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The Honorable Susan W. Brooks
Chair, Committee on Ethics
U.S. House of Representatives
1015 Longworth House Office Building (LHOB)
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Brooks; **Sexual Harassment Accusations Against Rep. Bobby Scott**

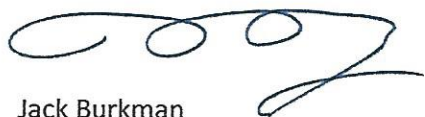
On behalf of my client, M. Reese Everson, who on Friday, Dec. 14, from Arlington, bravely stepped forward to confront Rep. Bobby Scott from Virginia and accuse him of inappropriately touching her leg and body without permission and offering on more than one occasion to advance her in her career if she'd allow him to have his way with her, I am formally asking that the Committee on Ethics investigate her allegations.

Ms. Everson's claims and Mr. Scott's swift denials were widely covered by *USA Today*, NBC News and many other national and local news organizations. While victims are typically to be believed, the situation as of this writing sits stuck in a "she said, he said" position, and unless more victim's step forward, or the Committee probes what happened, it will likely stay that way and the status quo will prevail. That, Madame Chairwoman, is unacceptable.

At the very least, there must an investigation by your Committee. Ms. Everson is willing to testify under oath as to her claims, at any time of your choosing.

Mr. Scott's alleged actions inflicted irreparable harm to her life. All Ms. Everson seeks now is justice.

Sincerely,



Jack Burkman
Attorney

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The Honorable Patrick Meehan
The Honorable Trey Gowdy
The Honorable Kenny Marchant
The Honorable Leonard Lance
The Honorable Ted Deutch
The Honorable Yvette D. Clarke
The Honorable Jared Polis

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Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi
The Honorable Steny Hoyer
The Honorable Steve Cohen
The Honorable Anthony Brown