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By Email

Honorable Henry A. Waxman  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform  
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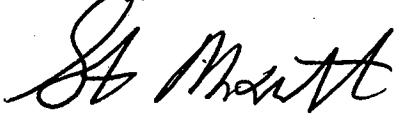
Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing you in response to your request for answers to specific questions relevant to the Committee's investigation relating to whether the Executive Office of the President has complied with federal laws requiring the preservation of preservation and federal records.

I have provided my responses to your questions to Mr. Emmet Flood, Special Counsel to the President and to M. Elizabeth Medaglia, Office of Administration General Counsel. In recent weeks they have expressed to me their concerns about potential disclosures of deliberative discussions involving the participation of Office of the Chief Information Officer management, Office of Administration General Counsel, White House Counsel's Office and White House management. To address these concerns, I have provided my responses to them for their review. They have committed to me that they will review and identify any responses or other specific information that they wish to be redacted from my response prior to submission to the Committee. Any items they choose to redact should be addressed to them.

I realize that there are many complex issues related to this topic. If you or your staff have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me via email at [REDACTED], or via telephone anytime at [REDACTED]. Thank you for your time and attention in this matter.

Sincerely,



Steven McDevitt

**Responses from Steven McDevitt (Part 1 of 2)**  
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**General Background**

**1. During what time period did you work at the White House?**

I was employed in the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) in the Office of Administration (OA) in the Executive Office of the President (EOP) from September 2002 through October 2006.

**2. What position or positions did you hold at the White House? To whom did you report?**

From September 2002 through July 2003, I was an Information Technology Specialist – Project Manager (GS-2210-14) in the Concepts, Requirements and Systems Engineering Directorate (CR&SE) in the OCIO. During this period I reported to Mr. Layton Clay, the Director of CR&SE.

In July 2003, the OCIO was reorganized and the Architecture and Engineering (A&E) Directorate was created. I was promoted to the position of Director of the A&E as a Supervisor Information Technology Specialist (GS-2210-15).

From July, 2003 through January 2005, I reported to Mr. Carlos Solari, the Chief Information Officer (CIO).

From January 2005 through May 2006, I reported to Mr. John Straub, the Director of the Office of Administration and acting CIO.

From May 2006 through the end of my tenure in the OCIO, I reported to Ms. Theresa Payton.