

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Gary R. Barksdale
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Dear Chief Postal Inspector Barksdale:

Our republic depends on fair and honest elections. This year we saw a shift from an Election Day to an election season that included large quantities of mail-in ballots. This experience has raised significant concerns about the security of mail-in ballots, the susceptibility of such ballots to tampering and fraud.

During this year's election, numerous allegations of fraud have been made, and unfortunately some pertain to operations within the U.S. Postal Service which include allegations of discarding mail-in ballots, backdating mail ballots and withholding the processing of one side's campaign mail.

A recent audio recording emerged on the internet of an interview between two federal postal agents and a postal employee whistleblower from Erie, Pennsylvania. Please provide us with the specific steps that were taken to investigate the allegations made by the whistleblower.

On a similar note, how many cases, and in which states, have investigations into fraud or the mishandling of ballots with respect to the general election of 2020 been conducted? Your role in this matter is important to reassuring public confidence in the integrity of the election.

We urge you to investigate any and all potential irregularity or fraud that may contribute to the public's perception of the process and confidence in the outcome. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Bill Posey
Member of Congress



Jeff Duncan
Member of Congress



Louie Gohmert
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