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Trump Asked to Testify at Impeachment Trial, Says NO WAY!

President Donald Trump directed his two attorneys, Bruce Castor and David Schoen, to respond to Representative [Jamie Raskin's "request"](#) that he testify under oath during next week's faux impeachment "trial."

[They disposed of Raskin's invitation:](#)

We are in receipt of your latest public relations stunt ... this unconstitutional proceeding.

Your letter only confirms what is known to everyone: you cannot prove your allegations against the 45th President of the United States, who is now a private citizen.

The use of our Constitution to bring a purported impeachment proceeding is much too serious to play these games.



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Raskin, the far-left Democrat Representative from Maryland with a lifetime score on *The New American's* Freedom Index of [23 out of 100](#) who is "managing" the trial for the House Democrats, said that in light of the president's disputing the claims made in the Democrat-controlled House's Article of Impeachment, "I write to invite you to provide testimony under oath ... including cross-examination" at any time during the "trial," which is scheduled to start on Tuesday and end no later than Thursday next week.

Raskin threatened Trump:

If you decline this invitation, we reserve any and all rights, including the right to establish at trial that your refusal to testify supports a strong adverse inference regarding your actions (and inaction) on January 6, 2021.

Of course, Trump's refusal infers no such thing. Instead it infers that he has no intention of dignifying or in any way lending his credibility to this modern example of the Spanish Inquisition — this show trial that is intended to continue Democrats' efforts to besmirch and sully Trump and his accomplishments while in office.

The New American [reviewed](#) the rebuttal Trump's attorneys prepared in answer to the flimsy impeachment article largely manufactured by House Democrats out of whole cloth. In that rebuttal, the attorneys made the strong case that 1) the move is invalid, 2) that Trump couldn't be impeached now that he was out of office, 3) that the president was freely exercising his First Amendment rights to free



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speech on January 6, 4) that there was no proof whatsoever that his speech was incendiary or the cause of the pre-planned riots at the Capitol on January 6, and 5) that the Senate trial being presided over by anti-Trump Senator Patrick Leahy as both judge and part of the jury instead of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court as required by the Constitution proved its bias and invalidity.

The phony show trial will go on without Trump's testimony. It won't be needed. The Senate has already shown its hand with 45 Republicans voting in favor of a resolution declaring that the trial is unconstitutional. That means that Raskin's task as House Impeachment Manager is virtually impossible: muscling 17 Republicans to join the unanimous Democrat chorus in impeaching the 45th president.

Surely Raskin knows all this. But the trial will commence nevertheless because its purpose isn't to impeach the now-unimpeachable former president. Its real purpose is the retribution, punishment, banishment, and shredding of Donald Trump and his accomplishments during his first four years in office. He dared to do the unthinkable: expose the dark underbelly of Washington politics and its inseparable link to Big Tech and the mainstream media.

For that, he must be punished and pounded into oblivion, to serve as an example to anyone else even thinking about daring to challenge the powers that be in the future.

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