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office was not a political office. People did not let moral decisions impact their jobs, as far as he knew.

They did not receive specific training directing them not to let their political viewpoints impact their decisions. People did not let their political viewpoints get in the way. They received basic training that each case should stand on its own merits. If someone morally opposed a case, for example a pro choice organization, they could go to a manager to be taken off the case. He has never heard of anyone doing this.

At some point, there was a conversation in the office that the Tea Party cases were being delayed. The timeframe of the conversation was after there was heat approximately a year ago about the Tea Party cases. The cases were old. He did not think this was right because the applicants were waiting so long. He did not know why the cases were being delayed.

[REDACTED] wrote development letters when he first started at the IRS and was working on full development cases.

[REDACTED] has not met NANCY (aka "NAN") MARKS. He has heard her name recently. He met PAZ at his TIGTA interview. She was present at the interview, but he does not recall that she asked any questions during the interview. He does not know whether she said anything. He learned she was going to be there right before the interview. She did not prepare him for the interview or have any discussions with him before the interview. Her presence did not make him less comfortable. He was not horribly uncomfortable during the interview because he knew the nature of his involvement in the [REDACTED] case. TIGTA wanted to find out why there was a delay in the process. He did not feel like fingers were pointed at him.

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When LOIS LERNER recently made public statements about the IRS handling of the Tea Party cases, the "rogue agents" comment did not make any sense to him, because he did not think anyone in Cincinnati did anything wrong. It bothered him. He believes the problem was getting a response from Washington. People developing cases would not receive feedback from Washington for a long time.

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[REDACTED] does not know anyone in the IRS who was targeting the Tea Party. His understanding of the Tea Party is that it is a conservative political organization. He did not understand 100% what the Tea Party did when he received their application. At the time he thought it was refreshing that a third political party might be forming that would help freshen up the atmosphere.

[REDACTED] is not aware of anyone destroying or altering documents or telling people to lie about the Tea Party cases.

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