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FJP Statement on DOJ Plans to Ask Trump-Appointed U.S. Attorneys to Resign

[Fair and Just Prosecution](#) Executive Director Miriam Krinsky issued the following statement in response to the [news](#) that the U.S. Department of Justice was expected to ask U.S. attorneys appointed by former President Donald Trump to submit their resignations:

“Last week, we [called](#) for President Biden to swiftly ask Trump-appointed U.S. attorneys for their resignation, and I commend him for listening to that call from many leaders and advocates nationwide. Asking Trump-appointed U.S. attorneys to resign is a much-needed and important signal from the Biden-Harris administration that they are committed to ushering in a new vision of justice that reflects the transformative moment we’re in. ‘Personnel is policy,’ and our communities can’t afford to wait for new leadership in this vitally important arm of government.

After four years of failed DOJ policies, we [need a new fresh slate of U.S. attorneys](#) right away. The current U.S. attorneys are tainted by the failures of the Trump administration. Every day that they remain in office, they continue to make decisions impacting the lives of countless Americans, including how COVID-19 is handled behind bars, when and how police accountability will be managed and how fractured bonds of trust can be rebuilt in communities in the coming years. These past leaders might not have come up with Trump’s agenda, but they enabled him to carry it out, and the American people clearly and decisively voted for a new way forward.

I applaud the Biden-Harris administration and the acting Attorney General for taking this decisive action and also urge the White House and Congress to act swiftly in appointing and confirming new U.S. attorneys and other critical DOJ positions so we can start the vital work of restoring integrity and independence to the Department of Justice and building safer and stronger communities across America.”

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