



One Hundred Seventeenth Congress

Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol

September 23, 2021

Mr. Daniel J. Scavino, Jr.



Dear Mr. Scavino:

Pursuant to the authorities set forth in House Resolution 503 and the rules of the House of Representatives, the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (“Select Committee”) hereby transmits a subpoena that compels you to produce the documents set forth in the accompanying schedule by October 7, 2021, and to appear for a deposition on October 15, 2021.

The Select Committee is investigating the facts, circumstances, and causes of the January 6th attack and issues relating to the peaceful transfer of power, in order to identify and evaluate lessons learned and to recommend to the House and its relevant committees corrective laws, policies, procedures, rules, or regulations. The inquiry includes examination of how various individuals and entities coordinated their activities leading up to the events of January 6, 2021, and the messages, videos, and internet communications that were disseminated to the public concerning the election, the transition in administrations, and the constitutional and statutory processes that effect that transition.

The Select Committee has reason to believe that you have information relevant to understanding important activities that led to and informed the events at the Capitol on January 6, 2021, and relevant to former President Trump’s activities and communications in the period leading up to and on January 6. For example, the Select Committee has reason to believe that you have knowledge regarding the communications strategy of the former President and his supporters leading up to the events on January 6. As the Deputy Chief of Staff for Communications, reporting indicates that you were with the former President on January 5, when he and others were considering how to convince Members of Congress not to certify the election for Joe Biden.¹ Your public Twitter account makes clear that you were tweeting messages from the White House on January 6, 2021.² And prior to January 6, 2021, you promoted, through your Twitter messaging, the January 6 March for Trump, which encouraged people to “be a part of history.”³ Your long service with the former President—spanning more than a decade and which included service as his digital strategy director, overseeing his social media presence, including on Twitter— suggest that you have knowledge concerning communications involving the 2020 presidential election and rallies and activities supporting and including the former President on January 6.

¹ BOB WOODWARD & ROBERT COSTA, PERIL at 231 (2021).

² E.g., Dan Scavino[American flag][eagle] (@DanScavino), Twitter (Jan. 6, 2021, 11:12 AM, from The White House), <https://twitter.com/DanScavino/status/1346584866964598785?s=20>; Dan Scavino[American flag][eagle] (@DanScavino), Twitter (Jan. 6, 2021, 10:50 AM, from The White House), <https://twitter.com/danscavino/status/1346846609905168385?lang=en>.

³ Dan Scavino[American flag][eagle] (@DanScavino), Twitter (Jan. 2, 2021, 9:04 PM), <https://twitter.com/DanScavino/status/1345551501440245762?s=20>.

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It also appears that you were with or in the vicinity of former President Trump on January 6 and are a witness regarding his activities that day. You may also have materials relevant to his videotaping and tweeting messages on January 6. Accordingly, the Select Committee seeks both documents and your deposition testimony regarding these and other matters that are within the scope of the Select Committee's inquiry.

A copy of the rules governing Select Committee depositions, and a copy of document production definitions and instructions are attached. Please contact staff for the Select Committee at 202-225-7800 to arrange for the production of documents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bennie G. Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "B".

Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman