May 26, 2018

The Honorable Henry Kerner Special Counsel U.S. Office of Special Counsel 1730 M Street, NW, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20036

Re: OSC File DI-17-4244

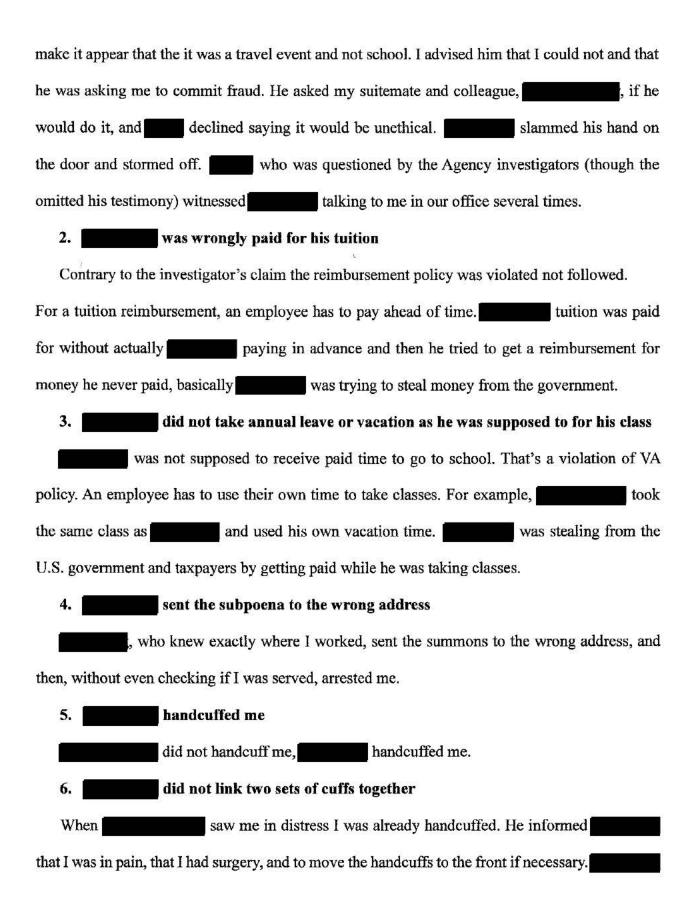
Dear Mr. Kerner:

I am writing with comments on the May 4, 2018 investigative report regarding my complaint that Hines VA police, specifically arrested me for parking tickets, resulting in serious bodily injury. I am sorely disappointed in the quality and accuracy of the investigation conducted by the Agency. They are making a mockery of this whole process.

As noted in my initial complaint, and as substantiated by the Agency's report, no one at Hines VA has been arrested for parking tickets. Multiple officers confirmed this to me personally. My agreement with the report ends, for all intents and purposes, at that point. The report itself is full of false statements on the part of the officers interviewed. The investigators also omitted statements that support my claims as well as failed to interview other officers with important information. There are too many falsehoods to list them all, so I am going to list the major problem areas in the report.

1. met me many times before he arrested me

In my role at Hines, I have met most of the officers. I met several times before the day he arrested me. came to me to ask about tuition reimbursement, the issue that started the retaliation, well before he ever raised any parking tickets with me. came to my office with now my office with now the criminal investigator, to ask me to alter his documents to



did not remove the handcuffs, link two together, and then re-handcuff me. He simply put on a second set of cuffs higher up my arms. The investigators questioned but omitted his testimony. indicated to me that this technique is improper but that this because it is how he was trained at another other police department where or currently works. also indicated that this technique was improper and that I would not have been arrested had he been there that day. ignored my distress handcuffed me I told him about my physical condition. confirmed this to but he ignored him, like he ignored me. While driving to court I complained that I was in distress. I told that I could not breathe. ignored me and turned up the volume on the radio. I told him that I said I could not breathe ignored her. After that she did nothing. did not call the ambulance When we arrived at court the U.S. Marshall noticed my distress and called an ambulance. opposed such an action. 9. Injury I did not merely have breast implants, I had a double-mastectomy because of breast cancer, which meant that I have weakened skin and no chest wall. tried to explain my physical issues to ignored him. The investigators, who omitted but testimony, also did not ask me for medical records. However, because of the injury I had

Conclusion

to have surgery which required me to take two months off work.

The investigation appears to be a cover-up by the Agency. It is clear from the report that the investigators had no intention of investigating the matter properly. The investigators omitted key testimony that corroborates my claims while including blatant falsehoods. Their claim that tuition reimbursement was appropriately handled is also completely false. From other officers it is my understanding that this is not the first cover-up that OS&LE has engaged in with respect to wrongdoing at Hines VA. In light of the Agency's failure to conduct a proper investigation, I am requesting that a new set of investigators be assigned to investigate this matter properly.

Respectfully,