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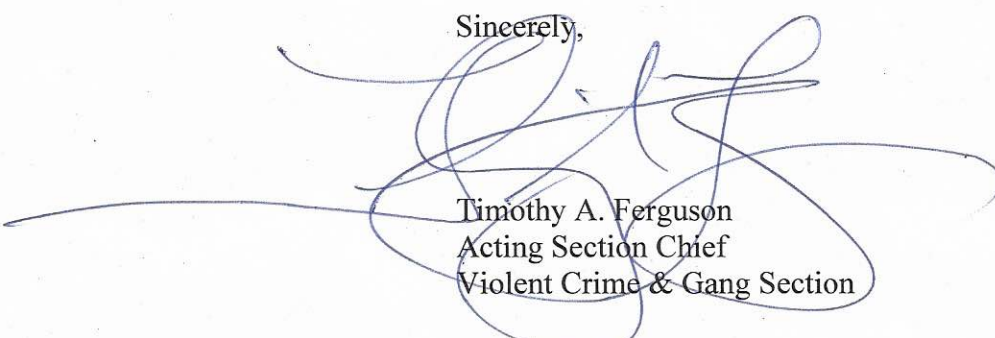
Dear Mr. Esdale:

I am writing in response to your December 26, 2017, letter to President Donald Trump, which was forwarded to the FBI. You wrote requesting an FBI investigation into the death of your father, Murray B. Cohen. As previously stated in the letter dated July 7, 2010, from FBI Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Steven E. Ibrison, Tampa Field Office, the FBI does not have either jurisdiction or congressional authority to conduct local death investigations without an underlying federal nexus. Moreover, on October 4, 2004, an FBI Assistant Director represented to the Honorable Bill Nelson on your behalf that a local or state law enforcement agency is the appropriate entity to conduct such an investigation, not the FBI.

In order for the FBI to initiate an investigation of any complaint we receive, specific facts must be present to indicate a violation of federal law has occurred. Based on a review of all relevant information, to include your letter to President Trump requesting an additional investigation, there is an absence of evidence to indicate a violation of federal law occurred during Mr. Cohen's death.

If you have additional information which you believe gives rise to a possible violation of federal law, you may contact the FBI's Tampa Field Office, located at 5525 West Street, Tampa, Florida, 33609, telephone number (813) 253-1000.

Sincerely,



Timothy A. Ferguson
Acting Section Chief
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September 14, 2018

Mr. Timothy A. Ferguson
Acting Section Chief
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Dear Mr. Ferguson:

I am writing in response to your letter WH#20180507-16142879 dated, July 13, 2018. I will simply go point by point. You insinuate in my December 26, 2017 letter to President Trump I asked him to order the FBI conduct a murder investigation into my father's death. This is false. I asked President Trump to personally get involved in our case and demand the FBI produce an audio report which reflected the truth of what happened to my father. I explained to President Trump that the false audio report manufactured in the FBI Audio Lab was the reason justice was being denied for the murder of my father, Murray B. Cohen.

As for your claim, "The FBI does not have either the jurisdiction or the congressional authority to conduct local death investigations without an underlying federal nexus" does not hold water in my father's case. There is plenty of federal Nexus's in this case. My father's civil rights were violated by his wife of three weeks, Maria A. Amurrio when she poisoned him, denied him medical assistance and then suffocated him so that she could pillage his \$1.3 million dollar estate.

It should be noted, authorities found and inventoried an empty bottle of a lethal poison at the death scene called Corazol which is banned by the FDA for human consumption. To this day, authorities have resisted ordering an exhumation and autopsy to determine his true cause of death which is a violation of Florida law.

I believe, Maria A. Amurrio is a federally protected informant who has stepped over the line for money and greed. How would you like it if you had a recording of one of your parents being murdered, what they went through, and told you who committed the crime and then nobody in law enforcement helped?

Years ago, a young man named Kendrick Johnson who lived in the state of Georgia was found dead rolled up in high school gymnasium mat. Law Enforcement classified his death as natural. After his family uncovered evidence of murder, the Georgia U.S. Attorney, Michael Moore held a press conference to inform the public he was opening a full blown Federal Investigation into the cover-up of Mr. Johnson's murder. U.S. Attorney Moore further stated, his office was conducting the Federal Investigation to find out why law enforcement covered up his death and who they were covering up for. Mr. Moore concluded his public statement by saying, "The family had a right to know the true cause of their loved one's death." Could you please tell me why my Florida family does not have the same right?

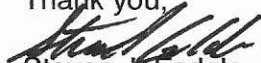
On February 2, 2011, a private investigator Nick Capuano who I retained went into the Sarasota FBI field office and met with Agent Lynn Billings. Capuano played the version of the 911 recording for her which proved my father was murdered. Agent Billing admitted to Capuano she

could hear a man pleading for an ambulance. On July 14, 2005, FBI Deputy Counsel, Patrick Kelley responded to Senator Bill Nelson's letter in which he lied and stated, "The day Capuano went into the FBI and played the recording for Agent Billings, she did not hear a man pleading for medical assistance, therefore, the FBI would not be able to get involved." The fact is, Agent Billings did hear a man pleading for an ambulance, which means I had a right to FBI assistance.

Finally, in the closing of your letter, you stated, "If you have any additional information which you believe gives rise to a possible violation of federal law, you may contact the Tampa FBI Field Office." For one, the Tampa FBI Field Office warned me if I ever contacted them again I would be arrested. Why would I contact the same FBI Office whose personnel are involved in giving cover to the criminals at the Sarasota Sheriff's Office who perpetrated my father's murder cover-up?

A month before I received your letter, I published a book about this case which is a treasure trove of evidence. I am enclosing a copy of my book for your review, just in case you care about honoring your sworn oath and seeing justice served. I hope you find the courage to do the right thing.

Thank you,


Steven J. Esdale



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