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A few minutes later, a guest arrived who had been invited, by Carol, to attend the meeting. However, Carol Louis and Lee Tannenbaum firmly stood against the locked door blocking our access into the room. State laws and fire safety codes say it is unlawful to lock doors or obstruct access to any restaurant facilities. The Manager then called the owner of Denny's who instructed him to open the locked door permitting us to enter the room.

After he unlocked the door, Lee and Carol deliberately moved to block the entrance again. Fraudulently proclaiming that I wasn't a member, and prohibiting our entrance into the room, Carol came at me like a raging bull, pushing forcefully and causing me to stumble backwards. As she shut the door, Carol and Lee resumed their positions obstructing our passage into the room. Multiple witnesses gave statements to the police about the unwarranted altercation. The Manager also permitted the Police to record the incident directly from Denny's surveillance cameras.

While it is true that the BOS has no authority over individual members of the non-profit association, you do bear a responsibility to ensure HR acts when employees or BOS agents violate their oaths and public policies. Once you have been apprised of wrong-doing, but fail to take corrective action, then the county becomes complicit and liable. The solution is quite simple: just do the RIGHT thing in the first place.

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## Today I

Carol Louis and Lee Tannenbaum have risen to the most elitist group in El Dorado County. Members include retired Sheriff D'Agostini, George Turnboo, Wendy Thomas, Lori Parlin, retired CAO Don Ashton, Kris Payne, Andy Nevis, Kevin McCarty, Fran Duchamp and our many department heads, if all were listed, would make this declaration extremely long.

Today we stopped Melody Lane from entering a closed, members only, business meeting for the Taxpayers Association of  $\boxminus$  Dorado County, she was stopped at the door so she could not enter. Melody, in Melody fashion, called the Placerville police to come and protect her in her typical narcistic persona.

She was asked to move out of the doorway so we could close the door, she yelled that she was being abused by not being able to enter.

She had disrupted a previous business meeting by standing in the middle of the room and yelling at our President and Secretary, to the point we had to adjourn before we were finished.

I feel that Lee and I, joining these members in this elistist club, are in great company. Move over guys.



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