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November 29, 2010

The Honorable Eric Holder  
Attorney General of the United States  
950 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Suite 5111  
Washington, D.C. 20530

RE: U.S. v. Rubashkin, Case No. 2:08-cr-01324-LRR

Dear Attorney General Holder:

I write regarding the case of Sholom Rubashkin, whose kosher meatpacking plant, Agriprocessors, was raided by federal agents in May 2008, and who was subsequently convicted of a number of federal crimes in November 2009.

A group of constituents, whom I trust and respect, recently brought this case to my attention and expressed concerns regarding allegations of misconduct by federal authorities in the prosecution of this case. Specifically, they are seeking assurance that the judge in this case was absolutely impartial and had no unauthorized or inappropriate contact with federal investigators or prosecutors before, during, or after the trial.

While I have no personal knowledge of the facts of this case, I respectfully request that the Justice Department thoroughly investigate the allegations of judicial misconduct surrounding this case and make public the result of that investigation. A thorough investigation of this matter is essential to maintaining the public's full trust in the efficacy and fairness of our judicial system. I look forward to hearing from the Justice Department regarding the initiation and progress of this investigation.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,



Tom McClintock