

Eric Trump Stops Soliciting Donations Amid Influence Peddling Charges



New York, December 23 (RHC)-- Donald Trump's son Eric says he would no longer solicit donations to his charitable foundation, after critics accused him of peddling influence in exchange for donations.

One online fundraising auction for the Eric Trump Foundation offered a chance to have coffee with his sister, Ivanka Trump. It had bids approaching \$70,000 before the auction was called off.

Eric Trump's promise to cease soliciting funds came after the Center for Public Integrity revealed that Eric and Donald Trump Jr. recently founded a separate charity, called the Opening Day Foundation, which drafted invitations offering million-dollar donors a chance to meet the new president at a private reception, as well as a hunting trip with one of Trump's sons.

The Trump transition team later said the invitations were "initial concepts that have not been approved or pursued by the Trump family."



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