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Dear Captain Nelson,

Thank you for including me in your briefing of Solicitor Wilson regarding SLED's file #11-23-0312, the Bryant-Mace investigation. Solicitor Wilson shared your Report and asked me to offer my insight. Like Solicitor Wilson, I am relying on SLED's investigation of the evidence. I have not reviewed all digital evidence, nor have I interviewed any of the witnesses. Based on the evidence you reviewed with us and the facts outlined in your report, I agree with Solicitor Wilson's assessment of the facts that SLED provided and the law as it applies. There is no need for me to rehash her analysis, but I will offer more insight as to how prosecutors make decisions.

When I analyze a case, I am guided by our court rules concerning the "Special Responsibility of a Prosecutor." Our ethics require that we are prepared, fair and as concerned with exonerating the innocent as with convicting the guilty. We must first be convinced that a crime has been committed by the accused and that there is sufficient admissible evidence to prove the case beyond a reasonable doubt. If either of these tests fail, we must not proceed. I have never prosecuted anyone that I was not first convinced was guilty. This determination requires me to assess the credibility of every crucial witness. We usually do not assess witness credibility until after law enforcement makes an arrest and the case makes its way to us.

In this instance, you have asked Solicitor Wilson to review your reporting of the evidence and she has consulted with Solicitor Brackett and me. All of us are relying on the facts you report. Some of the most disturbing allegations contained in your report turn on witness' credibility. While you are in the best position to judge credibility, the many recorded statements of key witnesses highlight fatal flaws in their believability.

Congresswoman Nancy Mace made many allegations to law enforcement and to the public that have turned out to not be true. Nancy Mace's very public statements branding Brian Musgrave a predator, a rapist, and a human trafficker are shocking when she offered neither evidence nor even suspicions to law enforcement to justify her comments. [REDACTED]

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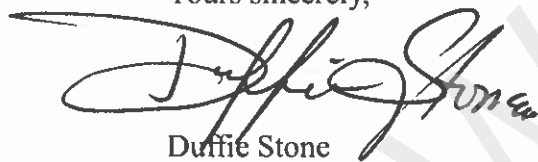
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I hope that my review has been helpful. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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Duffie Stone

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