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January 19, 2017

to me, Jeff, Thomas

Jane,

I receive both of your emails. As soon as you provide me the medical records I am going to have a detective take another look at your son's case. Also, we will seek out other possible victims. Please be patient. This will not be a quick process. It will not be helpful if you go out on your own trying to discover other victims. However, if for some reason someone provides you with additional information, passing that along is appreciated and helpful.

I want to ensure you again that we are committed to giving the parents of children harmed the best possible information so they can properly care for their child. If this investigation reveals enough evidence for additional criminal prosecution, we will present the information to the district attorney's office for prosecution.

Thank You,

David O'Neil, Captain
Criminal Investigation Division

Russ, Lori <lori.russ@brentwoodtn.gov>

January 24, 2017

to me

Good morning Jane,

I believe Captain O'Neil has advised you he was going to have a detective investigate possible events at Fellowship Church involving your son and possibly other children. I have been asked to do that by the Captain and have received all of your emails and correspondence from him in reference to the case. I'm sorry I haven't been able to get with you until today but due to other responsibilities this had been the first chance I've had since speaking with Captain O'Neil about this last week. I am in the process of reading the emails and reviewing the medical records right now and have been when I had the chance. If you have anything further to send you can forward it to me along with any questions or concerns. That way we can cut out the middle man so to speak.

Maybe you can help me with a couple of questions I was wondering about. As I understand it, your family attended Fellowship for approximately two years. What, as best you can remember, was that time frame? Also, I've noted

that you have referenced the 2013/2014 year in an email. Is that how the church, or at least at that time, kept track with volunteers and classes and how did that time frame run? I would like to be able to have this information when I go to speak with the church so I feel somewhat informed.

If I have any other questions, I will certainly be in touch. Have a good day.

Detective Lori Russ

Jane Roe
January 24, 2017
to Lori

Lori,

I do have some additional questions and information that I would like to pass along. My husband and I discussed the situation and decided that we would like it if I could come by the department and meet you face to face beforehand. Is there a time that we can schedule an appointment for that purpose?

My family attended Fellowship between May 2013 and Summer 2015. I stopped attending regularly around May 2015, (xxxxxxxxxx deleted information xxxxxxxxxxxxx). My husband continued taking the older children until the end of the ministry year so they could finish up with the class groups they were in. We had decided to move along to a new church for various reasons during that summer. None of us attended after August 2015, except when I attended once after the press release of the lawsuit in late 2015.

The ministry year corresponds with the school year and runs from August to August, at least when we attended. We also volunteered weekly during the 2014/2015 ministry year. We attended a training event on a Saturday in August 2014 and started volunteering shortly afterward through around April 2015. From what I recall, it is anticipated that volunteers commit to a volunteer position weekly for a year long period. There is a general expectation that a member or regular attender attend one service and volunteer one service.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Jane Roe

January 31, 2017 – meeting with Lori Russ

She told me that she looked over the case and said that she did not think there was enough for a grand jury to find probable cause for an indictment. She said that she had looked into the file and that there was also something in the plea deal that might prevent future prosecutions.

It seemed like Lori's intent in taking over the case was to bring me some sort of peace in the unknown. I was kind of confused about this, because I don't think that was a police detective's job.

She got out a notepad and started to write down goals out of our time together. This was also confusing. If she was not able to pursue prosecutions, why would she be writing down goals?

I told her that I was concerned about the conduct of the adults in the situation. At this point, she gave a strong defense of John Wood, stating that she had known him for a long time and that he had integrity, etc. It was very much in line with the defense that David O'Neil gave for John Wood in a prior email.

She was interested in names of parents from the class. She said that she could legally demand that information from the church, but wanted me to provide her with information.

Russ, Lori <lori.russ@brentwoodtn.gov>

February 3, 2017

to me

Thank you. Sorry for the delayed response. It has been a busy week. If you could send me the names and numbers we discussed the would be great.

Thanks,

Detective Lori Russ

Russ, Lori <lori.russ@brentwoodtn.gov>

February 7, 2017

to me

Good morning Jane,

I don't think you are necessarily mad or angry at anyone.

I know you are upset about how the entire sequence of events transpired.

The focus at this point is to try and find anyone else that has concerns like you and see if I can glean any new information.

Thank you for your help.

Jane Roe
February 21, 2017
to Lori

Lori,

Would you please explain to me why you said that you didn't think a grand jury would not find probable cause for an indictment related to (Johnny's) exposure at Fellowship?

We retained new attorneys, one of whom has 20 years experience in the juvenile courts. Seven of these years she was employed as a youth service officer before becoming an attorney.

She told me there is no grand jury in the juvenile system. She also said there is no jury. Based on her experience and what she has reviewed, she has seen charges filed with less evidence than in (Johnny's) situation.

Based on my conversation with you and information learned from our new attorneys, I would like some clarification.

Thanks,
Jane Roe

Russ, Lori <lori.russ@brentwoodtn.gov>
February 21, 2017
to me

Good morning Jane Roe,

The attorney is correct. I typically deal with adult offenders and that is usually the avenue I take in cases that are felonies. A petition would be taken out in juvenile court if proof were obtained in a case involving a juvenile offender. My over-all point was that if we were to attempt to take what evidence we have to any court of law such as general sessions, circuit or juvenile, we would not have enough proof at this point for a conviction. I do not believe we have enough probable cause at this point to move forward. That was my point. Furthermore, as we discussed I do not know that it would be prosecuted due to it being part of his initial plea agreement. All the same, I am still looking into matter as promised. I hope this clarifies what I said.

Have a good day,
Lori