

open forum

Sheriff Leikauf was the guest speaker at yesterday's Taxpayers meeting. Before the Sheriff commenced his presentation, Kris Payne asked Carol Louis to take a roll call of directors. Carol predicated the roll call with her prepared statement concerning five director vacancies that the Bylaws state must be replaced within 30 days. Todd White and Gay Willyard were present in the room. As he is prone to do, Kris censored Carol causing director Lyle Curry to pick up his cue and finish the roll call.

For the record, Todd was forced to resign the TPA months ago; Gay Willyard and John Albano no longer qualify; Mike Raffety recently passed away, and former Treasurer Mark Pappas resigned in December "due to various irregularities in the operation of the association." However, **Todd White and Kris Payne** surreptitiously persuaded Mark to rescind his resignation and reinstated him as a director. **That's election fraud.** There is also the matter of Kris **fraudulently** holding my dues checks and **[rejecting USPS correspondence.]**

The Taxpayers Association professes to be a "voice for Taxpayers." All public servants, including the TPA, are required to abide by all local, state, and federal laws. But when the Sheriff recognized Ruth Michaelson's raised hand, Kris disrespectfully berrated her in the presence of 28 individuals. No Person, or organization, has authority to deprive a citizen the blessings of freedom or the right to address any public official. Kris was out of control, interrupting and censoring just like he has done many times before, even as a Planning Commissioner, with the full knowledge of the BOS.

After the Sheriff made his exit, Kris continued the same pattern of dysfunction that got Todd White fired as George Turnboo's admin. **Todd and Kris** were among the participants in the illicit tribunal spearheaded by **Andy Nevis** at Ponderosa High School for the specific purpose of my **character assassination** relevant to an incident during the Taxpayers Association meeting involving Sheriff D'Agostini and his former staff member. At that time it was **Kris Payne** and Stacy Walls who created a scene when I lawfully and silently served the Sheriff with three Affidavits relevant to **EDSO misconduct**.

Although TPA is a nonprofit organization, culpable members include **past and present public officials** Al Hamilton, Todd White, Lori Parlin, Andy Nevis, Kris Payne, Karl Weiland, and Jack Sweeney who have threatened, libeled, slandered, harassed, discriminated, and retaliated against me for whistleblowing. Everyone has a right to examine **the factual evidence** submitted into the public record. Under SB 807, California law requires that such documented complaints be investigated and retained in the employee's personnel file for a minimum of four years.



Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County

May 20, 2024

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Citizens for Constitutional Liberty

P.O. Box 598
Coloma, CA 95613

February 16, 2024

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

RE: 2023/2024 Taxpayers Assn. Membership Dues

Dear Jim,

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 7th 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

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

7/16/23

Hello Mark,

As the Treasurer of the Taxpayers Association you, and all the other directors, are required to abide by all State and Federal laws. Over the past two years you have received ample evidence in the form of affidavits documenting how Andy Nevis, Kris Payne, Todd White, and other public officials have violated their Constitutional oaths of office, ethics policies, and State and Federal laws. The enclosed documents are just a small sample of how the GOBs have discriminated, lied, libeled, slandered, censored, and harassed me over the years. In so doing, they have arrogantly violated the TPA bylaws and State and Federal laws with impunity. You are also aware their RETALIATION for whistleblowing is immoral, unethical, and illegal.

I was exceedingly disappointed to hear you conveyed to Larry [REDACTED]: *"Mark has shared that things are going WAY down hill 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."*

I may have mentioned Larry was one of 17 prominent individuals who participated in the all-day symposium held at my home several years ago when an international speaker addressed Constitutional law, RICO Act, jurisdiction, and land patents.

Mark, what you conveyed to Larry [REDACTED] is totally contrary to what you told me when you voted with all the directors to boot me out of the organization. You know that I did absolutely nothing wrong; I just confidently stood on my rights as an American citizen and held public official's feet to the fire. Afterwards you stated, *"It's nothing personal. I just want to see the tension at these meetings eliminated."* You also approved Andy's letter that falsely accused me of doing what the TPA has hypocritically been doing for years!!

Additionally, you know Carol Louis is a Democrat and has repeatedly proven to be a liar and a fraud, yet you handed over to Carol the enclosed envelope that was **addressed to you** without even opening it to see the contents. How do you figure??? Do you serve God, or do you serve man??

I'm confident Larry has shared with you our mutual prayer to expose government corruption according to Ephesians 5:11 – *Take no part in the worthless deeds of evil and corruption; instead expose them.* I understand your desire to run for public office, but there is no excuse to "go along to get along" with the corrupt good old boys that have plagued EDC for decades.

As my brother in Christ, you have an important decision to make about how you process the contents of this envelope. It should be a no-brainer. I pray you will not hesitate to do the right thing:

Blessings,



2/6/23

I have been a member of the TPA since 2008. Please ensure that I am not discriminated against, and that Todd White includes me in equal benefits of membership, all distributions, and schedule of speakers as per TPA Bylaws.

Melody Lane

MELODY L. LANE
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COLOMA, CA 95613-0598

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For 2023 Dues

Melody Lane

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7/16/23

Mark Tappas

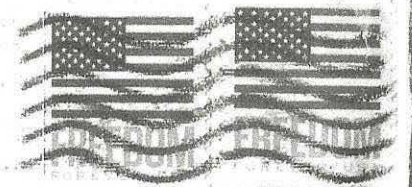
7/6/23

Mark Tappas
TPA Treasurer

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March 12, 2024

Taxpayers Association of EDC
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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 11th 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 11th 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 11th 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 11th 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 8th 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 onto 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

2010

Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County
Ballot for Election of Directors Eligible to serve in the year 2011
VOTE FOR 15 DIRECTORS

Present Directors

1. James Alderink, Placerville _____
2. Bill Carey, Shingle Springs _____
3. Larry Calderwood, Placerville _____
4. Bernard Carlson, El Dorado _____
5. Ellen Day, El Dorado _____
6. Bill George, Placerville _____
7. Thaleia Georgiades, El Dorado _____
8. Tom Mahach, Pollock Pines _____
9. Art Marinaccio, Shingle Springs _____
10. Harry Norris, El Dorado Hills _____
11. Stan Paolini, Placerville _____
12. John Stelzmilller, Placerville _____
13. Dave Smythe, Placerville _____
14. Karl Weiland, Placerville _____
15. _____

Members eligible for Directors

- Christofer Alarcon, Placerville _____
- Loring Brunius, Placerville _____
- William V.D Johnson, SLT _____
- Raymond Kringle, Garden Valley _____
- Michael Kuehn, Camino _____
- Sherrie Lum-Alarcon, Placerville _____
- Robert Luca, El Dorado Hills _____
- Cindy Shaffer, El Dorado _____
- Leonard Stroud, Placerville _____
- Craig Therkilsen, Placerville _____

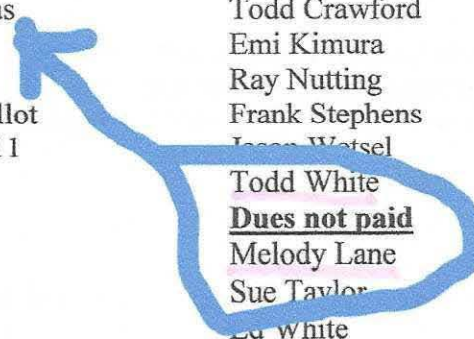
Voting members ineligible to serve as Directors are:

- 1) Members who decline to serve:**
- Tim Holcomb
- Harry Dunlop
- Mike Raffety
- Jack Sweeney
- 2) Members who do not regularly attend:**
- Mary Jane Battaglia
- Rob Charny
- Scott Chadd
- Rick Churches
- Herbert Jahn
- Gregg Jones
- Mike Kobus
- Judith Mathat
- Bonnie McLane
- Richard Moore
- Steve Morgan
- Dan Russell
- 3) Associate members or those joining after 1 April 2010 are ineligible to vote**
- Brenda Bailey
- Steve Bailey
- Todd Crawford
- Emi Kimura
- Ray Nutting
- Frank Stephens
- Jason Wetsel
- Todd White
- Dues not paid**
- Melody Lane
- Sue Taylor
- Ed white
- Dave Crespo
- Virginia Crespo

For the record and file, it was determined after the voting date that the Taxpayer Dues Record was in error showing that Melody Lane had not paid her dues to be eligible to vote for 2011 Directors, thus this Ballot is in error.

The error was corrected by giving Ms. Lane a ballot and accepting her vote in the final record for 2011 Directors.

Bernard Carlson, Secretary 12-17-2010



Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County
 Ballot for Election of Directors
 Eligible to serve in the year 2024
 VOTE FOR UP TO 15
 DIRECTORS

Members Eligible to Serve as Directors

____ Carol Louis, Placerville
 ____ Andy Nevis, Shingle Springs
 ____ Mark Pappas, Placerville
 ____ Kris Payne, Diamond Springs
 ____ Michael Powell, Placerville
 ____ Michael Raffety, Placerville
 ____ Dave Smythe, Placerville
 ____ Bob Stucky, Placerville *Bob Stucky*
 ____ Bill George, Placerville
 ____ Steve Ferry, El Dorado Hills
 ____ Gay Willyard, El Dorado Hills
 ____ Todd White, Pollock Pines
 ____ Lyle Curry, El Dorado Hills
 ____ John Albano, El Dorado Hills
 ____ James Alderink, Placerville
 ____ Robert Williams, El Dorado Hills
 ____ Lee Tannenbaum, Shingle Springs
 ____ Hank Krizl, El Dorado Hills
 ____ Ken Calhoun, Pilot Hill
 ____ Brian DeBerry, Placerville
 ____ Pat Dwyer, El Dorado
 Write in (must be eligible to serve):

Voting members ineligible to serve as Directors are:

1) Members who decline to serve:
 Bill Carey
 Jim Lemire
 Cherie Raffety
 Stuart Stinson
 Jack Sweeney
 Paul Freeman
 Sue Taylor
 Kimberly Beal
 Laurel Brent-Bumb
 Danielle Yandow
 Bob Severn
 George Nungesser
 Mary Beth Stucky
 Debbie Manning
 Ellen Day
 Karl Weiland
 Cheryl Bly-Chester
 Virginia Jamison

2) Members joining/renewing after 1 April 2021 and therefore not eligible to vote OR those that chose to be Associate (non-voting) members
 Harry Dean
 Shiva Frentzen
 John Hidahl
 Rod Miller
 Pamela Moore
 Scott Moore
 Lori Parlin
 Michael Ranalli
 Leo Bennet-Cauchon
 Bruce Akinaka

#2 - Should read "Members joining/renewing after 1 April 2023 and therefore not eligible to vote OR those that chose to be Associate (non-voting) members." Although Gina Posey has been regularly attending TPA meetings and observed the opening of ballots on 12/11/23, she is not listed as a member.

Ferry stepped down since he is a EDHCSD elected official which would constitute a conflict of interest. Elected officials (Lori Parlin, John Hidahl), or **BOS appointed delegates to boards, committees, or commissions** (Kris Payne, Andy Nevis, Gay Willyard, Cheri Raffety) also cannot serve as directors since it is a conflict of interest.

Bob Stucky and Bob Smythe appeared to suddenly decline to serve.

Mike Powell was forced out of the organization the year before last, but still occasionally attends in person.

BALLOT VERSION #2:

TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION of EL DORADO COUNTY
2024


OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR ELECTION of DIRECTORS
ELIGIBLE to Serve in the year 2024

VOTE for UP TO 15

<input type="checkbox"/> CAROL LOUIS, Placerville	MEMBERS WHO DECLINED TO SERVE
<input type="checkbox"/> ANDY NEVIS, Shingle Springs	LAURAL BRENTBAUM
<input type="checkbox"/> MARK PAPPAS, Placerville	BILL CAREY
<input type="checkbox"/> KRIS PAYNE, Diamond Springs	ELLEN DAY <i>N/P</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> MICHAEL RAFFETY, Placerville	STEVE FERRY
<input type="checkbox"/> BILL GEORGE, Placerville <i>copy</i>	PAUL FREEMAN
<input type="checkbox"/> GAY WILLYARD, El Dorado Hills <i>N/P</i>	ERNE HARTLEY <i>N/P</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> TODD WHITE, Pollock Pines	DEBBIE MANNING <i>N/P</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> LYLE CURRY, El Dorado Hills	GEORGE NUNGESSER <i>N/P</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> JOHN ALBANO, El Dorado Hills	CHERIE RAFFETY <i>N/P</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> JAMES ALDRINK, Placerville	BOB SEVERIN
<input type="checkbox"/> ROBERT WILLIAMS, El Dorado Hills <i>N/P</i>	CATHY SEVERIN <i>N</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> LEE TANNENBAUM, Shingle Springs	DAVID SMYTHE
<input type="checkbox"/> KEN CALHOUN, Pilot Hill <i>copy</i>	STUART STINSON
<input type="checkbox"/> BRIAN DeBERRY, Placerville	BOB STUCKY <i>N/P</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> PAT DWYER, El Dorado	MARYBETH STUCKY <i>N/P</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> JIM LEMIRE, Placerville	SUE TAYLOR
<input type="checkbox"/> WRITE IN CANDIDATE, must be eligible	PAMELA MOORE <i>N/P</i>
	SCOTT MOORE <i>N/P</i>
	VIRGINIA JAMISON <i>N/P</i>

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NOTE on ballot from Mark Pappas: “OFFICER COPY REVISED AND MAILED BY CAROL LOUIS” - 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.

Note on V1 Jim Lemire is a new member and is ineligible/declined to serve. However, Lemire is listed on V2 as Paid, willing to serve, and was duly elected as a Director.

V1 Robert Williams was initially willing to serve but disappeared from V2 ballot.

Supervisor candidate Brian DeBerry just joined in 2023 and is therefore ineligible to serve, but he was duly elected as a Director anyway.

To: To dd White, Secretary Turpayers Association of
El Prado County.

From: Mark Pappas

Subject: Resignation

This will serve as written confirmation of my
resignation from the position of Treasurer at
the Board of Directors of the Turpayers Association
of El Prado County. This resignation shall
be effective Monday October 11 7:30 AM. Due
to various irregularities in the operation of
the association I can no longer in good
conscience continue my affiliation.

Sincerely

Mark Pappas



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ATTENTION ALL EDC NONPROFITS

If you have an Officer/ Secretary on your Board of Directors by the name of Todd White it is in your best interest to secure all minutes and IRS documents to maintain your Non-Profit status. I am the past President of the Taxpayers Association of EDC, this individual as our Secretary, compromised our year end election and failed to meet Secretary of State requirements.

All non- profits have specific rules they must follow to maintain their status in a 501 c category. The Taxpayers Secretary, Todd White, failed to meet those rules even when requests were made by myself and our VicePresident.

Todd White also falsified a document to our current President Kris Payne and may have altered ballots that he has not surrendered to the President for inspection, as requested.

If you have this individual as an Officer, protect your organization secure all documents in hard copy and archive them with you President or other designated Officers.

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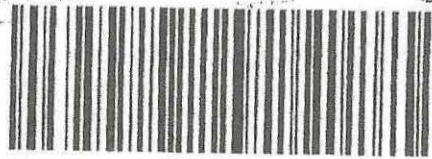
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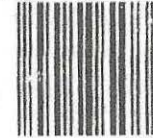
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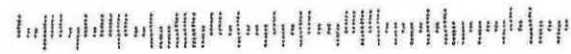
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The Taxpayers Association professes to be a voice for El Dorado County taxpayers through advocacy, voter education, and weekly public meetings. They are required to abide by all state and federal laws to ensure the **“blessings of freedom are forever perpetuated.”** I’d like to share a disturbing incident that transpired during yesterday’s 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 wacked me on the arm sharply 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!”**

For clarification, I have been a member of the Association since 2008, and Compass2Truth was founded as a whistleblower organization in 2009. The Association is required to abide by all state and federal laws as well as their non-discrimination, whistleblower, and other policies contained in their bylaws.

After the meeting adjourned, I turned to Kris Payne across the table and quietly admonished him, **“Don’t you ever pull that kind of crap with me again!”**

That triggered Democrat Kris into overdrive repeating, **“Don’t point at me. Don’t point at me. Don’t point at me.”** His uncontrolled crazy 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 Kris was **lying**, and the proof is in the unrebutted affidavits that I entered into the public record. Carol Louis, another Democrat, 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 should be apparent that the county has a history of problems with their Planning Commissioners. I attended the hearing last month involving former Commissioner Cheryl Bly-Chester whom I met while working at the Capitol. **It was evident that the county is weaponizing government and retaliating against anyone who dares blow the whistle on government corruption.** The question for County Counsel is, are you going to do the **right thing** by taking corrective action against Kris Payne and Andy Nevis, or will it take another lawsuit at taxpayers’ expense?

BELOW IS THE SWORN AFFADAVIT OF FACT BY LORI PARLIN,
THE WRITTEN RECORD OF EVENTS CONCERNING THE
TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION OF EL DORADO COUNTY MEETINGS
ON NOVEMBER 7 AND 14, 2016

I, Lori Parlin, the undersigned, do solemnly swear, declare and depose:

- 1) That I am over the age of 18 years and competent to state to the matters set forth herein;
- 2) That I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein
- 3) That all the facts stated herein are true, correct, and certain, admissible as evidence, and if called upon as witness, I will testify to their veracity.

On Monday, November 7, 2016, at the conclusion of the weekly Taxpayers meeting held at Denny's in Placerville, California, I was talking to Melody Lane while seated across the table from her. Out of the corner of my eye I noticed that Al Hamilton, the President of the Taxpayers Association, was approaching us from behind Ms. Lane. My first thought was that Mr. Hamilton was coming over to talk to me about the Association's refusal to give me an application for membership. Instead, Mr. Hamilton leaned forward, over Ms. Lane's shoulder, and gestured with his hand toward her purse. He then asked if her audio recorder was on, inside her purse. She replied no, it was off because the meeting was over and it was inside her purse. Mr. Hamilton proceeded to tell Ms. Lane that she could not record the meetings without announcing to the entire room that she was recording the meeting. Ms. Lane replied that the law was very clear that no such announcement is necessary when public officials are speaking. Ms. Lane then got up out of her chair to address Mr. Hamilton face to face. There was arguing between them about the audio recordings. At some point during the arguing Mr. Hamilton said that he would call the Sheriff and have Ms. Lane removed from the building for causing a disturbance. Finally, Mr. Hamilton threatened Ms. Lane by saying that he would see to it that her reputation was destroyed in the county. I was shocked to hear him make such a threat, especially his use of "I" and "destroy" in his language. Ms. Lane then asked if Mr. Hamilton was threatening her. He said, no, that was not a threat. I then asked what exactly he meant by those words because it also sounded like a threat to me. Mr. Hamilton then backpedaled from his original statement and said that Ms. Lane's own actions would ruin her reputation in the county. I don't remember exactly how the conversation ended because I was shaken up by Mr. Hamilton's threatening words and tone.

At the beginning of the weekly Taxpayers meeting on Monday, November 14, 2016, Mr. Hamilton made an announcement that Ms. Lane was audio recording the meeting. He went on to say that at the prior meeting he had simply stated that he would call the Sheriff if Ms. Lane causes a disturbance during meetings. At some point during the meeting, Mr. Hamilton jokingly asked the group if he should take a vote to decide whether Ms. Lane was causing a disturbance. Given his threats the week prior, Mr. Hamilton's suggestion to call the Sheriff to remove Ms. Lane from the room appeared to be an intimidation tactic.

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EXHIBIT A

I, Lori Parlin, the Undersigned Affiant, depose and certify being first duly sworn on oath according to law, deposes and says that I have written the forgoing with intent and understanding of purpose the 2 page Affidavit above and that the matters stated herein are true, correct, complete and just to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.

Lori Parlin

Lori Parlin

11-28-16

Date

Notary Public for California

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

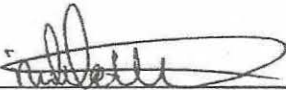
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County of EL DORADO

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 28th
day of November, 2016, by LOREI A. PACHO

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the
person(s) who appeared before me.



(Seal)

Signature 

AFFIDAVIT/DECLARATION OF TRUTH

Andrew Nevis, Dist. #4 Planning Commissioner

El Dorado County

330 Fair Lane

Placerville, CA 95667

I, Melody Lane, the undersigned, make this Affidavit/Declaration of Truth of my own free will, and I hereby affirm, declare and swear, under my oath and under the pains and penalties of perjury under the laws of the United States of America and of California, that I am of legal age and of sound mind and hereby attest that the statements, averments and information contained in this Affidavit/Declaration are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

This Affidavit/Declaration of Truth is lawful notification to you, Andrew Nevis, and is hereby made and sent to you pursuant to the national Constitution, specifically, the Bill of Rights, in particular, Amendments I, II, IV, V, VI, VII, IX and X, and The Bill of Rights of the California Constitution, in particular, Article 1, Sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 21, 23 and Article 3, section 1, which requires your written rebuttal to me, in kind, specific to each and every point of the subject matter stated herein, within 15 days, via your own sworn and notarized affidavit, using true fact, valid law and evidence to support your rebuttal of the specific subject matter stated in this Affidavit/Declaration.

You are hereby noticed that your failure to respond, as stipulated, and rebut, with particularity and specificity, anything with which you disagree in this Affidavit/Declaration, is your lawful, legal and binding tacit agreement with and admission to the fact that everything in this Affidavit/Declaration is true, correct, legal, lawful, and fully binding upon you in any court in America, without your protest or objection and that of those who represent you. Your silence is your acquiescence. See: *Connally v. General Construction Co.*, 269 U.S. 385, 391. *Notification of legal responsibility is "the first essential of due process of law."* See also: *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."*

When I use the term "public officer(s)", this term includes you, Andy Nevis, El Dorado County District #4 Planning Commissioner and employee of the California Water Resources Control Board. Any act committed by you either supports and upholds the Constitutions, national, and state, or opposes and violates them. Your oath of office requires you to support and uphold the national and state Constitutions, and therefore you are constitutionally mandated to abide by that oath in the performance of your official duties. You have no Constitutional authority, or any other form of valid, lawful authority, to oppose and violate the very documents to which you swore or affirmed your oath and by

which you were delegated by the people the limited authority to conduct the duties of your office. These three above stated positions are true, factual, lawful and constitutionally ordained.

However, despite the above-stated factual, lawful positions, your unconstitutional actions, as described throughout this Affidavit/Declaration of Truth, clearly demonstrate how you, Andy Nevis, have violated all of the above lawful positions, the Constitutions, your oath of office, acted against the public good by violating the public trust and committing sedition and insurrection. Pursuant to your unlawful and unconstitutional actions, you have invoked the self-executing Sections 3 & 4 of the 14th Amendment to the national Constitution, and thereby have lawfully vacated your office and forfeited all benefits thereof, including salary and pension. Please note that, as stated above and below, if you fail to specifically rebut, in kind, any of the charges, claims and positions set forth in this Affidavit/Declaration, by means of your own sworn notarized Affidavit, supported by truth, fact, valid law and evidence, then you tacitly admit to them, and these admissions will be lawfully used against you. The following paragraphs and others throughout this Affidavit/Declaration describe some of your unlawful, unconstitutional actions, which have harmed me and others.

CLAIMS AND AVERMENTS:

The Supreme Law and superseding authority in this nation is the national Constitution, as declared in its Article VI. In Article IV, Section 4 of the same Constitution, every state is guaranteed a republican form of government. ALL "laws", rules, regulations, codes, ordinances, and policies which conflict with, contradict, oppose, or otherwise violate the national and state Constitutions are null and void, ab initio. (Refer to *Marbury v. Madison*: "*The Constitution of these United States is the supreme law of the land. Any law that is repugnant to the Constitution is null and void of law.*") The Constitution is one of the founding documents of this nation and enshrines its underlying religious and personal freedoms based on the 20 centuries of Christian thought and the principles of Biblical Natural Law. You have no constitutional or any other valid authority to defy the Constitution, to which you owe your LIMITED authority, delegated to you by and through the People, and to which you swore your oaths.

1. On December 4, 2020 I sent you, Andrew Nevis, an Affidavit/Declaration via USPS certified mail tracking number 7017-0660-0000-5528-1671 which you received on December 7, 2020, and it was entered into the public record on December 15, 2020. Notification of legal responsibility is the first essential of due process of law, and un rebutted affidavits are admissible as factual evidence in any court in America.

That Affidavit was sent to inform you of specific events and statements made by you, and also as an inquiry to ascertain whether you, Andrew Nevis, support and uphold them or would rebut them. Pursuant to the lawful notification contained in that Affidavit, as I originally stated therein, you were required to respond to and rebut anything contained in the Affidavit with which you disagreed, within 15 days of receipt thereof. Your failure to respond, as stipulated, was your lawful, legal, and binding tacit agreement with and admission to the fact that everything in the Affidavit/Declaration is true, correct, legal, lawful, and fully binding upon you in any court in America, without your protest or objection and that of those who represent you.

See: *Connally v. General Construction Co.*, 269 U.S. 385, 391. Also, see: *U.S. v. Tweel*, 550 F. 2d. 297, supra.”

Since receiving that initial affidavit your arrogant conduct and deprivation of my First Amendment rights have not abated. If you disagree with anything in this affidavit, then state your disagreement in writing and prove it with truth, fact, valid law and evidence, which is an absolute impossibility of which both you and I are well aware, as are your superiors who will read this.

2. In addition to serving as El Dorado County District #4 Planning Commissioner, you are also a public servant employed by the CA Water Resources Control Board. Your salary is paid for via my taxes, therefore you work for me and the other tax paying Citizens of El Dorado County. No public officer, including you, has the constitutional authority to oppose, deny, defy, violate and disparage the very documents to which he or she swore or affirmed his or her oath:

“The Oath of Office is a quid pro quo contract in which clerks, officials, or officers of the government pledge to perform (Support and uphold the United States and State Constitutions) in return for substance (wages, perks, benefits). Proponents are subjected to the penalties and remedies for Breach of Contract, conspiracy under Title 28 U.S.C., Title 18 Sections 241, and 242, treason under the Constitution at Article 3, Section 3, and intrinsic fraud...”

All actions by public employees whether conducted in the performance of their official duties, or in associated activities such as your role as President of the Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County, either support and defend the national and state Constitutions, or oppose and violate them. All public employees must demonstrate the highest standards of morality and ethics consistent with the requirements of their positions and consistent with the law. You are expected to uphold these principles, being **ever conscious that public office is a public trust**. Any enterprise undertaken by any public employee, such as you, which tends to weaken public confidence and undermines the sense of security for individual rights, is against public policy. Fraud, in its elementary common-law sense of **deceit**, is the simplest and clearest definition of that word. By your continued unlawful actions, you have committed fraud on numerous occasions, as herein described.

You, Andrew Nevis, have conspired with Directors of the Taxpayers Association, and other public officials, to censor me and maliciously impugn my good name and reputation solely because I have had the temerity to exercise my rights and civic duty to challenge those who brazenly dare to infringe on my God-given liberties and violate rights guaranteed to the people in the state and national Constitutions.

In so doing, you perjured your oath by violating my Constitutionally guaranteed Rights, particularly those secured in the Bill of Rights, including but not limited to my 1st Amendment Rights. By your unlawful actions, you acted in sedition and insurrection against the Constitutions, both national and state, and in treason against the People, in the instant case, me. See: USC Title 18, § 241- *Conspiracy Against Rights*.

3. It is the duty of every Citizen to demand that government employees, such as you, specifically perform pursuant to the constitutional mandates contained within their oaths, thereby uphold and protect the rights of the people, as opposed to upholding and promoting the profits of a rapacious, destructive association that perniciously violates the rights of the people as its apparent routine custom, practice and policy.

Whenever constitutional violations are committed by public officers, such as you, there are constitutional remedies available to the people. Such remedies make those who violate their oaths accountable and liable for their unconstitutional actions conducted in perjury of their oaths. When public officers take oaths, yet are ignorant of the constitutional positions to which they are bound by their oaths, and then fail to abide by them in the performance of their official duties, this suggests that they may have had no intention of ever honoring their oaths, and their signatures upon the oath documents constitute fraud. Fraud vitiates any action. Following are just a few examples:

You are aware that I have been a paid General member of the Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County since 2008. You've also been made aware that I've been the victim of multiple hate crimes, armed intrusions, threats, and acts of violence by individuals who are known to oppose my Christian values and conservative political affiliations with Capitol legislators. Prior to retiring I was employed at the Capitol and am still actively involved in Capitol ministries. It is a matter of public record that I have been holding local officials' "feet to the fire" for violating their Constitutional oaths of office ever since founding the whistleblower organization *Compass2Truth* in 2009.

The Taxpayers Association is open to the general public and frequently attended by public officials, many of whom are the guest speakers. It is also a matter of public record that the following Directors of the Taxpayers Association have threatened me, discriminated against me, or unlawfully deprived me equal benefits of membership: Sr. Services Attorney Al Hamilton, V.P. Chris Payne, Secretary Todd White, Bill George, Bill Carey, Bernard Carlson, and former Supervisor Jack Sweeney. You, Mr. Nevis, are demonstrating their same unlawful actions by your regular censorship and discrimination against me, a well-known third generation evangelical senior citizen and Constitutional activist.

More specifically, you censored me when I attempted to address Assemblyman Frank Bigelow and BOE representative Ted Gaines during Taxpayer Association meetings. On many occasions you've refused to recognize my raised hand, ignored my verbal and written inquiries, or disrespectfully cut me off in mid-sentence. Furthermore, your censorship tactics dilute the intent of public participation in candidate forums. Case in point was during the May 16, 2022 Taxpayers Association candidate forum for Superior Court Judge. You are cognizant this has been an extremely sensitive issue at all other candidate forums where Citizens are denied the First Amendment Right to ask the hard and revealing questions that would enable them to make intelligent decisions prior to voting for candidates. In so doing you have deprived me of my inherent Rights, violated your oaths in addition to all of the provisions within the Taxpayers Objectives, Bylaws, and Policies and Procedures.

4. Under the Political Reform Act, federal anticorruption law broadly guarantees the public "honest services" from public officials. Depriving the public of honest services is a federal crime. Any enterprise undertaken by any public official, such as you, which tends to weaken

public confidence and undermine the sense of security for individual rights, is against public policy. Fraud, in its elementary common law sense of deceit, is one of the meanings that fraud bears.

On several occasions you audibly stated during Taxpayers meetings that Todd White would include me in distributions of all monthly schedules of speakers, but it is evident you lied. You are aware that Mr. White has been unresponsive to my requests to examine records, refuses to provide me public services, and has spewed vulgarities at me in the presence of public officials. Furthermore you have aided and abetted Mr. White's unlawful conduct.

It is apparent you have an ax to grind since you have consistently deprived me of honest services and the exercise of my equal right to access Taxpayers Association records as outlined in the Bylaws/Policies and Procedures. The Association is required to abide by all local, state and federal laws. Despite numerous demands, neither you nor Todd White ever provided me with specific documents and meeting minutes which the Bylaws clearly state the public has a right to examine. By your obstructive actions against me, you demonstrated flagrant bias and discrimination against me in violation of equal treatment under local, state and federal laws. *See United States v. Dial, 757 R2d 163, 168 (7th Cir 1985) includes the deliberate concealment of material information in a setting of fiduciary obligation. See also USC Title 18, § 2071 - Concealment, removal, or mutilation generally.*

All of the facts, claims and charges stated herein clearly demonstrate that you, Andy Nevis, pursuant to your oaths, acted outside the lawful scope of your limited duties and constitutional authority; therefore, you acted on your own, as a private Citizen and renegade, outside of any governmental protection and/or immunity, whatsoever. You acted in sedition and insurrection against the Constitutions, both national and state, and in treason against the People, in the instant case, me. Thus you, as an individual, will be held personally accountable and liable for any and all harm you have inflicted upon me and my inherent, constitutionally secured rights.

5. It is my 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. This is an unenumerated Right guaranteed in the Ninth Amendment, which I hereby claim and exercise.

Additionally the public is entitled to honest services. Any deceptive, obstructive enterprise undertaken by any public official that tends to weaken public confidence and undermines the sense of security for individual rights is against public policy and against the Supreme Law of the land. Fraud, in its elementary common-law sense of **deceit**, is the simplest and clearest definition of that word [483 U.S. 372] in the statute. *See USC Title 18, § 2071 - Concealment, removal, or mutilation generally. See also: United States v. Dial, supra, - 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. See also: 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.* [Emphasis added]

6. On November 16, 2020 you posted on Facebook and distributed a 1.08 minute video clip of me silently serving Sheriff D'Agostini two affidavits. Taking the video clip out of context, you then tagged Sheriff D'Agostini, Supervisor Shiva Frentzen, Supervisor Brian Veerkamp,

Supervisor Sue Novasel, Supervisor John Hidahl, District Attorney Vern Pierson, Commissioner James Williams, and Commissioner Gary Miller in a deliberately malicious and defamatory attack upon my character. It is a matter of public record that each of those individuals received notarized affidavits exposing their roles in government corruption.

Additionally you had no lawful authority whatsoever to hold a subsequent tribunal at Ponderosa High School on January 9th, 2021 for the purpose of taking "disciplinary action" against me pertaining to the delivery of those affidavits to the Sheriff which is the first essential of due process of law. You know perfectly well that I did absolutely nothing inappropriate in the exercise of my Constitutional rights. It is evident your actions have been retaliatory in nature for my whistleblowing. On numerous occasions I have requested the minutes of that meeting identifying the participants which I have reason to believe included public officials, but my demands to access those records have been met with silence indicating that you have something to hide. In fact, since you assumed leadership the Association is run more like a secret society.

Furthermore, I do not appreciate Mr. White's disrespectful slurs while in your presence, especially when he called me a "f***ing bitch" and told the other members of the Association to "just ignore her"—all captured on audio. You need to be reminded that you are not an agent or spokesperson for Mr. White, the Sheriff, or any other public official. In so doing, you egregiously harmed me by conspiring with county officials and other individuals to suppress my inherent right of free speech, preventing and/or restricting my access to government officials, and depriving me of information or services necessary to assist my efforts for redress of grievances—all lawful actions on my part that fall under the protections of the First Amendment. See *Miller v. U.S.*, 230 F.2d. 486,489 "The claim and exercise of a Constitutional right cannot be converted into a crime." See also USC 18 § 241 and USC 18 § 242, respectively, *Conspiracy Against Rights and Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law*.

7. My claims, statements and averments also pertain to your actions taken regarding your failure to provide honest public services, pursuant to your oaths which violated due process of law. The American people, including me, are constitutionally guaranteed the rights of life, liberty and property that cannot be taken from us except through due process of law. Due process is a sworn duty of any public official. You extended absolutely no due process of law whatsoever to me, yet by your unconstitutional actions, as described herein, you deprived me the blessings of freedom and harmed me in direct violation of your oaths. Your repeated deprivations of my right to lawfully access records and your discriminatory actions against me, a law-abiding American Citizen dwelling in El Dorado County, are a direct assault upon my due process rights secured in the national and state Constitutions, including those secured in the First Amendment. Thus, your egregious violations of due process of law render you personally responsible and liable for your actions, because you have stepped outside the lawful scope of your limited duties and authority, usurped authority not possessed, and act as a renegade.
8. You are aware that I have been a paid member of the Taxpayers Association since 2008. The public is welcome to attend Taxpayers meetings, but it is apparent I am not afforded equal treatment, benefits of membership or the blessings of freedom. Constitutionally-secured inherent rights and due process of law are guaranteed to me and all American Citizens. By conspiring with other government officials to deprive me the blessings of freedom, you have denied me due process of law as stated within the Bill of Rights. Constitutionally-compliant due process of law clearly requires that ALL Constitutionally-secured rights and ALL aspects of

due process of law be upheld. Your repeated attempts to bully, discredit, defame, and censor me are in defiance of the Constitution(s), and your discriminatory actions are a direct assault upon my due process rights in the Constitutions, including rights secured in the First Amendment. The requirements of *Tweel*, cited above, are incumbent upon you in both your personal and professional capacities. By your own actions, pursuant to your oaths, you have violated these First Amendment guarantees, betrayed the Public Trust, and perjured your oaths of office, to wit:

"Personal involvement in deprivation of constitutional rights is prerequisite to award of damages, but defendant may be personally involved in constitutional deprivation by direct participation, failure to remedy wrongs after learning about it, creation of a policy or custom under which unconstitutional practices occur or gross negligence in managing subordinates who cause violation." (Gallegos v. Haggerty, N.D. of New York, 689 F. Supp. 93 (1988)).

By stepping outside of your delegated authority, you lost any "perceived immunity" and you will be sued for your wrongdoing against me, personally, privately, individually and in your professional capacity, as can all those in your jurisdiction, including your supervisors and anyone having oversight responsibility for you, including any judges or prosecuting attorneys and public officers for that jurisdiction, if, once they are notified of your wrongdoing, they fail to take lawful actions to correct it, pursuant to their oaths and their duties, thereto.

9. As described herein, you have discriminated and retaliated against me, a retired law-abiding American Citizen and third generation evangelical. Therefore disciplinary actions are in order for violating the following sections of the State of California Ethics Policies under Government Code 19572:

(m) Discourteous treatment of the public or other employees.

(t) Other **failure of good behavior either during or outside of duty hours** which is of such a nature that it causes discredit to the appointing authority or the person's employment.

(w) **Unlawful discrimination**, including harassment, on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, marital status, sex, or age, against the public or other employees while acting in the capacity of a state employee.

(x) **Unlawful retaliation** against any other state officer or employee or **member of the public** who in good faith reports disses, divulges, or otherwise brings to the attention of, the Attorney General, or any other appropriate authority, any **facts or information relative to actual or suspected violation of any law of this state or the United States occurring on the job or directly related thereto.**"

10. You are a Planning Commissioner appointed by District #4 Supervisor Lori Parlin. As such, you have repeatedly violated the below EDC Code of Ethics, thus your unethical actions are a direct assault upon my rights secured by the First Amendment and are grounds for termination, to wit:

301. CODE OF ETHICS The County has adopted a Code of Ethics to guide County officers and employees in the performance of their duties. The Code of Ethics, in effect as of the date of adoption of these Rules, reads as follows:

(f) Treat all individuals encountered in the performance of your duties in a respectful, courteous, and professional manner.

(i) Faithfully comply with all laws and regulations applicable to the County and **impartially apply them to everyone.**

(j) Promote the public interest through a responsive application of public duties.

(k) **Demonstrate the highest standards of personal integrity, truthfulness, and honesty in all public activities.**

(l) Uphold these principles being ever conscious that **public office is a public trust.**

302. RESPONSIBILITIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE County officers and employees serve for the benefit of the public. **They shall uphold and adhere to the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of California, and the El Dorado County Charter, as well as all County rules, regulations, and policies, and shall carry out impartially the laws of the nation, state, and County. In their official acts, they shall faithfully discharge their duties, recognizing that the public interest is paramount. All County officers and employees must demonstrate the highest standards of morality and ethics consistent with the requirements of their positions and consistent with the law.**

303. DEDICATED SERVICE County officers and employees shall adhere to work rules and performance standards established for their positions. The County requires all County officers and employees to be courteous and considerate, to be accurate and truthful in statement, and to exercise sound judgment in the performance of their work.

304. CONFLICT OF INTEREST During their assigned work hours, County officers and employees shall devote all their time and efforts to their assigned duties. No County officer or employee shall:

(a) Engage in any business or transaction or have a financial or other personal interest or association that is inconsistent, incompatible, in conflict with, or adverse to the proper discharge of official duties, or would tend to **impair their independence of judgment** or the performance of their official duties.

305. NON-DISCRIMINATION IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES In the course of their employment, no County officer or employee shall grant any special consideration, treatment, or advantage to any person beyond what is available to every other person in similar circumstances.

308. POLITICAL ACTIVITY In the performance of official duties, all County officers and employees shall support County governmental policies and objectives established by the Board of Supervisors or by an appointing authority, as well as County programs developed to attain these policies and objectives. Outside of official duties, County officers and employees may express otherwise lawful opinions on all political subjects

while off duty, without recourse against them, unless the employee is in a **sensitive or policy-making position in a department where speech and political activities may have an adverse effect on working relationships or the efficient operation of the department.** Under these unique circumstances, the law authorizes limiting First Amendment rights as a requirement for the job, and employees may be subject to adverse consequences for engaging in such activities.

309. ABUSIVE CONDUCT IN THE WORKPLACE The County is committed to maintaining a work environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. The County is committed to providing a work environment that is free of abusive conduct and will take reasonable steps to promptly correct abusive conduct. As a general guideline, abusive conduct can be avoided if employees act professionally and treat each other with respect. The following further defines the County's policy and complaint procedures related to abusive conduct in the workplace. **The County has zero tolerance for any conduct that violates this policy. Therefore, any violation of this policy may lead to disciplinary action, up to and including termination from County employment. The County encourages all employees, applicants, candidates, elected or appointed department heads, volunteers, and members of the public to report any conduct that they believe violates this policy as soon as possible.**

309.2 Examples of Abusive Conduct The County considers the following types of behavior examples of abusive conduct: County of El Dorado Personnel Rules Adopted February 26, 2019 3-5:

(l) Spreading malicious rumors, gossip, or innuendo that is untrue. Such conduct can also occur via use of electronic or telephonic communications, such as the internet/social media, email, chat room, a threatening text message or telephone call, or cameras or video equipment.

309.4.1 Investigation of Complaints The appointing authority, Director, and/or the Personnel Review Committee will be responsible for determining whether a complaint of abusive conduct should be addressed under this Rule 309 or the Board of Supervisors Policy E-5, **Policy Prohibiting Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation**, and Reporting and Complaint Procedures. The results of the investigation (i.e., whether the evidence establishes a violation of this Rule 309, but not the nature of any discipline) **shall be disclosed to the complainant and the accused employee(s).** If, in its sole discretion, the County determines that abusive conduct occurred, the appointing authority shall **take prompt and effective remedial action commensurate with the severity of the offense(s) which may include coaching, mediation, counseling intervention, other required training for the employee(s) determined to have violated this Rule 309, and/or disciplinary action up to and including employment termination.**

1502. CONDUCT All County employees are expected to **render the best possible service that will reflect credit upon the County**. The highest standard of conduct is essential to the proper operation of the County service. The County has the right and authority to establish work standards for all officers and employees. Any officer or employee may be dismissed, suspended, or reduced in rank or compensation for cause.

1503.1 Discipline - The appointing authority may suspend without pay, reduce in pay, demote, or **dismiss** any employee who has attained post-probationary status for reasonable cause, including but not limited to:

(d) **On-duty or off-duty conduct, including, without limitation, crimes that do not fall within paragraph (c) above, that**

(i) **tends to bring the County service into disrepute, or**

(ii) **is a direct hindrance to the effective performance of County functions;**

(e) **Disorderly or immoral conduct;**

(k) **Violation of any of the provisions of applicable law, regulation, these Rules, or County policies;**

(p) **Dishonesty or theft;**

(q) **Violation of the County's Code of Ethics;**

(t) **Discourteous treatment of the public; County of El Dorado Personnel Rules Adopted: February 26, 2019 15-3**

(w) **Unlawful harassment, unlawful discrimination, or retaliation against another employee, an applicant for employment, or anyone using County services; and**

(x) **Any other conduct of equal gravity with the above.**

11. When public officers harm Citizens by their errant actions, and then refuse to respond to or rebut petitions from Citizens, as you have also done, then those public officers are domestic enemies acting in sedition and insurrection to the declared Law of the land and **must be opposed, exposed and lawfully removed from office**. Any actions by a public officer either uphold the Constitutions and rights secured therein, or oppose them. By stepping outside of your limited delegated authority, you lost any "perceived immunity" of your office and you can be sued for your wrongdoing against me, personally, privately, individually, and in your personal and professional capacities, as can all those in your jurisdiction, including any judges or prosecuting attorneys and public officers for that jurisdiction, if, once they are notified of your wrongdoing, they fail to take lawful actions to correct it pursuant to their oaths and their duties, thereto. *See Gallegos v. Haggerty, N.D. of New York, 689 F. Supp. 93 (1988)*.

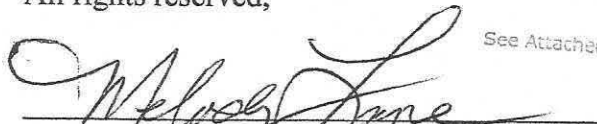
Public officers who so act would commit malfeasance of office, dereliction of duties, collusion and conspiracy to deprive me of my constitutionally guaranteed inherent rights, and misprision of any and all crimes you have committed against me through your unconstitutional actions which I reported to those referenced public officers.

Lawful notification has been provided to you stating that if you, Andrew Nevis, do not rebut the statements, charges and averments made in this Affidavit/Declaration, then you tacitly agree with and admit to them. Pursuant to that lawful notification, if you disagree with anything stated under oath in

this Affidavit/Declaration of Truth, then rebut to me that with which you disagree, with particularity, within fifteen (15) days of receipt thereof, by means of your own written, sworn, notarized affidavit of truth, based on specific, true, relevant fact and valid law to support your disagreement, attesting to your rebuttal and supportive positions, as valid and lawful, under the pains and penalties of perjury under the laws of the United States of America and this state of California. An un rebutted affidavit stands as truth and fact before any court. Your failure to respond, as stipulated, is your tacit agreement with and admission to the fact that everything in this Affidavit/Declaration of Truth is true, correct, legal, lawful, and is your irrevocable admission attesting to this, fully binding upon you in any court of law in America, without your protest, objection and that of those who represent you.

Affiant further sayeth naught.

All rights reserved,


Melody Lane, Affiant/Declarant
Founder, Compass2Truth
P.O. Box 598
Coloma, CA 95613

See Attached Notarial Certificate


Date

(See attached California Notarization)

- CC: Ana Melendez, CA Water Resources Control Board
Eileen Sobeck - Executive Director, CA Water Resources Control Board
Lucia Neri, CA Water Resources Control Board Human Resources Director
Joseph Carruesco, El Dorado County Human Resources Director
Taxpayers Association of EDC, Secretary Todd White
District Attorney Vern Pierson
Dist. #1 Supervisor John Hidahl
Dist. # 2 Supervisor George Turnboo
Dist. # 3 Supervisor Wendy Thomas
Dist. #4 Supervisor Lori Parlin
Dist. # 5 Supervisor Sue Novasel
Media and other interested parties

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A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California

County of El Dorado

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 13th day of June, 2022, by
Date Month Year



(1) Melody Lane

(and (2) _____),
Name(s) of Signer(s)

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Signature [Signature]
Signature of Notary Public

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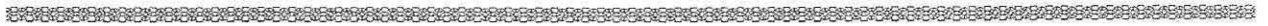
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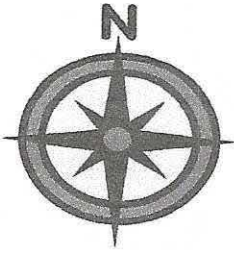
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Citizens for Constitutional Liberty

P.O. Box 598
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June 13, 2022

Joseph Carruesco, HR Director
El Dorado County
330 Fair Lane
Placerville, CA 95667

RE: Andrew Nevis

Dear Mr. Carruesco,

Enclosed you will find an Affidavit/Declaration of Truth addressed to Planning Commissioner Andrew Nevis. Please be advised that notification of legal responsibility is the first essential of due process of law, and an un rebutted affidavit stands as truth before any court of law in America.

Mr. Nevis is a public servant whose salary is paid via my taxes, and it evident he is complicit in aiding and abetting Mr. White's unlawful conduct. Discrimination and retaliation adversely affect Mr. Nevis' judgement and his ability to render public services without bias. Furthermore his unlawful conduct is inconsistent with the EDC Good Governance policy and Core Values of **integrity, accountability and service excellence**.

You are aware of the myriad federal and state laws requiring HR to maintain certain records regarding employees. Under SB 807, California law requires that documented complaints, such as this, 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.

Sincerely,



Melody Lane
Founder — *Compass2Truth*

Enclosure

From: melody.lane@reagan.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 3:39 PM
To: Kim Dawson; edc.cob@edcgov.us; 'Wendy Thomas'; george.turnboo@edcgov.us; 'Lori Parlin'; Brooke Laine; john.hidahl@edcgov.us
Cc: Joseph Carruesco; 'David A Livingston'; Richard Esposito; Eric Jaramishian; Noel Stack; bosfive@edcgov.us; bosfour; bosone@edcgov.us; bosthree@edcgov.us; bostwo@edcgov.us
Subject: 3/19/24 BOS Open Forum Public Comments - BOS/Planning Commission Accountability

Please ensure the entirety of the below 3/19/24 BOS Open Forum public comments concerning accountability of BOS/Planning Commissioners are entered into the public record:

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Over the past 25 years I've hosted conferences for politicians, international speakers, missionaries, and evangelists from all over the globe. I'm a third generation evangelical whose family members founded Calvary Chapel, the largest non-denominational church in America. Since retiring from working for Capitol legislators I've remained active in several Capitol ministries. What you may not know, about 20 years ago I was on pastor David Cooke's prayer team. Sometimes I was the only prayer warrior who showed up in his office prior to church services. When pastors failed to show up for BOS meetings, I was invited to lead in an impromptu, Holy Spirit-led invocation.

2 Timothy 3 warns, "*The last days will be perilous times, men will be lovers of themselves, **boasters, proud, unholy, slanderers, without self-control, traitors, haughty, having a form of godliness but denying its power.***" You'll recall perilous times were glaringly evident during the October 10th Open Forum when citizens addressed local antisemitism and hate incidents. David Cooke approached the podium, not as a pastor, but as a citizen, yet Wendy Thomas allowed David an **extra 48 seconds** to say his piece.

Last week I spent my time and gas to come down here in person to deliver a carefully timed **3-minute** message, but Wendy **vindictively** ordered Kim Dawson to shut off the mic just **4 seconds** before I could finish my last sentence about one of Kris Payne's crazy rants. Mandi Rodriguez accurately got her point across about Wendy's brand of Christianity. Sadly, this Board exemplifies the reason Jesus called such people hypocrites and a brood of vipers.

For example, last week George Turnboo, a pastor with only **2 months seminary** training, honored **Planning Commissioner Kris Payne** with an award for his service. Kris boastfully flaunted the award during yesterday's Taxpayers meeting. It is a matter of public record that I filed formal complaints in the form of notarized affidavits against **Kris Payne** and **Andy Nevis**. By law, the BOS and HR **must investigate and act** upon complaints describing many of the same public policy violations that got Todd White dismissed from EDC employment, the Taxpayers Association, and removed as a deacon from Park Community church. As you know, **Todd White** and **Kris Payne** were key participants in the illicit tribunal spearheaded by **Andy Nevis** that was held at Ponderosa High School specifically for the purpose of my character assassination.

It is alarming to see how fast freedom is handed over to tyranny, and how little resistance there is to putting shackles on America. Never forget the words of pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer, "*Silence in the face of evil is evil itself. God will not hold us guiltless. Not to act is to act. Not to speak is to speak.*"

If you have any comments, please make them now while I'm at the podium.

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With a room full of witnesses, during the 2/26/24 TPA meeting Carol Louis falsely claimed the 1/9/21 tribunal held at Ponderosa High School was due to COVID restrictions requiring "safe" distancing. Baloney.

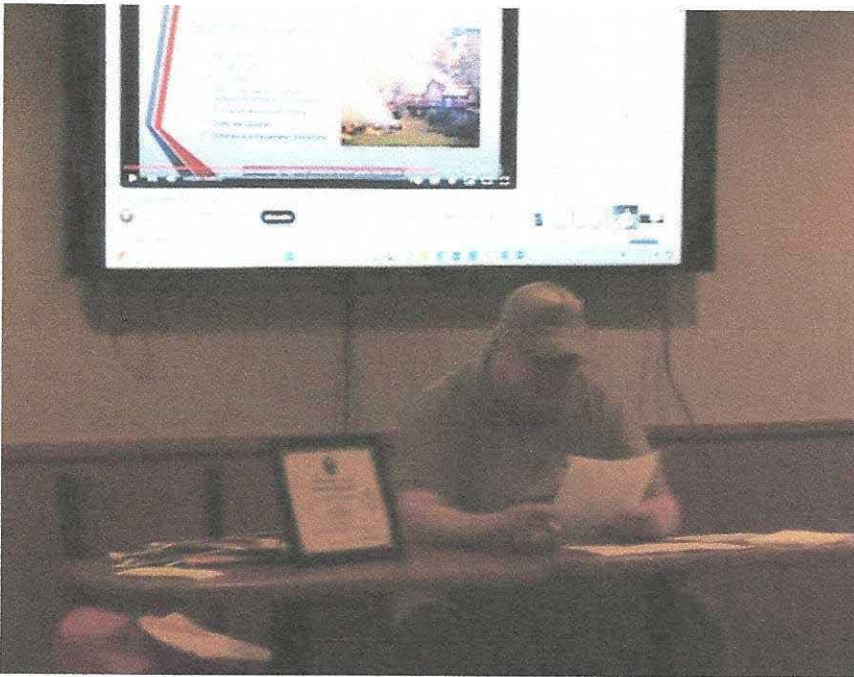
It is a fact that Dennys remained open and accessible for customers and TPA meetings during the entire Pandemic. The Ponderosa HS tribunal was in violation of TPA Bylaws and was spearheaded by EDC Planning Commissioner Andy Nevis in retaliation for whistleblowing. By **Carol Louis'** own admission, the public officials who participated along with her in the unlawful Ponderosa tribunal for the purpose of my character assassination included:

- 1) **Andy Nevis**, State Water Resources Control Board/EDC Planning Commissioner
- 2) **Kris Payne**, EDC Planning Commissioner
- 3) **Todd White**, George Turnboo's admin
- 4) **Gay Willyard**, George Turnboo's appointee to EDC Fair Board
- 5) **Steve Ferry**, publicly elected Director to EDHCSD

Excerpt from Todd White notarized affidavit:

2. The public is entitled to honest services. Whether by your own volition, or under the direction and influence of **Andy Nevis**, President of the Taxpayers Association, you conspired with others to deprive me of honest services and the exercise of my right to access records. In particular was your refusal to provide me with the minutes identifying the participants in the illicit tribunal held at the request of **Andy Nevis** on January 9, 2021 at Ponderosa High School pertaining to the November 5, 2020 incident during the Taxpayers Association meeting involving Sheriff D'Agostini and his former staff member, Stacy Walls. At that time the Sheriff, **Kris Payne**, and Ms. Walls and her daughter had created a scene when I lawfully, and **silently**, served the Sheriff with three notifications in the form of Affidavits of Truth relevant to EDSO misconduct. I have a right to know who my accusers are, and it is my understanding that you participated in the **illicit January 9th tribunal for the specific purpose of my character assassination**. As Secretary of the Association, you are required to maintain minutes of all meetings, including names of participants, and make them available for public inspection.

My claims, statements and averments also pertain to your actions taken regarding your failure to provide honest public services, pursuant to your oaths. By refusing me access to records and failure to respond to my inquiries, you extended absolutely no due process of law whatsoever to me, yet by your unconstitutional actions, as described herein, you harmed me in direct violation of your oaths. Your repeated deprivations of my right to lawfully access records and your discriminatory actions against me, a law-abiding American Citizen dwelling in El Dorado County, are a direct assault upon my due process rights secured by the First Amendment.



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“Resistance to tyranny becomes the Christian and social duty of each individual...Continue steadfast and, with a proper sense of your dependence on God, nobly defend those rights which heaven gave, and no man ought to take from us.” ~ John Hancock ~