

As Mr. Locke's counsel, I have been authorized to release the following statement:

- Jeff Cherry

PRESS RELEASE

Out of respect for the proud heritage of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the integrity of the Agents across the great State of Tennessee, serving now and in times past, I have decided to retire from the Bureau. I have been blessed to have enjoyed a full career in serving the citizens of Tennessee as a law enforcement officer. I am thankful for the relationships that were forged over those many years. I am also thankful for the opportunity to have been impacted so greatly by all those that I came in contact with along the way.

I have been working with Mr. Rausch to ensure a smooth transition through his swearing-in which is set to be held on Monday, June 25, 2018. My last day of service will be Monday, June 25, 2018.

I will continue to cooperate fully with the authorities through the conclusion of this investigation.

Out of respect for all of the parties involved, I have no further comment.

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