

Trump Organization faces new scrutiny in New York civil probe



New York, September 25 (RHC)-- Former U.S. President Donald Trump's company, the Trump Organization, is under pressure to comply with a New York state civil probe into the firm's financial dealings.

According to a court order made public on Friday, a judge in New York has ordered Trump's company to report on its efforts to furnish records subpoenaed by the state attorney general by next week. The court is looking into whether Trump misled banks and insurers about the value of his financial assets.

The court order, unsealed on Friday, also offers New York state Attorney General Letitia James a possible avenue to bring on a third party to assist with collecting company records for the investigation.

The Trump Organization and the New York state attorney have been clashing over her office's requests for documents and depositions. "For more than a year now, the Trump Organization has failed to adequately respond to our subpoenas, hiding behind procedural delays and excuses," James said in a statement.

"Once again, the court has ordered that the Trump Organization must turn over the information and documents we are seeking, otherwise face an independent third-party that will ensure that takes place," she added.

The investigation into the Trump Organization was launched after congressional testimony by his former personal attorney Michael Cohen, who turned on his former boss since pleading guilty in 2018 to various fraud and campaign finance charges.

Trump, however, has slammed the state and local prosecutors in New York over their bid to launch a criminal probe into his company, describing it as a "continuation of the greatest Witch Hunt in American History."

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