

**Suicide by Lawsuit??– “Legal”
Noose Just got Tighter around
Shelby City Manager-Rick
Howell’s Neck!!! Howell’s
Appeal of Judge W. Todd
Pomeroy’s Ruling against
Howell set to go to NC Court
of Appeals after months of
Howell Delays!!–Lawsuits
against Mayor Stan Anthony
and Council member Violet
Dukes progressing –Shelby
Taxpayers paying for Howell,
Anthony and Dukes” Corrupt
and Malicious Intent!! Are
Lawsuits against others set
to begin??? Report, update
and arguendo provided by**

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The new Interim Shelby City Attorney, Martha Thompson-from Gastonia, is neck deep in lawsuits against the City of Shelby's so-called leadership. And making big buck\$ for herself in the process. Presently Shelby officials Rick Howell, Mayor Stan Anthony and Violet Dukes have been sued by Mr. Willie Green for their egregious actions. Mr. Green has announced that Shelby officials David Causby and David White will be sued shortly. Continued inactions and negligence by Shelby officials Charles Webber, Andrew Hopper and Eric Hendricks are believed to also being studied for the basis of lawsuits against all of them. Who says "you can't sue City Hall?" Mr. Green has shown that City Hall CAN be sued and Mr. Green has already won a big victory against Rick Howell in winning a favorable ruling from Superior Court Judge W. Todd Pomeroy that Rick Howell DID engage in corruption with malicious intent against Mr. Green. Which Rick Howell and his taxpayer paid lawyer have appealed. And why not. With Rick Howell spending the City of Shelby's tax dollars, he will likely go all the way to the Supreme Court. And still lose. JMO on that and I have read every word of every document down to this very minute.

Rich Howell appealed his loss from Judge Pomeroy's hearing on December 10, 2019. Time went on, billable hours for Howell's attorney. Time has gone on. Howell took his time in filing his "stuff" with the NC Court of Appeals. When Howell filed his Appeal, Mr. Green, through his attorney, filed his answer to Howell's appellant brief, Then Howell's attorney filed a Reply to Mr. Green's answer on May 28, 2020. Five months of billable hours at \$250 per hour.

Now, all the legal paperwork is in to the NC Court of Appeals and Rick Howell is now in line for his "day in court." Which will likely be around 90 days from now.

Previously, I have provided Rick Howell's Appeal and Mr. Green's Reply to the public. Now I am providing Rick Howell's Reply to Mr. Green's Reply for all to see. For those of us who are paying attention to all this legal "mumbo-jumbo" you can see the Rich Howell and his attorney appear to be grasping at straws. From Rick Howell claiming he used "Rhetorical Hyperbole" (A joker excuse) to Howell claiming Mr. Green is using "tautological" (circular) arguments.) Obviously, Rick Howell's attorney has calculated that she cannot win this case in Appeals Court by "dazzling the Judges with brilliance", so she has to "baffle the three-judge appeals court panel with bullshit." All the while obviously trying every trick in the book, at taxpayer expense, to avoid answering Mr. Green's complaint and then avoiding a jury trial on the merits of the case. I expect the same thing from the remainder of the City of Shelby crowd. Slow role everything in the hope that Mr. Green will just forget everything and go away. Apparently, they are too stupid to understand that that is the last thing Mr. Green will do. If they had any sense at all, they would swallow their misguided pride and settle all of this. Before Mr. Green ends up owning all their houses, cars, property and bank accounts.

But stupid is as stupid does. I suspect in the end each and every one of the City of Shelby officials will have to learn the hard way.

Stay tuned folks. Mr. Rick Howell has 'til around the end of August to learn his fate. I watched Rick Howell squirm when he was in his hearing with Judge Pomeroy. I bet there will be plenty of squirming from then all when Rick Howell's trial finally rolls around. I also bet that the rest of the Shelby leadership crowd are already squirming. If fear that Rick Howell, when faced with justice on him, will turn states evidence against the Mayor, Violet Dukes, David Causby, David White, Eric Hendrick, Charles Webber and Andrew Hopper.