

Sessions and Russia

The United States Department of Justice's Office of Special Counsel has been collaborating with United States President Donald Trump's attorneys to arrange and decide the terms of former FBI director Robert Mueller's questioning of Trump, which is expected to occur within three weeks of January 25, 2018. If terms are agreed upon, it is suggested that some potentially decisive moves by Mueller are likely to happen soon. Meanwhile, President Trump's legal team wants him to decline to speak directly with Mueller. What many American citizens want to know now is why Republicans are undermining the Russia investigation if Trump has nothing to hide.

Even without a direct interview with Trump, Mueller and his team have still been able to uncover information and learn about Trump's personal affairs through over twenty White House personnel who have apparently given answers voluntarily to questions asked by Mueller's team regarding Russia's possible role in the 2016 election. It was even discovered that Attorney General Jeff Sessions had become the first member of Trump's cabinet to be interviewed in this particular inquiry. In Mueller's eyes, Sessions is a very important witness to two of the most significant issues he is investigating. The first is the Trump campaign's possible ties to the Russians, and the second is whether President Trump tried to obstruct the Russia investigation. Mueller could have the ability to receive information from Sessions regarding his responsibility as the leader of the campaign's foreign policy team.

Sessions most certainly played some noteworthy role in establishing Trump's stance on Russia and additionally met with Russian officials, one of the remarkable officials being Russian ambassador Sergey Kislyak. Information from Sessions could also play an important role in the

investigation due to the fact that it has been widely reported that Trump has made comments about the Russia investigation to him in private repeatedly. It has also been widely reported that in March of last year, Trump gave pretty clear instructions to the White House's top lawyer. He said to stop the attorney general Jeff Sessions from removing himself in the Justice Department's investigation regarding the possibility that Trump's associates had supported a Russian campaign made for the core purpose of disrupting the 2016 election. Around this time, pressure from the public had been building for Sessions, a then-senior member of the Trump campaign, to back off and leave the case alone. Despite this, the White House counsel, Donald F. McGahn II, obeyed President Trump's orders, and pressurized Mr. Sessions to maintain his role of authority in the inquiry.

With much more information expected to surface soon regarding updates having to do with Mueller's investigation with Russia and remained hopes of gaining an interview with the President himself, the inquiry still appears to have a long way to go before closing. Information from Sessions leads eager American citizens one step closer to discovering the truth of the 2016 election. As Mueller's team continues with their probe, Americans will continue to wonder whether proving Russian meddling in the election could in fact put President Trump in a position to be impeached.