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Dear Prosecutor Knapp, Attorney General Grewal, US Attorney Carpenito & Prosecutor Laurino:

I write you today to bring your attention to an incident that occurred yesterday, May 31, 2018, involving Mr. Patrick Allocco, Mr. Peter DeNeufville and myself.

I was contacted by Mr. DeNeufville, one of my opponents in the Republican Primary for Congress in District 11, to meet for coffee. While the purpose of the meeting was not disclosed ahead of time, given that we had developed a collegial relationship on the campaign trail I thought nothing of it. Upon my arriving at the Versailles Diner in Fairfield, Mr. Allocco was also present at the table.

Initially Mr. DeNeufville stated that he felt, based on his internal polling, Mr. Allocco, Mr. Martin Hewitt and I should drop out of the race and endorse Mr. DeNeufville's candidacy. At that point I questioned whether this conversation could be perceived as illegal and/or unethical collusion amongst candidates.

Mr. DeNeufville stated that he had spoken to some of his advisers, and was confident the conversation was appropriate.

Mr. DeNeufville went on to state that it was not his intention to serve in Congress for any more than two or three terms. He suggested that if my family and I lived in Morris County, I might be better positioned to succeed him. He then claimed to have had conversations with influential individuals in Morris County about future employment for me if I dropped out. More specifically, Mr. DeNeufville suggested that if I dropped out of the race, he could help me get appointed to the position of Chairman of the Morris County Parks and Recreation Commission - a "very prestigious post" as he put it. I told Mr. DeNeufville that I would not drop out of the race. Mr. Allocco also stated that he would not drop out of the race.


As an Officer of the Court, licensed attorney, a Major in the JAG Corps and Headquarters Commander of the United States Army Legal Command, I swore an oath to follow and uphold the law and I am obligated to report this incident to each of you.

As the chief law enforcement officers for Morris County, the State of New Jersey, and the United States Attorney for the State of New Jersey it is under your purview to investigate whether the offer made by Mr. DeNeufville is a violation of the law.

Should anyone from your office wish to speak to me or Mr. Allocco, we can be reached at the numbers below:
Antony Ghee: 1-646-319-8645
Patrick Allocco: 1-201-919-3900

I thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Antony Ghee