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Mr. Lancelot Armstrong  
7-D-1-6, Post Office Box 9356  
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Dear Mr. Armstrong:

In response to your recent correspondence, the jurisdiction of the Commission on Ethics is limited to the conflict of interest and financial disclosure laws found in Part III Chapter 112, Florida Statutes and Article II, Section 8, Florida Constitution.

State Attorneys have discretion to determine which cases they prosecute and how those cases are prosecuted. The Commission on Ethics does not have jurisdiction to investigate how a State Attorney prosecutes a case. The only provision of the ethics laws which is arguably applicable is Section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, relating to corrupt misuse of public position for private gain. However, there is nothing in your letter which suggests corrupt intent or that any private gain was received by the accused or another party as a result of the alleged actions.

I have enclosed a guide brochure to the ethics laws and a complaint form. If you have further facts to suggest that one or more of the ethics laws were violated, you may use the enclosed form to file a complaint.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bonnie J. Williams".

Bonnie J. Williams  
Executive Director

Enclosure

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