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Pending Article - Corrections and Commentary Requested The Arrest and Non-Criminal Prosecution of Deputy Cody Cochran More Proof Of A "Two Tiered" Criminal Justice System

Spencer,

As you MAY know - our publication has recently floated our journalistic OPINION that the State Attorney's Office <mark>(SAO) is operating a "two</mark> tiered" justice system. (see below linked article for particulars)

## http://volusiaexposed.com/politics2024/chitwoodtrump72024.html

Within the above article, both yourself and ASA John Reid were mentioned for your documented financial support of Sheriff Chitwood's re-election campaign. Such is of great significance, due to Mr. Reid's attachment to the Volusia Republican Party - together with the party's refusal to endorse the Republican candidate James Powers for sheriff.

The above is especially troublesome given Sheriff Chitwood's, a registered political independent, past statements regarding Republican Presidential candidate Donald J. Trump. (see above linked article for particulars)

Also covered within this above listed article, is the apparent differences in the criminal prosecutions of juvenile defendant Nicole Jackson-Maldonado (2021 303222 CFDB) and adult defendant retired Marine Master Sgt. Michael Webb (2023 102216 CFDL).

Both defendants (Jackson-Maldonado & Webb) were accused of firing shots at Volusia County deputies. Jackson-Maldonado was charged and sentenced for the attempted murders of deputies, while Webb was initially only charged with the discharging of a fire arm in public (the SAO upgraded the charge to agg. assault on LEOs - BUT NOT attempted murder). Webb's prosecution is still on-going. Apparently, even the local Public Defender's Office was (is) in cahoots with this "two tiered" system of justice - in their assignment of a former Volusia County deputy as Ms. Jackson-Maldonado's defense counsel.

Such would be akin to - IF the U.S. Government had assigned U.S. Democrat Congresswoman Nancy Pelosis as former President Donald J. Trump's defense counsel.

Recently, supporters of Ms. Jackson-Maldonado assisted her in securing a Clearwater appellate attorney to challenge whether she was provided effective defense counsel. Immediately after her appellate attorney advised the Court of his desire to review the sealed court transcript from a January 27, 2023 non-public court hearing (see below web link) -Ms. Jackson-Maldonado was transported from her Tampa Bay confinement location - to a Miami area confinement center.

## http://volusiaexposed.com/politics2024/chitwoodtrump72024/confidentialrecord.p df

We (VolusiaExposed.Com) now allege, that this confinement transfer was facilitated to separate by distant, Jackson-Maldonado's communications with her appellate attorney (Our OPINION).

As a sworn member of American jurisprudence - and as stated within the Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution - criminal defendants will be provided a "public" trial - and not a trial behind closed doors and sealed transcripts, while under the guise of protecting the defendant's right to a fair trial. (see judicial order to seal transcripts from non-public court hearing)

## <u>http://volusiaexposed.com/corrections/2023/jacksonnelsonhearing1272023a/</u> <u>ordertoseal.pdf</u>

In our pending article - we shall be advising the public of Ms. Jackson-Maldonado's custody transfer, along with our theory behind the transfer. One of the goals of our pending article is to further highlight the judicial railroading of Ms. Jackson-Maldonado by several members of our local criminal justice community (sheriff, state attorney, judge, public defender, etc). (Our OPINION)

In sort of an ironic twist - Ms. Jackson-Maldonado's custody transfer may have actually placed her in a friendlier political environment by facilitating a possible review of her case by more "woke" members of the U.S. Congress - and thereby exposing these matters to the national / worldwide press. (Judge sealed the court transcripts because of too much media attention - WTF? - ironically, more media attention may just break that seal - see above web link)

Who knows, maybe Netflix will do a "Take Care Of Maya" type documentary of Ms. Nicole Jackson-Maldonado's travels through our "two tiered" justice system.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Take\_Care\_of\_Maya

Heck, even local police auditor Jeff Gray is getting his fair share of national news coverage via Foxnews (see below media link). Do you imagine that these local police auditors may know each other - that they talk to each other - and have been in each other's journalistic "bat caves"? (Golly Batman - is that possible? Yes, Robin, after-all this is America - truth will eventually triumph - when good (wo)men refuse to look away - now, to the Bat Mobile !) https://www.foxnews.com/media/georgia-city-pay-55000-train-officers-freespeech-after-veteran-arrested-panhandling

Lastly, we shall be highlighting the recent arrest of Volusia Sheriff Sgt. Cody Cochran (2024 113905 MMDL) for domestic violence (DV), and the SAO's refusal to prosecute. Our coverage will compare the Cochran matter, to the recent arrest of famed police auditor, Mark Dickinson (2024 112230 MMDB) under a similar DV charge - and the SAO's decision to prosecute Dickinson.

We shall be arguing within our pending article, that the Cochran, Dickinson, and Jackson-Maldonado developments provide additional evidence to support, the existence of a "two tiered" system of justice within the Seventh Circuit.

We request any corrections or commentary your office may wish to provide regarding these matters of public interest. Please respond by noon August 16th. Use the below email address as our point of contact.

Regards,

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"Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains to bring it to light". ~ George Washington (1797)

"Sometimes the truth isn't good enough, sometimes people deserve more."- Batman, The Dark Knight.