

Political Sign Stealers Should be Caught and Punished Severely!!

Editor's Note: Political signs and other campaign materials are not cheap. Not to mention the time and effort spent on putting them up. Also, in this day and time many potential voters, especially here in Cleveland County, do not have easy access to informative and reliable information regarding the "goings on" of our local, state and national governments and their elected representatives and officials. So, too many potential voters only have the fleeting vision of a political sign they pass at 55 Miles per hour as their source of information at election time. So, sign stealers and those that put them up to it represent a threat to our democracy and, as such, should be caught and punished severely.

Robert A estimates that 99% of eligible voters in Cleveland County have never attended a Cleveland County Commissioner's Meeting or CCS School Board Meeting. Or Political Forums for that matter. Too many of these uninformed voters unconsciously depend on these roadside political signs to make their voting decisions.

Robert A has also concluded that ALL unscrupulous political operatives, like the Rogue Republicans in the CCGOP as well as those who would "bribe" politicians for their own monetary gain, know this and take advantage in several ways:

1. They flood the highways and roadsides with billboards (large and small) and very large temporary political signs with sturdy wooden frames that they save from year to year to reuse at election times to support their own "bought" candidates.
2. They also saturate the roadways with smaller signs to

“drown out” those honest candidates, like Robert A. Williams and others, who refuse to waste their own resources and would also refuse to waste taxpayer resources when they are elected to office.

3. And, last, but not least, they steal honest candidates political “yard sign” size smaller signs to diminish and reduce the name recognition of their honest political opponents. Pretty much convinced that their “sign stealers” stealing political signs from honest candidates will NOT often be caught and even less likely to be held accountable or punished in any way if they are apprehended.

Notes:

1. Robert A is **NOT** aware of any Political “Sign Stealers” ever being caught and appropriately prosecuted in Cleveland County history. (Until now, Read on for that information.)
2. Robert A always recommend voters to be aware that those large billboards and very large “framed” political signs are typically paid for by those that want something “big” in return from “their candidate that is much different than what is in the best interest of all the citizens. These candidates should be avoided like **COVID** when YOU mark your
3. In Robert A's OPINION, there is an (presently) unprovable link between those whose signs are **NOT** being stolen or damaged with those Sign Stealers who are stealing **Robert A's** and other “selected” honest candidates’ campaign signs.

Folks, NOW for some news:

The following text was transcribed exactly from CCS School Board Candidate Jay Carpenter’s Campaign Facebook Page.

Several of my campaign signs were stolen in Boiling Springs. I would just like to thank Officer Chris Williamson with the Boiling Springs Police Department for all his assistance in Helping me catch the man who has been stealing my signs and others.

Stealing signs is wrong, and people need to take responsibility and be held accountable for their actions. I will continue to take this stand to make sure people are accountable.

If elected, I will continue to take this stand to make sure people are held accountable for doing the job they were hired for.

If anyone who has had a sign stolen in Boiling Springs at Ingles and would like to see justice served, contact the Cleveland County Magistrate office.

Early voting begins February 15th. Remember, please go out and vote

Thank you!

Jay Carpenter for Cleveland County Board of Education

Editor's Note: Jay Carpenter is one of Robert A's recommended candidates running for the CCS School Board in the 2024 Elections. Also note that ALL of Robert A's recommended candidates for the CCS School Board as well as Cleveland County Commissioners (including Robert A) have experienced multiple instances of campaign signs being stolen or "run over."

Also Note that multiple Robert A campaign signs at the Cleveland County Fairground (County-Owned Property-in the highway right of way) and another location near Fallston have been stolen twice. Now, signs of Tim Moore, Johnny Hutchins, Robert Queen are there and have not been removed. Kevin Gordon's LARGE signs are also at that same location near Fallston and are still there.

Folks, the 2024 Republican Primary Elections are upon us. And, it is totally obvious that the RIGHT Conservative Republican candidates be selected at every level. From the President on down to the CCS School Board and CC Commissioners to the President of the United States. From the CC School Board and Commissioners all the way up to the President.

As usual, Robert A is working up his "Sample Ballot Voting Recommendations" for all the offices that will be on the Cleveland County Ballots. This will be out shortly. For right now, Robert A recommends the following candidates on the Republican ticket in Cleveland County:

For US President:

Donald J. Trump

Note that there will be eight candidates for US President on the 2024 Republican Primary Ballot. Robert A recommends voting only for **Donald J. Trump** for US President. No other person on this earth is more motivated to "**drain the swamp**" in Washington, DC, close the border and Make America Great Again than ***Donald J. Trump***.

For the Cleveland County School Board:

Samantha Davis

Matthew Canipe

Kenneth A. Ledford

David Fisher

Jay Carpenter

Also note School Board Candidate **Sheila Canipe's** position on issues and qualifications have become better known to **Robert A.** It is now obvious that **Sheila Canipe** (no relation to Matthew Canipe) would clearly advocate for the positive changes needed at Cleveland County Schools. **Robert A** recommends that, upon election of a new Majority on the School Board, any of these six candidates not elected be appointed to an "Advisory Committee" to assist in the details of making the changes that need to be made at CCS. As well as making revisions to the curriculum and choosing the books that would be chosen for the school's libraries and textbooks. **Robert A** recommends NO INCUMBENT SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER be re-elected. They **all** promised **transparency** in the 2020 elections and **gave us nothing but lies and cover-up. As Einstein would say, to re-elect the incumbents (Robert Queen, Ron Humphries, Joel Shores, Rodney Fitch and Greg Taylor) and expect better from them would be the definition of insanity. Robert A is NOT INSANE. Are YOU???**

For Cleveland County Commissioners:

Robert A. Williams

Linda Laine

Carter York

Note that these three candidates for the CC Commissioner position have No Strings Attached to political insiders or political operatives as previously described. These three candidates are frugal with campaign spending and would be just as frugal in spending taxpayer's hard-earned dollar\$. And are

totally devoted to represent all the citizens of Cleveland County. And do what is right for Fire Departments, EMS, CC Economic Development, and all other county agencies. All the while demanding **professionalism, transparency and accountability. All of which is totally FREE, when done right.**