



Senate of Pennsylvania

March 20, 2015

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Wolf:

We write to respectfully request that you recall the nomination of Colonel Marcus Brown for Pennsylvania State Police Commissioner.

As you are aware, there have been several issues raised since Colonel Brown was nominated for Commissioner. Many involve his time with the Baltimore Police Department and as Superintendent of the Maryland State Police including: accepting a pension through questionable administrative actions and prior to accumulating the years of service that are required to secure such benefits; claiming similar tax benefits simultaneously in both Maryland and Pennsylvania; espousing concerning beliefs about the role of police in society; and authorizing policing tactics that did not comply with the constitutional protections regarding search and seizure of personal property.

In addition, the Hampden Township Police Department is currently investigating Colonel Brown for allegations regarding the removal of unfavorable yard signs, which may result in misdemeanor charges.

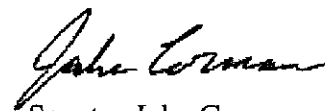
In light of the issues raised, the recent allegations against Colonel Brown and his subsequent acknowledgment of potential illegal activities, we cannot reconcile such actions when they are committed by a candidate for Pennsylvania's top law enforcement post. We find it in the best interest of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police for you to recall Colonel Brown prior to the Senate further considering his nomination.

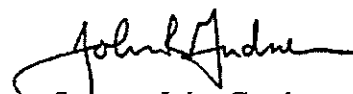
Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Senator Joe Scarnati


Senator Pat Browne


Senator Jake Corman


Senator John Gordner