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My name is Joel Katz. I have lived at 1320 Hiahia place, Oceanview Estates, Wailuku for 30 years.

I am opposed to the reappointment of Mr. Kim to be the head prosecutor.

I was disgusted with the way his department lied to me through deputy prosecutor Jared Ahuna who handled my case.

My dog was attacked by 3 pit bulls in my yard on June 14, 2015. The dogs belong to a neighbor down the street. Her skin was ripped off and her neck was broken and she died. I was attacked and bitten as the dogs turned on me when I tried to save her.

I wanted a misdemeanor charge at minimum to be brought against the dogs' owners. This would have helped them to be classified as "dangerous dogs", requiring them to be kept in a fenced area, leashed and muzzled in public, and insurance required.

I was assured by deputy prosecutor Ahuna that he was taking this case seriously. I provided witness names, none of whom were ever contacted.

I was stunned when Mr. Ahuna allowed the dog owners to plead to a leash law violation.

This is why I have a grudge against Mr. Kim. His department lied to me and he did not take the attack on me and my dog on my property seriously.

Thank you, Joel Katz

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