

McCabe Fired

Andrew McCabe is an American attorney who served as the Deputy Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation from February 2016 to January 2018. FBI Director James Comey appointed McCabe as Deputy Director of the FBI on January 29, 2016. McCabe officially assumed the position on February 1, 2016. On January 29, 2018, McCabe stepped down from his position as Deputy Director of the FBI. On March 16, 2018, Attorney General of the United States Jefferson Sessions fired McCabe twenty-six hours before his scheduled retirement. McCabe was said to have been fired for committing three violations of the bureau's ethics code. These three violations included lack of candor under oath, lack of candor when not under oath, and the improper disclosure of non-public information to the media about the FBI investigation into the Clinton Foundation. McCabe claimed that his dismissal was part of the Trump administration's "ongoing war on the FBI and the efforts of the Special Counsel investigation."

McCabe's actions were first uncovered by the Department of Justice's Office of the Inspector General, and were then verified by the FBI's Office of Professional Responsibility. According to recent investigations, McCabe told FBI public affairs chief Michael Kortan and FBI lawyer Lisa Page to contact a Wall Street Journal reporter to rectify a report released in October of 2016 about sizable donations McCabe's wife, Jill McCabe, received from Democrats during her bid for Virginia State Senate. While McCabe has publicly stated that he was permitted to allow FBI officials to speak to the media and that Comey had been informed of his behavior, Comey told internal investigators at the Department of Justice that he did not remember McCabe

speaking with him about authorizing FBI officials to talk with the reporter about an investigation that was ongoing and had not come to any sort of final conclusion as of yet.

In 2017, the Inspector General of the Department of Justice and the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee investigated McCabe over concerns that he should have excused himself from the investigation of Hillary Clinton's utilization of a private email server because of a possible conflict of interest caused by donations to his wife's Virginia State Senate campaign.

Jill denied on Monday, April 6 that contributions to her 2015 Virginia Senate campaign, from a topmost Hillary Clinton-supporting political organization, played any role at all in the FBI investigation into Clinton's personal email server. Jill, a pediatrician and aspiring politician from Virginia, ran for the Virginia State Senate in 2015. She lost, and recently spoke up about the rumours surrounding her ties with Clinton: "Now that I can speak on my own behalf, I want people to know that the whole story that everything is based on is just false and utterly absurd." She also added that she has no plans to run for office again.