Cleveland County Rumor Reports:

Editor's Note: ***Today Robert A received two phone calls "Rumors" and one defamatory letter regarding three school board members. Folks, the 2024 Elections are going to be the dirtiest political event of all time in Cleveland County HISTORY! Nope, just in the 21st Century.***

Rumors:

- Asha Degree's bones were found near a small town in Tennessee. This rumor is unconfirmed but came from a reliable source. Asha Degree disappeared from her home on Valentine's Day in 2000. February 14, 2000. At night and in a driving rain. The case was seriously hampered by a Cleveland County Sheriff's Department in complete disarray and turmoil at that particular time. Over the years since Asha's disappearance, there have been lots of people suspected and dead-end leads that went nowhere. One lead in particular resulted in a bookbag being found buried somewhere in Burke County that was later "verified" as belonging to Asha Degree. The last time I noticed, the reward for information leading to finding Asha Degree was around $45,000. Every year or so around VALENTINE, the CC Sheriff's Office issues a Press Release that they are still working on the Asha Degree case. This rumor would normally be disregarded by ***Robert A***, except for the next rumor that came in separately and through a different source.
- US Marshals were in Cleveland County today. This rumor is also unconfirmed, but the US Marshalls coming to Cleveland County have previously occurred many times with the disappearance of Asha Degree. Also, remember that Kidnapping is a Federal Offense and is often

> investigated by the US Marshall Service. Asha Degree is largely considered a Kidnapping case and, over the years, the US Marshalls have come to Cleveland County with the Asha Degree disappearance. It would be reasonable to assume that the US Marshalls came to Cleveland County today with some new evidence or findings about Asha's disappearance

Folks, it would be a welcomed occurrence for Cleveland County and particularly Asha Degree's family to finally be able to have closure on this matter. It would certainly be better if Asha Degree is found alive and well. However, if criminal acts occurred and the perpetrator(s) were found and punished, would also be a "closure" in this matter. Let's hope and Pray for the best.

Unfortunately, there is another matter of great concern. Election year mischief, Election interference, and criminal acts committed during the 2024 Election Cycle. Not only regarding President Donald Trump and the corruptly generated "Chaos" that has weaponized the Department of Justice, the FBI, the IRS, the Court systems, the Justice System, Home Land Security, and who knows what else. Even more concerning is the fact that the very same thing is presently happening right here in Cleveland County in the Cleveland County School Board race as well as in the CC Commissioners elections. Sign stealing/theft that will go uninvestigated and unpunished. And the lies, defamation, and regurgitated ill-will that such lies and defamation create.

This particular incident involves anonymous printed and mailed letters that have been sent through the US Mail to ***Robert A***, other Commissioner Candidates, and perhaps all the CCS School Board members. And who knows whom else? ***Robert A.*** predicts that this 2024 Cleveland County Election Cycle will be the most divisive and dirtiest in Cleveland County's History in the 21st Century. (Note that this was previously stated.) Even

surpassing the Rogue Republican/CCGOP fiasco of 2022 in the School Board elections. ***Robert A*** sincerely believes that the same Rogue Republicans the CCGOP and their elitist Executive Committee, are also responsible for this **latest** round of disgusting and anonymous allegations that were crammed into this disgusting letter.

Note that ***Robert A*** refuses to publish this letter in full. The letter is unsigned and must be considered as junk, BS, or otherwise trash that should be ignored. There are personal accusations that are trashy and mostly unprovable. Sent out just to smear School Board members and School Board Candidates' reputations who are challenging the incumbents. Expect the same (or worse) with the 2024 Commissioners elections.

However, there is one part that ***Robert A*** has previously and thoroughly investigated years ago that involves Danny Blanton. Mr. Blanton has authorized ***Robert A*** to re-tell this story. No, Blanton insisted that **Robert A** re-tell this story with his full consent and approval. Just like he did when these false allegations came out originally. Of all things, Danny Blanton is accused (again) of stealing water from Cleveland County Water.

When this anonymous allegation was first made years ago, ***Robert A***, always the investigator (a fair investigator in the process), contacted Mr. Blanton. Danny Blanton vigorously denied the allegation and requested ***Robert A*** to go directly to Cleveland County Water to find the truth of the matter. That Blanton would call Cleveland County Water and give ***Robert A*** his permission to examine every record on every account that belonged to Danny Blanton. So, **Robert A** made an appointment with the Manager (Butch Smith at the time) of Cleveland County Water and showed up on the appointed date and the agreed-upon time.

Danny Blanton had asked ***Robert A*** to be thorough and ***Robert***

A and Butch Smith were thorough. All accounts were reviewed and all records, including Water Bills, were looked at. And looked at sufficient to find any improper acts by Danny Blanton or anybody else, if there were anything improper to be found. ***Robert A*** was totally satisfied that the accusatory statements were false and Butch Smith clearly stated to **Robert A** that Danny Blanton did NOT steal even a drop of water and that all bills were paid in full. ***Danny Blanton owed Cleveland County Water NOTHING***. And that fact was ***PROVED*** to ***Robert A's*** total satisfaction.

Robert A published his findings (that the stealing of water by Danny Blanton allegation was incorrect, false, and made with malice aforethought). And consider the matter settled, closed, and over and done with.

Now, this same old lie is being retold and added to in the process.

Robert A **suggests any person who receives this malicious letter file it in the fireplace, septic tank or other appropriate location. The stealing water from Cleveland County Water allegation is 100% false. Other allegations made against Danny Blanton are known by *Robert A* to be completely false. And all the allegations made against Ronnie Grigg and Aaron Bridges are totally NOT credible on their face. And all have absolutely *NOTHING* to do with the 2024 School Board Elections or CCS operations.**

The takeaway from this is that this phony letter is obviously the work of the Rogue Republican element in the CCGOP. And the remedy is also obviously shown below.

This is ***Robert A's*** recommendations to date for the 2024 Cleveland County Republican Primary Elections:

For US President:

- **Donald J. Trump**

***For Cleveland County Commissioners*:**

- **Robert A. Williams**
- **Linda Laine**
- **Carter York**

For Cleveland County Board of Elections (School Board)

- **Samantha Davis**
- **Kenneth Ledford**
- **Matthew Canipe**
- **David Fisher**
- **Jay Carpenter**

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