



Fw: Tom Soike
The BOSTWO to: Cynthia C Johnson
Sent by: **Kitty J. Miller**
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Tom Soike

Edgar Brown to: Ray Nutting

02/19/2010 11:24 AM

Cc: bosthree, bosone

Ray; Jack and John,

I remember Tom from my tenure at the Assessor's Office. We didn't always see eye to eye on polity but he was always professional in his duty as admin assistant.

I do not understand how using the word "God" as part of an inscription on a bench is promoting a religion. In my opinion it is a recognition as in the Declaration of Independence.

Rich Buchanan is not the arbitrator of all things veteran. He is not held in high esteem by the veterans organizations I am associated with (American Legion, DAV, VFW, FRA, etc). If he thinks National Guardsmen are not vets, he needs to attend the funeral of a guardsman who died in Iraq or Afghanistan and tell a wife or mother that their son was not a veteran.

I hope to be in attendance at the Supers meeting to support Tom.

Sincerely,

Edgar D. (Bud) Brown



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Thank you,

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From: FRED KELLY GRANT <fredkellygrant@msn.com>
To: ray nutting <raynutting@hughes.net>, <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 06:09 AM
Subject: RE: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

I believe you are perfectly correct, and legally on sound ground. You are absolutely right as to the wording of the First Amendment. Too often the second part of the amendment is forgotten; there is so much emphasis on "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion" that one forgets, or detractors want us to forget that the second portion of the phrase protects people like the gentlemen who paid for his inscription : "Congress shall make no law prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech."

This issue involves both speech and the freedom of speech as well as the free exercise of religion. The man paid for a bench, and he could easily argue that to refuse to allow him to have inscribed on the bench which he purchased the inscription he wants is to deny him both the free exercise of his own religion and the free exercise of speech.

In this case, there is no specter of broadening out the speech that would be available to others, but even if there were, where in the Constitution does it say that a person who buys a bench as a memorial can be denied an unobtrusive expression of basic religion belief and the freedom to make a statement.

I am going to try to find for you a blog note that I did over a year ago about how I think people too often get swayed from the interference or abridging language.

Good for you. You are trying to see that the Constitution is applied as written, instead of as it has been interpreted by those of one isolated type of thought and by those too timid to stand with what the Constitution actually says.

fred kelly grant

Fred Kelly Grant

A power has risen up in the government greater than the people themselves, consisting of many and various and powerful interests, combined into one mass, and held together by the cohesive power of the vast surplus in the banks.
John C. Calhoun

From: raynutting@hughes.net
To: raynutting@hughes.net; kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us
Subject: FW: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench
Date: Fri, 19 Feb 2010 05:33:32 -0800

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From: "Nancy Siegler" <fishen@directcon.net>
To: "Ray Nutting" <raynutting@hughes.net>
Cc: <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 06:41 AM
Subject: RE: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

Hi Ray,

I truly appreciate you sharing this with your constituents.

My husband Bob is a WWII vet and when you shared this situation with us, he was truly angered. If only we could bring our forefathers back so they can tell us once and for all how they planned our future and how we were built from the ground up with Christianity being one of the most important components of our creation. I feel the ACLU and a few so called American organizations just want to control everything we believe in. Freedom of speech and freedom of religion. These two issues were so important to our founding fathers. I just don't know where or why it has changed. Our family will agree that what this gentleman wants on his bench is okay with us and may he rest in peace.

I am first generation American and I know how my grandparents felt about leaving the old world to be here with the freedoms they could only dream about.

Let us take heed, we can no longer let the minority talk about and challenge what is our constitutional right!

God Bless America!

*Robert & Nancy Siegler
3340 Lariat Drive
Cameron Park, Ca 95682
530-677-6034*

From: Ray Nutting [mailto:raynutting@hughes.net]
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2010 5:34 AM
To: Ray Nutting; Kitty Miller

Subject: FW: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

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To: "Ray Nutting" <raynutting@hughes.net>, "Kitty Miller" <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 07:32 AM
Subject: RE: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

Good morning Ray ~

I support your and Mr. Soike's efforts and am sick and tired of the people who pretend to deny what our Country and Constitution were based upon. People who came to this Country came to have freedom of religion, less taxes and tyrannical governments. Our Country has moved away from The Constitution, Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence for far too long. So Stand Up for America, The Constitution, Declaration of Independence, Bill of Rights and the ideals of The Founding Fathers! God Bless you, God Bless America and all those though have served, continue to serve in keeping us all safe!

Warm regards,
Joanne

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"Please consider your environmental responsibility before printing this e-mail"

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From: <dnoble@innercite.com>
To: <kMiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 07:59 AM
Subject: God

Remind everyone that "separation of church and state" is not in the U.S. Constitution and that "Earth Mother," the lady on the El Dorado County Seal, is really Gaia, a Greek Goddess who married her son, gave birth to monsters and had her husband castrated.

Or, he could put Allah on the bench, rather than God, and they would have to let it be...

So, no more prayers during ceremonies at the Memorial; no more singing "God Bless America" and, for sure, nobody with the name Jesus, Mohammad or any other "religious" name allowed to have a brick... Oh, don't forget to check visitors for crosses or saint medals when they arrive.

Our government needs all the prayers it can get.... God Bless America...



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From: John Lemos <jtleemos55@gmail.com>
To: kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us
Date: 02/19/2010 11:43 AM
Subject: Fwd: Fw: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

I absolutely agree with this letter by Ray Nutting. Mr. Soike should be allowed to have this inscription on the bench he purchased. I do agree that some standards regarding what should be allowed needs to be established but under no circumstances should we prohibit anything with references to religion. Anti-American or racial language, yes. Religion, no.

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John Lemos
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From: **Tom McCaffrey** <tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Fri, Feb 19, 2010 at 8:23 AM
Subject: Fw: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench
To: ">" <@smtp110.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>

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From: "R.J. \"Cowboy\" Carter" <rjcowboycarter@yahoo.com>
To: Ray Nutting <raynutting@hughes.net>, Kitty Miller <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 11:56 AM
Subject: Tom Soike's quest

Ray....Thanks for letting me know about this....I've attached my letter on Tom Soike's behalf for your review a Democate if you want me to....Hope it helps....And, I hope to see you at the meeting on Tuesday....

R. J. "Cowboy" Carter
Charter-Holder/President
B.F.M.C. #121
HANGTOWN CREW



← *ltr. from. Supervisor Nutting dtd 2-18-10*

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From: "Louise Stanley" <lstanley@directcon.net>
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Cc: "NCHCS VAVS Board" <lstanley@directcon.net>, "Friends of Northern California Soldiers' Angels " <lstanley@directcon.net>
Date: 02/19/2010 12:00 PM
Subject: The Making of a Marine

<http://jpundit.typepad.com/jci/2010/02/the-making-of-a-marine.html>

Angels, this young man's story is a wonderful reminder of why we love and support our veterans. His mom is responsible for the enormously successful Operation Gratitude. Semper Fi, Jordan. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Louise Stanley

Soldiers' Angels Northern California Chapter

"May No Veteran Go Unloved or Be Forgotten..."

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"It is vital to the future of our nation that we keep the faith and that we stand up with courage and conviction to defend our American way of life."

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From: Jeanne Harper <jmharper2@comcast.net>
To: Ray Nutting <raynutting@hughes.net>
Cc: Ray Nutting <raynutting@hughes.net>, Kitty Miller <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 12:16 PM
Subject: Re: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

With intelligence, research, historically revered sentiment and courage to uphold ALL points of view, your position permits ALL positios to be honored. This position does not prevent anyone from practicing their religiosity, including none at all.

Jeanne Harper

PS. Not honoring this position terrifies me and could be grounds for our departure from EDC. We have no desire to live in a God-stricken, God-barren, God-alienating government.

Sent from my iPhone
Jeanne Harper
(530) 613-1332

On Feb 19, 2010, at 6:33 AM, "Ray Nutting" <raynutting@hughes.net> wrote:

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From: Floyd Knapp <fhknapp@cwnet.com>
To: kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us
Date: 02/19/2010 12:43 PM
Subject: Letter to BOS- Soike Bench

Kitty and Ray:

I agree that the wording as submitted is inline with the Constitution. It does not advocate any particular religion nor does it damn any. There are no references to a particular religious practice of any type.

Here is the actual text from the Bill of Rights, first amendment:

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

Nowhere in the text do I find anything that precludes the Bench as proposed.

Ed reminds me of that lawyer joke: "How can you tell if a lawyer is lying? When his lips are moving."

Floyd Knapp

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From: lucindasinn@aol.com
To: kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us
Date: 02/19/2010 12:44 PM
Subject: Re: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

Both Cindy and I agree that the bench inscription issue is important. Our thought is to allow the Soike poem on the bench.

Daryl has a stronger position; the Constitution does state Congress shall not establish a religion. The concept of practicing a faith in God is not restricted and shall not be impeded. The poem is a statement of faith not a religious statement. We have to return to the basis of the Constitution, not continually erode it.

Daryl & Cindy Sullivan
Fair Play

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From: "Linda Colombo" <lcolombo@jps.net>
To: <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 11:41 AM
Subject: Letter

Ray., go get m tiger. This is an awesome letter. I am in complete agreement with you. LINDA
Colombo, 7979 Hwy 49
El Dorado, CA. 95623



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From: "Robert Deitz" <rdeitz@gvtechsolutions.com>
To: "Ray Nutting" <raynutting@hughes.net>, "Ray Nutting" <raynutting@hughes.net>, "Kitty Miller" <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>
Date: 02/19/2010 06:04 AM
Subject: Re: FW: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench

Ray,

From my phone while stranded on the way to Cameroon Africa....
The amendment reads in part: nor deny any religion.....
This is a great inscription, it is paid for, and it is in a area you need to go out of the way to see - it is not on the front door of the main building. There is nothing wrong with it.
Regards,

Robert Deitz
Government Technology Solutions
rdeitz@gvTechSolutions.com

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From: "Ray Nutting" <raynutting@hughes.net>
Subj: FW: Letter to BOS_Soike Bench
Date: Fri Feb 19, 2010 7:38 am
Size: 4K
To: "Ray Nutting" <raynutting@hughes.net>, "Kitty Miller" <kmiller@co.el-dorado.ca.us>

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