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The Fixer: Pam Bondi's Career of Corruption Comes Full Circle

By T-Paine

When news broke that Attorney General Pam Bondi was sitting on the Epstein client list, conspiracy theorists rejoiced. Finally — justice, they said. Finally, the names.

Then she showed her hand: redacted contact logs and decades-old flight records already available online. No new bombshells. No accountability. And suddenly, the Department of Justice issued a quiet little memo: no such “client list” exists.

Just like that — case closed. Nothing to see here. But for Bondi, this wasn't a failure. It was on brand.

Because Pam Bondi has built an entire career on burying the truth. If you're rich enough, connected enough, or helpful to her ambitions, you don't need justice. You just need access. And access is exactly what she sells.

Bribery By Another Name

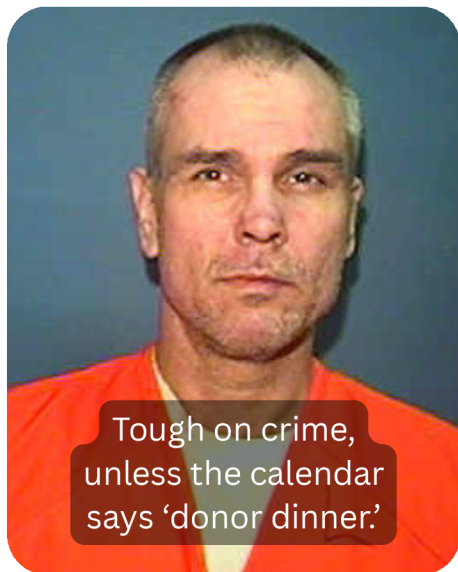
In 2013, Bondi's office was reviewing more than 20 fraud complaints against Trump University. They were serious enough that multiple state attorneys general were pursuing coordinated investigations. But Bondi made a different call. Literally.

She phoned Trump, asked for \$25,000 for her re-election campaign, and four days later, the money showed up. Just as quickly, the case vanished. Bondi dropped the investigation.

Only problem? That donation came from Trump's charitable foundation — a violation of federal law. The IRS fined Trump, made him reimburse the foundation, and ultimately dismantled the entire Trump Foundation for corruption. Florida, meanwhile, never got its justice.



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Tough on crime,
unless the calendar
says 'donor dinner.'

Killing Justice for a Campaign Dinner

That same year, Bondi postponed an execution.

Marshall Lee Gore, convicted of rape and murder, was scheduled to be put to death on September 10th. Bondi moved the date — because it conflicted with her campaign fundraiser.

That's not justice delayed. That's justice devalued.

Selective Prosecution, Bought and Paid For

In 2011, Bondi's office fired two mortgage fraud prosecutors who were targeting Lender Processing Services, a company knee-deep in the robo-signing foreclosure scandal. LPS had donated to her campaign.

Those attorneys were given a choice: resign or be fired. Their experience didn't matter. Their results didn't matter. Their donors did.

Bondi's prosecution strategy was simple: crack down on fraudsters who didn't contribute to her campaign. Let the ones who paid walk.

The Qatar Connection

After leaving office, Bondi signed a \$115,000/month contract with Ballard Partners to lobby on behalf of Qatar. Her stated mission? "Anti-human trafficking consulting" ahead of the 2022 World Cup — despite Qatar's well-documented record of forced labor and migrant abuse.

Then, in 2024, as U.S. Attorney General, Bondi personally signed off on a Justice Department memo approving Trump's acceptance of a \$400 million luxury jet — from Qatar.

So let's recap: Bondi used to lobby for Qatar. Now she's in a position to greenlight extravagant gifts from them to her boss. And when asked during confirmation hearings why she didn't disclose this conflict of interest, she said she was "proud" of her lobbying work.

A Career of Cover-Ups

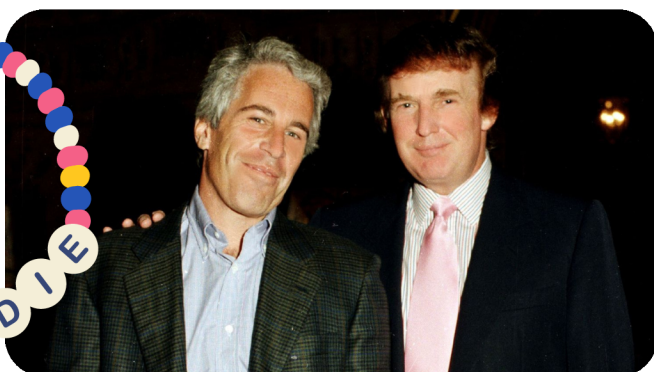
Pam Bondi didn't invent political corruption — she just professionalized it. From Trump University to Fox News stints while still in office, from Florida foreclosures to Qatari billionaires, she's left a trail of pay-for-play politics so open it doesn't even count as scandal anymore.

The same woman who once claimed to have Epstein's client list on her desk is now overseeing the DOJ that says the list never existed.

Do the math.

Pam Bondi doesn't expose crime. She launders it. She doesn't prosecute predators. She protects them. She's not just covering up Epstein's mess — she's continuing the same old game: sell access, kill cases, take the money.

This is what justice looks like when it's for sale.



"Arrest These Slimeballs:" ICE Given Authority to Crush Protests

By T-Paine

Donald Trump has just ordered ICE and federal agents to arrest anyone protesting immigration raids—"using whatever means necessary." That includes rock-throwing, brick-throwing, even spitting. Like always, his message is clear: protest = rebellion, and rebellion must be quashed.

Fox News parrots it. Right-wing pundits see it as proof the country needs more force. But this is not a first—it's history in the making.

Historical Precedent: When Protests were Criminalized

During the civil rights era, civil disobedience—sit-ins, marches, boycotts—was met with police dogs, fire hoses, mass arrests, and official labeling as "insurrection."

Today's decree is framed the same way: protest isn't just unruly—it's an immediate threat to government authority.



In 1970, National Guard rifles opened fire on unarmed students at Kent State because protest was considered a rebellion against the state. Now Trump wants the tools and the legal cover to do it again—except this time without public outrage.

Let's get something straight: labeling unarmed protestors as "slimeball rock-throwers" and giving ICE authority to arrest them "by whatever means necessary" isn't about public safety. It's about fear and control. It's about criminalizing dissent.

Sound familiar?

In Nazi Germany, the regime passed sweeping laws under the guise of “public order.” Hitler’s police were given broad authority to arrest anyone who opposed the state — especially if they dared protest in the streets. Throw a rock? Paint graffiti? Distribute a leaflet? You were labeled an enemy of the Reich. The SS and Gestapo didn’t wait for due process.

Now fast forward to America’s own origin story. Remember the Boston Massacre? Colonists — future Americans — threw snowballs and rocks at British soldiers occupying their streets. Five died. That act of rebellion is considered sacred now. It’s even taught in textbooks as the first blood spilled in the Revolution.

So let’s be clear: if Trump had been King George, he would’ve called Sam Adams a “slimeball” and sent ICE to throw Paul Revere in a detention center.



This isn’t just a policy shift. It’s historical amnesia. It’s calling the tools of protest terrorism, while ignoring how this country was born from the very same acts.

The people throwing rocks today are no different from the rebels throwing tea, pamphlets, and snowballs yesterday. The only difference is who’s holding the power — and how scared they are of losing it.

The Trump Escalation

This latest directive builds on his June move to deploy National Guard troops in Los Angeles without a governor’s request—marking the first time since 1965 that a president did so. Now he’s arming ICE with the power to arrest non-violent demonstrators in the name of “protecting federal functions.” That’s fascism by decree.

This isn't Trump's first attempt to blur the line between protest and criminality — but it might be one of the most blatant. By issuing a statement that ICE has permission to arrest demonstrators “by whatever means necessary,” Trump is handing a domestic agency the kind of unchecked power usually reserved for war zones. This isn't just dog-whistle politics — it's an air-raid siren.

Trump's language matters. When a former president (and leading candidate for 2024) refers to citizens expressing dissent as “slimeballs” and suggests violence is the proper response, he's not just venting. He's building a justification. He's laying groundwork for future crackdowns, where any resistance can be rebranded as terrorism. And he's giving federal agents a wink and a nod to escalate first, and answer questions never.

Why does this matter? Because the next time there's a protest — in LA, in Columbus, in a rural Ohio township — ICE doesn't have to wait for instructions. They've already been told: use force. Assume guilt. Silence opposition. That's how democracies rot — not all at once, but by eroding the line between law enforcement and political vengeance until there's nothing left but fear.

Why it Matters

This is a signpost: protest is no longer safe. It comes with heavy consequences. ICE, CBP, DHS—federal security forces once tasked with enforcing narrow mandates—are being repurposed as domestic enforcers of political will.

If they're willing to arrest people for throwing rocks, what's next? Sit-ins, leafleting, even talking back to a cop on the street? We've already seen the penalties escalate for these “slimeballs.”

This isn't about public order. It's about moral terror. They don't want resistance—they want obedience.

Expect raids to become theaters of intimidation. Expect protests to be met not with dialogue, but with guns and arrest authority. Expect it to spread—from Texas fields to Ohio towns—under the guise of “law and order.”

But we've seen this before. History doesn't repeat, but it rhymes—and Trump is reading from the fascist playbook.

Storm Warning: They Knew, But They Cut Anyway

By T-Paine

When nearly 100 people drowned during the July 4th floods in Central Texas, the storm wasn't the only thing that had been forecast. For years, meteorologists and emergency planners had warned: the National Weather Service is crumbling.

So what did the ghouls at Fox News do when tragedy struck?

They pointed to a single detail — that “five meteorologists were on duty,” compared to the usual two — and screamed: “See? No budget cut problem here!” Like always, they missed the damn forest for the dying trees. This wasn't about one room or five people on shift. This was about a national system being gutted piece by piece.

What They Cut, What We Lost

Radiosonde Balloon Launches — Canceled or reduced across the country, cutting off vertical data vital for forecasting storm formation.
Regional Climate Centers — Closed in April after NOAA funding lapsed. These centers provide drought, temperature, and flood data to nearly half the country.

Open NWS Positions — Left unfilled. Dozens of weather offices in the U.S. are operating with less than 50% of necessary staff. Houston alone reported a 44% vacancy rate. Flash-Flood Monitoring Equipment — Defunded in vulnerable flood zones like “Flash Flood Alley” — exactly where this latest disaster hit.

So yes — five meteorologists were on shift. But no, that doesn't mean the system worked. That means five people were doing the job of ten, with less data, less tech, and no regional support.

This wasn't an act of God. It was an act of government failure.



Texas Led The Way (Off a Cliff)

Let's be clear: this isn't just a Trump problem. Texas politicians — eager to slash spending and cozy with developers — have long fought against public safety systems that get in the way of "growth."

NOAA Cuts Have Been Happeneing Since Trump Took Office, Not Just the "BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL"

These cuts aren't new — they began under Trump's second term when his Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) slashed NOAA funding and staff long before the national budget fight.

Trump Still Wants to Gut FEMA

Even after Texas flooded and lives were lost, Trump's proposed budget slashed FEMA funding by nearly 25%. Yes — the agency responsible for disaster response. The one that coordinates evacuations, rebuilds communities, and literally saves lives when the waters rise.

This isn't about "waste." It's about punishing blue states, about funneling disaster relief into private contracts, and about crippling the government's ability to help you — unless you're already rich.

He wants fewer rescuers. Fewer supplies. Fewer options. And more Americans drowning under "small government."



This is Trump's
Katrina

Never Let Them Shrug This Off

Fox News can spin the staffing numbers all day. But we see the bigger picture.

The government chose to weaken warning systems in the face of climate disaster. Now they're using twisted math to dodge responsibility for the bodies.

The Lawsuit That Disappeared: The Allegations Against Trump and Epstein You Were Never Meant to Hear

By T-Paine

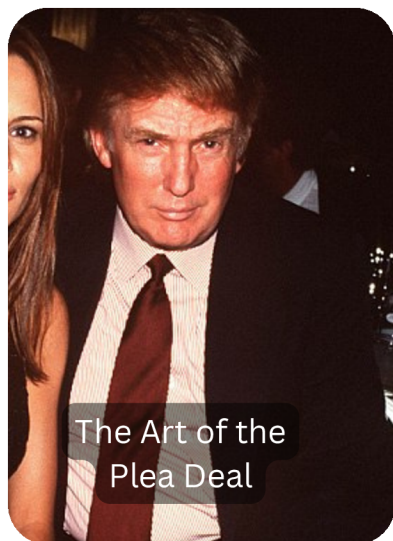
In 2016, a federal lawsuit was filed in the Southern District of New York by a woman using the pseudonym Katie Johnson. The complaint alleged that Donald Trump and Jeffrey Epstein sexually assaulted her in 1994 — when she was just thirteen years old.

The story received almost no national media attention at the time. Dismissed as election-season noise, the allegations were rarely investigated. But the court filings told a different story — one filled with disturbing detail, corroborating witnesses, and a settlement that still has no public paper trail.

The Pattern

Katie Johnson's case followed a now-familiar script. She was lured to Epstein's Manhattan townhouse with promises of modeling opportunities. Once there, she claimed she was subjected to brutal sexual assaults by Epstein — and by Trump, who she says was a guest at multiple events.

The lawsuit alleged that Trump forced her into sexual acts on four occasions and that Epstein both facilitated the abuse and assaulted her himself. Johnson claimed that after she attempted to flee, both men threatened her and her family — a chilling echo of threats reported by other Epstein survivors.



The Witness

A woman identified only as "Tiffany Doe" submitted a sworn statement corroborating Johnson's claims. She said she had worked for Epstein as a "party recruiter," and personally witnessed Trump's encounters with the girl. The lawsuit described her as a key witness who had firsthand knowledge of the abuse.

Her declaration was never challenged in court. No deposition was taken. Because the case never made it that far.

Then It Vanished

Just days before the 2016 election, Katie Johnson dropped the suit. She claimed she was receiving threats. Her legal team quietly stepped away. The media turned its attention to Hillary Clinton's emails. The story died in silence.

But some noticed. Civil rights attorney Lisa Bloom confirmed that Johnson had made her claims under oath and backed them up with documentation. Even Trump's own legal team issued a rare blanket denial — which turned out to be one of the few public statements about the lawsuit the campaign ever made.

The Bigger Picture

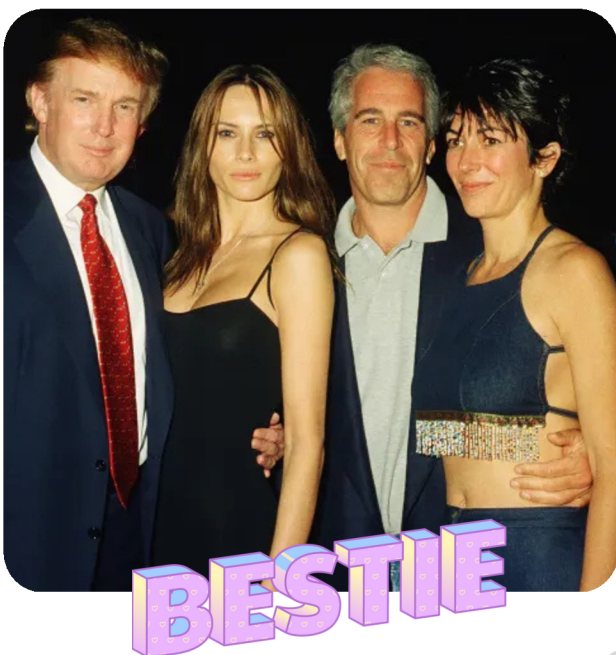
The Katie Johnson lawsuit was not the first sexual misconduct allegation against Trump, nor would it be the last. But it was the most severe. It alleged the rape of a minor. And the man she accused was about to become president of the United States.

In any other country, in any other political climate, it would have triggered hearings, investigations, resignations. In America? It disappeared — buried under threats, distractions, and the billion-dollar noise machine of power and denial.

And Epstein?

The man who allegedly organized the assaults was later arrested and died in jail under circumstances that still haven't been explained. Trump, when asked about Epstein's death, said: "I wish him well."

Katie Johnson has never spoken publicly again.



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