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Via facsimile
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Re: Complaint of Attorney Misconduct

To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to file a grievance against U.S. Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch (New York Registration No. 2069516) for professional misconduct. Ms. Lynch's address is 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0009 and her telephone number is (202) 514-2003. I have enclosed a letter from from four Congressional committee chairmen to General Lynch, and I incorporate that letter by reference. According to the letter, General Lynch played a key role in destroying evidence that was subject to various Congressional subpoenas.

The New York Rules of Professional Conduct prohibit lawyers from destroying evidence: "A lawyer shall not... suppress any evidence that the lawyer or the client has a legal obligation to reveal or produce." Rule 3.4(a)(1). To the extent that General Lynch's conduct violated federal criminal statutes, *see* 18 U.S. Code §§ 1505 and 1519, she violated Rule 8.4(b). Furthermore, it appears that General Lynch's role in the destruction of evidence violated subsections a, c, d, and h of Rule 8.4.

General Lynch might well argue that she did not obstruct justice insofar as she leads the department that was overseeing the criminal investigation into the emails that were later destroyed. I suppose that argument might carry some weight if this was merely a dispute between different agencies of the executive branch. As the attached letter indicates, however, a separate and co-equal branch of government had subpoenaed the evidence that General Lynch's employees destroyed. General Lynch already knew that the evidence had been subpoenaed by Congress, so I cannot imagine her rationalization for permitting its destruction.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing factual statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, as witnessed by my signature below. Please contact me via email (tyclevenger@yahoo.com) if additional information is needed. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ty Clevenger', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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