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Statement from Pat Lykos

I did not authorize nor request a law enforcement investigation of the members of the 185th grand jury. Yesterday, I talked to Chief Investigator Don McWilliams and asked if he had conducted such an investigation. He emphatically denied that he had performed one and further stated he had not requested anyone to do so.

My answer to the "investigation" question during the news conference was based on his assertions.

At my request, McWilliams did a cursory Internet search. Our office was being unfairly attacked, without any explanation as to why. We were simply trying to learn if there was a political motivation behind the attacks.

Investigations involve obtaining confidential information, accessing law enforcement databases, surveillance or interviewing witnesses such as friends or associates, etc.

What Don McWilliams did is not what I would consider to be an "investigation."

Statement from Don McWilliams

"What I did does not remotely approach the level of what I would consider an investigation. It was a cursory review of information that exists in the public domain. Any 14 year old with a smart-phone could access more information than I did. Ultimately, we learned more from Mark Bennett's blog post than I discovered from my inquiry."