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 My name is (\_\_\_\_\_\_), and I am an affected community member of the Mason County Fire District 12 located in Matlock Washington in the Mason County jurisdiction.

I am requesting that the US Attorney step in to urge the FBI to speed up its investigation of the Mason County Fire District 12 (Matlock WA). The FBI, to our knowledge, has had this investigation for over a year and it appears to us that there has been little to no action on their part.

The Mason County Sheriff failed to investigate and instead referred the case to the FBI. Meanwhile, more crimes appear to have been committed and now the perpetrators, (the former Fire Dist. 12 Commissioners who resigned to avoid the Community Recall efforts) and are now moving out of the state to avoid prosecution and to possibly victimize other communities.

Our community is being shut out of our own Fire District. The current commission (who are relatives or close friends of the previous recalled commissioners) refuses to answer questions from the public, refuses to respond to or deliver public records requests, and refuses to allow transparency in the spending of taxpayer dollars.

We are a small, working-class community in Mason County and should be awarded the same attention and protections as larger communities. This tiny community paid through its tax dollars and then we paid again from our own pockets to defend ourselves when the Recall effort was appealed to the State Supreme Court.

Due to the limited financial resources of those living in our rural community it is unlikely that we could ever pursue justice or redress through civil lawsuits. Those that had and or have the power to initiate a lawsuit on behalf of the Fire District are the individuals engaging in criminal activity. For these reasons we are at the mercy of the criminal justice system.

The US Attorney is the only authority that can or will protect the public’s interest and we are depending on you to urge the FBI to be more proactive in this investigation. We want our Fire District back and need to feel safe in our community.

We are asking you to please help us.

Thank you for your time in this matter that is extremely important to the Matlock Community.

Sincerely,

(Write Your Signature)

(Print Your Name)

(Your Postal Address)