

MULLIN CLEARED



Turkia Awada Mullin



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In a rare move, the United States Department of Justice today cleared Turkia Awada Mullin of all potential charges involving her employment with Wayne County.

In a letter written to Ms. Mullin, U.S. Attorney Barbara L. McQuade completely exonerated Ms. Mullin, stating: “we have not identified violations of federal law involving you, and therefore, we do not intend to bring charges against you in connection with the investigation.” Here is the complete letter:

	U.S. Department of Justice United States Attorney's Office Eastern District of Michigan
<i>Barbara L. McQuade</i> United States Attorney	211 W. Fort Street, Suite 2001 Detroit, Michigan 48226 Telephone: (313) 226-9500
February 9, 2015	
Ms. Turkia Mullin	
Re: <u>Wayne County Investigation</u>	
Dear Ms. Mullin:	
This letter is to advise you that the federal investigation into allegations of misconduct within Wayne County government is now complete. You have asked about your status in that investigation. Based on the evidence we have reviewed, we have not identified violations of federal law involving you, and therefore, we do not intend to bring charges against you in connection with the investigation.	
Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.	
Sincerely, Barbara L. McQuade United States Attorney	

Ms. Mullin's reaction is bittersweet: "I am grateful that our federal officials did their jobs to insure accountability and public confidence in our government, but all the baseless attacks and innuendo has not been easy on my children and family. I had full belief in the system and knew the truth would prevail. I am glad it is over and look forward to moving on with my life."

"This was the right thing to do, and expected conclusion for which we have waited over three years," stated one of her attorneys Robert E. Forrest of Kerr, Russell and Weber, PLC, in Detroit. "The United States Attorney's Office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have examined thousands of documents and conducted countless interviews. To their credit, it is important to recognize their public and written declaration of Ms. Mullin's innocence which is unusual in these cases. It is a significant step toward repairing the unwarranted damage to her reputation and livelihood."

This is another victory for Ms. Mullin. After a trial in 2013, Ms. Mullin and her long-time attorney Raymond J. Sterling of Sterling Attorneys at Law, PC, in Bloomfield Hills, secured the written opinion of retired Judge Paul S. Teranes that the Wayne County Airport Authority violated Ms. Mullin's employment contract and constitutional due process rights when it improperly terminated her employment.

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