

**QUESTIONS FOR THE RECORD FOR U.S. ATTORNEY NOMINEES
FROM SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE RANKING
MEMBER DIANNE FEINSTEIN**

1. Please describe your experience in the selection process for the position of U.S. Attorney, from beginning to end (including the circumstances which led to your nomination and the interviews in which you participated both with those inside and outside of the government). Is there a selection commission in your jurisdiction to recommend candidates for U.S. Attorney? If so, please include that process in your description, as well as whether the commission recommended your nomination. List the dates of all interviews or communications you had with White House staff, U.S. Senators or their staff, the Justice Department, or outside groups regarding this nomination. Do not include any contacts with the Federal Bureau of Investigation personnel concerning your nomination.
2. During your selection process, from beginning to end, did you meet or otherwise interact with the President concerning your nomination? Your response must indicate “Yes” or “No.” If yes, indicate the date and nature of any interaction(s).
3. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a U.S. Attorney nominee—including but not limited to individuals at the White House, at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—asked you to make any representations or commitments as to how you would handle a particular case, investigation, or matter, if confirmed as U.S. Attorney? If so, explain fully.
4. Did you make any representations to any individuals—including but not limited to individuals at the White House or at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—as to how you might handle a particular case, investigation, or matter, if confirmed as U.S. Attorney? If so, explain fully.
5. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a U.S. Attorney nominee—including but not limited to individuals at the White House, at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—discussed with you the investigation being led by Special Counsel Robert Mueller? If so, explain fully.
6. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a U.S. Attorney nominee—including but not limited to individuals at the White House, at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—discussed with you the Justice Department’s order of succession? If so, explain fully.
7. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a U.S. Attorney nominee—including but not limited to individuals at the White House, at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—discussed with you whether you would terminate Robert Mueller as Special Counsel if asked to do so by the President? If so, explain fully.
8. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a U.S. Attorney nominee—including but not limited to individuals at the White House, at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—discussed with you the firing of James Comey as FBI Director? If so, explain fully.
9. At any point during the process that led to your nomination, did you have any discussions with anyone—including but not limited to individuals at the White House, at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—about your loyalty to President Trump? If so, please elaborate.

10. At any point during the process that led to your nomination, did you have any discussions with anyone—including but not limited to individuals at the White House, at the Justice Department, or at outside groups—about your loyalty to Attorney General Barr? If so, please elaborate.

Response of Peter M. McCoy, Jr. to Questions for the Record for U.S. Attorney Nominees
From Ranking Member Dianne Feinstein

I have not made a written account of each conversation I have had or each time I have been asked to respond to requests for information related to the selection process for United States Attorney. Nevertheless, based on my recollection, I have set forth generally how the selection process proceeded. The District of South Carolina does not have a selection commission. Following the 2016 General Election, I expressed interest to both Senators Graham and Tim Scott regarding the U.S. Attorney position. In May of 2017, I met with both Senators Graham and Tim Scott in Washington, DC regarding the position. In September of 2017, I was interviewed at the Department of Justice by DOJ employees and representatives of the White House. In July of 2019, I was contacted by Senators Graham and Tim Scott asking if I was still interested in the U.S. Attorney Position for the District of South Carolina. In August of 2019, I met with Senator Tim Scott in Charleston regarding the position. In October of 2019, I was interviewed at the Department of Justice by DOJ employees and representatives of the White House. In December of 2019, I was interviewed at the Department of Justice by Attorney General Barr and Deputy Attorney General Rosen. Thereafter, I submitted to a background investigation and completed the Senate Judiciary Committee Questionnaire, as well as other forms. During the nomination process, I had multiple contacts with Department of Justice employees in order to, among other things, complete paperwork and handle logistics. On February 24, 2020, President Trump nominated me for the position of U.S. Attorney for the District of South Carolina. Other than an interview at the Department of Justice, I have not had any communication with White House staff. No one involved in the process of selecting me as a U.S. Attorney nominee asked me to make any representations or commitments as to how I would handle a particular case, investigation, or matter if I were confirmed as U.S. Attorney, and I did not make any representations or commitments to any individual or group as to how I might handle any particular case, investigation, or matter if I were confirmed as U.S. Attorney. No one involved in the process of selecting me as a U.S. Attorney nominee discussed with me the investigation led by Special Counsel Robert Mueller, the Justice Department's order of succession, whether I would terminate Robert Mueller as Special Counsel, or the firing of James Comey as FBI Director. Further, during the nomination process, I have had no discussions with anyone about my loyalty to President Trump or Attorney General Barr. My only loyalty is to support and uphold the Constitution and to the people of the United States of America.