

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

July 23, 2018

The Honorable Dr. Heather Wilson
Secretary of the Air Force
1670 Air Force Pentagon
Washington, DC 20330-1670

Dear Madam Secretary,

We write to follow up on a congressional inquiry submitted in January by the office of Senator Doug Jones regarding USAF Major Clarence Anderson. Major Anderson, who was released in May, was convicted under the Uniform Code of Military Justice on 22 April 2015.


As you are aware, Major Anderson strongly maintains his innocence and believes that the Air Force improperly handled his case. Following his release, Major Anderson has requested that our offices inquire on his behalf and has also requested that the following items to be addressed in writing.

First, Major Anderson would like to know when the record of trial for his court martial from April 2015 was authenticated.

Second, the Air Force informed Major Anderson that, post-trial, a military judge would evaluate any evidence of witness tampering in his original trial. According to Major Anderson, the post-trial military judge stated that he did not have the appropriate authority to evaluate the evidence. If this is the case, Major Anderson would like to know why he was not correctly informed of this prior to the post-trial hearing.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Stephen Groves in Senator Jones' office at 202-228-3723 or stephen_groves@jones.senate.gov, or Torrie Matous in Representative Roby's office at 202-225-2901 or torrie.matous@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,



Hon. Doug Jones
United States Senator



Representative Martha Roby
Member of Congress