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The Hidden JFK Files: What Secrets Remain, and Did Biden Comply with the Law?

A Discussion on the Release of the Remaining John F. Kennedy Records by the National Archives

(CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA) –The UVA Center for Politics will host a discussion on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 1 p.m. eastern following the scheduled release of remaining John F. Kennedy assassination records. Joining UVA Center for Politics Director and author of *The Kennedy Half-Century* Larry J. Sabato will be [Jefferson Morley](#), author and editor of the [JFK Facts](#) blog, and [Lawrence Schnapf](#), co-chair of the JFK Records Legal Task Force.

Panelists will comment on the expected public release of additional JFK-related files by the National Archives, as well as analyze and critique President's Biden decision to either fully declassify the remaining records or continue to withhold records from the public.

This is a virtual event. Members of the media and the general public are welcome to attend. There is no registration for this event. The livestream link for the discussion is <https://livestream.com/tavco/theseecretjfkfiles>

If you would like to submit questions in advance or during the event, email goodpolitics@virginia.edu OR via Twitter [@Center4Politics](https://twitter.com/Center4Politics).

The JFK Act passed in 1992 required that all government agencies send any records concerning the JFK assassination to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), where they would be held for 25 years before released to the public on Oct. 26, 2017. Between 2017 and 2018, over 34,000 records were released from the JFK collection by NARA. On April 26, 2018, then-President Trump granted some government agencies until April 26, 2021 to review the remaining documents and notify NARA of

any reasons why those should not be released, no later than Oct. 26, 2021. NARA reviewed the agencies' recommendations and the remaining records.

Last month, NARA informed President Joe Biden of its recommendation. Biden will make a final decision whether the remaining records should be released on Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2021.

Some of these records have been withheld from the public for nearly 60 years and, if released, may contain details that are being seen for the first time.

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