

August 19, 2025

The Honorable Kashyap Patel
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
935 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
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Dear Director Patel,

This case is a perfect vehicle to expose the weaponization of the DOJ and FBI.

The FBI expert used to cover up evidence fabrication here was not a forensic examiner routinely assigned to prosecutions. In fact, over a four-year span, he was brought into only one other case: **Special Counsel Jack Smith's prosecution of President Trump.**¹

We are writing to notify you of clear evidence of *indictable government crime*, which your predecessor, **Director Christopher Wray refused to act upon.**² Three former US Attorneys, multiple decorated former FBI agents, and prominent legal figures have stated that they “have never seen a case with this degree of widespread government malfeasance as *United States v. Keith Raniere*” in their entire careers. Yet it remains buried and attempts at public exposure have been actively suppressed.

The malfeasance centers on digital evidence that the prosecution described as “at the heart” of their case: alleged child pornography. Discovered on the verge of trial, this evidence sank the defense, triggered the co-defendants to plead guilty, and altered the trajectory of the case.

Seven post-conviction forensic experts – including four former FBI examiners – determined that this digital evidence was **falsified and planted**. They jointly wrote, “[T]he involvement of government personnel in this evidentiary fraud is inescapable – an unprecedented finding in our combined 150+ years of forensic experience.” (emphasis added)³ An independent expert retained by *Newsweek*⁴ agreed with their findings.

As Alan Dershowitz wrote on January 8, 2025 to the EDNY, “The FBI records ... clearly demonstrate[] systematic government malfeasance ... that is easily verifiable.”⁵ These records reveal that multiple DOJ/FBI actors were directly involved in misconduct or concealment, all focused around this falsified digital evidence. For example, filings reveal that unidentified FBI personnel accessed and altered key digital evidence **prior to forensic preservation** by the digital forensics unit (CART) and **outside the chain of custody** – direct violations of FBI protocol. This was concealed from the defense and the court until four years after trial.

Despite the evidence, the courts have refused to grant a hearing and the EDNY has continued to cover up the wrongdoing. Yet, there are straightforward steps your team can take to investigate and likely pursue criminal charges against those who were involved. We stand ready to assist your team in pursuing this.

Respectfully,

¹ See <https://www.usvraniere.com/docket/Jack-Smith-Loveall-Exhibit.pdf>

² See <https://www.usvraniere.com/r/kipper-wray-emails.pdf>

³ See Joint Expert Report, Doc. 1253-1, at: <https://www.usvraniere.com/d/joint-forensic-report.pdf>

⁴ See <http://newsweek.com/fbi-nxivm-crime-sex-cult-keith-raniere-2004375>

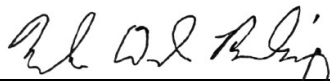
⁵ See <https://www.usvraniere.com/d/dershowitz-edny-peace-ltr-jan-2025.pdf>



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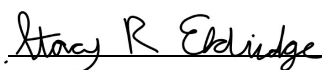
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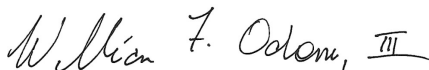
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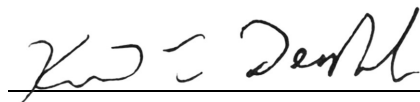
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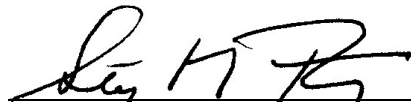
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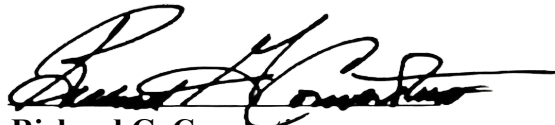
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We, the undersigned, affirm our support for the attached August 19, 2025 letter to Director Patel and for a full investigation into the alleged FBI/DOJ misconduct, including alleged evidence fabrication, in *United States v. Keith Raniere*, No. 1:18-cr-204 (E.D.N.Y.), as identified by multiple former FBI examiners and independent forensic experts.



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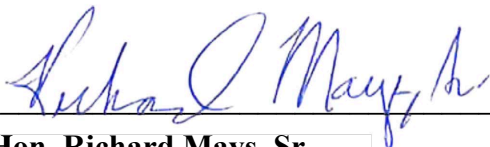
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