

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD
WASHINGTON REGIONAL OFFICE

MICHAEL P. CALLAHAN,)	
)	
Appellant,)	Docket No. CH-0752-01-0406-I-1
)	
v.)	Administrative Judge
)	Sarah P. Clement
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY,)	
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco)	
and Firearms,)	
)	
Agency.)	

DECLARATION OF JUDITH I. BRAUNSTEIN

1. My name is Judith I. Braunstein, and I am the Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of the Polygraph Branch, Special Operations Division, of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Department of the Treasury.

2. In my role as the SAC of the Polygraph Branch, I have had occasion to listen to and review the audiotape recording made of the polygraph pre-test interview of Michael P. Callahan by Polygraph Examiner Vincent C. Noble, which took place in Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois, on the 31th day of March, in the year 2000.


3. On the audiotape which I reviewed, Mr. Callahan advised that he had not passed two polygraph examinations administered to him by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in connection with his application for employment as a special agent with the FBI. Mr. Callahan likewise reiterated his history of prior drug use, which use is

outside the parameters of ATF guidelines.

4. I understand from my review of the matter and from discussions with my staff that after the pre-test interview in which Mr. Callahan made the statements set forth in paragraph 3 above, a break was taken. During that break, Polygraph Examiner Noble learned that ATF had contacted the FBI and verified information about Mr. Callahan's failure of two polygraph examinations administered to him by the FBI, which information was verified.

5. Polygraph Examiner Noble, during the break, spoke with Senior Polygraph Examiner Eduardo Fernandez who stated that Robert Shulz, then SAC of the Polygraph Branch, advised not to continue with the polygraph examination of Mr. Callahan, at that time.

I swear this 25th of June 2001 that the foregoing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Judith I. Braunstein