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Subject: 34 years of Presidential neglect of duty by the Civil Service Reform Act (CSRA) of 1978 results in 34 years of fundamental violations of CRSA at Board of Governors of Federal Reserve.

Dear Chairmen and Ranking Members,

I have been a concerned member of the engineering profession and federal civil service for 20 years now. I now contend, perhaps somewhat similar to the prophet Nathan to King David, "President Obama, you are the man!" (2 Samuel 12:7) with respect to 34 years of "broken covenant" of the CSRA of 1978, that has left the federal civil service battered and America much diminished and more threatened.¹

This is with respect to his repeated refusal or failure to do his sworn duty to "take any action...necessary," per 5 U.S.C. section 2301©, to ensure agency heads, the Office of Special

¹ My attached August 12, 2012 letter to Federal Reserve Ben Bernanke gives some background, more information specific to the Federal Reserve at http://whsknox.blogs.com/federal_reserve/ while www.broken-covenant.org gives a broader analysis.

Counsel and Merit Systems Protection Board are properly interpreting and applying vital civil service laws so that people like me - career federal employees - can do our sworn duty to protect the health, safety, welfare, and security of the American people, per the “merit system principles,” because we are adequately protected from reprisal and other types of “prohibited personnel practices (PPPs).”

I now risk much to say this because it seems that Special Counsel Carolyn Lerner of the U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC) lacks the moral courage necessary to “faithfully discharge the duties” of her vital office. So I will continue to stand in the breach, as ignored as I seem to be.

I read in today’s NY Times that the Justice Department recently closed its criminal investigation of Goldman Sachs and its Chairman, Lloyd Blankfein while the Security and Exchange Commission will not pursue a related civil fraud case for Goldman Sachs “immoral and deceptive actions” to quote Senator Levin, related to the economic meltdown of 2008. ²

I am disappointed but not surprised - but when President Obama fails to do his duty to ensure career employees in the Department of Justice and Security and Exchange Commission can do theirs - is not the lack of criminal and civil prosecutions of the powerful on Wall Street only to be expected?

According to Ms. Lerner’s Office of Special Counsel (OSC), I should bring my concerns about the Federal Reserve to you, even though OSC takes no exception to them. ³ How courageous. But the root of the rot at the Federal Reserve, Department of Justice, Security and Exchange Commission - which manifested, if not still manifests - at Goldman Sachs begins at the President’s desk, not dissimilar at this point about how institutional rot that enabled sexual predators to masquerade as Catholic priests began with the Bishops, if not Vatican or Pope.

Ms. Lerner’s OSC says I should tell you and the President, because she will not, thereby personally illustrating why many Americans - if not a large majority - are disappointed, if not disgusted, with our institutions.

Respectfully,

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² See <http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2012/08/13/is-that-it-for-financial-crisis-cases/>

³ See <http://whsknox.blogs.com/Federal-Reserve/osc-response-fed-reserve-disclosure.pdf>.