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Mr. John Stankey Chairman and Chief Executive Officer AT&T 208 S Akard Street Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Stankey:

The Committee on the Judiciary is conducting oversight of the Biden-Harris Department of Justice's (DOJ) politically motivated prosecutions of President Donald J. Trump and its investigation of the events that occurred at the Capitol on January 6, 2021. Recently released internal DOJ documents indicate that former Special Counsel Jack Smith compelled the production of phone records belonging to several Republican Members of Congress and simultaneously sought a gag order to prevent your company from disclosing the DOJ's subpoenas into these individuals. These findings raise serious concerns about potential statutory and constitutional violations, including violations of the Speech or Debate Clause, and we therefore request documents and information to aid in our oversight.

On May 25, 2023, Smith's office issued grand jury subpoenas to Verizon and AT&T requesting the phone records of several subscribers between January 4, 2021, and January 7, 2021.² The subscribers included eight Republican U.S. Senators and one Republican U.S. Representative.³ Accompanying the subpoena was a gag order, approved by Chief Judge for the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia James E. Boasberg, prohibiting your company from notifying these Members of Congress about the Biden-Harris DOJ's request or the existence of the subpoena.⁴

It is concerning that the Biden-Harris DOJ abused its federal law enforcement authority to effectuate a politically motivated prosecution against President Trump, in such a clandestine and partisan manner, by spying on the communications of sitting Members of Congress. To assist

¹ Ashley Oliver, *Major phone carriers reveal Jack Smith's subpoenas for Republican senators' records*, Fox NEWS (Oct. 30, 2025).

² Letter from Jack Smith, Spec. Counsel, U.S. Dep't of Justice, to Verizon (May 25, 2023) (subpoena attached); Letter from Jack Smith, Spec. Counsel, U.S. Dep't of Justice, to AT&T (May 25, 2023) (subpoena attached).

³ Ashley Oliver, *Major phone carriers reveal Jack Smith's subpoenas for Republican senators' records*, FOX NEWS (Oct. 30, 2025).

⁴ No. 23-sc-1257, Nondisclosure Order for Grand Jury Subpoena (D.D.C.; May 25, 2025).

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with our ongoing oversight, the Committee respectfully requests that you produce the following material:

- 1. All documents and communications referring or relating to former Special Counsel Jack Smith's grand jury subpoena to AT&T, dated May 25, 2023, including but not limited to any court filings;
- 2. All documents and communications referring or relating to requests by or subpoenas from the DOJ to AT&T regarding investigations into the events that occurred on January 6, 2021, including but not limited to any court filings; and
- 3. All documents and communications between or among AT&T employees, agents, or contractors and employees of Jack Smith's Office of Special Counsel.

Please provide this material as soon as possible but no later than November 18, 2025. Pursuant to the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has legislative and oversight jurisdiction over the DOJ and its components.⁵ If you have any questions about this matter, please have your staff contact Committee staff at (202) 225-6906.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jim Jordan

cc: The Honorable Jamie Raskin, Ranking Member

 $^{^5}$ See Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, R. X., cl.1(7) (2025).