

2/18/10

Supervisor Nutting

Attached, AS Requested, are copies of  
The e-mails we Have received as of  
Last evening

Respectfully  
Tom Gohe

Subj: RE: Urgent clarification re veteran status-- help! (UNCLASSIFIED)  
 Date: 2/17/10 11:19:11 AM Pacific Standard Time  
 From: [jeff.thomason@us.army.mil](mailto:jeff.thomason@us.army.mil)  
 To: [Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED  
 Caveats: NONE

Mr. Thomas E Soike [REDACTED]

One of the 5 documents Mr. Del Taylor faxed (530.626.6926) to you on 30 November 2009, was SPECIAL ORDERS (SO) NUMBER 104 dated 6 June 1969 - Headquarters Military Department, State Of Arizona, Office of the Adjutant General (TAG), Phoenix Arizona. SO 104 is an official document of Major General Jackson Bogel, TAG (Commander of the Arizona Army and Air National Guard). It cites the Type of discharge: HONORABLE and you are considered a veteran for that period of service noted on the NGB Form 22 that was also faxed on the 30th.

I join with Mr. Taylor (now retired) and thank you for your HONORABLE service to the Army National Guard of Arizona and the United States of America. Thanks to your Dad and your Brother for their selfless service to this Grateful Nation.

Jeff Thomason  
 Administrative Assistant  
 Records Holding  
 Joint Forces Headquarters - Arizona  
 [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com) [mailto:[Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com)]  
 Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2010 10:57 AM  
 To: [del.taylor@az.ngb.army.mil](mailto:del.taylor@az.ngb.army.mil)  
 Subject: Urgent clarification re veteran status-- help!

Del, thanks for your help with my service record that you faxed to me on 11/30/09 (Thomas E Soike service # NG28044658). Despite being discharged honorably with the notation that my service was "honest and faithful", because my service was so short (1 month 16 days), certain members of the [REDACTED] Veterans Memorial Committee are challenging my status as a "veteran". I understood you to tell me that because I was discharged "honorably", I am considered a "veteran", certainly not a veteran of foreign wars but a veteran nonetheless. We are somewhat flummoxed by a recent statement by two [REDACTED] members that "Soike had to be activated and serve 6 months" in order to be considered a "veteran".

For purpose of our family bench at the Veterans Memorial (my Dad served in Antwerp Belgium Battle of the Bulge and my brother in Korea and Vietnam), to include my own name (with reference to my service in the Army National Guard) with my inscription to them, I'd have to be a "veteran". I thought I was; am I mistaken?

Wednesday, February 17, 2010 America Online: Katlibicki



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE U.S.  
SIERRA NEVADA POST NO. 2680  
P. O. Box 100  
Placerville, California 95667

2/14/10

To the family of Tom Soike

Re: Soike Family Bench Engraving Request  
Board of Supervisors Meeting 2/23/10, 9:30am

Post 2680 Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States of America supports your engraving request at the El Dorado County Veteran's Memorial. We give our sincere wishes that the Board of Supervisors will approve your request. We are still "one nation under God," and we are not afraid to say so.

County Counsel lacks the fortitude to stand up to the kinds of frivolous law suits filed by the ACLU and self-proclaimed atheists like Michael Newdow. The advice of County Counsel to make the words "God" and "Heaven" a legal taboo is no doubt based upon intentions to save a cash-strapped County budget the monetary pain of defending against these types of law suits. It should be mentioned that Mr. Newdow has not won any of his legal suits to take God out of the Pledge of Allegiance nor off of our legal currency.

We have reviewed your proposed engraving request and find that it contains no religious symbols, quotations or prayers and it does not endorse or support any one certain religion. There are many scholars who do not buy the division of church and state arguments based upon the lack of any such division when our Constitution was written and the intent thereof.

With regard to "God" and other religious inscriptions on our government's properties, I would suggest that you, the Board of Supervisors, County Counsel and the Friends of the Monument read "Rediscovering God in America" by Newt Gingrich. It will open your eyes as to how big of a role God plays at our highest offices and monuments. This includes religious quotes from the Bible, religious paintings, the Ten Commandments, mentions of God and yes, even Heaven. I will name only three:

Atop the Washington Monument capstone will be found the words "Laus Deo" (Praise be to God) to be seen only from the heavens above. On the tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery you will find engraved "Here Rests In Honored Glory An American Soldier Known But To God". On the White House fireplace mantle you will find "I pray to [heaven] to bestow the best of blessings on this house and all that hereafter inhabit it. May none but honest and wise men ever rule under this roof" President John Adams.

If the purpose of our Memorial is to honor our Veterans, it would be shameful if we deny two of our former (deceased) members of The Veteran's of Foreign Wars who served in Korea, Vietnam and in World War II at the Battle of the Bulge their bench.

The Soike family should be refunded \$3,500 if they are denied their engraving request. None of the other benches, plaques, bricks, etc. appears to include the words "God" and "Heaven." If the Board of Supervisors lacks the fortitude to stand up for what is right, I would offer the following compromise if we must live in fear of saying the words "God" and "Heaven":

"I've tasted freedom and fought through the pain of these wars and wondered if somehow the something I've given could somehow have been something more"

You can try to take God out of our Pledge of Allegiance and off of our legal currency but you can't take God out of our Military. Every enlistee must take an oath under US Code Title 10 Section 5(a) which includes the words "So Help Me God". All of our Armed Services Troops must follow Article VI of the US Military Code of Conduct which states: "I will never forget that I am an American, fighting for freedom, responsible for my actions, and dedicated to the principals which made my country free. I will trust in my God and in the United States of America."

Sincerely,

Larry E. Zumwalt, Commander VFW Post 2680  
(530) 644-1186

Cc: Rich Buchannon, Friends of the Monument  
Cc: Ray Nutting, District II, Board of Supervisors  
Cc: Bill Schultz & Ed Swanson, Veterans Services Dept.  
Cc: Robert Primicerio, VFW 2680 Website Newsletter

Subj: **Show of support**  
Date: 2/12/10 12:10:38 PM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [mountainrepublic@yahoo.com](mailto:mountainrepublic@yahoo.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

Hello Tom,

I read about your story in The Gold Panner and I have posted it on my blog. My blog is called *Mountain Republic*. I expect at least 5-6 other blogs will also pick up the story and help get the word out for you. It is hard to believe that this issue even needs to be addressed, but I see it with increasing frequency.

Please use this email as a show of my support for your right to have your family bench inscribed as you wish. The County has NO right to impose this type of restriction upon you. Feel free to link to the blog or copy the content if you need to. Anything I can do to help you out, please let me know.

I will try to be in attendance on Feb.23. Good luck in your fight to restore some sanity to El Dorado County. God Bless America.

Sincerely,

*Mountain Republic*

<http://mountainrepublic.wordpress.com>

here's a link to the post: <http://mountainrepublic.wordpress.com/2010/02/12/tom-soike-needs-our-help/>

Subj: **God**  
Date: 2/12/10 6:10:27 PM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [rayhamlett@comcast.net](mailto:rayhamlett@comcast.net)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)  
CC: [rayhamlett@hotmail.com](mailto:rayhamlett@hotmail.com)

What is wrong with these Godless Sub Humans? Vets Love God,Jesus,Holy Spirit,,Period! I'll Pray on it. And I'll try to get there! Ray Hamlett Camino.

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Subj: **Fw: Support bench**  
Date: 2/12/10 11:08:16 AM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [Julie.Menke@chw.edu](mailto:Julie.Menke@chw.edu)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

----- Original Message -----

From: Menke, Julie - SAC  
To: 'katlibiki@aol.com' <[katlibiki@aol.com](mailto:katlibiki@aol.com)>  
Sent: Fri Feb 12 12:07:10 2010  
Subject: Support bench

I support the right for Tom to have the bench inscribed exactly as he wished. There is nothing illegal about his words. The constitution provides us freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The "state" in this county government has overstepped their bonds by trying to provide some protection from Tom's free speech and protection from religion.

The constitution never intended nor do current laws allow the government such onerous protection. They are clearly infringing on Tom's rights, and with no legal right to do so.

I support the bench inscription.

**Subj:** Gold Panner  
**Date:** 2/12/10 9:09:50 PM Pacific Standard Time  
**From:** [hstickler@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hstickler@sbcglobal.net)  
**To:** [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

I am very sorry that your family has had to go thru this 'Politically Correct' nightmare. These same people that are saying NO to you are the same ones that weekly, biweekly, or monthly receive monies with the word 'GOD' on them. If they really believe in still saying no to you, then they should return those contaminated monies. They did take money. If they don't accept the words God or Heaven, then don't sit on your bench. The same way people have their own faith or beliefs and don't practice others, and don't force others to disbelieve theirs. I wish you the best in your battle. Harry Stickler



Subj: **Tom Soike**  
Date: 2/12/10 2:40:53 PM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [a\\_msg2mel@yahoo.com](mailto:a_msg2mel@yahoo.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

I learned about Tom Soike who bought a family bench for the veterans memorial and that their loving inscription is being subjected to editing. I object to this editing - and find it outrageous.

The inscription's words are beautiful - they provide meaning to their family - they are not offensive, derisive or derogatory. The words are personal and poignant.

I am not religious and do not believe in god or heaven, but none of that matters, this is not my bench - and if I did read the words I would only know how much this memorial means to the family.

I do not believe that the words would bother any sane, rational, intelligent, compassionate human being, especially at a memorial - for the ones that fought for our freedoms!

I sincerely encourage the decision makers to reconsider and allow freedom of speech on a memorial bench - if I were not teaching a class in Sacramento I would be attending the meeting.

Ray Nutting: Please do the right thing for this family.

Mel Harris  
Georgetown

Subj: **family bench**  
Date: 2/13/10 9:46:14 AM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [awsomeyvone@yahoo.com](mailto:awsomeyvone@yahoo.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

yes hello have you contacted <http://www.aclj.org/> [jay sekulow ] i think he would be a big help  
this isnt right wheres are freedom of speech yvonne

Subj: **family bench**  
Date: **2/12/10 12:47:37 PM Pacific Standard Time**  
From: **[georgetowndivide@att.net](mailto:georgetowndivide@att.net)**  
To: **[katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)**

*Mr. Soike,  
You have our support in your fight against El Dorado County's restriction on your family's bench.  
America is still a free county.*

*The Georgetown Divide  
<http://georgetowndivide.wordpress.com/>*

Subj: **Gold Panner 2-12-10 Plea**  
Date: 2/13/10 11:37:03 AM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [gottshank@yahoo.com](mailto:gottshank@yahoo.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

Dear Mr. Soike,

I read your plea for support for your bench inscription. There is an organization called The Alliance Defense Fund, a Christian legal defense group. Their phone number is 1-800-TELL-ADF. I would suggest calling them on Monday or Tuesday. They might at the very least be able to give you an idea as to how to defend you position. And at the best even send someone as a spokesperson on your behalf. We actually tried to e-mail them using the e-mail on the contribution form I have, but was not successful.

At any rate, you can add my support and the support of my husband, Daryl Shankles, for the inscription you wish to use. My e-mail is [ll-gg@live.com](mailto:ll-gg@live.com).

Sincerely,  
Linda Gottschalk-Shankles  
Resident of El Dorado Co. for 34 years.

Subj: **Family Bench/ veterans memorial**  
Date: **2/13/10 9:41:48 AM Pacific Standard Time**  
From: **[profftfamily@hotmail.com](mailto:profftfamily@hotmail.com)**  
To: **[kattibicki@aol.com](mailto:kattibicki@aol.com)**

Dear Mr. Soike,

I read your story on the front of the Goldpanner, and I have a thought for you. The American Center For Law and Justice would probably take this up for no charge. I was going to contact them myself, on your behalf, but you haven't asked me to, so I didn't know if it would be honest to do so. They have a link to contact them and give them the pertinent information. It is <https://www.aclj.org/Contact/> You could just cut and paste this in your browser.

If you want me to contact them on your behalf, I would be happy to.

I'm sorry you have to go through this bunch of crap to get what you paid for. I always thought the first amendment said "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion, or free exercise thereof." I didn't know there was anything about benches or God mentioned in there. If your are able, let me know if I can help in any way, and let me know how things turn out.

Sincerely,  
Jeff Proft

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Hotmail: Powerful Free email with security by Microsoft. [Get it now.](#) =

**Subj: FW: Veteran's Memorial**  
**Date: 2/15/10 2:35:02 PM Pacific Standard Time**  
**From: [heritageusa@jps.net](mailto:heritageusa@jps.net)**  
**To: [kattibicki@aol.com](mailto:kattibicki@aol.com)**

Dear Mr. Soike;

I read this last weeks Goldpanner with total shock and disbelief at the problem you are having with the county officials over your extremely generous contribution. I moved up here when I retired because since I was a child, I always looked forward to coming up for the weekend and summer stays because everyone was so friendly and helpful.

It is beyond belief that people in our county offices have now become so self-important and concerned about what one or two individuals in the total county might think about the use of the word God in the lines of a dedication. If only these same people would refuse to accept their pay for their jobs because every monetary bill contains the words "In God We Trust".

I am not an outwardly religious man, but the same as the far too many men and women that have died in all our wars; I would gladly give up my life to protect your rights, and my own, to enjoy the life of freedom we all take far too much for granted.

I ask from you what I can do to be of assistance. If you send me a list of all the individuals involved, I will personally call, e mail, and fax them my feelings and beliefs of what your rights are as an American Citizen.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully Yours;  
Larry Martinelli  
President and CEO  
Heritage Corporation  
Direct personal phone line 530-626-8449

**Subj: Denied Freedoms**  
**Date: 2/16/10 6:29:46 PM Pacific Standard Time**  
**From: [jjdago@mindspring.com](mailto:jjdago@mindspring.com)**  
**To: [Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com)**  
**CC: [raynutting@hughes.net](mailto:raynutting@hughes.net)**

Mr. Soike,

My name is John D'Agostini. I am your neighbor in the Somerset area and a candidate for Sheriff in the upcoming election. I can't, for the life of me, figure out why you were denied the right to put your chosen inscription on the bench. This is another example of our country's loss of fundamental values and mores. I will be unable to attend the hearing before the Board of Supervisors due to a trial I am the lead investigator for.

Supervisor Ray Nutting is a close, personal friend and I'm sure he will do the right thing. I will also express my thoughts to him. I am so sorry that you've been treated this way. I pray that you will prevail.

Sincerely,  
John

Subj: **LETTER OF SUPPORT**  
Date: 2/16/10 8:04:11 PM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [jimcope@comcast.net](mailto:jimcope@comcast.net)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

Dear Mr. Soike:

I wholeheartedly support you efforts to preserve the verbiage you want to inscribe on your family's donated bench at the memorial.

You may use this e-mail publicly if you so choose.

God bless,  
Jim Copeland  
1136 Bush Ct.  
Placerville, CA 95667



Subj: **Public Support**  
Date: **2/16/10 2:17:51 PM Pacific Standard Time**  
From: **JIMAULD@comcast.net**  
To: **katlibicki@aol.com**

Hello, my name is James Auld. I have been a resident of El Dorado County since 1989. I am in full support of you engraving what ever you want to on your family bench. Whomever is behind this madness of "political correctness" has no business telling you, or anyone else what to do, or how to live your life. You and your family have my support to go ahead with your inscription. James Auld.

**Subj: Legal Assistance regarding bench inscription.**  
**Date: 2/16/10 4:15:55 PM Pacific Standard Time**  
**From: [sdhummel@comcast.net](mailto:sdhummel@comcast.net)**  
**To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)**

Tom,

I read about your bench dilemma through a friend and wanted to know if you contacted Pacific Justice Institute at [www.pacificjustice.org](http://www.pacificjustice.org) and go to the get help section and ask for legal assistance? They are a local nonprofit group based in Sacramento. They have helped me in the past and usually their assistance is free. If so, great. If not give them a try.

Steve Hummel

**Subj: Approve the Veteran Soike Bench!**  
**Date: 2/16/10 10:25:09 PM Pacific Standard Time**  
**From: mikemue2@comcast.net**  
**To: bosone@edcgov.us, bostwo@edcgov.us, bosthree@edcgov.us, bosfour@edcgov.us, bosfive@edcgov.us**

Dear Supervisor,

This letter is to ask you to allow Mr. Soike to inscribe his bench as he has requested. After all he shed his blood, sweat and tears for the right of free speech, which is currently being unjustly denied.

In addition, this absurd bowing to the ridiculous P.C. *Political Corruption* is exactly what has ruined the best of this once great country. Our Judeo Christian beliefs!

Once again, please resolve to allow this great man his wish.

May God Bless you and give you wisdom.

Respectfully,

Michael C Mueller, RCDD, DCCA

Diamond Springs

Subj: **Enough already!!!!**  
Date: 2/16/10 9:30:29 AM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [stu@retiredranger.net](mailto:stu@retiredranger.net)  
To: [bostwo@edcgov.us](mailto:bostwo@edcgov.us)  
CC: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

Mr. Nutting...

I support Mr. Soike's desire to inscribe his family bench at the County's Veteran's Memorial as he requested. The reference to God is appropriate for a memorial and is consistent with the heritage of our country. Being "political correct" is not necessarily being right. Please vote to allow Mr. Soike's request, do what's right.

The following message was at the top of the Gold panner weekly want ad's. It caught my attention and should yours too. I personally am tired of our God blessed nation spitting in the face of the God that I love so dearly and has so graciously blessed our nation. I believe that is time for us to stand up for what we believe in and stop the madness. God will judge us for the actions that we have taken or not. **Please take a stand!!!!**

**Tom Soike gave \$3,500 from his small family inheritance to Veterans for the purchase of a family bench at the then proposed Veteran's Memorial. The Memorial was constructed, one bench was left uninscribed, Mr. Soike's family bench. To date, Mr. Soike has has been unsuccessful in getting county officials to allow him to inscribe HIS family bench with the following:**

**" God I've tasted your Heaven through freedom and fought through the pain of these wars and wondered if somehow the something I've given could somehow have been something more..."**

**Mr. Soike objected to the requirement that, before his bench could be inscribed, he would have to remove the words God and Heaven. He was later told that have to remove the entire quote because it is "Too prayer like." Supervisor Ray Nutting has scheduled the matter for discussion on Tuesday Feb. 23 at 9:30 am In the board meeting Rm. 330 fair lane, Placerville, ca. We do not have nor can we afford an attorney, we're counting on public support. If you can be there or send an email Tom Soike @ [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com) we would appreciate it.**

**Ray Nutting's contact info is: (530) 621-5651  
[bostwo@edcgov.us](mailto:bostwo@edcgov.us)**

**Thank you and God bless.....  
James**

Subj: **Fw: Denied the Freedoms he fought for?- General Membership**  
Date: 2/16/10 9:38:41 AM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [freedenaf@yahoo.com](mailto:freedenaf@yahoo.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

Hi,

The following was sent out to the general membership for Tea Party in the Hills.org with the sincere hope that we can help.

**Denied the Freedoms He Fought For**  
Published in "**GOLD PANNER**", FEBRUARY 12,2010, (See the above attachment) was the story of a veteran, who is being denied the very rights he fought for. As noted in the article, he has been asked to remove the words "**God and Heaven**" from a proposed inscription on a memorial bench.

This is a local issue! If this bothers you, there are several things you can do.

- (1) Write a letter to the Board of Supervisors.
- (2) Call Ray Nutting and tell him how you feel.
- (3) Be at the meeting on Tuesday Feb. 23rd at 9:30

AM

(4) Write a letter for Mr. Soike at **PO Box 129, Somerset, Ca 95684** and support his rights under The Constitution of the United States of America.

Contact: **Pacific Legal Foundation**  
**3900 Lennane Drive Suite 200**  
**Sacramento, Ca Phone: (916) 419-**

**7111**

E-mail your support and rational to Tom Soike  
**[Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com)**

Remember, if this man loses his right of freedom of expression, we all do. This is a basic issue!

Dena Freeman

Subj: **RE: Tea Party - Denied the Freedoms he fought for?**  
Date: 2/17/10 10:48:39 AM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [stan4sheriff@hotmail.com](mailto:stan4sheriff@hotmail.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)  
CC: [tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net)

As a member of this community and military veteran of 23 years, I'm shocked that your inscription has been denied! This disturbing wave of "political-religious correctness" is offensive to our nation's foundation, our Constitution, and to those of us like you, me, and every military member and police officer risked our lives for. **I support you** in your appeal to the Board of Supervisors to allow your inscription to be written and proudly displayed for all to see and know that the overwhelming majority of Americans still believe, "In **God We Trust!**"

**Stan**

**Committee to Elect Chief (ret) Stan Perez for Sheriff**  
P. O. Box 4766  
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762  
(916) 502-5784

**<http://www.stan4sheriff.com>**

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From: [tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net)  
To: ;[@smtp127.sbc.mail.sp1.yahoo.com](mailto:@smtp127.sbc.mail.sp1.yahoo.com)  
Subject: Tea Party - Denied the Freedoms he fought for?  
Date: Tue, 16 Feb 2010 16:57:39 -0800

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Date: 2/16/10 9:47:36 PM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [mikemue2@comcast.net](mailto:mikemue2@comcast.net)  
To: [tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net), [freedenaf@yahoo.com](mailto:freedenaf@yahoo.com), [djmathat@gmail.com](mailto:djmathat@gmail.com),  
[mrsfuzzybee@yahoo.com](mailto:mrsfuzzybee@yahoo.com), [drdalesmith@aoaconsult.net](mailto:drdalesmith@aoaconsult.net), [sabatackle@att.net](mailto:sabatackle@att.net),  
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[john-bass@comcast.net](mailto:john-bass@comcast.net), [leighkolb@rocketmail.com](mailto:leighkolb@rocketmail.com), [terry@teapartyinthehills.org](mailto:terry@teapartyinthehills.org),  
[Tamara@TamaraBurnett.com](mailto:Tamara@TamaraBurnett.com), [muellemx@flic.losrios.edu](mailto:muellemx@flic.losrios.edu), [lazarus@astound.net](mailto:lazarus@astound.net)  
CC: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

I am so sick of being forced to be PC!!! aaargh! Politically Corrupted! After all he spent his own \$3,500.

I'll be at the BOS on the 23rd.

And will be writing letters. This vet probably needs donations to pay for the Pacific Legal Foundation. How about chipping in a few?

Thank you,  
Mike

----- Original Message -----

From: "Tom McCaffrey" <[tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tbmccaffrey@sbcglobal.net)>

To: "Undisclosed-Recipient: ;" <Undisclosed-Recipient: ;@smtp127.sbc.mail.sp1.yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 4:57:39 PM GMT -08:00  
US/Canada Pacific

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- (2) Call Ray Nutting and tell him how you feel.
- (3) Be at the meeting on Tuesday Feb. 23rd at 9:30 AM
- (4) Write a letter for Mr. Soike at **PO Box 129, Somerset, Ca 95684** and support his rights under The Constitution of the United States of America.

Contact: **Pacific Legal Foundation**

**3900 Lennane Drive Suite 200**

**Sacramento, Ca Phone: (916) 419-7111**

E-mail your support and rational to Tom Soike

**Katlibicki@aol.com**

Remember, if this man loses his right of freedom of expression, we all do. This is a basic issue!

Dena Freeman



Subj: **Fwd: Please support Mr. Soike's right to freedom of speech**  
Date: 2/17/10 11:14:43 AM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [kathi.shull@gmail.com](mailto:kathi.shull@gmail.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)  
CC: [marglee@comcast.net](mailto:marglee@comcast.net)

FYI..never met you but heartily support your effort (via Marg Lee). God bless, Kathi

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Kathi Shull** <[kathi.shull@gmail.com](mailto:kathi.shull@gmail.com)>  
Date: Wed, Feb 17, 2010 at 9:23 AM  
Subject: Please support Mr. Soike's right to freedom of speech  
To: [bostwo@edcgov.us](mailto:bostwo@edcgov.us)

Supervisor Nutting, it has come to my attention that the county has intervned and stopped the Soike's family from placing their sentiments on the bench they donated to the Veterans Memorial. Unbelievable...what happened to freedom of speech? It is simply a personal statement of patriotism and hope. Please support the Soike's efforts. Regards, Kathi Shull

**Subj:** (no subject)  
**Date:** 2/17/10 2:59:06 PM Pacific Standard Time  
**From:** [MADVIEIRA@aol.com](mailto:MADVIEIRA@aol.com)  
**To:** [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

I saw your ad in the Gold Panner. I am a VietNam vet and I do not have a problem with your proposed inscription. I am unable to attend the meeting, but if I could, I would have two things to say to Mr. Nutting and the board of supervisors.

- 1] How many vets do they personally know that were on the front lines, getting shot at and seeing their buddies getting killed, that did not say a prayer in some way or form and
- 2] The only ones qualified to decide if this inscription is acceptable or not is veterans.

Best of luck to you at the meeting. You may use my name and/or this e-mail in support of your cause.

Manuel Vieira

Subj: **Re: family bench**  
Date: 2/13/10 9:37:57 PM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [awsomeyvone@yahoo.com](mailto:awsomeyvone@yahoo.com)  
To: [Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com)

youve never heard of jay sekulow, he's american center for law and justice, this is what he dose he stands up for rights for freedom of speech listen to { 710 am }at 9:00am and 3:30 pm contact him ill bet he'll be a big help

— On Sat, 2/13/10, [Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com) <[Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com)> wrote:

From: [Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com) <[Katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:Katlibicki@aol.com)>  
Subject: Re: family bench  
To: [awsomeyvone@yahoo.com](mailto:awsomeyvone@yahoo.com)  
Date: Saturday, February 13, 2010, 8:23 PM

Thanks for your support yvonne—Tom and Kathy. Don't know the person to whom you refer but we need all the help we can get. Thanks again

Subj: **Tom Soike**  
Date: 2/17/10 3:53:20 PM Pacific Standard Time  
From: [linda@jonshome.com](mailto:linda@jonshome.com)  
To: [katlibicki@aol.com](mailto:katlibicki@aol.com)

We will be at the Meeting on the 23rd. to offer our support. I am curious about the desire of T. Thompson to see papers verifying Tom's military combat experience and honorable discharge. Did everyone who purchased a brick or a bench have to produce such paper work before they were allowed to make the purchase or make a donation? Were not these things purchased by family(private citizens) of military personnel to honor them? Therefore no "paper work" should be necessary except perhaps that of the deceased veteran. Another question, who called in the ACLU! Is anyone going to bring up the fact that the phrase "separation of church and state" has been taken out of context by Mr. Buchanan and when left in context as President Jefferson wrote it in a letter to the Danbury Baptist Church was used to protect the rights of the church and stop the government from interfering in our religious liberty. Someone needs to stand up and use this phrase in context to support Tom, not the other way around. The ACLU has lost enough cases to Alliance Defense Fund on this matter that you would think they had learned their lesson. They must think we don't know the context or the law and can intimidate us by their presence. Nothing in our Constitution, Declaration of Independence, or Bill of Rights suggests that we cannot use God in public. These people are trying to intimidate us and take away our rights. If someone is offended by the message then DON'T READ IT! That is their right. If they want to live in a country where there are thought and speech police and no first amendment then they need to either GET A LIFE or move to Russia! See you Tues. Linda Taylor  
Linda Taylor  
[linda@jonshome.com](mailto:linda@jonshome.com)