occurs in the federal government's jurisdiction, the Attorney General has committed to prosecuting those crimes to the fullest extent allowable."

I just want to reiterate on deep background (not for attribution) that the technical assistance document does not reflect the views of the DOJ, and I hope that the show might make mention of that and the fact that the creation of that document was from a 2009 grant.

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 4:42 PM  
**To:** Jarrett, Laura; jake.gibson@foxnews.com  
**Subject:** KADAR  
**Attachments:** Kadar - MDGA indictment - filed.pdf; Kadar File Stamped Indictment.pdf; 20180228\_Kadar\_MDFL Idmt.pdf

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

MICHAEL RON DAVID KADAR

CASE NO. 6:18-cr-37-ORL-KOI  
18 U.S.C. § 875(c)  
18 U.S.C. § 247(a)(2)  
18 U.S.C. § 844(e)

**INDICTMENT**

The Grand Jury charges:

**COUNTS ONE THROUGH TWELVE**  
**(TRANSMITTING THREATS IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE)**

On or about the dates listed below, in the Middle District of Florida,  
and elsewhere, the defendant,

**MICHAEL RON DAVID KADAR,**

for the purpose of issuing a true threat and with knowledge that the  
communication would be viewed as a true threat, did knowingly transmit in  
interstate and foreign commerce a communication containing a true threat to  
injure the person of another, as follows:

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
ATHENS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	CRIMINAL NO. 3:18-CR- <u>7</u> (CAR)
	:	
v.	:	VIOLATION(S):
	:	
MICHAEL RON DAVID KADAR,	:	18 U.S.C. § 1038(a)(1)(A)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 875(c)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 2261A(2)(B)
Defendant.	:	18 U.S.C. § 2261(b)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C)
	:	28 U.S.C. § 2461(c)
	:	
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**THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:**

**COUNT ONE**

**Perpetuating a Hoax**

On or about January 3, 2017, in the Athens Division of the Middle District of Georgia,

**MICHAEL RON DAVID KADAR,**

defendant herein, did intentionally convey false and misleading information under circumstances where such information may reasonably be believed and where such information indicates that an activity has taken, is taking, and will take place that would constitute a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c)(1)(A); specifically, the defendant used internet services to place a telephone call to the University of Georgia Police Department and reported that a home invasion was underway, a person had been shot, a hostage situation was in progress at the Athens, Georgia residence of A.K., the identity of whom is known to the Grand Jury; all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1038(a)(1)(A).

**COUNT TWO**

**Transmitting Threats in Interstate Commerce**

On or about January 3, 2017, in the Athens Division of the Middle District of Georgia,

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**Holding a Criminal Term**

**Grand Jury Sworn in on July 6, 2017**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	:	<b>CRIMINAL NO.</b>
	:	
<b>v.</b>	:	<b>GRAND JURY ORIGINAL</b>
	:	
<b>MICHAEL RON DAVID KADAR,</b>	:	<b>VIOLATIONS:</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 875(c)</b>
<b>Defendant.</b>	:	<b>(Transmitting Threats in Interstate</b>
	:	<b>Commerce)</b>
	:	
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 844(e)</b>
	:	<b>(Threatening and Conveying False</b>
	:	<b>Information Concerning Use of an</b>
	:	<b>Explosive)</b>

Case: 1:18-cr-00047  
Assigned To : Judge McFadden, Trevor N.  
Assign. Date : 2/28/2018  
Description: INDICTMENT (B)

**INDICTMENT**

The Grand Jury charges that:

**COUNT ONE**

On or about March 7, 2017, in the District of Columbia, the defendant, **MICHAEL RON DAVID KADAR**, used internet services to place a telephone call to the Anti-Defamation League concerning a bomb in its building, and thereby knowingly transmitted a communication in interstate and foreign commerce with the intent to threaten to injure people at that location and with knowledge that they would view the communication as a threat; all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 875(c).

**(Transmitting Threats in Interstate Commerce**, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 875(c))



**Pfeiffer, Alex**

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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 2:49 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Cc:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Inquiry for Tucker Carlson Tonight

We are talking about it again tonight plus the ACLU lawsuit in Kansas with Kris Kobach. So, a statement of sorts would still be much appreciated.

On Feb 27, 2018, at 6:58 PM, Pfeiffer, Alex <[Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Okay. It might be too late we are doing this on the top of the show. Just was wondering if DOJ had any thoughts.

Regardless, I appreciate the effort!

On Feb 27, 2018, at 6:03 PM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
<[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Sorry for the delay, man. Just a heads up, I think Liz reached out to Sarah on this one too. Here is what I just sent her:

I am going to keep working on finding more info about this, but in absence of a statement from us, you may want to look at someone like Han von Spakovsky at Heritage Foundation ((b)(6))). He's pretty outspoken on matters of voting and immigration.

Sorry! I just don't want y'all to be waiting on us. But like I said, I'll keep trying to get more info.

**Devin M. O'Malley**  
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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex [<mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 5:10 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Cc:** Prior, Ian (OPA) <[IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov)>; O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Inquiry for Tucker Carlson Tonight

Following up here.

On Feb 27, 2018, at 12:52 PM, Pfeiffer, Alex  
<[Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Awesome. Thanks.

On Feb 27, 2018, at 12:51 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur  
(OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Adding devin too. Looking into it!

On Feb 27, 2018, at 12:51 PM, Pfeiffer, Alex  
<[Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hey! Is the DOJ aware of the move in  
Chicago to allow municipal IDs that illegal  
immigrants can get for use in registering and  
voting in elections? Any thoughts on this?

[http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/p  
olitics/ct-met-rahm-emanuel-municipal-id-  
vote-20180216-story.html](http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/p<br/>olitics/ct-met-rahm-emanuel-municipal-id-<br/>vote-20180216-story.html)

Thanks,  
Alex Pfeiffer  
Associate Producer  
Tucker Carlson Tonight

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 2:48 PM  
**To:** Jarrett, Laura; jake.gibson@foxnews.com  
**Cc:** Laco, Kelly (OPA)  
**Subject:** Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Initiative Release

Head Start. Embargoed until we issue the release.

**JUSTICE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES INITIATIVE TO FIGHT SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN  
THE WORKPLACE**

WASHINGTON – The Justice Department's Civil Rights Division today announced a second initiative to combat sexual harassment; the effort announced today—the Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Initiative (SHWI)—focuses on workplace sexual harassment in the public sector.

The Justice Department's Civil Rights Division enforces Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 against state and local government employers. The law prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, and religion. Sexual harassment is among the conduct prohibited by the law because it is a form of sex discrimination.

The Justice Department will also announce its first enforcement action brought under the SHWI. The Justice Department will file a lawsuit against the City of Houston, alleging that the Houston Fire Department (HFD) discriminated against two female firefighters on the basis of sex in violation of Title VII when it allowed them to be subjected to sexual harassment in the workplace.

As part of the Initiative, the Justice Department will continue to bring sex discrimination claims against state and local government employers with a renewed emphasis on sexual harassment charges. The Department will also work to develop effective remedial measures that can be used to hold public sector employers accountable where Title VII violations have been found, including identifying changes to existing employer practices and policies that will result in safe work environments.

Through the Initiative, the Department will also conduct outreach to state and local government employers that centers around five critical areas: (1) creating trusted and safe avenues for employees to report sexual harassment; (2) ensuring management support for anti-discrimination policies and practices; (3) implementing accountability measures to ensure the timely and effective resolution of sexual harassment complaints; (4) adopting comprehensive anti-sexual harassment policies and procedures that include regular, tailored, and interactive training for employees; and (5) providing safeguards against retaliation for persons who report sexual harassment and for employees who support them.

"All Americans are entitled to work with dignity in a place that is free of sexual harassment," said Acting Assistant Attorney General John Gore for the Civil Rights Division, in announcing the Initiative. "Through enforcement actions, effective remedial measures, and outreach, the Justice Department—under Attorney General Jeff Sessions' leadership—will fight to eliminate sexual harassment among public sector employers."

The creation of this Initiative reflects the Department of Justice's commitment to the aggressive enforcement of the nation's anti-discrimination laws and an expansion of the Civil Rights Division's efforts to eradicate sexual harassment under the leadership of Attorney General Jeff Sessions.



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In October 2017, the Justice Department [announced](#) the Civil Rights Division's first initiative to combat sexual harassment, the [Sexual Harassment in Housing Initiative](#). In 2017, the Justice Department recovered more than \$1 million in damages for victims of harassment in housing. Many instances of sexual harassment in housing continue to go unreported. The Justice Department's investigations frequently uncover sexual harassment that has been ongoing for years or decades and identify numerous victims who never reported the conduct to federal authorities.

Additional information about the Civil Rights Division, its enforcement of Title VII and other civil rights laws it enforces is available on its Web sites at <http://www.justice.gov/crt/> and <http://www.justice.gov/crt/emp>.

Gomez, Serafin

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**From:** Gomez, Serafin  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 1:42 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Hi Sarah!

THANK YOU.

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 1:39 PM  
**To:** Gomez, Serafin <Serafin.Gomez@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** Re: Hi Sarah!

Statement from Attorney General Jeff Sessions:

We have initiated the appropriate process that will ensure complaints against this Department will be fully and fairly acted upon if necessary. As long as I am the Attorney General, I will continue to discharge my duties with integrity and honor, and this Department will continue to do its work in a fair and impartial manner according to the law and Constitution.

On Feb 28, 2018, at 1:35 PM, Gomez, Serafin <[Serafin.Gomez@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Serafin.Gomez@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hope u r well: John and I looking for that AG Statement. Can we get also?

Serafin Daniel "Fin" Gomez  
White House Producer  
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**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 1:01 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Spinato, Eric  
**Subject:** Sarah, hello

Can you join Maria Bartiromo, on her FBN morning show at 7a, to discuss AG's announcement he and the DOJ looking will open an investigation into FISA documents.

The interview will be up to 10 minutes with Maria.

Please let me know

Thank you, for your consideration.  
Eric

**Eric Spinato**

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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Gibson, Jake

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 12:28 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Opioid Summit

Yes.

I'd like to go, if possible, please.

Thanks.

On Feb 28, 2018, at 12:06 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Yes and 1pm

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Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 11:57 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Opioid Summit

The AG will be there, correct?  
And do you know what time it will be?

On Feb 28, 2018, at 11:28 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Let me know if any of yall want to go

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Love, Kelly A. EOP/WHO (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 10:01 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Opioid Summit

Do you want to send me a list of reporters who would be interested in attending tomorrow?

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**Fanning, Elizabeth**

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**From:** Fanning, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 8:01 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Tucker statement request

We are doing this right now if you wanna check it out!

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) [mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 6:02 PM  
**To:** Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Tucker statement request

I am going to keep working on finding more info about this, but in absence of a statement from us, you may want to look at someone like Han von Spakovsky at Heritage Foundation

(b)(6). He's pretty outspoken on matters of voting and immigration.

Sorry! I just don't want y'all to be waiting on us. But like I said, I'll keep trying to get more info.

**Devin M. O'Malley**  
Department of Justice  
Office of Public Affairs  
Office: (202) 353-8763  
Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Fanning, Elizabeth [mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 4:57 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Tucker statement request

7 would be ideal! Would love if there's some sort of statement.... Thank you!!

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) [mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 4:56 PM  
**To:** Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Tucker statement request

Just about to email you. I am still checking and following up with folks to see what familiarity there is amongst staff.

What's my drop dead time to get back with you? Thanks for your patience!

**Devin M. O'Malley**  
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**From:** Fanning, Elizabeth [<mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 4:54 PM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov)>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tucker statement request

Following up to see if you guys have anything on this? Thanks!

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) [<mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 1:01 PM  
**To:** Fanning, Elizabeth <[Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM)>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tucker statement request

Walking into a 1:00 pm right now with some folks who may know about this. Thanks!

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**From:** Fanning, Elizabeth [<mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 12:59 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tucker statement request

Sounds good. thank you much!

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 12:50 PM  
**To:** Fanning, Elizabeth <[Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Tucker statement request

Adding devin too. I haven't heard of it so let us dig in for a few?

On Feb 27, 2018, at 12:49 PM, Fanning, Elizabeth <[Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hey!

Hope all is well. We are covering the CityKey program out in Chicago on the show tonight. We have in the past. He was looking for a statement from you guys on the program and what you plan on doing about it. His take is that Chicago is designing a system to let illegal aliens vote....they are encouraging voter fraud. Do you plan on intervening?

Let me know if you need anything else from me.

Thanks!  
Liz

**Chicago ID card would be valid voter identification**  
**Municipal ID**  
**Sample municipal identification card (Office of the City Clerk)**  
**John Byrne** Contact Reporter  
**Chicago Tribune**  
**2/16/2018**

Municipal ID cards that Mayor Rahm Emanuel is launching for undocumented immigrants and others will be a valid form of identification for people both registering to vote and voting in Chicago, according to a letter aldermen received Friday.

Clerk Anna Valencia, who's heading up the CityKey program, cited state election rules to explain why the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners will accept the card.

"The Illinois Election Code requires the Board of Elections to accept current, valid photo identification cards and other local governmental documentation that includes an individual's name and address, as proof of identity and residency," Valencia's letter reads in part. "The CityKey fits both of these requirements."

The municipal ID is not yet available to the general public, but Valencia has said it will be in the spring. Most aldermen voted in favor of the program, which is viewed in City Hall circles as a way for Emanuel to boost his standing with Hispanic voters and immigrant rights supporters as he preps a 2019 re-election bid.

But a handful of City Council members are vehemently opposed to the cards. Northwest Side Ald. Nick Sposato, 38th, said he was "beyond disappointed" Valencia opted to make the cards a valid ID for voting.

Sposato pointed out the city is not planning to keep any of the background information applicants provide to establish their home addresses, so undocumented immigrants aren't afraid federal immigration agents can use the data to track them down.

"I'm not sure of the validity of this," Sposato said. "They may not have citizenship. Voter fraud would be my biggest concern."

And far Northwest Side Ald. Anthony Napolitano, who like Sposato represents a ward that's home to lots of city workers, called on Valencia to appear before aldermen to explain why she thinks it's appropriate to use the ID for voting.

"This was portrayed to us as a way for people to get basic services," said Napolitano, 41st. "This is exactly what we were concerned about and we raised those concerns with the clerk. I know I have colleagues who would not be on board with this."

City Council Latino Caucus Chairman Ald. Gilbert Villegas said he doesn't foresee the municipal ID leading to widespread fraud.

"It's not changing the state law, and there's nothing stopping someone from getting a fake ID now and going to try to vote," said Villegas, 36th.

Valencia's letter notes that voters currently aren't required to prove they are American citizens under state law. They simply must attest to their citizenship.



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Valencia spokeswoman Kate LeFurgy said the clerk's office consulted with city elections officials before determining the cards pass muster as one of the many types of identification that can be used as voter ID.

"We want to underscore that if you are undocumented, it is illegal to vote even with any of the documents accepted as proof of identity or residency under the Illinois Election Code — everything from a debit card, utility bill or union card," LeFurgy said in an email.

Valencia has said the city will make the municipal card appealing to people other than those who have trouble getting state ID cards — such as those in the country illegally, homeless people and those recently released from prison. But it's still unclear exactly what types of broader benefits the ID will provide.

The city has announced residents will be able to use the IDs in place of both Chicago Public Library cards and CTA Ventra fare cards. Valencia also hopes to be able to announce deals with cultural institutions to allow cardholders to get discounts or other perks. Those have not yet been revealed.

The first 100,000 cards issued this year will be free. It remains to be seen whether the Chicago program approaches that number. While New York issued about 1 million IDNYC cards in two years, just 30,000 people received SF City ID Cards in San Francisco between 2009 and early 2017.

After the initial giveaway, Chicago's cards will cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for those 17 and younger. Seniors will be able to get the cards free, as will former inmates, domestic violence survivors and veterans.

The list of the documents the city will accept from people to establish their identities and residency is long, and includes driver's licenses and state IDs. Applicants will also be able to show expired foreign passports, foreign driver's licenses, high school or GED diplomas, and dozens of other forms to help establish identity.

To prove city residency, applicants will be able to show jury summonses, IRS forms, bank account statements and several other documents with Chicago addresses.

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Gibson, Jake

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 5:30 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: DOJ?

Copy that

On Feb 27, 2018, at 5:05 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

No—we'll save for next week

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 5:02 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: DOJ?

Cowan piece on ICE raids airs tonight.  
She's still wondering if DOJ has any Reax to Oakland Mayor... she would tag with that if so.

**From:** Claudia Cowan (b)(6)  
**Date:** February 27, 2018 at 4:54:11 PM EST  
**To:** [Jake.Gibson@Foxnews.com](mailto:Jake.Gibson@Foxnews.com)  
**Subject:** DOJ?

Hi Jake,

Any further word if the department of justice will look into filing charges against the Oakland mayor?  
My pkg airs tonight on special report at about 630.  
Thanks,  
Claudia

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## Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 3:54 PM  
**To:** Talarico, Julie  
**Subject:** RE: Hemmer in DC next week

We are out of town that day or this actually sounds really great. Let me know if you end up moving to the 8<sup>th</sup> bc were around that day.

xxxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Talarico, Julie [mailto:Julie.Talarico@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:11 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Hemmer in DC next week

Hi Sarah –

Just wanted to shoot you a quick note, Hemmer will be hosting America's Newsroom from the North Lawn next Wednesday (March 7<sup>th</sup>). He'll be in DC for the entire day, if the Attorney General had any free time to do an interview either live, or taped, let me know. I know it's far off, so may not know his schedule yet, but just wanted to get it on your radar. Thanks!

**Julie Talarico**  
Associate Producer/Booker  
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**Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)**

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**From:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 7:32 AM  
**To:** Ian Mason  
**Cc:** Press  
**Subject:** Re: RSVP for Opioid Press Conference

Great, thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 27, 2018, at 4:17 AM, Ian Mason <[imason@breitbart.com](mailto:imason@breitbart.com)> wrote:

Ms. Sutton,

I would like to RSVP for this afternoon's opioid policy announcement.

Thanks very much,  
Ian Mason  
Breitbart News

**Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)**

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**From:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 7:32 AM  
**To:** Kirby, Kevin  
**Cc:** 531-DCDeskOps; Petrilli, Daniel; Herridge, Catherine; Press  
**Subject:** Re: RSVP--Fox News at AG Sessions at DOJ Presser, 2/27.

Great, thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 26, 2018, at 9:19 PM, Kirby, Kevin <[Kevin.Kirby@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Kevin.Kirby@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hello,

Fox News in Washington, DC would like to RSVP 2 people for the 1:30 on February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018, for the press conference Attorney General Sessions is holding at the Department of Justice.

1. Correspondent Catherine Herridge, [Catherine.Herridge@foxnews.com](mailto:Catherine.Herridge@foxnews.com)
2. Photo Journalist Daniel Petrilli, [Daniel.Petrilli@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Daniel.Petrilli@FOXNEWS.COM)

Many thanks and please reply all,

Kevin Kirby  
Assignment Editor, Washington Bureau  
Fox News Channel

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**McDonnell, Brigid Mary**

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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 5:40 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Great – thank you!

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 5:29 PM  
**To:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary <[BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Yes

xxxx  
Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary [<mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 5:22 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Can we lock down Thurs on opioids & guns??

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 4:41 PM  
**To:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary <[BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

I just don't want her to ask about guns (which would be totally reasonable) before we can say much bc we expect to have quite a bit more to announce on Thursday on that front.

On Feb 26, 2018, at 4:38 PM, McDonnell, Brigid Mary <[BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

It'd be best on our end if we could do tomorrow night – our team has the promo ready for the network.

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 4:35 PM  
**To:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary <[BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Can we possibly do Thursday? Then we can do opioids and guns bc that's the day of the WH opioid summit.



On Feb 26, 2018, at 2:21 PM, McDonnell, Brigid Mary <[BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Confirming all good for 7pm tomorrow?

Brigid Mary McDonnell  
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On Feb 22, 2018, at 1:21 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Let's plan on 7pm on Tuesday for now. Can do firm commitment Monday am?

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary  
[<mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 9:58 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Or a 9/9:15pm would definitely work on our end. Thanks!

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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 9:58 PM  
**To:** 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Think a 7pm or 715pm pretape would work? Either Mon or Tues?

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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 9:56 PM  
**To:** 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

What time are you thinking for a pretape?

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[<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 8:19 PM  
**To:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary <[BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Yes---what about next Monday night? We can say we are making an announcement the next day. (Or could do Tuesday after the announcement) Pre tape I assume?

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary  
[mailto:BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 19, 2018 9:05 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Evening Sarah—

Is the AG available to join Shannon one day this week on the opioid pill mills? Would love to do a deep dive on this. What do some states see? How do these doctors stay in business? How can we regulate this? Please let me know.

<https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2018/feb/18/jeff-sessions-says-justice-department-going-after/>

Thank you,  
Brigid Mary

**Brigid Mary McDonnell**  
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**McDonnell, Brigid Mary**

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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 4:46 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Copy – checking now

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 4:41 PM  
**To:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary <BrigidMary.McDonnell@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** Re: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Duplicative material





McDonnell, Brigid Mary

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**From:** McDonnell, Brigid Mary  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 1:46 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Doherty, Brian  
**Subject:** Re: AG Sessions w/ Shannon on opioid pill mill??

Sounds good - thanks!

Brigid Mary McDonnell  
Fox News Channel  
Cell: (b)(6)

On Feb 22, 2018, at 1:21 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Duplicative material



Gibson, Jake

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 11:08 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA); O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Subject:** Question...

I assume you have seen the statement issued regarding the ICE raids by the mayor of Oakland, CA, Libby Schaaf.

She basically sent out an alert that ICE raids were going to happen within 24 hours, and then had a press conference today saying she acted within her legal rights:

<https://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Warning-of-ICE-sweep-Oakland-mayor-takes-Trump-12707444.php>

Wondering whether the DOJ is looking at whether her action to deliberately thwart ICE raids amounts to obstruction of justice...

Any consideration of filing any kind of charges?

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 9:05 AM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake; Jarrett, Laura  
**Subject:** FW:

Lets discuss

<http://www.ncjfcj.org/sites/default/files/Broward%20Co%20Collaborative%20Agreement%20on%20School%20Discipline%20-%20MOU.pdf>



**Murray, Andrew**

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 25, 2018 9:46 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Attorney General Sessions Available for LIVE interview with "Fox & Friends" This Week?

Hi Sarah,

Please let us know if we can schedule an interview with Attorney General Sessions this week for "Fox & Friends" anytime between 6am – 9am ET for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion.

Thanks in advance,

Andrew Murray  
Producer, Politics  
"Fox & Friends"  
Fox News Channel  
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New York, NY 10036  
Office: (b)(6)  
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Cell #2 (b)(6)  
FAX: (212) 301-3421  
Email: andrew.murray@foxnews.com  
@andrewmurray1

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 9:46 PM  
**To:** 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Fleming, Taylor <Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** Available for "Fox & Friends Weekend"?

Hi Sarah,

If you are available to join us on "Fox & Friends Weekend" this Saturday or Sunday for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion between 6am -10am ET, please let us know.

Thanks in advance,

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Gibson, Jake

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 3:46 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Jarrett, Laura; Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: for later

Copy that.

Thanks!

On Feb 23, 2018, at 3:45 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Its on the record from me—so use however you want. Adding Ian so he has it for whenever this runs.

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
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**Cc:** Jarrett, Laura <[laura.jarrett@cnn.com](mailto:laura.jarrett@cnn.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: for later

I assume this is from a DOJ official?

On Feb 23, 2018, at 2:51 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

The characterization of this conversation is mistaken. The Deputy Attorney General has not referenced to the White House any specific concerns relating to this individual's security clearance process.

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 5:19 PM  
**To:** jake.gibson@foxnews.com  
**Subject:** FW: Harvard Correspondence  
**Attachments:** ltr Resp Hvd 11-7-17 proposal (11-17-17).pdf; ltr Notice Non-Comply Access Hvd (11-17-17).pdf

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Civil Rights Division

DJ 169-36-72

Assistant Attorney General  
950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW - RFK  
Washington, DC 20530

November 17, 2017

*Via email*

Seth P. Waxman  
Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP  
1875 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20006

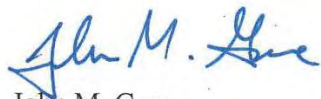
Dear Mr. Waxman:

I write to notify you of the United States' determination that Harvard is not complying with its Title VI access requirements, and that Harvard's actions indicate that this noncompliance cannot be corrected by informal means. *See* 28 C.F.R. § 42.108(a). At Harvard's request, several Department of Justice attorneys met with you and other representatives of Harvard on September 11, 2017. At that meeting, Harvard's representatives offered to work collaboratively to provide the United States with access to materials to which it is entitled under Title VI, the implementing regulations, and the governing law. Harvard, however, subsequently responded to the Department's informal attempts to obtain documents with delays and challenges to the Department's authority. The Department therefore sent a formal document request on October 19, 2017, with a deadline for compliance of November 2. You sent a belated response on November 7 that again challenged our authority to investigate Harvard and proposed providing the United States only restricted access to limited documents in contravention of Harvard's Title VI obligations. We responded separately to that unacceptable proposal today.

More than two months have passed since our September meeting, and Harvard has not yet produced a single document. We sincerely hope that Harvard will quickly correct its noncompliance and return to its collaborative approach. In a further effort to secure voluntary compliance, the Department will give Harvard until December 1, 2017, to comply with its October 19 document request. As we indicated in our separate response letter today, Department lawyers are willing to travel to your law firm or Cambridge to copy and download all of the documents and information that the Department requested in the formats in which it requested them. Please be advised that if Harvard does not comply with the document request in full by that deadline, we may file a lawsuit to enforce Harvard's Title VI access obligations. 28 C.F.R. § 42.108(d).



Sincerely,



John M. Gore  
Acting Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

cc *via* email: Felicia H. Ellsworth  
Robert N. Driscoll



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*Via email*

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Dear Mr. Waxman:

I write in response to your November 7, 2017, letter that came five days after the November 2 deadline for Harvard to comply with the Department of Justice's first written document request. Rather than provide the documents and materials that the Department requested, your letter again erroneously challenges our authority to investigate Harvard under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and proposes an unacceptable plan to provide the United States restricted access to limited documents. *See* Letter from Seth P. Waxman, Harvard Counsel, to Matthew J. Donnelly, Civil Rights Division (Nov. 7, 2017) ("Waxman Nov. 7, 2017, Letter").

Nothing in your letter affects, much less eliminates, Harvard's obligation to provide the requested documents as a condition of its receipt of Title VI funding from the Department. Moreover, Harvard has these documents readily available because it already has produced them to the plaintiffs in *Students for Fair Admissions, Inc. v. President and Fellows of Harvard College (Harvard Corporation)*, No. 14cv14176 (D. Mass.) ("*SFFA*" suit). Indeed, at our September 11, 2017, meeting, Harvard suggested that the Department participate as *amicus curiae* in that case and offered to work collaboratively to provide the Department with access to those documents. Yet in the intervening two months, Harvard has pursued a strategy of delay and has not yet produced even a single document.

Accordingly, the Department is left with no choice but to conclude that Harvard is out of compliance with its Title VI access obligations. The Department therefore is simultaneously serving Harvard with a separate notice of this determination.

**I. The Department Has Authority To Request the Documents, and Harvard Is Obligated To Comply with Those Requests**

Your letter does not dispute that Harvard receives Title VI funding from the Department. Your letter also does not dispute that, as a condition of that funding, Harvard agreed to provide the Department with broad-ranging access to documents regarding Harvard's admissions policy

and practices. Your letter therefore makes no serious effort to dispute the dispositive point: that the Department has authority to request the documents it seeks and that Harvard is obliged to comply with those requests. In fact, your letter expresses that “Harvard is committed to meeting its responsibilities under Title VI, the relevant federal grants, and associated law.” Waxman Nov. 7, 2017, Letter at 2.

Your letter nonetheless attempts to side-step Harvard’s Title VI obligations. In particular, while your letter does not challenge the Department’s authority to conduct this investigation, it once again challenges the Civil Rights Division’s involvement in the investigation. This challenge again sails wide of the mark. First, your letter requests the date and source of the Department’s delegation of authority to the Civil Rights Division to conduct this investigation. *Id.* at 1-2. The authority to conduct this investigation was properly delegated to the Civil Rights Division before the investigation was opened. That delegation followed the Department’s longstanding internal delegation protocols that govern assignment of Title VI responsibilities. Your colleague Mr. Driscoll may be aware of the protocols in place when he worked for the Division.

Second, your letter again requests information on any complaints regarding Harvard’s admissions policy and practices that underlie the Department’s investigation. Waxman Nov. 7, 2017, Letter at 2. The subject matter of the *SFFA* suit captures the subject matter of any complaints the Department is investigating. Moreover, as the Department previously stated, beyond the publicly-available complaint that the Department already shared with you, the Department will not supply any other complaints it may be investigating because the release may interfere with an active investigation. *E.g.*, Letter from Mathew J. Donnelly, Civil Rights Division, to Seth P. Waxman, Harvard Counsel at 2 n.1 (Oct. 19, 2017) (“Donnelly Oct. 19, 2017, Letter”).

Third, your letter asks whether the “Title VI Investigation Procedures Manual” is current. Waxman Nov. 7, 2017, Letter at 2. As I previously explained, that Manual was written to aid other agencies conducting Title VI investigations and does not constrain the Civil Rights Division’s investigations or create any legal rights in any member of the public. Donnelly Oct. 19, 2017, Letter at 2. Your request thus misses the point: if you are looking for the current procedures governing the Division’s Title VI investigations, I direct you to the Department’s Title VI regulations.

Finally, your letter reiterates your previous irregular requests for the Department’s communications with outside groups and our “investigative case files.” Waxman Nov. 7, 2017, Letter at 2. For obvious reasons, the Department of Justice generally does not share its civil investigative case files with the targets of its investigations. The Department therefore will not respond to these irregular requests because a response could interfere with the investigation. My understanding is that the Department would give you the same response if you made your irregular requests under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 522, but you may make an official FOIA request through the normal Department procedures if you would like an official FOIA response.



## **II. Harvard's Proposed Access Plan Is Inconsistent with Harvard's Obligations and Improperly Limits the Department's Rightful Access to Documents**

Your letter also proposes providing restricted access to a subset of the documents the Department has requested, but your proposal is inconsistent with Harvard's Title VI obligations and improperly limits the Department's rightful access to documents. First, Harvard improperly attempts to limit the scope of its production, indicating that it will not produce to the Department important database information that it already has produced to the private plaintiffs in the *SFFA* suit. Waxman Nov. 7, 2017, Letter at 3. Harvard, however, identifies no authority for limiting its Title VI obligations in this manner. Nor could it: this database already has been deemed relevant and subject to production in the private litigation. And expert reports describing that database, *see id.*, are no substitute for the database itself.

Second, your proposal also states that, despite the Department's request for unredacted copies, Harvard will produce only documents with the redactions for "relevance" and "privacy" that Harvard used for its production set to the private plaintiff in the *SFFA* suit. *Id.* The Department, however, is not subject to those redaction requirements, and nothing in Title VI, the implementing regulations, or the governing law restricts the Department's access to only portions of documents that the funding recipient deems appropriate. Quite to the contrary: for obvious reasons, Title VI does not allow entities under investigation to dictate what information qualifies as relevant to the investigation.

Third, Harvard suggests that it will not provide copies of documents to the Department unless the Department shows a "demonstrated need for copies of certain documents" and "explore[s]" entering into a confidentiality agreement acceptable to Harvard. *Id.* But Harvard has no right to demand, much less determine, a "demonstrated need" for the documents that Title VI already requires it to produce or a confidentiality agreement. Indeed, the Department is under no obligation to, and ordinarily does not, enter into confidentiality agreements with any entity subject to a Title VI investigation.

There is no need to do so here: as the Department already has explained, the Department routinely protects confidential information in its investigations, shares Harvard's interest in shielding private information from public disclosure, and will take all appropriate measures to do so here. Donnelly Oct. 19, 2017, Letter at 3. Indeed, several federal statutes that we previously provided you already protect from disclosure the information that Harvard seeks to safeguard. *Id.* (citing FOIA; Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552; Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g(b)(3)). Your letter, however, omits any mention of those statutes, and offers no explanation as to why they are inadequate to protect confidential information in this investigation.

Finally, Harvard indicates that it will not provide copies of the requested documents, but will allow the Division to access the documents at your law firm "during normal business hours on mutually convenient dates." Waxman Nov. 7, 2017, Letter at 3. If your position is that our Title VI regulations do not require Harvard to allow us to make copies, we have consistently interpreted our own regulations differently and routinely require copies of documents in our investigations. Moreover, your proposal is impractical and unnecessary. Having to review

voluminous discovery materials on the defendant's schedule without the unrestricted ability to organize the information would substantially impair our analysis and delay the investigation. Indeed, you even concede, in denying any access to the database information, that review of voluminous information at the law firm "would be impractical." *Id.* And Harvard's proposal breaks with its past practice with the Department of Education; Harvard provided copies of documents for that Department's similar Title VI investigation in 1990.

In all events, the Department is willing to travel to your law firm or to Cambridge to copy and download all of the documents and information that the Department requested in the formats in which the Department requested them. Such an arrangement may reduce the cost in attorney's fees and time to Harvard. The Department, however, will not allow any such arrangement to justify further delays by you or your client.

The United States remains committed to conducting a full, complete, and fair investigation, and to working collaboratively with Harvard to achieve a just and appropriate resolution of this matter. To that end, the Department requested the existing *SFFA* suit discovery materials, which Harvard previously offered to provide, in an effort to alleviate the burden Harvard would encounter in responding to the Department's normal requests for information. Harvard has responded with delays, challenges to our authority to investigate, and a belated, unacceptable proposal to restrict our investigation. The Department hopes that Harvard will quickly return to its collaborative approach and voluntarily comply with the information requests and the investigation, which is in the best interest of all parties.

Sincerely,



MATTHEW J. DONNELLY  
Attorney  
Civil Rights Division

cc via email: Felicia H. Ellsworth  
Robert N. Driscoll

Gibson, Jake

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**From:** Gibson, Jake  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 5:01 PM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (JMD)  
**Subject:** Re: You're the MAN

Ha!

On Feb 22, 2018, at 5:00 PM, Kupec, Kerri (JMD) (b)(6) wrote:

Definitely showing the WH, etc

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**From:** Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 4:34 PM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: You're the MAN

Awesome!

On Feb 22, 2018, at 4:31 PM, Kupec, Kerri (JMD) (b)(6) wrote:

Thank you so much for that great segment on the elder fraud sweep – was fantastic.

Kerri Kupec  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Office of Public Affairs

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 11:38 AM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** FW: Trump memo on bump stocks

THE WHITE HOUSE  
Office of the Press Secretary

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 20, 2018

February 20, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

**SUBJECT:** Application of the Definition of Machinegun to "Bump Fire" Stocks and Other Similar Devices

After the deadly mass murder in Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 1, 2017, I asked my Administration to fully review how the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives regulates bump fire stocks and similar devices.

Although the Obama Administration repeatedly concluded that particular bump stock type devices were lawful to purchase and possess, I sought further clarification of the law restricting fully automatic machineguns.

Accordingly, following established legal protocols, the Department of Justice started the process of promulgating a Federal regulation interpreting the definition of "machinegun" under Federal law to clarify whether certain bump stock type devices should be illegal. The Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the *Federal Register* on December 26, 2017. Public comment concluded on January 25, 2018, with the Department of Justice receiving over 100,000 comments.

Today, I am directing the Department of Justice to dedicate all available resources to complete the review of the comments received, and, as expeditiously as possible, to propose for notice and comment a rule banning all devices that turn legal weapons into machineguns.

Although I desire swift and decisive action, I remain committed to the rule of law and to the procedures the law prescribes. Doing this the right way will ensure that the resulting regulation is workable and effective and leaves no loopholes for criminals to exploit. I would ask that you keep me regularly apprised of your progress.

You are authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

DONALD J. TRUMP

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 10:34 AM  
**To:** Singman, Brooke  
**Subject:** Re: planned parenthood

No.

On Feb 22, 2018, at 10:13 AM, Singman, Brooke <[brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hi Sarah,  
Hope you're well!  
Any update on the Planned Parenthood investigation?

Thanks,

Brooke Singman  
Politics Reporter, Fox News Channel

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 6:54 PM  
**To:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)  
**Cc:** Maltas, Mike; Press  
**Subject:** Re: Fox News RSVP: AG Sessions Press Conf, Feb 22

9:15 works fine. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 21, 2018, at 6:44 PM, Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) <[Sarah.E.Sutton@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.E.Sutton@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

What about 9:15 am?

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**To:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) <[esutton@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:esutton@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Cc:** Press <[Press@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:Press@jmd.usdoj.gov)>; (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News RSVP: AG Sessions Press Conf, Feb 22  
**Importance:** High

Sarah, our photog would like to get in earlier if we can (need to make a patch)...what's the earliest (pls reply all).  
thanks

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**From:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.E.Sutton@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 3:28 PM  
**To:** Maltas, Mike <[Mike.Maltas@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Mike.Maltas@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Cc:** Press <[Press@usdoj.gov](mailto:Press@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Fox News RSVP: AG Sessions Press Conf, Feb 22

That is correct. 9:30 am works for us.

Thanks!

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**From:** Maltas, Mike [<mailto:Mike.Maltas@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 3:18 PM  
**To:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) <[esutton@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:esutton@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fox News RSVP: AG Sessions Press Conf, Feb 22

Hi Sarah,  
Fox News would like to RSVP for AG Sessions press conference tomorrow. Our photog will be (b)(6).  
How early can we show up to preset? I take it the 10:15 camera preset time in the release is meant to be finished  
set-up in 7<sup>th</sup> floor conference room by not later than 10:15. Would 9:30 work?

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018

ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS AND OTHER LAW

## **ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS TO ANNOUNCE SIGNIFICANT LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

### **\*\*\*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\*\*\***

WASHINGTON – Attorney General Jeff Sessions and other law enforcement officials will hold a press conference **Thursday, February 22, 2018** to announce a significant law enforcement action.

#### **WHO**

Attorney General Jeff Sessions;

Postal Chief Inspector Guy Cottrell;

Acting FBI Deputy Director David Bowdich;

FTC Acting Chairman Maureen Ohlhausen;

Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt;

Acting Attorney General Chad A. Readler of the Justice Department's Civil Division;

U.S. Attorney Marc Krickbaum for the Southern District of Iowa and Chairman of the AGAC's Elder Justice Subcommittee;

Director of Senior Corps Deborah Cox-Roush of the Corporation for National & Community Service;

Acting Director Gustav W. Eyster of the Justice Department's Consumer Protection Branch.

#### **WHAT**

Attorney General Jeff Sessions and other law enforcement officials will hold a press conference to announce a significant law enforcement action.

#### **WHEN**

Thursday, February 22, 2018

**10:30 a.m. EST**

7th Floor Conference Room

U.S. Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Ave NW

Washington, DC 20530

#### **OPEN PRESS**

(Camera Preset: 10:15 p.m. EST)

**This event will be LIVESTREAMED at [justice.gov/live](https://www.justice.gov/live).**

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Murray, Andrew

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 5:21 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT - ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY TASK FORCE

No problem let us know if the Attorney General is available this week or next week.

Andrew

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 5:20 PM  
**To:** Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT - ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY TASK FORCE

Sorry—looks like im on the bench for the week☹

cc: Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** Murray, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 9:48 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@imd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: URGENT - ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY TASK FORCE

Hi Sarah would tomorrow (Thursday) work for "Fox and Friends"?

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I'll pass for tomorrow. Sorry!

On Feb 20, 2018, at 6:03 PM, Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Bump stocks and cybersecurity task force. Please let us know if tomorrow LIVE at 6:30am works.

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 4:30 PM  
**To:** Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
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Hi not ignoring—checking with the WH to see what their plan is for the am. What topics would this be on?

cc: Sarah Isgur Flores  
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Hi Sarah,

Are you available to join us on "Fox & Friends" tomorrow (Wednesday) for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion between 6am - 9am ET.

Thanks in advance,

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**Subject:** URGENT - ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY TASK FORCE

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018

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## ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY TASK FORCE

WASHINGTON – Attorney General Jeff Sessions has ordered the creation of the Justice Department's Cyber-Digital Task Force, which will canvass the many ways that the Department is combatting the global cyber threat, and will also advise federal law enforcement can more effectively accomplish its mission in this vital and evolving area.

"The Internet has given us amazing new tools that help us work, communicate, and participate in our economy, but it can also be exploited by criminals, terrorists, and enemy governments," Attorney General Sessions said. "At the Department of Justice, we take these threats seriously. That is why today I am ordering the creation of a Cyber-Digital Task Force to advise me on the most effective ways that this Department can confront these threats and keep the American people safe."

The Task Force will be chaired by a senior Department official appointed by the Deputy Attorney General and will include representatives from the Department's Criminal Division, the National Security Division, the United States Attorney General's Office, the Office of Legal Policy, the Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties, the Office of the Chief Information Officer, ATF, FBI, DEA, and the U.S. Marshals Service. The Deputy Attorney General may invite representatives from other Department of Justice components and from other federal agencies to participate in the Task Force. He may also establish subcommittees to focus the Task Force's efforts.

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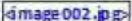

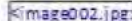
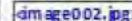
The Attorney General has asked the Task Force to prioritize its study of efforts to interfere with our elections; to interfere with our critical infrastructure; the use of the Internet to spread violent ideologies and to recruit followers; the theft of corporate, governmental, and private information; the use of technology to avoid or frustrate law enforcement; the mass exploitation of computers and other digital devices to attack American citizens and businesses. The Task Force's report is not limited to these categories.

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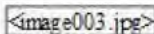
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Murray, Andrew

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 7:05 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT - ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY TASK FORCE

No problem, please let me know if we can schedule you to appear on Thursday morning on the same topics.

Andrew

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 6:19 PM  
**To:** Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** Re: URGENT - ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY TASK FORCE

Duplicative material



**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 4:34 PM  
**To:** Kristina Wong  
**Cc:** Lavinsky, John S. (OIG)  
**Subject:** RE: Question re: investigation of potential FISA abuse -- Thank you!

Adding John from the IG's office so he can clarify what they are doing.

xxxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Kristina Wong [mailto:kwong@breitbart.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 4:04 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Question re: investigation of potential FISA abuse -- Thank you!

Thanks! Just to clarify, my working understanding has been that the DOJ IG investigation covers potential political bias in **both** the Clinton email and Trump-Russia investigations. Do I have that right?

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Kristina Wong  
Pentagon reporter, Breitbart News

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@kristina\_wong

On Feb 21, 2018, at 1:36 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

I believe he was referring to the IG's investigation.

xxxx

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**From:** [kwong@breitbart.com](mailto:kwong@breitbart.com) [mailto:kwong@breitbart.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 9:34 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Question re: investigation of potential FISA abuse -- Thank you!

Hi Sarah,

Good morning. AG Sessions indicated on Fox News on Sunday that potential FISA abuse (specifically by the Obama administration) will be "investigated." He

abuse (specifically by the Obama administration) will be investigated. He said: "Every FISA warrant based on facts submitted to that court have to be accurate. That will be investigated and looked at."

Is he acknowledging that he will indeed investigate this issue? Is there a timeline as to when he may start?

Here is the link to the video segment with Sessions and Maria Bartiromo, where she is asking about the Obama administration's potential FISA abuse: [http://video.foxnews.com/v/5736873719001/?playlist\\_id=930909813001#sp=show-clips](http://video.foxnews.com/v/5736873719001/?playlist_id=930909813001#sp=show-clips)

Thank you,  
Kristina

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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 12:16 PM  
**To:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Subject:** RE: Some items for this week

Haha, I didn't want to get too overzealous!

Devin M. O'Malley  
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**From:** Pfeiffer, Alex [mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 10:35 AM  
**To:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <domalley@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Some items for this week

You got self-conscious, fam! Changed "friends" to "all."

On Feb 21, 2018, at 9:47 AM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA) <[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Hi all-

As you may have noticed, SCOTUS did not decide yesterday on whether or not to grant the cert before judgment in *Napolitano v. DHS*. They have scheduled it for conference again on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. There is the possibility they will decide as early as Friday afternoon.

Thanks!

Devin

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
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**Cc:** Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) <[sesutton@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:sesutton@jmd.usdoj.gov)>; Laco, Kelly (OPA) <[klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:klaco@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Some items for this week

Hi friends-

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And that's only the stuff I'm pretty certain about! Good news is, it will be a short week. Hope to see you all soon.

Devin

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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 19, 2018 5:04 PM  
**To:** Pfeiffer, Alex  
**Subject:** Re: Some items for this week

Ha! I mean it!

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 19, 2018, at 5:02 PM, Pfeiffer, Alex <[Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Alex.Pfeiffer@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

"Friends?" I love it man.

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**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 11:54 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Cc:** Spinato, Eric  
**Subject:** Hello, Sarah

I hope your week has been going well.  
Thank you again, for accommodating our request with the Attorney General.  
It was a very good interview and many people out of the office enjoyed watching it.

At the end of the interview (off- camera) the AG mentioned to said to her  
'don't believe everything you read.'

MB is hosting from our DC bureau this Monday (26). After the show  
She could meet the AG in—person, for an off-the-record  
conversation. She very much would like to have a better understanding  
of some of the topics being discussed in the news today.

If this is possible, please let me know.

Thank you, for your time and consideration.

Cordially,  
Eric

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DeVito, Andrea

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**From:** DeVito, Andrea  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 4:35 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: Sunday

Ok, thank you.

Andrea DeVito

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> On Feb 20, 2018, at 4:33 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Probably a little early in the week for us to decide at this point

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> Sarah Isgur Flores

> Director of Public Affairs

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> From: DeVito, Andrea [mailto:Andrea.DeVito@FOXNEWS.COM]

> Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 4:28 PM

> To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>

> Subject: Sunday

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> Hi Sarah--checking in about this Sunday. Wanted to see if AG Sessions is available for an exclusive interview with Chris.

> Thanks,

> Andrea

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## Murray, Andrew

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 1:23 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Available for "Fox & Friends" Tomorrow (Wednesday)?

Hi Sarah, please let us know if you can appear tomorrow (Wednesday) for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion on "Fox & Friends" between 6am – 9am ET?

Andrew

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 18, 2018 6:02 PM  
**To:** Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: Available for "Fox & Friends" Tomorrow (Monday)?

Sorry! Can't do tomorrow.

On Feb 18, 2018, at 5:16 PM, Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

Please let us know if you are available to appear on "Fox & Friends" tomorrow (Monday) LIVE at 7:15am ET?

Thanks in advance,

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 18, 2018 10:08 AM  
**To:** 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Attorney General Sessions Available for "Fox & Friends"?

Hi Sarah,

Please let us know if we can schedule Attorney General Sessions to appear on "Fox & Friends" tomorrow (Monday) or later this week for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion 6am – 9am ET.

Thanks in advance,

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 9:07 AM  
**To:** Fleming, Taylor <[Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Cc:** Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: Attorney General Sessions Available for "Fox & Friends"?

Sorry--won't be able to this weekend (finally taking some time off!)

On Feb 16, 2018, at 9:04 AM, Fleming, Taylor <[Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Good morning Sarah – Please let me know if you're available to join us tomorrow or Sunday for FOX and Friends. Thanks so much. -Taylor

Taylor Fleming  
Booker, FOX and Friends

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 15, 2018 8:14 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Cc:** Fleming, Taylor <[Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Taylor.Fleming@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Attorney General Sessions Available for "Fox & Friends"?

OK, if you can join us on "Fox & Friends" this weekend on either Saturday or Sunday please let us know.

Thanks in advance,

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 15, 2018 8:11 PM  
**To:** Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: Attorney General Sessions Available for "Fox & Friends"?

Yeah sorry!

On Feb 15, 2018, at 8:07 PM, Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

You are also unavailable at 7:30am ET tomorrow?

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
[<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 15, 2018 8:06 PM  
**To:** Murray, Andrew <[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: Attorney General Sessions Available for "Fox & Friends"?

Hey sorry we're a pass here

On Feb 15, 2018, at 2:56 PM, Murray, Andrew  
<[Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Checking back on this request, I see the AG is going to appear on Maria Bartiromo's show this weekend. Are you keeping him off the air tomorrow?

Andrew

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**From:** Murray, Andrew  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 15, 2018 12:28 PM  
**To:** 'Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov'  
<[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Attorney General Sessions Available for "Fox & Friends"?

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**Fleming, Taylor**

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Thanks very much for letting us know. Please let us know if you can join us early next week.

Taylor Fleming  
Booker, FOX and Friends

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**Subject:** Re: Attorney General Sessions Available for "Fox & Friends"?

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**O'Malley, Devin (OPA)**

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 19, 2018 9:45 AM  
**To:** Neil Munro  
**Subject:** RE: Do call or, or send a response. Will write this up tonight for the morning. DHS lawyers are using a 1996 law to defend the OPT program, while AG Sessions says the 1996 law does not allow DACA work permits...

Hi Neil-

Any progress on clarifying what your article says? I want to make sure Breitbart gets the reporting right on this.

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**From:** O'Malley, Devin (OPA)  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 18, 2018 7:01 PM  
**To:** Neil Munro <[nmunro@breitbart.com](mailto:nmunro@breitbart.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Do call or, or send a response. Will write this up tonight for the morning. DHS lawyers are using a 1996 law to defend the OPT program, while AG Sessions says the 1996 law does not allow DACA work permits...

We are not making an argument that the government does or does not have authority to issue the OPT Rule, but instead argue that the court of appeals should not reach that issue, especially because the district could did not do so.

It seems like you may be concluding that since we are making an argument on standing then we are making an argument on authority. Could you please clarify your article a little more?

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 18, 2018, at 5:19 PM, Neil Munro <[nmunro@breitbart.com](mailto:nmunro@breitbart.com)> wrote:

What does this mean, i plain English?

"Again, we aren't making a statutory argument on Tuesday."

Yours,

Neil



On Feb 18, 2018, at 5:18 PM, O'Malley, Devin (OPA)

<[Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov](mailto:Devin.O'Malley@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Again, we aren't making a statutory argument on Tuesday. So I would advise writing what you plan to.

**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 17, 2018 10:11 AM  
**To:** Herridge, Catherine  
**Subject:** Re: Special Counsel N/C

Of course. We always enjoy working with you and your team--they (and you) are fabulous.

> On Feb 16, 2018, at 10:57 PM, Herridge, Catherine <Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:  
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> Sarah,  
>  
> A quick note to thank you and your team for facilitating our crew, and allowing us to stay beyond  
DAG Rosenstein's news conference for live reports through the 3 o'clock hour.  
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> Please pass along my thanks to DAG Rosenstein for taking our question during the limited q and a.  
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> Catherine  
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**Gibson, Jake**

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**Subject:** Accepted: Elder Fraud Pen & Pad  
**Location:** Conf Main Andretta Room (25)  
  
**Start:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 11:00 AM  
**End:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 11:30 AM  
  
**Recurrence:** (none)  
  
**Meeting Status:** Accepted  
  
**Organizer:** Gibson, Jake  
**Required Attendees:** Kupec, Kerri (JMD)

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**Prior, Ian (OPA)**

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**From:** Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 4:46 PM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** attribute to Peter

Ricky Pinedo admitted in his plea to selling bank account numbers over the internet, and that he knew many of the buyers were outside the United States. We have no evidence and there is no allegation he was a witting participant in the Russian efforts to interfere in U.S. elections and political processes.

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**Prior, Ian (OPA)**

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**From:** Prior, Ian (OPA)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 2:25 PM  
**To:** Horwitz, Sari; Date, Jack V.; Schneider, Jessica; Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** FW: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TAKES ACTION IN RESPONSE TO BROWARD COUNTY SCHOOL SHOOTING

Here's a five minute jump. Feel free to report

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**From:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 2:24 PM  
**To:** Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TAKES ACTION IN RESPONSE TO BROWARD COUNTY SCHOOL SHOOTING

 The United States Department of Justice

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2018**

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TAKES ACTION IN RESPONSE  
TO BROWARD COUNTY SCHOOL SHOOTING**

WASHINGTON – [Attorney General Jeff Sessions offered his condolences and support](#) for the people of Broward County, Florida yesterday. He also ordered the Department of Justice to assist the victims of the tragic shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School as well as the state and local agencies that are leading the investigation.

The Attorney General offered the following statement:

“It is now clear that the warning signs were there and tips to the FBI were missed. We see the tragic consequences of those failures.



“The FBI in conjunction with our state and local partners must act flawlessly to prevent all attacks. This is imperative, and we must do better. I have ordered the Deputy Attorney General to conduct an immediate review of our process here at the Department of Justice and FBI to ensure that we reach the highest level of prompt and effective response to indications of potential violence that come to us. This includes more than just an error review but also a review of how we respond.

This will include possible consultation with family members, mental health officials, school officials, and local law enforcement.

“We will make this a top priority. It has never been more important to encourage every person in every community to spot the warning signs and alert law enforcement. Do not assume someone else will step up--all of us must be vigilant. Our children's lives depend on it.”

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Following are some of the resources already deployed by the Department and available to assist with the state and local response:

- The FBI has approximately 250 personnel working on this matter, including personnel in Miami and at FBI headquarters in Washington, D.C.
- The FBI's Evidence Response Team is assisting in evidence collection and analysis and providing technical assistance with phone and social media investigation.
- The ATF dispatched 17 special agents from the Miami Field Division to assist at the scene, and these agents continue to support the Broward County Sheriff's Office in follow-up investigation.
- 14 ATF agents from ATF's West Palm Beach and Fort Pierce Field Offices were on stand-by to assist during the scene response, and are now supporting the follow-up investigation.
- ATF completed an urgent trace of a recovered firearm through its National Tracing Center.
- ATF assisted in ballistics analysis through its National Integrated Ballistics Information Network, conducted witness interviews, and canvassed area federal firearms licensees for information that may assist the investigation.
- Numerous components of the Department have made their victim-witness coordinators available for victim and witness assistance as needed.
- The U.S. Marshals Service has deployed eight personnel—four from the Florida/Caribbean Fugitive Task Force and four from the Southern District of Florida office. Additional personnel were staged and remain ready to respond if needed.
- U.S. Attorney Benjamin Greenberg remains in contact with the state prosecutor and Broward County Sheriff's Office leadership and has made all federal resources available as needed.
- Three Assistant U.S. Attorneys are currently assisting with the investigation, and one is staffing the FBI Command Post.
- Through the Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program, the Office for Victims of Crime has funding available to support victim-assistance activities, such as crisis intervention and grief/trauma counseling, and to



activities, such as crisis intervention and grief trauma counseling, and to reimburse victims for certain expenses related to the shooting.

- The Office for Victims of Crime and the Bureau of Justice Assistance stand ready to assist the state and local authorities.

This list should not be considered exhaustive. The Department of Justice will continue to do whatever it can to help the people of Florida at this difficult time.

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**Fanning, Elizabeth**

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**From:** Fanning, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 2:04 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: TCT tonight

I get it....im sure you need one!

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 2:03 PM  
**To:** Fanning, Elizabeth <[Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** RE: TCT tonight

Sorry—I need a weekend off;)

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Fanning, Elizabeth [<mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 1:34 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: TCT tonight

Could you do it?

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 1:33 PM  
**To:** Fanning, Elizabeth <[Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: TCT tonight

Sorry!

On Feb 16, 2018, at 1:29 PM, Fanning, Elizabeth <[Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hi!

Hope all is well...Im sure you're slammed. Any chance for the AG tonight with Tucker in the 8pm hour?

Thanks!

Liz

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 12:47 PM  
**To:** Gibson, Jake  
**Subject:** FW: U.S. v. Internet Research Agency, et al (1:18-cr-32, District of Columbia)

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Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** SpecialCounselPress  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 12:46 PM  
**To:** SpecialCounselPress <SpecialCounselPress@jmd.usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** U.S. v. Internet Research Agency, et al (1:18-cr-32, District of Columbia)

A federal grand jury in the District of Columbia returned an indictment on Feb. 16, 2018, against 13 Russian nationals and three Russian entities accused of violating U.S. criminal laws in order to interfere with U.S. elections and political processes. The indictment charges all of the defendants with conspiracy to defraud the United States, three defendants with conspiracy to commit wire fraud and bank fraud, and five defendants with aggravated identity theft.

The indictment can be found at [www.justice.gov/sco](http://www.justice.gov/sco).

Best,

Peter Carr  
Spokesman  
Special Counsel's Office

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Ian Mason

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**From:** Ian Mason  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 12:40 PM  
**To:** Pettit, Mark T. (OPA)  
**Subject:** Livestream for Rosenstein announcement

Mark,

Will there be a DOJ livestream for this afternoon's announcement?

Thanks,  
Ian Mason  
Breitbart News

**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 10:18 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** The interview was excellent!

The AG was happy with it. I believe you were present with him too.

Thank you, again

Call me at my cell below.

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**Eric Spinato**

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 10:12 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: We've worked together for years

I'm at my desk (b)(6)

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 9:50 AM  
**To:** Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>  
**Subject:** We've worked together for years

Either you were lied to or I was. I don't appreciate it and will remember that I can't take your word.

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**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 10:07 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** What is the best number to reach you

At?

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## Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 9:48 AM  
**To:** Spinato, Eric  
**Cc:** Smoot, Matt  
**Subject:** Re: sorry to bother you, but

You are over time. End this. In one minute I'm stepping in the shot.

On Feb 16, 2018, at 7:26 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)> wrote:

This sounds great. Much appreciated for all your patience on this!

On Feb 16, 2018, at 7:23 AM, Spinato, Eric <[eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Good morning, Sarah

Matt, my colleague, is cc'd on this email.

As we have discussed, Immigration, DACA, MS-13 and FL school Shooting, are topics of discussion between AG Sessions and Maria.

We have 10-12 minutes with the Attorney General. Normal time amount with all WH officials we have interviewed in the past.

Maria and the staff are excited to have the AG as our lead guest this Sunday.

Thank you, for making this happen!

See you later this morning, at 9:30am.

-Eric

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 7:10 AM  
**To:** Spinato, Eric <[eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM)>  
**Subject:** Re: sorry to bother you, but

Can you add your EP to this email chain so I make sure we have everyone on the same page for topics this am? Daca/immigration/Florida.

I have to tell you I feel very personally burned when I'm assured of subject areas and then there's a bait and switch...so now I just want to make doubly sure in



advance:)

Also I know there was some discussion of two segments but he doesn't have time this am--sorry!

On Feb 15, 2018, at 7:54 PM, Spinato, Eric <[eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Hi!  
Checking back with you  
Thank you  
Eric

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 15, 2018, at 4:24 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
<[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

Correcy!

xxx

Sarah Isgur Flores  
Director of Public Affairs  
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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
[mailto:[eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 15, 2018 3:56 PM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: sorry to bother you, but

To be clear ....  
The interview is still a go tomorrow 9:30a taping

What is in flux, is if he is speaking elsewhere ...correct ?

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 15, 2018, at 3:53 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
<[Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)> wrote:

I'm waiting to hear back from the WH on  
what they need from us. So can't promise  
at this point. A lot in flux bc of Florida.

On Feb 15, 2018, at 2:49 PM, Spinato, Eric  
<[eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Is this the only interview the  
AG is conducting, between  
today and Sunday morning

Thank you  
Eric

**Eric Spinato**

Senior Story Editor, Fox  
Business Network

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**Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)**

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**From:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 9:46 AM  
**To:** Spinato, Eric  
**Cc:** Smoot, Matt  
**Subject:** Re: sorry to bother you, but

Annnnd this is exactly why I wanted this email. I don't appreciate this "added topic" after I inquired so many times.

Assume all future emails from this team will be ignored until you can assure me I won't be misled. It's unprofessional and makes both your team and me look bad.

On Feb 16, 2018, at 7:26 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <[siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov)> wrote:

This sounds great. Much appreciated for all your patience on this!

On Feb 16, 2018, at 7:23 AM, Spinato, Eric <[eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM](mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM)> wrote:

Duplicative material





**Spinato, Eric**

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**From:** Spinato, Eric  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 9:38 AM  
**To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)  
**Subject:** Re: How much longer ?

See :)

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 16, 2018, at 9:38 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> He's in the chair

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>> On Feb 16, 2018, at 9:34 AM, Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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