

United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6325

January 11, 2021

J. Brett Blanton
Architect of the Capitol
SD-16, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Request for Information

Dear Architect Blanton:

Given the Committee on Rules and Administration's (Committee) oversight responsibilities over the Architect of the Capitol (AOC), we request your cooperation in preserving and providing certain information related to the events leading up to and including January 6, 2021.

Our number one priority is the ongoing safety and security of Congressional Members, officers and employees who are working to carry out their responsibilities under the Constitution, including legislative activities and activities relating to the peaceful transition of power—namely the 59th Inaugural Ceremonies. We ask that you prioritize those efforts and forward the following information after the Inaugural Ceremonies are complete.


Please provide the Committee a complete record of the following information. Where dates are required, please assume the period is December 6, 2020, through January 8, 2021; where records are sought involving individuals, please assume the request is for all AOC employees.

1. Telephone records and recordings, including for all cell phones, pagers, land lines, and electronic devices;
2. Email, text, and instant message traffic into and out of the AOC controlled servers and communication networks;
3. Social media posts made through any AOC controlled server and network or by any AOC employee related to the events on January 6, 2021;
4. All video footage or still photography from AOC cameras or taken by AOC personnel related to the events on January 6, 2021;
5. Transcripts or recollections of all telephone calls, texts, and radio or other electronic communications to and from federal, state, or local officials during the two weeks leading up to and including January 6, 2021, regarding additional security or assistance;
6. Memoranda of Agreement or Understanding between the AOC and other federal, local, state agencies or private entities; and
7. A list of all AOC employees, interns, detailees, and contractors as of December 6, 2020 and as of January 6, 2021.

Please provide your responses to the Committee by February 1, 2021, delivered under cover to SVC-217.

Respectfully yours,


Roy Blunt
Chairman


Amy Klobuchar
Ranking Member

cc: The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader of the Senate

The Honorable Charles Schumer
Minority Leader of the Senate