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case stayed mostly dormant for the next two years, with the judge occasionally ordering status reports from the parties.

The latest filing from Trump's lawyer and the acting general counsel for the House of Representatives voluntarily dismissing the case repeated Trump's position that the TRUST Act couldn't apply to a former president and noted the recent change in political circumstances.

“Plaintiff is no longer ‘the president of the United States.’ Even if he were, Defendant Neal no longer chairs the House Ways and Means Committee, and the current committee has no interest in plaintiff's tax returns,” the lawyers wrote in the joint submission.

Following years of litigation in a separate case, the Ways and Means Committee did get access to Trump's federal tax returns and released them to the public late last year, before Republicans took control of the chamber.

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