

**From:** "Calce, Christina M. (OLA)" (b)(6)

**To:** "O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA Weiss (Biden Investigation)

**Date:** Tue, 10 May 2022 18:12:49 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

**Attachments:** 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA\_Weiss\_(Biden\_Investigation).pdf; (b)(6)  
(b)(6); 2021.11.10-IN-Grassley\_Johnson\_-  
\_Asking\_about\_Nicholas\_McQuaid\_and\_Susan\_Hennessey.pdf; 2021.02.03-IN-  
GrassleyJohnson-McQuaid and Hunter Biden 4471810.pdf; (b)(6)  
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I'm attaching all of the prior incoming/outgoing McQuaid-related letters here. Also, the Dep't cleared QFR response on this reads:

"As the Justice Department explained in letters dated February 19, 2021, March 22, 2021, and February 2, 2022, the then-Acting Assistant Attorney General received ethics and professional responsibility training when he entered service at the Department of Justice. He also signed the Ethics Pledge as required under the Executive Order on Ethics Commitments by Executive Branch Personnel (Executive Order 13989), pursuant to which—as well as pursuant to applicable standards set forth in statutes, regulations, and longstanding Department policies and procedures—he is recused from matters in which he has a financial interest or a personal business relationship, including matters involving his former law firm. Beyond that, we cannot comment about the matters on which particular attorneys work."

This is pending w/OMB and I will let you know if anything changes.

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**From:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Monday, May 9, 2022 3:46 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6); Antell, Kira M. (OLA) (b)(6); Hyun, Peter (OLA) (b)(6); Calce, Christina M. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Cc:** O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA Weiss (Biden Investigation)

(b)(6), please assign to Justin.

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**From:** (b)(6) (Judiciary-Rep) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Monday, May 9, 2022 3:31 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (USADE) (b)(6); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

(b)(6)

**Cc:** CEG (Judiciary-Rep) (b)(6); (b)(6) (HSGAC) (b)(6);

(b)(6) (HSGAC) (b)(6)

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA Weiss (Biden Investigation)

(b)(6) and Joe, please see the attached letter from Sens. Grassley and Johnson and confirm receipt. Thank you.

Respectfully,

(b)(6)

Ranking Member Charles E. Grassley  
Committee on the Judiciary

(b)(6)

**United States Senate**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 9, 2022

**VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION**

The Honorable David Weiss  
United States Attorney  
District of Delaware

Dear Mr. Weiss:

On February 3, 2021, March 9, 2021, and November 10, 2021, we wrote letters to Attorney General Garland with respect to Nicholas McQuaid, the then-Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division and current Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, and his conflicts of interest in the Hunter Biden criminal case.<sup>1</sup> In those letters, we specifically raised concerns about the fact that Mr. McQuaid worked with Hunter Biden's criminal attorney until he was hired by the Biden Administration on January 20, 2021. This association creates a clear conflict of interest yet the Department has failed to provide adequate responses to answer the threshold questions about whether Mr. McQuaid has or had any role in the Hunter Biden criminal case and whether he has been recused from it.<sup>2</sup>

In light of Mr. McQuaid's clear conflicts in the Hunter Biden investigation, Attorney General Garland's silence draws serious suspicion and has cast a cloud over the investigation – a cloud that could easily be removed if the Justice Department showed a modicum of transparency.

On March 28, 2022, March 29, 2022, and April 5, 2022, we gave speeches on the Senate floor introducing bank records relating to Hunter Biden's and James Biden's financial connections to the communist Chinese regime.<sup>3</sup> Based on reports of the scope of your

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<sup>1</sup> News Release, On Day One, Biden Installed Law Partner Of Son's Defense Lawyer At DOJ Criminal Division, Charles E. Grassley (Feb. 3, 2021), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/on-day-one-biden-installed-law-partner-of-sons-defense-lawyer-at-doj-criminal-division>; *see also* Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, Ranking Member, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, & Sen. Ron Johnson, Ranking Member, Permanent Subcomm. on Investigations, to Monty Wilkinson, Acting Attorney General, U.S. Dep't of Justice (Mar. 9, 2021), [https://www.grassley.senate.gov/download/grassley-johnson-to-justice-dept\\_-mcquaid-follow-up](https://www.grassley.senate.gov/download/grassley-johnson-to-justice-dept_-mcquaid-follow-up).

<sup>2</sup> Attorney General Garland's failure to provide Congress and the American people answers with respect to Mr. McQuaid can be contrasted with his public statements about Susan Hennessey, an employee in the National Security Division, and Margaret Goodlander, counsel for Attorney General Garland, where he publicly asserted that neither had a "role" in Durham's investigation. Senate Judiciary Committee Hearing, Oversight of the Department of Justice (Oct. 27, 2021), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/meetings/10/20/2021/oversight-of-the-department-of-justice>; Chuck Ross, *Jake Sullivan's Wife Faces Growing Calls for Recusal From Durham Probe*, Washington Free Beacon (Dec. 10, 2021) <https://freebeacon.com/biden-administration/jake-sullivans-wife-faces-growing-calls-for-recusal-from-durham-probe/>.

<sup>3</sup> Floor Speech, Grassley, Johnson Discuss Investigation into Biden Family Foreign Financial Entanglements - Part 1 (March 28, 2022) [https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-johnson-discuss-investigation-into-biden-family-foreign-financial-entanglements\\_-part-1](https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-johnson-discuss-investigation-into-biden-family-foreign-financial-entanglements_-part-1); Floor Speech, Grassley, Johnson Release Bank Records Tying Biden Family to CCP-Linked Individuals & Companies (March 29, 2022) <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-johnson-release-bank-records-tying-biden-family-to-ccp-linked-individuals-and-companies>; Floor Speech, The Biden Family Investigation – Part III: James Biden (April 5, 2022) [https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/the-biden-family-investigation\\_part-iii-james-biden](https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/the-biden-family-investigation_part-iii-james-biden)

investigation, these bank records should be relevant to your work. In January 2022, news reports made public an alleged grand jury subpoena from your office to JPMorgan Chase bank that requested records relating to Hunter Biden, James Biden and their business associates as well as related corporate entities.<sup>4</sup> It's unclear whether you've issued a grand jury subpoena for the bank records that we've acquired and discussed on the Senate floor.

To be clear, we are unaware of any information that would call into question your ability to lead this investigation. Yet, Delaware is the Bidens' home state and Hunter Biden has acknowledged his connections with state officials in the past. In March 2018, Hunter Biden told his Chinese business partners, "I will bring suit in the Chancery Court in Delaware — which as you know is my home state and I am privileged to have worked with and know every judge in the chancery court."<sup>5</sup> This statement raises questions about the Bidens' possible undue influence over judicial officers in the Delaware Court of Chancery and raises concerns that his asserted influence extends beyond the Court of Chancery.

In light of the extraordinary public interest in the Hunter Biden criminal case and Attorney General Garland's repeated refusal to provide transparency to Congress and the American people with respect to the aforementioned conflicts of interest, please respond to the following no later than May 23, 2022.

1. Is Mr. McQuaid recused from the Hunter Biden criminal case? If so, when was he recused? Provide the recusal memorandum.
2. Have any employees in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware been recused from the Hunter Biden criminal case? If so, who, when, and provide the recusal memoranda.
3. Have you or any employee in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware exchanged any communications with Mr. McQuaid? If so, please provide all records.
4. Has the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware issued a grand jury subpoena to Wells Fargo, USAA, Bank of America, TD Bank, JPMorgan Chase, PNC, Morgan Stanley, Citibank, Bank of New York Mellon, Bank of China and First National Bank of Omaha for records relating to Hunter Biden, James Biden, Sara Biden, John R. Walker, Eric Schwerin, Devon Archer and corporate entities linked to them, including but not limited to, Hudson West III and the Lion Hall Group? If not, why not?

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<sup>4</sup> Miranda Devine, *JPMorgan Chase subpoenaed in 2019 over Hunter Biden's business deals in China* (Jan. 30, 2022) <https://nypost.com/2022/01/30/hunter-biden-and-associates-received-2019-subpoena-over-business-deals-in-china/>

<sup>5</sup> Matt Viser, Tom Hamburger, and Craig Timberg, *Inside Hunter Biden's multimillion-dollar deals with a Chinese energy company*, Wash Post., Mar. 30, 2022, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/03/30/hunter-biden-china-laptop/>.

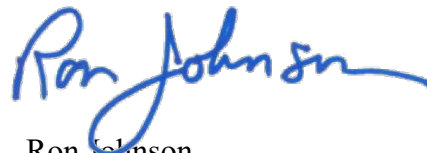
5. Has the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware received sufficient resources and support from the Justice Department to properly execute the Hunter Biden criminal case?
6. Have you discussed the need for a special counsel or independent counsel to properly investigate the Hunter Biden criminal matter?

Thank you for your attention to these important issues.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Grassley  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary



Ron Johnson  
Ranking Member  
Permanent Subcommittee  
on Investigations

cc: The Honorable Jon Ossoff  
Chairman  
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

The Honorable Richard Durbin  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary

The Honorable Michael E. Horowitz  
Inspector General  
Department of Justice

**United States Senate**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

November 10, 2021

**VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION**

The Honorable Merrick Garland  
Attorney General  
Department of Justice

Dear Attorney General Garland:

At the Senate Judiciary Committee's October 27, 2021, oversight hearing, you stated that Susan Hennessey, an employee in the National Security Division, "has nothing whatsoever to do with the [Special Counsel] Durham investigation."<sup>1</sup> As you are aware, on June 29, 2021, we sent you a letter that raised concerns about Ms. Hennessey's political bias against the Durham investigation based on negative public comments she made about it and asked whether or not she had been recused from the matter.<sup>2</sup> In your July 13, 2021, response letter you failed to say that Ms. Hennessey "has nothing whatsoever to do" with Durham's investigation and failed to answer all of our questions relating to Ms. Hennessey; namely, whether she has been officially recused from the Durham investigation including whether or not she has any access to Durham investigation records and the report. Specifically, your response failed to answer questions 2, 3 and 4 with respect to Ms. Hennessey. Likewise, your recent testimony did not address these remaining questions.

Due to your failure to respond, we request that you answer those remaining questions and answer how you know that Ms. Hennessey "has nothing whatsoever to do with the Durham investigation," whether and when you checked to determine her role, and why you failed to provide that level of detail in your July 13, 2021, response letter.

As you are also aware, on February 3, 2021, and March 9, 2021, we wrote letters to you with respect to Nicholas McQuaid, the then-Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division and current Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, and

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<sup>1</sup> Senate Judiciary Committee Hearing, Oversight of the Department of Justice (Oct. 27, 2021), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/meetings/10/20/2021/oversight-of-the-department-of-justice>.

<sup>2</sup> Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, Ranking Member, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, & Sen. Ron Johnson, Ranking Member, Permanent Subcomm. on Investigations, to Merrick Garland, Attorney General, U.S. Dep't of Justice (June 29, 2021), [https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley\\_johnson\\_to\\_justice\\_dept.hennesseyconflicts.pdf](https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley_johnson_to_justice_dept.hennesseyconflicts.pdf).

his conflicts of interest in the Hunter Biden criminal case.<sup>3</sup> In those letters, we specifically raised concerns about the fact that Mr. McQuaid worked with Hunter Biden's criminal attorney until he was hired by the Biden Administration on January 20, 2021.

On February 19, 2021, and March 23, 2021, you failed to provide adequate responses to answer the threshold questions about whether Mr. McQuaid has or had any role in the Hunter Biden criminal case and whether he has been recused from it. In light of your recent testimony, where you found the ability to publicly state that Ms. Hennessey "has nothing whatsoever to do" with the Durham investigation, there is no basis upon which you can continue to refuse to answer these threshold questions relating to Mr. McQuaid:

1. Does Mr. McQuaid have anything whatsoever to do with the Hunter Biden criminal matter? If so, please explain.
2. Has Mr. McQuaid been recused from the Hunter Biden criminal matter? If so, when? Please provide all records showing that he is recused.

With respect to the aforementioned questions relating to Ms. Hennessey and Mr. McQuaid, please provide a response no later than November 17, 2021.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Grassley  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary



Ron Johnson  
Ranking Member  
Permanent Subcommittee  
on Investigations

cc: The Honorable Michael E. Horowitz  
Inspector General

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<sup>3</sup> News Release, On Day One, Biden Installed Law Partner Of Son's Defense Lawyer At DOJ Criminal Division, Charles E. Grassley (Feb. 3, 2021), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/on-day-one-biden-installed-law-partner-of-sons-defense-lawyer-at-doj-criminal-division>; *see also* Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, Ranking Member, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, & Sen. Ron Johnson, Ranking Member, Permanent Subcomm. on Investigations, to Monty Wilkinson, Acting Attorney General, U.S. Dep't of Justice (Mar. 9, 2021), [https://www.grassley.senate.gov/download/grassley-johnson-to-justice-dept\\_-mcquaid-follow-up](https://www.grassley.senate.gov/download/grassley-johnson-to-justice-dept_-mcquaid-follow-up).

United States Senate  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

February 3, 2021

Monty Wilkinson  
Acting Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Acting Attorney General Wilkinson:

According to recent news reports, the Biden administration hired Nicholas McQuaid as Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division on January 20, 2021.<sup>1</sup> Mr. McQuaid was employed at Latham & Watkins until January 20, 2021, and worked with Christopher Clark, who Hunter Biden reportedly hired to work on his federal criminal case a month before President Biden's inauguration.<sup>2</sup>

It is unclear what role, if any, Mr. McQuaid has in the Hunter Biden case or whether he has any access to the case. As a general matter, all government employees must avoid situations that create even the appearance of impropriety and impartiality so as to not affect the public perception of the integrity of an investigation.<sup>3</sup> Moreover, the Justice Department ethics guide cites 28 C.F.R § 45.2 which states, in part:

no employee shall participate in a criminal investigation if he has a personal or political relationship with [...] [a]ny person or organization substantially involved in the conduct that is the subject of the investigation or prosecution; or [a]ny person or organization which he knows has a specific and substantial interest that would be directly affected by the outcome of the investigation or prosecution.<sup>4</sup>

President Biden's recently issued executive order on ethics imposes similar requirements.<sup>5</sup> In complying with this rule, the employee must report the matter to his supervisor. If the supervisor determines that a personal or political relationship exists the employee shall be relieved unless the supervisor determines, in writing, the relationship will not "render[] the employee's service less than fully impartial and professional" and the employee's participation "would not create an appearance of a conflict of interest likely to affect the public perception of the integrity of the investigation or prosecution."<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Daniel Chaitin and Jerry Dunleavy, *Tucker Carlson reports DOJ hired ex-business partner of Hunter Biden criminal defense attorney*, Washington Examiner (Jan. 29, 2021).

<sup>2</sup> Lachlan Markay, *Ex-colleague of Hunter Biden's lawyer gets top DOJ post*, Axios (Feb. 1, 2021).

<sup>3</sup> Specifically, 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502, advises that a government employee should seek clearance before participating in any matter that could cause his or her impartiality to be questioned. Executive Order 12674, "Principles of Ethical Conduct for Government Officers and Employees," makes clear that "[e]mployees shall not hold financial interests that conflict with the conscientious performance of duty," "[e]mployees shall act impartially and not give preferential treatment to any private organization or individual," and "[e]mployees shall endeavor to avoid any actions creating the *appearance* that they are violating the law or the ethical standards set forth in this part." Emphasis added.

<sup>4</sup> 28 C.F.R § 45.2

<sup>5</sup> Executive Order on Ethics Commitments by Executive Branch Personnel (Jan. 20, 2021).

<sup>6</sup> 28 C.F.R § 45.2



In order to better understand what role, if any, Mr. McQuaid has played in the Hunter Biden investigation and what steps, if any, the Department and Mr. McQuaid have taken to mitigate all conflicts, please answer the following no later than February 17, 2021:

1. What steps has the Department taken to ensure that Mr. McQuaid's reported connection to Hunter Biden's attorney does not cause conflicts of interest with the Department's ongoing criminal investigation involving Hunter Biden? Please explain.
2. Please describe what role, if any, Mr. McQuaid has or had in the Hunter Biden investigation, either as a government employee or prior to departing Latham & Watkins.
3. Does Mr. McQuaid have access to the Department's Hunter Biden case file? If so, please explain why and whether Mr. McQuaid has accessed the file.
4. Please provide all records of communications between and among Department officials relating to access to the Hunter Biden case.
5. Has Mr. McQuaid communicated with the U.S. Attorney for the District of Delaware? If so, when and what was discussed?
6. Has Mr. McQuaid communicated with Christopher Clark since he became Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division? If so, when and what was discussed?
7. Has Mr. McQuaid communicated with any Department ethics officials with respect to the Hunter Biden case? If so, when and what was discussed?

If you have any questions about this request, please contact (b)(6) of Senator Grassley's staff at (b)(6) and (b)(6) and (b)(6) of Senator Johnson's staff at (b)(6). Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Grassley  
United States Senator



Ron Johnson  
United States Senator

**From:** "O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA Weiss (Biden Investigation)

**Date:** Mon, 9 May 2022 20:25:11 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Cool thanks.

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**From:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Monday, May 9, 2022 4:24 PM

**To:** O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA Weiss (Biden Investigation)

Yes you can find them in the chron. Dates are listed.

Turning to the meeting memos shortly.

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**From:** O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Monday, May 9, 2022 4:23 PM

**To:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA Weiss (Biden Investigation)

Do you have copies of past Hunter Biden-related responses? I assume it's (b)(5)

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**From:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Monday, May 9, 2022 3:46 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6); Antell, Kira M. (OLA) (b)(6); Hyun, Peter (OLA) (b)(6); Calce, Christina M. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Cc:** O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: 2022-05-09 CEG RHJ to USA Weiss (Biden Investigation)

Duplicative Material

**From:** "(b)(6) (OLA)" (b)(6)  
**To:** "Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG)" (b)(6), "Henthorne, Betsy (OASG)" (b)(6), "Davies, Susan M. (OLP)" (b)(6), "Colangelo, Matthew (OASG)" (b)(6), "Klapper, Matthew B. (OAG)" (b)(6), "Goodlander, Margaret V. (OAG)" (b)(6)  
**Cc:** "Hyun, Peter (OLA)" (b)(6), "Antell, Kira M. (OLA)" (b)(6), "Calce, Christina M. (OLA)" (b)(6), "Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)" (b)(6)  
**Subject:** OLA incoming Congressional correspondence 5/9/22  
**Date:** Mon, 09 May 2022 23:00:33 -0000  
**Importance:** Normal  
**Attachments:** 2022-05-09-IN-OLA-Grassley, Johnson- Hunter Biden Investigation.pdf; Scoped Out as Not Responsive Per Agreement

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Good evening,

Please see below and attached. Hope everyone had a good weekend.

1. Letter from Sens. Grassley and Johnson to Delaware USA Weiss – requesting responses to 6 questions about the District of Delaware and CRM PDAAG Nick McQuaid's involvement with the Hunter Biden investigation.

Scoped Out as Not Responsive Per Agreement with Requester

**From:** "(b)(6) (OLA)" (b)(6)

**To:** OLA <ola@jconmail.usdoj.gov>

**Subject:** OLA incoming Congressional correspondence 5/9/22

**Date:** Mon, 9 May 2022 23:00:19 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

**Attachments:** 2022-05-09-IN-OLA-Grassley, Johnson- Hunter Biden Investigation.pdf;

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Good evening,

Please see below and attached. Hope everyone had a good weekend.

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**Potential Q&A**

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Scoped Out as Not Responsive Per Agreement with Requester - Also, (b)(5)

HUNTER BIDEN (b)(5)

(b)(5)

Scoped Out as Not Responsive Per Agreement with Requester - Also, (b)(5)

**From:** "Calce, Christina M. (OLA)" (b)(6)

**To:** "(b)(6) (OLA)" (b)(6); "Kellner, Kenneth E. (OLA)" (b)(6); "Hyun, Peter (OLA)" (b)(6); "Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)" (b)(6); "O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "(b)(6) (OLA)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: Congressional letter to AG Garland

**Date:** Wed, 13 Apr 2022 21:59:42 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Also assign to me. Thanks!

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**From:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2022 5:58 PM

**To:** Kellner, Kenneth E. (OLA) (b)(6); Hyun, Peter (OLA) (b)(6); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6); Calce, Christina M. (OLA) (b)(6); O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Cc:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: Congressional letter to AG Garland

FYA – we have another one from 4/8 see attached.

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**From:** Kellner, Kenneth E. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2022 5:56 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6); Hyun, Peter (OLA) (b)(6); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6); Calce, Christina M. (OLA) (b)(6); O'Connell, Justin D. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Cc:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: Congressional letter to AG Garland

(b)(5) Adding Justin for his thoughts.

Ken

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**From:** Kellner, Kenneth E. (OLA)

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2022 9:16 AM

**To:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6); Hyun, Peter (OLA) (b)(6); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6); Calce, Christina M. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Cc:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: Congressional letter to AG Garland

New incoming. Subject of Hunter Biden. I am acknowledging receipt.

Ken

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**From:** Barry, Joe (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2022 8:08 AM  
**To:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6)  
**Cc:** Kellner, Kenneth E. (OLA) (b)(6); Williams, Kim (OLA) (b)(6);  
(b)(6)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Congressional letter to AG Garland

Good Morning,

Attached is a letter from Congressman Good and his colleagues for AG Garland.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Joe Barry  
Legislative Director  
Congressman Bob Good (VA-05)



**From:** "(b)(6) (OLA)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Calce, Christina M. (OLA)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: Congressional letter to AG Garland

**Date:** Wed, 13 Apr 2022 21:47:49 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Yes & thank you for catching! We actually have another Hunter Biden letter from 4/8 that I never got assignment guidance on. Will follow up now

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**From:** Calce, Christina M. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2022 5:43 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: Congressional letter to AG Garland

Hi! Just wanted to make sure you saw this for logging purposes. (I can add to the end of day email – just wanted to make sure this made it into the system.) You can assign to me. Thanks!

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**From:** Kellner, Kenneth E. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2022 9:16 AM

**To:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6); Hyun, Peter (OLA) (b)(6); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) (b)(6); Calce, Christina M. (OLA) (b)(6)

**Cc:** (b)(6) (OLA) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: Congressional letter to AG Garland

Duplicative Material

**From:** "Calce, Christina M. (OLA)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Robertson, Ashley E. (ODAG)" (b)(6), "Chandler, Adam (ODAG)" (b)(6), "Benedict, Margot (ODAG)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "Hyun, Peter (OLA)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** House R's letter on Hunter Biden

**Date:** Wed, 13 Apr 2022 15:00:16 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

**Attachments:** Letter\_to\_AG\_\_4\_13.pdf

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Hi Ashley, Adam & Margot –

We just received the attached incoming from House R's re: Hunter Biden. The letter alleges potential misconduct by Joe Biden & Ron Klain, among others.

Emily is recused from this but I think someone will need to flag for WH Counsel.

Let me know if you need anything from us.

Thanks,  
Christina

**From:** "Donohue, Jennifer (PAO)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Navas, Nicole (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "Iverson, Dena (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: FOX in ref Hunter Biden

**Date:** Wed, 13 Apr 2022 00:01:04 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Thank you!

**Jennifer Donohue | Senior Communications Advisor**

Office of Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Justice

Desk: (b)(6)

Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Navas, Nicole (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 12, 2022 8:00 PM

**To:** Donohue, Jennifer (PAO) (b)(6)

**Cc:** Iverson, Dena (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: FOX in ref Hunter Biden

(b)(6)

Nicole Navas Oxman

Senior Communications Advisor for International Law Enforcement/Spokesperson

U.S. Department of Justice

(b)(6)

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On Apr 12, 2022, at 7:24 PM, Donohue, Jennifer (PAO) (b)(6) wrote:

Yes. Do you have a phone number for her?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2022, at 7:19 PM, Navas, Nicole (PAO) (b)(6) wrote:

Zoe Richards from NBC requested to get a copy of the letter the DOJ wrote in response to the house oversight committee after the committee requested more info about the 15 boxes is Trump-related documents removed from Mar-a-Lago. She is on a tight deadline.

Can you get back to her at: (b)(6) ?

Nicole Navas Oxman

Senior Communications Advisor for International Law Enforcement/Spokesperson

U.S. Department of Justice

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On Apr 12, 2022, at 6:54 PM, Donohue, Jennifer (PAO) (b)(6) wrote:

Thank you, Nicole. They sent the same request my way and I am happy to handle. Just waiting on OLA to confirm we received this letter.

**Jennifer Donohue | Senior Communications Advisor**

Office of Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Justice

Desk: (b)(6)

Cell: (b)(6)

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**From:** Navas, Nicole (PAO) (b)(6) >

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 12, 2022 6:53 PM

**To:** Donohue, Jennifer (PAO) (b)(6); Iverson, Dena (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FOX in ref Hunter Biden

Hi,

Please see below and advise how you want me to respond or if you prefer I loop you in.

Thank you,

Nicole Navas Oxman

Senior Communications Advisor for International Law Enforcement/Spokesperson

U.S. Department of Justice

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Betz, Bradford" (b)(6)

**Date:** April 12, 2022 at 6:39:18 PM EDT

**To:** "Navas, Nicole (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: DOJ

Hi there!

House lawmakers have recently sent a letter to Attorney General Merrick Garland demanding that the DOJ brief Congress on the nature of U.S. Attorney David Weiss' investigation on some of the legal issues that Hunter Biden is facing, including his foreign income, which includes the Ukrainian natural gas company, Burisma Holdings.

Are there any plans for the DOJ to brief House or Senate members of the details of the Hunter Biden investigation? We are hearing some grumblings on the Hill from Republican Congressional lawmakers. Any details you are able to disclose on the matter before 9:30 p.m. EST would be much appreciated.

Best,

Bradford Betz  
Fox News | Fox Business

(b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)

**To:** "Donohue, Jennifer (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "Iverson, Dena (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: FOX in ref Hunter Biden

**Date:** Tue, 12 Apr 2022 18:56:46 -0400

**Importance:** Normal

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Cool, thanks

Nicole Navas Oxman

Senior Communications Advisor for International Law Enforcement/Spokesperson

U.S. Department of Justice

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On Apr 12, 2022, at 6:54 PM, Donohue, Jennifer (PAO) (b)(6) wrote:

# Duplicative Material

**From:** "Betz, Bradford" (b)(6)

**To:** "Navas, Nicole (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: DOJ

**Date:** Tue, 12 Apr 2022 22:38:56 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Best,  
Bradford Betz  
Fox News | Fox Business

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**From:** Navas, Nicole (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 12, 2022 3:38 PM

**To:** Betz, Bradford (b)(6)

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DOJ

Hi Bradford,  
What are you inquiring about?

Nicole Navas Oxman  
Senior Communications Advisor for International Law Enforcement/Spokesperson  
U.S. Department of Justice

(b)(6)

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**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20515

March 31, 2022

**VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION**

The Honorable Merrick B. Garland  
Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Attorney General Garland:

Thank you for your service. We write to request that the U.S. Department of Justice ("DOJ") launch a formal investigation into the actions of former U.S. President Donald Trump for potentially violating the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> and Federal Election Commission ("FEC") regulations.

It is illegal for American political candidates to solicit a thing of value from foreign powers. On March 29, 2022, in a televised interview with *Just the News*, former President Trump publicly pushed an unsubstantiated claim about Hunter Biden's business dealings in Russia and asked Russian President Vladimir Putin to release any information that he might have about the situation. Former President Trump stated:

**Why did the mayor of Moscow's wife give the Bidens—both of them—three and a half million dollars? That's a lot of money. She gave him three and a half million dollars. So now I would think Putin would know the answer to that. I think he should release it. I think we should know that answer.**

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 expressly prohibits any foreign national from contributing, donating, or spending funds in connection with any federal, state, or local election in the United States, either directly or indirectly. It is also unlawful to help foreign nationals violate that ban or to solicit, receive or accept contributions or donations from them. Persons who knowingly and willfully engage in these activities may be subject to fines and/or imprisonment. Former President Trump, who has held himself out as a 2024 presidential candidate, potentially violated the Act and FEC regulations. He was soliciting a foreign power for dirt on a political opponent's son, which would be valuable to the former President's goal of getting re-elected.

There is substantial evidence the former President is a candidate for office within the meaning of the Act and FEC regulations. On March 14, 2022, American Bridge 21st Century filed a [complaint](#) with the FEC accusing former President Trump of violating campaign finance laws by spending political funds for a potential 2024 presidential bid without officially declaring his candidacy. In the complaint, American Bridge 21st Century alleged, *inter alia*, that President Trump failed to

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<sup>1</sup> 52 U.S.C. § 30101 *et seq.*



file a Statement of Candidacy with the FEC in violation of the Act and FEC regulations. Despite former President Trump's numerous attempts to evade questions regarding a potential 2024 presidential campaign and his inability to provide a definitive response, he has undoubtedly held himself out as a "candidate" for purposes of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

If former President Trump is a "candidate," and it appears that he is, he violated federal election law when he asked Russian President Putin to release any information that he may have on Hunter Biden. Note, this is not the first time President Trump has sought the assistance of a foreign adversary, specifically President Putin, to unearth potentially damaging information on his political opponents and their families. In 2016, he asked Russia to find and release Hillary Clinton's e-mails. Additionally, in 2019, former President Trump was impeached for holding up critical Javelin anti-tank missiles to Ukraine in exchange for Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky providing unsubstantiated dirt on Trump's political opponent.

We respectfully request that the DOJ launch a formal investigation into the immoral and un-American actions of former President Trump because they also appear to be illegal.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this critical matter. We appreciate your work and are willing and able to provide any support or assistance you may need. Please confirm receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,



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Ted W. Lieu  
Member of Congress



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Jimmy Gomez  
Member of Congress

**From:** Press <Press@jmd.usdoj.gov>

**To:** "Stueve, Joshua (PAO)" (b)(6), "Morales, Arlen M. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "Li, Kaei (PAO)" (b)(6), "Shevlin, Shannon (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from JAMES ROSEN - NEWSMAX

**Date:** Wed, 6 Apr 2022 15:50:58 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Hi all,

Not quite sure who is handling Hunter Biden inquiries, so I am including Crim. and Tax folks. Let me know if they need to go elsewhere!

(b)(6)

Speechwriting/Media Affairs Intern  
Office of Public Affairs | U.S. Department of Justice

Mobile: (b)(6)

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-----Original Message-----

From: Department of Justice via Department of Justice <no-reply@usdoj.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, April 6, 2022 10:27 AM

To: Press <Press@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from JAMES ROSEN - NEWSMAX

Date Wednesday, April 6, 2022 - 10:27am EDT

Name: JAMES ROSEN

Email Address: (b)(6)

Topic: Criminal Law

Media Outlet: NEWSMAX

Deadline: 3p ET

Inquiry:

Hi DOJ/OPA folks. I have a question about the Hunter Biden investigation.

I've received some information best conveyed offline, on which Newsmax may soon be publishing. Kindly let me know an appropriate spokesperson to contact for whatever input DOJ/FBI would like to have. You may recall that in my last position, with Sinclair in October 2020, I broke the story of the existence of the investigation, subsequently confirmed by the younger Mr. Biden following the election. Thank you in advance. Yours cordially,  
James Rosen

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James Rosen

Chief White House Correspondent, Newsmax

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**From:** "Tucker, Eric" (b)(6)

**To:** "Coley, Anthony D. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Hunter Biden inquiry

**Date:** Fri, 1 Apr 2022 16:10:45 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Thanks Anthony

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**From:** Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Friday, April 1, 2022 12:07 PM

**To:** Tucker, Eric (b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Hunter Biden inquiry

[EXTERNAL]

Hey there,

Would refer you to the US Atty for Delaware.

On Apr 1, 2022, at 10:47 AM, Tucker, Eric (b)(6) wrote:

Hi Anthony, we're doing a story today about the status of the Hunter Biden investigation. Just wanted to see if there was anything you might be saying on it.

Thanks very much,

Eric

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**From:** "Morales, Arlen M. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Pietranton, Kelsey (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

**Date:** Wed, 30 Mar 2022 18:28:05 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Thanks for including me- I double checked with Tax in case they could help with feedback/context that would help with the inquiry, see attached. (b)(5) we keep the USAO DE PIO in the loop.

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**From:** Pietranton, Kelsey (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 10:07 AM

**To:** Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6); Iverson, Dena (PAO) (b)(6);  
Hornbuckle, Wyn (PAO) (b)(6); Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

FOX called to ask if the DAG is regularly briefed on this and whether it would be inaccurate to characterize this as "picking up steam."

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**From:** DoJ Real Time News Clips <[alert-doj@rendon.com](mailto:alert-doj@rendon.com)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 9:47 AM

**To:** Pietranton, Kelsey (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation," Evan Perez and Brianna Keilar, March 30, 2022

<https://www.cnn.com/videos/politics/2022/03/30/hunter-biden-investigation-burisma-newday-vpx.cnn>

Evan Pérez and Brianna Keilar discuss the federal investigation looking into President Biden's son, Hunter Biden, and his business dealings with Burisma.

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**To:** (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

**Date:** Wed, 30 Mar 2022 18:20:13 -0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Copy thanks (b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 12:44 PM

**To:** Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

Thanks, Arlen. Stuart says (b)(5), but to please refer this to the Delaware USAO – the same as last time.

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**From:** Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 11:14 AM

**To:** (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

See below. The DAG's spox is point on this, but let me know if you have any feedback.

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**From:** Pietranton, Kelsey (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 10:07 AM

**To:** Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6); Iverson, Dena (PAO) (b)(6);  
Hornbuckle, Wyn (PAO) (b)(6); Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

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**To:** Pietranton, Kelsey (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] CNN: [VIDEO] "CNN reporter reveals new details in Hunter Biden investigation"

Duplicative Material

**From:** "Roberts, Alivia P. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Coley, Anthony D. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: Twitter: Aruna Viswanatha

**Date:** Mon, 28 Mar 2022 12:33:40 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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Will do.

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**From:** Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2022 8:16 AM

**To:** Roberts, Alivia P. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** FW: Twitter: Aruna Viswanatha

Pls print. thx

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**From:** DOJ Real Time News Clips <[alert-doj@rendon.com](mailto:alert-doj@rendon.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2022 8:05 AM

**To:** Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Twitter: Aruna Viswanatha

Twitter: Aruna Viswanatha

Media: Twitter

Byline: @aviswanatha

Date: March 28, 2022

URL: <https://twitter.com/aviswanatha/status/1508414012718989317>

Prosecutors advance tax probe of Hunter Biden, grand jury heard testimony about drug use in Feb, a sign they are trying to lock in witnesses for potential trial w @sgurman @jamestareddy

[EMBEDDED LINK]

<https://t.co/eDgpBY7MMi>

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**From:** (b)(6)

**To:** "Morales, Arlen M. (PAO)" (b)(6), (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Lexi Lonas - The Hill

**Date:** Thu, 17 Mar 2022 18:21:55 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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DTC. (b)(5)

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**From:** Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2022 1:43 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (b)(6)

**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Lexi Lonas - The Hill

Any insight?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Press <[Press@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:Press@jmd.usdoj.gov)>

**Date:** March 17, 2022 at 1:06:25 PM EDT

**To:** "Morales, Arlen M. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "Li, Kaei (PAO)" (b)(6), Press <[Press@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:Press@jmd.usdoj.gov)>

**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Lexi Lonas - The Hill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Department of Justice via Department of Justice <[no-reply@usdoj.gov](mailto:no-reply@usdoj.gov)>

**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2022 1:03 PM

**To:** Press <[Press@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:Press@jmd.usdoj.gov)>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Lexi Lonas - The Hill

**Date:** Thursday, March 17, 2022 - 1:03pm EDT

**Name:** Lexi Lonas

**Email Address:** (b)(6)

**Topic:** Tax

**Media Outlet:** The Hill

**Deadline:** March 17



Inquiry:

Hi,

My name is Lexi Lonas and I am a breaking news reporter with The Hill. Does the Justice Department have any comment on a NYT report that says Hunter Biden paid off his tax liability?

Thank you,

Lexi Lonas

**From:** "Hornbuckle, Wyn (PAO)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Iverson, Dena (PAO)" (b)(6), "Morales, Arlen M. (PAO)" (b)(6), "Coley, Anthony D. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Dan Mangan - CNBC

**Date:** Thu, 17 Mar 2022 22:51:36 +0000

**Importance:** Normal

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OK thanks. Or feel free to flag for (b)(6) in DE. She's been declining comment

-----Original Message-----

From: Iverson, Dena (PAO) (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2022 5:29 PM

To: Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6); Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6); Hornbuckle, Wyn (PAO) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Dan Mangan - CNBC

I can decline to comment these since Anthony is traveling.

Dena Iverson

Principal Deputy Director, Office of Public Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

(b)(6) - Office

(b)(6) - Cell

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-----Original Message-----

From: Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2022 4:58 PM

To: Iverson, Dena (PAO) (b)(6); Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6); Hornbuckle, Wyn (PAO) (b)(6)

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Dan Mangan - CNBC

See inquiry below and another attached. I haven't replied in case you want to handle.

Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Press <Press@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2022 2:29 PM

To: Morales, Arlen M. (PAO) (b)(6)

Cc: Li, Kaei (PAO) (b)(6)

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Dan Mangan - CNBC

Arlen,

I am forwarding Hunter Biden inquiries to you because the investigation primarily involves his taxes, but please let me know if I should direct them elsewhere.

(b)(6)

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-----Original Message-----

From: Department of Justice via Department of Justice <no-reply@usdoj.gov>

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2022 2:15 PM

To: Press <Press@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Media Inquiry from Dan Mangan - CNBC

Date Thursday, March 17, 2022 - 2:14pm EDT

Name: Dan Mangan

Email Address: (b)(6)

Topic: Criminal Law

Media Outlet: CNBC

Deadline: today

Inquiry:

I am writing about a federal criminal probe of Hunter Biden being conducted by the Delaware U.S. Attorney's office. That office has not replied to my request for comment about that probe, and details provided to me by a lawyer for the mother of Mr. Biden's daughter. The White House has referred my query to the WH to DOJ.

**From:** "Coley, Anthony D. (PAO)" (b)(6)

**To:** "Weiss, David (USADE)" (b)(6)

**Cc:** "Weinsheimer, Bradley (ODAG)" (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: New York Times Inquiry re Hunter Biden

**Date:** Tue, 15 Mar 2022 21:59:01 -0000

**Importance:** Normal

**Embedded:** unnamed

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Hi David,

I've attached Katie's email to me about this investigation, which I know nothing about and would not comment on as consistent with DOJ policies.

Anthony D. Coley, Director  
Office of Public Affairs &  
Sr. Advisor to the Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Direct: (b)(6)  
Cell: (b)(6)  
@AnthonyColeyDOJ

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**From:** Weiss, David (USADE) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022 5:39 PM

**To:** Coley, Anthony D. (PAO) (b)(6)

**Subject:** New York Times Inquiry re Hunter Biden

Anthony,

My PIO received an inquiry from Katie Benner at the Times about the Hunter Biden investigation. I understand that the reporter has also been in touch with you. If accurate, can you fill me in on some of the background here?

Thanks for your assistance.

David Weiss  
United States Attorney  
District of Delaware