



U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Legislative Affairs

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Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Ben Sasse
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Sasse:

This letter provides updated information in response to your December 3, 2018 and January 14, 2019 letters to Department of Justice Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) Director Corey Amundson in which you raised significant concerns, based on reporting by *The Miami Herald*, that Department of Justice (Department) attorneys may have committed professional misconduct in a criminal matter involving Jeffrey Epstein.

Allegations of professional misconduct against Department attorneys that relate to the exercise of authority to investigate, litigate, or provide legal advice are within the jurisdiction of OPR, and on December 14, 2018, OPR Director Amundson advised you that OPR would examine the matter and take appropriate action. OPR has now opened an investigation into allegations that Department attorneys may have committed professional misconduct in the manner in which the Epstein criminal matter was resolved. OPR will thoroughly investigate the allegations of misconduct that have been raised and, consistent with its practice, will share its results with you at the conclusion of its investigation as appropriate.

We hope this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact this Office if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Boyd", written over a circular blue stamp.

Stephen E. Boyd
Assistant Attorney General