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Partial stay granted in Trump fraud case

Former president given 10 days to post reduced bond of \$175 million

BY MARK BERMAN, JONATHAN O'CONNELL AND SHAYNA JACOBS

An appeals court panel in New York said Monday that former president Donald Trump would be allowed to post a \$175 million bond to stave off enforcement of a nearly half-billion-dollar civil judgment against him and his business.

The order was a significant win for Trump, who was otherwise facing a massive cash crunch and the prospect of New York Attorney General Letitia James (D) moving to seize some of his assets as soon as this week.

However, while the five state judges on the panel eased the financial strain on Trump, they did not erase it entirely. They gave Trump 10 days to come up with the reduced bond of \$175 million, saying they would only delay enforcement of the full amount if he put up that lower figure within this window — and it is not immediately clear how he will come up with the money.

“We’ll put up the cash or a bond very quickly,” Trump told reporters Monday, but he provided no specifics. Trump’s attorneys had previously sought to post a \$100 million bond rather than the full amount.

The panel’s order came at a precarious moment for Trump, who is contending with significant financial pressure and legal peril. The appeals panel’s order came down while he was in a New York court in a bid to delay the start of his criminal case related to hush money payments made to

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Hush money case: Trump criminal trial date is set for April 15. **A5**

A surreal tale of two court cases for Trump

BY ISAAC ARNSDORF

NEW YORK — Within the span of an hour, one court rescued Donald Trump from potential financial ruin, while another set a trial to start in the height of the campaign season.

The presumptive Republican presidential nominee rolled with the rapid twists Monday with his usual defiance and bluster — in split seconds attacking one set of judges and praising another, ignoring reporters and then suddenly pivoting to address them, brushing off heckles and welcoming cheers from onlookers along the streets.

The surreal string of turnabouts capped another chaotic day of Trump’s 2024 campaign, with almost no resemblance to the conventional activities of campaigning. Trump last held a rally March 16 as his campaign juggled an overhaul of the Republican National Committee and has not announced where or when the next one will happen. He spent the weekend golfing in South Florida, then dropped into New York for a contentious court hearing and

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ISIS spinoffs take up its mantle

Russia rampage shows reach of splinter groups, with one apparently focused on attacks abroad

BY JOBY WARRICK, ROBYN DIXON AND SOUAD MEKHENNET

A few months before being killed in a U.S. Special Forces raid, Islamic State leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi released a final video message that symbolically passed the torch to far-flung followers in distant lands. His self-declared caliphate had been defeated, he acknowledged, and it was now up to the terrorist group’s regional chapters to carry out “revenge operations” around the world.

“Our battle today is one of attrition and stretching the enemy,” Baghdadi said in the April

2019 video, released just after the fall of the Islamic State’s last stronghold in Syria. “They should know that jihad is ongoing until the Day of Judgment.”

Friday’s bloodbath at a suburban Moscow concert hall is but the latest reminder of how effectively Baghdadi’s brutal vision is being carried out. While his self-proclaimed Middle East “caliphate” is in ruins, a constellation of Islamic State regional affiliates is gaining strength in many parts of the globe, fueled by a mix of traditional grievances as well as new ones, including the war in Gaza, counterterrorism officials and experts say.

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TOP: A service takes place at a memorial outside the Moscow-area concert venue where 139 people were killed Friday in an attack the Islamic State claimed responsibility for. **ABOVE:** Muhammadsobir Fayzov, a suspect, appears in court showing signs of torture and abuse.

Threats: Attack reveals Russia’s vulnerability to extremist groups. **A7**

Putin’s message: He continues attempts to tie attack to Ukraine. **A8**



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In Huntsville, Ala., candidates in a state House race have different approaches on abortion.

Contrasting strategies for Ala. election reflect national reproductive rights debate

BY COLBY ITKOWITZ IN HUNTSVILLE, ALA.

Teddy Powell, a Republican running for a state House seat, walked a suburban neighborhood one recent afternoon, pledging to voters that he would fix roads, improve schools and redirect tax dollars to the district. Not once did he bring up abortion and in vitro fertilization — which have sparked an impassioned debate across this state and the country that has put many Republicans on the defensive.

His Democratic opponent, Marilyn Lands, has put abortion and IVF front and center. All of

her campaign literature mentions reproductive rights. She has shared how more than 20 years ago she had a nonviable pregnancy that ended in abortion. Lands is running a television commercial telling her story beside that of an Alabama woman who says her fetus was given a similar fatal diagnosis last year, and that she had to drive 10 hours to get an abortion because of the state’s strict ban.

“It’s shameful that today women have fewer

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‘Self-managed’ abortions surged after fall of Roe

Data shows rise in use of pills to end pregnancies outside medical system

BY CAROLINE KITCHENER AND N. KIRKPATRICK

The number of women using abortion pills to end their pregnancies on their own without the direct involvement of a U.S.-based medical provider rose sharply in the months after the Supreme Court eliminated a constitutional right to abortion, according to the most comprehensive examination to date of how many people have ended their pregnancies outside of the formal medical system since the ruling.

Nearly 28,000 additional doses of pills intended for “self-managed” abortions were provided in the six months after the fall of *Roe v. Wade* — more than quadrupling the average number of abortion pills provided that way per month before the decision and suggesting that many women have turned to medication abortion to circumvent state bans.

The research — published in JAMA on Monday, the day before the highly anticipated Supreme Court arguments on a challenge to a key abortion drug — highlights

the importance of abortion pills in post-*Roe* America. Before the ruling legalized abortion nationwide in 1973, women seeking abortions were forced to find someone to perform an illegal surgical procedure, leading to thousands of deaths. Today, the process for accessing abortion is far easier and safer, with a rapidly expanding online and community-based network of pill suppliers sending pills through the mail into states with strict bans.

Other studies have estimated that approximately 32,000 fewer abortions occurred at licensed brick-and-mortar and telehealth clinics in the six months following the fall of *Roe*. But the jump in self-managed abortions offsets nearly that whole figure.

“The numbers we’re looking at seem to suggest that [self-managed abortion] is more mainstream than perhaps we thought,” said Abigail Aiken, a professor at the University of Texas at Austin and the lead author of the study. “This is something people are doing on a larger scale.”

Women in states with bans are also using the traditional health-care system to access abortion, traveling out of state to pick up

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Supreme Court: See live coverage of today’s hearing starting at 9:30 a.m. at [washingtonpost.com](https://www.washingtonpost.com).

IN THE NEWS

At the forefront Vice President Harris is central to President Biden’s efforts to hang on to young and minority voters. **A3**

Ex-officer awarded nearly \$400K A former member of the Prince George’s County police force had alleged in a lawsuit that she was sexually assaulted, then retaliated against. **B1**

THE NATION **Threats against** election workers have led to charges against about 20 people, officials said. **A2** **Some \$6 billion** in federal funding will help reduce emissions from industrial facilities. **A2**

THE WORLD **Anti-establishment** candidate Bassirou Diomaye Faye will be Senegal’s next president. **A6** **The United States** unveiled charges and sanctions tied to a Chinese hacking campaign. **A11**

THE ECONOMY **Biden promised** to significantly expand the social safety net but has fallen short of his most ambitious goals. **A12** **Boeing’s CEO** and two other top executives will leave the company as it faces heightened scrutiny over a host of quality-control issues. **A13**

THE REGION **Rep. Jamie Raskin** (D-Md.) endorsed the U.S. Senate bid of Prince George’s County Executive Angela D. Alsobrooks (D). **B1** **Still missing** crucial information on college aid because of FAFSA delays, students are struggling to pick schools. **B1**

SPORTS **Shohel Ohtani** says he “never bet on baseball or any other sport” in his first comments on last week’s allegations. **D1** **HEALTH & SCIENCE** **Uploading footage** of their IUD placement procedures, women are making a case for better pain-relief options. **E1**

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