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<u>Statement of Gloria Allred Regarding the Sudden Resignation of U.S. Attorney for</u> the Southern District of New York, Geoffrey Berman

The sudden resignation of U.S. Attorney, Geoffrey Berman, is very disturbing because it may delay the investigation and any potential prosecution into who may have conspired with Jeffrey Epstein to sex traffic underage girls. Once again, justice is delayed for the victims.

I believe that it is important for the United States Department of Justice to clearly explain to the public and to the victims of Jeffrey Epstein the reasons why Mr. Berman resigned. Was he asked to resign because of his efforts to obtain an interview with Prince Andrew concerning what Prince Andrew knew about Jeffrey Epstein and Mr. Epstein's criminal sexual abuse of young girls? Has there been any effort by either Buckingham Palace or by the United States Attorney General to intervene in or interfere with this investigation into Jeffrey Epstein?

It is unfair to victims to leave them with this important question for which we, as yet, have no answer. Victims have a right to know.

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