

# **City of Shelby Leadership's Legal Problems!!! Behind the Scenes Comments and Communications!!! Nothing Happens in a Vacuum!!! Report, arguendo and commentary by Robert A. Williams**

There have been many articles recently regarding legal, corruption and racial discrimination issues involving the City of Shelby's leadership. The reason for that is simple. It is because there ARE many legal, corruption and racial discrimination issues involving the City of Shelby's leadership. And there are many communications, comments, allegations, proofs, legal arguments and such flying around; such that the number of articles is actually just the tip of a very large communication iceberg. Nothing happened in a vacuum. Nothing just fell from the sky, from outer space or the "Heavens.". If anything, all these communications have resulted from "spills" out of the City of Shelby's old and leaky sewer system.

Also, the Shelby Star has joined the fray regarding a "hatchet-job" article they recently published about the dismissal of former County and City of Shelby Attorney Bob Yelton. If you had the misfortune of reading that Star article, you might get the false notion that the Star had actually done some research about Attorney Yelton. The fact is, the Star was copied on some of the emails originating

from, or in, our articles. Then the Star manipulated the facts and incorporated some additional misleading "stuff" about the dual dismissals of Attorney Yelton as an indication that Attorney Yelton had actually done something wrong. When the opposite appears to be the truth.

Anyway folks, here is a selected sample of our various communications that the Shelby Star and others were copied on. YOU decide for YOURSELF what is the truth of the matter. And, if YOU have any questions, contact the City of Shelby City Council, The Cleveland County Commissioners and the Shelby Star. Or, keep on reading our articles as we write them. WE know what we are talking about.

Rev. Dante Murphy asks Attorney Bob Yelton for Clarification:

*INTENT TO FILE COMPLAINT WITH NORTH CAROLINA BAR*

*Attorney BOB YELTON,*

*The purpose of this email is to seek clarity in which attorney, you or Attorney Martha Thompson, represented Mayor Stan Anthony and/or the City of Shelby during Walt Scharer's disclosures that was used to produce an affidavit refuting claims in Green v. Mayor Stan Anthony.*

*It appears that the affidavit submitted by Mr. Scharer is in conflict with other statements produced throughout these proceedings. Since your termination as City Attorney it is unclear as to your role in the production of Mr. Scharer's affidavit.*

*The production of potentially false and concocted documents during an attorney's oversight warrants inquiry regarding the extent such documents violate ethical standards of conduct by an attorney.*

*Thank you for any information you can provide regarding this matter. We anticipate filing an official complaint within the*

*next week.*

*Rev. Dante' Murphy*

*Attorney Bob Yelton Responds:*

*Rev. Murphy,*

*Please be advised that I have performed no services for the City of Shelby nor for anyone associated with the City since Mayor Anthony requested that I resign as City Attorney on the afternoon of May 1, 2020. (Note, this was plagiarized by the Shelby Star.)*

*Bob Yelton*

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*L. E. Henson writes:*

*EVERYONE: read today's Shelby Star newspaper RE: BOB Yelton, attorney.*

*Even though he's not the Shelby City (Attorney) anymore, he needs a chance to "save his backside", that is: Immediately come forward to Law Enforcement, FBI, and at least two Inspector Generals. With information about the unlawful, Criminal Violations of: property Rights, collusion of City officials to conspire, to cover up, the Continuing Course of Conduct (federaleze for Conspiracy), misuse of Code Enforcement, Law Enforcement, City Housing Authority, home destruction company (for now, withholding its name and connection(s) to City personnel).*

*The above is only a start. Mr. Yelton. Be aware 2 Federal violations immediately means You and everyone connected to this corruption, IS MOST LIKELY, GUILTY UNDER RICO.*

*Lehenson@msn.com Larry*

Note to Shelby PD: Stop assisting the City in the Housing Authority and covering for the MANY Criminal Acts that you KNOW have been occurring. RICO applies to ALL Individuals.

EXAMPLE: letting City personnel Trespass, harass, and destroy +55 homes (for HIDDEN AGENDAS). Without Objective Legal Due Process, etc. YOU'RE AIDING AND ABETING IN MANY VIOLATIONS OF US CONSTITUTIONALLY PROTECTED RIGHTS.

EVERYONE; forward YOUR INFORMATION TO EVERYONE. "GO SIN NO MORE". CITY MANAGER, WALT, CODE ENFORCEMENT, MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL: RESIGN, TAKE NO RENUMARATION, CONFESS. ?

*Rev. Dante Murphy writes to Shelby--Public Records Request:*

*FREEDOM OF INFORMATION & NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REQUEST*

*Bernadette Parduski,*

*Under the Freedom of Information Act and North Carolina Public Records Law I am making the following request for all communications, records, and documents noted in this email. The public documents request made for, but not limited to, "a copy of all meeting notes, memorandums, summary of such meetings that are not otherwise protected as confidential information, as set within 132-1.1 and 132-1.2 of the North Carolina General Statutes, whether such records are in paper and/or electronic format." In addition, please include information expressed verbally-formally or informally.*

*In lieu of the public documents having to be produced in paper format, I am requesting that such documents be delivered to me in Portable Document Format ("PDF"). This method of production shall eliminate the "actual cost" of production.*

*1. The termination and reason for Mayor Stan Anthony asking Attorney Bob Yelton to resign on May 1, 2020. Please be advised that Attorney Bob Yelton was a contract worker and*

*the terms of his working relationship with the City of Shelby is public information.*

*2. According to a Shelby Star Article dated August 27, 2020 Mayor Stan Anthony informed the Shelby Star that "council made a decision in the spring to go in another direction with legal services." Please indicate the validity of such statements and all meeting notes, whether formal or informal, written or expressed, regarding the council's decision. Since the council made this decision, then there should be a record of the meeting or meetings.*

*3. According to a Shelby Star Article dated August 27, 2020 you stated that Attorney Bob Yelton "resigned on May 1" and was compensated through June 30, 2020. Please indicate whether Attorney Bob Yelton resigned or "Mayor Anthony requested that I resign as city attorney." Please provide any and all work performed by Attorney Bob Yelton through June 30, 2020.*

*4. The August 27, 2020 article indicates that you refused to go into detail regarding "which direction council had decided to go in" details surrounding Yelton's resignation. You also indicated that you spoke for "all" council members. Please provide all information as noted in this email.*

*5. The August 27, 2020 Shelby Star article quotes you as saying that Attorney Bob Yelton is a "truly fine lawyer"—please clarify and provide any information as stipulated in this email why such an attorney was asked to resign.*

*6. Please provide the amount of money paid to date to Attorney Martha Thompson or the law firm that she is associated with.*

*7. Please clarify if Walt Sharer is entitled to attorney-client privilege since he is not a party in any lawsuit. If not, please indicate if any part of affidavits submitted and*

*filed by Attorney Martha Thompson were forged in part or in whole.*

*It is apparent that the article recently posted in the Shelby Star is an attempt to further cover up misdeeds by the City of Shelby and discredit Attorney Bob Yelton. As indicated in previous emails Mayor Stan Anthony, with the assistance of Attorney Martha Thompson, have vigorously sought to intimidate citizens and infringe on the rights of free speech.*

*Please be advised that a response to this request is expected within five working days and a production of the information within ten working days.*

*Rev. Dante' Murphy*

*Willie Green Writes to Bob Yelton:*

*The City's 2017 Economic Development Strategic Plan says that the Mayor and the current leadership is not effective and that his administration has no ability welcome new ideas and diversity.*

*Mayor Anthony needs to resign immediately.*

*The Mayor also lied to Rev. Charles Webber, Pastor Wade Wallace, Pastor Ray Lockhart, Pastor Billy Houze and Eddie Holbrook in a meeting about me and when confronted with documents of the truth. Mayor Anthony refused to give an apology for his lies against me.*

*In a city that has over 40% of its population that is black. But only 8% of black businesses owners, shows just how much the Mayor is about welcoming diversity.*

*Willie A. Green, Sr.*

*Rev. Dante Murphy writes to Interim Shelby City Attorney*

Martha Thompson

NORTH CAROLINA BAR COMPLAINT AGAINST ATTORNEY MARTHA THOMPSON

Attorney Martha Thompson,

The purpose of this email is to give you an opportunity to refute or explain any of the information that will be sent to the North Carolina State Bar pertaining to suspicious and possibly illegal activity conducted under your supervision as an attorney for the City of Shelby, NC. The information that will be submitted is as follows:

1. Under your supervision a document was filed with the courts containing false and misleading information. Admissions since that time indicate that the false information was submitted due to a computer hacking attack on the City of Shelby's computer system. In addition, there are other documents that exist to show other discrepancies in the initial affidavit produced under your supervision. Despite computers being hacked the information is easily accessible through the city's attorney who was terminated in May.

2. Under your supervision an addendum to the first affidavit was filed in the courts that has such reckless and egregious errors that the document appears to be forged. Three signatures are associated with the second filing and yet there are significant errors in the authentication of this second and updated affidavit. This is highly improbable outside of the document being forged. At the least, your intent to file legitimate documents with the courts should have motivated you to catch these errors.

3. Under your supervision you allowed an elected official, namely Mayor Stan Anthony, to file a public document with the courts seeking to intimidate citizens and infringe on their right to free speech. There is no reason that the names of citizens should have been mentioned in the initial false affidavit filed with the courts. The maliciousness in the

document filed is seen in the use of such language as “cohorts.”

4. It is evident that you as an attorney were aware of the potential falsehoods and errors in the filed documents as indicated by your conscious decision to stipulate your signature on the documents. Namely, you uncharacteristically inserted a stipulation with your signature separating yourself from all information contained in the filings except for “objections” only.

Please be advised that citizens have a right to criticize, question, and voice concerns with government practices and the use of public dollars. I find it despicable that you have jeopardized and abused the trust of citizens. It is my intent to forward this complaint to the North Carolina State Bar by 5:00pm on August 28, 2020.

Please feel free to contact me if necessary.

Rev. Dante' A. Murphy

**Editor's Note: Shelby Attorney Martha Thompson has not, to date, responded to this communication.**