

ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS ON DECEMBER 21, 2017

**115TH CONGRESS, 1ST SESSION
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**

**IN THE MATTER REGARDING THE ARRESTS OF MEMBERS OF THE
HOUSE DURING A PROTEST OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL ON
DECEMBER 6, 2017**

December 21, 2017

Ms. BROOKS from the Committee on Ethics submitted the following

REPORT

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Susan W. Brooks, Indiana

Chairwoman

Patrick Meehan, Pennsylvania

Trey Gowdy, South Carolina

Kenny Marchant, Texas

Leonard Lance, New Jersey

Theodore E. Deutch, Florida

Ranking Member

Yvette D. Clarke, New York

Jared Polis, Colorado

Anthony Brown, Maryland

Steve Cohen, Tennessee

REPORT STAFF

Thomas A. Rust, *Chief Counsel/Staff Director*

Patrick M. McMullen, *Director of Investigations*

Megan H. Savage, *Counsel to the Chairwoman*

Daniel J. Taylor, *Counsel to the Ranking Member*

Molly N. McCarty, *Investigator*

Andrew Kleiman, *Investigative Clerk*

Susan W. Brooks, Indiana
Chairwoman
Theodore E. Deutch, Florida
Ranking Member



Thomas A. Rust
Staff Director and Chief Counsel

Donna Herbert
Director of Administration

Megan Savage
*Chief of Staff and Counsel to
the Chairwoman*

Daniel J. Taylor
Counsel to the Ranking Member

1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-6328
Telephone: (202) 225-7103
Facsimile: (202) 225-7392

Patrick Meehan, Pennsylvania
Trey Gowdy, South Carolina
Kenny Marchant, Texas
Leonard Lance, New Jersey

ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Yvette D. Clarke, New York
Jared Polis, Colorado
Anthony Brown, Maryland
Steve Cohen, Tennessee

December 21, 2017

The Honorable Karen L. Haas
Clerk, House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Haas:

Pursuant to clauses 3(a)(2) and 3(b) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, we herewith transmit the attached report, "In the Matter Regarding the Arrests of Members of the House During a Protest Outside the United States Capitol on December 6, 2017."

Sincerely,
Handwritten signature of Susan W. Brooks in cursive.

Susan W. Brooks
Chairwoman

Handwritten signature of Theodore E. Deutch in cursive.

Theodore E. Deutch
Ranking Member

**115TH CONGRESS, 1ST SESSION
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**

**IN THE MATTER REGARDING THE ARRESTS OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE
DURING A PROTEST OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL ON
DECEMBER 6, 2017**

December 21, 2017

Ms. BROOKS from the Committee on Ethics submitted the following

R E P O R T

In accordance with Rule 18(e)(2) of the Committee on Ethics (Committee), the Committee hereby submits the following Report to the House of Representatives:

I. FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

On December 21, 2017, the Committee convened for the purpose of considering the December 6, 2017, arrests of Representatives Judy Chu and Luis V. Gutiérrez, for Crowding, Obstructing, or Incommoding, during a protest outside the United States Capitol in Washington, D.C. Representatives Chu and Gutiérrez paid a \$50 fine and were released following their arrest. The legal proceedings related to these arrests are now resolved.

The Committee voted against impanelling an investigative subcommittee in this matter. The Committee considered the scope and nature of the conduct described above and determined that review by an investigative subcommittee is not required in this matter.

The Committee has determined to take no further action in this matter, and upon publication of this Report, considers the matter closed.

II. STATEMENT UNDER HOUSE RULE XIII, CLAUSE 3(C)

The Committee made no special oversight findings in this Report. No budget statement is submitted. No funding is authorized by any measure in this Report.