

U.S. Sen. Johnson: Seeks answers from the U.S. capitol police on officer Sicknick's death

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WASHINGTON – Today, U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) sent a letter to the acting chief of the U.S. Capitol Police (USCP), highlighting the recent medical examiner ruling that Officer Sicknick died of natural causes. The Senator's letter raises pertinent questions as the official ruling from the medical examiner appears to be at odds with the USCP's [statement from January 7, 2021](#). Their statement noted that Officer Sicknick died from "injuries sustained while on-duty" after "physically engaging with protestors" at the U.S. Capitol on January 6.

Since January 2021, Senator Johnson has sent several oversight letters to different agencies regarding the breach at the Capitol. He has written to the acting and former House and Senate sergeants at arms, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, USCP, the U.S. Architect of the Capitol, and the Washington, D.C. Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

Excerpts from Senator Johnson's April 22, 2021, letter to the USCP are below and the full letter can be found [here](#).

"This finding raises more questions about what USCP knew and what actions USCP took to confirm certain facts regarding Officer Sicknick's death before it released its January 7 statement."

"It remains unclear why the USCP released a statement regarding Officer Sicknick's cause of death months before the medical examiner made an official determination. Following USCP's claim that Officer Sicknick died 'due to injuries sustained while on-duty,' false reports about those injuries

began to emerge.”

“The death of any police officer is a tragedy and the use of any officer’s death for political purposes or to create a false narrative is reprehensible and disrespectful to the officer’s family and the officer’s memory.”