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November 25, 2022

Mr. Timothy Thibault
c/o Mr. Charles E. Duross
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2100 L Street, N.W., Suite 900
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Dear Mr. Thibault:

We are investigating serious allegations of abuse and misconduct within the senior leadership of the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. As we explained in our September 23, 2022, and October 14, 2022, letters,¹ whistleblowers allege that you pressured line agents to reclassify cases as “domestic violent extremism” even though there was minimal, circumstantial evidence to support a reclassification.² Other whistleblowers have disclosed that you were part of a scheme to undermine and discredit allegations of criminal wrongdoing by members of the Biden family.³

As of today, despite your public statement “welcom[ing] any investigation,”⁴ you have declined to voluntarily comply with our requests for a transcribed interview. Our requests, therefore, remain outstanding. Your testimony is necessary for our oversight, and you can be assured that the Committee will continue to pursue this matter into the 118th Congress, including by compulsory process if necessary. Additionally, your counsel has ignored our request to certify whether you are preserving documents in your personal possession that may be responsive to the topics we are examining.

¹ Letter from Rep. Jim Jordan, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Ms. Jennifer Leigh Moore, Exec. Assistant Dir., Human Resources Branch, Fed. Bureau of Investigation (Sept. 29, 2022).

² Letter from Rep. Jim Jordan, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Hon. Christopher Wray, Dir., Fed. Bureau of Investigation (Jul. 27, 2022); Ashley Oliver, *Exclusive – Whistleblower: Same FBI boss who shut down Hunter Biden dirt also pressured agents to juice domestic violent extremism stats*, BREITBART (Jul. 27, 2022).

³ Letter from Sen. Chuck Grassley, Ranking Member, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Hon. Merrick Garland, Atty Gen., U.S. Dep’t of Justice & Hon. Christopher Wray, Dir., Fed. Bureau of Investigation (Jul. 25, 2022) (“ASAC Thibault allegedly ordered the [Hunter Biden inquiry] closed without providing a valid reason as required by FBI guidelines. . . . [I]t’s alleged that FBI official, including ASAC Thibault, subsequently attempted to improperly mark the matter in FBI systems so that it could not be opened in the future.”).

⁴ See Tweet by Catherine Herridge, Twitter.com (Aug. 30, 2022, 8:21 p.m.) (“Media Statement on Behalf of Timothy R. Thibault”); Tom Winter, *Lawyer says FBI agent’s retirement had nothing to do with Hunter Biden investigation*, NBC NEWS (Aug. 31, 2022).

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We again reiterate our request that you appear promptly for a transcribed interview. Please ask your attorney to contact Committee staff at (202) 225-6906 on your behalf to schedule your transcribed interview promptly.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.


Sincerely,



Jim Jordan
Ranking Member



Darrell Issa
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual
Property and the Internet



Mike Johnson
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on the Constitution,
Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

cc: The Honorable Jerrold L. Nadler, Chairman