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To whom it may concern;

During the month of September, 2020 I placed a phone call to Liberty Stewart at the District Attorney's Office as she has been a reliable point of contact for any conversations pertaining to any of my case discussions. During our conversation I explained to Liberty the elements of a case I was struggling with, to see if she had any guidance to provide a good direction for the case. Liberty stated that she and I had a good working relationship and that she trusted me with our conversations, but that there has been recent issues pertaining to the County Police Department and the District Attorney's Office. It was explained to me that there has been two recent issues with County Officers and that they have directly thrown the District Attorney's Office "under the bus". Liberty did not directly provide me with any names of the County Officers, but she did describe a case to me. I was familiar with the case and she stated there was a recording uploaded under the described case that would support the concerns by her as well as other District Attorney's Office employees. Liberty further stated that it is a popular opinion with other District Attorney's Office employees (no names mentioned) that they did not feel comfortable working with the County Police Department because of concerns with the recent Officers "throwing them under the bus".

Liberty and I discussed that she was more than willing to speak with me if and when I had any concerns with a case, but that there are concerns amongst the Office about providing any opinions or guidance based off of the above stated Officers actions and whatever they had done to be inappropriate towards the District Attorney's Office. Liberty and I both agreed to not discuss the specifics of the issues between the Office and the Officers, and I did not further asked Liberty about any other cases as I wished to respect her and the District Attorney's Office in the decision.

Liberty and I both spoke about the turmoil amongst the local agencies, stating we wished there was a better working relationship. Liberty and I both agreed that we hoped the unspoken issues would smooth out after the Election passed in November and things could return to normal. It was stressed to me that it was Liberty's goal to one day be able to sit down with Investigations and discuss our cases and that she would like to have that



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relationship, but until other known and unknown issues were resolved that did not seem to be possible (no date provided to restore relationship).

I explained to Liberty I would have to go and speak with my supervisors about the above issues and concerns and she stated she understood and was not opposed to me relaying our conversation. I stressed to Liberty my supervisors would want an explanation as to why their investigators were not consulting their cases with the District Attorney's Office. I told Liberty I did not want to get her name involved in any turmoil that may ensue as it appeared she was more of a liaison for a popular opinion amongst District Attorney Employees rather than a direct opinion of hers. I am unsure of her opinion as I did not ask.

I later provided the above information to Criminal Investigations Division, Sergeant Stephanie Oliver. I did not provide the name of the employee I had spoken with, but I did provide her with the case number that was of concern with the District Attorney's Office and the property numbers that may support the case.

I later spoke with Captain Tom Jump, Lieutenant Brandon Gregory, and Lieutenant Jeremiah Bergquist about the above issue and provided them with the above details to the best of my knowledge.

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