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I am requesting that your office investigate fraud, mis-management and prosecutorial misconduct which took place within the Office of the Independent Counsel (Arlin Adams).

I was an employee of Arlin Adams Office of the Independent Counsel from November of 1991 until December of 1993. I was fired, and then criminally prosecuted for the past three years for allegedly violating Grand Jury secrecy -- a charge I emphatically deny. I was fired because I blew the whistle on wrongdoing I witnessed while employed in Arlin Adams office. I did what I thought was right, and in return, the awesome power of the government was used to hurt me, and silence me. What happened to me could happen to anyone of us -- and this is why your office should investigate.

No one will disagree with this I was a hard working employee. All my evaluations show me to be an outstanding statement. No one had made any complaints against me until I employee. complained about misconduct I saw in Arlin Adams office. And I did not just see a few things that were wrong, but many, many things. As a witness to these activities, I felt compelled to correct them or at least make the appropriate people aware of them. I tried to find someone who would listen to my concerns. I spoke with the I spoke to the Administrative Office of the US Courts. spoke to Congress. I called the Department of Justice itself - the same agency that has prosecuted me for the better part of three No one would listen. Everyone told me that there was nothing they could do because no one had oversight of Independent Counsel. I decided that one person who could correct the problems I saw in that office - was the Independent Counsel himself, Arlin Adams.

When I told Arlin Adams about the problems in the office, he was not thankful for my efforts, to the contrary, he fired me. Now, Adams will tell you that I wasn't fired for my whistleblowing activities. He'll tell you that they had to downscale the office or some such reason. But I hope you can see through that. I was fired only one week after I complained to Arlin Adams about misconduct in that office.

When I was hired in November 1991 - I was hired to bring order to a failed records program. I was hired to care for and professionally maintain the records generated by the office. And, I was hired to prepare these records for retention (by statute) at the National Archives, upon closure of Arlin Adam's office.

When I was fired in November 1993 - I was fired for my whistleblowing. And Adams used his office and his influence to intimidated me. I was threatened and prosecuted since December 28, 1993 because Arlin Adams office was furious that the public might learn about the hypocrisy of rampant misconduct in his office, where his office's sole purpose was to investigate misconduct. Arlin Adams and several associates within the office could not stand for this. They needed to silence me.

First, they escorted me to an interview room and interrogated me for over an hour. I repeatedly asked to talk to a lawyer, but was not permitted. Next, two Special Agents of the FBI went through everything in my office, including my coat and wallet. Then, the next day, these same two FBI Agents (Agents which I had earlier accused of wrongdoing), came to my house with a search warrant. They searched my entire apartment, through all the drawers, through all my papers for school, through closets, through clothes, through personal belongings. And did they find, evidence of a crime? No, they found but three irrelevant documents. There was no evidence of a crime, because there was no crime committed. This was all to intimidate and scare me to be silent.

And this "theatre of the absurd" has continued for three years. I ask you now to correct the harm done to me. I ask you now to investigate the abuses committed by Arlin Adams Independent Counsel. And finally, I ask you to review (the former) Assistant Attorney General, Jo Ann Harris involvement in the Department of Justice's three year investigation of me - for an alleged 6(e) violation.

Here is a <u>partial</u> list of my allegations of misconduct which I witnessed or learned about while employed by the Office of the Independent Counsel

The Office of the Independent Counsel awarded contracts to, among others, Pearl Tytell Handwriting Analysis and Suburban Reporting, Inc., without soliciting competing bids, thus violating federal procurement rules. Associate Independent Counsel Jo Ann Harris, gave a lucrative contract to her friend.

FBI agents and other staff members used government-leased vehicles for non-official purposes.

FBI Agent Steve Cutler took an unnecessary trip to Puerto Rico at the taxpayer's expense.

The OIC awarded contracts to the former law firm of its Deputy Independent Counsel Bruce Swartz.

The OIC employees used government property for personal tasks and personal gain. Among others, Federal Prosecutor Diane Smith used time, telephone, faxes and resources at the taxpayer's expense - to set up a U.S. distributorship and license (with her and her family as company directors) for a product called "SKY". Sky was a vogurt product produced by a Scandinavian company.

The Independent Counsel Arlin Adams and his Deputy, Bruce Swartz destroyed dozens of FBI 302s. The reason offered for the collection (and shredding) of all copies (and the originals) was that the interview did not further the case.

The Independent Counsel Arlin Adams, Deputy Bruce Swartz and the Office Administrator, Terry Duggan, edited hundreds of FBI 302s. Special Agent Matthew Kelliher expressed to me his uneasiness with 302s (the final version of an interview) being edited at all, much less edited by personnel who were not present at the actual interview.

Deputy Independent Counsel Bruce Swartz knowingly and willfully suppressed evidence, and violated discovery rules, including Brady and Jencks.

whom Deborah Gore Dean (OIC Target) allegedly slept with while employed at HUD. The FBI agents used their reports of interview (302s) and Federal Prosecutors

to solicit information about Dean's romantic trysts.

The chart that was created was known as "The Dean Sex Chronology". This chart (created at the taxpayer's expense) had no relevance to the charges the government brought against Dean or to the OIC's Mandate.

These are just some of the many abuses that took place in Arlin Adams Office. I spoke about these abuses to my superiors, and I was fired for it. I was falsely accused of violating Rule 6(e). The investigation of this violation has been "on-going" for almost three years.

Do you think that <u>The Washington Times</u> or <u>The Washington Post</u> or any number of newspapers would <u>NOT</u> be interested in any story about the Independent Counsels? What is more timely or more current than the Independent Counsel? Do you think that federal prosecutors (at the OIC) instructing FBI Agents to prepare a sex chronology of partners whom Deborah Gore Dean was alleged to have slept with during her appointment at HUD would <u>NOT</u> be of interest to the Press?

Where is the violation. Show me the newspaper item that discusses the allegations I have consistently made over the past three years.

Explain to me why Arlin Adams office called the Office of Special Counsel (OSC) and asked that they not take my case - and when this attempt to stop the OSC's investigation failed -- explain to me why the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice (under Jo Ann Harris) called the OSC and told them to hold their investigation in abeyance for three months. Explain to me why I have been investigated by the Department of Justice for three years.

Sincerely

