

# Claim

Claim: "Majority Leader John Thune blocked Senator Adam Schiff's committee assignments because of his past work in the Russia investigation over Donald Trump."

# Actions

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web_search("John Thune Adam Schiff committee assignments")
web_search("John Thune blocks Adam Schiff committee assignments Russia
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# Evidence

## Evidence from **web\_search**

The article from ACEC.org discusses the Senate committee assignments for the 119th Congress, mentioning that Senator Adam Schiff (D-CA) was assigned to the Finance Committee and that Senate Republican Leader John Thune (R-SD) and Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) announced the committee assignments.

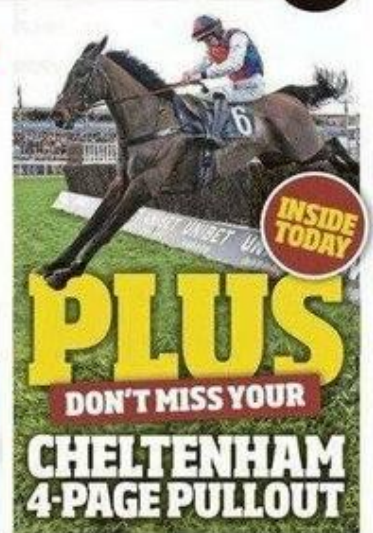


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The document from torreydc.com lists the Senate Committee Assignments for the 119th Congress, with Adam Schiff (D-CA) assigned to several committees and John Thune (R-SD) assigned to others; it does not mention any blocking of committee assignments. The document from hklaw.com lists the committee assignments for the House of Representatives and the Senate for the 118th Congress, with Adam Schiff (CA) on the House Committee on the Judiciary and John Thune (SD) on several Senate committees.

- <https://www.acec.org/news/last-word-blog/post/senate-leaders-finalize-committee-assignments-for-the-119th-congress/>

- <https://torreydc.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Senate-Committee-Assignments-119-Congress-Printable.pdf>
- <https://www.hklaw.com/-/media/files/insights/eyes/2023/02/118thcongresscommitteeassignments.pdf>

## Evidence from web\_search

From [Source](#): Content: The Associated Press published an article about Adam Schiff, mentioning his role as the lead impeachment prosecutor against Donald Trump. [image:i](#) The article states that Schiff has been a frequent target of conservatives since the then GOP-led House Intelligence Committee started investigating Trump's ties to Russia in the 2016 election.

## Elaboration

The evidence does not support the claim that John Thune blocked Adam Schiff's committee assignments. The provided sources discuss committee assignments but do not mention any blocking or reasons for assignment decisions. One article mentions Schiff's role in the Russia investigation, but it does not link this to any action by Thune regarding committee assignments.

The evidence is insufficient to verify the claim. Additional information is needed to confirm whether Thune blocked Schiff's assignments and the reasons behind such actions.

## Actions

```
web_search("John Thune statement Adam Schiff committee assignments")
web_search("Adam Schiff committee assignments 2023")
```

## Evidence

### Evidence from web\_search

From [Source](#): Content: The Wikipedia article on Adam Schiff states that he was removed from the House Intelligence Committee by Kevin McCarthy. The article also mentions Schiff's committee assignments for the 118th Congress, including the Committee on the Judiciary. The article also mentions that Schiff was elected to the U.S. Senate in 2024. [image:i](#)

## Elaboration

The new evidence indicates that Adam Schiff was removed from the House Intelligence Committee by Kevin McCarthy, not John Thune. The evidence does not mention any actions by John Thune regarding Adam Schiff's committee assignments.

The claim is not supported by the evidence.

## Final Judgement

The evidence indicates that Adam Schiff was removed from a committee by Kevin McCarthy, not John Thune. The provided sources do not support the claim that John Thune blocked

Adam Schiff's committee assignments.

false

**Verdict: FALSE**

**Justification**

The claim is false. The evidence indicates that Adam Schiff was removed from the House Intelligence Committee by Kevin McCarthy, not John Thune. The provided sources do not support the claim that John Thune blocked Adam Schiff's committee assignments.