



OFFICE OF THE
ELECTION
COMMISSIONER

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SENT VIA EMAIL AND/OR TEXT MESSAGE

File No. 2018-

RE: Unlawful Attempts to Influence Potential Witnesses and Obstruct an Investigation

Dear,

You are receiving this letter because my investigators have been in contact with you regarding an investigation undertaken by this Office. The investigation is examining allegations of irregular financial contributions made to the Jeff Callaway campaign during the 2017 United Conservative Party leadership contest.

It has come to the attention of my Office that an individual has been contacting, or attempting to contact, one or more persons who are subjects in this investigation in order to dissuade cooperation with investigators and hinder the proper disposition of matters in order to avoid these proceedings.

The Office of the Election Commissioner takes allegations of obstruction very seriously. These allegations, if substantiated, may be contrary to Section 45 of the *Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act* (EFCDA). Obstruction may also constitute a "corrupt practice" and be subject to significant penalties.

Section 45 of the EFCDA provides:

No person shall obstruct any person carrying out an inquiry, investigation or examination under this Act or withhold from that person or conceal or destroy any books, papers, documents or things relevant to the subject matter of the investigation or examination.

