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February 21, 2018

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351 West University Blvd.  
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Re: Iron County Law Enforcement Administrators' Letter

Dear Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police,

I am in receipt of your letter of February 13, 2018. I was surprised and deeply saddened to learn that you feel this way about me and my performance as the Iron County Attorney. While I suspect that this letter was--at least in part--politically motivated, I also value the opinions and expertise of each of you and hope that I can remedy some of your concerns in writing today. Other concerns you listed in your letter are very general, which make it difficult for me to address them substantively here. But I would very much like to meet with each of you individually to discuss in person whatever specific concerns you have so that we can better understand each other and work together towards a resolution. I agree that we could and should improve our working relationships, and I hope that you will be willing to speak with me about how we can do this.

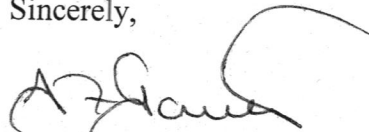
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The most specific issue raised in your letter relates to Troy Little. Due to Troy's ongoing refusal to communicate with me, which caused serious problems for my office's ability to function, I issued a Notice of Intent to Terminate his employment on January 23, 2018. I knew at the time that he was being considered for a Juvenile Court Judge position in the Fifth District, so I specifically stated in the Notice that it would not become effective until Troy heard back from that potential new employer. I did not intend for the Notice to be a public document and, did not expect Troy to disseminate it publicly. In retrospect, I regret the timing of the Notice and as soon as I learned that Troy had made it public, rescinded it so as not to interfere with Troy's judicial application.

Your letter asks me to meet with you during an executive session. I am concerned that a group meeting in executive session would not be the best forum for you to each tell me your individual concerns and for me to properly address them. Again, I am more than happy to meet with each of you individually about how to resolve your issues and move forward together.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott F. Garrett", with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the signature.

Scott F. Garrett  
Iron County Attorney