WHAT’S HAPPENING?

→ On Wednesday, November 7th, 2018, President Trump fired Attorney General Jeff Sessions
→ Matthew G. Whitaker, Chief of Staff to the Attorney General, is now Acting Attorney General of the United States.
→ In March of 2017, Sessions recused himself from overseeing the investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 Presidential Election.

THE ARGUMENT FOR

→ President Trump has long felt that Sessions shouldn’t have recused himself, and even went so far as to say, “I don’t have an attorney general.”
→ Those on the left weren’t huge fans of Sessions either - accusations of racial bias followed him throughout his political career and into the White House.

THE ARGUMENT AGAINST

→ Many on the left are afraid that President Trump calling for Sessions’s resignation means the next AG will undermine the investigation into Russian interference.
→ Matthew Whitaker also said on CNN that Sessions’s replacement could reduce Mueller’s budget “to so low that his investigation grinds to almost a halt.”

RELEVANT GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

→ Sessions’s resignation letter
note: this is not an official government document, as Sessions’s resignation letter has not been publicly posted yet.
→ Sessions’s recusal from DOJ investigation into Russia
→ Appointment of Robert Mueller as Special Council

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