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**LACBA Statement on the Release of the “Report on the Investigation into
Russian Interference in the 2016 Presidential Election”**

LOS ANGELES, April 11, 2019 – Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller III’s “Report on the Investigation into Russian Interference in the 2016 Presidential Election” is due to be released any day, following a two-year investigation. This comes after interviewing hundreds of witnesses and spending thousands of hours looking into Russian interference in the 2016 Presidential Election.

Already there are rumblings that United States Attorney General William P. Barr is planning to release a heavily redacted version of the report that could leave the final findings in doubt.

The Los Angeles County Bar Association urges Attorney General Barr to fully disclose Mr. Mueller’s report on all public matters that do not affect national security. Only through full transparency can the American people be confident that the special investigation and findings are free of political influence.

LACBA President Brian S. Kabateck added, “The Los Angeles County Bar Association supports transparency in our government, regardless of whatever conclusions and recommendations the report contains. Absent matters of national security, we urge the Attorney General to present the people a complete copy of this report. Access to justice and openness in our government is something all lawyers should strive to achieve.”

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