

Dear Colleagues,

Attached please find the Attorney General's Memorandum of today entitled "Post-Voting Election Irregularity Inquiries," an important new policy abrogating the forty-year-old Non-Interference Policy for ballot fraud investigations in the period prior to elections becoming certified and uncontested. *Federal Prosecution of Election Offenses*, pp. 84-85 (8th Ed. 2017).

Having familiarized myself with the new policy and its ramifications, and in accord with the best tradition of the John C. Keeney Award for Exceptional Integrity and Professionalism (my most cherished Departmental recognition), I must regretfully resign from my role as Director of the Election Crimes Branch. I have enjoyed very much working with you for over a decade to aggressively and diligently enforce federal criminal election law, policy, and practice without partisan fear or favor. I thank you for your support in that effort.

The Acting Director of the Election Crimes Branch going forward will be PIN Deputy Chief Robert J. Heberle (██████████). Deputy Director Sean F. Mulryne, will remain in his position. Please give them both the same support that I have enjoyed, and rest assured that the Public Integrity Section remains committed to operating properly in all of its functions.

Best Wishes, RCP

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