

Pat McCrory, Governor

Kieran J. Shanahan, Secretary

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Hand Delivery

## Dear Governor McCrory:

Thank you for affording me one of the greatest honors of my life---the opportunity to lead the NC Department of Public Safety and its 25,000 dedicated employees. Over these past seven months, we have achieved a successful consolidation of three prior agencies, all of whom are now working together as a highly effective team, vigilant in protecting the safety of the citizens of North Carolina.

As we discussed when I accepted this position, the length of my tenure would be affected by both my wife's Navy career and my ability to step away from my business interests, including my law firm. As you know Tina will soon be promoted to Rear Admiral and stationed in Portsmouth, VA. This is a significant commitment and I want to be available to support her. In addition, stepping away from my business interests has proved to be more challenging than originally anticipated. Thus, it is with great sadness that I tender my resignation effective July 31, 2013.

Governor, please know of my heartfelt appreciation for the trust that you placed in me. It was truly my honor to serve.

Sincerely,

Kieran J. Shanahan

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