

VIA EMAIL (LW 2024-043)

January 23, 2024

The Honorable Ed Siskel Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Siskel:

In accordance with the requirements of the Presidential Records Act (PRA), as amended, 44 U.S.C. §§2201-2209, this letter constitutes a formal notice from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to the incumbent President of our intent to open George W. Bush Presidential records in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request listed in Attachment A.

These records, consisting of 275 assets, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 6 assets restricted in whole and 44 assets restricted in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 225 assets in whole and 44 assets in part. A copy of any records proposed for release under this notice will be provided to you upon your request.

We are also concurrently informing former President George W. Bush's representative, Freddy Ford, of our intent to release these records. Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a), NARA will release the records 60 working days from the date of this letter, which is April 16, 2024, unless the former or incumbent President requests a one-time extension of an additional 30 working days or asserts a constitutionally based privilege, in accordance with 44 U.S.C. 2208(b)-(d). Please let us know if you are able to complete your review before the expiration of the 60 working day period. Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(1)(B), we will make this notice available to the public on the NARA website.

If you have any questions relating to this notification, please contact me at (202) 357-5091 or NARA General Counsel, Gary M. Stern, at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

Case Number	Topic	Material	Material	Material Proposed
		Processed	Restricted	for Opening
2018-0263-F[45]	Emails From, To, CC, or BCC Brett Kavanaugh referencing abort between July 2003-May 2006 that have not already been processed	275 assets	6 assets in whole; 44 assets in part	225 assets in whole; 44 assets in part

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for emails sent or received by Brett Kavanaugh during specific time periods and regarding specific keywords. For this segment of the FOIA request, records include those referencing abort between July 2003 and May 2006 that have not already been processed. The George W. Bush Presidential electronic records proposed for opening are comment line reports, articles, schedules, talking points, drafts of the 2006 State of the Union, night notes, briefing papers, speech drafts, and gift reports. Records from this segment date from January 2, 2006 to March 30, 2006. These materials are from the Exchange Email Search and Access Set.

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