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UNITED STATES SENATOR

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The Honorable Pamela Bondi
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Attorney General Bondi:

You may recall that at your confirmation hearing on January 15, 2025, I asked you the following question: “[I]t would not be appropriate for a prosecutor to start with a name and look for a crime. It’s the prosecutor’s job to start with a crime and look for a name, correct?”

In response, you gave the following response about purported “weaponization” of the justice system under the Biden Administration:

I think that is the whole problem with the weaponization that we have seen the last four years and what’s been happening to Donald Trump. They targeted Donald Trump. They went after him. Actually, starting back in 2016, they targeted his campaign. They have launched countless investigations against him. That will not be the case if I am attorney general. I will not politicize that office. I will not target people simply because of their political affiliation. Justice will be administered even-handedly throughout this country.

On April 9, 2025, President Trump issued Presidential Memoranda singling out for investigation Christopher Krebs, former head of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, and Miles Taylor, former chief of staff at the Department of Homeland Security.

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Now that President Trump has given you two names and asked you to look for a crime, you face a pretty clear test. It ought to be an easy one.

Sincerely,

Sheldon Whitehouse
Ranking Member
Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on
Federal Courts, Oversight,
Agency Action, and Federal Rights

