



Memorandum

TO: Senate Judiciary Committee (SJC) Republicans
CC: Ranking Member Durbin
FROM: Chairman Grassley
SUBJECT: Investigative Update – Arctic Frost and SCO Jack Smith
DATE: October 14, 2026

This memo provides an update on my ongoing oversight activity pertaining to Arctic Frost and Jack Smith’s Special Counsel Office (SCO).

Background

From legally protected whistleblower disclosures, on October 29, 2025, I made public that Biden’s Justice Department issued subpoenas to Republican aligned groups as part of Arctic Frost, and later Jack Smith did the same as Special Counsel.¹ Pursuant to those same lawful whistleblower disclosures, my office has also obtained some subpoena returns, which correspond to some of those subpoenas. On September 29, 2026, I released records showing that Jack Smith’s team collected checks from nearly 5,000 Americans in all 50 states who donated to President Trump and Trump-aligned Republican entities. This update builds on that release for purposes of public transparency.

During SJC’s September 29, 2026, hearing, Jack Smith failed to provide complete responses to questions regarding obtaining donor data. This update shows that Jack Smith and the Biden Justice Department collected incredibly invasive donor data – and voter data – beyond what could conceivably be necessary for him or his team to fulfill the SCO’s mandate. This update further corroborates that Smith and his partisan team aimed to map out the entire Republican Party apparatus. I again call on my Democratic colleagues to join my oversight work instead of trying to defend Smith and sweep his abuse of authority under the rug.

New Information

Recently reviewed subpoena returns show that Jack Smith’s SCO and Biden’s Justice Department obtained donor information and voter information. The following includes a summary of new information relevant to the committee’s work:

¹ See: https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/arctic_frost_197_subpoena_records_obtained_by_chairman_grassley.pdf;
Also see: https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/arctic_frost197_subpoena_tracker_compiled_by_sjc_staff.pdf.

- Jack Smith's SCO and Biden's Justice Department obtained spreadsheets containing Republican campaign donors, supporters, and detailed personal voter information in various formats, totaling over 639,000 individuals, at minimum. Out of those, over 148,000 rows are identified in the spreadsheets as donors. The donors generally contributed small dollar amounts. The data include:
 - Names;
 - Dates of birth;
 - Physical addresses (encompassing most states and U.S. territories and encompassing the states of every SJC member);
 - Email addresses;
 - Whether the individual is a registered Republican;
 - Individuals' congressional district and state legislature;
 - Individuals' occupation and place of employment (sample occupations listed include: retired, pool tech, driver, logger, safety manager, janitor, doorman);
 - Individuals' donation amount (as low as \$1; generally, donation amounts under \$1,000);
 - Individuals' credit card information (including last four digits of credit card numbers); and
 - Donor analysis data (such as one-time versus recurring donations and the amount of the donation).
- Jack Smith's SCO and Biden's Justice Department obtained names of campaign personnel, which may potentially include campaign volunteers.
- Jack Smith's SCO and Biden's Justice Department obtained donor, potential voter, and supporter data ranging from 2005 to 2021, well outside Smith's scope of purported review and further corroborating that the Special Counsel operation was designed to map out the Republican Party.
- The documents also show that Jack Smith's SCO and Biden's Justice Department obtained information on sales of red MAGA hats, including individual buyers, their purchases and their shipping addresses for home delivery. This is in addition to collecting a catalogue of Trump campaign products including these red hats, t-shirts, mugs, and door mats. This further illustrates the extensive scope of irrelevant and personally invasive records obtained by Smith which were shared with FBI agents.

Attachments: Trump Save America Merchandise, Trump MAGA Hat Orders, Trump Victory Call Sheet with data contributions from 2005.