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Dear Sir or Madam:

I do not understand why all commissioners were copied on an email requesting commentary from me on a non-County issue without so much as a name being included in the signature block of your email. This is highly atypical and raises questions as to the nature of your publication and whether it is simply an anonymous blog.

That said, your understanding of Chapter 119, Fla. Stat., is incorrect; the case and filings contained therein were publicly accessible prior to having been sealed or expunged. The fact that the victim was a juvenile likely has nothing to do with the case having been sealed or expunged. Her name may have been redacted where mentioned but the case, itself, would not have been sealed or expunged as a result of her age.

I am confident that, given the nature of the charge as well as the identity of the accused, one of Mr. Johnson's acquaintances or the victim or a member of the community almost certainly still has a copy of the requested document. Nothing whatsoever precludes any such individual from releasing it.

I view the protection of our community's vulnerable as critically important. This is why I have represented animal rescue organizations and legal aid domestic violence victims, pro bono, on a variety of issues. This, too, has been done in my individual capacity, unrelated to County governance.

Any attempt to tweak a well-intentioned effort to protect this County's children (while encouraging greater transparency) into something nefarious is troubling at best.

If you would like to sit down and chat with me about this topic, I would be inclined to do so but it will not be at a County facility as this issue is not a County issue.

Truly,

Bryan

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Commissioner Lober:

It has been brought to our attention, that you have allegedly offered, via a Facebook post (see attached screen shot), a \$500 reward for a copy of the arrest / charging report attached to Palm Bay's Deputy Mayor Kenny Johnson alleged arrest (or being charged) with a violation of F.S. 847.0133.

[http://www.leg.state.fl.us/STATUTES/index.cfm?App\\_mode=Display\\_Statute&Search\\_String=&URL=0800-0899/0847/Sections/0847.0133.html](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/STATUTES/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=0800-0899/0847/Sections/0847.0133.html)

We (VolusiaExposed.Com) anticipate posting an article regarding your reward offer.

Please confirm whether you indeed made the offer, and whether the offer still stands.

We would imagine that since the alleged crime apparently involved a "juvenile" - that only law enforcement (state attorney, charging agency, clerk of court), the victim (family), or the defendant, would have access to an un-redacted copy. By our understanding of F.S. 119 (public record statutes) - law enforcement personnel would be unable to legally provide you with this "un-redacted" copy.

Therefore, SOME may conclude, that your reward offer - is a de facto open bribe offer to law enforcement, in order to secure an un-redacted document, that is not obtainable through normal channels.

Please provide as much clarification as you can.

Regards,

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