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## ICYMI: Donalds Delivers Remarks After Attending The House Oversight Committee's Deposition Of Jill Biden's Chief Of Staff

WASHINGTON – This morning, Congressman Byron Donalds (R-FL) delivered remarks alongside House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Chairman James Comer (R-KY) after attending the [closed-door deposition](#) of Anthony Bernal.

Known as former First Lady Jill Biden's "work husband," Bernal was Jill Biden's longtime Chief of Staff, and a top Biden family advisor.

In his remarks, Donalds called for former First Lady Jill Biden, former Vice President Kamala Harris, and "every member of the Biden administration" to testify before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform in its investigation into former President Joe Biden's cognitive decline and his administration's autopen usage.

Watch the Congressman's remarks [here](#) or read the full transcription below:



**Congressman Donalds:** "First thing's first, that's just crazy. You can't answer a simple question about the former president's ability to discharge his duties, and you worked in the White House as Chief of Staff to the First Lady, and you come in here and you plead the Fifth. He can say whatever he wants in his testimony. Which by the way, his attorney read. He wouldn't even read his own statement. His attorney read his statement for him. So, he came in there and said that him pleading the Fifth is not an admission of guilt or anything about what was going on in the Biden White House or to give any inkling to the fact that Joe Biden was lacking in capability. The fact that he couldn't make any statement, the fact that the White House doctor couldn't make any statement, and they both plead the Fifth - which is their Constitutional right to do, and we respect the Constitution like every American does, but the fact that they are now hiding behind the Constitution so that they don't have to tell the truth to the American people about Joe Biden's abilities and mental faculties while he was President of the United States is not just shocking, it's stunning and it demonstrates the level of corruption that was going on in that administration. The Chairman is being nice, I don't have to be. This is corruption at the highest level because if you cannot say, answer a simple question about Joe Biden's capabilities then that further demonstrates that he was not in charge of his administration. And if he was not in charge of his administration, then every order, every bill that was signed, every memorandum, as far as I'm concerned are null and void. And Congressional Democrats need to actually step into the light and not hide behind this stuff or run away from it because everything that that administration did, as far as I'm concerned, is unlawful. If he [Joe Biden] did not have the ability to discharge his duties, then, anything that he signed, or the autopen signed, or whatever, as far as I'm concerned, is null and void. And where was Kamala Harris? I'm not going to speak for the Chairman, I'm going to speak for myself. As far as I'm concerned, every member of the Biden administration, at this point, needs to be subpoenaed. I don't care if they were a secretary, I don't care if they were a janitor working in there. They all gotta come in and answer questions for this committee."

**Reporter Question:** "Congressman, does that include Dr. Jill Biden?"

**Congressman Donalds:** "Of course. Her righthand man, listen, Anthony Bernal is the righthand man. That's her guy, that's her Chief of Staff. If he came in here and plead the Fifth, I'm sorry, the former First Lady, she gotta come in here and answer questions. This is not about, listen, that is the president's wife. I have a wife, James [Comer] has a wife. Obviously with family members you want to do everything you can to protect your family, but if you can't answer a basic question to the mental capabilities of President Biden, then as far as I'm concerned, you now have to answer to the American people."

**Reporter Question:** "Should the former President or Vice President be subpoenaed?"

**Congressman Donalds:** "I think Kamala Harris needs to come in and tell us what she knew and when she knew it. She ran for President, so she should be able to tell us what was going on."

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