

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

I am writing to seek answers from you in order to solve the ongoing mystery of what happened to as much as \$63 million in settlement payments reportedly made to your future presidential library¹ before the library fund was dissolved.²

The Donald J. Trump Presidential Library Fund, Inc. (Fund) was incorporated in late 2024³ — just in time to receive payments from four companies (Paramount, ABC, Meta, and X) that you sued, then settled with, from late 2024 to mid-2025.⁴ The Fund’s stated purpose was “to preserve and steward the legacy of President Donald J. Trump and his presidency.”⁵

But in September 2025, the Fund was administratively dissolved for failure to submit a mandatory annual report,⁶ and in December the incorporator filed articles of dissolution.⁷ No

¹ CBS News, “Critics of Trump’s presidential library fundraising say ‘there are no rules,’” Madeleine May, Julia Ingram, and Hannah Marr, July 16, 2025, <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/trump-presidential-library-fundraising/>.

² OpenSecrets, “One of Trump’s library funds has mysteriously dissolved, but a lack of transparency keeps the public in the dark,” Dave Levinthal, October 14, 2025, <https://www.opensecrets.org/news/2025/10/one-of-trumps-library-funds-has-mysteriously-dissolved-but-a-lack-of-transparency-keeps-the-public-in-the-dark/>.

³ Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, Electronic Articles of Incorporation for Donald J. Trump Presidential Library Fund, Inc., December 20, 2024, <https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/ConvertTiffToPDF?storagePath=COR%5C2024%5C1220%5C30437303.tif&documentNumber=N24000014743/>.

⁴ AP News, “ABC agrees to give \$15 million to Donald Trump’s presidential library to settle defamation lawsuit,” Michael R. Sisak, December 14, 2024, <https://apnews.com/article/abc-trump-lawsuit-defamation-stephanopoulos-04aea8663310af39ae2a85f4c1a56d68>; Wall Street Journal, “Meta to Pay \$25 Million to Settle 2021 Trump Lawsuit,” Annie Linskey and Rebecca Ballhaus, January 29, 2025, <https://www.wsj.com/us-news/law/trump-signs-agreement-calling-for-meta-to-pay-25-million-to-settle-suit-6f734c8c?st=pdbYXT>; AP News, “Trump settles suit against Elon Musk’s X over his post-Jan. 6 ban,” Zeke Miller, February 13, 2025, <https://apnews.com/article/trump-twitter-x-elon-musk-google-9dcb52b84061efdd2cdd102678dc8fea>; New York Times, “Paramount to Pay Trump \$16 Million to Settle ‘60 Minutes’ Lawsuit,” Benjamin Mullin, Michael M. Grynbaum, Lauren Hirsch, and David Enrich, July 2, 2025, <https://www.nytimes.com/2025/07/02/business/media/paramount-trump-60-minutes-lawsuit.html>.

⁵ Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, Electronic Articles of Incorporation for Donald J. Trump Presidential Library Fund, Inc., December 20, 2024, <https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/ConvertTiffToPDF?storagePath=COR%5C2024%5C1220%5C30437303.tif&documentNumber=N24000014743/>.

⁶ Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, Administrative Dissolution for Annual Report of Donald J. Trump Presidential Library Fund, Inc., September 26, 2025, <https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/26186340-trumpresidentiallibraryfundstatus/>.

explanation was ever given for the Fund’s dissolution.⁸ There have been no disclosures about the Fund’s disposition of any funds, and the White House press office has not responded to requests for comment.⁹ There appears to be no individual taking responsibility for the closure of the Fund and disposition of its money: no Fund board members were ever appointed,¹⁰ and the only person to sign any of its public documents has minimized his role, stating that “[m]y job is simply to be the registrant.”¹¹

Meanwhile, in May 2025, a second nonprofit, the Donald J. Trump Presidential Library Foundation, Inc. (Foundation) was incorporated with the substantially same stated purpose as the Fund: “to steward, preserve, and celebrate the legacy and historical record of President Donald J. Trump and his presidency.”¹² It is unclear why the Foundation was formed when the Fund already existed¹³ and whether any money held by the Fund was transferred to the Foundation upon the former’s dissolution.¹⁴

In order to determine the disposition of these funds, which by law are required to be used for charitable purposes, not personal benefit,¹⁵ we sent letters last month to the four companies, asking a series of questions about what they knew about where the money had gone.¹⁶ We asked the companies for information on what entity they made their settlement payments to and whether they were aware of the current status of the funds.¹⁷

⁷ Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, Articles of Dissolution for Donald J. Trump Presidential Library Fund, Inc., December 29, 2025, <https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/ConvertTiffToPDF?storagePath=COR%5C2025%5C1230%5C64041991.tif&documentNumber=N24000014743>.

⁸ OpenSecrets, “One of Trump’s library funds has mysteriously dissolved, but a lack of transparency keeps the public in the dark,” Dave Levinthal, October 14, 2025, <https://www.opensecrets.org/news/2025/10/one-of-trumps-library-funds-has-mysteriously-dissolved-but-a-lack-of-transparency-keeps-the-public-in-the-dark/>.

⁹ *Id.*

¹⁰ USA Today, “With \$37 million and a jet, Trump’s presidential library takes off, Eric Trump as pilot,” Swapna Venugopal Ramaswamy, May 24, 2025, <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2025/05/24/trump-presidential-library-jet-meta-abc/83844165007/>.

¹¹ OpenSecrets, “One of Trump’s library funds has mysteriously dissolved, but a lack of transparency keeps the public in the dark,” Dave Levinthal, October 14, 2025, <https://www.opensecrets.org/news/2025/10/one-of-trumps-library-funds-has-mysteriously-dissolved-but-a-lack-of-transparency-keeps-the-public-in-the-dark/>.

¹² Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, Articles of Incorporation for Donald J. Trump Presidential Library Foundation, Inc., May 19, 2025, <https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/ConvertTiffToPDF?storagePath=COR%5C2025%5C0523%5C00177827.Tif&documentNumber=N25000006299>.

¹³ OpenSecrets, “One of Trump’s library funds has mysteriously dissolved, but a lack of transparency keeps the public in the dark,” Dave Levinthal, October 14, 2025, <https://www.opensecrets.org/news/2025/10/one-of-trumps-library-funds-has-mysteriously-dissolved-but-a-lack-of-transparency-keeps-the-public-in-the-dark/>.

¹⁴ Washington Post, “Democrats ask what happened to millions earmarked for Trump’s library,” Dan Diamond and Aaron Schaffer, March 11, 2025, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2026/03/11/congressional-democrats-trump-library/>.

¹⁵ CBS News, “Critics of Trump’s presidential library fundraising say ‘there are no rules,’” Madeleine May, Julia Ingram, and Hannah Marr, July 16, 2025, <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/trump-presidential-library-fundraising/>.

¹⁶ U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, “Warren, Blumenthal, Stansbury Press Big Tech CEOs on Trump Settlements to Now-Dissolved Library Fund,” press release, March 11, 2026, <https://www.warren.senate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/warren-blumenthal-stansbury-press-big-tech-ceos-on-trump-settlements-to-now-dissolved-library-fund>.

¹⁷ Letter from U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury to ABC News President Almin Karamehmedovic, March 9, 2026, https://www.warren.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/letter_to_abc_re_trump_library_fund_donation.pdf; Letter from U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury to Meta

All four companies have responded to our letters. Their answers indicated that they have no explanation or information that they are willing to share publicly about where the vast majority of the settlement money had gone, or where it will go:

- ABC told us that its “parent company made a payment by wire on December 19, 2024, to . . . the escrow account established by the Plaintiff’s counsel” and that “[i]n response to our recent ask for a status update, Plaintiff’s counsel, on Thursday, March 19, 2026, provided written notice to us that the IRS has recognized the 501(c)(3) status of ‘The Donald J Trump Presidential Library Foundation, Inc.,’ and requested that we provide written authorization for release of the funds to that entity.”¹⁸ This response appears to indicate that ABC had no knowledge of the whereabouts of the contents of the Fund in the immediate aftermath of its dissolution, and the response still fails to provide clarity on whether the ABC settlement has been transferred to the Foundation.
- Paramount said that it made a payment of \$16 million and that “[w]ith respect to your questions regarding the disposition of funds and subsequent developments concerning the presidential library fund, the Company’s involvement was limited to making the payment as specified in the Settlement Agreement” — providing no answers about the disposition of funds following the dissolution of the Foundation.¹⁹
- Meta confirmed that it paid \$22 million “to support a presidential library for President Trump . . . for the purpose of settling the pending claims” but refused to provide further “confidential” details.²⁰
- X likewise confirmed that it paid \$10 million in a group settlement that included President Trump but refused to comment further on “confidentiality” grounds.²¹

These are troubling answers. The companies do not know or are unwilling to share their information about what happened to the millions of dollars given to the Fund. This leaves the public completely in the dark about what happened to the Fund, whether there was any money in it when it was dissolved, what happened to that money upon the Fund’s dissolution, and why a

Platforms, Inc. Chair and Chief Executive Officer Mark Zuckerberg, March 9, 2026, https://www.warren.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/letter_to_meta_re_trump_library_fund_donation.pdf; Letter from U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury to X Corp. Chairman Elon Musk, March 9, 2026, https://www.warren.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/letter_to_x_re_trump_library_fund_donation.pdf; Letter from U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury to Paramount Skydance Corporation Chief Executive Corporation David Ellison, March 9, 2026, https://www.warren.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/letter_to_paramount_re_trump_library_fund_donation.pdf.

¹⁸ Letter from ABC News to U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury, March 23, 2026 [on file with the office of U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren].

¹⁹ Letter from Paramount Skydance Corporation to U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury, March 23, 2026 [on file with the office of U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren].

²⁰ Letter from Meta Platforms, Inc. to U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury, March 25, 2026 [on file with the office of U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren].

²¹ Letter from X Corp. to U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury, March 25, 2026 [on file with the office of U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren].

second entity with the same purpose as the Fund was created in the first place. This is a deeply troubling set of questions, particularly given the vast tide of corruption and self-enrichment that has occurred during your Administration, and your ongoing attempts to seek massive personal payments from the federal government.²²

You owe the public an explanation, and we ask that you provide answers to the following questions by May 1, 2026:

1. Please describe the current status and location of the settlement payments made by ABC, Meta, X, and Paramount to your future presidential library.
2. Were any of these settlement payments at any time in the possession of the Fund?
3. How much money, if any, did the Fund contain before it was dissolved?
 - a. Upon its dissolution, what happened to the money the Fund contained, if any?
 - b. Was any money contained in the Fund transferred to the Foundation?
 - c. Was any of the money contributed to the Fund transferred to any Trump family member, or any individuals or entities associated in any way with the Trump family?
4. Why did you create two entities — the Fund and the Foundation — with the same purpose?
 - a. Why was the Fund dissolved?
 - b. Why was the Foundation preferred instead of the Fund?
5. Is the Foundation now in possession of all of the settlement money from these four companies?
 - a. If so, what is the total sum of those settlement payments now in the Foundation?
 - b. If not, why not?
6. Are you, or your agents, personally in control of any of the funds contributed to the now-defunct Fund?

Sincerely,

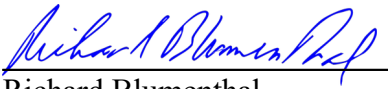


Elizabeth Warren
United States Senator



Melanie Stansbury
Member of Congress

²² U.S. Senate Committee on Finance, “Wyden, Warren Demand Answers as Trump Attempts to Steal \$10B From Taxpayers in IRS Lawsuit,” February 4, 2026, <https://www.finance.senate.gov/ranking-members-news/wyden-warren-demand-answers-as-trump-attempts-to-steal-10b-from-taxpayers-in-irs-lawsuit>.



Richard Blumenthal

United States Senator