



**VIA EMAIL**  
(LM 2018-128)

August 21, 2018

The Honorable Donald F. McGahn, II  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. McGahn:

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 systematic processing project listed in Attachment A.

This material, consisting of 65,216 pages, has been reviewed for the six PRA Presidential restrictive categories, including confidential communications requesting or submitting advice (P5) and material related to appointments to federal office (P2), as they were eased by President George W. Bush on November 15, 2010. These records were also reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions. As a result of this review, 21,639 pages in whole and 1,402 pages in part have been restricted. Therefore, NARA is proposing to open the remaining 42,175 pages in whole and 1,402 pages in part that do not require closure under 44 U.S.C. § 2204. 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, William Burck, 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 November 15, 2018, 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) 357-5144 or NARA General Counsel Gary M. Stern at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

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B. JOHN LASTER  
DIRECTOR  
Presidential Materials Division

Enclosure

## ATTACHMENT A

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Material Processed</u>	<u>Material Restricted</u>	<u>Material Proposed for Opening</u>
2018-0011-P	Records related to Brett Kavanaugh's Service in the White House Counsel's Office from the White House Office of Records Management – Subject Files	8,284 pages	2,517 pages in whole; 910 pages in part	4,857 pages in whole; 910 pages in part

The George W. Bush Library has completed the systematic processing of records related to Brett Kavanaugh's service in the White House Counsel's Office from the White House Office of Records Management – Subject Files. The George W. Bush Presidential records proposed for opening are schedules for President George W. Bush, briefings, correspondence, routing memoranda, printed emails, fax cover sheets, speech drafts from routine events, meeting memoranda, fact sheets, reports, and presidential messages. Draft fact sheets, statistical information, recommendation letters, forms, and formal documents related to presidential nominations are included. Correspondence includes a large quantity of incoming public and congressional correspondence for Chief of Staff Andy Card and Senior Advisor Karl Rove including scheduling requests, invitations, tour requests, thank you notes, policy suggestions, and publications. Draft and final thank you letters and presidential messages from President George W. Bush are also present.

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