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Subject: pending FBI investigation and assistance required - FBI still doesn't have the suspect's laptop !

Dear Lynn,

I am writing regarding the pending FBI corruption investigation and the apparent continuing lack of cooperation from BH with the FBI. I can no longer sit quietly while needed evidence and information is being withheld from the corruption squad at the FBI. You will recall that back in the fall of last year, we were discussing the various investigations and you were attempting to shut me out, which you eventually did. I was complaining in writing that it may appear you were potentially obstructing justice and that the FBI needed to image and take a look at the suspect's hard drive, owned by BH. I understand that even today, the FBI does not have access to that laptop. This is outrageous and the public deserves better. Hopefully, you will allow your new director of security, who is a former AUSA, to fully cooperate with authorities. And hopefully you will take his advice on improving the image of BH with law enforcement - you didn't take my advice. I also hope that after all these months, that executive's laptop didn't get "lost" or damaged or wiped. You know very well, that there is no possible attorney/client privileged information on the laptop of the former employee/suspect. Even if there was a privilege, the DoJ/FBI has experienced taint teams to deal with any issues. The decision on privilege in a criminal investigation of a public employee is the U. S. Attorney's Office - not yours and not your outside law firm. Ryan Stumphauzer explained this to you in detail.

You will recall that back in April of last year, long before you arrived at BH, David Di Pietro directed Nabil El Sanadi to engage me to investigate his (Nabil's) information and allegations of corruption at BH. Rumors had been circulating in the community for some time. David knew that former US Attorney, Donna Bucella and I investigated Patti Mahaney the former CFO of North Broward. Our evidence and witness statements including her confession resulted in her indictment and conviction for embezzlement from the district and corruption related charges. David also knew of my background, being the law enforcement supervisor for Janet Reno's Public Corruption Unit in Miami.

I was engaged in April 2015 and Nabil gave me several allegations to investigate. I discovered the irregularities in the security RFP and Nabil put a hold on the RFP process several times at my request. There was obvious corruption and the matter is still not resolved to this day. I later developed witnesses regarding kickbacks and other crimes and immediately referred the matter to the FBI corruption squad. We (myself and FBI agents) promised witnesses that they would not be known unless they testified. We kept that promise and will continue to do so.

Nabil was informed and gave me authority to continue. Nabil and I met several times at his home or at a local restaurant to discuss my findings as he felt his office was bugged. We used Nabil's wife's email to communicate most of the time because we didn't know who would have access to sensitive emails. I developed several witnesses as you know (you were later briefed in detail) that were former employees or unrelated to BH. All were immediately taken to the FBI. Our problem (yours and mine) began when you came to work at BH and one of your outside attorneys demanded that I turn over the names of FBI witnesses in the ongoing federal investigation. I refused of course. After that time we bumped heads. You had no experience with evidence handling in ongoing criminal investigations and I wrote you about that several times. Rather than turning over potential evidence to me for the FBI, your outside law firm, under some privilege argument, made copies and did their "privilege research" which, I am sure, resulted in huge billings to the taxpayers of Broward County. I then wrote you that long memo about obstructing justice appearances. Ryan Stumphauer, Esq (former chief federal prosecutor hired at my recommendation) and I asked Nabil to simply make a decision on who was doing the corruption investigation internally. We asked if it was us or you and your Tampa law firm. He told me it was Ryan and me but that never materialized, even after I organized an off-site meeting with Nabil and the FBI. What Nabil promised the FBI about evidence turnover at that meeting never happened. For months, I would call Nabil and ask why the FBI still didn't get the laptop of the suspect - he would say that the attorneys were researching something.

Recently, much to everyone's surprise and after the FBI contacted one suspect employee, it was decided that BH would terminate the employee and give him 6 month's severance pay. I heard this from one of our outside witnesses who cried that nothing had changed by way of corruption at BH - that it must have been hush money. Apparently the former executive was bragging about getting \$75,000 from BH to pay his criminal defense attorney. I texted you and you responded that you knew nothing about it. This was untrue according to Nabil. I called him immediately thereafter and he told me that you and HR had approved the "settlement" and that there was some confidentiality agreement with the former executive, now suspect. The same executive (and you were briefed about this) who according to eye witnesses, drugged and attempted to rape several employees, had sex with female employees in his office at BH, took kickbacks from vendors, created companies to sell goods to BH, had relatives working at BH in violation of policy, and was generally un cooperative with internal audit in the past. And there is more from witnesses about which you were not briefed. Imagine what our cooperating witnesses must think.

As I mentioned to you many times, if this were Miami and I was still at the Public Corruption Unit, and someone dragged their feet for even days, let alone months turning over critical evidence that even belonged to the public, I would have long ago served a search warrant. I pray that you will take my advice just this once and immediately give that suspect's laptop to Carlos to immediately deliver to the FBI.

Regards,
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