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U.S. Sen. Bill Hagerty commends Pres. Donald Trump’s appointment of Adam Telle as acting Secretary of the Army

WASHINGTON, September 4, 2026—United States Senator Bill Hagerty (R-TN) commended President Donald Trump’s appointment of Hagerty’s former chief of staff, Adam Telle, as acting secretary of the Army.

The president announced Telle’s appointment via a post on Truth Social. In the post, Trump noted that Telle was “a Great Patriot, who is respected by all.”

Telle has a more than 20-year career in public service. He began his tenure in Washington in 2005, serving as a staff member to Sen. Richard Shelby (R-AL) upon his graduation from Mississippi State University, and later as legislative director and deputy chief of staff to Sen. Thad Cochran (R-MS).



U.S. Sen. Bill Hagerty

Telle served as the chief staff member on the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security before moving to the White House Office of Legislative Affairs to serve as Trump’s

chief liaison to the Senate during the president’s first term. Among his many accomplishments as liaison, Telle played a pivotal role in implementing the Abraham Accords, as well as in establishing the U.S. Space Force, the newest armed service branch in nearly 70 years.

In August 2021, Telle returned to Capitol Hill to serve on Hagerty’s staff, where he rose to chief of staff. After President Trump won the 2024 election, Telle was appointed to serve as Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works during the president’s second term in August 2025.

During his time as Assistant Secretary, Telle transformed the Army Corps of Engineers’ Civil

Works Program, focusing on major national infrastructure projects involving commercial navigation, flood and storm-damage reduction, water resources, environmental restoration and permitting. During his confirmation process, Telle earned the support of the Senate as he advanced through both the Senate Armed Services and the Environment and Public Works Committees and was confirmed by the entire body in a bipartisan 72-22 vote.

“Adam has repeatedly proven himself as a tried and tested leader,” said Hagerty. “Through his service across multiple areas of government, he’s demonstrated that he can meet any mo-

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SAF Journalism Project editor Williams announces Presidential Pardon for Patrick “Tate” Adamiak

BELLEVUE, Wash. — Sept. 4, 2026 — In a closely watched and reported-on case by the Second Amendment Foundation’s (SAF) Investigative Journalism Project editor Lee Williams, Patrick “Tate” Adamiak today has been issued a pardon by President Donald Trump. Adamiak was wrongfully arrested, charged and convicted of illegally possessing a toy machinegun after Biden-era Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) agents stormed his house.

Four years ago, Adamiak was arrested and charged with illegally possessing two destructive devices, two inert RPGs that had holes drilled into their receivers and were stripped of internal parts. He was convicted in 2023 and sentenced to more than 20 years in prison after ATF’s “expert” added parts from real RPGs until they would fire a single sub-caliber 7.62 x 39mm round. As a result, he classified the RPGs as destructive devices even though the same inert RPGs are still legally sold today without an FFL or any other paperwork. At the time of his arrest, Adamiak was

an active-duty Navy E-6 and had been accepted to attend BUD/S (Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training).

“This is the day Tate and his family have fought for since his conviction 2023,” Williams said. “We have reported on this case on an almost weekly basis since his conviction and covered every angle of the story. In no way, shape or form did Tate deserve to be arrested, much less convicted for owning what are considered merely toy firearms. We are extremely thankful the administration saw an opportunity to right a wrong and are grateful Tate is now headed home to be with his family.”

Since first learning about Adamiak’s case, Williams has written more than 60 articles on the lack of evidence, the “expert” testimony presented at his trial and how officials in the Biden-era ATF railroaded an innocent young man to gain a conviction.

“Tate Adamiak endured every

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Let us remember those who lost their precious lives on Sept. 11, 2001 and those who gave theirs to save them and our nation. God Bless them and the loved ones they left behind.

WE SHALL NEVER FORGET!

-An Editorial Message from The Mid-South Tribune-

Memphis Safe Task Force (MSTF) Report: U.S. Marshals capture West Tennessee man wanted for attack with bat on woman

JACKSON, TN, September 4, 2026 The U.S. Marshals Two Rivers Violent Fugitive Task Force (USMS) captured a West Tennessee man wanted for a violent attack on a woman with a bat and other crimes in Tennessee and Kentucky.

Xavien Eisom, 32, of Union City, Tennessee, was arrested by U.S. Marshals this morning (September 4) at the Casey Jones Motel in Jackson.

Based on the investigation by the Union City Police Department, on September 1, 2026, a woman had just left an apartment in the 600 block of Nash Street in Union City and was walking to her vehicle. Eisom laid in wait and severely beat the woman with a bat before fleeing authorities.

Arrest warrants were issued in Obion County General Sessions Court for aggravated assault, resisting arrest, and evading arrest. The case was adopted by the USMS for a fugitive investigation.

Eisom also had an outstanding warrant out of Fulton, Kentucky, for auto theft for an August 28,



Xavien Eisom, 32, of Union City, TN. was arrested for severely beating a woman with a bat. U.S. Marshals captured him in West Tennessee. (Photo/Courtesy: Memphis Safe Task Force).



Tyreece Miller, U.S. Marshal for the Western District of Tennessee said, “Xavien Eisom’s crime spree came to an end today. We are glad to assist our law enforcement partners in Tennessee and Kentucky to hold him accountable.”

2026, incident where he is alleged to have stolen a 2019 Lincoln Nautilus from the driveway of a residence.

Eisom was also wanted on a violation of parole warrant issued in 2025 following an aggravated burglary conviction in Tennessee.

Tyreece Miller, U.S. Marshal for the Western District of Tennessee said, “Xavien Eisom’s crime spree came to an end today. We are glad to assist our law enforcement partners in Tennessee and Kentucky to hold him accountable.”

Eisom was transported to the Madison County Jail pending transfer to the Obion County Jail. More information about the U.S. Marshals Service can be found at <http://www.usmarshals.gov>.

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