

M. Lane Open Forum BUS 12/10/2024

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Ms Lane. Let me address the falsehoods of your claim.

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You keep posting you are the founder of Compass to Truth. This is not a legal business, not is the name registered anywhere. So it is an organization of one, that is operating illegally without a license or paying taxes?

Can you please show us the facts that Kris Payne and Todd White colluded? For God's sake, just one piece of proof, other than your spewing falsehoods would be wonderful.

I did not force Gay Willard out. She was not legally qualified to be a member according to our bylaws. There was no 'force', but there was enforce. We merely enforced our bylaws. This was a BoD decision. This is an outright lie on your part.

Kris Payne did not appoint me as VP. He is not able to do so according to the bylaws. The BoD voted me in. Same for Kevin McCarty. Another lie on your part.

If Mr Payne cares to elaborate on his dismissal/resignation, that is his decision to share. I feel very confident in stating, that you are not the sole cause of this. Isn't bragging about how great you are against God's will?

**You are disruptive. That is a fact. There are enough people who have seen and heard you. Another lie.**

**You were not assaulted. You refused to back out of the doorway while yelling and being disruptive. Ms Louis merely moved to shut the door while continually telling you not to touch her. You did not move and she gently closed the door. The reality is we were trying to have a members only meeting (as noted in your photos), which means you were not able to attend, since you are not a member (another lie. If you are a member, just show any of us a recently cancelled check or receipt of payment). Pursuant to this, PPD has told us that if you show your face at the TPA again, they will be more than happy to remove you. Lies, lies, lies.**

**You accuse me of lying? I offered a sworn affidavit to the PPD. You not only caused the incident, you encouraged it, just like you always do. As someone has previously said, you are the great baiter. You do not want debate, you just want to goad people into doing something, so you can continue your rants. Ms Lane, and I will speak for others, WE do believe you are delusional and have mental issues.**

Yes, God will be the judge. Certainly not you. **If you had such a case, certainly the DA would have contacted any or all of us present that day by now. But guess what? They haven't and most probably won't. PPD didn't do anything other than insure us if you showed up again you would be escorted out.**

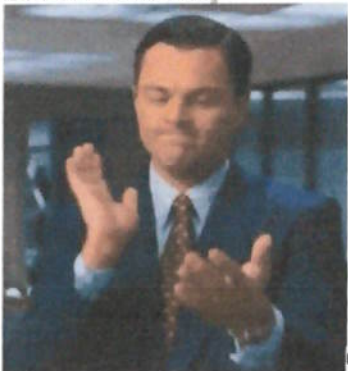
**And as such an Evangelical Christian, as you claim to be, I'd really like to know how you lying about so much, by you, is OK in God's eyes. What I really don't understand is why Mr Thornhill is now lying for you? I have my suspicions, but will keep them to myself. Unlike you, I don't spread falsehoods or gossip.**

**So, I will say this on behalf of the many. Stop your lies, disruptive behavior and downright meanness. No one listens. No one cares. There is a saying, delivery is everything. Your delivery is horrible. Find another cause. One where you have actual facts and can show proof. Otherwise, please leave us all alone.**

[Kevin McCarty](#)

Top contributor

[Lee Tannenbaum](#)



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• • • • [Lee Tannenbaum](#) **POSTED 11/11/24**

[Erin McCarty](#) - Any chance we can take this article down? There are quite a few discrepancies with reality in it and as much as I'd like to see the entire thing disappear, it keeps showing up in my feed, because people keep commenting on it.

Not only is the OP slanderous and libelous, it is a distortion of the truth.

I also realize your opinion on free speech, but when there are blatant mistruths and slanderous comments, it is not politics or factual, but just something to incite. We all deserve to be able to see and hear the truth, and nothing but.

Thanks for your consideration.

[Erin McCarty](#)

Admin

[Lee Tannenbaum](#) I agree that we all deserve to be able to see and hear the truth. That was the intention behind making an uncensored page.

I wasn't present for this event. I have no opinion on it. I can 100% believe that Melody is distorting the truth. I watch her do that with almost everything she says and does. But yet, why is no one commenting with specifics about how she is wrong? Probably because no one really cares. If someone does care, they are welcome to correct her narrative.

But I am not the arbiter of truth. I actually regret adding the rule about personal insults because now I'm being asked to play that role...deciding what deserves to be posted and what doesn't... It is not my job to take something down because other people say it is not true. Fran has that underwrap with her page.

The beauty of an uncensored page is it can create dialog and lead others to find the objective truth. In reading through these comments, none of them are actually challenging Melody's narrative. Most of them are just insulting Melody herself...an ad hominem attack.

**Believe me, I am no fan of Melody Lane. You should see the things she has sent to me in private messages. I am particularly disturbed by how she weaponizes Christianity to try and make her point. But alas, it doesn't matter if I like her. Everyone who has spent time in her digital or physical presence knows she is a joke. Nothing incriminating has come or will come from her words. This whole drama at the TPA meeting 5 months ago is really just beating a dead horse at this point.** But I can't remove it, because on principle she is entitled to her voice. And if others are bothered by falsehoods she shares, they are welcome to voice these concerns. The whole point of an uncensored platform is for everyone to have a chance to engage in dialog.

On a personal note. If you push the 3 dot in the right hand side of the post, you can select turn off notifications and that should help it from showing up on your timeline.

[Lee Tannenbaum](#)

[Erin McCarty](#) Fair enough. I can certainly correct the distortion of the truth she is spouting, it's just not worth it. She seems to be living in a world where only what she says or does is the truth, so why argue. It's a waste of time and energy. Add to that there is no discussion, only regurgitation of the same blather over and over.

**Honestly, a cease and desist order and potentially a law suit seems to be the only way to shut her up. Why do you think everyone just ignores her? Doing so only emboldens her.**

**My concern is more for those who do not know her and not those of us who do and largely ignore her. The people who do not know, may take what she is saying and find it believable. Which is why I mentioned slander and libel.**

**I agree with you. She and many other religious folks are weaponizing Christianity, which in my opinion makes them no better than the terrorists who have weaponize the Koran. According to her, there are hundreds of us in EDC who are Satan spawn.**

**I'm actually fine with discussion/dialog, even heated. But when a person blatantly lies to try to make themselves look or feel better about their mission from God, it is not ok.**

**On this topic, and I ask because I want an opinion. How do these religious people, apparently people of God, tell so many lies? No need to name names, but it is very clear these religious zealots spout lies as the truth. What happened to following the bible and it's teachings. The 9th commandment clearly says "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor", yet lies upon lies continue. I don't get it, but I sure see it a lot. Melody is a prime example, but there are a lot of others doing the same thing.**

[Erin McCarty](#)

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[Lee Tannenbaum](#) Well and that is a good point because when she first came on my radar, bashing Todd White, I was intrigued and thought she may have merit based on what I knew about him. In the beginning I defended her against the people calling her crazy, saying I appreciated her sharing the info. Though it didn't take long to realize it was repetitive and void of any real substance.

**I agree her repetitive slanderous posts were drowning the page so I put her on post approval. To this I got a seething private message full of insults about me censoring her. But I disagree that it is censorship. Everything she wants to say is posted on this page somewhere. There is no need for her to post the same content over and over. Preventing clutter isn't the same as censorship. If she actually tries to new information and new posts, they will be approved.**

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[Lee Tannenbaum](#)

[Erin McCarty](#) I actually read something about this. Demon spirits. Thanks for your insights.

• • • • [Carol Louis](#)

**Melody lain has been found to have filed a false police report. I do not know what the penalty for that is, possibly a misdemeanor. But she always speaks to truth and her alignment to god and church. She does not practice what she preaches. Now we know it is all BS.**

[Marjorie Kays](#) (FAKE NAME--NO SUCH PERSON EXISTS IN EDC.)

Melody Laine filled a false police report.

To Melody Lane, Coloma, Ca. 7/22/2024

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Please consider this a response to your recent "Affidavit/Declaration of Truth" addressed to Kris Payne, President of Taxpayers Association of EDC, P.O. Box 2023, Placerville, CA

We have a question: To be valid, must not a "Declaration of Truth" be issued by a Court, Clerk of The Court, or an Attorney? Which are you, or by whose authority do you send this to us?

As to your "Affidavit:" Which one of the above Offices asked you to provide it to us?

To continue: we must object to Page 1, Ph. 1, line 7, of your July 13, 2024 Affidavit/Declaration of Truth which states: "that I am...of sound mind..."

We are sorry, but we will need Outside Professional Verification of this specific assertion. As soon as you obtain someone who will examine you, and make a written report, please forward their information to us as we would like to submit evidence (which we will of course forward to you) in our interest.

If we are informed that you are not of sound mind, we will refrain from holding it against you and will not take action against you for Perjury (Re: your signature). As you are well aware, knowingly signing this document with incorrect, misrepresented information may be Perjury.

In the meantime, we will continue to review and analyze your document in the hopes that you will quickly provide the above report, and that we can then respond more fully to you.

Sincerely.

*Kris Payne*  
*President of TPAEDC*

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**Cc:** Noel Stack; Richard Esposito; BOS-Clerk of the Board; James A. Clinchard; 'Joseph Wren'; Tiffany Schmid; BOS-District V; BOS-District IV; BOS-District I; BOS-District III; BOS-District II  
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**Attachments:** 3-10-24 TPA Payne Outside of the law evidence.doc; Tannenbaum TPA vote fraud complaint Feb2024.pdf; Payne TPA cert reply mentally ill affidavit.pdf; 6-3-24 TPA CASH dues 2023-2024.doc

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Ms. Thomas, et al,

Please ensure the entirety of my below public comments, including attachments, are entered into the public record for the 12/10/24 BOS Open Forum. You are also encouraged to take the time to thoroughly read and comprehend the gravity of these documents as they pertain to BOS responsibilities and legal consequences. But first I wish to address your actions today...

This morning your family members, friends, and admirers were given unlimited time to heap praises upon you. In fact, Kim Dawson shut off the timer. This caused the meeting to be delayed for over half an hour.

Then constituents had to wait one hour for Open Forum to begin after a lunch break due to the **purposely loaded BOS Agenda** and the controversial Winery/Agriculture/Events item. This was the last BOS meeting of the year. To add insult to injury, Citizens were not provided any advanced notice that our time would be cut short from the usual 3 minutes to only 2 minutes. What kind of a message can a citizen be expected to cogently deliver within TWO MINUTES?!?

Wendy, during Open Forum you demonstrated gross disrespect for constituents, violated the Brown Act, and abused the public trust. Adding insult to injury, you announced, "*For clarification, the BOS is not affiliated in any way with the Taxpayers Association*". That was a patently FALSE statement!

Again I remind you that several EDC public officials are members of the Taxpayers Association. As such, the TPA Bylaws state they are required to abide by the same federal, state, and local laws as the BOS/EDC employees. Collusion between the TPA and EDC staff to commit assault, battery, harassment, libel, slander, censorship, threats, and discrimination are **crimes** that I have been subjected to and dully reported to law enforcement.

For clarification, when you (the BOS) have knowledge of such wrongdoing, but fail to take remedial action, then you become **complicit and liable for aiding and abetting their unlawful actions against me**, a retired law-abiding American Citizen and third generation evangelical dwelling in El Dorado County. Furthermore, your malfeasance is a direct assault upon my due process rights secured by the First Amendment.

Your mandatory Ethics training required under AB1234 should have taught you that the American government, whether local, state, or federal, is required to deal lawfully with me as a Citizen. All actions by public employees, including BOS appointees to boards, committees, and commissions, conducted in the performance



of their official duties either support and defend the national and state Constitutions, or oppose and violate them. It is my Right and duty to demand that you, and other government officials, uphold their oaths to the Constitution(s) and abide by all constitutionally imposed mandates of their oaths.

Your repeated violations of your oaths, the EDC Code of Ethics, and discriminatory actions against me are a direct assault upon my due process rights secured by the First Amendment, to wit:

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Your faith does not teach you to be a disruptive liar. America and most of the rest of the world believe in peace amongst everyone. **Not that there be a Christian and biblical world view. I'm sure there are billions of people out there who would oppose this.**

You keep posting you are the founder of Compass to Truth. This is not a legal business, not is the name registered anywhere. So it is an organization of one, that is operating illegally without a license or paying taxes?

Can you please show us the facts that Kris Payne and Todd White colluded? For God's sake, just one piece of proof, other than your spewing falsehoods would be wonderful.

I did not force Gay Willard out. She was not legally qualified to be a member according to our bylaws. There was no 'force', but there was enforce. We merely enforced our bylaws. This was a BoD decision. This is an outright lie on your part.

Kris Payne did not appoint me as VP. He is not able to do so according to the bylaws. The BoD voted me in. Same for Kevin McCarty. Another lie on your part.

If Mr Payne cares to elaborate on his dismissal/resignation, that is his decision to share. I feel very confident in stating, that you are not the sole cause of this. Isn't bragging about how great you are against God's will? **You are disruptive. That is a fact. There are enough people who have seen and heard you. Another lie.**

**You were not assaulted. You refused to back out of the doorway while yelling and being disruptive. Ms Louis merely moved to shut the door while continually telling you not to touch her. You did not move and she gently closed the door. The reality is we were trying to have a members only meeting (as noted in your photos), which means you were not able to attend, since you are not a member (another lie. If you are a member, just show any of us a recently cancelled check or receipt of payment). Pursuant to this, PPD has told us that if you show your face at the TPA again, they will be more than happy to remove you. Lies, lies, lies.**

**You accuse me of lying? I offered a sworn affidavit to the PPD. You not only caused the incident, you encouraged it, just like you always do. As someone has previously said, you are the great baiter. You do not want debate, you just want to goad people into doing something, so you can continue your rants. Ms Lane, and I will speak for others, WE do believe you are delusional and have mental issues.**

Yes, God will be the judge. Certainly not you. **If you had such a case, certainly the DA would have contacted any or all of us present that day by now. But guess what? They haven't and most probably won't. PPD didn't do anything other than insure us if you showed up again you would be escorted out.**

**And as such an Evangelical Christian, as you claim to be, I'd really like to know how you lying about so much, by you, is OK in God's eyes. What I really don't understand is why Mr Thornhill is now lying for you? I have my suspicions, but will keep them to myself. Unlike you, I don't spread falsehoods or gossip.**

**So, I will say this on behalf of the many. Stop your lies, disruptive behavior and downright meanness. No one listens. No one cares. There is a saying, delivery is everything. Your delivery is horrible. Find another cause. One where you have actual facts and can show proof. Otherwise, please leave us all alone.**

|| [Kevin McCarty](#)

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[Lee Tannenbaum](#)



**IN REFERENCE TO MY JUNE 24, 2024 POST TO MCCARTY'S FACEBOOK PAGE - DEBATING EL DORADO COUNTY POLITICS UNCENSORED:**

• • • • Lee Tannenbaum **POSTED 11/11/24**

Erin McCarty - Any chance we can take this article down? There are quite a few discrepancies with reality in it and as much as I'd like to see the entire thing disappear, it keeps showing up in my feed, because people keep commenting on it.

Not only is the OP slanderous and libelous, it is a distortion of the truth.

I also realize your opinion on free speech, but when there are blatant mistruths and slanderous comments, it is not politics or factual, but just something to incite. We all deserve to be able to see and hear the truth, and nothing but.

Thanks for your consideration.

Erin McCarty

Admin

Lee Tannenbaum I agree that we all deserve to be able to see and hear the truth. That was the intention behind making an uncensored page.

I wasn't present for this event. I have no opinion on it. I can 100% believe that Melody is distorting the truth. I watch her do that with almost everything she says and does. But yet, why is no one commenting with specifics about how she is wrong? Probably because no one really cares. If someone does care, they are welcome to correct her narrative.

But I am not the arbiter of truth. I actually regret adding the rule about personal insults because now I'm being asked to play that role...deciding what deserves to be posted and what doesn't... It is not my job to take something down because other people say it is not true. Fran has that underwrap with her page.

The beauty of an uncensored page is it can create dialog and lead others to find the objective truth. In reading through these comments, none of them are actually challenging Melody's narrative. Most of them are just insulting Melody herself...an ad hominem attack.

**Believe me, I am no fan of Melody Lane. You should see the things she has sent to me in private messages. I am particularly disturbed by how she weaponizes Christianity to try and make her point. But alas, it doesn't matter if I like her. Everyone who has spent time in her digital or physical presence knows she is a joke. Nothing incriminating has come or will come from her words. This whole drama at the TPA meeting 5 months ago is really just beating a dead horse at this point.** But I can't remove it, because on principle she is entitled to her voice. And if others are bothered by falsehoods she shares, they are welcome to voice these concerns. The whole point of an uncensored platform is for everyone to have a chance to engage in dialog.

On a personal note. If you push the 3 dot in the right hand side of the post, you can select turn off notifications and that should help it from showing up on your timeline.

Lee Tannenbaum

Erin McCarty Fair enough. I can certainly correct the distortion of the truth she is spouting, it's just not worth it. She seems to be living in a world where only what she says or does is the truth, so why argue. It's a waste of time and energy. Add to that there is no discussion, only regurgitation of the same blather over and over.

**Honestly, a cease and desist order and potentially a law suit seems to be the only way to shut her up. Why do you think everyone just ignores her? Doing so only emboldens her.**

**My concern is more for those who do not know her and not those of us who do and largely ignore her. The people who do not know, may take what she is saying and find it believable. Which is why I mentioned slander and libel.**

**I agree with you. She and many other religious folks are weaponizing Christianity, which in my opinion makes them no better than the terrorists who have weaponize the Koran. According to her, there are hundreds of us in EDC who are Satan spawn.**

**I'm actually fine with discussion/dialog, even heated. But when a person blatantly lies to try to make themselves look or feel better about their mission from God, it is not ok.**

**On this topic, and I ask because I want an opinion. How do these religious people, apparently people of God, tell so many lies? No need to name names, but it is very clear these religious zealots spout lies as the truth. What happened to following the bible and it's teachings. The 9th commandment clearly says "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor", yet lies upon lies continue. I don't get it, but I sure see it a lot. Melody is a prime example, but there are a lot of others doing the same thing.**

Erin McCarty

Admin

Lee Tannenbaum Well and that is a good point because when she first came on my radar, bashing Todd White, I was intrigued and thought she may have merit based on what I knew about him. In the beginning I defended her against the people calling her crazy, saying I appreciated her sharing the info. Though it didn't take long to realize it was repetitive and void of any real substance.

**I agree her repetitive slanderous posts were drowning the page so I put her on post approval. To this I got a seething private message full of insults about me censoring her. But I disagree that it is censorship. Everything she wants to say is posted on this page somewhere. There is no need for her to post the same content over and over. Preventing clutter isn't the same as censorship. If she actually tries to new information and new posts, they will be approved.**

**Yes it is very sad to see Christianity being wraponized. To answer your question, I feel like they are possessed with demons, and that's how it is so easy to tell lies. I feel like the only way someone could lie and being so insulting and justify it through scripture is if they had demons working through them. Demons are sneaky and if you aren't aware it is easy to become possessed. Just my thoughts.**

Lee Tannenbaum

Erin McCarty I actually read something about this. Demon spirits. Thanks for your insights.

• • • • Carol Louis

**Melody lain has been found to have filed a false police report. I do not know what the penalty for that is, possibly a misdemeanor. But she always speaks to truth and her alignment to god and church. She does not practice what she preaches. Now we know it is all BS.**

Marjorie Kays (FAKE NAME--NO SUCH PERSON EXISTS IN EDC.)

Melody Laine filled a false police report.

*Melody Lane*

Founder – Compass2Truth

Justice Warren E. Burger, (1907-1995) Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court (1969-1986) - "... ours is a sick profession marked by incompetence, lack of training, misconduct and bad manners. Ineptness, bungling, malpractice, and bad ethics can be observed in court houses all over this country every day ... these incompetents have a seeming unawareness of the fundamental ethics of the profession. ... the harsh truth is that ... we may well be on our way to a society, overrun by hordes of lawyers, hungry as locusts, and brigades of judges in numbers never before contemplated."





# Compass2Truth

*Citizens for Constitutional Liberty*

P.O. Box 598  
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March 12, 2024

Taxpayers Association of EDC  
P.O. Box 13  
Placerville, CA 95667  
Attn: Kris Payne

RE: TPA Operating Outside of the Law

Kris, et al,

I have been a paid member of the Taxpayers Association since 2008, and in 2009 I founded Compass2Truth which is a whistleblower organization. The Association has policies concerning whistleblowers, ethics, non-discrimination, and records which are to be made available to the public. However, as far back as 2010 the TPA officers have colluded to unlawfully deprive me equal benefits of membership in retaliation for whistleblowing. (See attached 2010 TPA ballot)

When you assumed the role of TPA president during the December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, you announced your desire to "do the right thing" for the Association. Therefore, I am addressing several issues that need to be immediately and transparently resolved pertaining to the unethical conduct of the officers of the Association. All my claims and averments are backed up with valid evidence and law.

1. As you are well-aware, numerous anomalies arose out of the chaotic December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting resulting in Lee Tannenbaum submitting his complaint to you regarding the counting of TPA ballots. This has been a reoccurring problem perpetually swept under the rug without any accountability.

During the same meeting Treasurer Mark Pappas submitted his resignation to Secretary Todd White, stating, "*Due to **various irregularities in the operation of the Association**, I can no longer in good conscience continue my association.*" Mark's resignation was effective Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM. (See attached 12/11/23 Pappas resignation letter.)

It was evident after Cheri Raffety announced the 2024 TPA directors that others also had concerns about Mark's resignation and how the meeting was conducted outside of the law. Gina Posey and Bill George specifically attempted to address their concerns, but they were censored by "dictator" Carol Louis. This appeared to be a cover up of the illicit actions by the TPA officers.

The Taxpayers Association professes to be a voice for El Dorado County taxpayers through advocacy, voter education, and weekly public meetings. As such, the Association is required to abide by all state and federal laws to ensure the "blessings of freedom are forever perpetuated." That includes **non-discrimination, whistleblower**, and other policies contained in the TPA bylaws. No individual has authority to deprive any citizen their First Amendment rights to address public officials who happen to be frequent speakers at public Association meetings. However, censorship, discrimination and

retaliation for whistleblowing have become the modus operandi of the Association officers. Carol Louis is on a power trip and needs to be reined in for repeatedly acting outside of the law, in particular for her discrimination, ethics, and numerous bylaws violations.

2. Regarding Mark's resignation letter, it was brought to my attention *by Mark Pappas*. He stated that you (**Kris Payne**) and **Todd White** had a conversation persuading Mark to hold off submitting his letter of resignation to Todd until *after* the December 11<sup>th</sup> count of ballots. Apparently, the outcome had already been *predetermined prior* to the count of ballots. (See attached V1 & V2 ballots and corresponding notes.)

**Refer to the note on V2 ballot forwarded by Mark Pappas: "OFFICER COPY REVISED AND MAILED BY CAROL LOUIS"** Per Mark, in order for BoD candidates to be considered eligible, Carol Louis **unlawfully** required 2024 dues be paid in advance of V2 ballot mailing. N/P indicates 2024 dues NOT PAID in advance. It is unlawful to require members to pre-pay their dues. It doesn't take rocket science to understand that fraud and ballot tampering is illegal.

Then without knowledge of members or a vote, Mark appears at the January 8<sup>th</sup> TPA meeting apparently reinstated as a director. When I questioned Mark about his sudden change of heart, he remarked, ***"Technically, I cancelled my previous positions and accepted a new one. Due to interpretation of the election, I remain as a director for 2024. Evidently an election results complaint has been filed by Lee Tannenbaum."*** That constitutes fraud by the officers of the Association who are clearly operating outside of the law and need to be held into account or risk forfeiture of their license to operate as a 501(c)4 organization.

3. As stated previously, I have been a paid member of the Association since 2008. On numerous occasions my checks have been cashed meanwhile I've been fraudulently deprived benefits of membership; my checks have been returned for no valid reason; or my checks have deliberately been held in excess of six months, in which case the bank will no longer honor the check. As your ethics training should have taught you, that constitutes fraud by the Association. Fraud vitiates any action. See: *U.S. v. Tweel, 550 F. 2d. 297.* - *"Silence can only be equated with fraud where there is a legal or moral duty to speak or where an inquiry left unanswered would be intentionally misleading."*

For example, my 2023 dues check was handed to Mark Pappas during the February 6, 2023, TPA meeting with a note, but Mark handed it off to Carol Louis who returned the envelope/note to me unopened via certified mail from her home address. (Please refer to the attached 2/16/24 Alderink TPA dues letter. Note all the attachments to my letter.)

Then in the presence of witnesses during the 7/16/23 TPA meeting, I again personally handed to Mark an envelope addressed to him for the second time containing a letter encouraging Mark to "do the right thing" (i.e. cash my dues check in a timely manner.) Note in particular the remark of a mutual friend, ***"Mark has shared that things are going WAY downhill in our local government. He is giving some serious consideration to running for a position in our local government. He also told me that he disagreed with the Taxpayer Association censoring you and not allowing you to renew your membership. He said you definitely have some enemies looking to destroy you."***

Instead of "doing the right thing" as I expected of a professing Christian, this time Mark unlawfully held unto my check for over 6 months from the date it was issued, then he "passed the buck" to Jim Alderink to deal with as the first order of business during the January 8, 2024 TPA meeting, ***"I need to let Jim know that I am passing the check onto him and it will be up to him to handle it. You can bet Carol will***

*ask him if I passed it onto him and will probably demand him to return it to you. The roster is a mess from 2023 thanks to Carol's deletions and additions without a paper trail."*

Contrary to popular opinion, the president of the Association has no lawful authority to make decisions that circumvent the law. It is the Treasurer who has a fiduciary to account for all checks coming into/going out of the Association. To date, neither of my checks have been cashed, nor have I received the courtesy of a response from Jim Alderink to my attached letter. The deceitful mishandling of my checks and deprivation of my rights indicates the Association constitutes fraud. *See: Morrison v. Coddington*, 662 P.2d. 155, 135 Ariz. 480 (1983) - *Fraud and deceit may arise from silence where there is a duty to speak the truth, as well as from speaking an untruth.*

4. The only requirement of TPA membership is to own property in EDC. You can see that Todd became a member in 2010, **five years prior** to the first and only purchase of his property in Pollock Pines, APN#101-141-005-000 from the CW Holland Trust. Bernard Carlson brought Todd into the Association and "appointed" Todd to replace him as secretary *without* a vote of membership.

There is also the issue regarding Todd White's refusal to provide me with the same benefits of membership as other individuals in the Association, including copying me on all correspondence and the monthly schedule of speakers. Over the years I have addressed this matter in writing more times than I can count. As secretary Todd is required by law to maintain records and make them available to the public. I've even volunteered several times to replace him as secretary to ensure records are properly maintained as required by law. At least Carol had the good sense to post on Debating El Dorado County Politics that Todd failed to keep Association minutes and thus he was outside of the law. (See attachment)

As you know, Todd White was fired as George Turnboo's admin for various reasons, including those enumerated in my affidavits entered into the public record during the 1/17/23 BOS Special hearing. Todd was also fired from Big Brothers/Big Sisters and removed as a deacon from Park Community Church where the RCC formerly held their monthly meetings. There are a myriad of federal and state laws requiring HR to maintain certain records regarding employees. Under SB 807, California law requires that documented complaints, such as mine, be investigated and retained in the employee's personnel file for a minimum of four years. In the event of a lawsuit, an employer may be required to produce these records. Failure to do so can lead to fines and other adverse actions. Similar laws and requirements apply to the Taxpayers Association. *See: United States v. Dial - Any enterprise undertaken by the public official who tends to weaken public confidence and undermine the sense of security for individual rights is against public policy.*

5. Also consider the conflict of interest that exists with two Planning Commissioners running the Taxpayers Association, meanwhile they conduct meetings outside of the law. For example, during the 4/17/23 TPA meeting **Planning Commissioner Andy Nevis** led discussion about legislative bills which were displayed on the overhead screen which I photographed. A few minutes later Carol Louis walked by and sharply wacked me on the arm remarking, "**No taking pictures!**" That's when **Planning Commissioner Kris Payne** created a scene as he loudly began his rant, "*You're no longer a member!*"

When I calmly but firmly admonished you after the meeting adjourned, you went into overdrive repeating, "*Don't point at me! Don't point at me! Don't point at me!*" Your uncontrolled rant continued, "*You shouldn't be attacking me. I can't believe it. I've never seen anybody like her that treats us so disrespectfully. You are terrible to us! I've worked my ass off for you. You have not worked with me even when I've supported you. Oh my god! I'm older than you. I can't take this! This is terrible! You're horrible! I'm a senior and I'm still working for the county. You're not working for the county. You won't work for the county. Why do you treat us so bad? Why don't you do something*

*for the county? It's so bad the way you treat us. You don't respect us. You are terrible. You're mad because I wouldn't let you talk at the Planning Commission meeting, but you wanted to go early and wouldn't wait till the end."*

I responded that you were **lying**, and the proof is in the un rebutted affidavits that I entered into the BOS public record and submitted to HR. Carol Louis interjected, "*I'm tired of picking up **shit** after you Melody.*" Meanwhile Andy Nevis was video recording the exchange with his cell phone. That's not leadership; it's government despotism at taxpayers' expense.

It is evident that it is time to clean house in the Taxpayers Association of EDC.

Sincerely,

*Melody Lane*

Founder – *Compass2Truth*

Attachments:

- 1) 2010 Ballot
- 2) V1 & V2 2024 Ballots
- 3) Pappas resignation letter
- 4) 2/16/24 Alderink dues letter
- 5) Carol Louis DEDCP post re: Todd White

**melody.lane@reagan.com**

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**From:** Lee Tannenbaum <lee.tannenbaum@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2024 7:14 PM  
**To:** melody.lane@reagan.com  
**Subject:** complaint  
**Attachments:** TPA CYA.pdf

Lee Tannenbaum  
CEO Cybele Holdings, Inc.  
President El Dorado County Growers Alliance  
650.515.2484



EL DORADO

Kris/Carol,

I am writing this more as a CYA than anything else. Besides being very disappointed in the election, I believe there was ballot tampering (more on this in a second). At this point, it is clear to me that there are a few folks who do not want me at the TPA. So not sure how long I will be staying. But I must state something that both you, Kris, as the incoming President, and Carol, as the outgoing president, should be made aware of. As a member of the elections committee, I do not want this coming back to bite me should something come of the below.

As a general statement, please find my notes below. I stated all of these in the December 4, 2023 meeting to the members of the BoD re the December, 11 2023 elections. I was told that a decision had been made and to basically shut up (my words). That said, and this is the CYA part, our elections were fraudulent and should be redone according to CA state law. If the election stands as is and someone finds out about it and reports it to the state, they can revoke our business license and fine or sue the TPA. The rules about elections are quite clear and cannot be changed on the fly as our BoD did (and I was not present for this vote per the discussion on December 4, 2023). Our bylaws and policies and procedures must be followed. Period. As much as the directors think they can do things on the fly, you cannot change the bylaws, or policies and procedures on the fly as we did for the 2023 election. They can be changed, but not for one-offs, and certainly not for something as important as our elections.

1. We did not form the election committee in a timely fashion based on the dates below. Close, but not on time. This is a violation but not flagrant.
2. The committee did not contact the members to see if they wanted to run (because of item 1). Todd said he did, but I can confirm he did not contact me. Based on comments, he contacted no one. This caused quite a bit of confusion and required a second ballot be sent out. This is dereliction of duties and willful negligence. This is a flagrant violation.
3. The secretary is to send out 2 notices. Todd sent none. This is dereliction of duties and willful negligence. This is a flagrant violation.
4. The ballot was not approved by the BoD at any meeting I was at. Since Todd did this on his own, he is responsible for not doing this. This is willful negligence. This is a flagrant violation.
5. Ballots to remain in a sealed envelope until Election Day. This was willful malfeasance by both Todd and Mark. This is a flagrant violation and cause for removal and potential fines.
6. The committee will open the ballots in a public meeting and discuss, then report the results to the public meeting. Todd and Mark doing this on their own is tampering with the vote and doing so willfully. Also cause for removal. As officers, they should be held to

a higher standard and 'I didn't know' does not fly. This was willful malfeasance by both Todd and Mark. This is a flagrant violation and cause for removal and potential fines.

7. The election should be made invalid per state law and our own bylaws/Policies and Procedures. While I can challenge the results of this election as a committee member, I will not. The BoD cannot override as they did (it isn't legal). This NPO is in violation and two of the officers (one current and one past) perpetrated these violations knowingly and willfully.
8. I would also like to state that I believe the ballots were tampered with. As the person who counted the votes (i.e. I saw every ballot). It seemed pretty clear to me that some of the ballots had different markings on them in the place to vote. As an example, many forms had an X that looked normal and some X's on the same form that were clearly not the same writing or style. Blame it on my military training, but it was fishy and it clearly looked this way. This is also willful malfeasance and cause for removal.
9. Because of the above, I encourage the removal of these officers/directors for the many violations and disallowed from becoming directors/officers for at least 36 months.
10. This seems really simple to me, Todd particularly and Mark have put this organization and its 25+ year old history and power in jeopardy for their own desires. Ignorance, or claimed ignorance does not fly. Todd has been secretary for years and knows how they should be completed.

For the record, I know I have stated my objections to the elections prior to the actual election and I'd like to insure my objections were duly entered into the minutes by the secretary. If not, this is one more violation by the former and current secretary. Below is an excerpt from California state code:

"Officers stand in a fiduciary relationship with the corporation. Hence, they must scrupulously protect the interests of the corporation, exercise their powers in good faith and with best efforts, and refrain from doing anything that harms the corporation. For instance, officers cannot use their positions to further their private interests, or otherwise secure any personal advantage against the corporation.<sup>17</sup> In fact, officers who breach their fiduciary duty to the corporation may be liable for any damage their actions or inaction caused"

Pretty sure the TPA would not like to defend Todd and Mark in a legal action (to be clear, I am NOT posturing, threatening or in any way suggesting this is a direction I will go). All of this can be found in several areas of CA Corporate Law, but this link provides a good overview. It also provides all links to the various sections about officer conduct and elections. You both know me well enough to know I would not say any of this without proper background.

<https://www.oag.ca.gov/system/files/media/Guide%20for%20Charities.pdf>

The EDC TPA Elections Process from our Bylaws, Policies and Procedures.

As prescribed in the Bylaws, the Directors shall be elected annually each fall by a vote of eligible members. The Directors shall appoint a three member Elections Committee which shall be responsible for administering the election and ensuring the integrity and accuracy of the results

The committee shall consist one sitting officer (typically the Secretary), one other sitting Director, and one general member who is not a Director nor running to be a Director in that year's election. Its members shall be elected and seated no later than September 15. The committee members shall make a diligent effort to contact each eligible member to determine whether they wish consent to serve as a Director. Additionally, the Secretary shall send two email notices to members advising them as to how they can contact the committee to be listed on the ballot.

Once the committee has completed its canvass, it shall prepare the ballot listing in a random order of names only eligible members who consent to serve as Directors. A space for write-in candidates shall also be included, though such write-ins must be eligible and consent to serve. The ballot shall be presented at a regular meeting and approved by the Board of Directors before it is distributed to eligible voters. Ballots shall be returned to the Secretary or an elections committee member but shall remain in a sealed envelope until the committee meets to tabulate the results. At the tabulation meeting the committee shall first validate the submitted ballots, then open the envelopes and tally the votes. Any disputes regarding voter intent shall be discussed by the committee and resolved by majority vote. This meeting shall be open to all members to observe.

The committee shall announce the results of the election at the second regular meeting in December, and the results shall be considered final.

I certainly hope the BoD chooses to do something to protect TPA interests. If not, then this is not the organization I thought it was. Thanks for your time and consideration.



To Melody Lane, Coloma, Ca. 7/22/2024

~~7/22/2024~~  
~~Did not attend meeting~~  
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Please consider this a response to your recent "Affidavit/Declaration of Truth" addressed to Kris Payne, President of Taxpayers Association of EDC, P.O. Box 2023, Placerville, CA

We have a question: To be valid, must not a "Declaration of Truth" be issued by a Court, Clerk of The Court, or an Attorney? Which are you, or by whose authority do you send this to us?

As to your "Affidavit:" Which one of the above Offices asked you to provide it to us?

To continue: we must object to Page 1, Ph. 1, line 7, of your July 13, 2024 Affidavit/Declaration of Truth which states: "that I am...of sound mind..."

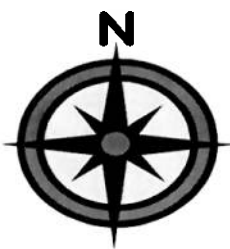
We are sorry, but we will need Outside Professional Verification of this specific assertion. As soon as you obtain someone who will examine you, and make a written report, please forward their information to us as we would like to submit evidence (which we will of course forward to you) in our interest.

If we are informed that you are not of sound mind, we will refrain from holding it against you and will not take action against you for Perjury (Re: your signature). As you are well aware, knowingly signing this document with incorrect, misrepresented information may be Perjury.

In the meantime, we will continue to review and analyze your document in the hopes that you will quickly provide the above report, and that we can then respond more fully to you.

Sincerely,

Kris Payne  
President of TRAEDC



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February 16, 2024

Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County  
P.O. Box 13  
Placerville, CA 95667  
Attn. James Alderink, Treasurer

RE: 2023/2024 Taxpayers Assn. Membership Dues

Dear Jim,

6/3/24 = \$10 Cash

Please find enclosed my 2024 Taxpayers Association membership dues. Also enclosed is correspondence relevant to my 2023 membership dues handed to former Treasurer Mark Pappas, in the presence of witnesses, during the 2/6/23 Taxpayers Association meeting. Instead of opening the envelope addressed to him, Mark handed the envelope to Carol Louis. As you can see, Carol unlawfully returned the unopened envelope, without explanation, to me via certified mail from her home address.

Once again, during the 7/16/23 Taxpayers Association meeting I handed to Mark Pappas the unopened envelope containing my 2023 dues with the enclosed letter encouraging him—as a *professing Christian*--to do the “right thing” (i.e. cash my membership check.)

The Treasurer has a fiduciary requiring him to abide by all local, state, and federal laws. Once a payment is accepted, as Mark did twice, it is considered recorded. However, Mark unlawfully held my check for more than six months, in which case the bank will no longer cash the check, nor did he return it to me. Instead, Mark “passed the buck” to you, *“I need to let Jim know that I am passing the check onto him and it will be up to him to handle it. You can bet Carol will ask him if I passed it onto him and will probably demand him to return it to you. The roster is a mess from 2023 thanks to Carol’s deletions and additions without a paper trail.”*

Mark’s conscience apparently bothered him, so he called me on December 7<sup>th</sup> to reveal exactly why he was resigning from the TPA. He followed up by forwarding a copy of his resignation letter: *“This will serve as written notification of my resignation from the position of treasurer and the board of directors of the Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County. This resignation shall be effective Monday, December 11, 7:30 AM. Due to various irregularities in the operation of the Association I can no longer in good conscience continue my affiliation.”*

On December 10th Mark corresponded, *“The crazy place will be taking another backward step. Looking forward to the relief of disassociation.”*

But when I saw that Mark was reinstated as a director during the 1/8/24 business meeting, I questioned him about his sudden change of heart. He replied, *“Technically, I cancelled my previous positions and accepted a*

*new one. Due to interpretation of the election, I remain as a director for 2024. Evidently an election results complaint has been filed by Lee Tannenbaum.”*

Further correspondence with Mark Pappas revealed he was reinstated as a director WITHOUT a vote. Mark eventually revealed that **Kris Payne and Todd White** convinced Mark to WITHHOLD his resignation letter until AFTER the 12/11/23 election. Collusion to commit fraud is against the law.

*When I asked Mark how my uncashed 2023 membership check would be handled, he responded, “I turned over all TPA treasurer paperwork to Jim Alderink on Dec 11. Last week I specifically informed him about your check and history. Jim has not looked at anything that I turned over to him. I brought up your check and advised him that he would have to decide what to do and that I had been taking direction from Carol initially. It will be up to him to decide what, if any action to take. He doesn’t seem very interested in talking to me about anything. I suspect he will return the check to you, perhaps with a letter re-explaining the terms of your expulsion.*

Jim, you have a moral and legal obligation to immediately record my TPA membership and cash my enclosed 2024 dues check. It is not an arbitrary decision to be made by Carol Louis or Kris Payne. No more game playing; just do the “right thing” and abide by the law.

Sincerely,

*Melody Lane*

Founder – *Compass2Truth*

Enclosures



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**3 Minute Speech**

1 message

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Mon, Dec 9, 2024 at 9:26 PM

*My name is Larry Thornhill. On October 22 I addressed in this Chamber my support of Melody Lane as it related to her being assaulted at Denny's Restaurant on June 24, 2024. I had hoped that my statement of support for her would not require me to come before you again but that is not the case. Because of my statement to you I have now been subjected to what Melody has had to endure for several years. The leaders of the El Dorado County Taxpayers Association have now attacked me, my integrity and my spiritual convictions. I have been called a liar, a blind person and even a "demon possessed" person; simply because I dared to stand up in defense of Ms. Lane. My testimony to you was contorted and twisted and placed on full public display for all the world to see on social media, in the hopes that I would come across to the readers as something less than honest...something FAR less!*

*I was not going to come here and share with you what has happened to me because the Bible says in Proverbs 26:4 "Don't answer the foolish statements of fools, or you will become as foolish as they are". However, after prayerfully considering the options, I chose to come to you today because there is a deeper issue at hand. It has come to my attention that there are public officials who attend the Taxpayers Association Meetings. With that being said, then it is obviously clear that any Public Official who has attended these meetings knows "1st Hand" of the shenanigans that go on at these meetings. To know this and not recognize it as personal attacks on Ms. Lane is prurient and also against the law!*

*If you agree or disagree with Ms. Lane that is not the issue. Is she not entitled to her right to be heard if she saw something being done that was illegal or against the TPA registered By-laws? She has been a Member of this organization since 2008 and now "suddenly" has fallen out of the current leadership's graces. I have no common connection to Ms. Lane other than our common bond in Christ. I am NOT in a conspiracy with her to do anything other than to tell you what I saw and know 1st hand. I have nothing to gain from this cesspool of lies and deception! I know that her commitment to Christ is sure and firm. I also know that other professing Christ Followers, all over our country, are currently under attack from persecution and bullying.*

*There is something terribly wrong in our local government institutions and many people of faith are losing trust in the entities that they helped put into place to protect them and to secure their rights granted to us under our Constitution. From my observation I can clearly see that public trust is being abused by some elected officials and non-profit organizations to defame our citizens. This is not right and something must be done to correct this.*

*Thank you -*