# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Robinson Walker, LLC received payments from foreign companies and individuals and then made payments to Owasco, P.C., other Hunter Biden bank accounts, Hallie Biden, and JBBSR, Inc., a corporate account associated with James Biden.<sup>3</sup> The Oversight Committee has traced payments from Burisma and entities related to CEFC, a Chinese energy company, to the bank accounts of Biden business associates, and then money was sent to **Biden accounts** belonging to Hunter Biden. The Committees are concerned that Hunter Biden and other Biden family members sought to conceal the source of foreign income by having lucrative wires sent to Biden associates' accounts instead of their own bank accounts at **Biden and elsewhere**. We believe these records will provide insight as to where the foreign money was finally sent.

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- c. Owasco, LLC
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- e. Eric Schwerin
- f. James Biden
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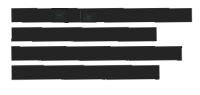
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- 2. Documents sufficient to show all accounts opened and closed by the individuals and entities listed in 1(a) above and the corporate entities affiliated with or linked to them.
- 3. All documents and internal and external communications referring or relating to any personnamed in 1(a) above or any corporate entity affiliated with or linked to any such person, including communications and documents related to KYC and due diligence communications regarding the individuals and entities named above.