

Big New York Law Firm Faces Questions on Work With Manafort



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The Justice Department recently asked law firm Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom for information and documents related to its work on behalf of a client of Paul Manafort, reports ***The New York Times***.

That client, Viktor Yanukovych, the Russia-aligned president of Ukraine, needed some cover to justify the jailing of a political rival, according to reporters **Kenneth P. Vogel** and **Andrew E. Kramer**.

They explain:

The request comes at a time when Mr. Manafort, his work for Mr. Yanukovych's party and for Russian and Ukrainian oligarchs as well as the handling of payments for that work have become focal points in the investigation of the special counsel, Robert S. Mueller III, into Russian meddling in the 2016 presidential election, and connections between Russia, Mr. Trump and his associates.

Read the *NYT* article.

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