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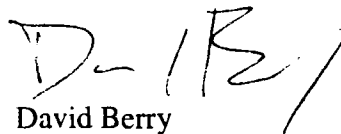
Dear Ms. Galindo-Marrone:

During the course of an investigation, we found evidence that between September 15, 2011 and November 30, 2011, Terence Flynn, a National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) employee, provided non-public deliberative information and other assistance to Peter Schaumber, a co-chair of the Labor Policy Advisory Group for the Mitt Romney Presidential campaign. During that time, Mr. Flynn held the position of Chief Counsel to a Board Member – a non-career Senior Executive Service position. Mr. Flynn is now serving as a Board Member. The campaign Web site announced that Mr. Schaumber was a co-chair of its Labor Policy Advisory Group on September 12, 2011.

Because the U.S. Office of Special Counsel has exclusive jurisdiction for Hatch Act investigations, we are providing a copy of our investigative report to you for your review and determination as to whether further investigation by the Hatch Act Unit is appropriate. To assist you in that determination, we are providing Form OSC-13 (09-12), unredacted and redacted copies of the investigative exhibits, a copy of the time and attendance records for Mr. Flynn during the relevant period of time, a copy of the Hatch Act information that was provided to all NLRB employees in April 2011, and comments on the investigative report that were provided by Mr. Flynn's attorney. With regard to the deliberative information contained in the investigative exhibits, we request that you not release that information without first contacting William Cowen, the Board's Solicitor, at (202) 273-2910.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call me or Jennifer Matis, Counsel to the Inspector General, at (202) 273-1960.

Sincerely,


David Berry
Inspector General

Enclosures (6)

cc: Solicitor