

First I'd like to preempt a letter I'm about to read into the public record with a little background. This is information every citizen needs to know.

In July of last year I posted a concern about public safety issues to the CLNews. This public forum is run by a group of individuals that local residents refer to as the River Mafia. My posting generated a barrage of hate mail, threats and harassment urging me to move out of the community.

The next morning I discovered within minutes of a particularly libelous post that I had been signed up to the **American River Conservancy** and just about every pornographic, LGBT, and the most disgusting SPAM, liberal newsletters, political conferences and bizarre phone calls imaginable. My computer, Facebook, passwords, cell phone and bank accounts were all hacked.

Identity theft is a crime therefore I filed reports with the Sheriff's Department. For a whole week I had no access to a computer, cell phone or my bank accounts. Meanwhile two computer experts helped to untangle the mess. Deputy Bernard Brown was assigned to investigate the associated case files and to interview the suspects. This is an excerpt from a document included with photos and a cover letter handed to Deputy Strockmond last Friday to personally deliver to Sheriff D'Agostini:

*"Laws, Ordinances, Regulations and Statutes were instituted for the protection of society. We are all aware of the "committee" formed the last time a bashing-fest was instigated for my appropriate posts to CLNews. It resulted in a serious crime against me necessitating the investigating Deputy Sheriff to interview among others **Mike Bean, Howard Penn and Harry Mercado**. It is significant that Mike Bean requested an attorney be present for questioning. **Immediately cease and desist all public and private correspondence addressed to me.**"*

I will now read the body of the letter addressed to the Sheriff for the public record.
(read letter)

It is equally significant that Deputy Strockmond was reluctant to respond to my new incident report. He also objected to my recording of our interaction. I informed him that the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals have recognized the First Amendment right to record the police and/or other public officials. The First Amendment protects the right to audio and video record regardless of whether the police/officials consent. This constitutional right would override any state or federal laws that would otherwise

prohibit such recording. The rationale is public officials need to be held accountable for their actions.

Rather than deliver the correspondence to the Sheriff as requested, Deputy Strockman said he'd give it to his superior. I presume it is now in the hands of County Counsel. The Sheriff is not above the law. Not only have I been denied due process but the Sheriff is in violation of his Constitutional Oath of Office. Forcing litigation would be an abuse of your fiduciary obligation and the public's trust. Silence is not an option.

Madam Clerk: Please enter these documents into the public record.

- 1) This transcript
- 2) 7/28/16 letter addressed to D'Agostini re: EG15-5698 & 5793

BTW, I received yet another unsolicited email from Mike Bean this morning at 7:45 AM. He is a member of the American River Conspiracy, and administrator of CL News.



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RE: Case File #15-5698 – Coloma Resort Illegal Fireworks & SUP Violations
Case File #15-5793 – Cyberbullying - Harassment/Identity Theft

Dear Sheriff D'Agostini:

Sergeant Bears informed me today that Deputy Bernard Brown is no longer employed by EDSO. There has been no response to my last correspondence dated 2/21/16 regarding the above captioned case files which were being investigated by Deputy B. Brown and handed off to Deputy Engelbrekton. (See Exhibit A)

After conducting several interviews of the likely suspects Deputy Brown assured me that he was confident who was responsible for the crimes of my computer, Facebook, email hacking and identity theft. It became apparent that the 9/14/15 RMAC meeting attended by Mike Ranalli and Roger Trout played significantly into CLNews hacking and harassment against me.

Consequently Deputy Brown was very candid expressing his concern about the animosity within both EDSO and the community warning me to "watch my back." He further assured that despite a very heavy work load his final report would be filed prior to his medical leave in order to press charges against the perpetrator(s). I believe Deputy Brown was sincere in that commitment.

In the interim there have been several incidents believed to be related to the above captioned case files causing great concern for my personal safety and security of my property. The enclosed photos are taken from my surveillance videos. (See Exhibit B). A CD of the videos will be provided upon request. The CLNews emails identify some of suspects investigated by Deputy Brown. (See Exhibit C)

As a Constitutional Sheriff it is expected that you immediately restore my ability to communicate electronically with EDSO and provide ASAP a comprehensive status report on both the above inter-related case files. (See Exhibits D & E)

Sincerely,


Melody Lane

Enclosures:

1. **Exhibit A – 2/21/16 Letter to Sheriff D'Agostini re: CFs #15-5698 & 15-5793**
2. **Exhibit B – Photos casing/suspects**
3. **Exhibit C – 7/26/16 email @ 12:53 PM to Melissa at American River Conservancy**
4. **Exhibit D – 7/18/16 email @ 10:35 PM to Don Ashton, Barry Smith, Roger Trout and Mike Ranalli**
5. **Exhibit E – 7/26/16 @ 12:54 PM EDSO mailer-daemon**