

KREF

ATTN: Katie R. Flora

140 Walnut Street

Frankfort, KY 40601

Via Hand Delivery on Sept 9, 2022

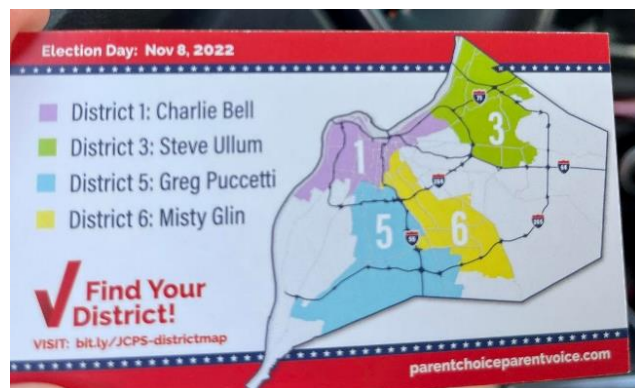
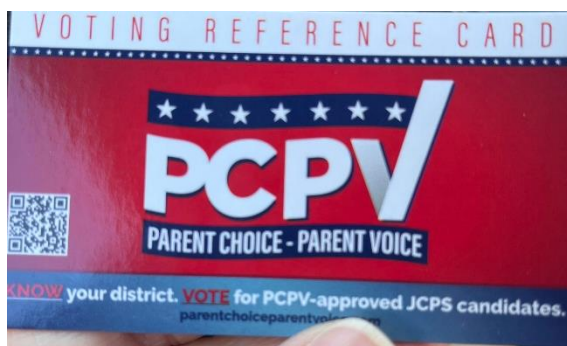
Re: Anonymous Groups Trying to Influence JCPS School Board Elections. Are they related to individuals with ties to hate groups and election deniers? Could they be using board meetings to organize and recruit for the next "big lie" action in Kentucky?

The following complaint alleges several possible KREF violations and possible criminal activity, against several candidates and influencers, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Failure to identify who is paying for a campaign to promote a slate of school board candidates that share a similar "liberty" agenda.
2. Failure to register with the Secretary of State to operate in Kentucky and other possible violations of state and local laws and rules.
3. Suspended "dishonest" Ohio attorney practicing law in Kentucky on their behalf.
4. Infiltrative disruptions from outsiders and dangerous local hate groups trying to insert religion and politics into a non-partisan school board race.
5. Possible campaign coordination between several candidates and PAC leader.
6. Possible fraud/tampering with internal software to influence how powerful PAC money is spent and to insert political agenda into district policy and KRS regulated board meetings.
7. Failure to identify who is paying for yard signs to promote a ballot initiative (2020).
8. Possibly not eligible to run in district.

On Tuesday, August 16, 2022, I received a message from an acquaintance who said her mother was approached while sitting in her car in front of Noe Middle School. Two women were handing out business cards to cars sitting in the pick-up line.

The cards they were handing out:



As a candidate currently running for school board in one of those districts, I was curious to see who had organized these cards. As a mom, taxpayer and resident of one of the districts, and as someone who has been abiding by all the rules and following the slow, messy, unfair and lopsided democratic process that our school board is governed by, I wanted to know who is trying to put their thumb on the scale and influence the vote?

I visited the website provided and discovered that they did not have any information about who was paying for their materials or behind the endorsements. I visited the Kentucky Secretary of State's website

and could not locate an entity that had registered to do political endorsements or lobbying using that name. When I visited their Facebook page, I saw an endorsement from Theresa Camoriano, one of the leaders of the local Tea Party and organizer of a campaign to stop a badly needed property tax increase. She does not live within the JCPS boundaries.

Dark money PACs already create an uneven playing field for authentic grassroots candidates like me who work hard for every dollar that is donated to our campaigns. When candidates receive an unfair advantage, and further that advantage by not following proper filing and disclosure rules, it hurts everyone, especially voters who may be led astray by disingenuous campaign tactics such as these.

I've been researching to try to make sense of the senseless, but, because they're well funded by dark money, the trails almost always run cold. And even when they don't, they're good at keeping their hands clean, covering their tracks and going on the counter attack, so nothing ever happens. But in the hopes it helps someone else, I'll share what I've discovered so far.

These four endorsed candidates are the same candidates we've seen endorsed by groups such as the "Liberty Caucus", and promoted in social media circles that also spread disinformation to mislead people into having strong opinions about false concerns, such as masks, vaccines, critical race theory, books and more. They have been sending threatening and hostile messages to current board members, showing up at board meetings, rallies and protests and more. Not just here, but across the country.

"All four incumbents — Chairwoman Diane Porter, Vice Chairman Corrie Shull and members James Craig and Linda Duncan — are running for reelection. All are facing challengers, mostly from a slate of "liberty" candidates.

On Monday afternoon, [the website for the Kentucky Liberty Caucus](#) listed four candidates — Charlie Bell, Steve Ullum, Gregory Puccetti and Misty Glin — as "vetted" liberty candidates. By Tuesday morning, though, the list no longer appeared on the site."

Source: <https://www.courier-journal.com/story/news/education/2022/06/07/jcps-school-board-2022-candidates-who-running/9861584002/>

Kentucky Public Schools

Counties where PCPV Candidates have been identified.

Click on the county below to learn more about the school district and see who the PCPV candidates are.

ANCHORAGE INDEPENDENT (JEFFERSON COUNTY)	BOONE COUNTY	CLAY COUNTY
FAYETTE COUNTY	FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS (CAMPBELL COUNTY)	JEFFERSON COUNTY
MORGAN COUNTY	OLDHAM COUNTY	OWEN COUNTY
SCOTT COUNTY	WEBSTER COUNTY	

Further review of their website also revealed that they are not only trying to infiltrate Jefferson County, but they are already in 11 other districts. (It was only 10 when I started writing this report.)

And it's all being allowed to happen under the watchful eye of many of Louisville's so-called progressive leaders. I believe people on both sides are culpable, and not everyone is who they seem.

III Percenterers

Because there is a lot of similarity between the endorsements above and several other dark money "astroturf" groups that have been infiltrating our meetings and spaces, I wanted to share some additional research with you. The picture below is from a June, 2021 Work Session where Ruth Ann Shumate Reed and Cindy Marlow sat at the front of the room and disrupted the meeting. Someone who was part of their group held up a sign from a well-known hate group called 111%, which has been tied to LMPD officers. The sign was left on a Black WLKY reporter's car.



This same group also organized a counter protest when armed Black militia came to town. [Three Percenterers plan response to NFAC march in Louisville](#) ([courier-journal.com](#))

Here is Liberty

Someone sent me a link to another group's website, that endorses a lot of the same candidates with the same beliefs and uses the "liberty" dogwhistle. She says,

"They are in lockstep with AFA. Notice they endorse Cooperrider, Savannah Maddox, who hung out with 3% and Proud Boys who were at Frankfort lockdown protests hanging Beshear in effigy."

<https://ky22.hereisliberty.com/>



JoshThePhotog @JAGaines · Jun 22, 2021

Signs Protesters left on our @WLKY car and signs around the property



Specifically in Jefferson County

They are running candidates that have been associated with the “Liberty Caucus” for every open board seat:

District 1 – Charlie Bell

District 3 – Steve Ullum

District 5 – Greg Puccetti

District 6 - Misty Glen

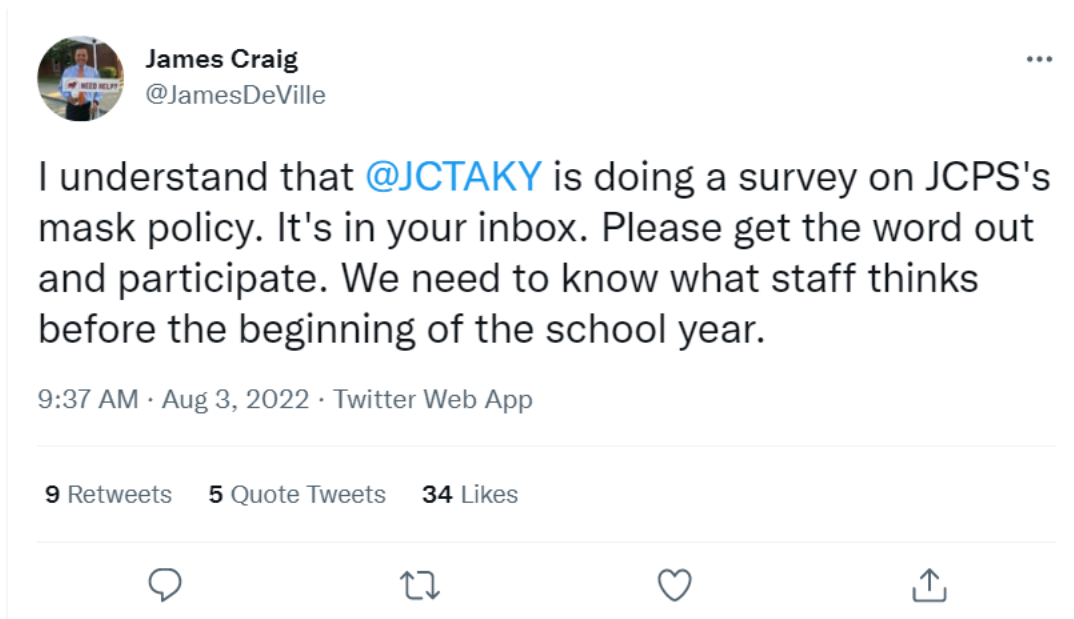
A group of individuals, with ties to Dr. Frank Simon, and who are associated with American Family Association of Kentucky, have been showing up at work sessions and board meetings, speaking out against common sense measures and even disrupting regular order of business from being conducted, as we’ve seen across the country.

Rigged and Politically Motivated Mask Survey

I also filed two reports with the FBI Tip line about what I believe to be unethical, fraudulent and possibly criminal behavior related to these incidents and events, but I have not heard back. One involving a KY House Rep elect and two officers of the teachers' union. The other involving the mask survey and attempt to hijack a recent JCPS board meeting agenda.

On August 3, following the demonstration of power and intimidation by those who organized the Aug. 2 protest, including an interview by one of the "JCPS Parents" on WDRB. These parents represent a new wave of disruptions, not only do they not represent the longstanding groups that have been speaking up at board meetings and having a strong, supportive role in JCPS schools, including PTA, Dear JCPS and Louisville PTO.

JCTA President Brent McKim apparently unilaterally made the decision to send out a mask survey following the Aug. 2 demonstration. On the morning of Aug. 3, James Craig made a tweet about it encouraging folks to take it.



I heard from several members of JCTA, including some who serve as elected officers on the JCTA Board, who said they first learned about the survey when they opened it in their email. Many recognized it as a political maneuver to try to shift policy and they expressed their outrage. When I obtained a copy of the email exchange that took place between the JCTA President and members of the "authenticated JCTA Board," not one, not two but THREE officers objected to his continued pursuit of this disingenuous abuse of power and asked him not to do anything else until a meeting could be conducted. He disregarded their concerns and sent a second survey to "further validate" results (see WDRB article) that were not valid to begin with. The first survey had been sent using Survey Monkey, which could be forwarded to non-JCTA members and taken more than once. This was confirmed in the JCTA Officer email thread and also by Olivia Krauth on Twitter.

https://www.wdrb.com/in-depth/jcps-teachers-union-poll-finds-most-against-districts-covid-19-mask-policy/article_8a6926b4-1659-11ed-8d4c-a77e4b7235d7.html

Email thread shows 3 different female JCTA officers commenting how survey was compromised and two (both black) were not supportive of McKim acting further without a meeting.

From: Brent McKim <Brent.McKim@jcta.org>
Sent: Thursday, August 4, 2022 7:03 PM
To: Authenticated Board of Directors <AuthJCTABoard@jcta.org>
Cc: UniServ Directors <UniServDirectors@jcta.org>
Subject: Fwd: Mask Survey

Here are preliminary COVID masking survey results. I am in Western KY for Fancy Farm and will not be able to do much email for most of the weekend.

This is a pretty high response rate compared to most of our surveys and is probably more than a statistically valid sample size.

Brent

Begin forwarded message:

Sent: Friday, August 5, 2022 5:41 PM
To: Brent McKim <Brent.McKim@jcta.org>; Authenticated Board of Directors <AuthJCTABoard@jcta.org>
Cc: UniServ Directors <UniServDirectors@jcta.org>
Subject: Re: Mask Survey

While I appreciate listening to rank and file members, I do not believe that this survey is truly indicative of the member's voices. I have evidence that this survey was circulated through a Facebook group called Jefferson County Kids Matter and they were encouraging their members to complete the form. I also have evidence that the survey is able to be completed from the same link on a different device. Please discontinue this method of surveying our members. I do not believe it upholds our Duty of Care or Duty of Loyalty as we have discussed in the board retreat. I also think that it is imperative that we have conversations about further survey's as to not inundate members with surveys especially as it appears to appease political messaging from parties who do not have our member's best interest at.

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Again, that survey isn't secure and at this point, I know that the data is invalid as it is likely that it has been completed multiple times by members outside of our organization.

Sincerely,

(Name of female JCTA officer redacted)

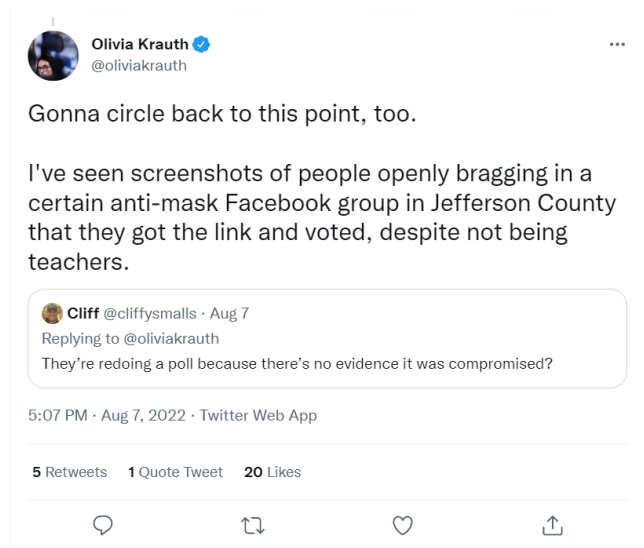
From: Brent McKim <Brent.McKim@jcta.org>
Sent: Saturday, August 6, 2022 8:19:58 AM
To: Kathryn Punsly <Katie.Punsly@jcta.org>
Subject: Re: Mask Survey

I have asked DeeAnn to have our IT person send a secure survey via our JCTA database to validate the results.

Thanks,
Brent

(Full email threat attached separately.)

Some concern has been voiced regarding the belief that an outside effort may have occurred to skew the results of this survey. If an outside group had eventually learned of the survey, figured out a way to submit unauthorized responses, broadcast how to do so, and if a group of individuals had used that information to submit unauthorized responses to the survey, one would expect to see a secondary spike or even a growing number of responses coming in from those unauthorized individuals. However, the pattern for the number of responses shown below does not show any such evidence of having occurred. Rather, a normal response pattern where most people responded right away with a gradual tapering off occurred.



Dear JCPS
@Dear_JCPS

This part.

The sudden about-face couldn't possibly have anything to do with the fact that the board member making the motion is up for re-election and the @splcenter designated #HateGroup behind the anti-mask rally held at Van Hoose two weeks ago supports one of his challengers?



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It wasn't a "belief." It was a demonstrated and proven fact. He still denies it happened and exaggerates how hard it was when we know for a fact it happened, regardless of what "one would expect."

JCPS Boundary Maps Redistricting Board Vote

If you watch the April 26, 2022 JCPS Work Session, the consulting firm the district has hired to come up with various scenarios to redistrict presented five scenarios. James Craig has already notified Chair Porter that he intends to make a motion on which scenario he supports.

According to the WFPL article, "District 3, represented by James Craig, had a relatively stable population over the last 10 years, and experienced the fewest changes under the new maps."

The change in District 3 reflected only 171 residents. Three other board members stated that they prefer Scenario 2, but could live with Scenario 1. Why did James push so hard for Scenario 1 when he was among those least impacted? Two of the precincts that were moved into District 3 in Scenario 1 included the home address of the right wing challenger to his seat, Steve Ullum. Did he know he was adding Steve Ullum's address with this selection? Why did he seem so eager to make sure this version, and not the popular Scenario 2 that did not have this same impact, pass?

I don't have the ability to find the missing connections or motivations behind these curious events. I am just trying to share what has been brought to my attention in case it helps others connect the dots or dig deeper.

In addition, Steve Ullum's residential address, 323 Sage Rd. was in JCPS District 2 until the maps were redrawn ahead of this election. In other words, Steve was not eligible to file to run in District 3 until the maps were slightly adjusted. As this article on WFPL states,

As WFPL reported on April 2

<https://wfpl.org/jcps-gets-new-board-member-districts-for-the-2022-election/>

Steve is a realtor, so there is a rumor floating around that he moved into one of his rental properties in order to run. However, according to TruePeopleSearch.com, Steve lived in the Sage Rd address from Aug. 2021 thru May 2022. He filed to run on June 6 using this address.

The same website says he now lives in Florida.



Previous Addresses

[323 Sage Rd](#)
Louisville, KY 40207
(Aug 2021 - May 2022)

[6604 Calm River Way](#)
Louisville, KY 40299
(Oct 2003 - Oct 2021)

[977 Vine St](#)
Louisville, KY 40204
(Jul 2015 - Jun 2021)

John Stephen Ullum Jr Age 45 (Nov 1976)

Full Background Report Available → Ad



Current Address

[3335 Grant Cove Cir #303](#)
[Cape Coral, FL 33991](#)

Map

Outside Groups At the National Level

Patriot Mobile

Someone I met while campaigning recently sent me the following concerning information:

Texas-based wireless provider Patriot Mobile. The company's related political action committee, Patriot Mobile Action, has bankrolled conservative candidates in North Texas school board races. This is part of statewide and national efforts to gain control of school boards and promote conservative evangelical causes.

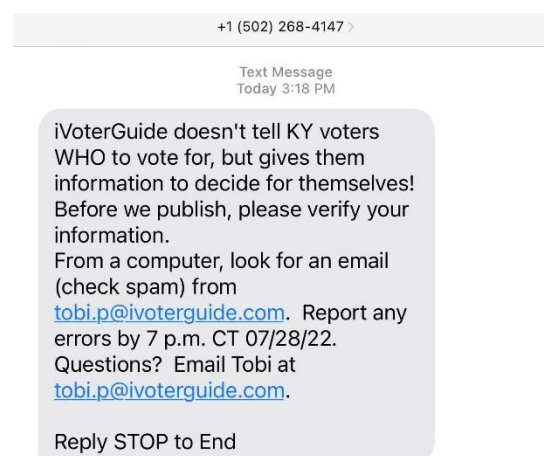
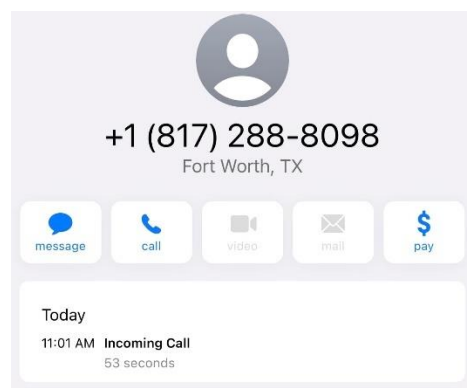
YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GZs7hMFh2v8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qURzJqO5XkA>

<https://www.msnbc.com/alex-wagner-tonight/watch/christian-nationalist-target-school-boards-to-advance-agenda-147033157895>

IVoterGuide/American Heritage

On August 23, I received a telemarketing call. I have an audio recording of that message. As a candidate, I received a survey via email from a group that identified as IVoterGuide. They contacted me several times using a robocall that encouraged me to complete the survey. I returned the call from the 817 area code and the voicemail identified the group as American Heritage. Upon visiting the IVoterGuide website, I see that inappropriate God and religion to appeal to those who have been recruited into this disinformation channel. They position themselves as a "pro life" organization with strong religious and shaming overtones, and their purpose is to create a "voter guide" that will likely endorse these same candidates, and influence how their followers vote. Whether there is a direct connection or not, these groups appear to working the same agenda through different angles, each with their own level or respect or understanding for Kentucky election law.





Sat 8/27/2022 12:38 AM

tobi.p@ivoterguide.com

Candidate ██████████ (Kentucky) - Please review iVoterGuide information on your campaign

To: gay@adelmannforky.com

Click here to download pictures. To help protect your privacy, Outlook prevented automatic download of some pictures in this message.

Dear Candidate,

Freedoms Heritage Forum, The Family Foundation of Kentucky, AFA Action, FRC Action, Tea Party Patriots, and iVoterGuide.com are planning to release the Kentucky voter guide for the Tuesday, November 8 election on **September 12, 2022**.

[Click here to see the preview of your candidate profile.](#)

If you believe that iVoterGuide has attributed erroneous data to your campaign, please notify us *IN WRITING* (to the email address listed below) **no later than 7 pm (Central Time) on Sunday, August 28, 2022**, so that we may verify and make any necessary corrections.

Please note that you will not see requested updates on the "preview" until we send out a second "Sneak Peek" preview a day or two before we publish the voter guide for the election. At that time, your overall panel rating will also be reflected. (If primary election evaluations are showing, these are subject to change upon reevaluation for the General.) For more information on the panel rating, please refer to our [candidate evaluation information](#).

Sincerely,

Tobi Paxton
tobi.p@ivoterguide.com
iVoterGuide.com

08/26/2022 23:36:39

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Not affiliated with iVoters

My Ballot Vote Values News Act Donate

Grounded in God. Rooted in research.

Get sample ballots, voting information, candidate evaluations and more.

Voting Address

Vote by State

GovTransparency.org


This is another candidate survey I received. This group is attempting to influence school board and judicial races in Kentucky. They pass themselves off as non-partisan, as you can see from the solicitation I received in the mail. But a quick review of their past endorsements show that they align with the state and local groups that have been disrupting school board meetings, not just in Jefferson County, but across the country. There is every indication that they are mobilizing and radicalizing a base of people who believe every big and little lie that supports white nationalism, fascism, civil rights, bodily autonomy and other threats to our freedoms and fair elections.

THE NON-PARTISAN
GOVERNMENT
TRANSPARENCY
ORGANIZATION

Dear ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

First, allow us to thank you for running for the Board of Education. Increased civic participation is crucial for a thriving democracy and serving on a school board, in particular, helps to shape the next generation to strengthen our community. At the non-partisan Government Transparency Organization, we seek to provide citizens with the information that they need to make informed decisions about the candidates on their ballot, and help them to better influence their elected representatives.

Among our central functions is designing & distributing candidate surveys for non-partisan School Board & Judicial Races, where voters tend to be particularly misinformed, or uninformed. Non-partisan races have advantages, for instance the perception of apolitical fairness and lack of bias among candidates, but also disadvantages. Without political party affiliation serving as a proxy for political perspectives, the reality is that most voters enter the booth knowing nearly nothing about the policy positions or priorities of the candidates in these races.



To enable and promote a more informed electorate, we conduct surveys of candidate policy positions on issues related to their office, publish their responses in their own words, and partner with education advocacy and parent organizations, like PTAs, as well as local newspapers to publicize these views to voters ahead of the election.

SCAN ME

or enter this in your browser
<https://TinyURL.com/sb-survey>

We humbly request that you take what should be less than an hour to complete the school board survey to the left. You can either use most smart phones' cameras to scan (or QR read) the QR Code and follow the pop-up link, or type the short URL to the left directly into your phone or, ideally, computer browser.

We request that you complete the survey by September 1, so that we can assure voters will have access to your responses over the two months leading up the election.

Sincerely, thank you very much for running, and providing voters access into your positions,

THE GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY ORGANIZATION
GOVTRANSPARENCY.ORG - GOVTRANSPARENCY@PROTONMAIL.COM

De Jure General Jural Assembly of Kentucky (See Elise England)

A speaker at the 8-2-22 board meeting identified herself as coming in “official capacity” from this group. She made several outlandish and fallacious claims, including one that medical masks were created for slaves during the 1918 pandemic and that XX percent of the deaths were from bacterial pneumonia due to masks. A disgusted Black JCPS teacher and JCTA officer walked out of the meeting during her racist and intellectually disingenuous rant. She also threatened the board with claims that they were violating several laws, which, upon researching, appear to be incorrect, as well. Here speech can be found on my campaign’s Facebook page as the second livestream from the 8-2-22 Board Meeting.

The organization’s website, which uses religion to invoke it’s right to protect civil rights, freedom, liberty from government overreach, denounces PACs and espouses the teachings of Red Beckman, can be found below:

<https://www.kentucky-assembly.net/>

From the website;

“We THE People inhabiting the land of Kentucky, a Free and Independent Nation=State, free men and women convened under God, having been granted by the Creator dominion over all the earth”

I received a Grand Jury summons for simply surveying people who voted during the 2020 primary but learned their vote didn’t count, but these people are impersonating working with KY Attorney General Daniel Cameron’s office and that’s ok?

Incidents at Anti-Mask Rally on August 2, 2022

We have concerns that several people in attendance at the August 2, 2022 JCPS School Board Meeting may be affiliated with white nationalists, fascists, insurrectionists or whatever we should call them, and have been using these meetings as an opportunity to spread hate, lies and violent rhetoric in order to recruit.

I filed incident report #2223-31 (Attached) with JCPS security officer Mike Ford the following day, including that I felt that I had been assaulted by two individuals from the anti-mask crowd. I had to complete an open records request to obtain a copy of the report, and it was at that time I discovered this detail and many others had been left out.

I also discovered there were no incident or police reports filed for the related disruptions on June 22, 2021, Oct. 5, 2021, despite security advising the board chair that the October meeting should be halted, the auditorium evacuated and the remainder of the meeting was ultimately canceled.

Here are some related blog posts:

June 22,2021 - <https://dearjcps.com/who-is-behind-the-recent-disruption-of-a-jcps-work-session/>

Oct. 5, 2021 - <https://dearjcps.com/white-female-domestic-terrorist-threatens-black-mother-at-jcps-school-board-meeting/>

Aug 2 – 2022 - <https://dearjcps.com/why-are-james-craig-and-sarah-mcintosh-flip-flopping-on-the-districts-mask-mandate/>

At one point during Tuesday night's rally, I was crowded in on by several protesters who refused to wear masks. I asked some of those trying to have a conversation with me to practice safe social distancing since they were not wearing masks. They mocked and ridiculed me, refusing to comply. There is a partial transcript from the feed at the end of this report.

I do not feel like these concerns are being taken seriously by our local leadership, so I am reporting them to other agencies and organizations in the hopes someone can help us.

These folks, and others they have recruited, have been spreading disinformation in our local community in order to radicalize other extremists. I am concerned that some of our elected board members are either intimidated by them or working with them, so the intensity and rhetoric only grows. Regardless of their motives, our leaders tolerate disruptions at school board meetings, interfering with taxpayers and stakeholders' rights to due process, but also putting others at ongoing risk of physical harm and mental anguish. At the same time, AUTHENTIC stakeholders with long-overlooked and overdue concerns continue to be pushed out, attacked and ignored.

Here are some of the individuals I was able to identify from the rally, who I believe are the organizers or are closely working with them. Some are repeat offenders.

The livestream of the rally can be found here.

<https://www.facebook.com/100063319864382/videos/442042451179035>

More detailed information about each of the following individuals and groups can be found below:

Frank Simon

Jason Nemes

Steve Ullum

Jennifer Fadel Griffin

James Craig

Brent McKim

Ruth Ann Shumate-Reed

Cindy Marlow

Elise England

Dr. Frank Simon, local allergist, leader of American Family Association of Kentucky



AFA has been designated a hate group by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

<https://www.splcenter.org/fighting-hate/extremist-files/group/american-family-association>

The leader of their local chapter is Frank Simon. He has spoken at several JCPS board meetings as well as at board meetings in neighboring counties, and was present during the June and Oct JCPS board meeting disruptions.

He was one of the first to arrive on scene at the anti-mask rally on JCPS headquarters on August 2. He is shown here being interviewed by WHAS. Their story had no mention of counter protesters or parents with opposing views.

<https://www.whas11.com/article/news/local/universal-mask-policy-protest-jcps-board-meeting-covid-19/417-7f0ab113-5c9d-4fba-afeb-e1b9befa95b9>

The 51 second news clip only showed the anti-mask protesters and an interview with Dr. Simon, a local allergist with a long history of bigotry and hatemongering.

He was also present at the June 2021 board meeting. From my blog:

“Seen in the back row of the meeting, Frank is holding a sign, standing, and visibly agitated. He’s a local doctor who has a long, storied history of bigotry.”

Frank also spoke incoherently into the mic at the June 28 Oldham County school board meeting, although all he really did was yell, “Lies” and “Communism.”

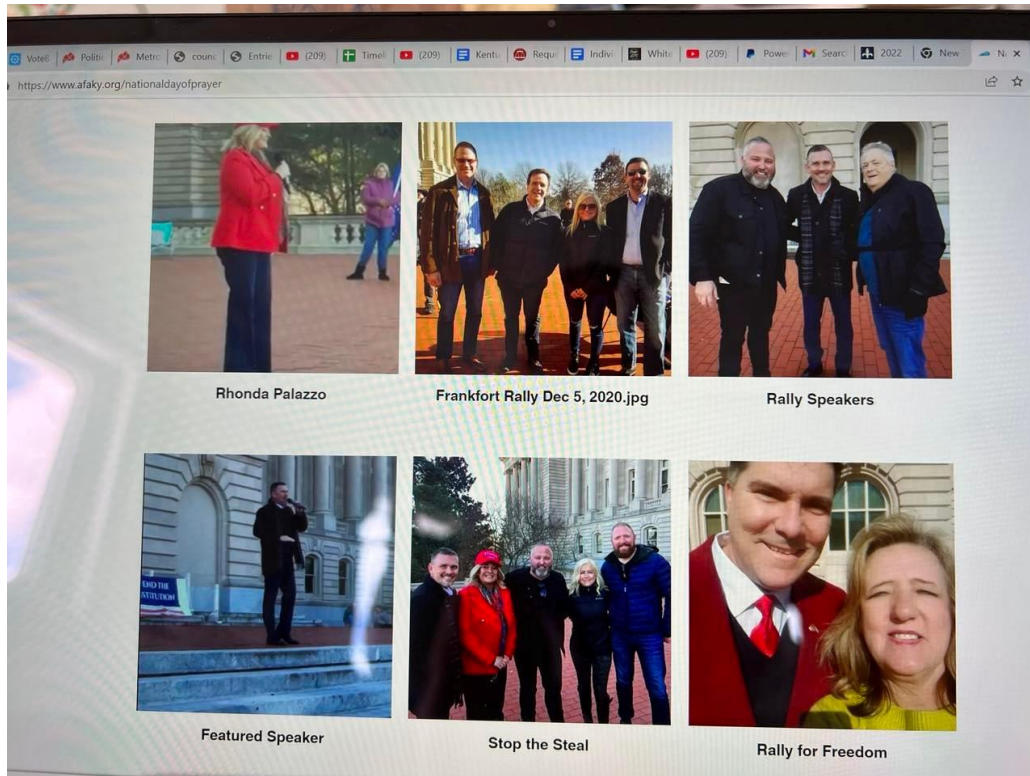
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-tRGVRb9ex4>

The screenshot below from the AFA website reveals predatory, bigoted and fearmongering positions on “School Choice,” (which is aligned with the insidious Koch and ALEC agenda to privatize public education through charter schools, vouchers, state takeovers and “ending busing”), as well as “Plan to Destroy America,” “Election Integrity,” “Gay Agenda” and “Stop the Steal.” These tactics and ideologies have been compared to insurrectionists, election deniers, MAGA Republicans, white nationalists and even President Biden referred to their views as “Semi-fascim” recently.

<https://www.afaky.org/contact>



The next image is from their website. They have “Stop the Steal” as another one of their dangerous and treasonous dogwhistles that align with the same folks who put our nation in clear and present danger on January 6, 2021.



I received a message from someone on Twitter who saw some of my tweets about the people at the protest. She said, “These people were at Vanhoose protesting with Frank Simon. I am sure you know that he is a John Bircher, turned Tea party then MAGA menacing tool since my grandmother was young.”

When researching who the Birchers were, I came across the following alarming article,

<https://www.nybooks.com/articles/2022/06/23/the-birchers-the-trumpers-john-birch-society-james-mann/>

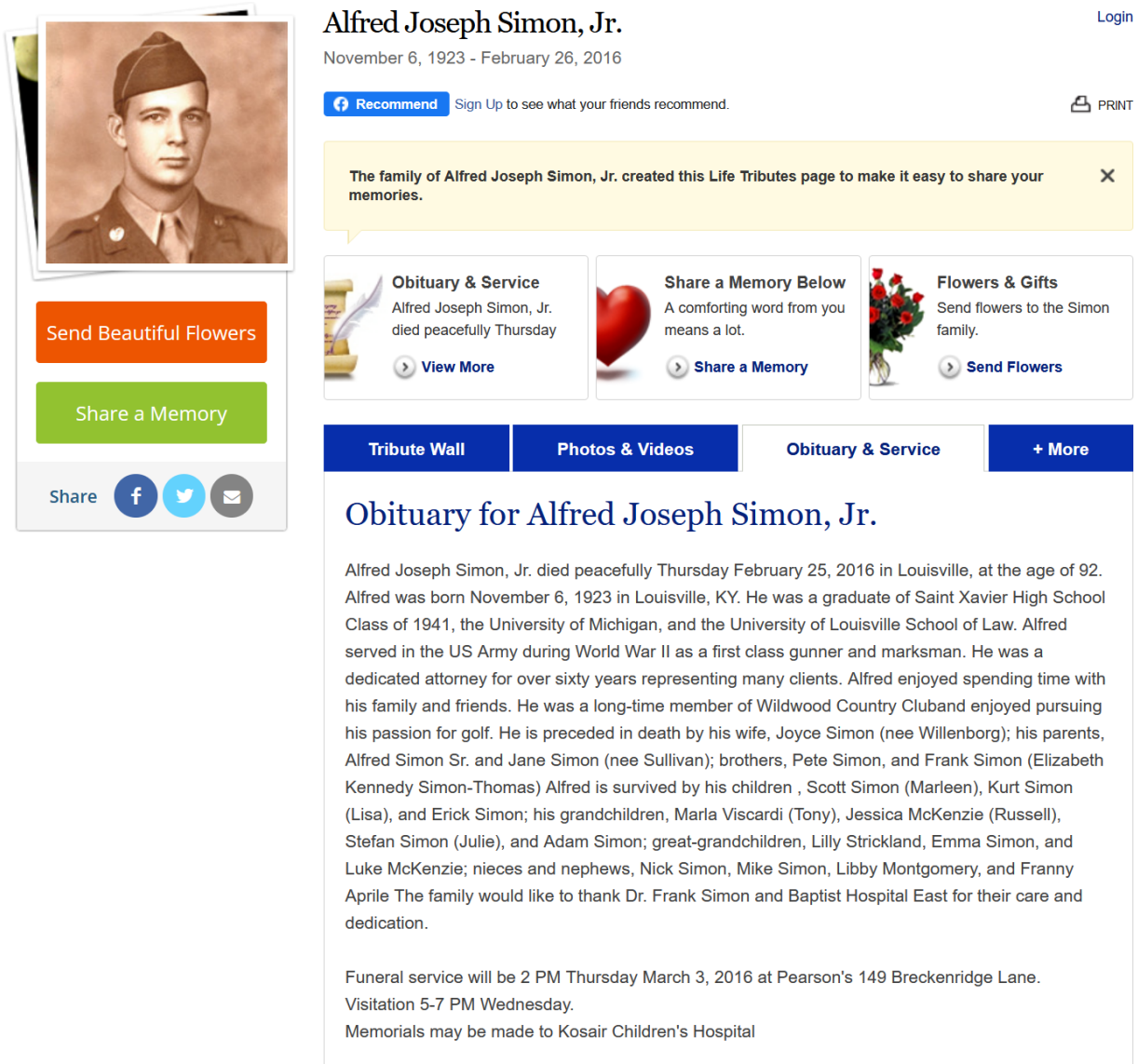
“There are even some blood ties between the Birchers and the modern far right: one of the business leaders Welch assembled to create the Birch Society was Fred Koch, the father of Charles and David, who became longtime donors to conservative causes.

Welch’s first anti-Communist tract was published by Henry Regnery, the founder of the Regnery Press, which still specializes in books by conservative authors such as Ann Coulter and Josh Hawley. And Roger Stone, admittedly a questionable source, once told an interviewer that Trump’s father, Fred Trump, was a quiet funder of the Birch Society and a friend of Robert Welch.”

Simon Says

One of the news interviews I saw following the event was with a woman who claimed she felt the district wasn't listening to parents. I noticed her name was Julie Simon, same last name as Frank. I wondered if she might be any relation, and at first I could not find any connection, until I came across an obituary for Alfred Simon, Jr. from 2016. Turns out, Julie, whose maiden name is Strickland, is or was married to Stefan Simon.

<https://www.pearsonfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Alfred-Simon-2/#!/Obituary>



The screenshot shows a Life Tributes page for Alfred Joseph Simon, Jr. On the left is a portrait of a young man in a military uniform. Below the portrait are buttons for "Send Beautiful Flowers" and "Share a Memory", and social media share icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Email. The main header reads "Alfred Joseph Simon, Jr." with dates "November 6, 1923 - February 26, 2016". A "Recommend" button is present. A yellow message box states: "The family of Alfred Joseph Simon, Jr. created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories." Below this are three sections: "Obituary & Service" with a "View More" button, "Share a Memory Below" with a "Share a Memory" button, and "Flowers & Gifts" with a "Send Flowers" button. A navigation bar includes "Tribute Wall", "Photos & Videos", "Obituary & Service", and "+ More". The obituary text follows, detailing Alfred's life, military service, education, and family. Funeral service information is provided at the bottom.

Alfred Joseph Simon, Jr.
November 6, 1923 - February 26, 2016

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Obituary for Alfred Joseph Simon, Jr.

Alfred Joseph Simon, Jr. died peacefully Thursday February 25, 2016 in Louisville, at the age of 92. Alfred was born November 6, 1923 in Louisville, KY. He was a graduate of Saint Xavier High School Class of 1941, the University of Michigan, and the University of Louisville School of Law. Alfred served in the US Army during World War II as a first class gunner and marksman. He was a dedicated attorney for over sixty years representing many clients. Alfred enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He was a long-time member of Wildwood Country Club and enjoyed pursuing his passion for golf. He is preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Simon (nee Willenborg); his parents, Alfred Simon Sr. and Jane Simon (nee Sullivan); brothers, Pete Simon, and Frank Simon (Elizabeth Kennedy Simon-Thomas) Alfred is survived by his children, Scott Simon (Marleen), Kurt Simon (Lisa), and Erick Simon; his grandchildren, Marla Viscardi (Tony), Jessica McKenzie (Russell), Stefan Simon (Julie), and Adam Simon; great-grandchildren, Lilly Strickland, Emma Simon, and Luke McKenzie; nieces and nephews, Nick Simon, Mike Simon, Libby Montgomery, and Franny Aprile The family would like to thank Dr. Frank Simon and Baptist Hospital East for their care and dedication.

Funeral service will be 2 PM Thursday March 3, 2016 at Pearson's 149 Breckenridge Lane.
Visitation 5-7 PM Wednesday.
Memorials may be made to Kosair Children's Hospital

Alfred Simon Jr. was Frank Sr's brother, Frank Jr's uncle. Alfred's grandchildren include Stefan Simon, who would be Frank's great nephew. Julie Strickland Simon, Frank's great niece-in-law, is the same Julie Simon from the interview. Did the reporter know?

In case anyone thinks this distant local relation could be estranged, Dr. Frank Simon is recognized in Alfred's obituary.

Frank's father, Frank E Simon, or Frank, Sr., had remarried to Elizabeth Kennedy Simon-Thomas before he died. She also remarried after Frank Sr.'s death. Alfred, Jr., got a mention in her obituary.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Ramsey Jackson Kennedy, Jr., her infant sister Louise, and her husband of 45 years, Frank E. Simon. She is survived by her husband Joseph Thomas; her brother-in-law Alfred J. Simon, Jr.; her children Elizabeth Montgomery and her husband Guy, Frances Aprile, Nicholas Simon, and Michael Simon and his wife Debbie; her grandchildren Amy Montgomery, Sara Ceello (Dave), Anne Austin (Richard), Timothy Montgomery (Genevieve), Nora Jane Montgomery, Emma Aprile (Andrew Rosenthal), Michael Simon, Jackson Simon, Carolyn Simon, Anna Louise Simon, Nicholas Simon, and Alexander Simon; her great-grandchildren Malcolm and Alexina Rosenthal, Mireia Cecil, Nate and Esme Ceello, and Jasper Austin. She is also survived by faithful friends and caretakers, including Nanette Simon, Linda Trautwein, Karen Kerman, Sandy Dockery, Cynthia Harbin, Ashli Hamilton, Cassandra Riles, and Jerry Burton.

Here is here complete obituary.

[Elizabeth Simon-Thomas Obituary \(2013\) - Louisville, KY - The Pioneer News \(legacy.com\)](#)

Where are the authentic parent voices? Groups like PTA, Louisville PTO and Dear JCPS? What about Kentucky Alliance, NAACP, BLM and Urban League? How does the wife of the grandchild of Frank's uncle become the voice of all JCPS Parents?

Jason Nemes – Local attorney and KY House Rep- Running for Reelection



Jason continually receives the JCTA PAC's endorsement over the objection of the teachers' union members. Despite receiving the teachers' union endorsement, Nemes continues to vote against teacher benefits and public education, sometimes being among a few other endorsed candidates that make up a deciding vote, as he was with the charter school legislation. Teacher members who were aware of this pattern have been objecting to Nemes continuing to receive the endorsement. This is what led one member to decide to run for the open BSK position. Her experience is detailed in the "botched" election story.

Despite objections, endorsements were not withdrawn until this election cycle, we are hearing they have agreed to stay out of the district 33 race, despite teachers overwhelmingly supporting Kate Turner, his democratic challenger. However, we are hearing that the endorsement withdrawal is because Nemes doesn't want JCTA's PAC endorsement because he feels it hurts him with his aspirations in GOP leadership. In other words, the only reason McKim is not

endorsing Nemes is not because he voted against JCTA's wishes, but because he doesn't want it. It's possible this is a rumor that has been intentionally circulated in order for Nemes to save face. But again, they are rewarding Nemes' and giving him what he wants instead of holding him accountable for his anti-public education votes.

Perhaps my friend was correct when he made this post:



I did find it interesting when Brent withdrew JCTA's participation in a broad-based coalition to fight privatization of public education in 2016 when we adopted the #StopChartersInKY slogan.

@JamesDeVille blocked you

You are blocked from following @JamesDeVille and viewing @JamesDeVille's Tweets.

James Craig, local attorney and JCPS Board Member seeking reelection

James promoted the tainted JCTA mask survey on Twitter. The participation rate in the survey got close to three times the participation in JCTA's board elections, despite being sent out just days before school started. Are they coordinating efforts? Some elected JCTA officers think so.

BSK is the teachers' union PAC, which has million of dollars in campaign influencing power. 12 of 14 members of BSK are nominated by the president, which assures only members who don't rock the boat will be allowed to serve. The other two elected seats are on a rotation, and we've seen how he puts his thumb on the outcome of those elections, as well.

Why create and offer the survey unless your goal is to overturn the existing protocols? Removing the mandate while in the red puts disabled and minority students at greater risk. Subjects district to ACLU lawsuit. James is a lawyer and should know that.

Was the mask survey politically motivated? Why else would you send a survey about a policy that was set in stone less than one month prior, unless you were angling to get the policy changed? Why was James involving himself? Was it coordinated with the teacher's union PAC?

There were known issues with the survey, and the second survey was objected to by three female members of JCTA's elected board,* but it was done anyway. James continued to cite the results as he made a motion on August 16 to add it to the agenda during a work session. The motion failed, thankfully. The policy had just passed unanimously less than a month prior. The only reason to attempt to shift course would be in response to the protest organizers, whose misguided beliefs were then echoed by Daniel Cameron. Regardless if you agree the masking policy was right or wrong, the groups that are most vocal and are using it as a wedge issue should not be catered to. You don't negotiate with terrorists, even those who can vote for you.

Dr. Pollio even stated that the vote on the agenda items was divided among racial lines. Marshall, Shull and Porter, along with ally Chris Kolb, voted against. Problematic Linda Duncan, as well as Sarah McIntosh and James Craig were in favor. Notably, Sarah could potentially face another outspoken ringleader of these efforts, Beanie Geoghegan, when she's up for reelection in 2024. Ironically, several of us thought Beanie would be filing to run against James but she doesn't live in his district. Steve on the other hand was just drawn into District 3 in April when the board approved the new redistricting map. James Craig made the motion. Why?

There were strange occurrences with the redrawing of the district boundaries during the April 27, 2022 JCPS Board Meeting. James's district was not impacted by as much as other board members, but he seemed to have the strongest opinions about which of the five scenarios should be implemented. Three other board members expressed a preference for scenario 2 but said they could live with 1. James got preapproval to make a motion and recommended Scenario 1, which passed unanimously, causing two precincts to move from 2 to 3. One of which is where candidate Steve Ullum lives. He would not be eligible to run against James if the scenario James recommended had not passed. Did he know? Was he played? Was he trying to scheme and it backfired? Who knows, but maybe an investigation would be able to look for possible motives and others involved in order to determine if campaign coordination took place.

He also has blocked disagreeing constituents on Twitter, Facebook, making it difficult for us to advocate. His law partner and had me thrown out of a judicial candidate's fundraiser event the public had been invited (and I donated) to simply because I was running against her law partner.

Brent McKim – JCTA President for 22+ Years

Prior to his involvement in conducting an unwanted mask survey, and “further validating” the compromised survey results despite multiple objections from officers on the teachers’ union’s 30-member elected board, Brent has been involved in numerous claims of tampering with school board elections, as well as his own union’s. One of the more notorious ones was brought before KREF in 2011.

From the Nov. 2011 KREF Minutes:

Case No. 2010-883: In re: David Toborowsky, Candidate/Treasurer; Better Schools Kentucky PAC, Dennis Wiseman, Chairman; and Jefferson County Teachers Association, Brent McKim, President, Dennis Wiseman, Treasurer Alleges violations of KRS 121.180(6), KRS 121.150(1), and KRS 121.180(3)

Source; <https://www.wave3.com/story/13390602/teachers-union-defends-support-of-embattled-candidate/>

From the article:

“[Steve] Neal is the JCTA’s former executive director. The union raised eyebrows earlier this fall when it endorsed a political newcomer, David Toborowsky, in his bid to un seat incumbent Debbie Wesslund.

Neal, who was working as a consultant for JCTA at the time, said JCTA president Brent McKim orchestrated Toborowsky’s campaign from the start. Neal said McKim did it to protect the job of his friend, Superintendent Berman, who’s contract is up next summer.

“Brent told me, this is months and months ago, that Dr. Berman was convinced that Debbie Wesslund wasn’t supportive of the superintendent and so he wanted to replace her,” Neal said.

When McKim was elected to the top office in the teachers’ union, the terms were every two years, and there was a two term limit. Under McKim’s leadership, the terms went to every three years, and term limits were removed. Despite promises to only serve two terms, McKim has been reluctant to relinquish his title more than two decades later.

In December of 2020, we also witnessed what appeared to be election tampering during the election for one of only two elected seats to the 12-14 member Better Schools Kentucky PAC in 2021. An attorney acting on behalf of one of the candidates filed that complaint with JCTA board, to no avail.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Qi87ZbtNB48F1sbM20i-Kqwh3YOloq8Y/edit?usp=sharing&oid=106372559226703116974&rtpof=true&sd=true>

In January 4, 2021, several of the impacted members joined our Coalition on a zoom call and shared their experiences with us. I posted video excerpts and an article about the “Botched BSK Election” here:

<https://dearjcps.com/botched-election/>

On Feb. 2, 2021, three Black female community leaders and I cosigned a letter to the editor of the Courier Journal regarding these tactics. They refused to publish it. It is also attached. (Exhibit L)

They said it could not be validated. We sent them validating information and have heard nothing since. This is not the only time the Courier Journal has sat on information we brought to their attention. One of the complaints to the FBI that I mentioned involved reporter Olivia Krauth and her involvement with what I believe was an elaborate scheme to get me to take down a TikTok video that named Jason Nemes and made James Craig look bad. When I owned up to what was in the video and didn't take it down, they went with plan B but in doing so, revealed who some of their co-conspirators are.

On Feb. 17, 2021, four of the candidates running for JCTA Board of Directors also had an attorney file a complaint on their behalf, also to no avail. See JCTA Election Challenge, [Exhibits A-J and Union Response in folder pocket](#). The following day, I filed a complaint with the EPSB regarding questionable election practices. I was told there was nothing they could do.

When it became time for the tax increase initiative, Brent McKim was instrumental in working behind the scenes to not only derail the authentic work of existing coalitions that JCTA was a part of, but to insert their power and influence in front of those of us who had been doing the work. This is not the first time this has happened either.

Yes4JCPS 501©4 was formed. Brent was one of 13 individuals serving on the steering committee. I repeatedly left messages for the consulting team that the district had hired to run the tax increase campaign. Their proposal even stated they would work with community organizations, but those of us who spend the most time working with impacted community members, such as Louisville PTO, PTA, Kentucky Alliance and Dear JCPS were never contacted. I finally got a meeting days before the campaign ended, which was far too late to have any impact.

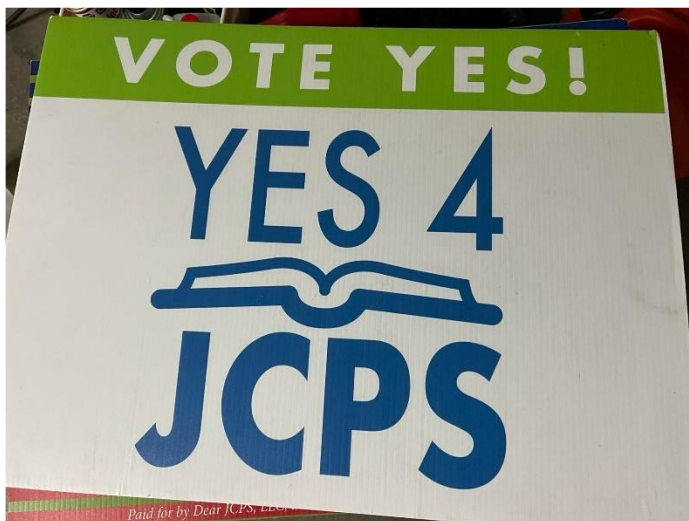
When the only yard signs that were created to promote the campaign simply said "Support Our Schools" and the Tea Party had signs that read VOTE NO, I reached out to the consulting firm that was overseeing the campaign and asked them if they planned on doing yard signs. At first they said no, so I spent some of my own money to create some, careful to follow KREF guidelines, and clearly show who was paying for the signs. I even contacted an attorney and filed Dear JCPS as an LLC with the Secretary of State to make sure our non-profit was a properly styled 501©4 so that we could be in compliance with Kentucky campaign finance laws.

When my board member James Craig tried to discourage people from using my signs and shaming me for asking people to help me pay for them, I asked if the "free" signs said "vote yes," which of course they did not.

After some badgering, the Yes4JCPS team finally produced yard signs that said YES on them. My team of volunteers picked up and distributed hundreds of signs, and in fact, I don't know if anyone else did. I later noticed that their signs lacked proper KREF disclosure. I have attached both signs for your review.

I cannot prove, but I have reason to believe, that the consulting firm that JCPS hired to manage their tax increase campaign and/or those who were working with them and had access to them, fully intended to win on a technicality, which they did. This would explain why they went to such great lengths to keep a low profile and even repeatedly sabotaged our efforts to collect names and signatures on a pro-public education pledge, to promote the reasons why the public should vote YES, and to "Earn the People's Vote."

The three versions of the yard signs are shown below.



Steve Ullum – Local Realtor, “Liberty” Candidate for JCPS School Board District 3

Steve is seen here chatting with House Rep Jason Nemes





Here he and one of the women from the 8/2/22 protest were interviewed by Fox News. This was prior to the protest in an effort to create a nuisance for district leaders and begin to recruit for the Aug. 2 date. The woman is Jennifer Griffin, described below.

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Addresses

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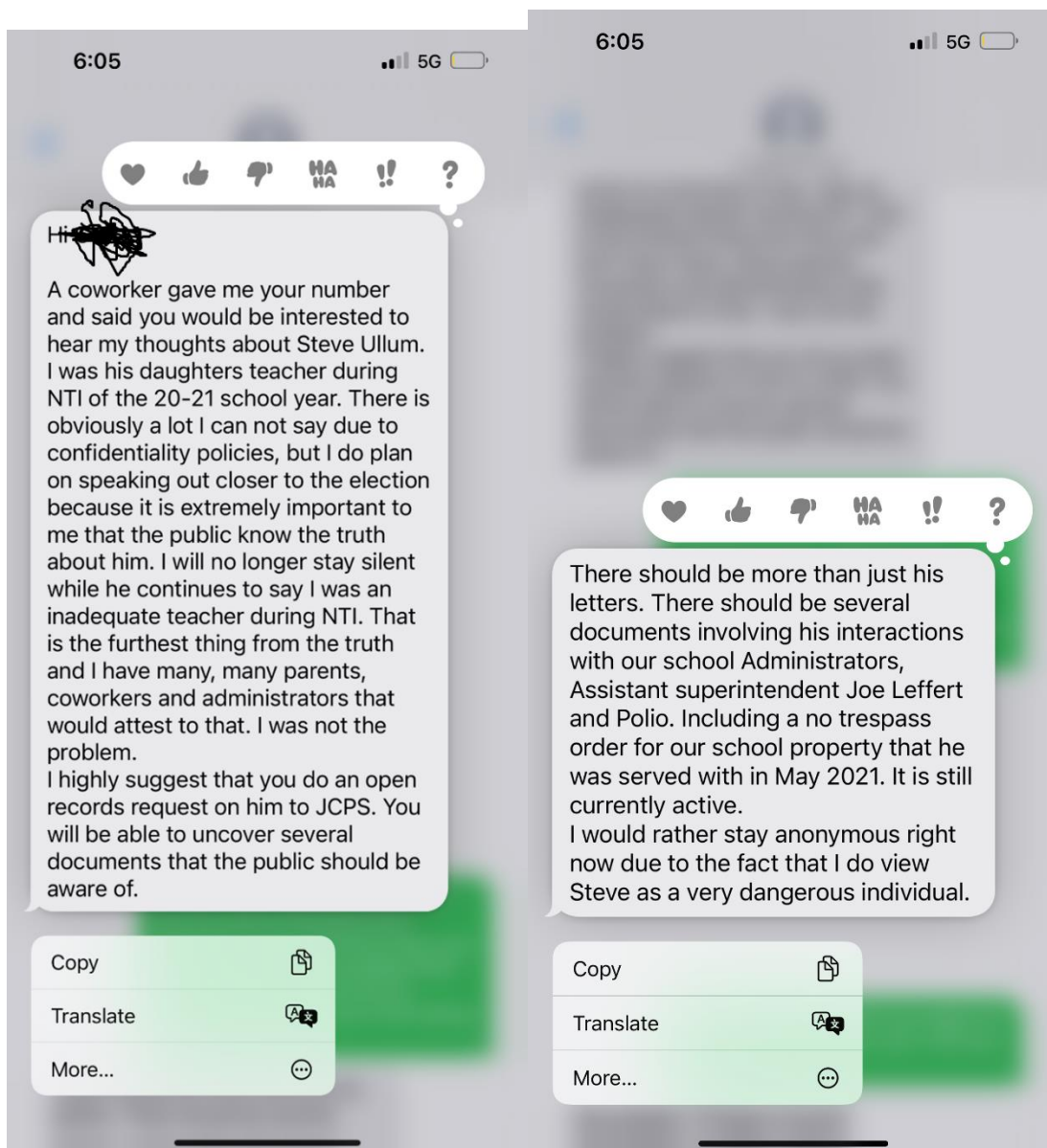
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Districts

- Media Market Louisville, KY
- County Jefferson
- Precinct Precinct 141 32
- Congressional 3
- 2011-2021 Congressional 3
- State House 32
- 2011-2021 State Senate 36
- State Senate 26
- 2011-2021 State House 32
- Judicial Dist 4
- Metro Council 07
- Municipality
- City Council
- Magistrate A
- School Board 2

Does he even live in District 3? This was taken from his profile in the Vote Builder Database.

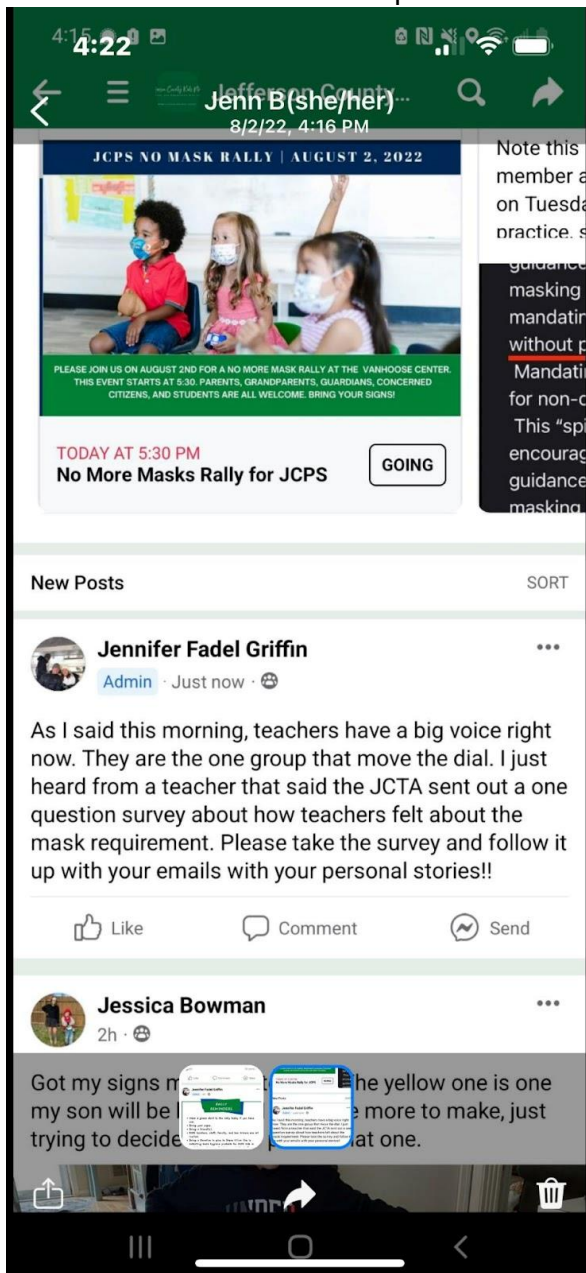
Someone claiming to be a JCPS teacher contacted me a couple of months ago to let me know she was Steve Ullum's daughter's teacher at JTown Elementary during NTI of the 2020-2021 school year. A copy of her text message is attached. I have done several open records requests of the district in an effort to locate evidence of the no trespass order, but they have been unproductive. I'm currently waiting for the results of my third related request, which consists of an email query among district leaders looking for keywords such as "trespass" and was told I would have the results no later than October 28, 2022. Perhaps you can get them sooner?



Jennifer Fadel Griffin -

Shown with Steve in the Fox interview, above, Jennifer is a vocal member/leader of a recently formed FB group called “Jefferson County Kids Matter” and other groups that have been sharing misinformation. They recently helped promote a masking survey that was conspired by the JCTA president to support his political agenda. I have reason to believe the survey results that were reported in the media were manipulated.

In 2021, Jennifer, her father, Ronald, and husband, Anthony, sent a number of harassing emails, demanding board members set a date for reopening schools during the most dangerous COVID peaks. She repeatedly claims to care about ALL kids, but her group only advocates for able-bodied white people and scoffed when I reminded them that minority and disabled students don't have the same levels of protections and face greater risks.



Ruth Ann Shumate-Reed

She is a regular at Frank's disruptions. She sat on the front row with her friend Cindy Marlow as they protested CRT during a JCPS Work session back in June of 2021. Here she is out front of Van Hoose that same day.



Story: <https://dearjcps.com/who-is-behind-the-recent-disruption-of-a-jcps-work-session/>

5:40



Opponents of critical race theory escorted out of JCPS school board meeting after disruption



A JCPS work session meeting was interrupted by a group of two dozen audience members who wanted to discuss not teaching critical race theory in schools.

By Taylor Durden

Published: Jun. 23, 2021 at 12:39 AM EDT



LOUISVILLE, Ky. (WAVE) - A JCPS work session meeting was interrupted by a group of two dozen audience members who wanted to discuss critical race theory in schools.

Critical race theory was not on the agenda for Tuesday night's meeting and the Jefferson County Board of Education work session meetings do not include a time for public comment. However, prior to the board meeting Tuesday night, more than two dozen people were outside of the VanHoose Education Center to voice their disagreement with critical race theory

wave3.com



She was also seen with Cindy at a “pro-life” rally in Frankfort in 2010.

Ruth Ann Shumate-Reed drove from Louisville to be a part of the Right to Life rally on the Capitol steps in Frankfort on Monday, March 29, 2010. Concerned citizens were assembling in hopes of convincing state senators to vote on a proposed constitutional amendment about the funding of abortion. (Kentucky Today/Robin Cornet)

Shumate-Reed also led actions tied to protecting the police officer who was seen in uniform praying outside the abortion clinic in 2021.

Rally held in support of LMPD officer who pro Louisville abortion clinic

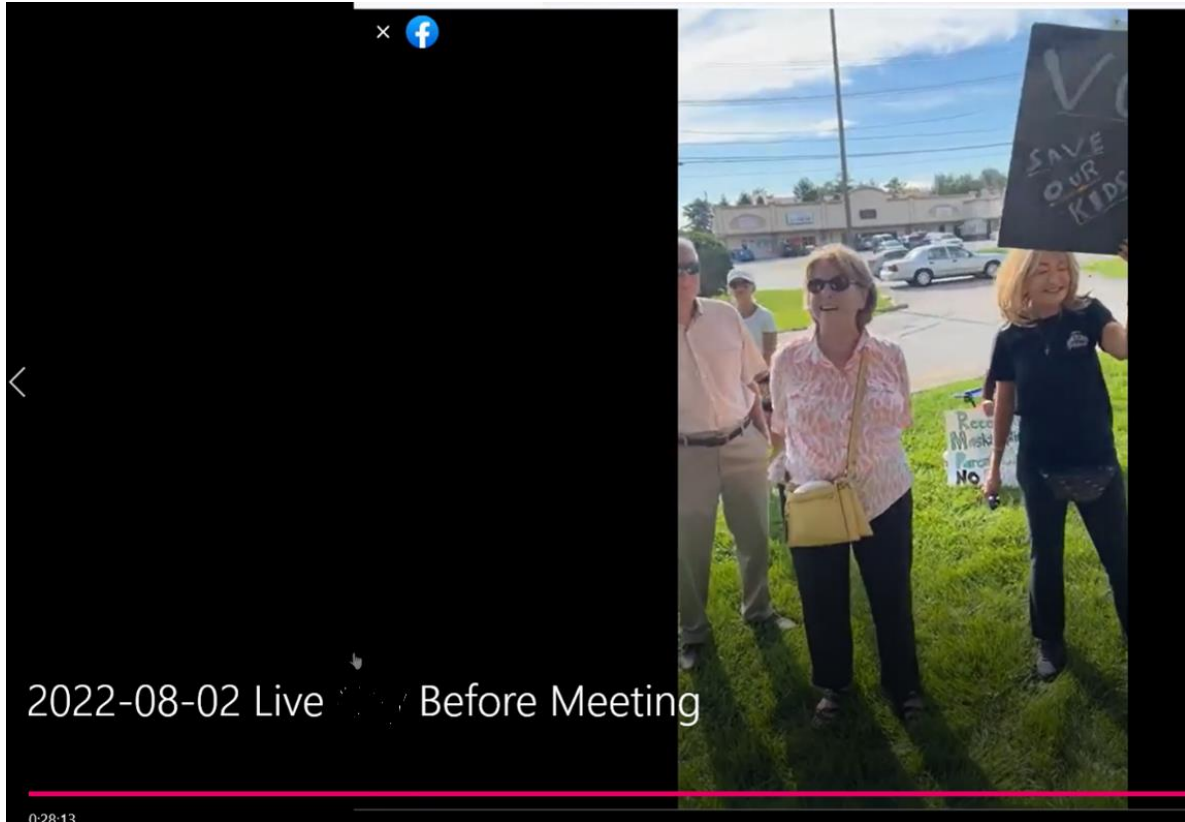
[Rally held in support of LMPD officer who protested at Louisville abortion clinic | News | wdrb.com](https://www.wdrb.com/news/local/rally-held-in-support-of-lmpd-officer-who-protected-at-louisville-abortion-clinic) -

Mar 26, 2021 Updated Mar 26, 2021



People stand outside of the Archdiocese Pastoral Center in Louisville on March 26, 2021.

The point of sharing these other actions is not to take a stand one way or the other on the conflated issue of abortion and freedom of expression, but to point out the reoccurrence of these “bad actors” at a variety of seemingly unrelated protests, and their use of similar tactics being used by radical right wing groups across the country. They politicize critical issues, which allows them to not only cut in front of and derail authentic grassroots groups and impacted individuals who have been advocating for root cause solutions to these issues since before the pandemic, they also are able to feed the “failing schools” narrative and prevent more important work from being done. However, I believe their primary goal is to recruit and activate their base utilizing disinformation and fear tactics at our students, staff and taxpayers’ expense.



Here Ruth Ann is seen (in the black shirt) at the 8/2/22 Anti-mask Rally. She inserted herself between me and one of the protesters I was trying to speak with.

The entire encounter was livestreamed on my campaign’s Facebook page the day of the event. A partial transcript of my encounter with some of them is at the end of this report.

Cindy Marlow



The effigy, hung from a tree outside the Kentucky state Capitol during a Memorial Day weekend protest, bore a sign that read, "sic semper tyrannis," which means "thus always to tyrants," [the Courier Journal reported](#).



Cindy with Kentuckians For Freedom walks past an effigy of Gov. Andy Beshear hanging from a tree at the end of a Patriot Day and 2nd Amendment Rally at the Kentucky State Capitol Sunday afternoon, May 25, 2020 [Matt Stone/Courier Journal](#)

Those words are believed to have been yelled by John Wilkes Booth after he assassinated President Abraham Lincoln.

"Think about it," Beshear said. "A celebration of assassination on our Capitol grounds."

Name unknown



This man was giving the security officers a hard time during the 8/2/22 rally, trying to find something to complain about. He refused to let me videotape him during my livestream. He was complaining about “aerosols” coming out of a counter-protestors hand sanitizer bottle. What about COVID aerosols coming out of the mouths of those refusing to mask up?

A speaker at the event tried to admonish the board for this man’s inability to get inside, but I learned from the security team that he refused to mask or take a rapid test. The district implemented mandatory masking on July 25 when the community COVID levels rose to red, (which is why the group was protesting). Rules apply to everyone.

Elise England (Can be seen in second livestream video from 8/2/22):

A woman claiming to working in official capacity for an organization that works with Daniel Cameron's office spoke to the board on the evening of 8/2/22. She signed up to speak as Elise England, but I was unable to find any information about her online.

She accused the board of violating state and federal law by requiring someone to carry a firearm and wear a mask. I looked this up online and found that this is not true.

She made references to the Nuremburg code and radical claims about masks being created for slaves. A black teacher walked out during this statement.

She claimed 80% of the people died because of facemasks during the pandemic of 1918.

She says they refused to let two officials in. And they were "officially put on notice." She claimed they would receive a packet in the mail and instructions from Daniel Cameron's office after that.

See Dujure General Assembly.

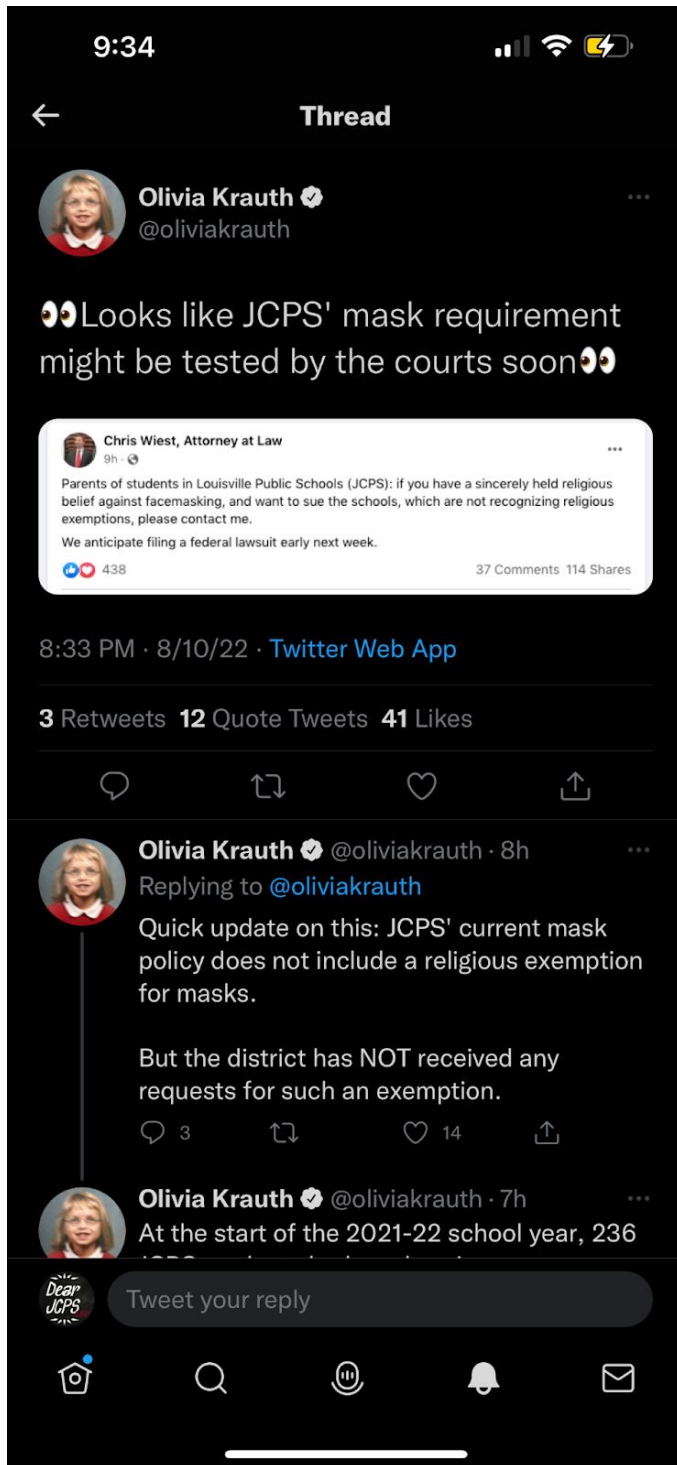


That video can be found here around the 33 minute mark:

https://fb.watch/fpZNdcJ_L/

Not confirmed to be in attendance:

The following week, Chris Wiest, Attorney, Made a Tweet about filing a federal lawsuit




He was Suspended in 2016 in Ohio.

10:10 PM Wed Aug 10 88%

About **Contact** Reviews Cost

Professional misconduct

 This lawyer was disciplined by a state licensing authority.

Suspension For Term issued in OH, 2016
updated March 3, 2017 12:00am

Suspended for term means an attorney lost his or her license to practice law for a period of time. The attorney typically returns to practicing law when the suspension expires.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Title	Company name	Duration
Attorney	Chris Wiest, AAL PLLC	2012 - Present

ASSOCIATIONS

Association name	Position name	Duration
Ohio Bar Association		2004 - 2007
American Bar Association		2004 - 2007

PUBLICATIONS

Publication name	Title	Date
University of Cincinnati Law Review	Justice Behind the Labels: How Political Affiliation and Gender Influence the Decisions of the Ohio Supreme Court	2004

EDUCATION

School name	Degree	Graduated
University of Cincinnati	JD - Juris Doctor	2004
University of Cincinnati	BBA	2000

LEGAL CASES

Case name	Outcome
Winter v Wolnitzek	Affirmed permanent

Clear and Present Danger

Other groups that are aligned with Christian white nationalism, and related hate groups, including Proud Boys, Patriot Front and more have been seen working with key lawmakers who are also involved in promoting and echoing false and extremist views. Regardless if it can be proven that they have violated KREF regulations, I believe their growing threat represents a clear and present danger, not only to Jefferson County, but to the rest of the state and our country.

I recently came across an article from 2017 (attached), entitled *White Power Groups Set E KY Rally*. During protests against police brutality, Patriot Front left their logo on murals they vandalized and “counter-protesters” used intimidation and carried arms at our peaceful protests. They showed up during pandemic-rescheduled Derby, also known as “No Justice, No Derby” and made many of our residents feel unsafe. Some are still traumatized by these events to this day.

Could they be organizing a response to a possible indictment of former President Trump? Could they try to overturn the November 8, 2022 election results? It would be negligent to not consider that possibility, given what we’ve seen from like-minded groups and individuals regarding the January 6, 2021 insurrection and school board meeting disruptions echoing these same dog whistles across the country. Florida and Texas give us a preview of some of the types of extremist views we can expect here.



Perhaps there is nothing illegal about the groups that are preying on Kentucky voters with elaborate, coordinated and WELL-FUNDED disinformation campaigns, but because the money behind them is dark and anonymous, we have no way of knowing for sure. It certainly seems unethical to undermine the will of voters, taxpayers and invested stakeholders who call Kentucky home, when outsiders and predators are able to infiltrate, mislead, dominate and disrupt for power or profit while local, authentic candidates don't have the ability to effectively compete within our own community.

“Winning at all costs” should not be permitted to outweigh what is just and what is good. Especially when it goes against the will of the people.

*See Attached

Partial Transcript From the Extremist-Led Anti-Mask Rally Livestream on 8/2/22:

<https://fb.watch/fpM4ttW5Pr/>

The anti-mask protesters, led by Frank Simon's American Family Association, started out along the intersection of Bishop Lane and Newburg Rd. Counter-protesters had gathered on the sidewalk closest to Van Hoose and in the grassy area of the lawn right across the road, where the media had been interviewing folks, including me, a Manual student and US Social Studies teacher Chandler Gies.

When they saw the cameras on our group, they started to descend upon us and hold their signs behind us. In fact, they had people who appeared to have been trained on how to work the crowd. One lady stepped between me and someone I was chatting with as if to signal he needed to move on, and he did. You see a tall grey haired man do the same when I'm filming Jason Nemes. They also knew to stand in our media shots and they descended on us when Chandler was being interviewed. Their signs contained outright lies, such as "Masks don't work," citing data on how few children die from it, as if that's all that mattered, and as if it still didn't matter to them because the odds were in their favor. How cruel! Here are some outtakes:

20:00 – "You have a choice."

21:00 "Meeting starts in one minute."

21:30 Me chatting with a teacher explaining what's going on.

22:00 Have to wear masks to go in. May be a problem. (Foreshadowing)

"Their goal is to disrupt. Don't want us actually solving problems. They want us to fail.

23:30 Me, reading signs and listening to chants. "No clue." "You do have options." Etc.

24:15 I get thirsty and decide to make way through crowd to retrieve my water that I left under the tree.

24:35 Woman sticks red stop sign in front of me. One of her signs says, "Make masks optional."

24:37 Me: "Masks are optional, you can get a doctor's note."

24:40 Her: "Nope. They won't. Unless your kid has a diagnosis, they won't do it. I just got off the phone with them yesterday."

24:47 Me: So then talk to your doctor. Get a diagnosis. Maybe it's anxiety."

24:50 Her: "He doesn't have anxiety. He just wants to breathe. He wants to other kids' faces. He wants to have a social experience."

24:55 Me: "Do you think he'll have anxiety if one of his classmates gets sick and dies."

25:00: Them: "They're not going to die."

25:03 Me: "Some do." "It's just better safe than sorry."

25:08 Them: "OK, then they can wear a mask." "Why are you wearing a mask?"

25:16 "Why are you pulling your mask down? Pull it up!" You can see the first woman reach toward my face and grab my mask. She then criticizes me for pulling it away from my face to be heard.

25:20 Me: "I'm outside."

25:25 Me: There's a lot of noise to be heard over. It's not like that in the classroom.

25:32 A man: "Kids don't need masks. They need normalcy."

25:35 First woman: "This is all we want right here. This is all we want." (Points to sign reading (Make Masks Optional.)

25:36 From behind I hear a woman's voice in my ear,
"Do you know how many kids we have in pediatric care on suicide watch right now? Because the pediatric psyche beds are full."

I turn toward her in order to respond, only to realize how close she and another woman with her are to me, I ask her to back up.

25:47 Me: Can you back up just a little bit, please? You're crowding my space." I just don't like you in my space."

25:51 Them: "What do you mean, your space? We're not in your space. You came over here."

25:53 Me: "I'm just passing thru and I stopped."

In my ear: "Mentally ill. They can't communicate. They're anti-social now. It's abuse."

26:01 Me: (Turning) "We've been going through a pandemic. We're all struggling."

26:03 Her: "I'm sick and tired of it."

26:06 Me: "Do you know what I'm sick and tired of? Black students who have been... What's the matter

26:11 Them: "They don't want to wear it either." (Jason Nemes walks past.) "They're children."

26:16 Me: "You know, the teachers are telling us..."

26:20 Her: "I know a few teachers."

26:22 Me: "You know what. If we can control the spread, we can get back to where masks are optional."

26:25 Them: "If you're worried about the spread, why are you right here?" (Jennifer approaches.)

26:30 Me: "I'm just trying to get my water that you guys are crowding, excuse me, if you don't mind."

26:36 Jennifer parts crowd, sounding like she is saying my name: "Just let her go."

26:44 Me: "You're being so rude. I'm trying to actually have a conversation and find civil discourse."

26:50 "XXX, XXX, I'm happy to have a conversation."

26:55 Me: (Caught off guard by her calling me by my name.) "What's your name?"

27:00 Jennifer: "It's Jennifer." "What would you like to know?" Her: "OK, thank you." Walking away

27:02 Me: "I just asked your name, that's all. I just wanted to know your name. Since you know mine."
"But you said you would have a conversation with me?"

27:04 Jennifer: "About what?"

Crowd begins loudly chanting “No more masks” and drowns out our conversation.

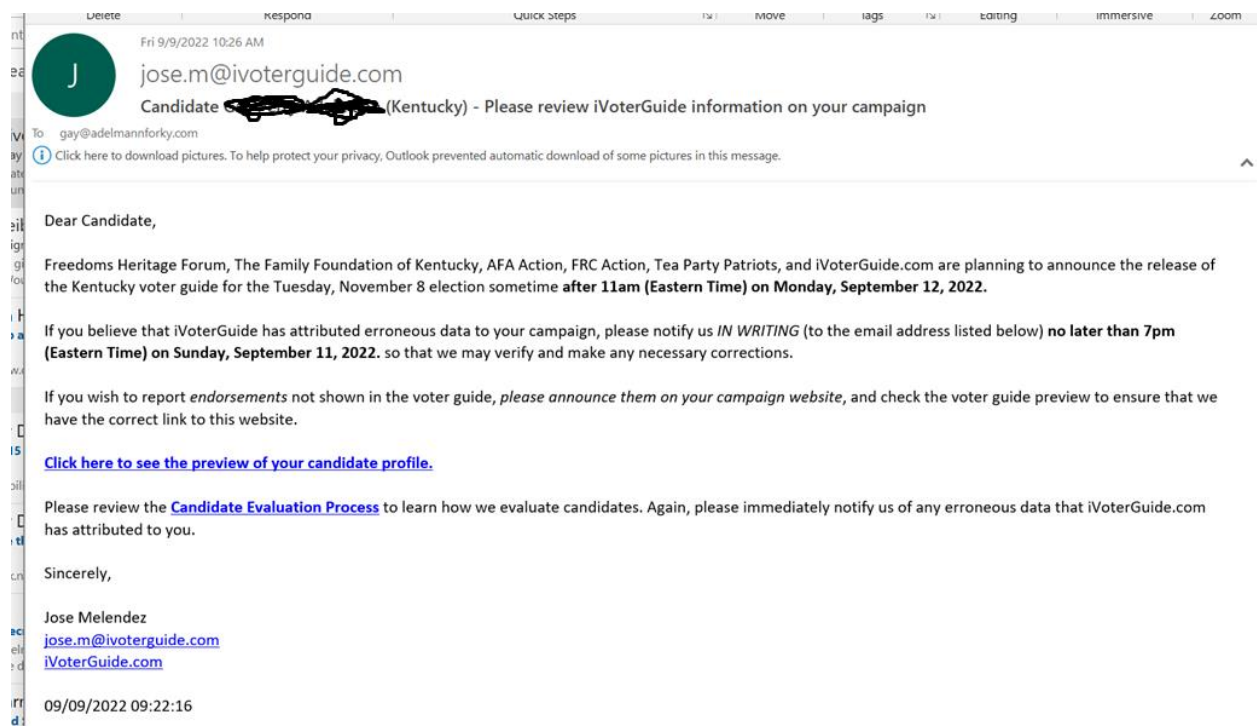
Me: “What we really need to be addressing in our public schools. This isn’t it. Let us talk about the things that matter. Masks are so low on the totem pole.”

27:50 lady who crowded my space plays game with her sign going up and down to block me from seeing her face.

28:13 Lady (Ruth Ann Shumate Reed) from June 2021 Protests visible.

Update:

As I was printing this complaint, I received the following email:



It names the groups Freedoms Heritage Forum, The Family Foundation of Kentucky, AFA Action, FRC Action, Tea Party Patriots, and iVoterGuide.com. Their voter guide is expected to be released Monday.

Under the penalty of perjury, I swear that the allegations made in the above complaint are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Respectfully submitted:

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Notary:

State of Kentucky, County of Jefferson

Subscribed and sworn to and appeared before me on this _____ day of _____, 20____ by _____ proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who appeared before me.

Signature

(Seal)