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Sussmann Perjury Trial Begins, Prosecutors Say He Lied to FBI, Tried to Use It as "Political Tool"

Federal prosecutors opened the perjury trial of Michael Sussmann, the attorney for Hillary Clinton's failed presidential campaign charged with lying to the FBI, with a summary of what we already know.

The Hillary for America legman was part of a vast left-wing conspiracy, managed by the campaign and the Democratic Party, to defeat then-GOP presidential candidate Donald Trump. The conspirators spread the lie that Trump was a Russian asset who "colluded" with Russia to defeat Clinton. The leftist media and conspirators pushed the hoax for all of Trump's presidency.



AP Images Michael Sussmann

Sussmann, prosecutors allege, lied to the FBI when he tried to peddle the hoax and wreck Trump. Special Counsel John Durham <u>has called</u> the hoax a "conspiracy" and "joint venture" to destroy Trump.

Big Lie

Opening the case in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, prosecutor Deborah Shaw said, "This is a case about privilege … the privilege of a lawyer who thought that for the powerful the normal rules didn't apply, that he could use the FBI as a political tool."

His lie was telling FBI General Counsel James Baker that he, Sussmann, did not work for Clinton's campaign. Sussmann was retailing dirt on Trump.

Sussmann "lied to direct the power and resources of the FBI to his own ends and to serve the agendas of his clients," Shaw continued, because he knew that the FBI would not take information at face value if it came from a Clinton cutout.

"He told a lie that was designed to achieve a political end, a lie that was designed to inject the FBI into a presidential election," <u>Shaw said</u>.

"Some people have very strong feelings about politics and Russia, and many people have strong feelings about Donald Trump and Russia," she continued:

But we are not here because these allegations involved either of them, nor are we here because the client was the Hillary Clinton campaign.

We are here because the FBI is our institution. It should not be used as a political tool.

And "whether we hate Donald Trump or like him, we have to agree that some things have to be above politics," <u>Shaw said</u>. "One of those things is our law enforcement agencies, and the other is truth."

Durham's smoking gun is a text Sussmann sent to Baker.



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As <u>The New American reported</u> in April, Sussmann contacted Baker on September 18, 2016. "Jim — it's Michael Sussmannn," the text begins:

I have something time-sensitive (and sensitive) I need to discuss. Do you have availability [sic] for a short meeting tomorrow? **I'm coming on my own — not on behalf of a client or company — want to help the Bureau. Thanks.** [Emphasis added.]

Baker accepted the invitation.

Sussmann's attorney, of course, denied that Sussmann lied.

"The meeting with the FBI was the exact opposite of what the Clinton campaign would have wanted," Michael Bosworth said. "The FBI meeting was something that they didn't authorize, that they didn't direct him to do, and that they wouldn't have wanted."

Clinton Hoax

In fact, though, <u>Durham has also shown</u> that the Clinton campaign and a team of political hitmen conceived and executed the Russian "collusion" tale. That fable included ridiculous claims that Trump was secretly tied to a Russian bank and <u>used Russian cell phones</u> around the White House. The hoax also included the famous but bogus <u>Steele Dossier</u>, which <u>peddled falsehoods</u> about Trump that the <u>FBI</u> <u>used</u> to get wiretaps on a Trump campaign aide.

The <u>CIA knew</u> that Clinton concocted the dirt on Trump, Durham has alleged in filings. And as <u>The New</u> <u>American reported</u> in October 2020, handwritten notes from John Brennan, President Obama's CIA director, show that Obama was well aware that Clinton targeted Trump.

Clinton OK'd "a proposal from one of her foreign policy advisers to vilify Donald Trump by stirring up a scandal claiming interference by the Russian security service," Brennan wrote.

Obama did nothing to stop it.

Trump's Director of National Intelligence, John Ratcliffe, declassified those notes after <u>he revealed that</u> Brennan and Obama knew Clinton's campaign conceived the scandal.

Clinton and her people hatched the nefarious scheme to distract public attention from the federal crimes she committed as secretary of state. Clinton used a private e-mail server to send and receive classified messages.

Though Clinton clearly broke the law, FBI Director James Comey didn't charge her. She did not, he said, intend to commit a crime.



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