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VIA U.S. MAIL

The Honorable Dave Clark District Attorney General 7th Judicial District 101 South Main St. Suite 300 Clinton, TN 37716-3622

RE: Oak Ridge Police Chief James T. Akagi

Dear General Clark:

I serve as Assistant Director for the Tennessee Law Enforcement and Training Academy (TLETA) and the Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission. It was recently brought to the Commission's attention that Chief James T. Akagi of the Oak Ridge Police Department possibly violated federal and state law involving the lawful possession of a firearm while under the authority of an active Order of Protection.

Documents provided to our office indicate that an Order of Protection was issued by the Blount County Court against Chief Akagi on April19, 2012. During the effective period of this Order of Protection, Chief Akagi submitted his firearms qualifications scores to the Commission which appears to be a violation of the aforementioned Order of Protection.

As a result of this discovery, on April 17, 2015, the POST Commission decided to refer this matter, along with the applicable documents, to your office and to the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Tennessee for further investigation to determine whether a violation of state or federal law has been committed by Chief Akagi.

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The POST Commission is readily available to assist your office as required to resolve this matter. If you have questions or concerns, please contact this office at (615) 770-3850.

Sincerely.

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