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**From:** Burton, Faith (SMO)  
**To:** Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)  
**CC:** Colborn, Paul P (SMO); Weich, Ron (SMO); Gaston, Molly (SMO)  
**Sent:** 5/3/2011 6:21:32 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Congressional Investigation Issue

Anne reports that it is her understanding that AUSA Jennings advised RAC Quinn to suggest to Gillette's attorney that he consult with the Committee to get advice about not violating Rule 6(e) and any other applicable procedural rules.

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**From:** Smith, David L. (USAEO)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2011 2:40 PM  
**To:** Prisco, Thadd (USAEO); Pings, Anne (USAEO)  
**Subject:** RE: Congressional Investigation Issue

Thanks Thadd.

I am passing this on to Anne. Presumably this all relates to Grassley's Gunrunner hearings. I don't know if ASAC George Gillette's involvement is otherwise known to the Dep't. I leave it to Anne whether this should be passed on. It does not appear that anyone from the USAO will be making contact with anyone on the Hill.

Dave

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**From:** Prisco, Thadd (USAEO)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2011 1:23 PM  
**To:** Smith, David L. (USAEO)  
**Subject:** FW: Congressional Investigation Issue

Dave:

Hope all is well. We received the inquiry below today. The bottom line is that an AUSA in New Mexico received a request from an ATF agent recently requesting that the AUSA speak with the ATF agent's private attorneys he has hired in connection with a Senate investigation.

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Thanks—

Thadd

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**From:** Siemel, Sasha (USANM)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2011 11:32 AM  
**To:** Prisco, Thadd (USAEO)  
**Subject:** FW: PRO Matter and question

Thadd, here is the email I mentioned when I called a short time ago.

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Thanks in advance for your consideration of this matter.

Sasha

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**From:** Jennings, Ron (USANM)  
**Sent:** Friday, April 29, 2011 9:49 AM  
**To:** Siemel, Sasha (USANM)  
**Cc:** Gonzales, Kenneth (USANM)  
**Subject:** PRO Matter and question

Sasha: I spoke to USA while we were in Roswell yesterday and he requested that I consult with you on the following:

I was contacted by ATF RAC Brent Quinn, Las Cruces, on 4/27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011. He had been contacted by his ATF ASAC, George Gillette, Phoenix, who is the ASAC in charge of ATF activities in New Mexico. He asked if Brent would contact me and see if I could speak with his civil attorneys (which he has apparently hired for his committee appearances) regarding Federal Criminal Procedure matters, only mentioning 6 e matters, because he was cooperating with Senator Grassley's committee. He wanted his attorneys to understand criminal procedure to make sure he was not violating anything that could get him into trouble.

I have worked with ASAC Gillette over the years and he has been very helpful getting NM resources for ATF, epically here in Southern NM. I consider him a friend, and I guess he feels the same about me, thus his request through Brent.

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