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

November 8, 2021

VIA U.S. MAIL

Mr. William Stepien



Dear Mr. Stepien:

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 November 23, 2021, and to appear for a deposition on December 13, 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.

As manager of the Trump 2020 re-election campaign, you oversaw all aspects of the campaign. You then supervised the conversion of the Trump presidential campaign to an effort focused on “Stop the Steal” messaging and related fundraising.¹ That messaging included the promotion of certain false claims related to voting machines despite an internal campaign memo in which campaign staff determined that such claims were false.² The “Stop the Steal” messaging was echoed by individuals who attacked the U.S. Capitol on January 6 in an attempt to interfere with the peaceful and orderly transfer of power. Additionally, the campaign reportedly urged state and party officials to affect the outcome of the November 2020 election by, among other things, asking states to delay or deny certification of electoral votes and by sending multiple slates of electoral votes to the United States Congress.³

¹ Select Committee interview of witness with personal knowledge.

² Alan Feuer, *Trump Campaign Knew Lawyers’ Voting Machine Claims Were Baseless, Memo Shows*, NEW YORK TIMES (September 21, 2021) <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/09/21/us/politics/trump-dominion-voting.html>.

³ Barton Gellman, *The Election That Could Break America*, THE ATLANTIC (September 23, 2020) <https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2020/11/what-if-trump-refuses-concede/616424/>; Malachi Barrett, “*Trump campaign asks Michigan lawmakers to steal electors from Biden; GOP leaders say it won’t happen*,” MLIVE (Dec. 2, 2020) <https://www.mlive.com/politics/2020/12/trump-campaign-asks-michigan-lawmakers-to-steal-electors-from-biden-gop-leaders-say-it-wont-happen.html>.

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Accordingly, the Select Committee seeks documents and a deposition 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 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 initial "B" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman