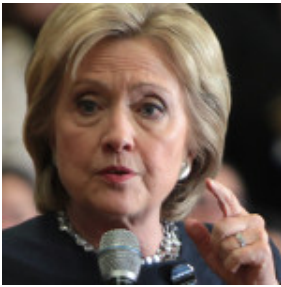


# What Does a Former Staffer's Immunity Deal Mean for Hillary Clinton?



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The revelation that the Justice Department has granted immunity to a former State Department staff member who worked on Hillary Clinton's private email server is a likely indication that the investigation is nearing a conclusion, reports ***The Washington Post***, but should not be read as a sign that the leading Democratic presidential candidate is going to face criminal charges, legal experts said.

"That Bryan Pagliano – a 2008 presidential campaign worker who set up the server in Clinton's home – will avoid charges as he cooperates with FBI agents is a significant, if incremental, development, according to former federal prosecutors and white-collar defense lawyers who have been following the case," the report says.

The granting of immunity to Pagliano "could be an indication that agents and prosecutors are winding down an inquiry that will not result in charges, said Justin Shur, a former deputy chief of the Justice Department's Public Integrity Section who now works in private practice at the MoloLamken firm," the *Post* report continues.

**Read the story.**