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## **FORMER FBI ASSISTANT DIRECTOR WHO VIOLATED FEDERAL CRIMINAL ETHICS LAW IS FINED**

Deirdre M. Daly, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, and Michael E. Horowitz, Inspector General for the Department of Justice, announced that former FBI Assistant Director KENNETH W. KAISER was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge F. Dennis Saylor, IV in Boston for violating a federal ethics law that prohibits senior executive branch personnel from making professional contacts with the agency in which they were employed for one year after leaving government service. KAISER, 57, of Hopkinton, Mass., was ordered to pay a fine of \$10,000.

According to court documents and statements made in court, KAISER, a 27-year employee of the FBI, served as the Special Agent in Charge of the Boston office of the FBI from April 2003 through December 2006, and then as an Assistant Director of the FBI's Criminal Investigative Division in Washington, D.C., until July 2009. On July 3, 2009, the same day that he retired from the FBI, KAISER was hired as a consultant by LocatePlus to handle an internal investigation regarding corporate wrongdoing by the company's former Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and to help generate government sales for the company's products and services. In March 2010, KAISER became a full-time employee of LocatePlus, holding the title Director of Government Sales.

Within a month of his retirement, KAISER began having prohibited electronic, telephonic and in-person contacts with FBI employees regarding a then-ongoing FBI investigation involving LocatePlus and the actions of its former executives. During the one-year ban period, KAISER also had prohibited contacts with FBI employees in an effort to gauge the FBI's interest in LocatePlus' products and services in an attempt to generate sales to the FBI.

Also, in August 2009, KAISER was hired by a corporate executive living in Gloucester, Mass., who had received a threatening letter in the mail. Working on behalf of this individual, KAISER had additional improper contacts with the FBI Boston office.

On October 3, 2013, KAISER pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of making prohibited post-employment contacts.

This matter was investigated by the Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Diane C. Freniere of the District of Massachusetts and Michael J. Gustafson of the District of Connecticut.

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