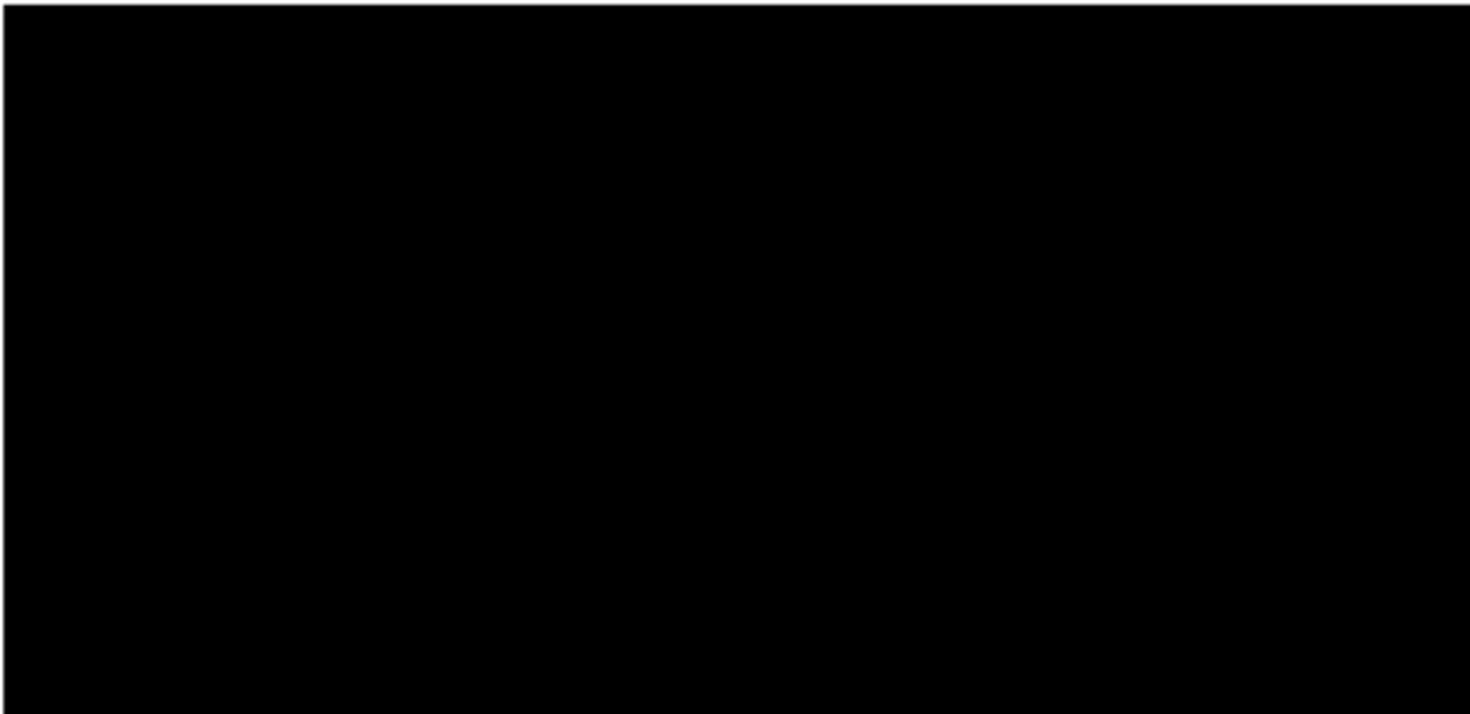


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Details:

On May 26, 2023 The Virgin Islands Daily News reported the following information:

"A court filing by lawyers for JPMorgan Chase accuse former Virgin Islands first lady Cecile deJongh of facilitating Jeffrey Epstein's abuse of women and girls by helping him influence local politicians, and says deJongh even asked Epstein to suggest changes to the territory's sex offender law.

Epstein's primary conduit for spreading money and influence throughout

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the USVI government was First Lady deJongh, who worked as Epstein's local fixer for two decades, including throughout her husband John deJongh Jr.'s tenure as V.I. governor from 2007-2015, according to the filing.

DeJongh told Epstein which government officials to pay off, and devised ways to justify his victims' presence in the territory by enrolling them at the University of the Virgin Islands so they could obtain student visas, according to the filing.

In a statement to The Daily News on Thursday, UVI President David Hall denied all allegations in the bank's filing.

Attorneys for the bank say documents obtained during hte discovery process, which is still on going, show that deJongh asked Epstein--a registered sex offender--to suggest changes to the territory's sex offender law in 2011, and apologized profusely, via email, when not all of his revisions were included in the final version."



Agent Note: the remainder of The Daily News Article and an article from The Daily News on June 13, 2023 are attached herein as a digital 1A packages.

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