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**Members of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors' Statement on the U.S.  
Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia**

**Fairfax, VA** – As the largest single jurisdiction within the boundaries of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Fairfax County frequently collaborates with the U.S. Attorney's Office on important cross-jurisdictional and federal cases related to public safety.

President Trump's reported pressuring of Interim U.S. Attorney Erik Siebert to resign because he failed to find evidence against the President's political enemies, is an attack on the rule of law, and one that threatens the well-being of our community. There are many factors that make Fairfax County the safest jurisdiction of its size<sup>12</sup> including an engaged community, exceptional public safety agencies and programs, and judicial cooperation with federal officials.

We now find ourselves at an inflection point, and a precarious moment in our nation's history. Interim U.S. Attorney Siebert's resignation comes just weeks after the ouster of Interim Western District of Virginia Attorney Todd Gilbert, reportedly over a personnel dispute. Though Fairfax County is not in the Western District's jurisdiction, this pattern is troubling.

The circumstances surrounding Interim U.S. Attorney Seibert's resignation appear politically motivated, and malicious, given President Trump's statement on the matter and are antithetical to the very foundation of our justice system. Both of these individuals are highly qualified for the positions for which they were nominated and garnered bipartisan support, as Fairfax County's Congressional representatives have publicly stated.

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<sup>1</sup> Cooper, Laura. (August 1, 2025). [Violent crime survey – national totals, midyear comparison January 1 to June 30, 2025, and 2024 – data is preliminary]. Retrieved from <https://majorcitieschiefs.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/MCCA-Violent-Crime-Report-2025-and-2024-Midyear-2.pdf?stream=top>

<sup>2</sup> Fairfax County Police Department, Public Affairs Bureau. (September 2025). [Fairfax County Police Department Midyear Quarter 2025 Crime Report]. Retrieved from [https://fcpdnews.wordpress.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/fcpd-countywide-crime-summary\\_q2-2025.pdf.pdf](https://fcpdnews.wordpress.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/fcpd-countywide-crime-summary_q2-2025.pdf.pdf)

Our residents deserve federal partners who are committed to public safety, not political grandstanding and meritless prosecutions. As leaders of Fairfax County, we call on our members of Congress and the judges of the Eastern District of Virginia to stop President Trump from turning the U.S. Attorney's office into his personal law firm. The safety and security of our community, and the rule of law, demand nothing less.

Sincerely,



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