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David S. Weinstein Discusses Impact of Newly Unsealed Papers in Ghislaine Maxwell Case With New York Daily News

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Hinshaw attorney David S. Weinstein, a Miami-based partner and former federal prosecutor, was quoted in a *New York Daily News* article titled "New Ghislaine Maxwell Papers Revive Lurid Tales About 'Orgies,' Alan Dershowitz and Bill Clinton." The piece discusses newly unsealed papers in the criminal case filed against Ghislaine Maxwell, a confidante of Jeffrey Epstein. Maxwell is alleged to have acted as a recruiter of underage girls for Epstein, and also participated in his sexual abuse of the teens. Epstein died of an apparent suicide while facing charges of sexual abuse of minors.

As noted in the article, the unsealed documents "have revived . . . claims that Maxwell joined 'constant' orgies on [Epstein's] private Little St. James island." Maxwell's lawyer—who had tried unsuccessfully to block publication of the papers—is quoted in the article as saying, "The stakes are much higher now. The government has indicted Ghislaine Maxwell. The media has all but convicted her."

Weinstein agrees that the new development makes defending Maxwell more difficult, explaining, "The release at this time is among the worst-case scenarios for Maxwell, as well as a number of other individuals named in the documents.... The challenges in defending a client when they dominate the headlines is largely felt in jury selection. The PR hit a client takes is collateral to all of this, but again impacts juror's perceptions and not judicial rulings."

Read the full article on the New York Daily News website

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