

DeAnda Open Forum BOS 8/16/2022

Michael DeAnda

From: Misty Garcia <lru@edcgov.us>
Sent: Friday, July 22, 2022 8:54 AM
To: Michael DeAnda
Cc: Joseph Carruesco; HR-Labor Relations Unit-m
Subject: Proposed base wage increase

Good morning Mike.

The County intends to recommend the Board approve an increase in base wages for all County positions, including those in the Corrections and Trades and Crafts bargaining units. On or about 8/23/22, the County will recommend the Board approve a 2.0% base wage increase to all County classifications in an effort to address continuing challenges in recruiting and retaining qualified employees and to lessen the impact of inflation on El Dorado County employees who have experienced increased costs of living.

Such an increase, if approved as proposed, would be effective the pay period following adoption (anticipated 9/16/22 pay date) and would be supplemental to (not replacing) any base wage adjustments otherwise prescribed by MOU.

If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please contact LRU@edcgov.us.

Please be aware I will be out of the office 7/23-7/31, and 8/2-8/5. During my absence, please send all communications directly to LRU@edcgov.us.

Regards,

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M-Lane Open Forum BOS 8/16/2022

Melody Lane, Founder – Compass2Truth

8/16/22 OF Taxpayers/Lori Parlin-Nevis vendetta

Fifty years ago, Supreme Court Justice William Douglas asked: *“Since when have we Americans been expected to bow submissively to authority and speak with awe and reverence to those who represent us? The constitutional theory is that we the people are the sovereigns, the state and federal officials only our agents. **We who have the final word can speak softly or angrily. We can seek to challenge and annoy, as we need not stay docile and quiet...**At the constitutional level, speech need not be a sedative; it can be disruptive...**A function of free speech under our system of government is to invite dispute. It may indeed best serve its high purpose when it induces a condition of unrest, creates dissatisfaction with conditions as they are, or even stirs people to anger.”** In other words, the Constitution does not require Americans to be servile to government officials.*

Lori, you've arrogantly exalted yourself above the citizens whom you profess to serve. You've mocked EDC Core Values, you've mocked me, and you've mocked God. The Constitution was established on the premise of inalienable rights given by God the Creator. Rights are not granted by government; they are embedded in the precepts of God Almighty and bestowed upon His creation. Free speech is central to Christianity. The Apostle Paul prayed in Ephesians 6:20 that he “may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.” But when government is against God, we must respond as the Apostle Peter by saying, “We must obey God rather than man.”

It is a fact that Andy Nevis is being groomed by Comrade Parlin to deprive me of the blessings of freedom by unlawfully emulating her liberal ideologies and cancel culture. It is a fact Andy colluded with Lori to unethically use the Association for their own political purposes, and everyone knows their vendetta against me for whistleblowing.

The BOS also knows Todd White, a counterfeit Christian and RINO who has publicly hurled profanities at me, participated in Andy's private meetings to oust me from the Association because I've had the temerity to expose the works of darkness to the light of Truth. It is a matter of public record that Todd refuses to provide public services or benefits of membership in the Association. And it was Democrat Carol Louis who hatefully scorned, *“You've taken your advocacy and you have moved it into a form of bullying with the First Amendment and all this SHIT that you put out.”*

Such abuse of power is evidence of Marxist totalitarianism hammering nails in the coffin of this Republic, and it is the linchpin of the Democrat Party's anti-American socialist agenda. Your abysmal failure to support the rights of the people makes the entire BOS complicit and liable. God calls it SIN, and the Supreme Judge over all of us knows the Truth. He knows that when you profess to be supporting and defending the Constitution, you are not being truthful.



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Open Forum BOS Agenda for Aug 16 2022

3 messages

Susan Yewell <sby813@gmail.com>

Mon, Aug 15, 2022 at 10:57 AM

To: County of El Dorado Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Dear Clerk of the Board,

Please distribute the attached to the Board of Supervisors for tomorrow's meeting. I will speak for 3 minutes during the Open Forum about this topic.

Thank you,
Susan Yewell
CPHAC

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County of El Dorado Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Mon, Aug 15, 2022 at 11:08 AM

To: The BOSONE <bosone@edcgov.us>, The BOSTWO <bostwo@edcgov.us>, The BOSTHREE <bosthree@edcgov.us>, The BOSFOUR <bosfour@edcgov.us>, The BOSFIVE <bosfive@edcgov.us>, Donald Ashton <don.ashton@edcgov.us>

FYI, Public Comment for Open Forum.

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Mon, Aug 15, 2022 at 11:08 AM

To: Susan Yewell <sby813@gmail.com>

Thank you. Appropriate public comment provided for upcoming agenda items will be added to the corresponding file.

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"The First Occasional Report from Cool"

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK AND COMMENTS ABOUT
THE NEW DOLLAR GENERAL STORE IN COOL

August 16, 2022

Susan Yewell



The Cool-Pilot Hill Advisory Committee compiled a variety of thoughtful comments from our members about the recent opening of the Dollar General store in Cool. Due to the importance of this feedback, CPHAC is sharing this information with the EDC Board of Supervisors because of the importance of how its decisions affect a community.

COMMENTS:

"But you asked about the Dollar General. Of course, I don't like the fact that it is here. But thankfully, through the hard work of the community, it doesn't look like a depressing box of a store. So, whatever happens on the inside, at least I don't have to look at something so ugly. I am concerned about the store continuing to send 53 foot trailers through the canyon when they agreed not to. That is not ok. They need to live up to the terms of their agreements. Since I haven't seen a lot of cars there, it hasn't seemed to have affected traffic too much. But the potential is there. Towering over the roadway looks bad. But it could be so much worse. I hope the night lighting doesn't affect the residents on Aaron Cool." (L.D.)

"Absolutely love everything about it. So, refreshing to purchase basic necessities at affordable prices. I compared a lot of things that I purchase regularly, and they are noticeably lower for the same brand, quantity etc. One thing I've noticed when I've been there is young families & elderly folks. I've even spoken to one elderly lady, and she stated that she was driving to Auburn once a week for her milk, bathroom tissue, eggs etc. And she is saving money on gas (doesn't have to drive thru canyon)." (X.F.)

"So far I actually really do like the outside daytime appearance of DG. I am surprised that I do. I kind of find it to have improved Cool. It is apparent they made a successful effort at replicating/complimenting the color scheme of old town Cool, & it works. Even the signage looks so much better than the average DG. I have no opinions on the inside, parking, landscape, or lighting as I have not seen these things yet. I don't expect that this will be a place where I shop, since I don't need China junk or any junk." (K.F.)

"Well, we stopped in a week ago when checking out the new barbecue place. Store was empty. Their prices are no different than anyone else's, not cheaper. More junk food. As for entrance, ridiculous and dangerous. Good luck making a left turn at 5pm The colors are ugly and looks like a cartoon store. Other than that, great lol." (L.R.)

"Are they only required to hydro seed that hillside? You think they would have been required to put up retaining walls." (D.S.)

"We have not visited and never plan to. It is an unnecessary addition. It does not fit in as well. It is high and does not match the surrounding buildings." (C.)

"I like the look. And the lights are welcoming when driving home late at night." (E.P.)

"The store itself looks nice and fits with our Cool community. However, a bigger issue is the large delivery truck in the canyon running cars off the road! Thought they weren't going to go through the canyon??? Semi was over the length limit and *almost ran over me* in the hair-pin turn!! PS I don't shop there and won't." (B&J. P.)

"I did see a CHP officer and a large Dollar Store truck on the big pullout going into the canyon from the Cool side. I could not see anyone but presumed it was not a friendly conversation. That was yesterday (8/9/22) at 2:00PM." (Mimic.)

"I am so glad they listened to our design ideas and got it right! I really like the muted colors, the separate color sections, the posts, the rooflines. I am glad the Dollar General sign is more subdued than other garish black and yellow ones I've seen. Too bad the nice plantings shriveled in the heat, but I think they will re-do that. The lighting on the building does not seem to be intrusive - I have not been there late at night to see the parking lot lights. I am concerned about the narrowness of Northside Drive now that Stubbies has brought in more traffic. I went inside Dollar General once to see what it is like; I will not stop there. I couldn't help but think what a wonderful Community Center it could be. I only see 2-4 cars in the lot when I go by." (C.L.)

"One thing that needs to be addressed is the lack of any landscaping on the slopes. They will have to stabilize that before October 1 to prevent erosion, but most business projects generally landscape all the area around their buildings, including slopes like this. Otherwise, it is just going to become a maintenance and fire hazard." (K.V.)

"I think it is a hideous eyesore. It looms over the rest of the town like a gloomy, obtrusive cloud. The landscaping is more or less non-existent and the massive dirt mound they built the grotesque obstruction of a building on is as prominent as the building itself. While I can appreciate the effort to mirror the rest of the local buildings and don't find the color scheme to be overly obnoxious, it resembles a sad knock off. The only positive note I can make on the overall design execution is that the lighting seems just bright enough for safety and visibility but not so bright that it is bothersome." (J.C.)

"I agree with Carolyn's comments.

The very fact that we as a community were able to influence the architectural design of this Dollar General store in Cool speaks to the power of voicing our concerns about and new development in the area. This structure can serve as a model that we can point other future projects to follow. Frankly, I really like the building." (S.W.)

"I went into the Dollar General a week or so ago. So far it is clean, and staff is friendly. It appeared well-stocked with typical Dollar General inventory. I was looking specifically for chalk to write on some chalkboard, and there was none.

It was aggravating to me and several others that I spoke with that they decided to build a hill to put it on, so that this rather massive building is looming over everything at the crossroads. The style of the building is as agreed on, but due to its size, it doesn't really fit in as well as hoped.

Of course, the lighting disrupts the night sky, but when I brought it up at the Aaron Cool Drive Road Maintenance Association (the closest residential area), no one had any objections." (S.S.)

"The size of the building, 9000 sq. ft., is too large for the site, and for the community of Cool. A site street-view elevation plan should be requested for future developments.

Grateful that the BOS approved Supervisor Parlin's recommendation for a design review overlay to cover all commercial parcels in Cool. I just wish it was a mandatory requirement.

Eventually, it will be imperative that Caltrans and the EDC DOT put in turn lanes for access to Northside Drive from/to Hwy 49. Also, Northside will need to be widened. It is dicey when a car is coming out at the stop sign while a DG delivery truck is turning into Northside from Hwy 49 (personal experience)." (S.Y.)



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Removal of Linda Grimoldi

Bob Bradshaw <thebobbradshaw@gmail.com>
To: County of El Dorado Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Tue, Aug 16, 2022 at 8:59 AM

I presumed my email would be incorporated in the BOS meeting minutes for the Open Forum of today's meeting. If not, can you please include them? Thank you

Bob Bradshaw
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 **Grimoldi Ordinance Code Violations_8.16.2022.pdf**
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August 16, 2022

From: Joseph Connolly, M.A.

To: El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
Copy: El Dorado County Chief Administrative Officer
El Dorado County Counsel
El Dorado County District Attorney

Subj: Additional Commissioner Grimoldi Ordinance Code Violations

Dear Supervisors:

On July 26, 2022 I requested that you forward a list of alleged misdemeanor Ordinance Code violations by Commissioner Linda Grimoldi to the El Dorado County District Attorney for prosecution pursuant to Government Code, section 25132, subdivision (a).

I now request you do the same for additional violations as documented herein. Despite specific warnings to “stay off the social media” and to avoid “becoming political or partisan,” Commissioner Grimoldi ignored the Board’s direction by promoting a July 30, 2022 “Patriot Rally,” and making other political postings that include calling the President of the United States a “scumbag.”

Grimoldi also continues to support public harassment by her fellow members of the group “Boots on the Ground Cali,” who apparently harassed other persons online in the belief they were harassing me.

Grimoldi’s acts to promote partisan causes, groups, and individuals, and her approval of public harassment by those she is affiliated with, are not in keeping with the Board’s values, mission statement, or specific Board direction regarding her appointment.

You publicly warned Grimoldi prior to her appointment that if she “were becoming political or partisan ... do you understand that we will probably just remove you?” Because Grimoldi refuses to follow the Board’s direction you should now carry out the necessary consequence of immediately rescinding her appointment for the public good.

Sincerely,

s/Joseph Connolly

ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER GRIMOLDI ORDINANCE CODE VIOLATIONS

I. INTRODUCTION

On March 15, 2022 myself and others objected to the consent calendar appointment of Linda Grimoldi (“Grimoldi”) to the El Dorado County Commission on Aging, in part due to Grimoldi’s membership in the group “Boots on the Ground Cali” (BOTGC”).

The matter was continued to March 22, when the Board of Supervisors (“Board”) voted 5-0 to approve Grimoldi’s nomination.

Beforehand, the Board questioned Grimoldi’s veracity about not disclosing extremist ties. The Board warned Grimoldi to “stay off the social media,” telling her that if she were “becoming political or partisan ... do you understand that we will probably just remove you?” Grimoldi acknowledged the Board’s direction and replied, “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it.”

The Board also admonished Grimoldi for her approval of my being harassed by others and reminded Grimoldi that she was a direct reflection of the Board. Nevertheless, Grimoldi subsequently appeared before the Board to accuse me of committing criminal acts against her, and remained silent while extremist supporters, including six Proud Boys and the BOTGC founder, publicly harassed me in view of the Board and senior County officials.

On July 26, 2022 I submitted a list of alleged misdemeanor Ordinance Code violations by Commissioner Linda Grimoldi, requesting they be forwarded to the El Dorado County District Attorney for prosecution pursuant to Government Code, section 25132, subdivision (a).

Subsequently, Grimoldi has promoted political causes, events and individuals, and remained silent while fellow BOTGC members apparently harassed individuals online who they believed were me. These additional matters are also documented herein.

II.
REVIEW OF ORDINANCE CODE APPLICATIONS

The following sections of the El Dorado County Ordinance Code (“Code”) are noted for relevant application to potential misdemeanor violations by Grimoldi.¹

A.
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Terms: “The term “day” means the period of time between any 12:00 midnight and the 12:00 midnight following.” (Code, § 1.04.040.)

“The term “law” denotes applicable Federal law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, the ordinances of the County and, when appropriate, any and all rules and regulations which may be promulgated thereunder.” (*Ibid.*)

“The terms “must” and “shall” are each mandatory.” (*Ibid.*)

“The term “person” includes a natural person....” (*Ibid.*)

Applicability: “The provisions of this Code shall be construed in accordance with the rules set forth in this chapter, unless specifically provided otherwise in this Code.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.050.)

Rules of Construction: “All general provisions, terms, phrases and expressions contained in this Code shall be liberally construed in order that the true intent and meaning of the Board of Supervisors may be fully carried out. ...

“Captions and headings in this Code shall not be construed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of any of the provisions of this Code or of any amendments thereto. ...

“The notes, comments and references set forth at the end of any title, chapter, or section in this Code shall not, by virtue of their appearance upon the pages of this Code, be construed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of any of the provisions of this Code or of any amendments thereto.
...

¹ See Code at https://library.municode.com/ca/el_dorado_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=ELDOCOORCO.

“All words and phrases shall be construed according to the common and approved usage of the language, but technical words and phrases and such others as may have acquired a peculiar and appropriate meaning in the law shall be construed and understood according to the peculiar and appropriate meaning.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.060.)

Grammatical Interpretation: “In a provision involving two or more items, conditions, provisions or events, which items, conditions, provisions or events are connected by the conjunction “and,” “or” or “either ... or,” the conjunction shall be interpreted as follows, except that in appropriate cases the terms “or” and “and” are interchangeable:

1. “And” indicates that all the connected terms, conditions, provisions or events apply.
2. “Or” indicates that the connected terms, conditions, provisions or events apply singly or in any combination.
3. “Either ... or” indicates that the connected terms, conditions, provisions or events apply singly but not in combination.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.120(D).)

Prohibited acts including causing and permitting: “Whenever in the ordinances of the County any act or omission is made unlawful, it shall include causing, allowing, permitting, aiding, abetting, suffering or concealing the fact of the act or omission.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.140.)

Continuing Offenses: “Where the violation of a provision of this Code is, or can be, a continuing offense, each person violating the provision shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each day during any portion of which the violation is permitted or continued by such person.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.160.)

B.

CITATION OF VIOLATIONS

Chapter 1.16 of the Code specifies the conditions regarding a warrant of arrest “for the violation of any County ordinance which is punishable as a misdemeanor;” appearances; bail, arraignment, and disposition; and that a willful violation of a written promise to appear is a separate misdemeanor offense “regardless of the disposition of the charge upon which he or she was originally arrested.” (*Id.*, §§ 1.16.010-1.16.080.)

C.

GENERAL PENALTY

Violation deemed misdemeanor: “In this section the term “violation of the ordinances of the County” means any of the following:

1. Doing an act that is prohibited or made or declared unlawful, an offense, a violation, an infraction or a misdemeanor by ordinance or by rule or regulation authorized by ordinance.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.010(A)(1).)

“Except as otherwise provided by law or ordinance, and unless the violation of a particular ordinance is specified by that ordinance to be an infraction, any person violating any of the provisions or failing to comply with any of the mandatory requirements of the ordinances of the County shall be guilty of a misdemeanor unless, in the discretion of the prosecuting attorney or agency, the matter is alleged or charged as an infraction, in which case the matter shall proceed as an infraction. A violation of the ordinances of the County that is a misdemeanor shall be punishable by imprisonment in the County jail not exceeding six months or by a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00, or by both.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.010(C).)

Penalty for infraction: “Any person convicted of an infraction for violation of an ordinance of the County is punishable by:

1. A fine not exceeding \$100.00 for a first violation;
2. A fine not exceeding \$200.00 for a second violation of the same ordinance within one year;
3. A fine not exceeding \$500.00 for each additional violation of the same ordinance within one year.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.030(A).)

Continuing Violation: “Each such person shall be guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during any portion of which any violation of any provision of the ordinances of the County is committed, continued or permitted by any such person, and he or she shall be punished accordingly.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.040.)

D.

COUNTY COMMISSIONS

Term of Office: “Members of ... commissions ... shall take office upon their appointment and qualification for the board, commission or committee. ... All such appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors.” (*Id.*, § 2.20.010.)

E.

PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS AND WELFARE

Declaration of Purpose: “The Board of Supervisors ... finds that the enforcement of this Code (“Code”) throughout the County is an important public service, and enforcement of the Code is vital to the protection of the public’s health, safety, and quality of life. ... The procedures established in this chapter shall be in addition to any civil or any other legal remedy established by law, which may be pursued to address violations of the Code.” (*Id.*, § 9.02.010.)

Violations: “A. Any person who violates a provision of this chapter, or fails to comply therewith or with any of the requirements thereof, shall be subject to remedies available under this chapter and/or state law, including being cited by County staff. Whenever in this Code any act or omission is made unlawful, it shall include causing, maintaining, permitting, aiding, abetting, suffering, or concealing the fact of such act or omission.

B. All violations are misdemeanors. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense. Any person convicted of a misdemeanor under the provisions of this Code shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Unless provided otherwise and at the discretion of the District Attorney, the violation may be reduced to an infraction with maximum penalty of \$500.00. Pursuant to Government Code § 53069.4, if a violation is reduced to an infraction, the administrative fine shall not exceed the maximum fine or penalty amounts for infractions set forth in §§ 25132 and 36900.” (*Id.*, § 9.02.050(A)-(B).)

F.

FALSE REPORTS

Making False Statement: “It is unlawful for any person to knowingly falsify or conceal any fact, or make any false or fraudulent statement or misrepresentation in any matter or proceeding within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the County.” (*Id.*, § 9.04.010.)

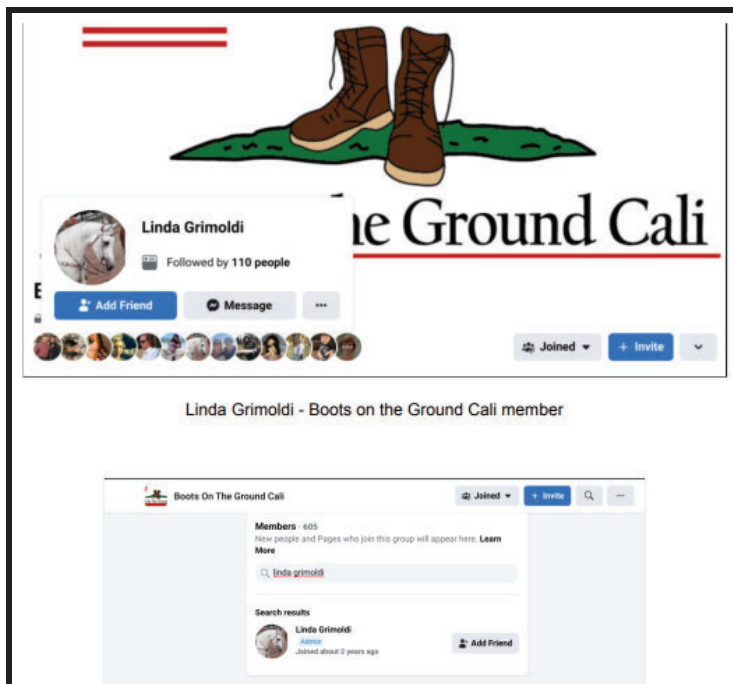
Penalty for Violation: “Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punishable according to the general penalties described in Chapter 1.24.” (*Id.*, § 9.04.030.)

**III.
ORDINANCE CODE VIOLATIONS**

The following ordinance code violations by Grimoldi occurred subsequently to those submitted to the Board of Supervisors on July 26, 2022. They are followed by documentation of her silence to BOTGC’s apparent public harassment towards others thought to be me. Grimoldi was admonished on March 22, 2022 for previously supporting public harassment of me by others, and was reminded that she is a direct reflection of the Board. (See footnote 2.)

**COUNT ONE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT -3/22/2022**

1. Grimoldi was a member of a Facebook group titled “Boots on the Ground Cali” at the time of her February 18, 2022 application for the El Dorado County Commission on Aging. The group’s Facebook account showed Grimoldi had joined BOTGC “about 2 years ago,” was “followed by 110 people,” and used the image of a white Arabian horse as her account avatar. (See Exhibit 1.)



**EXHIBIT 1
GRIMOLDI BOTGC MEMBERSHIP - FEBRUARY, 2022**

2. On March 22, 2022 the Board summoned Grimoldi before them for clarifying questions and Board comments prior to voting on her potential appointment.²

3. Before the Board asked clarifying questions, Grimoldi interjected, “Wait a minute. I want to say something. No, I am not a neo-Nazi. No, I’m not a Proud Boy. No, I’m not, and as far as Aaron [Bate] and Boots on the Ground, that’s a non-profit organization - has no affiliation with any of that.”

4. Supervisor Parlin said to Grimoldi, “First, I want to give you a word of caution, quite honestly, and you’re probably knowing what I’m going to say. Stay off the social media. ... I don’t foresee this happening, but if for some reason your behavior on the commission - the other commissioners felt you were becoming political or partisan - and I know you’re not going to, I get that. But if it does happen, do you understand that we will probably just remove you?”

5. Grimoldi replied to Supervisor Parlin, “Of course, but I understand. ... All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it.”

6. Supervisor Hidahl asked Grimoldi directly, “I have a question relative to the application. Did you feel that in filling out the application, your responsibility was to disclose memberships or associations with organizations that might be viewed as contrary to the needs of the United States of America? ... Did you feel when you filled out the application you should be identifying any of those organizations that might come into question?”

7. Grimoldi replied to Supervisor Hidahl, “No, because like I said, Boots on the Ground Cali is non-profit, and it’s run by a veteran. And he has no affiliation with any of those groups....”

8. Grimoldi did not disclose that Aaron Bate, founder of BOTGC, was a member of the Three Percenters group, and had personal affiliations with BOTGC members who were members of, or affiliated with, neo-Nazi organizations, the Proud Boys, and Three Percenters. An extensive summation of those links was submitted to the Board on April 25, 2022.³ (See e.g., Exhibits 2-4.)

² See https://eldorado.granicus.com/player/clip/1605?view_id=2&redirect=true, video time 5:19:05 - 5:29:00.

³ See Joseph Connolly letter, “Proud Boy Ricky Willden Plea - El Dorado County Implications,” dated April 25, 2022.



EXHIBIT 2
AARON BATE WITH PROUD BOYS GROUP PHOTO - SACRAMENTO, CA
NOVEMBER 21, 2020



EXHIBIT 3
AARON BATE - III% TATOO - 2019

PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT
RIGHT WING EXTREMIST RALLY

Nov. 4th | 12 PM - 4 PM | STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Organized by members of the **Three Percenters** (a far-right group tied to terror attacks including a **Mosque bombing**) and **American Guard** (One of the **neo-Nazi** groups that marched in Charlottesville.)

EVENT ORGANIZERS:



Lindsay Grathwohl **Jeffrey Perrine** **Aaron Bate** **Chris Ross** **Dustin Sherman** **Jarod Flores**

Far-right gatherings often result in acts of hate and violence. Multiple organizers and attendees of this event have a history of participating in **street harassment** and **hate crimes**. They may frequent local bars and restaurants afterwards.

SAFETY TIPS:

- Stay vigilant of your surroundings
- Don't travel by foot alone, especially after dark
- Carry self defense items (pepper spray, etc.)
- Take extra precaution in public spaces (especially the downtown and midtown areas) if you feel you may be targeted

EXHIBIT 4

AARON BATE - 2018 EVENT WITH THREE PERCENTER & NEO-NAZIS AFFILIATES

9. On May 10, 2022, Bate entered the El Dorado County Government Center with four Proud Boys at approximately 1:15 p.m. (See Exhibit 5.)

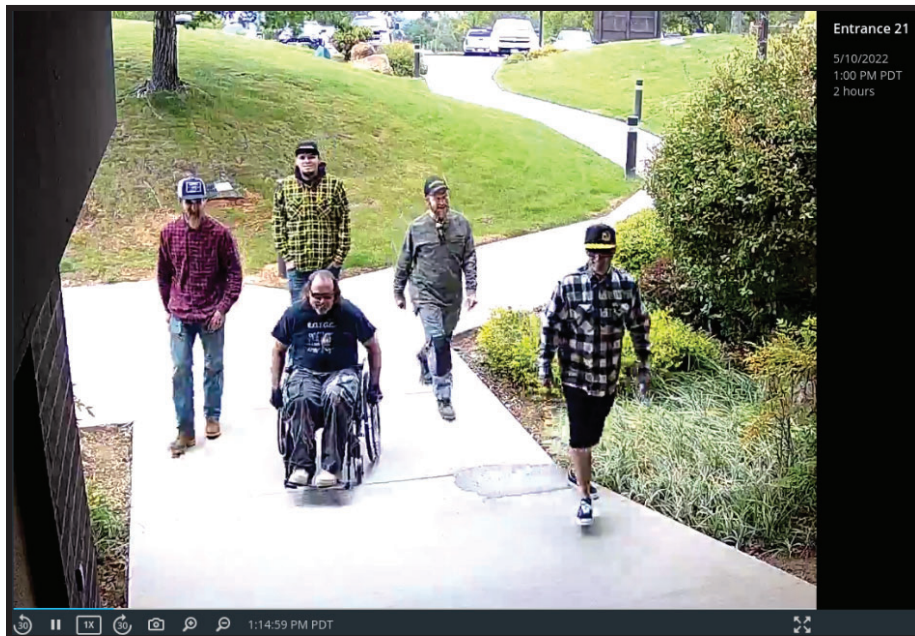


EXHIBIT 5

(L-R): JONATHAN LUDWICK, UNKNOWN, BATE (IN WHEELCHAIR), JEFF COPLEY, PATRICK KIEHL

10. Bate and the Proud Boys then entered the Board’s meeting room and harassed me in view of the Board, County Counsel, Chief Administrative Officer, Board Clerk, and members of the public, including several members of the El Dorado County Planning Commission. The identity of the Proud Boys, Bate, and the details of their harassment were submitted to the Board on May 17, 2022.⁴

11. As of August, 2022 Grimoldi remains a member of BOTGC. (See Exhibit 6.)

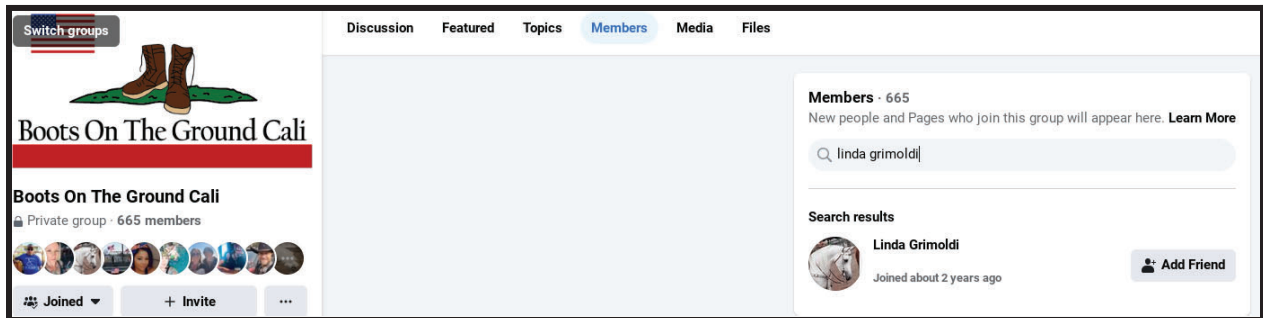


EXHIBIT 6
GRIMOLDI BOTGC MEMBERSHIP - AUGUST, 2022

12. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that Aaron Bate had “no affiliation with any of those groups,” and/or “has no affiliation with any of that,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT TWO
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

13. Paragraphs 1-12 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

14. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count One. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

⁴ See Joseph Connolly letter, “Ongoing Harassment in Board of Supervisors Chambers,” dated May 17, 2022.

COUNT THREE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

15. Paragraphs 1-14 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

16. On May 14, 2022, Bate and the unknown Proud Boy who joined him in the Board meeting room on May 10, 2022 appeared with political candidate Jason Paletta in Placerville, CA. (See paragraphs 9-10; Exhibit 7.)⁵



EXHIBIT 7
PLACERVILLE, CA POLITICAL RALLY - MAY 14, 2022
L-R: GREG HANNA, DEAN WHEELER, BATE (IN WHEELCHAIR),
UNIDENTIFIED PROUD BOY, JASON PALETТА

⁵ See page 18 of Joseph Connolly letter, "Ongoing Harassment in Board of Supervisors Chambers," dated May 17, 2022.

17. On or about the last week of July, 2022 Grimoldi made a Facebook post to promote and encourage attendance at a “Patriot Pride” rally (“Patriot Rally”), to be held at the California state Capitol on July 30, 2022. (See Exhibit 8.)



EXHIBIT 8
GRIMOLDI FACEBOOK POST - JULY, 2022

18. The Patriot Rally promotion included a BOTGC logo in the upper left corner, surrounded by the words “BOOTS ON THE GROUND CALI BOOTH.”

19. The Patriot Rally promotion also listed three failed political candidates: Derrick Gates (CA 36th Congressional District-2022), Jesus Cisneros (Long Beach City Council, District 2-2020), and Jason Paletta (CA State Assembly, 5th District-2022).⁶ Cisneros is also reportedly running for a California Congressional seat in 2024.⁷

20. The Patriot Rally was attended by Bate, who promoted Paletta’s appearance and took photographs with him. (See Exhibits 9-11.)

⁶ See e.g., https://ballotpedia.org/Derrick_Gates; https://ballotpedia.org/Jesus_Cisneros, https://ballotpedia.org/Jason_Paletta.

⁷ See e.g., <https://www.instagram.com/cisnerosforcongress/?hl=en>.



EXHIBIT 9
 BATE FACEBOOK POST - JULY 18, 2022



EXHIBIT 10
 PALLETA (LEFT), BATE (RIGHT)
 PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022



EXHIBIT 11
BATE (LEFT), PALETTA (RIGHT)
PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022

21. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT FOUR
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

22. Paragraphs 1-21 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

23. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Three. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

COUNT FIVE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

24. Paragraphs 1-23 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

25. The Patriot Rally was live streamed by Proud Boy Eddie Block, who attended with other Proud Boys who were pictured alongside Bate. (See Exhibits 12-13.)^{8 9}



EXHIBIT 12
EDDIE BLOCK (LEFT), LINDA HANNA (RIGHT)
PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022

⁸ Extensive evidence of Eddie Block's membership in the Proud Boys, and his participation in the January 6, 2021 Proud Boy's leading of the attack on the U.S. Capitol, were submitted to the Board on April 25, 2022. See Joseph Connolly letter, "Proud Boy Ricky Willden Plea - El Dorado County Implications," dated April 25, 2022.

⁹ See Block's livestream at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mSEUcC5naz8&ab_channel=mediablackoutnews.



EXHIBIT 13
PROUD BOYS (LEFT, CENTER), BATE (RIGHT)
PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022

26. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that Aaron Bate had “no affiliation with any of those groups,” and/or “has no affiliation with any of that,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT SIX
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

27. Paragraphs 1-26 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

28. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Five. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

COUNT SEVEN
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

29. Paragraphs 1-28 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

30. On August 13, 2022 Grimoldi made a Facebook post disparaging the President of the United States, which stated “Please show support for our Border Patrol Horse Unit, who is being punished by our scumbag President, even though they have been cleared of any wrongdoing.” Grimoldi’s post showed she was “[f]ollowed by 113 people.” (See Exhibit 14.)

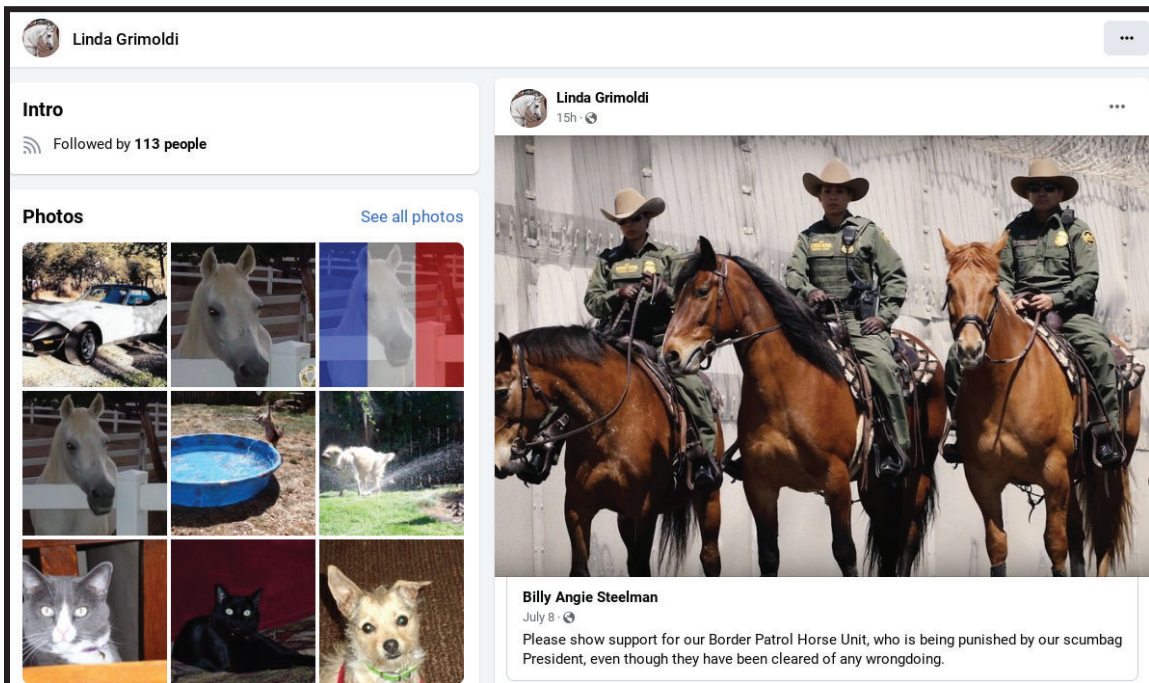


EXHIBIT 14
GRIMOLDI FACEBOOK POST - AUGUST 13, 2022

31. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT EIGHT
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

32. Paragraphs 1-31 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

33. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Seven. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

COUNT NINE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

34. Paragraphs 1-33 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

35. On August 13, 2022 Grimoldi made a Facebook post promoting a political event for the El Dorado County Republican Party, emphasizing, “DON’T BE LEFT OUT AND REGRET MISSING OUR PARTY.” Grimoldi’s post showed she was “[f]ollowed by 113 people.” (See Exhibit 15.) (emphasis added.)



EXHIBIT 15
GRIMOLDI FACEBOOK POST - AUGUST 13, 2022

36. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

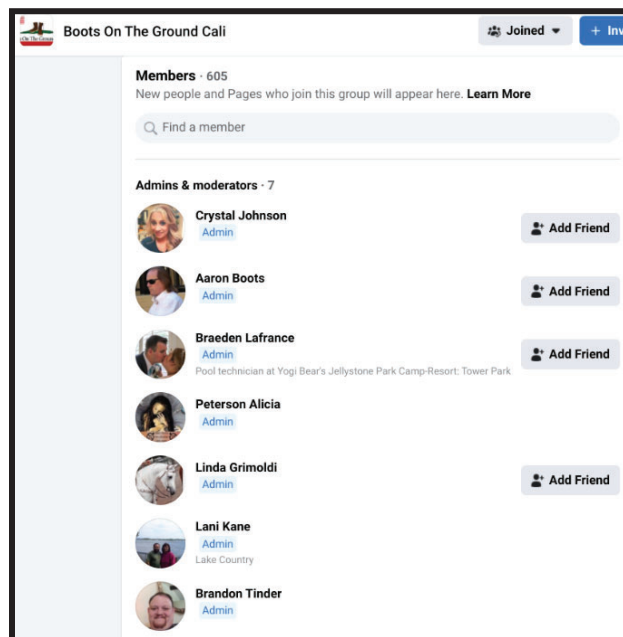
**COUNT TEN
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022**

37. Paragraphs 1-36 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

38. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Nine. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

**IV.
GRIMOLDI’S CONDONING OF PUBLIC HARASSMENT**

39. In February, 2022 Grimoldi was both a member of BOTGC and one of its “Admins & moderators.” Other moderators included Aaron Boots (aka Aaron Bate) and Lani Kane (See Exhibit 16.)



**EXHIBIT 16
BOTGC ADMINS & MODERATORS - FEBRUARY, 2022**

40. In August, 2022 Bate and Kane remained listed as BOTGC “Admins & moderators” but Grimoldi was not. (See Exhibit 17.)

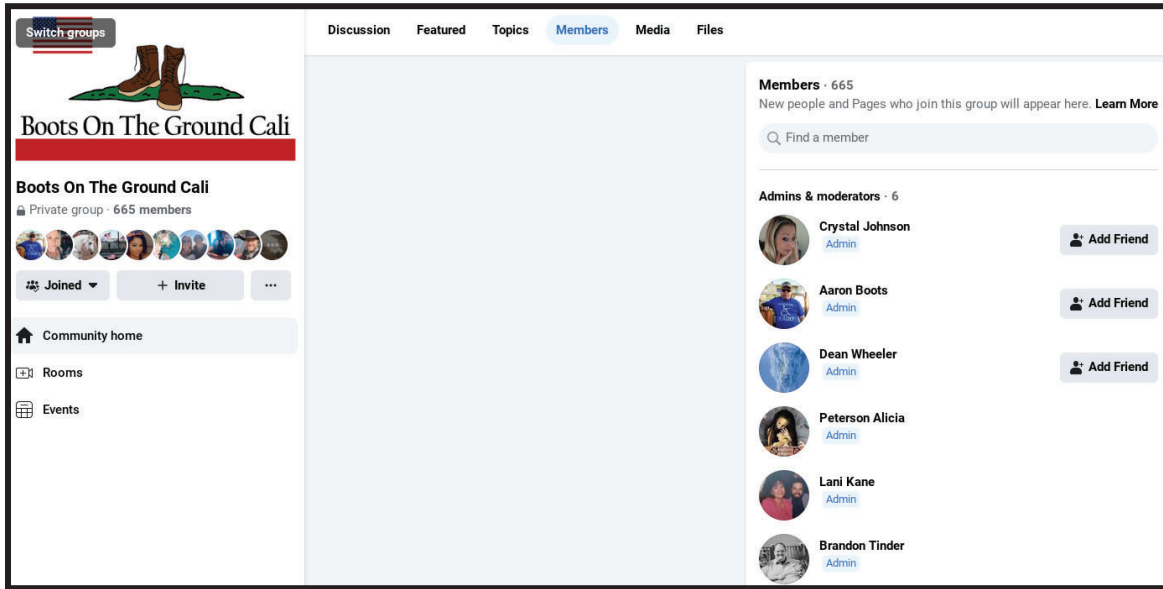


EXHIBIT 17
BOTGC ADMINS & MODERATORS - AUGUST, 2022

41. On July 29, 2022 Lani Kane posted the following message to BOTGC: “Alright Brother & Sisters I’m asking for prayers for Aaron Boots he has been having some health issues, that has him NOT at 100 - Plus I’m super pissed Joe Connelly [sic] has been attacking what Boots & Aaron has done for many communities during disasters. This JA needs to understand that Boots has done so much for people! He needs to STOP his slander of my brother! I will not put up with this Bull Shit!” (See Exhibit 18.)



EXHIBIT 18
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

42. “Beverly Welch” of BOTGC replied, asking “Who is this JA?” to which Lane replied, “I should have spelled it out, but didn’t want to get banned Jack A\$\$.” Welch responded, “oh Sis, I knew what you meant! I want to know who the f he thinks he is!” Kane replied, “oh I’m [mad emoji], f that guy. Trying to find him on FB this is his pic.” Kane’s reply included a Facebook account titled “Joseph Connelly,” showing an avatar of a Black faced cat. (See Exhibit 19.)

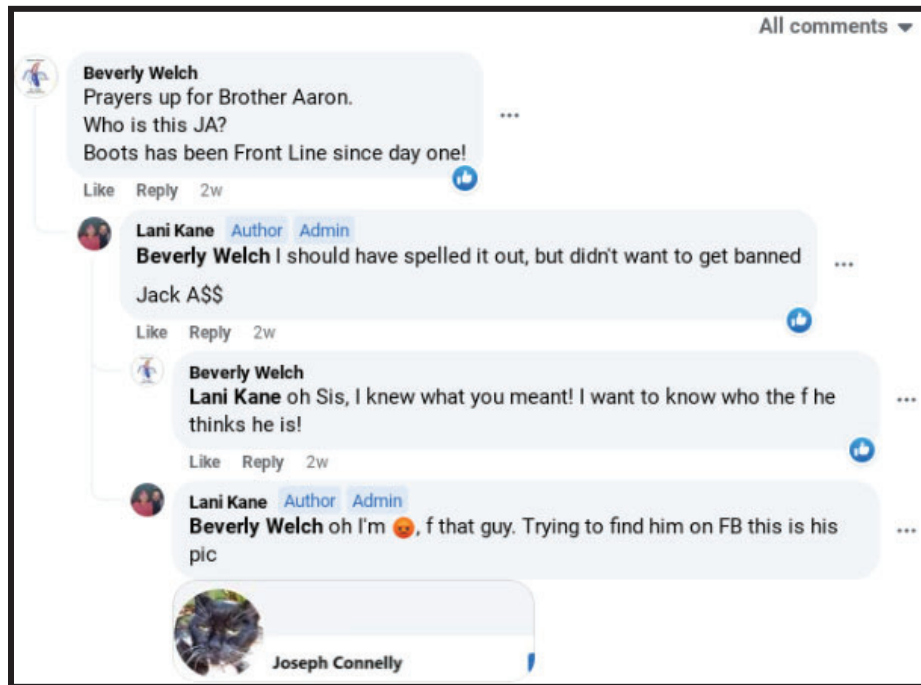


EXHIBIT 19
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

43. Other members replied with well wishes to Bate, to which Kane responded, in part, “He can’t post but he can still see the group.” (See Exhibit 20.)

44. El Dorado County member Tracy Doyle replied “Connelly is sick in the head. He needs to get some help”, “Connelly needs to stop stalking people”, and “Time to send cease and desist letters. Joe’s familiar with the court system in CA and Utah. Look him up. He’s a scumbag who stalks good people.” (See Exhibit 20.)

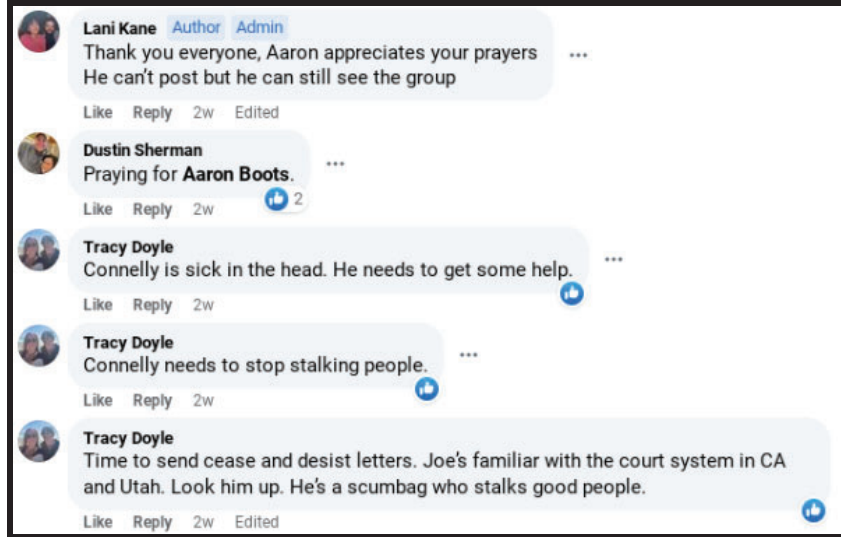


EXHIBIT 20
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

45. On July 29, 2022 Kane also posted, "This guy must have me blocked, cuz I can't find him but here's his profile - this picture suits him...he's a P*\$Sy for attacking Boots [angry emoji]." (See Exhibit 21.)

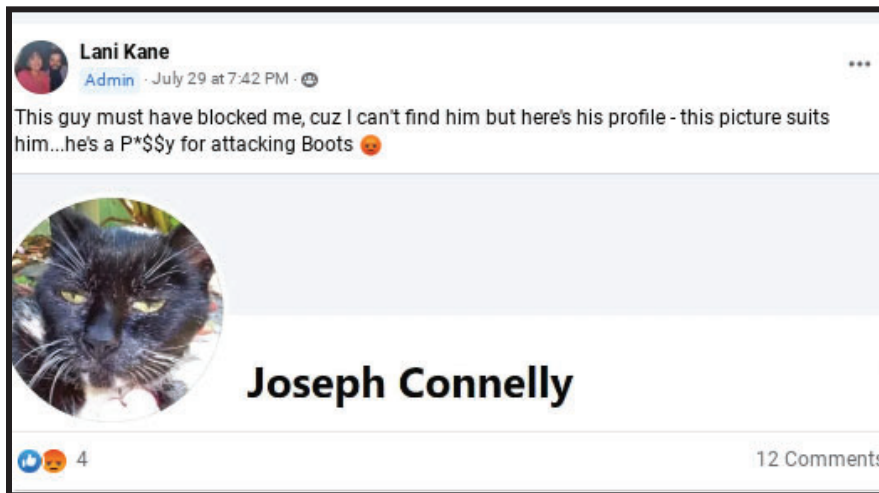


EXHIBIT 21
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

46. On July 30, 2022 “Val Freedom Lancaster” of BOTGC posted, “Lani Kane just a few of his photos, but I didn’t screenshot each individual photo.” “Sam Miller” of BOTGC replied, “To hell with that guy he just needs knocked in the head with some patriotism.” El Dorado County BOTGC member “Adam Dominguez” replied, “[Middle finger emojis] that guy. He’s been harassing conservatives around the County for awhile.” Kane replied, “I think he [Joseph Connelly] blocked me, this profile won’t come up.” (See Exhibits 22-24.)

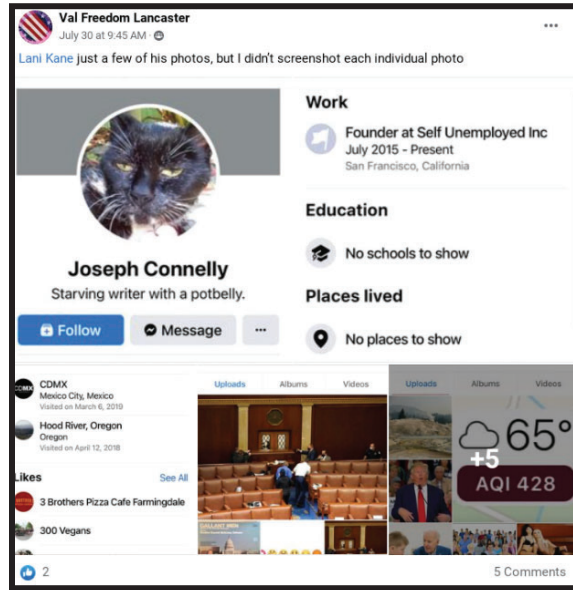


EXHIBIT 22

VAL FREEDOM FIGHTER BOTGC POST - JULY 30, 2022



EXHIBIT 23

SAM MILLER BOTGC POST - JULY 30, 2022

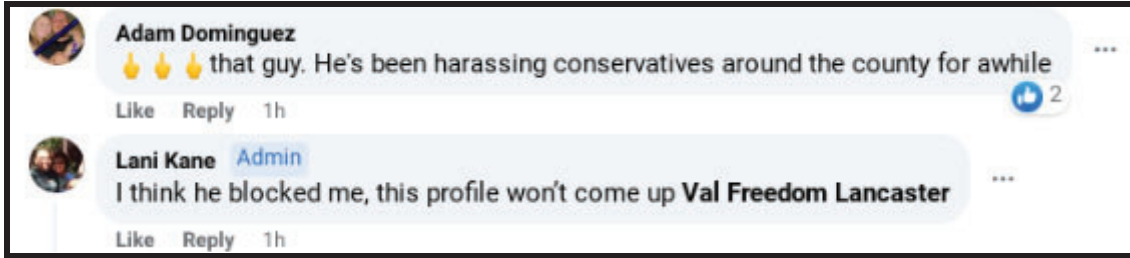


EXHIBIT 24

ADAM DOMINGUEZ, LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 30, 2022

47. As a former moderator with Lani Kane and Aaron Bate, Grimoldi would be aware of the BOTGC standards for moderation, and as a member she would have been able to read each of the preceding posts. There is no evidence that she or Bate intervened to stop potential online harassment of members of the public by BOTGC members.



County of El Dorado Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Additional Ordinance Code Violations by Linda Grimoldi

Joseph Connolly <retqmcs@gmail.com>

Tue, Aug 16, 2022 at 10:44 AM

To: County of El Dorado Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>, The BOSONE <bosone@edcgov.us>, bostwo@edcgov.us, BOS Three <bosthree@edcgov.us>, BOS Four <bosfour@edcgov.us>, Sue Novasel <bosfive@edcgov.us>, Donald Ashton <don.ashton@edcgov.us>, David Livingston <david.livingston@edcgov.us>, Vern Pierson <vern.pierson@edcgov.us>

Dear Supervisors: On March 22nd, you admonished Commissioner Grimoldi to stay off social media and warned her that if she became too political or partisan that you would remove her. You also admonished her for approving of public harassment, reminding Grimoldi that she is a direct reflection of the Board. Grimoldi's responses to your admonishments were not truthful, and she has maintained or continued those false statements since March 22nd. Her acts are not in keeping with your direction, the County's mission statement or its core values.

As documented herein, Grimoldi has not followed your direction or warning of the consequences. She continues to promote partisan causes, individuals and groups, and is a member of a group that has recently sought to harass me online--instead they apparently harassed others in the belief it was me, while Grimoldi remained silent to those acts.

I request you take appropriate action to refer the attached ordinance code violations by Grimoldi to the District Attorney and/or remove Grimoldi from public service because she will not abide by applicable standards. Doing nothing constitutes aiding and abetting under your Ordinance Code.

Sincerely, Joseph Connolly

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August 16, 2022

From: Joseph Connolly, M.A.

To: El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
Copy: El Dorado County Chief Administrative Officer
El Dorado County Counsel
El Dorado County District Attorney

Subj: Additional Commissioner Grimoldi Ordinance Code Violations

Dear Supervisors:

On July 26, 2022 I requested that you forward a list of alleged misdemeanor Ordinance Code violations by Commissioner Linda Grimoldi to the El Dorado County District Attorney for prosecution pursuant to Government Code, section 25132, subdivision (a).

I now request you do the same for additional violations as documented herein. Despite specific warnings to “stay off the social media” and to avoid “becoming political or partisan,” Commissioner Grimoldi ignored the Board’s direction by promoting a July 30, 2022 “Patriot Rally,” and making other political postings that include calling the President of the United States a “scumbag.”

Grimoldi also continues to support public harassment by her fellow members of the group “Boots on the Ground Cali,” who apparently harassed other persons online in the belief they were harassing me.

Grimoldi’s acts to promote partisan causes, groups, and individuals, and her approval of public harassment by those she is affiliated with, are not in keeping with the Board’s values, mission statement, or specific Board direction regarding her appointment.

You publicly warned Grimoldi prior to her appointment that if she “were becoming political or partisan ... do you understand that we will probably just remove you?” Because Grimoldi refuses to follow the Board’s direction you should now carry out the necessary consequence of immediately rescinding her appointment for the public good.

Sincerely,

s/Joseph Connolly

ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER GRIMOLDI ORDINANCE CODE VIOLATIONS

I. INTRODUCTION

On March 15, 2022 myself and others objected to the consent calendar appointment of Linda Grimoldi (“Grimoldi”) to the El Dorado County Commission on Aging, in part due to Grimoldi’s membership in the group “Boots on the Ground Cali” (BOTGC”).

The matter was continued to March 22, when the Board of Supervisors (“Board”) voted 5-0 to approve Grimoldi’s nomination.

Beforehand, the Board questioned Grimoldi’s veracity about not disclosing extremist ties. The Board warned Grimoldi to “stay off the social media,” telling her that if she were “becoming political or partisan ... do you understand that we will probably just remove you?” Grimoldi acknowledged the Board’s direction and replied, “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it.”

The Board also admonished Grimoldi for her approval of my being harassed by others and reminded Grimoldi that she was a direct reflection of the Board. Nevertheless, Grimoldi subsequently appeared before the Board to accuse me of committing criminal acts against her, and remained silent while extremist supporters, including six Proud Boys and the BOTGC founder, publicly harassed me in view of the Board and senior County officials.

On July 26, 2022 I submitted a list of alleged misdemeanor Ordinance Code violations by Commissioner Linda Grimoldi, requesting they be forwarded to the El Dorado County District Attorney for prosecution pursuant to Government Code, section 25132, subdivision (a).

Subsequently, Grimoldi has promoted political causes, events and individuals, and remained silent while fellow BOTGC members apparently harassed individuals online who they believed were me. These additional matters are also documented herein.

II.
REVIEW OF ORDINANCE CODE APPLICATIONS

The following sections of the El Dorado County Ordinance Code (“Code”) are noted for relevant application to potential misdemeanor violations by Grimoldi.¹

A.
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Terms: “The term “day” means the period of time between any 12:00 midnight and the 12:00 midnight following.” (Code, § 1.04.040.)

“The term “law” denotes applicable Federal law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, the ordinances of the County and, when appropriate, any and all rules and regulations which may be promulgated thereunder.” (*Ibid.*)

“The terms “must” and “shall” are each mandatory.” (*Ibid.*)

“The term “person” includes a natural person....” (*Ibid.*)

Applicability: “The provisions of this Code shall be construed in accordance with the rules set forth in this chapter, unless specifically provided otherwise in this Code.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.050.)

Rules of Construction: “All general provisions, terms, phrases and expressions contained in this Code shall be liberally construed in order that the true intent and meaning of the Board of Supervisors may be fully carried out. ...

“Captions and headings in this Code shall not be construed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of any of the provisions of this Code or of any amendments thereto. ...

“The notes, comments and references set forth at the end of any title, chapter, or section in this Code shall not, by virtue of their appearance upon the pages of this Code, be construed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of any of the provisions of this Code or of any amendments thereto. ...

¹ See Code at https://library.municode.com/ca/el_dorado_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=ELDOCOORCO.

“All words and phrases shall be construed according to the common and approved usage of the language, but technical words and phrases and such others as may have acquired a peculiar and appropriate meaning in the law shall be construed and understood according to the peculiar and appropriate meaning.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.060.)

Grammatical Interpretation: “In a provision involving two or more items, conditions, provisions or events, which items, conditions, provisions or events are connected by the conjunction “and,” “or” or “either ... or,” the conjunction shall be interpreted as follows, except that in appropriate cases the terms “or” and “and” are interchangeable:

1. “And” indicates that all the connected terms, conditions, provisions or events apply.
2. “Or” indicates that the connected terms, conditions, provisions or events apply singly or in any combination.
3. “Either ... or” indicates that the connected terms, conditions, provisions or events apply singly but not in combination.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.120(D).)

Prohibited acts including causing and permitting: “Whenever in the ordinances of the County any act or omission is made unlawful, it shall include causing, allowing, permitting, aiding, abetting, suffering or concealing the fact of the act or omission.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.140.)

Continuing Offenses: “Where the violation of a provision of this Code is, or can be, a continuing offense, each person violating the provision shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each day during any portion of which the violation is permitted or continued by such person.” (*Id.*, § 1.04.160.)

B.

CITATION OF VIOLATIONS

Chapter 1.16 of the Code specifies the conditions regarding a warrant of arrest “for the violation of any County ordinance which is punishable as a misdemeanor;” appearances; bail, arraignment, and disposition; and that a willful violation of a written promise to appear is a separate misdemeanor offense “regardless of the disposition of the charge upon which he or she was originally arrested.” (*Id.*, §§ 1.16.010-1.16.080.)

C.

GENERAL PENALTY

Violation deemed misdemeanor: “In this section the term “violation of the ordinances of the County” means any of the following:

1. Doing an act that is prohibited or made or declared unlawful, an offense, a violation, an infraction or a misdemeanor by ordinance or by rule or regulation authorized by ordinance.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.010(A)(1).)

“Except as otherwise provided by law or ordinance, and unless the violation of a particular ordinance is specified by that ordinance to be an infraction, any person violating any of the provisions or failing to comply with any of the mandatory requirements of the ordinances of the County shall be guilty of a misdemeanor unless, in the discretion of the prosecuting attorney or agency, the matter is alleged or charged as an infraction, in which case the matter shall proceed as an infraction. A violation of the ordinances of the County that is a misdemeanor shall be punishable by imprisonment in the County jail not exceeding six months or by a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00, or by both.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.010(C).)

Penalty for infraction: “Any person convicted of an infraction for violation of an ordinance of the County is punishable by:

1. A fine not exceeding \$100.00 for a first violation;
2. A fine not exceeding \$200.00 for a second violation of the same ordinance within one year;
3. A fine not exceeding \$500.00 for each additional violation of the same ordinance within one year.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.030(A).)

Continuing Violation: “Each such person shall be guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during any portion of which any violation of any provision of the ordinances of the County is committed, continued or permitted by any such person, and he or she shall be punished accordingly.” (*Id.*, § 1.24.040.)

D.

COUNTY COMMISSIONS

Term of Office: “Members of ... commissions ... shall take office upon their appointment and qualification for the board, commission or committee. ... All such appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors.” (*Id.*, § 2.20.010.)

E.

PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS AND WELFARE

Declaration of Purpose: “The Board of Supervisors ... finds that the enforcement of this Code (“Code”) throughout the County is an important public service, and enforcement of the Code is vital to the protection of the public’s health, safety, and quality of life. ... The procedures established in this chapter shall be in addition to any civil or any other legal remedy established by law, which may be pursued to address violations of the Code.” (*Id.*, § 9.02.010.)

Violations: “A. Any person who violates a provision of this chapter, or fails to comply therewith or with any of the requirements thereof, shall be subject to remedies available under this chapter and/or state law, including being cited by County staff. Whenever in this Code any act or omission is made unlawful, it shall include causing, maintaining, permitting, aiding, abetting, suffering, or concealing the fact of such act or omission.

B. All violations are misdemeanors. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense. Any person convicted of a misdemeanor under the provisions of this Code shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Unless provided otherwise and at the discretion of the District Attorney, the violation may be reduced to an infraction with maximum penalty of \$500.00. Pursuant to Government Code § 53069.4, if a violation is reduced to an infraction, the administrative fine shall not exceed the maximum fine or penalty amounts for infractions set forth in §§ 25132 and 36900.” (*Id.*, § 9.02.050(A)-(B).)

F.

FALSE REPORTS

Making False Statement: “It is unlawful for any person to knowingly falsify or conceal any fact, or make any false or fraudulent statement or misrepresentation in any matter or proceeding within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the County.” (*Id.*, § 9.04.010.)

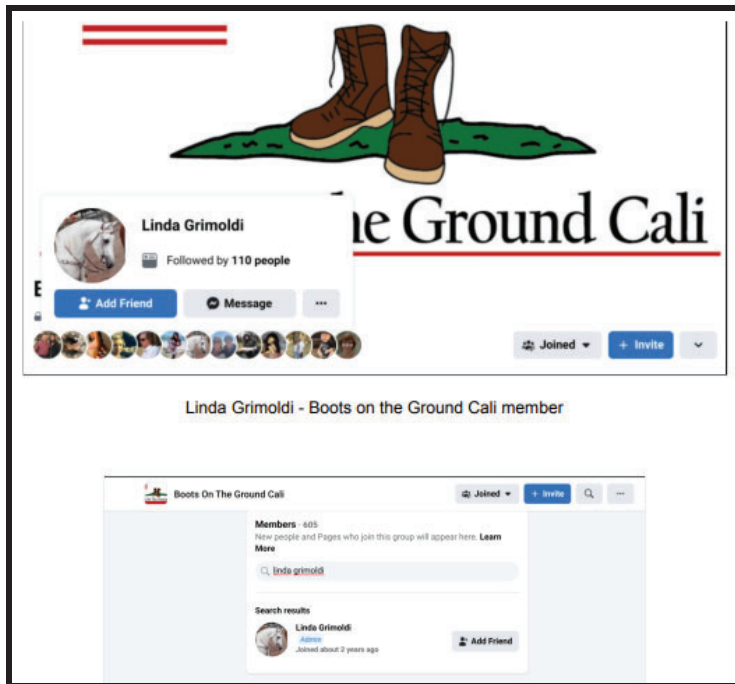
Penalty for Violation: “Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punishable according to the general penalties described in Chapter 1.24.” (*Id.*, § 9.04.030.)

**III.
ORDINANCE CODE VIOLATIONS**

The following ordinance code violations by Grimoldi occurred subsequently to those submitted to the Board of Supervisors on July 26, 2022. They are followed by documentation of her silence to BOTGC’s apparent public harassment towards others thought to be me. Grimoldi was admonished on March 22, 2022 for previously supporting public harassment of me by others, and was reminded that she is a direct reflection of the Board. (See footnote 2.)

**COUNT ONE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT -3/22/2022**

1. Grimoldi was a member of a Facebook group titled “Boots on the Ground Cali” at the time of her February 18, 2022 application for the El Dorado County Commission on Aging. The group’s Facebook account showed Grimoldi had joined BOTGC “about 2 years ago,” was “followed by 110 people,” and used the image of a white Arabian horse as her account avatar. (See Exhibit 1.)



**EXHIBIT 1
GRIMOLDI BOTGC MEMBERSHIP - FEBRUARY, 2022**

2. On March 22, 2022 the Board summoned Grimoldi before them for clarifying questions and Board comments prior to voting on her potential appointment.²

3. Before the Board asked clarifying questions, Grimoldi interjected, “Wait a minute. I want to say something. No, I am not a neo-Nazi. No, I’m not a Proud Boy. No, I’m not, and as far as Aaron [Bate] and Boots on the Ground, that’s a non-profit organization - has no affiliation with any of that.”

4. Supervisor Parlin said to Grimoldi, “First, I want to give you a word of caution, quite honestly, and you’re probably knowing what I’m going to say. Stay off the social media. ... I don’t foresee this happening, but if for some reason your behavior on the commission - the other commissioners felt you were becoming political or partisan - and I know you’re not going to, I get that. But if it does happen, do you understand that we will probably just remove you?”

5. Grimoldi replied to Supervisor Parlin, “Of course, but I understand. ... All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it.”

6. Supervisor Hidahl asked Grimoldi directly, “I have a question relative to the application. Did you feel that in filling out the application, your responsibility was to disclose memberships or associations with organizations that might be viewed as contrary to the needs of the United States of America? ... Did you feel when you filled out the application you should be identifying any of those organizations that might come into question?”

7. Grimoldi replied to Supervisor Hidahl, “No, because like I said, Boots on the Ground Cali is non-profit, and it’s run by a veteran. And he has no affiliation with any of those groups....”

8. Grimoldi did not disclose that Aaron Bate, founder of BOTGC, was a member of the Three Percenters group, and had personal affiliations with BOTGC members who were members of, or affiliated with, neo-Nazi organizations, the Proud Boys, and Three Percenters. An extensive summation of those links was submitted to the Board on April 25, 2022.³ (See e.g., Exhibits 2-4.)

² See https://eldorado.granicus.com/player/clip/1605?view_id=2&redirect=true, video time 5:19:05 - 5:29:00.

³ See Joseph Connolly letter, “Proud Boy Ricky Willden Plea - El Dorado County Implications,” dated April 25, 2022.



EXHIBIT 2
AARON BATE WITH PROUD BOYS GROUP PHOTO - SACRAMENTO, CA
NOVEMBER 21, 2020



EXHIBIT 3
AARON BATE - III% TATOO - 2019

PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT
RIGHT WING EXTREMIST RALLY
 Nov. 4th | 12 PM - 4 PM | STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Organized by members of the **Three Percenters** (a far-right group tied to terror attacks including a **Mosque bombing**) and **American Guard** (One of the **neo-Nazi** groups that marched in Charlottesville.)

EVENT ORGANIZERS:



Lindsay Grathwohl **Jeffrey Perrine** **Aaron Bate** **Chris Ross** **Dustin Sherman** **Jarod Flores**

Far-right gatherings often result in acts of hate and violence. Multiple organizers and attendees of this event have a history of participating in **street harassment** and **hate crimes**. They may frequent local bars and restaurants afterwards.

SAFETY TIPS:

- Stay vigilant of your surroundings
- Don't travel by foot alone, especially after dark
- Carry self defense items (pepper spray, etc.)
- Take extra precaution in public spaces (especially the downtown and midtown areas) if you feel you may be targeted

EXHIBIT 4

AARON BATE - 2018 EVENT WITH THREE PERCENTER & NEO-NAZIS AFFILIATES

9. On May 10, 2022, Bate entered the El Dorado County Government Center with four Proud Boys at approximately 1:15 p.m. (See Exhibit 5.)

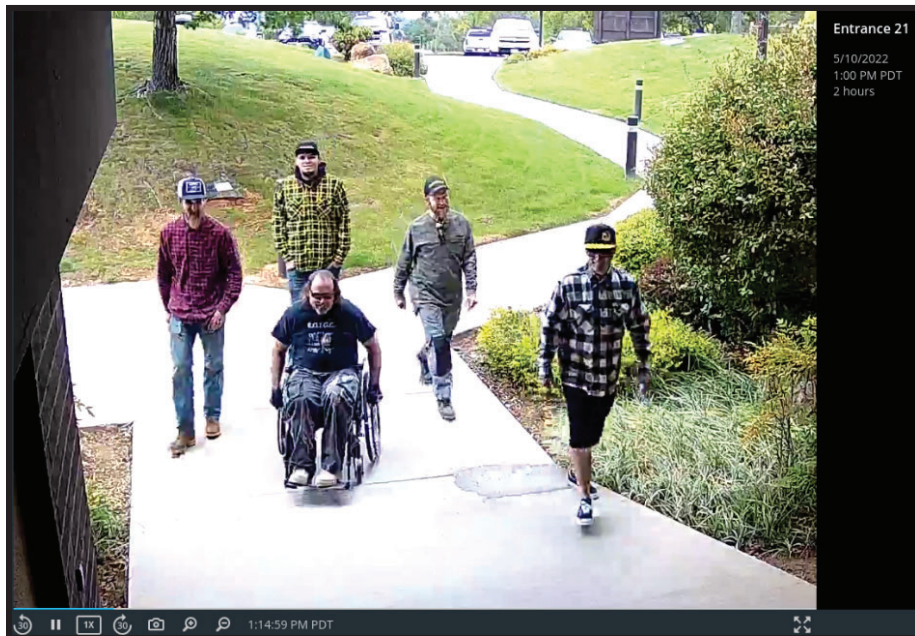


EXHIBIT 5

(L-R): JONATHAN LUDWICK, UNKNOWN, BATE (IN WHEELCHAIR), JEFF COPLEY, PATRICK KIEHL

10. Bate and the Proud Boys then entered the Board’s meeting room and harassed me in view of the Board, County Counsel, Chief Administrative Officer, Board Clerk, and members of the public, including several members of the El Dorado County Planning Commission. The identity of the Proud Boys, Bate, and the details of their harassment were submitted to the Board on May 17, 2022.⁴

11. As of August, 2022 Grimoldi remains a member of BOTGC. (See Exhibit 6.)

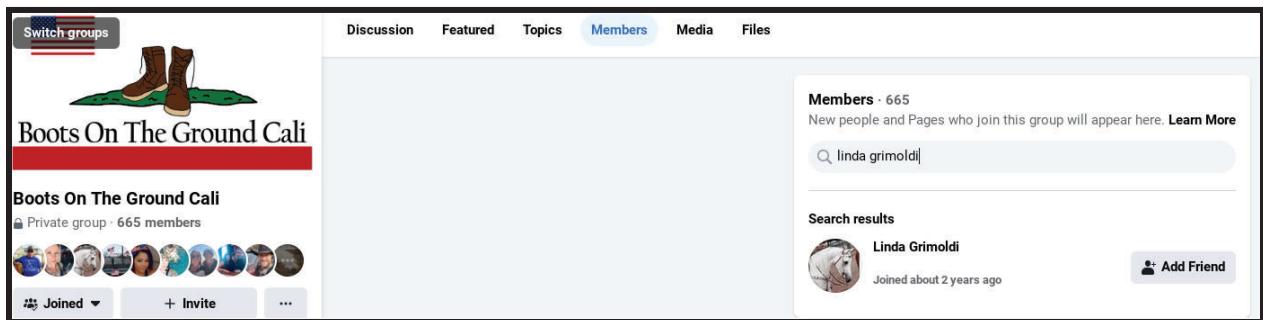


EXHIBIT 6
GRIMOLDI BOTGC MEMBERSHIP - AUGUST, 2022

12. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that Aaron Bate had “no affiliation with any of those groups,” and/or “has no affiliation with any of that,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT TWO
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

13. Paragraphs 1-12 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

14. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count One. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

⁴ See Joseph Connolly letter, “Ongoing Harassment in Board of Supervisors Chambers,” dated May 17, 2022.

COUNT THREE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

15. Paragraphs 1-14 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

16. On May 14, 2022, Bate and the unknown Proud Boy who joined him in the Board meeting room on May 10, 2022 appeared with political candidate Jason Paletta in Placerville, CA. (See paragraphs 9-10; Exhibit 7.)⁵



EXHIBIT 7
PLACERVILLE, CA POLITICAL RALLY - MAY 14, 2022
L-R: GREG HANNA, DEAN WHEELER, BATE (IN WHEELCHAIR),
UNIDENTIFIED PROUD BOY, JASON PALETТА

⁵ See page 18 of Joseph Connolly letter, "Ongoing Harassment in Board of Supervisors Chambers," dated May 17, 2022.

17. On or about the last week of July, 2022 Grimoldi made a Facebook post to promote and encourage attendance at a “Patriot Pride” rally (“Patriot Rally”), to be held at the California state Capitol on July 30, 2022. (See Exhibit 8.)



EXHIBIT 8
GRIMOLDI FACEBOOK POST - JULY, 2022

18. The Patriot Rally promotion included a BOTGC logo in the upper left corner, surrounded by the words “BOOTS ON THE GROUND CALI BOOTH.”

19. The Patriot Rally promotion also listed three failed political candidates: Derrick Gates (CA 36th Congressional District-2022), Jesus Cisneros (Long Beach City Council, District 2-2020), and Jason Paletta (CA State Assembly, 5th District-2022).⁶ Cisneros is also reportedly running for a California Congressional seat in 2024.⁷

20. The Patriot Rally was attended by Bate, who promoted Paletta’s appearance and took photographs with him. (See Exhibits 9-11.)

⁶ See e.g., https://ballotpedia.org/Derrick_Gates; https://ballotpedia.org/Jesus_Cisneros, https://ballotpedia.org/Jason_Paletta.

⁷ See e.g., <https://www.instagram.com/cisnerosforcongress/?hl=en>.



EXHIBIT 9
BATE FACEBOOK POST - JULY 18, 2022



EXHIBIT 10
PALLETA (LEFT), BATE (RIGHT)
PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022



EXHIBIT 11
BATE (LEFT), PALETTA (RIGHT)
PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022

21. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT FOUR
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

22. Paragraphs 1-21 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

23. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Three. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

COUNT FIVE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

24. Paragraphs 1-23 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

25. The Patriot Rally was live streamed by Proud Boy Eddie Block, who attended with other Proud Boys who were pictured alongside Bate. (See Exhibits 12-13.)^{8 9}



EXHIBIT 12
EDDIE BLOCK (LEFT), LINDA HANNA (RIGHT)
PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022

⁸ Extensive evidence of Eddie Block's membership in the Proud Boys, and his participation in the January 6, 2021 Proud Boy's leading of the attack on the U.S. Capitol, were submitted to the Board on April 25, 2022. See Joseph Connolly letter, "Proud Boy Ricky Willden Plea - El Dorado County Implications," dated April 25, 2022.

⁹ See Block's livestream at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mSEUcC5naz8&ab_channel=mediablackoutnews.



EXHIBIT 13
PROUD BOYS (LEFT, CENTER), BATE (RIGHT)
PATRIOT RALLY - SACRAMENTO, CA - JULY 30, 2022

26. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that Aaron Bate had “no affiliation with any of those groups,” and/or “has no affiliation with any of that,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT SIX
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

27. Paragraphs 1-26 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

28. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Five. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

COUNT SEVEN
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

29. Paragraphs 1-28 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

30. On August 13, 2022 Grimoldi made a Facebook post disparaging the President of the United States, which stated “Please show support for our Border Patrol Horse Unit, who is being punished by our scumbag President, even though they have been cleared of any wrongdoing.” Grimoldi’s post showed she was “[f]ollowed by 113 people.” (See Exhibit 14.)

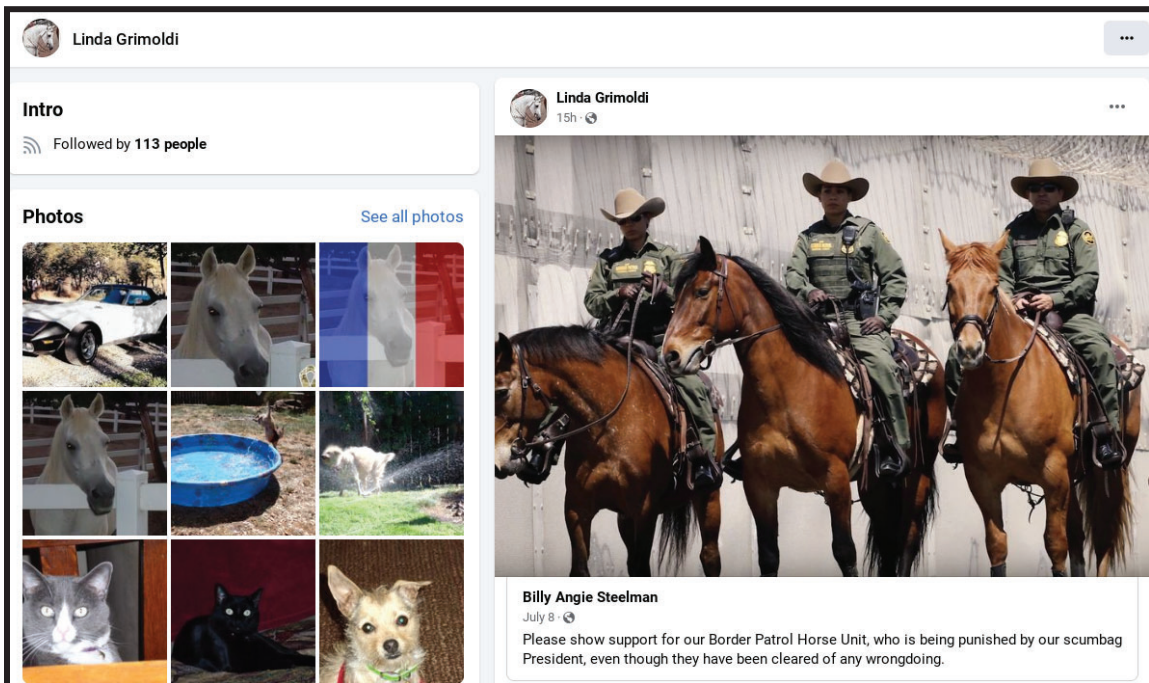


EXHIBIT 14
GRIMOLDI FACEBOOK POST - AUGUST 13, 2022

31. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

COUNT EIGHT
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022

32. Paragraphs 1-31 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

33. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Seven. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

COUNT NINE
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 3/22/2022

34. Paragraphs 1-33 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

35. On August 13, 2022 Grimoldi made a Facebook post promoting a political event for the El Dorado County Republican Party, emphasizing, “DON’T BE LEFT OUT AND REGRET MISSING OUR PARTY.” Grimoldi’s post showed she was “[f]ollowed by 113 people.” (See Exhibit 15.) (emphasis added.)



EXHIBIT 15
GRIMOLDI FACEBOOK POST - AUGUST 13, 2022

36. On March 22, 2022 Grimoldi knowingly falsified or concealed facts, or made false or fraudulent statements or misrepresentations, that “All my friends, no political, ever. We don’t talk anything. ... And I just don’t do it,” in the matters of her appointment to the Commission on Aging. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 9.02.050(A), 9.04.010.)

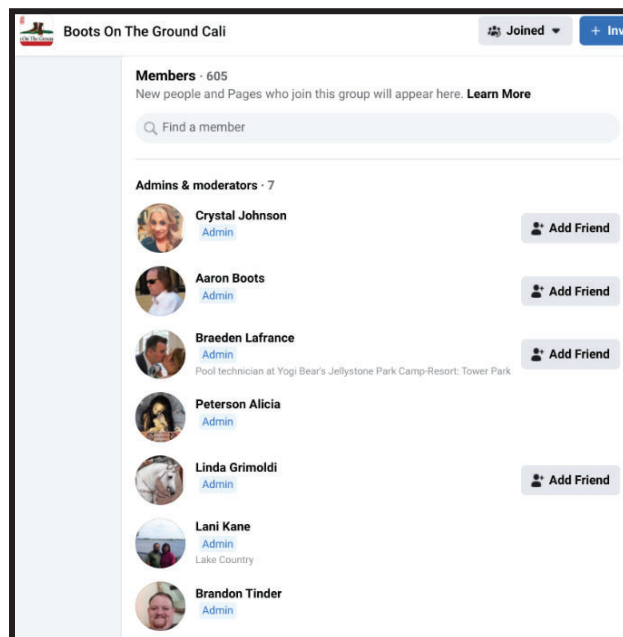
**COUNT TEN
MAKING FALSE STATEMENT - 8/16/2022**

37. Paragraphs 1-36 are re-alleged and incorporated as though set forth herein.

38. From March 23, 2022 through August 16, 2022 – a period of 147 days – Grimoldi knowingly maintained or continued the false statements as alleged in Count Nine. (Code, §§ 1.04.140, 1.04.160, 1.24.040, 9.02.050(A)-(B), 9.04.010.)

**IV.
GRIMOLDI’S CONDONING OF PUBLIC HARASSMENT**

39. In February, 2022 Grimoldi was both a member of BOTGC and one of its “Admins & moderators.” Other moderators included Aaron Boots (aka Aaron Bate) and Lani Kane (See Exhibit 16.)



**EXHIBIT 16
BOTGC ADMINS & MODERATORS - FEBRUARY, 2022**

40. In August, 2022 Bate and Kane remained listed as BOTGC “Admins & moderators” but Grimoldi was not. (See Exhibit 17.)

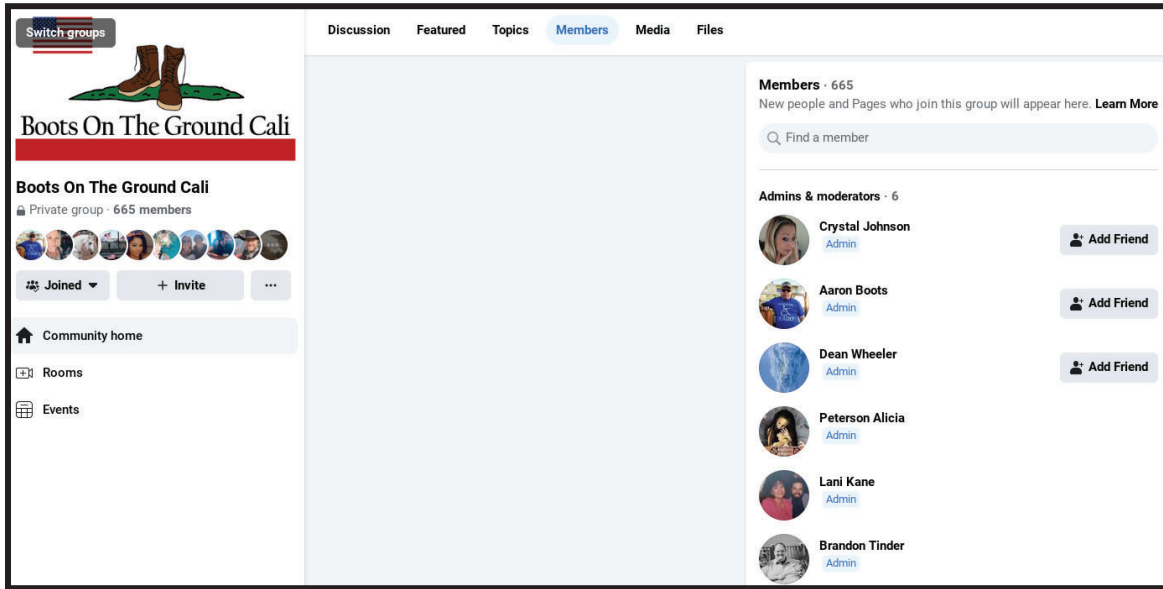


EXHIBIT 17
BOTGC ADMINS & MODERATORS - AUGUST, 2022

41. On July 29, 2022 Lani Kane posted the following message to BOTGC: “Alright Brother & Sisters I’m asking for prayers for Aaron Boots he has been having some health issues, that has him NOT at 100 - Plus I’m super pissed Joe Connelly [sic] has been attacking what Boots & Aaron has done for many communities during disasters. This JA needs to understand that Boots has done so much for people! He needs to STOP his slander of my brother! I will not put up with this Bull Shit!” (See Exhibit 18.)



EXHIBIT 18
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

42. “Beverly Welch” of BOTGC replied, asking “Who is this JA?” to which Lane replied, “I should have spelled it out, but didn’t want to get banned Jack A\$\$.” Welch responded, “oh Sis, I knew what you meant! I want to know who the f he thinks he is!” Kane replied, “oh I’m [mad emoji], f that guy. Trying to find him on FB this is his pic.” Kane’s reply included a Facebook account titled “Joseph Connelly,” showing an avatar of a Black faced cat. (See Exhibit 19.)

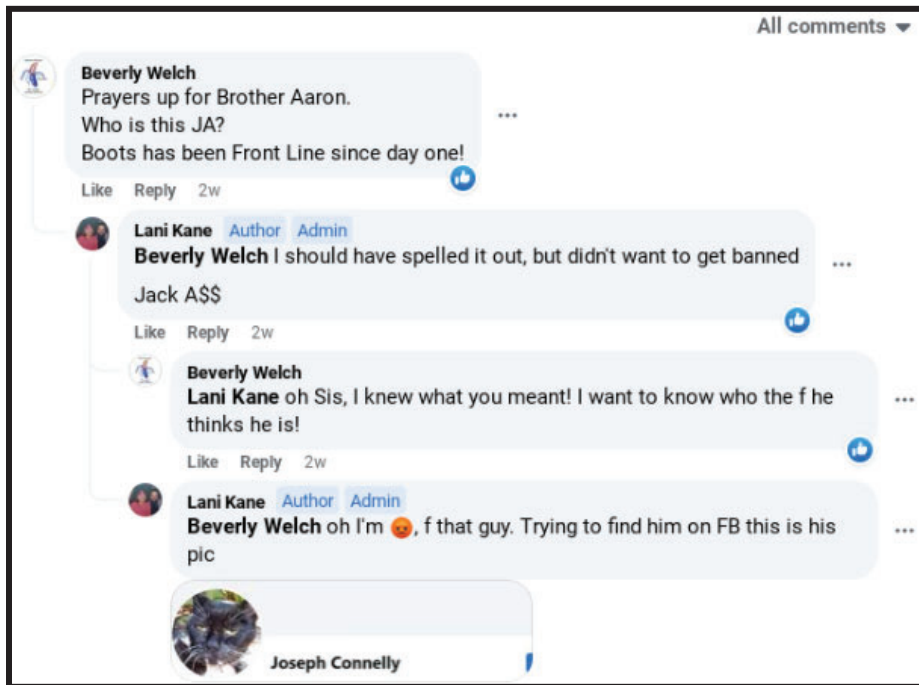


EXHIBIT 19
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

43. Other members replied with well wishes to Bate, to which Kane responded, in part, “He can’t post but he can still see the group.” (See Exhibit 20.)

44. El Dorado County member Tracy Doyle replied “Connelly is sick in the head. He needs to get some help”, “Connelly needs to stop stalking people”, and “Time to send cease and desist letters. Joe’s familiar with the court system in CA and Utah. Look him up. He’s a scumbag who stalks good people.” (See Exhibit 20.)

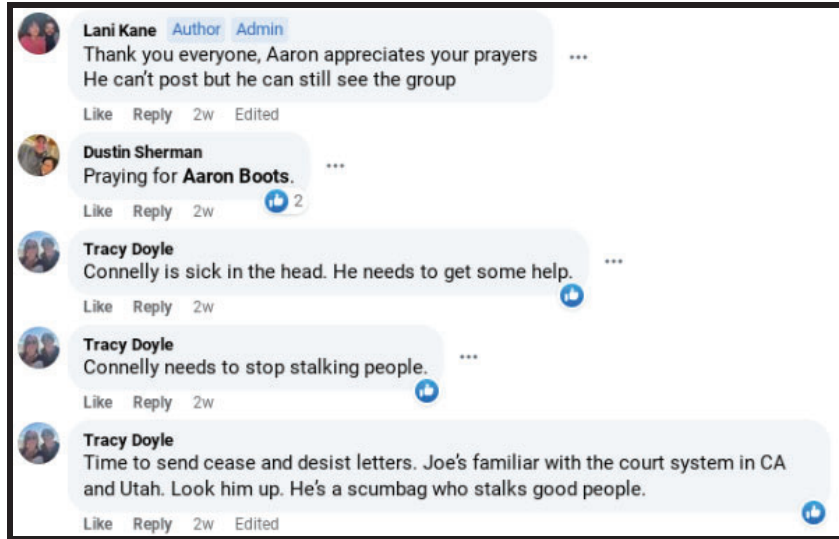


EXHIBIT 20
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

45. On July 29, 2022 Kane also posted, "This guy must have me blocked, cuz I can't find him but here's his profile - this picture suits him...he's a P*\$Sy for attacking Boots [angry emoji]." (See Exhibit 21.)

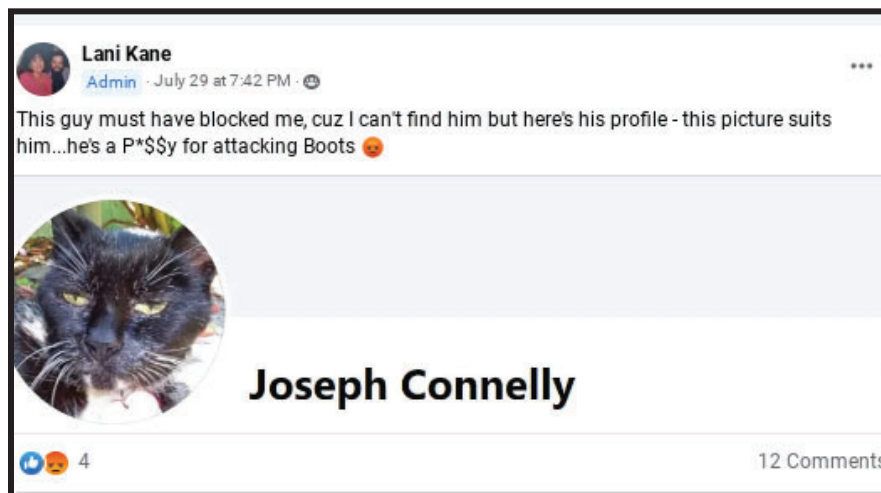


EXHIBIT 21
LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 29, 2022

46. On July 30, 2022 “Val Freedom Lancaster” of BOTGC posted, “Lani Kane just a few of his photos, but I didn’t screenshot each individual photo.” “Sam Miller” of BOTGC replied, “To hell with that guy he just needs knocked in the head with some patriotism.” El Dorado County BOTGC member “Adam Dominguez” replied, “[Middle finger emojis] that guy. He’s been harassing conservatives around the County for awhile.” Kane replied, “I think he [Joseph Connelly] blocked me, this profile won’t come up.” (See Exhibits 22-24.)

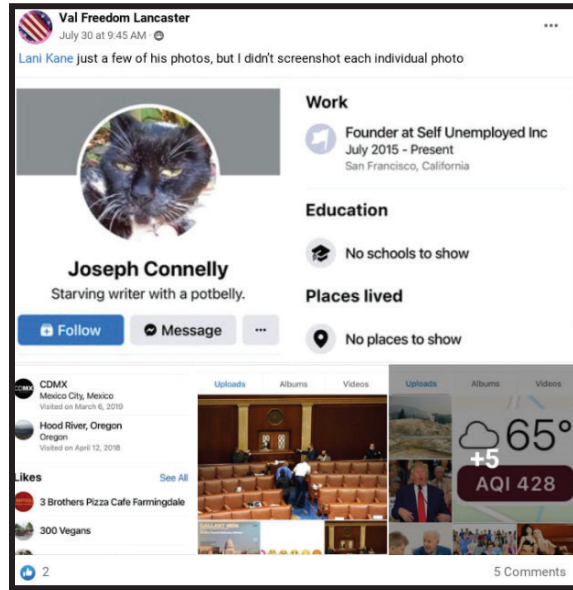


EXHIBIT 22
VAL FREEDOM FIGHTER BOTGC POST - JULY 30, 2022



EXHIBIT 23
SAM MILLER BOTGC POST - JULY 30, 2022

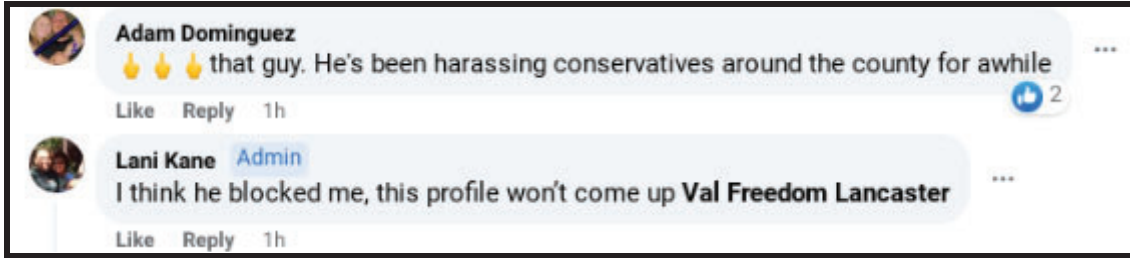


EXHIBIT 24

ADAM DOMINGUEZ, LANI KANE BOTGC POST - JULY 30, 2022

47. As a former moderator with Lani Kane and Aaron Bate, Grimoldi would be aware of the BOTGC standards for moderation, and as a member she would have been able to read each of the preceding posts. There is no evidence that she or Bate intervened to stop potential online harassment of members of the public by BOTGC members.



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8/16/22 BOS Open Forum comments - Parlin/Taxpayers Association vendetta, retaliation

2 messages

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Lori, et al,

Below you will find my public comments entered into the record during today's BOS Open Forum. During yesterday's Taxpayers Association meeting Andy Nevis again refused to recognize me during the debate about the Homeless Navigation Center, thus he deprived me the blessings of freedom. Additionally Todd White refuses to provide me with the schedule of speakers and other documents he is required by law to make available to the public.

As you are aware, my family members are the founders of Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa which is now the largest non-denominational church in America. I personally know Pastor Mike McClure of Calvary Chapel San Jose. About two years ago I shared with Pastor Mike and his legal team the same information regarding the Flynn's Constitutional Affidavit process that we shared with you, Sue Taylor and Carol Louis during our 2-hour conference call in my home several years ago. It should also interest you to know that after I returned home today the following press release appeared in my inbox. This should serve as a warning to the EDC BOS and other staff to abide by your sacred oaths of office:

[Calvary Chapel San Jose and Pastor Mike McClure Sue Santa Clara County Counsel James Williams for Unlawful Retaliation](#)

Pastor Mike McClure and Calvary Chapel San Jose sued Santa Clara County, Dr. Sara Cody, James Williams and the Board of Supervisors for implementing and enforcing unconstitutional COVID-19 public health orders. Santa Clara County was the first county to issue a shelter-in-place order and has implemented the most aggressive fine system. The county seeks to collect 2.87 million dollars in COVID-19 fines from the church, even though the Supreme Court has admonished California five times and held their orders as applied to churches were violative of the First Amendment. Plaintiffs seek to enjoin the Defendants from collecting one penny and seek a judgement that the Defendants violated the First Amendment and the Excessive Fines Clause of the Eighth Amendment.

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Sincerely,

Melody Lane

Founder – Compass2Truth

“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 ~

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Fifty years ago, Supreme Court Justice William Douglas asked: *“Since when have we Americans been expected to bow submissively to authority and speak with awe and reverence to those who represent us? The constitutional theory is that we the people are the sovereigns, the state and federal officials only our agents. **We who have the final word can speak softly or angrily.** We can seek to challenge and annoy, as we need not stay docile and quiet...At the constitutional level, speech need not be a sedative; it can be disruptive...**A function of free speech under our system of government is to invite dispute.** It may indeed best serve its high purpose when it induces a condition of unrest, creates dissatisfaction with conditions as they are, or even stirs people to anger.”* In other words, the Constitution does not require Americans to be servile to government officials.

Lori, you’ve arrogantly exalted yourself above the citizens whom you profess to serve. You’ve mocked EDC Core Values, you’ve mocked me, and you’ve mocked God. The Constitution was established on the premise of inalienable rights given by God the Creator. Rights are not granted by government; they are embedded in the precepts of God Almighty and bestowed upon His creation. **Free speech is central to Christianity.** The Apostle Paul prayed in Ephesians 6:20 that he “may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.” But when government is against God, we must respond as the Apostle Peter by saying, “We must obey God rather than man.”

It is a fact that Andy Nevis is being groomed by Comrade Parlin to deprive me of the blessings of freedom by unlawfully emulating her liberal ideologies and cancel culture. It is a fact Andy colluded with Lori to unethically use the Association for their own political purposes, and everyone knows their vendetta against me for whistleblowing.

The BOS also knows Todd White, a counterfeit Christian and RINO who has publicly hurled profanities at me, participated in Andy’s private meetings to oust me from the Association because I’ve had the temerity to expose the works of darkness to the light of Truth. It is a matter of public record that Todd refuses to provide public services or benefits of membership in the Association. And it was Democrat Carol Louis who hatefully scorned, *“You’ve taken your advocacy and you have moved it into a form of bullying with the First Amendment and all this SHIT that you put out.”*

Such abuse of power is evidence of Marxist totalitarianism hammering nails in the coffin of this Republic, and it is the linchpin of the Democrat Party's **anti-American socialist** agenda. Your abysmal failure to support the rights of the people makes the entire BOS complicit and liable. God calls it SIN, and the Supreme Judge over all of us knows the Truth. He knows that when you profess to be supporting and defending the Constitution, you are not being truthful.

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Thank you. Appropriate public comment provided for upcoming agenda items will be added to the corresponding file.

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