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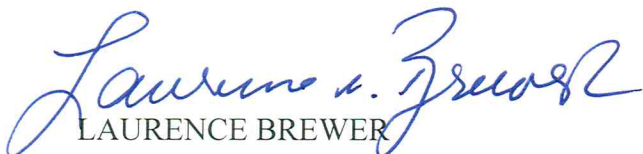
Mr. Steven Coney  
Consumer Financial Protection Bureau  
1700 G Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20552

Dear Mr. Coney:

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has become aware of a possible unauthorized removal of Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) records based on public inquiries citing The Daily Caller news article "[EXCLUSIVE: CFPB Head Cordray Used Private Device. Didn't Create Records of Messages](#)," 23 January 2017.

In accordance with 36 CFR 1230.16(b), NARA is requesting that CFPB provide us with a response within 30 calendar days identifying the specific actions CFPB has taken to investigate these allegations, and the steps CFPB will take to mitigate future risk. If CFPB determines that an unauthorized removal has occurred, then CFPB must submit a report to NARA as described in 36 CFR 1230.14. In your report, please indicate if the specific records cited in the allegation can be obtained from the non-governmental device, recreated, or duplicated from other sources.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have further questions, please contact Dawn Sherman-Fells, Archivist & Senior Records Analyst, at 301.837.2083 or by email to [dawn.sherman@nara.gov](mailto:dawn.sherman@nara.gov).

  
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