

# United States Senate

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September 17, 2018

Donald F. McGahn, II  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. McGahn:

We are writing to ask that you confirm that the White House has directed the FBI to perform its due diligence and conduct an investigation into Dr. Ford's credible allegations of serious misconduct against Brett Kavanaugh.

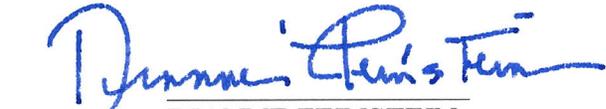
Ranking Member Feinstein referred Dr. Ford's allegations on September 12<sup>th</sup> and followed up on September 14<sup>th</sup> asking for confirmation that the FBI was investigating these allegations. To date, there has not been a response.

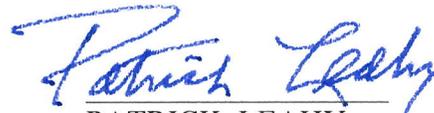
It is our understanding that the FBI conducts background investigations of nominees at the White House's request. Accordingly, the President can request an appropriate follow-up, even after a background investigation may be closed. We ask that the President immediately do so here.

We take these allegations extremely seriously and believe it is in the best interest of all parties to have a thorough examination by FBI career professionals with the requisite investigative expertise. Since Dr. Ford has come forward there have been reports of medical documentation and other witnesses, as well as her

own account. It is clear these allegations require a thorough examination and we request your immediate confirmation that the FBI will be re-opening its review.

Sincerely,

  
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Ranking Member

  
PATRICK LEAHY  
United States Senator

  
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United States Senator

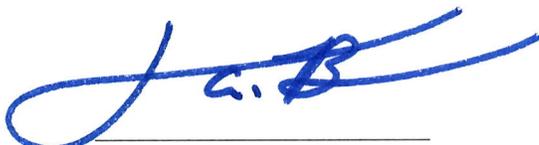
  
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cc: Hon. Charles E. Grassley, Chairman  
Senate Judiciary Committee