



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

December 13, 2017

Colonel Steven C. McCraw
Director
Texas Department of Public Safety
P.O. Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773-0001

Dear Director McCraw:

As you are aware, recent reports of sexual misconduct and inappropriate relationships by state employees at the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) are reprehensible and necessitate an appropriate response. While I commend the TJJD Office of the Inspector General for investigating these recent allegations and submitting them for prosecution, additional action is needed to guarantee the protection of the youth in the care and custody of the State of Texas.

I am requesting that our esteemed Texas Rangers immediately open a detailed investigation to determine the extent of the alleged misconduct at TJJD. The resources and expertise available through the Department of Public Safety and the Texas Rangers will ensure that these acts are dealt with swiftly and to the fullest extent of the law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

Greg Abbott
Governor

cc: Mrs. Camille Cain, Texas Juvenile Justice Department
Texas Juvenile Justice Department Board Members