

Donald Trump indicted

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Former President Donald Trump yesterday became the first former President to come under a criminal indictment.

The Donald Trump indictment

Blaze News [broke the story](#) yesterday afternoon, sourcing it to *The New York Times*. According to a statement by New York County District Attorney Alvin L. Bragg, the indictment remains under seal. But rumors have it that the charges in the indictment carry a prison term of four years.

Headline USA carried [this report](#), plus a tweet by Senator Ted Cruz (R-Texas):

The Democrat Party's hatred for Donald Trump knows no bounds. The "substance" of this political persecution is utter garbage.

This is completely unprecedented and is a catastrophic escalation in the weaponization of the justice system.

— Ted Cruz (@tedcruz) [March 30, 2023](#)

Commentator Greg Price also dropped this thread:

This is what is known as an actual threat to democracy. A politically motivated prosecutor is weaponizing his office to go after the guy winning in the 2024 polls. This is what Putin does to his opponents but the America libs want looks a lot like Russia they claim to despise.

— Greg Price (@greg_price11) [March 30, 2023](#)

A Manhattan grand jury had been investigating Trump for allegedly having an affair with a pornography actress, who goes by the stage name Stormy Daniels, paying her for a non-disclosure agreement (which she did not honor), and – the key – failure to report the payment as a campaign expenditure.

Allusions to the march by Julius Caesar and the Thirteenth Legion across the Rubicon River abounded.

BREAKING: President Trump INDICTED by NYC grand jury <https://t.co/E6ju1s4Zh9>

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 30, 2023](#)

Not a good look for everyone who said Trump getting indicted was just a rumor

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 30, 2023](#)

This will be a revealing moment for everyone who calls themselves a patriot

We are living through history

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 30, 2023](#)

<pic.twitter.com/WO5DkAU5Cy>.

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 30, 2023](#)

BREAKING: Wine mom party vibes and cheering breaking out in the White House, especially KJP, per WH staffer

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 30, 2023](#)

BREAKING: "Bring it on. Bring on every piece of this. Because every single red-blooded American is about to get activated peacefully and patriotically." <pic.twitter.com/bNIIIETiFh>

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 30, 2023](#)

Donald Trump is now the first former President of the United States ever to be indicted. There is no coming back from this moment. pic.twitter.com/pHuXdDRAKa

— Tucker Carlson (@TuckerCarlson) [March 31, 2023](#)

The Die Is Cast <https://t.co/Yb72SpMSvy> pic.twitter.com/icOVXIYuGW

— The Columbia Bugle 🇺🇸 (@ColumbiaBugle) [March 30, 2023](#)

Historical note: the late Colleen McCullough, who researched ancient Rome extensively for her seven-part series *The Masters of Rome*, disputed the translation of Caesar’s famous phrase as “The die is cast.” She suggests the he is far more likely to have said:

| Let the dice fly high!

Angry reaction also came from other Republican officeholders:]

Alvin Bragg has irreparably damaged our country in an attempt to interfere in our Presidential election.

As he routinely frees violent criminals to terrorize the public, he weaponized our sacred system of justice against President Donald Trump.

The American people will not...

— Kevin McCarthy (@SpeakerMcCarthy) [March 30, 2023](#)

Americans should stand united in opposition to the Democrats’ politicization of our justice system and refusal to lock up violent criminals in favor of prosecuting their political opponents. D.A. Bragg should resign for his abuse of power and targeting of Donald Trump.

— Sarah Huckabee Sanders (@SarahHuckabee) [March 30, 2023](#)

But one user accused Donald Trump of falsely alluding to a possible indictment, and then provoking Bragg to do it. Jack Posobiec tweeted only a screencap, suggesting the user deleted the tweet later.

| pic.twitter.com/R7RpePJ0Yb

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 30, 2023](#)

A distraction?

“Poso” also speculated that the indictment is a distraction from the “manifesto” by the perpetrator of the Nashville Incident.

The Nashville police told us the shooter had a manifesto

The FBI took the manifesto

The FBI said they'll release the manifest eventually

Suddenly Trump is indicted

They expect you to forget about the manifesto

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 31, 2023](#)

Worth noting is that earlier yesterday the grand jury was supposed to have gone on a month-long recess.

“Poso” also released this purported recording which is probably a hoax that he based on that “distraction” speculation.

This leaked audio from Bragg is unbelievable! pic.twitter.com/EB0BX75ICE

— Jack Posobiec 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) [March 31, 2023](#)

He already has a reputation for releasing “deepfake video” as a joke.

Laura Loomer shared this video of what she said would be typical voter reaction:

WATCH: Speaking on [@TuckerCarlson](#) last night, [@WhitlockJason](#) said he’s NEVER voted before, but that the indictment of President Trump made him “hardcore MAGA” and he will be voting MAGA.

He said we are a communist, Marxist society.

He’s right! pic.twitter.com/quHLqdvWoD

— Laura Loomer (@LauraLoomer) [March 31, 2023](#)

For his part, Gov. Ron DeSantis (R-Fla.) indicated he would refuse extradition if New York State demanded it.

The weaponization of the legal system to advance a political agenda turns the rule of law on its head.

It is un-American.

The Soros-backed Manhattan District Attorney has consistently bent the law to downgrade felonies and to excuse criminal misconduct. Yet, now he is...

— Ron DeSantis (@GovRonDeSantis) March 30, 2023

However, Trump's lawyers have suggested they will cooperate with New York authorities.