



Trump: Kavanaugh Accuser Two Was Drunk; Grassley Hires Woman Lawyer

President Trump stoutly defended his U.S. Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh today, reminding everyone of an important detail in the *New Yorker's* account of the second accuser, who says the federal appeals judge exposed himself to her.

Debbie Ramirez, Accuser No. 2, confessed that she was drunk and didn't know if Kavanaugh was the true perpetrator until she had a lot of help remembering.



Meanwhile, Judiciary Committee Chairman Senator Charles Grassley (R-Iowa) announced that a woman will question Kavanaugh's first accuser, Christine Blasey Ford, when she appears before the Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday.

Trump Unloads

Trump, who has stood shoulder-to-shoulder with Kavanaugh during the <u>withering barrage of scurrilous accusations</u>, one of which is gang rape, is rightly disgusted. He spoke at length during a news conference with Colombian President Iván Duque Márquez. Asked for this thoughts about Kavanaugh's steadfast denial on Fox News, Trump elaborated at length.

"I think he's just a wonderful human being. I mean, I think it's horrible what the Democrats have done," Trump said. "It's a con game they're playing. They're con — they're really con artists. They're trying to convince — you know, they don't believe it themselves, okay? They know he's a high-quality person. They don't believe it. It's just resist and obstruct."

But they play that con game "very well," <u>he continued</u>, adding correctly, that "they play it, actually, much better than the Republicans." Citing the many imprudent, dogmatically leftist policies they promote, Trump said Democrats "don't know what the hell they're doing.... They're good at one thing: that's obstruction and resisting and con."

Kavanaugh, he said, is "one of the highest quality people."

Acknowledging Colombia's chief executive, Trump said Duque must ask, "How is this possible. Thirty-six years ago? Nobody ever knew about it? Nobody ever heard about it? And now a new charge comes up, and she says, 'Well, it might not be him.' And there were gaps, and she said she was totally inebriated and she was all messed up. And she doesn't know it was him, but it might have been him. Oh, gee, let's not make him a Supreme Court judge because of that."

Asked whether the second accuser should testify, Trump told the truth.

"The second accuser has nothing. The second accuser doesn't even know — she thinks, maybe, it could have been him, maybe not. She admits that she was drunk. She admits time lapses. There were time lapses."

Trump said Kavanaugh "has the chance to be one of the greatest justices ever in the United States



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Supreme Court," then turned, at some length, to the devastation the wild accusations, peddled by top Democrats, has wrought. "What a shame," Trump said, discussing Kavanaugh's family:

His wife is devastated. His children are devastated. I don't mean they're, like, "Oh, gee. I'm a little unhappy." They're devastated. And it's because these Democrats — and they know. They know. When I see Schumer, who never even saw this woman,[say] "I believe her 100 percent," and I see these other senators that I deal with on a daily basis — I know them better than they know themselves — it's just a game for them. But it's a very dangerous game for our country.

Testimony Contretemps

<u>Senator Grassley told *Politico*</u> that "we aren't announcing the name [of the lawyer] for her safety," and said he didn't know if anyone had threatened the attorney, but that "we're just being cautious."

Whether and how Ford will testify against Kavanaugh has been the subject of some controversy.

As *The New American* reported, one of Ford's attorneys wrote to Grassley to complain about the set-up. The hearing "does not appear designed to provide Dr. Blasey Ford with fair and respectful treatment," attorney Michael Bromwich wrote, asking about the woman Grassley proposed hiring.

"This is not a criminal trial for which the involvement of an experienced sex crimes prosecutor would be appropriate. Neither Dr. Blasey Ford nor Judge Kavanaugh is on trial. The goal should be to develop the relevant facts, not try a case," he continued, demanding the lawyer's résumé.

According to *Politico*, Grassley answered a letter from Ford, who wrote that "fear will not hold me back from testifying," telling the psychology professor he is "committed to fair and respectful treatment of you" during Thursday's make-or-break hearing on her claim against Kavanaugh.

Grassley said press will be limited in the hearing, and the security will be tight.

As well, *Politico* reported, GOP leaders might convene a weekend session to confirm Kavanaugh.

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