Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20510

December 3, 2025

The Honorable Pam Bondi Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Bondi:

We write as the bipartisan lead sponsors of the Epstein Files Transparency Act to express our shared interest in supporting the Department of Justice's efforts to carry out the provisions of this critical new law. In light of the short 30 day deadline to release the Epstein Files, we are particularly focused on understanding the contents of any new evidence, information or procedural hurdles that could interfere with the Department's ability meet this statutory deadline.

On July 7th, 2025, the Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation published a memo outlining conclusions from an "exhaustive review of the investigative holdings relating to Jeffrey Epstein." This memo confirmed that the Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation "did not uncover evidence that could predicate an investigation against uncharged third parties."

On November 14th, 2025, the Department of Justice announced that Jay Clayton, the U.S. attorney in Manhattan, would initiate new investigations into connections between Jeffrey Epstein and former President Bill Clinton, former Treasury Secretary Larry Summers, and a prominent investor, Reid Hoffman. In a press conference on November 19th, 2025, you justified the new investigations into these individuals by stating "information [that] has come forward, new information, additional information."

In the interest of transparency and clarity on the steps required to faithfully implement the Epstein Files Transparency Act, we request a briefing either in a classified or unclassified setting, to discuss the full contents of this new information in your possession at your convenience, but not later than Friday, December 5th, 2025.

In addition, we underscore that protecting survivors' privacy is central to the law's intent. We share concerns about the Department's ability to accurately identify and redact victims' names. The victim's lawyers have far greater knowledge of who these individuals are, and they are prepared to confidentially transmit names that must be redacted to prevent privacy violations. We urge the Department to coordinate directly with these attorneys to establish a secure process to fully protect all victim identities.

We look forward to hearing from you to ensure the law is fully implemented with critical safeguards to protect survivors.

¹ Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Untitled memo* (July 7, 2025), https://www.justice.gov/opa/media/1407001/dl?inline

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