

Where is Payton Guion???: by Sandra Stroud!! The Kings Mountain Casino is still Under a Dark Cloud!!?? Is there a Mafia in Cleveland County??!! Former Commissioner and County Manager appear guilty?? Wake up Cleveland County and Smell the Corruption!! Editorial Comment forwarded by Robert A

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Over the years our Cleveland County Government has become a cesspool of corruption!! It was never this way until certain people started being elected to positions of power and they began to bring in others who were active participants in their corruptive schemes.

Remember the big news that broke about the Two Kings Casino? A seasoned professional (and award winning) investigative reporter from the Charlotte Observer came to Cleveland County and was "deep diving" into the corruption surrounding the Casino. (Reporter) Payton Guion prepared a lengthy account of the involvement of Eddie Holbrook and David Dear and their

interest/share of the profits. The Catawba Indians should have been receiving their fair share of the profits; but not so. The profits were being (unfairly) divided among a host of “money-grabbers” including Eddie Holbrook and David Dear.

Mr. Guion had just begun his investigative reporting and within days of his elaborate and revealing three-page account of the Two Kings Casino corruption, he (Mr. Guion) went missing. All attempts to locate Mr. Guion have turned up nothing. Even those who had formed friendships with Mr. Guion cannot locate him.

It seems suspicious that when this story broke naming Eddie Holbrook and David Dear that Mr. Guion disappeared!! Also, when the story was published in the Charlotte Observer, Eddie Holbrook developed a (suspicious) health issue and left Cleveland County to retreat at his restive property in Charleston, SC. This smell of cover-up and shut-up as well as to shut-down the investigation.

The big Casino story was published December 18, 2022. Along about that time Eddie Holbrook retreated to Charleston, SC and now it is April 2023 and Eddie Holbrook has “resurfaced” to continue his reign over the (American Legion) World Series Corruption. The big scheme of corruption continues while Payton Guion seems to have disappeared.

Mr. Guion had plans to go deeper into some unsolved issues with the cheap sale of our hospital and the World Series corruption as well as to continue his work on the Casino investigation-all of which involved Eddie Holbrook, (David Dear) and others.

So, what happened to Payton Guion??? Where is he?? Is there a Mafia in Cleveland County?

Sandra Stroud

Editor's Note: This "Editorial Comment" and questions submitted by Sandra Stroud are profound. **Robert A** is also one of those who had developed a friendship with Mr. Payton Guion and who has NOT been able to contact or locate Mr. Guion. One story that **Robert A** intended to share with Mr. Guion would have likely resulted in Mr. Guion winning a Pulitzer Prize. ***Stay tuned folks***, this appears to be a MAJOR SCANDAL of epic proportions with plenty more to come.

Sandra P. Stroud



Editor's Note: ***Ms. Sandra Stroud*** is a fearless Champion of right and proper government in Cleveland County and the US. When Prayer at the beginning of School Board Meetings was the issue, Sandra Stroud stood up and voiced her strong support in front of 600+ citizens. When Shelby Schools refused to teach a deaf child, Sandra Stroud single-handedly made Shelby Schools mend their ways. When the Cleveland County Commissioners

surrendered to a Federal Lawsuit against them by agreeing to a settlement that was Un-Constitutional; Sandra Stroud put her name and money behind a Federal Lawsuit and took the Cleveland County Commissioners to the US Federal Courts in Washington, DC and made the Commissioners mend their cowardly ways. When Sandra Stroud sends me her messages, I publish them. Word for Word. Sometimes satire, sometimes prose. When Sandra Stroud speaks, Robert A listens. When Sandra Stroud writes, Robert A publishes. If there is a typo, misspelling or unclear language, that is Robert A's, mistake, not Sandra Stroud.

Folks, there are more citizens like Sandra Stroud and Robert A in Cleveland County that want bullying stopped in our schools and in our School Board and education improved. We want no more corruption like what was found out about the Catawba Casino, the bribed sale of our hospital for 2 cents on the dollar, endless sales tax increase referendums, endless property revaluations where Cleveland County has deployed drones to peep into our bedroom windows looking for whatever it is that they can use to raise property taxes over. And it goes on and on.

Stay tuned folks. If you want the truth, the whole truth and justified and logical speculation, you will get it here and perhaps not anywhere else in the same detail and depth of understanding. Also, folks, if you want to throw YOUR 2 cents into our knowledge base or just share your opinion, send it to Robert A. Your identity will be protected. It is completely understood that **RETALIATION** is alive and well in Cleveland County.