

## U.S. Department of Justice

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## Via E-Mail

Danielle Conley, Kevin Chambers, and Jude Volek, Esqs. as Counsel to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Council for the District of Columbia Latham & Watkins LLP 555 Eleventh Street, N.W., Suite 1000 Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: D.C. Council Investigation Regarding Councilmember Trayon White, Sr. *United States v. Trayon White, Sr.*, D.D.C. Case No. 24-cr-00406

Dear Ms. Conley, Mr. Chambers, and Mr. Volek:

The U.S. Attorney's Office received your September 26, 2024 letter request on behalf of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Council for the District of Columbia investigating certain allegations related to D.C. Councilmember Trayon White, Sr. Specifically, your letter requests "all materials" (excluding grand jury materials covered by Rule 6(e)) "obtained in connection" with the United States's prosecution of *United States v. White, Sr.*, referenced above.

The prosecution is ongoing, and the United States has promptly sought and continues to seek a trial date on the pending criminal indictment. To avoid potential impact on such pending criminal matter and consistent with Department regulations governing disclosure, the United States respectfully declines to produce any such materials. *See*, *e.g.*, 28 C.F.R. § 16.26(b)(4), (5) ("Among the demands in response to which disclosure will not be made by any Department official are those demands with respect to which any of the following factors exist: . . . (4) Disclosure would reveal a confidential source or informant . . . [and] (5) Disclosure would reveal investigatory records compiled for law enforcement purposes, and would interfere with enforcement proceedings or disclose investigative techniques and procedures the effectiveness of which would thereby be impaired[.]").

Please feel free to contact me should you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jonathan P. Hooks

Assistant United States Attorney