

RE: Iowa Open Records Request - Jasper County, IA - #009/#010/#013/#016

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Date Wednesday, April 12th, 2023 at 6:37 PM

Mr. Merritt,

I did not respond to your ramblings from Monday because I do not begin to understand where you were going with your thought process. So, here is my best guess for answers:

1. You don't like the smell of Jasper county, but your live in Poweshiek so, I guess that is solved?
2. I don't know how Mr. Talsma drives a tractor, but last time I talked to him about farming, he uses GPS integration. The tractors basically drive themselves, so I cannot explain why his rows are crooked. Maybe he needs to download and update. I will pass your concern along. I do wonder why you are watching him?
3. Mr. Cupples has been out of car sales for quite some time, but I will let him know you are thinking of him.
4. I have no idea who "The Babtist standing in dirty water" refers to so, I am unable to share your words with them.
5. I don't really spend any time thinking about you or your somewhat clouded experiences in the Navy were like. I do know several retired Naval people including Master Chiefs. I don't really know what that means but, it sounds impressive.

6. You are correct, I did go to my office and ignore you. I was not really sure how to handle a man with wild hair and in pajamas following me through the courthouse with a camera asking why I am being mean to him. I don't suppose I learned anything. I still would not know how a rational person is supposed to react to that.

7. I don't know or actually care when or why you abused your wife. That seems to have happened in California and a judge or the Navy ruled on that already? I briefly tried to understand in your multiple letters you included me on, but frankly you bounce around so much got lost trying to figure out who the Nazis in Montana are and what they have to do with an email request.

8. I can't dance. Not even a little.

9. The Iowa Public Information Board already ruled, we provided you with a list of who is blocked on 2 of the 10 pages. You are it.

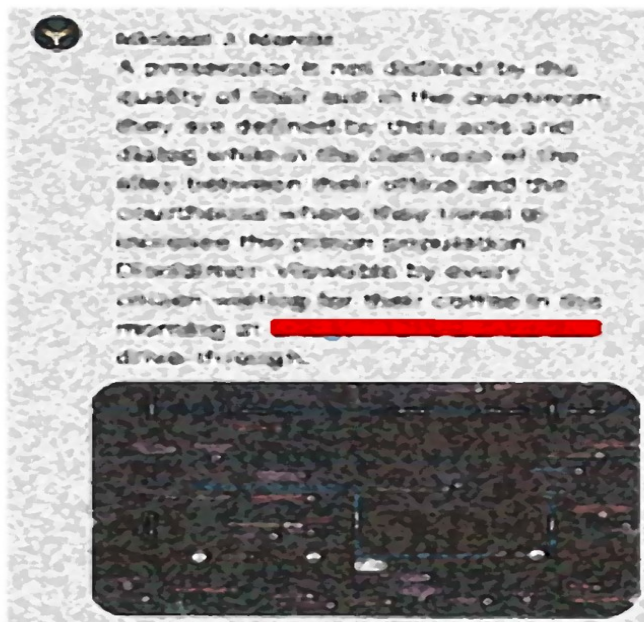
You already let IPIB and a long list of your normal spam recipients know that you are taking us to District Court for blocking you and we are waiting to receive a Subpeona. I will remind you why, since you keep saying "The evidence proves it is a political move to silence you". I get the feeling you really want it to be that, but it is far less complicated.

The day you started stalking county employees and mapping their locations and times, I received several phone calls complaining and asking me to stop it. I untagged the posts and you replied "Nice try" and reapplied them. I contacted Facebook and they suggested I simply block you.

Sorry it does not fit your last 8 months of all these elected officials trying to silence you. It was simply to protect county employees.

Really is came down to economics. It is cheaper for the county to be sued by 1 and explain in court why I took action than to be sued by 9 employees of the office you tagged for ignoring their employee safety complaints.

Here is a obscured image of that particular post.



Now back to the email requests. I did some quick research and Mr Dunwell did not move back to Iowa until 2019 and was not in office until a special election in Oct 2021. Covid-19 delayed his swearing in until 2022. So, your search parameters are invalid. you still have not provided the names of the users emails to search. I gave you the "Actual cost" to perform the search.

Your assessment on the cost is incorrect. While I understand some entities have more basic email systems that you can understand, we have much higher security and encryption set up on each account to meet federal and state requirements. We follow the NIST Principle of Least Privilege (POLP). I must manually allow the E-discovery account access each encrypted box and download gigs of email to a forensic computer to then be searched, reported, then then reviewed and exported.

With 3 staff to support hundreds of employees it can only be done after hours.

You will need to confirm you will pay the those costs with the Attorney's office. Then, as previously explained 3 times now, make a complete request by dates, name of user to search. Please see the IPIB ruling attached.

Finally, per your request, I will no longer be your contact nor will you need to talk to me in the IT role when you can find a ride to Newton. You have all that time I back now. You will resume putting in requests through the County Attorney. You can remove me from future emails or not, I occasionally get time to read them.

Good luck to you and goodbye.

Ryan

PS. You might consider enabling SPF records on your email server so, your emails don't all go to everyone's quarantine and deleted in 3 days.

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Respectfully,

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