

Response to Janaya Titus

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Janaya, I don't know why you can't get these simple concepts through your head, but I am going to repeat them one more time: there were no crimes investigated in Texas. What has happened in Texas is entirely a matter of internal misadministration by two volunteer Coordinators, and it has been dealt with.

1. I am a Third Party. I have no "dog in the fight". I was called in to investigate the situation in Texas by more than a dozen disgruntled Texans who presented substantive complaints of wrong-doing by the Coordinators.

Wrong-doing is not criminal. In the modern world we call it "misadministration".

Your friend was accused of wrong-doing, not any crime, and I certainly have committed no crimes, nor has anyone else in The Texas Assembly.

It has all been wrong-doing of the kind that you have recently displayed, and an overall commitment to fight among yourselves in lieu of facing the actual challenges that Texas faces.

Whether this is deliberate asinine behavior or just endemic to the climate, I can tell you that legalistic quarreling and trying to think of everything on Earth in terms of legal wrangling is inappropriate and part of what the rest of us are leaving behind.

If that's the kind of world you want to live in, and what you want to engage in, it's not part of our jurisdiction.

If you want to spend your life in a constant state of fight-fight-fight against everyone and everything you disagree with, be welcome, and go back to the District world, where constant fighting is the order of the day.

2. You appear to mistake my position and Kimberly's. Although I have no dog in the fight, I am responsible for administration of the whole process of calling the States into Session.

That includes training Coordinators and working with Coordinators as an additional job added onto my work load, so any meddling in your State's affairs or any interest in wasting my time settling disputes at the State level is the last thing I want to do.

What I want to see is sensible, common sense-minded, adult people gathering together in common cause to restore their lawful government. And the more quickly and cooperatively they do that, the better.

When Coordinators have over a year to accomplish the work and the overall performance of an Assembly goes backward instead of forward, there is obviously a problem.

When this is accompanied by numerous complaints from different groups of people all over the State, it is more cause for concern.

This is what we saw going on in Texas. Declining membership, very few new members being added, lots of complaints from people who couldn't get their paperwork recorded, couldn't get a reply from the Coordinator Team, Texans who had been waiting ---literally--- for months to get in the door, and the participation in meetings was overall declining even among the pre-established membership.

So, the work of the Coordinators wasn't getting done. That much was obvious. Our conclusion was that one Coordinator was grossly overworked and the other Coordinator, your personal friend, was going through a

horrendous personal situation, such that she informed me she was "stepping back" from her duties and wouldn't be able to do much if anything until her personal life settled down.

No blame was assigned to either Coordinator --- being overworked is being overworked and having personal life issues is common to us all, so that part of the investigation into the situation was completed.

3. We received over two dozen complaints of various kinds from diverse groups of people --- not just one little clique --- accusing the Coordinators of wrong-doing. Out of these, we investigated thirteen issues brought against the Coordinators in Texas.

We stopped investigating when we realized that there was already more than enough evidence presented from emails and living testimony to conclude that wrong-doing on a broad scale had occurred.

This finding didn't presume to establish WHY the wrong-doing had occurred, simply that it had, and that it was impacting more than just one area of operations.

I removed the Coordinators at that point.

The Federation doesn't get to choose Coordinators, but we can refuse to work with Coordinators who don't do the job and who don't do it right.

So this is what we found in Texas: a combination of not getting the job done and open wrong-doing in the accomplishment of the work.

4. A great emphasis has been placed on purported injustice to the Coordinators thus removed, yet the facts are the facts.

Texans were waiting for months to get their paperwork done. Texans were being told outrageous things, like being told they could "never" be part of the Texas Assembly. Basic information, like ---where was the money from recording fees deposited and accounted for?--- was not forthcoming, and on top of that, those asking these simple questions were being punished for

asking. Committee work and Committee building was at a standstill, two-blocked, and bottle-necked.

These same Coordinators have continued the bad performance aspects of their tenure by failing to turn over property belonging to The Texas Assembly to the Marshal at Arms.

5. Because one of the Coordinators wasn't present for part of the time, she was invited to speak to her part in the situation, and address what she did, what she didn't do, what she knew about the situation, and even simply to say, I made a mistake, I'm sorry. We spent three hours and heard nothing but excuses for her absence and innuendos trying to cast aspersions on the Federation for wrong-doing taking place in Texas by Texans.

6. The acceptance and the firing of Coordinators is entirely an administrative process that the Federation is responsible for throughout the assembling process. Like firing anyone, it's not a pleasant responsibility.

However, sometimes, it has to be done to prevent further harm to the organization as a whole, and, in this case, to prevent further bullying and mistreatment of Texans.

7. Our final finding was that the Coordinators were bullying people in Texas and the Texans regrouped and railroaded the Coordinators --- or attempted to, for cause. Neither "side" was blameless in this circumstance.

Removing the Coordinator Team and yes, you could say, "firing" them, is my administrative duty and my judgment call. I reviewed the emails and testimony and made that call.

Wrong-doing did occur. It did adversely impact Texans and The Texas Assembly.

No crimes, per se, were alleged and none were considered as part of our investigation into the circumstance.

8. Your stance, Janaya, seems to be that I am meddling in State affairs and that I have no right to dismiss the services of a volunteer from any State, but so long as the Federation holds the responsibility for summoning the States into Session and bringing them into assembly and protecting and guiding them in that process, that will be my duty, whether I like it or not.

9. Your further stance seems to be that it is somehow the Federation's fault that Texans banded together and railroaded the Coordinator team and that their positions entitled them to special support and exoneration, but that isn't true.

Being a Coordinator doesn't give anyone carte blanc authority of any kind. Their role has been simply and repeatedly defined in writing and in public for a long time, so that they and everyone working with them has cause to know that they are not CEOs, not vested with any special "authority" conferred by the Federation, and are merely supposed to hold the blueprint for the group and ask questions the group may have.

That is a far cry from the autocratic tyranny we found in Texas, and also which Kimberly expressed toward me at our last meeting.

I was willing to support her to the extent that if corrections were made, I would have accepted her as a Coordinator on a new team of Coordinators. Instead of accepting the fact that progress was stalled and wrongs had been committed, she spat out angry vindictive words and displayed to everyone there the autocratic and disrespectful behavior that brought Texas into this crisis in the first place--- just as your current actions display the ugly legalistic Corporate Mindset that everyone else here is determined to leave behind.

I am throwing your 90 page complaint into the trash bin, where it belongs.

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