Day 15: Countdown to a Capital Murder Trial!!! Update: Cop-Killer Murder Trial Rescheduled!!!?? Alleged Murder of Shelby Police Department Officer Tim Brackeen!!! By Irving Fenner, Jr.!!! Special Report. Poetry and Arguendo by Robert A. Williams

Folks, a lot has happened in the past two weeks since I ran the original Day 1 Countdown article published on September 5, 2019. Due to the great popular interest, the District Attorney's Office and DA Mike Miller has broken his silence in this case that has been riding along for three full years of silence. The DA broke his silence: not to me, but to the Shelby Star, for obvious reasons. I ask questions and I double check the facts and the truth of the matter. The DA, the Commissioners, the School Board and the Cleveland Community College Board of Trustees all seem to have a major fear and aversion (a feeling of intense dislike) to and of "accountability." They seem to think that they cannot trust me to cover-up and hide their misdeeds like the Shelby Star seems to do. They are right about that. And, I don't trust them either. WE are not supposed to trust them. Our form of government in the USA is NOT based on trust. It is based on Checks and Balances. That is what I learned in school years

ago. I reckon they don't teach that anymore in Cleveland County Schools. How sad.

The District Attorney broke his silence about the Shelby Police Officer Tim Brackeen killing over three years ago and the resulting trial in a Court of Law of the accused killer, Irving Lucien Fenner, Jr. Fenner has been in jail for the past three years. And, in my opinion, the Star article that was published in The Sunday, September 15, 2019 edition was Miller's feeble attempt to cover-up the weaknesses in his Capital Murder case against Fenner. Which is likely the real reason for such a long delay-among other things, in trying Fenner.

As I have previously written, gossip from people that are in a position to know, has gotten out saying that Fenner and Brackeen were "seeing" the same woman and hated each other. That the deadly shootout happened at the mutual lover's house and not Fenner's residence. That Fenner was shot in the back by Brackeen, turned and returned fire in self-defense. As the facts from the incident are reviewed closely based on this reference point, it is clearly obvious that this scenario is very likely the truth of the matter. Plus, other things.

The "official" reports from the City of Shelby states that Brackeen was attempting to serve outstanding warrants on Fenner. Well, if that were true, Fenner has been in jail for three years, so why has Fenner not been served with those very same warrants and already been tried for those alleged offenses? Isn't that a reasonable question Mr. DA Mike Miller? If Fenner was convicted of those charges, he could have been sent to a state prison and let the state house him at state expense for all these years awaiting his murder trial in Cleveland County.

Also, the three women and another man that have been held for three years in the Cleveland County jail for helping Fenner to escape Cleveland County. Why has their cases been delayed for

those same three years? The “gossip” is these four were held without trial in an attempt to force them into false testimony to save themselves from more jail time without a trial. That is an old and very dirty DA trick. And, if the jury finds out, they might not believe such coerced testimony against Fenner and find Fenner “not guilty.” “O, what a tangled web we weave when first we practice to deceive!” a line from Sir Walter Scott, a Scottish Poet, historian and Judge comes to mind.

Editor’s Note: “Oh what a tangled web we weave, When first we practice to deceive” is a quotation by Sir Walter Scott. It means that when you tell lies or act in a dishonest way you create problems and complications which you cannot control.

So, my take on the Shelby Star’s Sunday article is this:

DA Mike Miller says Fenner’s Murder trial is on the docket for September 30, 2019. Jury Selection will be in Catawba County for a Catawba county Jury that will be transported to Cleveland County for the trial. Since the Jury Selection will start in Catawba County on September 30th and take two weeks, the trial in Cleveland County may not start until around October 14th.

In the article, DA Miller says he wanted to start the case several weeks ago but a state’s witness became ill and needed surgery. Miller laid the case over until September 30. During all this, the Defense Attorney, Victoria Jayne from Hickory asked for the case to be laid over until early 2020. Miller then says the Judge will decide when the case will start.

This means the Trial may or may not start on September 30th, 2019.

This raises the question, after three years of jail time, why is DA Mike Miller all fired up to start the case September 30th when the Judge, who just granted Mike Miller’s delay, is very likely to grant a delay to early next year. The only two reason that comes to mind is Miller has been stung by my

articles about excessive jail time for non-convicted people. But, the most likely reason Miller wants the case tried now is for political purposes. Right in the middle of the Shelby Elections. To feed the Star news every day from the present Mayor and City council of Shelby about how they want “justice to prevail.”. Keeping their faces in the headlines in the name of justice, motherhood and apple pie. Basically Free political advertising for the Shelby incumbents. I say, folks, remember the Sir Walter Scott poetry line noted above. You Shelby voters may just be “played” into thinking the incumbents may need to be put back into office. Don’t be fooled by such dirty political tricks. Or just plain old Plantation Politics. I say, jut vote for the best candidate, whoever they may be.

The rest of the Star article was just DA Miller’s lame and trivial excuses for running a slack operation in the DA’s Office. Miller says he is going for the death penalty, yet the “lover’s triangle” with Brackeen and Fenner allegedly going after the same woman may upset DA Miller’s applecart. And make all of Shelby and Cleveland County look like a bunch of fools. Fools exposed to the world since this case already has such a high profile.

My prediction is the presiding judge will allow the defense motion to reschedule the trial to early 2020 anyway. But, no matter what; folks, we intend to watch this trial closely, whenever it is and let you know the blow by blow accounts of what is going on. 2020 is an election year too.