Federal Prosecutors Broke Law in Hedge Fund Manager's Plead Deal; Current Labor Secretary Led Them



Labor
Secretary Alex
Acosta

Federal prosecutors, under former Miami U.S. Attorney Alex Acosta, broke the law when they concealed a plea agreement from more than 30 underage victims who had been sexually abused by wealthy New York hedge fund manager Jeffrey Epstein, a federal judge ruled Thursday.

The *Miami Herald* **reports** that the federal judge stopped short of overturning Epstein's plea deal, or issuing an order resolving the case.

The judge said prosecutors not only violated the Crime Victims' Rights Act by not informing the victims, they also misled the girls into believing that the FBI's sex trafficking case against Epstein was still ongoing – when in fact, prosecutors had secretly closed it after sealing the plea bargain from the public record, according to the *Herald*'s Julie K. Brown.

Acosta now serves as U.S. Labor Secretary. A White House spokeswoman said the administration is looking into the plea deal.

Read the *Miami Herald* article.