

Re: More to ask Jon

Kelly Lichter <klichter@masonacademy.com> To: Shawn Arnold <sarnold@arnoldlawfirmllc.com> Fri, Apr 12, 2019 at 1:02 PM

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Well done! Thank you!

Regards, **Kelly Lichter**, President (239) 285-3599

On Fri, Apr 12, 2019 at 12:54 PM Shawn Arnold <<u>sarnold@arnoldlawfirmllc.com</u>> wrote: Jon,

Mason has asked me to follow up with you on our phone call from yesterday as they have some legitimate concerns. They expressed to me that they have made several public records requests that have been either ignored or rejected as being within the scope of an ongoing investigation. You have acknowledged that you have been tasked with investigating complaints about Mason. However, it appears that Mason is never going to be interviewed or asked to give a response. Therefore, it really appears that the District is collecting complaints rather than conducting an investigation.

The copious case law on public records law always errs on the side of disclosure. The process appears not to be an investigation. I am certain if an outside organization was collecting the numerous complaints that are lodged against the District without the District being given an opportunity to respond, the District would articulate the same concerns. Every investigation I have ever been associated with, in law enforcement or since in the public or private sector, be it through audits, District inquires, or even media with an agenda has always had a chance for an entity to respond.

Hence, I want answers to two questions:

- 1. Who ordered your investigation?
- 2. When will Mason be given an opportunity to give its side of the story before our report is made public?

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Criminal Trial Attorney Licensed in Florida, Georgia, and Colorado 6279 Dupont Station Court Jacksonville, FL 32217 From: Kelly Lichter <klichter@masonacademy.com> Sent: Friday, April 12, 2019 10:47 AM To: Shawn Arnold Cc: Katie Sevier; dhull@masonacademy.com Subject: Re: More to ask Jon I know he won't, but those questions need to be asked. Thank you! Regards, Kelly Lichter, President (239) 285-3599 On Fri, Apr 12, 2019 at 8:48 AM Shawn Arnold <sarnold@arnoldlawfirmllc.com> wrote: I will prep a letter but he isn't going to answer any questions. Shawn A. Arnold, Esq. Florida Board Certified Education Law & Criminal Trial Lawyer Licensed in Florida, Georgia, and Colorado 6279 Dupont Station Court Jacksonville, FL 32217 (904) 731-3800 This message is intended only for the use of the individual or entity to which it is addressed and may contain information that is privileged, confidential and exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, or the employee or agent responsible for delivering the message to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us immediately by telephone. Thank you. -----Original Message-----From: Kelly Lichter <klichter@masonacademy.com> Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2019 2:32 PM To: Shawn Arnold <sarnold@arnoldlawfirmllc.com> Cc: Katie Sevier <ksevier@arnoldlawfirmllc.com>; dhull@masonacademy.com Subject: More to ask Jon Who authorized this "investigation?" If it was the school board, at what school board meeting did they direct Jon to do this? If it was the superintendent, when did she direct you to start "investigation?"

Regards, Kelly Lichter

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