



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY
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FACT v. FICTION: NO Obstruction of Congressional Investigations of President Biden

Key Takeaways

- **The Biden-Harris Administration, banks, and private citizens have all cooperated with the Committee's investigation.**
- **Chairman Comer has turned down Hunter Biden's offer to testify publicly and answer the Committee's questions under oath, instead insisting he must appear in private, behind closed doors.**

Fiction

Republican requests and subpoenas for information regarding Biden family activities have been obstructed at each turn by President Biden and the Biden-Harris Administration.

Oversight Committee Chairman Comer:

- [“We are facing obstruction](#) like has never been demonstrated in the history of congressional investigations.”
- “We’ve been [obstructed at every turn](#), not only by Biden attorneys but by the Department of Justice, by Homeland Security now. We’ve been obstructed by the media, by Democrats on the House Oversight Committee, the FBI, and the list goes on and on.”
- “[T]hat's what their strategy is. [To run out the clock, to obstruct](#). That's what they've done to us the entire eight months.”

Facts

Unable to find any evidence of wrongdoing by President Biden, Chairman Comer and other congressional Republicans are now baselessly asserting claims of “obstruction” by the Biden-Harris Administration. These claims are contradicted by Chairman Comer’s [own boastful admission](#) that: **“Every subpoena that I have signed, as Chairman of the House Oversight Committee over the last five months, we have gotten 100% of what we requested, whether it’s with the FBI or with the banks or with Treasury.”**

In fact, the Biden-Harris Administration has repeatedly and consistently accommodated Republican demands, including in their investigation of President Biden—specifically:

- In an unprecedented accommodation to Republican demands, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) [made available the Form FD-1023 tipsheet](#) to Committee Members for review, [despite FBI concerns](#) **about endangering the safety of confidential human sources** and ongoing law enforcement investigations. FBI also made high-ranking officials available for multiple briefings regarding the tipsheet.
- In another unprecedented accommodation to Republican demands, the Department of Justice (DOJ) made available David Weiss, Special Counsel in charge of an **ongoing investigation**, to the Judiciary Committee for [more than six hours of questioning](#).
- In total, the Biden-Harris Administration has made available **ten federal officials** from different agencies and offices available for numerous hours Committee questioning, including [four current senior special agents at FBI and IRS](#), the [U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia](#), the [U.S. Attorney for the Central District of California](#), and the Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Criminal Matters at the Tax Division of DOJ.
- The Department of the Treasury has made available **more than 2,000 pages** of highly sensitive bank reports for review by Committee Members—documents that are not typically made available to Congress.
- The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has made public more than **20,000 pages** of emails concerning Hunter Biden and in the coming days will produce at least **62,000 more pages of emails and documents** as it continues to [cooperate with Committee Republicans](#) to identify and produce requested information, consistent with the statutory process set forth in the Presidential Records Act. In addition, [NARA's general counsel participated in a transcribed interview](#) and answered the Committee's questions.
- [The White House has engaged](#) with Committee Republicans to accommodate their subpoena for the testimony of former White House Counsel, Dana Remus, regarding her official duties despite the legitimate and significant legal and constitutional concerns about compelling the testimony of a former White House Counsel. Following an initial letter from Chairman Comer requesting Ms. Remus appear for a transcribed interview, Republicans failed to follow-up for more than five months. Shortly thereafter, Republicans subpoenaed Ms. Remus to sit for a deposition.

Private citizens and entities have also cooperated extensively with Republicans demands for information regarding Hunter Biden, President Biden, and the Biden family.

- **Hunter Biden, himself, has offered to testify publicly** at a hearing held by the Committee on Oversight and Reform, [which Chairman Comer rejected](#).

- Two of Hunter Biden’s former business associates, [Devon Archer](#) and [Eric Schwerin](#), who also served as then-Vice President Biden’s financial adviser, participated in interviews and both explained President Biden was not involved in his family members’ businesses.
- Nine banks have produced **over a decades’ worth of financial records**—amounting to more than **37,000 pages** of records—of multiple private citizens, including members of President Biden’s family.

Contrary to Chairman Comer’s assertions, the Biden-Harris Administration, banks, and private citizens have all provided an unprecedented level of cooperation with Committee Republicans’ demands. The Administration’s posture is a far cry from former President Trump who [repeatedly fought congressional subpoenas](#) and ordered his Administration [not “to participate” in congressional inquiries](#). Despite this, the GOP inquiry has failed to identify any evidence of wrongdoing by President Biden, let alone of any impeachable offense.