Danny Blanton 1827 Creek Ridge Rd. Shelby, NC 28152

Robert Queen, Chairman 2632 Pamlico Drive Shelby, NC 28152

I have had enough of your antics and outward hostility towards me. I am a pretty simple man who was raised in the country and plain spoken but I know a SOB when I see one. You meet that criteria. (S.O.B.; Subject of Beauty), you are a real beauty.

You have no reason to be so hostile toward me. It was I who helped you in all your campaigns for the CCSB. I would never do to you or any other candidate what you did to me in the most recent primary. You waged an "all out" vicious attack against me in hopes of defeating me in the Primary Election. You see the results?!

When I made the decision to run for the CCSB it was because I was fed up with the corruption that was going on among some employees in the school system. As I uncovered evidence of the corruption, it made some on the school board along with plenty of others in the system uncomfortable and mad. I was doing what any good citizen would do. The voters of this county did not want to see their money being wasted. I will always be an advocate for the taxpayers of Cleveland County. If this upsets you, maybe you don't need to be on the school board.

You and your minions have damaged and divided the Republican Party. I have no intention or desire to attend any meetings with you or any member of the Republican Party to discuss what you and your little group have done. You broke it; you fix it!

I know you were instrumental in trying to derail my campaign. It was you and your malicious followers who accused me of acts which were completely false. You have no proof that I have ever stolen a tractor from anywhere. Under your guidance someone in your, "little camp of destruction", continue to circulate accusatory letters about me. There is nothing to be gained from this type of thing.

I'd also like to address your comments about what I had said about an employee in which my choice of words did not meet your collegiate standards of speaking. I am not and have never been a prejudiced person. I take offense that you would make such judgement about me. I believe that any person who is applying for a position of any kind of occupation be considered by their qualifications, only.

Just cut out the BS (beautiful subject) and accept that I am a country boy; not a college graduate as yourself, however, I have a doctorate degree in common sense and the voters of Cleveland County like it just fine!

I will also address your activity on social media where you tried to discredit me and other candidates with your holy assessment of which candidates met your standards of being Christian, holy and moral. Who appointed you to sit upon a throne and make such judgement of candidates? It is a shame that someone with past or present titles as a deacon would make such a public judgement of political candidates. Where are your morals? Where is your Christianity? It is truly a shame. The word that is

going around Cleveland County to describe you is, "hypocrite". That is what THE PEOPLE are saying about you. (Not my word; but the voters!)

I've saved all your messaging on social media, and I've had it reviewed by my legal counsel. You have run right up to the "red line", of libel and slander with some of your comments. The path you chose in trying to defeat me has backfired on you. When you engaged with others to derail my campaign in hopes of knocking me out of competition for a seat on the CCSB, you made a great misguided calculation. You along with the others are all accountable for the slanderous attack on me.

I am your equal on the CCSB. We were elected to do the business of educating school children, supporting the teachers and staff, being good stewards of the taxpayer's money, maintaining school property and working together as one united board. You were not elected to play political games or to become involved in corrupt activity by others. I'm not a chairman, however, I have the same equal status as any other elected member, and you would be wise to remember that I am an "elected official". You may want to remind your minions of that fact.

There will be no further comments or discussions from me about this issue that you created against me and my campaign unless you continue with it at which time, I will seek legal action.

Sincerely,

Danny Blanton