

NEXUS ANALYSIS

# BSA Settlement Trust Defense Firms, Epstein Entities & Humpty Dumpty Institute

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A comprehensive open-source intelligence review of connections between insurance defense counsel in *Houser v. Allianz Global Risks* (N.D. Tex., Case No. 3:23-CV-1592), Jeffrey Epstein-linked entities, and the Humpty Dumpty Institute Congressional network.

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report examines connections between the approximately 55 law firms representing 83 insurance company defendants in *Houser v. Allianz Global Risks* (N.D. Tex., Case No. 3:23-CV-1592) — the BSA Settlement Trust's bad faith lawsuit against non-settling insurers — and entities/individuals connected to Jeffrey Epstein, Mark Epstein, and the Humpty Dumpty Institute (HDI), which counts multiple members of Congress on its advisory board.

The research identified seven firms with documented connections to Epstein-related matters, ranging from direct representation relationships (DLA Piper's former chairman George Mitchell described as Epstein's "very close friend" with victim allegations; McDermott Will & Emery's partner structuring the Leon Black trust architecture that Epstein monetized for \$158M in fees) to insurance coverage overlaps (Clyde & Co defending Chubb in both BSA non-settling insurer litigation and Epstein-related JPMorgan coverage disputes) to peripheral/adverse connections (Greenberg Traurig fighting to release Epstein grand jury records). Separately, the Humpty Dumpty Institute — an organization directed and primarily funded by Jeffrey Epstein's brother Mark Epstein — maintained a Congressional Advisory Board of 33–38 members of Congress and partnered with the CCP/PLA-affiliated Taihe Institute in Beijing from 2017 onward.

Key Metric	Finding
Law firms researched	~55 firms representing 83 defendants
Firms with Epstein connections	7 confirmed (2 Tier 1, 4 Tier 2, 2 Tier 3)
HDI Congressional Advisory Board	33–38 members of Congress (peak)
Mark Epstein HDI role	Director, Vice Chairman, primary funder (2007–2021)
HDI-CCP partnership	Taihe Institute (Beijing), 2017–present
BSA-Epstein insurance overlap	Chubb (\$800M BSA settler) and Liberty Mutual in both contexts

SECTION 1

## THE MARK EPSTEIN / HDI NEXUS

### Mark Epstein's Role at HDI

Mark Lawrence Epstein — Jeffrey Epstein's brother and heir to the ~\$577M Epstein estate — served as a Director and the primary financial backer of the Humpty Dumpty Institute from at least 2007 through FY2021 (confirmed in IRS Form 990 filings). He served as Vice Chairman and personally hosted Congressional delegations at his residence. In 2014, he loaned HDI at least \$100,000.<sup>1</sup>

Mark Epstein also served as president of J. Epstein & Co., his brother Jeffrey's investment firm. Both Mark's firm (Ossa Properties) and Jeffrey's firm shared the address 475 Madison Avenue in Manhattan, suggesting corporate/operational affiliation.<sup>2</sup>

In April 2019, Mark Epstein — identified as "Vice Chairman of HDI" — led a Congressional delegation to Antwerp, Belgium. He also traveled with delegations to the UAE in March 2019. He was removed from HDI's public website by approximately December 2020, following his brother's death and arrest, but IRS filings confirm he remained a listed director through the FY2021 filing (filed November 2022).<sup>3</sup>

### HDI Founders

Founder	Role	Background
Constance J. Milstein	Chairman / Co-Founder	Attorney; Biden's Ambassador to Malta (2022); Clinton/Biden mega-donor (\$725K+ to Biden Victory Fund); principal of Ogden CAP Properties; heiress to Emigrant Savings Bank fortune
Michael W. Sonnenfeldt	Vice Chairman / Co-Founder	Founder, TIGER 21 (high-net-worth peer network); Chairman, MUUS & Company; former Goldman Sachs associate; co-founder, Israel Policy Forum; nephew of Helmut Sonnenfeldt (FBI-investigated for sharing classified docs with Israel)
William J. Rouhana, Jr.	Vice Chairman / Co-Founder	Chairman & CEO, Chicken Soup for the Soul; founder WinStar New Media; entertainment/media attorney; co-chair, Global Creative Forum (UN-Hollywood)
Ralph L. Cwerman	President, CEO / Co-Founder	Former Director of Research at Israel's Permanent Mission to the UN; former senior aide to Ambassador Benjamin Netanyahu; previously SVP at MUUS Asset Management (Sonnenfeldt's firm); Managing Director, Camelot Group

### HDI-CCP Controversy

Since 2017, HDI openly partnered with the Taihe Institute, a Beijing-based think tank employing over a dozen current and former CCP members and People's Liberation Army officers as senior fellows. HDI Executive Director Joseph Merante spoke at the Taihe Civilizations Forum in Beijing every year from 2017 to 2020, urging China to improve its "cultural soft power" and highlighting HDI's cooperation with Chinese businesses including Perfect World.<sup>4</sup>

Perfect World Co., Ltd. — China's largest gaming company — had its CEO Dr. Robert Hong Xiao and SVP Ruby Wang sitting on the HDI board from 2015 to approximately 2020. Ruby Wang was also a Taihe Institute fellow. Under a 2015 five-year agreement, Perfect World recruited Chinese universities into HDI's Higher Education Alliance program.<sup>5</sup>

Following the Washington Examiner's December 2021 exposé, several Congressional Advisory Board members resigned: Rep. Gus Bilirakis (R-FL) wrote that "It is particularly abhorrent to me to be associated with an organization that has ties to a government widely known to actively support infanticide." Rep. Andy Harris (R-MD) stated he "was never notified" of being placed on the CAB. Rep. Al Green (D-TX) was silently removed from the list.<sup>6</sup>

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1. IRS Form 990 filings via ProPublica (EIN 13-4028567); <https://projects.propublica.org/nonprofits/organizations/134028567>

2. *The Real Deal* — Jeffrey Epstein's Real Estate Ties to His Brother Mark (August 2019)

3. IRS Form 990 FY2021 filing; Washington Examiner (December 21, 2021); *Wikipedia* — Mark Epstein

4. *Washington Examiner* — Dozens of Members of Congress Advise Nonprofit Group (Dec. 2021)

5. HDI website; IRS 990 filings (2015–2020); Perfect World press release (January 2015)

6. *Washington Examiner* (December 21, 2021)

## SECTION 2

## DIRECT LAW FIRM CONNECTIONS TO EPSTEIN

The following firms, each representing defendants in the BSA Settlement Trust's bad faith lawsuit, have documented connections to Jeffrey Epstein, Mark Epstein, or Epstein-related entities. Connections are organized into three tiers by directness and significance.

### TIER 1 — Direct Representation or Documented Relationship

#### DLA Piper LLP

*BSA role: Represents Aviva PLC — 5 attorneys*

George Mitchell, former U.S. Senator and Chairman of DLA Piper's global board (2005–2009, continuing as Chair Emeritus), was described by Jeffrey Epstein in a 2011 email as a "very close friend."<sup>1</sup> The connection is extensive:

- FBI documents from December 2020 describe a victim account of having sexual contact with Mitchell "multiple times," stating Mitchell "asked for a blow job and sex."<sup>2</sup>
- Virginia Giuffre testified in a 2016 deposition that Ghislaine Maxwell directed her to provide a sexual massage to Mitchell while he was visiting Epstein in Palm Beach.<sup>3</sup>
- Mitchell maintained contact with Epstein through at least 2013, despite Epstein's 2008 conviction — returning a phone call in 2010 and attending a meeting in 2013.<sup>4</sup>
- In a 2003 handwritten birthday note in Epstein's birthday scrapbook, Mitchell wrote: "The beginning of a new year is a good time to count our blessings. Among mine is your friendship."<sup>5</sup>
- Multiple institutions have since severed ties with Mitchell: the Mitchell Institute, Queen's University Belfast, and the US-Ireland Alliance all removed his name following the 2026 Epstein file releases.<sup>6</sup>

*Note: DLA Piper as an institution did not represent Epstein. The connection runs through one of its most senior figures having a documented personal relationship with Epstein.*

1. Above the Law — Former DLA Piper Chair Was Allegedly Epstein's 'Very Close Friend' (Feb. 2026)

2. Above the Law (February 11, 2026); Epstein files released by House Oversight Committee

3. Bloomberg Law — Ex-Sen. Mitchell Named in Epstein Scandal (August 2019)

4. Epstein files released by House Oversight Committee (2026)

5. Irish Times — British Ambassador Sacked Over Epstein Emails (September 2025)

6. Bloomberg Law; Above the Law (February 2026)

#### McDermott Will & Emery LLP

*BSA role: Represents Allianz Global Risks, Fireman's Fund, Interstate Fire & Casualty, Jefferson Insurance, National Surety — lead defense firm with 4 attorneys*

McDermott Will & Emery has two documented Epstein connections through individual attorneys:

- Carlyn McCaffrey — a prominent tax and estate planning partner — structured the foundational trust/estate legal architecture (a \$500M–\$1B GRAT) for Apollo Global Management CEO Leon Black. Jeffrey Epstein subsequently stepped into this structure as financial adviser, extracting \$158 million in advisory fees between 2012 and 2017. McCaffrey did the initial legal work; Black then turned to Epstein as his primary tax/estate advisor.<sup>7</sup>
- Ted Diskant — former co-chief of the SDNY Public Corruption Unit who led the Epstein prosecution — joined McDermott as a partner in July 2021. His role was on the prosecution side, representing the government, not Epstein.<sup>8</sup>

7. NYT — [What Jeffrey Epstein Did to Earn \\$158 Million from Leon Black \(Jan. 2021\)](#); Puck News ([April 2024](#))

8. Bloomberg Law — [SDNY Public Corruption Chief Joins McDermott \(July 2021\)](#); Reuters ([July 2021](#))

## TIER 2 — Substantive Indirect Connections

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### Day Pitney LLP

*BSA role: Represents Travelers Companies, St. Paul entities, Charter Oak Fire, Phoenix Insurance, US Fidelity & Guaranty, Brighthouse Life — 10 defendants, 4 attorneys*

- Day Pitney merged in 2021 with Howland Evangelista Kohlenberg, bringing in partner A. Max Kohlenberg. Kohlenberg appears in the Epstein files: he was the Providence-based trust attorney representing the Noam Chomsky family trust. In 2017, he participated in a scheduled conference call with Jeffrey Epstein's accountant Rich Kahn and Epstein's attorney Reid Weingarten regarding the Chomsky trust dispute.<sup>9</sup>
- Former Day Pitney partner Sarah Krissoff was a former federal prosecutor in SDNY who worked on the Epstein/Maxwell prosecution team; she later moved to Cozen O'Connor.<sup>10</sup>

9. GoLocalProv — Jeffrey Epstein, Noam Chomsky, and a Providence Lawyer (March 2026); DOJ Epstein files; Day Pitney merger announcement

10. Cozen O'Connor — Sarah Krissoff bio; Reuters (December 2021)

### Clyde & Co US LLP

*BSA role: Represents 15 defendant insurance companies including Swiss Re, London & Edinburgh, Tenecom, Westport, Great American entities, Arrowood, Endurance, Everest, General Star, Axis — LARGEST defense firm presence by defendant count, 8 attorneys*

Clyde & Co also represents Chubb Ltd. insurance units (Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania and West Fire Insurance Co.) defending against JPMorgan Chase's bad faith claims in Epstein-related insurance coverage litigation (JPMorgan Chase & Co. v. Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Co., N.Y. Sup. Ct., No. 659255/2024).<sup>11</sup>

- JPMorgan settled for \$290M with ~200 Epstein victims and \$75M with the USVI government; total defense/settlement costs exceeded all insurance coverage levels.<sup>12</sup>
- Chubb/Century (the settling BSA insurer) contributed \$800M to the BSA settlement fund — the largest single insurer contribution.
- This creates a notable overlap: Clyde & Co defends Chubb in Epstein insurance disputes while simultaneously representing 15 non-settling insurers fighting the BSA Trust.

11. Bloomberg Law — Chubb Insurers Fight JPMorgan Claim Over Epstein Litigation (June 2025)

12. Insurance Journal — JPMorgan Agrees to Pay \$290M (June 2023)

### Carlton Fields PA

*BSA role: Represents Everest National Insurance Company — 3 attorneys*

Carlton Fields attorneys Niall McLauchlan and Joseph Ianno appeared as counsel for Fowler White Burnett PA (Epstein's former Florida law firm) in the Rothstein Rosenfeldt Adler bankruptcy proceedings in 2018.<sup>13</sup>

- A bankruptcy judge issued a show-cause order against both Fowler White and Jeffrey Epstein personally for allegedly retaining confidential documents in violation of a court order.

- Carlton Fields was actively litigating on behalf of Epstein's former law firm in those contempt proceedings, present at the April 2018 hearings alongside Epstein's personal counsel.
- The DOJ's Epstein files (Document EFTA00787717, released under the Epstein Files Transparency Act) contain the hearing transcript confirming Carlton Fields' appearance.

13. PlainSite — DOJ Epstein Files Document EFTA00787717; Law360 — Rothstein case articles

## Cozen O'Connor

*BSA role: Represents Endurance American entities, Nationwide entities, Scottsdale Insurance, Wausau General — 6 defendants*

- Sarah Krissoff, former SDNY prosecutor on the Epstein/Maxwell cases, joined Cozen O'Connor from Day Pitney. She has been one of the most frequently quoted legal commentators on the Epstein files on CNN, BBC, ABC News, NPR, and Reuters.<sup>14</sup>
- Epstein's accountant Rich Kahn forwarded a Cozen O'Connor-published article ("7 Ways the Trump Administration Will Affect Business") to Epstein on November 21, 2016 (Bates No. HOUSE\_OVERSIGHT\_033196) — indicating at minimum awareness of the firm.<sup>15</sup>

14. Cozen O'Connor — Sarah Krissoff bio

15. epsteinexposed.com — Document catalog (HOUSE\_OVERSIGHT\_033196)

## TIER 3 – Peripheral / Adverse Connections

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### Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP

*BSA role: Represents AIG entities — American Home Assurance, National Union Fire, New Hampshire Insurance, Lexington Insurance, Consolidated National, Insurance Co. of the State of PA — 7 defendants, 6 attorneys*

- Partner Brad Hubbard filed an amicus brief on behalf of senators (Feinstein, Kyl, Hatch) opposing Epstein victim Courtney Wild's CVRA (Crime Victims' Rights Act) claim against the Epstein non-prosecution agreement.<sup>16</sup>
- Partner Andrew Tulumello was involved in the MCC jail guard prosecution case following Epstein's death.<sup>17</sup>
- No Epstein entity representation found. These connections are peripheral — legal work adjacent to Epstein matters but not on behalf of Epstein interests.

16. [Gibson Dunn — Brad Hubbard bio](#); Court filings, Wild v. United States

17. NYLJ / rjo.com (November 2019)

### Greenberg Traurig LLP

*BSA role: Represents Columbia Insurance Company — 4 attorneys*

Greenberg Traurig's primary Epstein connection was adversarial — fighting against Epstein-related secrecy:

- Led a five-year fight on behalf of The Palm Beach Post to release the 2006 Florida grand jury transcripts from the Epstein prosecution — achieving passage of Florida House Bill 117 (signed by Gov. DeSantis, Feb. 29, 2024) and public release of transcripts on July 1, 2024.<sup>18</sup>
- Named by Kirkland & Ellis during plea deal negotiations in a tactical accusation — Kirkland (representing Epstein) accused U.S. Attorney Acosta of potentially standing "to gain financially from the appointment of a Greenberg Traurig lawyer to represent the victims." This appears to have been a litigation tactic rather than evidence of GT representing Epstein.<sup>19</sup>

18. [Greenberg Traurig press release \(July 2024\)](#)

19. Bloomberg Law (July 2019); LinkedIn/Law.com (February 2026)

## SECTION 3

## INSURANCE STRUCTURE OVERLAPS

Several major insurers appear in both the BSA Settlement Trust coverage context and in Epstein-related insurance coverage litigation, creating notable structural overlaps:

### Chubb / Century Indemnity

Chubb settled the BSA case for \$800M — the largest single insurer contribution to the \$2.46B settlement fund. Chubb units (Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania and West Fire Insurance Co.) are now being defended by Clyde & Co against JPMorgan's bad faith claims in Epstein-related coverage litigation (JPMorgan Chase & Co. v. Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Co., N.Y. Sup. Ct., No. 659255/2024). Clyde & Co simultaneously represents 15 non-settling insurers fighting the BSA Trust.<sup>1</sup>

### Liberty Mutual

Liberty Mutual appears in both the BSA coverage context (represented by Condon Tobin in the BSA case, covering multiple Liberty entities) and in JPMorgan/Epstein coverage litigation context as the primary/umbrella carrier defendant in the JPMorgan suit.<sup>2</sup>

### AIG Entities

AIG entities (American Home Assurance, National Union Fire, Lexington Insurance, etc.) are represented by Gibson Dunn & Willkie Farr in the BSA case. AIG/Chartis entities have broad commercial liability portfolios that overlap with the types of institutions (banks, financial services) implicated in Epstein's financial network. No confirmed Epstein coverage connection has been identified, but the portfolio overlap is notable.

Insurer	BSA Case Role	Epstein Coverage Context
Chubb/Century	Settled BSA — \$800M (largest)	Defendants in JPMorgan/Epstein suit; defended by Clyde & Co
Liberty Mutual	Non-settling BSA defendant (Condon Tobin)	Primary/umbrella defendant in JPMorgan/Epstein suit
AIG entities	Non-settling BSA defendants (Gibson Dunn, Willkie Farr)	No confirmed Epstein coverage, but broad CGL portfolio overlap

1. Bloomberg Law (June 2025); PBS NewsHour (December 2021)

2. Bloomberg Law — JPMorgan Insurers Seek to Trim Claims (June 2025)

## SECTION 4

## HDI CONGRESSIONAL ADVISORY BOARD — FULL ROSTER

HDI maintained a Congressional Advisory Board that "informally advises" the organization on programming and international activities. Members are described as "active in HDI's domestic and international activities." At peak, the board had 33–38 members (as of December 2021: 26 Democrats, 7 Republicans). Mark Epstein personally hosted working dinners for these congressional delegations at his residence and traveled with delegations internationally (Belgium April 2019, UAE March 2019).<sup>1</sup>

### Current / Recent Members

Member	Party-State	Status
Rep. Don Bacon	R-NE	Current
Rep. André Carson	D-IN	Current
Rep. Buddy Carter	R-GA	Current
Rep. Judy Chu	D-CA	Current
Rep. Yvette D. Clarke	D-NY	Current
Rep. Jim Clyburn	D-SC	Current
Sen. Ruben Gallego	D-AZ	Current
Rep. Raúl M. Grijalva	D-AZ	Current
Rep. Andy Harris	R-MD	Sought removal Dec. 2021
Rep. Jim Himes	D-CT	Current
Rep. Henry "Hank" Johnson	D-GA	Current
Rep. Robin Kelly	D-IL	Current
Rep. Betty McCollum	D-MN	Current
Rep. Gregory Meeks	D-NY	Current
Rep. Barry Moore	R-AL	Current
Rep. August Pfluger	R-TX	Current
Rep. Mark Pocan	D-WI	Current
Rep. Bennie G. Thompson	D-MS	Current

Member	Party-State	Status
Rep. Maxine Waters	D-CA	Current
Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz	D-FL	Current
Rep. Frederica Wilson	D-FL	Current

## Former Members

Member	Party-State	Notes
Rep. Adam Schiff	D-CA	Now Senator; former CAB member
Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee	D-TX	Deceased (2024)
Rep. Carolyn Maloney	D-NY	Lost primary (2022)
Rep. Nita Lowey	D-NY	Retired
Rep. Barbara Lee	D-CA	Former member
Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson	D-TX	Deceased (2023)
Rep. Gus Bilirakis	R-FL	Resigned Dec. 2021 (China controversy)
Rep. Al Green	D-TX	Removed Dec. 2021
Rep. Marcia L. Fudge	D-OH	Left Congress (HUD Secretary)
Rep. Daniel T. Kildee	D-MI	Former member
Rep. Grace Napolitano	D-CA	Former member
Del. Gregorio Sablan	D-MP	Former member
Rep. Garrett Graves	R-LA	Former member

## Historical CAB Members (2007–2010 Annual Reports)

Additional historical members include: Sen. Mary Landrieu (D-LA), Rep. Shelley Berkley (D-NV), Rep. Michael Capuano (D-MA), Rep. Joseph Crowley (D-NY), Rep. Bill Delahunt (D-MA), Rep. Michael Honda (D-CA), Rep. Jim McDermott (D-WA), Rep. Dennis Moore (D-KS), Rep. Donald Payne (D-NJ), Rep. Pedro Pierluisi (D-PR), Rep. Albio Sires (D-NJ), Rep. Robert Wexler (D-FL), and others.

Notable participants in HDI programs (not formally on CAB per annual reports): Senators Vitter, Cardin, Nelson, Biden, Lugar, Sununu, Isakson, Hagel, DeMint, Coleman, Boxer, Casey; and numerous House members.<sup>2</sup>

1. HDI website (thehdi.org); IRS Form 990 filings; Washington Examiner (December 2021)

2. HDI Annual Reports (2007–08, 2010)

## SECTION 5

## NETWORK DIAGRAM DESCRIPTION

The following describes the key nodes and connections in the network identified by this research. This textual description is designed to support the construction of a visual network diagram.

### Central Node: BSA Settlement Trust

- BSA Settlement Trust (Trustee: Barbara Houser) → suing 83 insurers → defended by ~55 law firms

### Tier 1 Law Firm Connections

- DLA Piper → George Mitchell (former Chairman) → Jeffrey Epstein ("very close friend," victim allegations, contact through 2013)
- McDermott Will & Emery → Carlyn McCaffrey → Leon Black GRAT → Epstein (\$158M in fees); also Ted Diskant (former Epstein prosecutor now at firm)

### Tier 2 Law Firm Connections

- Day Pitney → Max Kohlenberg → Chomsky Trust → Jeffrey Epstein/Rich Kahn conference calls; also Sarah Krissoff (former Epstein/Maxwell prosecutor → Cozen O'Connor)
- Clyde & Co → defends 15 BSA non-settling insurers AND defends Chubb in Epstein insurance dispute with JPMorgan (dual-context counsel)
- Carlton Fields → represented Fowler White Burnett (Epstein's former FL law firm) in contempt proceedings where Epstein was personally named
- Cozen O'Connor → hired Sarah Krissoff from Day Pitney (former Epstein/Maxwell SDNY prosecutor)

### Epstein Family / HDI Nexus

- Mark Epstein → HDI Director / Vice Chairman / primary funder → Jeffrey Epstein's brother, heir to \$577M estate; president of J. Epstein & Co.
- HDI → Congressional Advisory Board (33–38 members of Congress at peak)
- HDI → Taihe Institute (CCP/PLA-affiliated) partnership (2017–present)
- HDI → Perfect World Co. (Chinese gaming company; CEO/SVP on HDI board 2015–2020)

### HDI Founders

- Constance Milstein → Clinton/Biden donor → Biden Ambassador to Malta; Ogden CAP Properties
- Ralph Cwerman → former Netanyahu aide → former Director of Research at Israel's UN Mission

- Michael Sonnenfeldt → Goldman Sachs → TIGER 21 → Israel Policy Forum; uncle investigated by FBI for sharing classified docs with Israel

### Insurance Overlap Nodes

- Chubb/Century → \$800M BSA settlement (largest) → defendants in JPMorgan/Epstein suit → defended by Clyde & Co in both contexts
- Liberty Mutual → BSA non-settling defendant → primary defendant in JPMorgan/Epstein suit
- AIG entities → BSA non-settling defendants → broad CGL portfolio overlapping with Epstein financial network institutions

## SECTION 6

## METHODOLOGY & SOURCES

This research was compiled using publicly available sources including:

- Court records and docket data from PACER, CourtListener, and state court electronic filing systems
- News reporting from Bloomberg Law, Reuters, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Above the Law, Law360, GoLocalProv, Washington Examiner, and other national/regional publications
- DOJ FOIA releases and Epstein files released under the Epstein Files Transparency Act
- Documents released by the House Oversight Committee (2025–2026)
- IRS Form 990 filings via ProPublica's Nonprofit Explorer
- Law firm websites, attorney biographies, and press releases
- Secondary research databases including epsteinexposed.com and PlainSite
- Insurance industry publications including Insurance Journal and Hurwitz Fine analysis

Important limitation: The absence of a documented connection for a given firm does not mean no connection exists — only that none was found in public records as of April 2026. Additional connections may exist in non-public documents, sealed court records, or records not yet released under FOIA.

### Key Source Documents

Source	Description	URL
Bloomberg Law	Chubb/JPMorgan/Clyde & Co (June 2025)	<a href="#">Link</a>
Bloomberg Law	Ex-Sen. Mitchell Named in Epstein Scandal (Aug. 2019)	<a href="#">Link</a>
NYT	Epstein / Leon Black / \$158M (Jan. 2021)	<a href="#">Link</a>
Above the Law	DLA Piper Chair / Epstein (Feb. 2026)	<a href="#">Link</a>
GoLocalProv	Chomsky / Providence Lawyer / Epstein (March 2026)	<a href="#">Link</a>
PlainSite	DOJ Epstein Files EFTA00787717 (Carlton Fields)	<a href="#">Link</a>
Washington Examiner	HDI / CCP / Taihe Institute (Dec. 2021)	<a href="#">Link</a>
PBS NewsHour	Chubb \$800M BSA Settlement (Dec. 2021)	<a href="#">Link</a>
The Real Deal	Mark Epstein Real Estate (Aug. 2019)	<a href="#">Link</a>
Greenberg Traurig	Epstein Grand Jury Transcripts (July 2024)	<a href="#">Link</a>

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**SECTION 7**

## CAVEATS

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(1) *Large firm disclaimer.* Many of the firms identified in this report are large, multinational law firms with thousands of attorneys across dozens of offices. A connection involving one partner or one matter does not implicate the entire firm or its other attorneys in any wrongdoing.

(2) *Adversarial connections.* Some connections documented here are adversarial to Epstein interests. Greenberg Traurig fought for five years to release Epstein grand jury records. Gibson Dunn's work related to the CVRA case and MCC guard prosecution. These connections demonstrate proximity to Epstein matters, not complicity.

(3) *Former prosecutors.* The presence of former federal prosecutors at these firms — such as Ted Diskant at McDermott Will & Emery and Sarah Krissoff at Cozen O'Connor — reflects the normal career path of government lawyers moving to private practice (the "revolving door"). These individuals prosecuted Epstein; their subsequent private-sector employment does not suggest a conflict unless specific facts indicate otherwise.

(4) *No allegation of wrongdoing.* This report documents factual connections between law firms, individuals, and entities. It does not allege wrongdoing, ethical violations, or improper conduct by any firm, attorney, or individual. Many connections are entirely routine in the legal industry.

(5) *Research limitations.* This research relied exclusively on publicly available sources. Sealed court records, attorney-client privileged communications, non-public regulatory filings, and unreleased FOIA materials may contain additional relevant information not captured here. The absence of a documented connection does not mean no connection exists.

(6) *HDI Congressional Advisory Board.* Several members of Congress were placed on HDI's Congressional Advisory Board without their knowledge or apparent consent (e.g., Rep. Andy Harris stated he "was never notified"). Membership on the CAB does not necessarily indicate active participation in or endorsement of HDI's activities.

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