



March 20, 2025

VIA EMAIL & FIRST-CLASS MAIL

Michael Morrissey  
District Attorney  
Norfolk County  
45 Shawmut Road  
Canton, MA 02021

RE: Referral of Request for Criminal Investigation into Allegations Raised Against Canton Select Board Member Christopher Albert

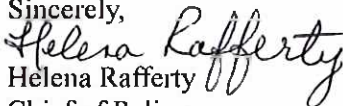
District Attorney Morrissey:

Please be advised, a letter dated March 10, 2025 ("letter"), was addressed to me in my capacity as the Chief of Police for the Town of Canton ("Town") from Attorney Mark A. Bederow. As you may know, Attorney Bederow represents Aidan Kearney ("Mr. Kearney"). In his letter, Attorney Bederow requested that the Canton Police Department ("CPD") commence a criminal investigation in connection with an incident that reportedly occurred in Town on March 4, 2025.

Specifically, Attorney Bederow has formally requested that the CPD commence a criminal investigation into Christopher Albert ("Mr. Albert") for alleged violations of M.G.L. 272, §99, Interceptions of Wire and Oral Communications. The allegations raised by Attorney Bederow against Mr. Albert concern an incident that reportedly occurred in Town on March 4, 2025. I have attached a copy of Attorney Bederow's letter hereto for your review and reference.

As you know, Mr. Albert currently serves as a member of the Select Board for the Town ("Select Board"). The Select Board is the Appointing Authority for my position as the Chief of Police for the CPD. Given the nature of the relationship between my position and the Select Board, I am concerned there may be a potential conflict of interest and possibly an appearance of impropriety if I, or other members of the CPD, were to commence such a criminal investigation into the allegations raised against Mr. Albert.

Based on the existence of a potential conflict of interest, and to avoid any potential appearance of impropriety, I am respectfully referring Attorney Bederow's request for an investigation to you in your capacity as the District Attorney for Norfolk County or for your referral to another County.

Sincerely,  
  
Helena Rafferty  
Chief of Police  
Canton Police Department

CC: Atty. Bederow  
Encl.