'Complete malarkey': Hunter Biden's ex-business partner says President Biden is LYING when he says he NEVER interacted with his son's foreign partners

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All nine charges relate to tax, including two felony charges for filing a false return, a felony charge for tax evasion, four failure to pay charges, and a further two charges for failure to file. The charges span the 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 tax years.

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Biden AGAIN denies business dealings with son; claims it's all 'LIES'



The unidentified associate told <u>Fox News</u> that there was "plenty of evidence" to back up the allegations of Biden family corruption.

He insisted there weren't any communications with scandal-hit son's associates, despite the <u>GOP</u> sharing evidence of at least 22 phone calls the then-vice president sat in on, dinners with Hunter's associates at Washington, D.C., restaurants and participation in coffee meetings.

Biden's denial came just days after <u>Congressional investigators revealed</u> <u>he received \$1,380 monthly payments from Hunter's company.</u>

The president took a question on the topic at the end of a brief statement where he called on Republicans to move billions in military and other aid for <u>Ukraine</u>, while signaling a willingness to deal on border issues.

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He was asked about <u>polling</u> showing that nearly 70 percent of Americans think he did something unethical or illegal with family business interests and why he interacted with 'so many' of his son Hunter and brother James' associates.

'I'm not going to comment, I did not,' Biden began, before repeatedly blasting 'lies.'

Earlier this week, House Oversight chairman Rep. James Comer (R-Ky.) released bank records that Republicans say indicate he got at least three monthly payments from a company owned by <u>Hunter Biden</u> that took in millions from China.



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The transfers come from 2018, after Biden had left the vice presidency. The records, subpoenaed by the GOP, appear to show he took three payments of \$1,380 each on September 17, October 15 and November 15.

The payments came from Hunter-owned firm Owasco PC.

A Comer spokesperson called them 'part of a pattern revealing Joe Biden knew about, participated in and benefited from his family's influence-peddling schemes.'

Hunter Biden is currently facing probe of his taxes and finances and

potential foreign lobby disclosure issues. He has been charged with felony gun offenses related to a form he signed for the purchase of a firearm and also pleaded not guilty to two misdemeanor tax crimes.

The payments were for a 2018 Ford Raptor truck that Biden bought and that Hunter was using for a time, according to the Washington Post, which reviewed an email about it.



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Hunter Biden lawyer Abbe Lowell told the paper, 'The truth is Hunter's father helped him when he was struggling financially due to his addiction and could not secure credit to finance a truck. When Hunter was able to, he paid his father back and took over the payments himself.'

The president has repeatedly denied being in business with his son, but former Hunter Biden business associates have testified he would briefly pop on conference calls or drop by meetings.

The House is moving toward a possible floor vote on a formal

impeachment inquiry. House Speaker Mike Johnson said the vote would come next week.

On Thursday, things just got worse for Hunter, with federal prosecutors alleging the president's son spent millions on an 'extravagant lifestyle' while avoiding paying taxes for years.

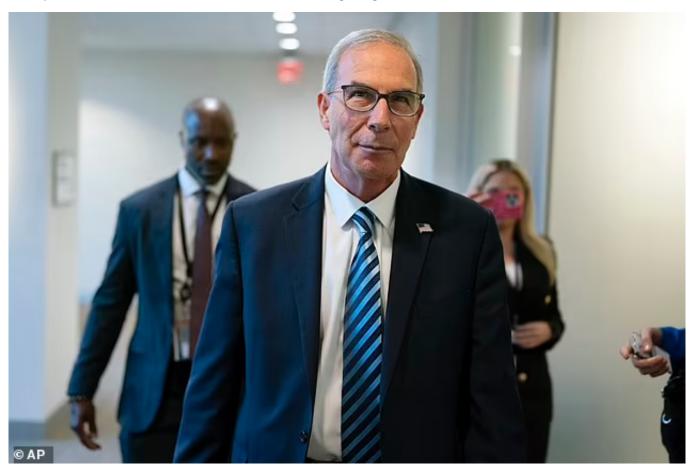
The Justice Department says the president's son faces up to 17 years in prison.

The indictment states that despite receiving millions in personal income and financial support from a friend, Hunter Biden 'spent this money on drugs, escorts and girlfriends, luxury hotels and rental properties, exotic cars, clothing, and other items of a personal nature, in short, everything but his taxes.'

'The Defendant engaged in a four-year scheme to not pay at least \$1.4 million in self-assessed federal taxes he owed for tax years 2016 through 2019,' it reads.



The Department of Justice has filed new criminal charges against Hunter Biden



Special Counsel David Weiss (pictured) brought those charges against Hunter Biden after an earlier proposed



The scandal-hit first son (left) already faces a weapons charge in Delaware

It also alleges Hunter attempted 'to evade the assessment of taxes for tax year 2018 when he filed false returns in or about February 2020.'

As well as failing to file and pay his taxes he has also been accused of including 'false business deductions' in his 2018 returns to reduce his tax bill.

Investigators are set to argue that Hunter 'spent millions of dollars on an extravagant lifestyle rather than paying his tax bills'.

'The Defendant spent approximately \$1 million in 2016, \$1.4 million in 2017, \$1.8 million in 2018, and \$600,000 in 2019' the indictment alleges.

Hunter is said to have made more than \$7 million in gross income between 2016 and 2020, according to the documents.

In addition, prosecutors allege Hunter receives around \$1.2 million 'in financial support to fund his extravagant lifestyle' in 2020 alone.