To: Sheriff Ed Mattingly

From: Deputy Barbara Roby

In regards to your letter to me, dated 10-17-2016, I am deeply troubled that you referenced prior and as you stated, *not investigated or sustained* complaints and or allegations against me.

Futhermore, I immediately informed you of the alligations that Trooper Scott Brown made. I was honest, straight forward and to the point with you.

The events on 10-16-2016 left me shoked and troubled by the actions of Patrick. Those actions were his and his alone and I had no part or involvement.

Deputy Mike Boone chose to leave me alone in the courtroom, after I informed him Patrick may be taken into custody. As standard operated procedure, when Patrick was ordered remanded into custody he (Patrick) began to give personal items to Donna Beavers in the courtroom. As Patrick began to walk out of the courtroom, I was stunned by his actions. When I left the courtroom to go after Patrick and seen him going down the steps, I called out to Deputy Snellen to stop him so he didn't escape. As it was apparent he was attempting to flee. Knowing other officers were not only in a position to stop him, but were closer I, being the only deputy in the courtroom, could not leave the courtroom unsecured as other people were in it and Judge Seay was on the bench. By Deputy Mike Boone leaving me alone, I was placed in a no win situation!

You stated that my actions created unnecessary danger to the deputies and officers who must go out and apprehend Patrick. Having worked with you and for you, this is the most troubling. I have never nor would I ever place another officer in danger. I have been honest, dedicated and compassionate in my duties.

With this in mind, I feel that no matter the outcome of your investigation, I can no longer continue my service to my community through the Nelson County Sheriff's Department.

I thank you for my employment and allowing me to serve. Please accept this as my resignation as a deputy.

I wish nothing but the best for the men and women of the Nelson County Sheriff's Department.

Barbara Roby