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Subj: Special Request for an Immediate Congressional Inquiry into Egregious Violations of Amended Federal Civil Rights Acts (CRA) Laws that govern protections for, "The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Equal Employment Opportunity Act (EEO), The Military Whistleblower Protection Act (MWPA) and other Amendments," Involving (former and present) Federal Employees of The Department of Veterans Affairs and The Department of the Navy, ICO former Lieutenant Commander, Supply Corps Officer, Sy'needa Lynn Penland, USN

- Ref: (a) The Americans with Disabilities Act, as Amended
 - (b) The Equal Employment Opportunity Act, as Amended
 - (c) The Military Whistleblower Protection Act, as Amended
 - (d) National Defense Authorization Act, fiscal year 2022
 - (e) Broken Silence, a Military Whistleblower's Fight for Justice, 2015, memoir by Syneeda L. Penland
 - (f) Request for Senate Investigation into Egregious Acts of Military Whistleblower Reprisal, ICO former United States Navy, Lieutenant Commander, Supply Corps Officer, Syneeda Lynn Penland ltr, dtd 1 Mar 2022 to Senator Jon Ossoff
 - (g) Penland Update, Letter to Senator Jon Ossoff of 29 April 2022
 - (h) An Affair to Remember: The State of the Crime of Adultery in the Military, by Katherine Annuschat, J.D. Candidate, University of San Diego School of Law, 2011
 - (i) Adultery: Infidelity and the Law, 2016 by the late Deborah L. Rhodes, former Ernest W. McFarland Professor of Law at Stanford Law School
 - (j) Various News Media Archives relating to my ongoing Civil Action case
- Encl: (1) Request for Senate Investigation into Egregious Acts of Military Whistleblower Reprisal, ICO former United States Navy, Lieutenant Commander, Supply Corps Officer, Syneeda Lynn Penland ltr, dtd 1 Mar 2022 to Senator Jon Ossoff
 - (2) Penland Update, Letter to Senator Jon Ossoff of 29 April 2022

Dear Representative Clyde,

In accordance with references (a) thru (j), enclosures (1) and (2) are submitted in support of my special request for an <u>Immediate Congressional inquiry into ongoing violations of my federal Civil Rights Act (CRA) protections.</u>

As it relates to key federal employee's failure to uphold my constitutional rights and protections governed under the *Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Military Whistleblower's Protection Act (MWPA)* and other specifications of law that governs my federal **CRA protections.**

Such violations have been ongoing for the past <u>15 years</u> and specific details of the most recent violations are below

Please note, the *ADA* grants necessary legal protections to <u>ALL Disabled Military Veterans</u>, no matter a person's gender, race or creed; accompanied by well-documented *proof* of service-connected disabilities— as disabled Veterans are set to face more threats against our healthcare safety and overall livelihood, due to the increase of unwelcomed hostility at VA medical treatment facilities, nationwide.

This includes federal and state funded "nursing-home" facilities, prisons and detention centers, at home and abroad, in light of several international border incidents, particularly at the DMZ, and other parts of the world, where there is military conflict, including Africa, Mexico, and other regions.

If news details are in fact credible, it saddens me to wonder, "What happened to the young soldier during his brief incarceration in a local S. Korean jail, *PFC Travis King*?" As I struggled to dissect mainstream news coverage, when the story first broke and fellow veterans reached out to ask my opinion on this matter. Now that PFC King has been released from N. Korean's custody, I cannot not help but reflect on (then) Army Soldier, Bradley Manning's prison ordeal, as well as my own.

Frankly, speaking from personal experience as a survivor of abusive atrocities that occur when locked away in a military prison, as a targeted military whistleblower. There needs to be an "Independent Special Investigation Division (ISID)" assigned to a bi-partisan Congressional Oversight Committee, in managing the <u>Pentagon's legal-prosecution processes</u>, especially within federal detention centers or brig facilities at home and abroad.

This is to ensure proper balance of authority as well as moral accountability over our military personnel's lives, when facing reprisal CRA violations, in maintaining continuity when carrying out the powers vested by the Constitution *that we swore an oath to uphold*.

Yesterday, September 27th, marked the 34th year anniversary of my enlistment into the Navy. Know that submitting this request is my absolute expressed desire to bring closure to this long-standing Civil Rights ordeal, with the DoD.

However, I want to make sure this never happens to anyone else. Therefore, I hope this *manifesto* serves as inspiration for Congress to find a *silver-lining* to guide us back to our moral compass, to render good will upon others, during our daily life encounters, no matter your occupation, or *free will*.

Yet at our current political juncture, there is a dire need for immediate passage and enforcement of amended Civil Rights Acts protections.

Requiring the DOD to comply with such amendments, as it relates to legislation updates governing the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) protections, to protect All American citizens with disabilities.

Especially Military Veterans, as potential hate crimes can permeate, in response to the upcoming *January 6*, inquiry investigations.

Such an endeavor hasn't been done since President Kennedy's Era, *championing disabled Veterans returning home from the Vietnam War*, to properly address public outcry over growing opposition and *advocating on behalf* of veterans' healthcare recovery efforts.

Overcoming disabilities throughout his life, Kennedy's compassion for the disabled Veteran community, as a fellow Veteran, made measurable impacts on our nation's history, especially in my case. By shining a positive light on his efforts, has immense potential to garnish strong bipartisan support.

In light of surmounting CRA violations towards certain minority, religious and ethnic communities across the country, that are currently being examined by the Supreme Court, will soon prompt an immediate national response to properly address the human rights abuse crisis currently taking place at our borders, and humanity as a whole.

As ongoing violations—Yet a proper resolution for America's <u>diversity related issues</u> are best resolved **by** law, under direct federal guidance, as well as "<u>fair and just" enforcement</u> of such policies— **Imposing a hefty fine and imprisonment** for those found guilty of violating federal mandates.

Ironically, these amended <u>CRA protections</u> already exist but never enforced, unless there is public outcry.

Sadly, as my ongoing case relates to *CRA violations*, involving former *Senior Navy officials*... will go down in history as a <u>classic textbook example</u> of one of the most egregious displays of abuse of authority; <u>identifying keen patterns of CRA violations deeply rooted within certain military organizations</u>.

To include, denial of Due Process of Law while attempting to exercise my Constitutional Rights, subsequently forced to endure systemic racism, sexual harassment, sexual discrimination and ongoing reprisal. Even to present day.

<u>Medical Background:</u> <u>Mental Health - Service Connected Disability,</u> A Direct Result of Military Service Experience (MSE)

As this particular Congressional Inquiry request relates to ongoing CRA violations by The Department of The Navy and Department of Veterans Affairs, specifically: Egregious violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) protections, which have put my overall health at risk, clearly demonstrating ongoing violations of my inherit Civil and subsequent Human Rights Protections; as a targeted military whistleblower.

Such violations have been ongoing for the past <u>15 years</u>, since my abrupt discharge from the Navy in July 2009, while serving as a former *Lieutenant Commander*, *Supply Corps* Officer and subsequent <u>targeted Military Whistleblower</u>.

For over a decade, my whistleblower reprisal case (media story) has been highly publicized as a unique "adultery conviction," that led to a subsequent **discharge** of a "single" black-female Navy officer, months shy of reaching <u>my 20-year retirement eligibility</u>, as well as <u>denial of my hard-earned retirement benefits</u>.

To make matters worse, during the 45-day incarceration period, it was the brig's policy that I attend a one-week indoctrination course. *I was the only female attendee.* To my knowledge, the majority of the *male attendees were convicted "sex-offenders"* with a *Bad Conduct Discharge*.

Sadly, as Congress struggle to reach a bi-partisan agreement with fellow colleagues, members of the LBGT Liberation Movement and their lobbyists, "Natural-Born Women Need Protections Too!" Especially from men impersonating as females to access intimate public places such as restrooms, to "pick up women"... as countless inappropriate videos continue to flood social media platforms to promote such behaviors.

While going LIVE recording himself with a "hard-on"... the idea of being vulnerable to such overt behavior is not just creepy, it's all together

troublesome because "the person" could be a stalker, sexual predator, serial rapists, or sex trafficker.

Even public restrooms inside airports, when women are at a disadvantage after having our "self-defense" items such as *pepper-spray* confiscated at security checkpoints

Under the current "Rules of Democracy" without any true <u>achievement</u> <u>measures</u> or <u>set boundaries</u> in "defending" America's overall public safety, while certain politicians remain <u>hell-bent on destroying shared American Core Values</u>, including: common courtesy, public decency and respect for others. This <u>needs to be properly addressed during these ongoing debates</u>— independent of debates involving "same sex" public display of affection. That is an entirely separate topic.

This is to ensure lobbyists do not continue to seek immoral ways to destroy our children's future... as young toddlers often accompany mothers and grandmothers into public restrooms. Meanwhile, serial rapists seek to challenge the less aggressive, or individuals who are unlikely (with disabilities) able to defend themselves. This is alarming, triggering women with PTSD, traumatized by events surrounding overt sexual behavior, disguised in a "dress-up" costume, or military uniform. I digress....

<u>I was also forced to co-habitat with a known female sex-offender</u>, to include other former enlisted Veterans who had also received a "Bad Conduct Discharge" for committing violent crimes such as murder, mutilation, rape, child molestation, etc. I provide a brief narration of my brig experience in my memoir, "Broken Silence, a Military Whistleblower's Fight for Justice." (Ref (e))

From the inception of my *Civil Action case*, as a member of several "<u>minority protected</u> <u>class(es)</u>, I have been denied my right to properly exercise my inherited CRA protections.

I also earned the right to exercise such protections during my active duty service to our country. Despite the cruelty engrossed upon me by fellow officers. As they sought to discredit me, to save their own careers, thus inspiring my ongoing *fight for justice*.

For the record, this ongoing petition is to avoid <u>ongoing acts of reprisal</u>. More specifically was in 2008, during the original appeal process to the (former) Secretary of the Navy, Raymond Mabus relating to my ongoing equal opportunity (EO) complaint of whistleblower reprisal, filed prior to the <u>GCM</u> trial and incarceration at the Mira Mar brig facility.

Due to the 60-day sentencing, my case was denied an automatic appeal, which is granted in cases with a 6-months or longer, sentencing. Meanwhile, my former bosses had enough time to

<u>monitor me</u> in the brig, as well as commit ongoing acts of reprisal, while orchestrating my unlawful discharge.

The denial of my **EO appeal request**— lacked clear "*legal justification*" to support the top brass' decision, in denying my *CRA* protections in the brig, *without being in violation of the Feris Doctrine*. Yet what remains clear was the obvious <u>conflict of interest</u> of those involved in my case.

The very personnel appointed to uphold my Civil Rights protections, were in fact the very military officials violating them. Thus proving countless political debates and evidence to support that racism, sexism, harassment, and other far extreme "hate crimes" are in fact, deeply embedded in the soul of certain government (federal and state) organizations, training institutions; including our Armed Forces.

As evident with my ongoing case, throughout every phase of the advancement of my former Navy career; overcoming adversity along the way.

Interestingly enough, the same chain of command officials who ordered my prosecution; were later found guilty, administratively that is, for misappropriation of "Cost of War" funds and they were never investigated by the DoJ for committing the crimes, and much more.

The evidence was uncovered while carrying out my official duties and responsibilities as the former Supply Officer of (then) Naval Coastal Warfare Group One, a subordinate command of Navy Expeditionary Combat Command (NECC), Norfolk, Va.

Several of my claims were substantiated by Navy Inspector General (IG) investigators and also reported to various government auditing agencies, to officially report evidence of "systemic fraud, waste and abuse" that was discovered while carrying out my official duties and responsibilities as the command's former Supply Officer.

Specific details of the well-documented events, *agencies and special agents who were* contacted and were in receipt of such information, are identified in the later chapters of my memoir.

These key agencies included, but were not limited to: Navy, Inspector General, DoD-IG, NCIS, DCIS, FBI, including DoJ Anti-Trust, National Crimes Division, Senior Prosecutor, Special Agent Shane Cralle,

Agent Cralle was my sole point of contact, while I was assembling (and later filed) evidence to support a Qui Tam petition, in early 2009. These were the primary key factors that led to my abrupt discharge, as thousands of pages of documented evidence will show.

In carrying out Agent Cralle's instructions, unbeknownst to me at the time, I was putting my career and ultimately my life at risk; evident by this particular Congressional Inquiry request.

Sadly, news quickly spread throughout the chain of command that I was "asking questions" of key *civilian contractors* hired by the veteran owned logistics firm, *Logistics Support Inc.* (LSInc):

"To make an official statement "for the record" to collaborate evidence submitted to DoJ Anti-Trust, Senior Prosecutor, Agent Cralle, "That their employer was engaging in a number of *Anti-Trust violations*, including command personnel participating in the <u>successful award of a (2006) sole-sourced multi-million</u> <u>dollar "logistic services contract."</u> That later came to be known throughout the NECC Enterprise, as the "Merger."

This evidence was in support of a **Qui-Tam petition**, *filed on behalf of the* "government" in my capacity as a former Lt. Commander, Supply Corps Officer. As a "fiscal agent" carrying out my official duties and fiduciary responsibilities to the American taxpayers, the Senate, and President – Who ultimately gives the final authorization for our nation's Defense Appropriations bills. As the Senate regulate and provide oversight over the spending. As for me, in keeping with the law, I was simply carrying out my oath of office. To keep it frank.

After I became a targeted whistleblower for reporting wasted spending and corruption, and was "locked away in prison" on the west coast, Navy Inspector General investigators back east, were receiving an influx of hotline complaints.

As dozens of honest and hard-working *Government Service (GS) employees began to* seek local reassignment, to avoid fiscal implications in the corrupted madness at NECC, as millions of hard-earned taxpayers' money began to poor through the coffers, with loose to little accountability measures in place.

To include an increase in <u>whistleblower complaints</u> involving reports of <u>systemic financial</u> <u>mismanagement</u> throughout the entire <u>Navy Expeditionary Combat Command (NECC)</u> Enterprise, at home and abroad. This subsequently led to the force retirement of former <u>NECC Commander</u>, <u>RADM</u>, <u>Donald Bullard</u>.

These events occurred during the downsizing of the fleet, scope of work modifications and billet reconsolidation of a significant portion of GS civilians and defense contractors, as well as merging active duty and reserve personnel—to immediately fill <u>billet requirements</u> in support of the (then) CNO's initiative to <u>rapidly surge</u> "boots on the ground," during ongoing Middle East conflicts.

It proved to be an extremely lucrative venture from what I witnessed in San Diego, for those who were directly benefiting from the LSInc Merger, ie: promotions, significant salary increases, new home purchases, etc.

During the aftermath of 911— while ignoring acquisition laws, <u>several **OPNAV Program**</u> <u>Managers</u> sought to hire former Coastal Warfare, Naval Reserve Squadron Commanders, key subordinates, and their personally selected staff members:

Hired to implement the "Squadron Concept," which would later become NECC's adopted combat preparedness strategy, to fulfill immediate scope of work requirements for NECC's subordinate units, which included, but were not limited to:

"Administrative staffing, training consultant services, logistics support and budget/ acquisition management, and other duties—

...It was reported to Navy IG investigators and other federal investigators that past years financial records of Naval Coastal Warfare Group One, showed evidence of procurement violations, in particular of high-valued items, "purchased outside" Congressional approved acquisition channels." Such items were similar to the inventory requirement list used to outfit the "VBSS" team. As I reflect on my former department head tour onboard USS STOUT (DDG-55) while assigned to "Crew Sierra" (onboard the USS GONZALEZ (DDG-66).

These items included highly controlled inventory equipment items, such as: "night-vision goggles and advanced hi-tech c4i radar equipment," etc.— which quickly became items to resale on eBay and other marketing websites.... targeting collectors of military memorabilia. Other improprieties included: Illegal DRMO disposal of body armor and other "out dated" combat gear, for online resale... which was also reported to IG investigators.

Early on in my reprisal case, a *Navy Inspector General (IG) investigation report* cited my former boss, *Captain John Sturges*, had committed a number of *Title 10 violations*: including "hiring" fellow *Navy Academy graduate*, *Navy Reserve Ret. Captain, Isiah "Ike" Owens, to serve as his senior consultant advisor*— **tasked to perform personal services**.

As a former Deputy and Executive Officer for Harbor Defense Command (HDC110), Owens was, after all, the founder of the "Squadron Concept," which contributed significantly to NECC's new operational mission.

Interestingly enough, I encountered the strongest opposition while carrying out my official duties as the *Supply Officer*, when insisting NECC's senior budget officials provide me a copy of the Statement of Work for the newly awarded LSInc contract, that was quickly being implemented throughout the NECC Enterprise.

<u>To have a clear understanding of the defense contractors' role</u>, to ensure command personnel, subordinate squadrons, reserve units, GS employees and defense contractors, operated in full compliance with federal acquisition regulations.— No matter their rank and file.

Because it made my job easier, to operate in full compliance of federal acquisition regulations, to include upholding Civil Rights Act, protection laws.

No matter my duty assignment, as long as the opposition was not in violation of my CRA protections, in my professional capacity, it was never personal. I had a tough job, upholding federal laws, by ensuring proper execution of our hard-earned tax dollars.

Yet looking back, I ignored ongoing violations of DoD fraternization policies, to include inappropriate personal relationships between staff members, defense contractors and key reserve personnel. Fraternization and adulterous affairs were just as systemic as the fraud.

Several encounters I'd witnessed were also reported in my official IG/EO complaints, to include an adulterous affair between *a particular officer and senior enlisted staff members*.

Ironically, after <u>I received TAD orders</u>, to basically "LEAVE THE BASE", I was always followed by base police when I attempted to shop at the base exchange and commissary in Imperial Beach....

Yet, I often witnessed the "couple" working-out together at the 32nd Street Navy base gym. Always sitting to close for comfort while on the stretching mats, or cuddled in a corner. Diming them out was the lease of my worries, I was more concerned about the over spending of the budget, than someone's personal-sexual affairs.

The staff members were both married with families. Therefore, the hypocrisy of it all, to prosecute a "single" person for a crime that nearly the entire command staff was committing, is a tough pill to swallow, even as I type. I digress.

From day one, I naturally did not fit in, which was evident in the findings of the 2017, 11-page BCNR report. The entire staff, not just CDR Matthew Masi was trying to make it clear to me, through egregious acts of reprisal that my "East Coast" way of doing business was not going to be tolerated...I was literally, by the book!

To make sure things are perfectly clear from where I'm sitting; being born and raised in the racist South; growing up, I was taught by the elders in the community to know how to identify prejudices and racism, to know the difference.

I'm sure Masi's behavior towards me was <u>most likely related to his upbringing</u>, including the racists and misogynistic actions of other personnel within the Supply Office who decided to follow his lead. Mind you, there were fellow supply corps officers, hired as defense contractors under the LSInc contract, to help to rid me of my role, as the Supply Officer.

However, this does not excuse the actions of other staff members from being held accountable, while examining the BCNR report. As I recall an initial encounter with the command's JAG Officer (former) LCDR Mei Ling Marshall, when I first attempted to report evidence of EO violations within the Supply Office, immediately upon Masi's arrival.

Months later, as my health worsened, I informed the command Medical Officer of their actions, to include the EO/IG investigating officer, CDR Riley. What they did to me was criminal! Putting it plainly...

Instead of initiating an official investigation into my concerns, in the absence of the command not having a certified EEO investigating official to process my complaint:

LCDR Marshall's response was that I was a "black cloud" over the command ...the statement and her follow on actions came a few months prior to the mid-year review of the LSNC contract.

"Retired Captain Isiah "Ike" Owens was not only Commodore Sturge's close personal friend, business partner and fellow academy graduate. He was also LCDR Mei Ling Marshall's mentor and close personal friend, along with his wife. This included driving one another's cars, spending off duty time together, etc. I was merely a bump in the road, impeding their corruption.

Example of Procurement Improprieties:

One particular incident I recall, was during an "Advanced –Tech Expo" in San Diego, in 2006, while subordinate squadrons were conducting pre-deployment training operations. A significant number of "high-valued/high-tech" operational equipment began arriving to the warehouse, addressed to: "Captain Isiah Owens, Commanding Officer, Naval Coastal Warfare, Group One."

In my formal hotline complaint to NECC and US Fleet Forces Command's IG investigators, I listed dozens of other violations of Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR). As well as a detailed complaint of <u>sexual harassment and reprisal</u>, reported in an official 2007 EO complaint.

From day one, the moment I arrived and began to exercise my "official responsibilities" as the **Supply Officer, truthfully** is when the CRA violations first began. The fact that senior officials never investigated Owens for sexual harassment violations against me, in his capacity, simply proves that rank in our misogynistic Navy, has its privileges.

Yet when the Pentagon <u>closed</u> my *EO complaint* without conducting a thorough investigation, allowing a "defense contractor" to violate my civil rights, was insulting to the achievement I had earned and was deserving of respect alone.

Having overcome so much adversity throughout my enlisted and officer career, I was not about to be abused in such a manner by *corrupted-minded officers*, no matter their paygrade!

When I began to fight back to defend myself, it provoked senior staff members' more aggressive pursuit to bully me. They were hell bent on prosecuting me for defending myself. Including later reprisal from the *Department of Veterans Affairs*— As was evident in the final ruling of the VA Board of Appeals that linked chronic medical conditions to the afflictions of *whistleblower reprisal*, when I last served on active duty.

Although the specific details of the *squadron's* missions was outside of my "scope of work" yet in the later chapters of my memoir, "Broken Silence, A Military Whistleblower's Fight for Justice," I detailed key events that transpired prior to executing my orders to report to Naval Coastal Warfare. The events involved government credit card fraud.

<u>Details Surrounding Government Credit Fraud Allegations:</u>

This information first came to my attention during a deployment to the UAE, while assigned to Crew Sierra while conducting a special operational mission onboard the USS GONZALEZ (DDG-66) in the UAE.

The regional contracting officer, *CDR Jeffery Davis* had informed me of ongoing fraud and surmounting litigations, involving *NECC's* forward deployed personnel:

How my predecessor (at Naval Coastal Warfare, Group-One) LCDR Paul Shields had made routine monthly trips to the region, at the end of the month, purportedly in an attempt to find a **below the radar** "resolution" to address the GPC fraud...

Only *GOD knows what else*. However, CDR Davis strongly suggested that I try to renegotiate me orders with the detailer, and avoid assignment to the command but fate had another destiny for me, obviously, looking back.

Within weeks of my arrival to NCW, I began to discover evidence to collaborate CDR Davis' allegations of GPC fraud and immediately contacted local FISC auditors, to audit the command's GPC program— to cover my six, in keeping with my East Coast reputation. I also made a memorandum for the record, after the Commodore ordered a suspension of credit card purchases along with command-wide mandatory training.

Given the subsequent outcome of the matter, I thought command personnel would have learned their lesson. Unfortunately, according to the auditors, after numerous complaints to *NAVSUP* to report the command's years of <u>systemic fraudulent activity</u>, they seemed to *get a free pass* to conduct *business* as usual.

As my case lingers, well over a decade later, following my abrupt discharge from the Navy, ongoing acts of reprisal continue to stretch its reach into my civilian capacity as a disabled Veteran, further amplifying the depths of injustices within our nation's military justice system.

This includes using my "case" for medical science research studies, as scientists at VA affiliated universities are charged with studying my blood chemistry, how it responds to anxiety and stressful environments, while subjecting me to ongoing acts of reprisal, hence the underline reason for this request for an immediate Congressional Inquiry. Encl (1)

In 2019, this message was loud and clear during Judge Rosemary Collyer's abrupt closure of my Civil Action case against the former Secretary of the Navy, Raymond Mabus.

Interestingly enough, my unique "adultery" case has been "reviewed, studied and even cited" in legal publications, books, etc. by tenured Ivy League law professors, students, etc.— while legal professionals, scholars, politicians and lobbyists have benefited from my unfortunate CRA ordeal, without me receiving fair and equal justice in this case, not even from Congress. As of yet.

This Constitutional infraction lingers, as "<u>minorities and natural born women</u>" continue our struggle for *full inclusion in the modern day workplace*, <u>not to be used for political dissuasion</u>.

Meanwhile, in America's modern day history and the advancement of "Democracy," members of distinguished ethnic *minority* groups <u>are being denied admission</u> to *Ivy League Universities*—under blatant violations of the 1965 Civil Rights Act (CRA).

Frankly, any first year law student knows this is an illegal violation of the 1965 CRA. To the average person, this gives the appearance of institutionalized racism, similar to my wardroom experiences throughout my officer career—Independent of sexual harassment and reprisal.

However, speaking from personal experience, of all the branches of our *Armed Forces*, the *Department of the Navy* continues to discriminate against minorities, especially women, no matter our ethnic background, in its <u>unequal employment</u> practices.

During my department head tour onboard the *USS STOUT (DDG-55)*, when I refused to succumb to similar misogyny from several members of the *Surface Warfare Officer community* (including their enlisted subordinates).

I routinely reminded my racist colleagues that my <u>right to work</u> alongside them, was governed by CRA, Affirmative Action policies.

I recall one occasion when the new Commanding Officer mustered the officers and chiefs in the wardroom to *reinforce the Civil Rights policies, under his command leadership*. We were gearing up for a deployment and accomplishing the mission was his top priority! Once he neutralized the problem, to my satisfaction...it was full speed ahead!

My colleagues were required by law, to comply with such policies especially under the unforeseen circumstances that occurred soon after my arrival— the previous Commanding Officer was relieved of command, following a port visit incident involving him assaulting a junior officer and allegations of fraternization with a number of female junior officers in the wardroom.

In response, the XO protected his own ass by working with BUPERS to delay future assignment of junior female officers to the STOUT. Meanwhile, I was to tough it out alone like the movie character G.I. Jane, as the only female assigned to the warship for nearly a year. This was prior to the Crew-Swap reshuffle of the three Atlantic destroyers that were involved in the Pentagon's latest maritime experiment at the time.

Considering the ongoing military rape crisis, I consider myself lucky that I was never raped at any point during my nearly 20-year career, except for being raped of my hard-earned pension benefits.

For the Record:

Over a decade later, in 2017, during my ongoing appeal process, <u>in a 2-3 vote by the Board for Corrections of Naval Records</u>, <u>once again, I was denied whistleblower's protections</u>. This came after board members cited nearly "40 violations" of the Whistleblower's Protection Act, in an 11-page report, in response to Judge Collyer's Remand Order.

The decision was made based on **insufficient and redacted** information provided by Navy JAG officers, who continue to monitor this case well into my civil capacity.

Because it was always "personal" to them— to make the promotion list and keep up their "lifestyles" while advancing in the *Military Industrial Complex*. As for me and my career trajectory, I was simply enjoying my job, doing what I was trained to do, as a well-seasoned "Mustang" Supply Corps Officer."

Throughout my officer career, my 'by the book approach" seemed to intimidate my colleagues, who often behaved as if the Navy was as a *Good old Boys*' club, **providing opportunities for them to commit fraud and extort the defense budget**, which is what I witnessed in nearly each of my wardroom assignments.

I provide a brief chronology of my Navy experience in my autobiography, "Broken Silence, a Military Whistleblower's Fight for Justice", and the sequel is long past due.

Yet others served, to truly serve and protect our families, communities and tax-paying citizens who entrust us to manage their hard-earned tax dollars, with honor and integrity. It is a difference of moral character and ethics.

However, demonstrated by the brazen abuse of authority and vicious criminal actions committed against me, while upholding my fiduciary duties to our taxpayers— is considered typical behavior of senior Surface Warfare Officers. Traditionally known for "eating their young" since the days of barbaric pirating... manifesting itself across all realms of the Atlantic and the Pacific, into our modern day military's operational exercises and war campaigns. As seen with the current Administration.

Although their actions are not considered worthy of criminal prosecution by senior officials, I never truly expected I would receive equal or fair justice while serving on active duty as a targeted whistleblower, bucking their corrupted system like I did.

Yet I am proud of my service to the Navy, knowing that I tried my best to expose the cabal of <u>systemic corruption</u>, <u>abuse of power</u>, <u>racism</u>, <u>sexism and egregious reprisal</u>, <u>against a targeted</u> whistleblower.

For the record, their blatant mismanagement of the fiscal budget and ongoing acts of reprisal clearly impeded my duties in upholding my fiscal responsibilities, as the Supply Officer. This forced me to report their actions to senior members of Congress, former White House executives, federal investigative agencies as well as news sources.

Without moral accountability in carrying out one's military duties and responsibilities towards maintaining a strong national defense-budget— entrusted to be managed by "honest" military

personnel, no matter the rank and file—will simply enable further weakening of the bedrock of America', "Our national defense budget."

In order for US, "A United States of America," to carry forth the endeavors of past and present visionaries, to leave behind better legacies to pass on to future generations; beyond preserving our national land resources, would require a unanimous bi-partisan agreement in the passage of legislation, without prejudice(s) or reservation, to include but not limited to:

National Preservation and Proper Enforcement of Federal Civil Rights Act (CRA) laws that govern: Equal Employment Opportunities, Advanced Education Opportunities, better Civil Liberties Protections for all working class citizens; including Ouality Rehabilitation Programs for disabled veterans returning to work.

Personal Note:

Sir, before I begin with the nature of this request, I hope this letter reaches you in the best of health, good faith, peace and prosperity, as you continue your public service in the Great State of Georgia.

As a Georgia Native, Veteran and fellow Supply Corps Officer, I am looking forward to assuring Veterans, Nationwide— "Congressman Clyde is on Our Side!"

As ongoing political debates ensue and <u>disabled Veterans</u>' benefits and healthcare options remains a bargaining chip, "*Quality of Service Care*" is over looked and never debated— in support of the shrinking active duty personnel and the growing military retirement community in the South East, 9th District, more specifically.

As the Department of Veterans Affairs becomes a cesspool for <u>systemic corruption and inadequate healthcare services</u>, nationwide, year after year, from one Veteran's medical "horror story," to another;

The *PACT ACT* continues to attract the attention of historic battleground states, as well as offering compensation benefits to Veterans and their survived loved ones, especially in rare cases of "genetic inherited conditions," which is evident in the medical treatment history of survived dependents, obvious symptoms of "Toxic exposure" side effects.

As with other <u>Title-10 entitlements</u>, there should not be a Congressional mandated filing deadline for <u>"service-connected" disability compensation</u> as

well as treatment services— when accompanied by sufficient medical documentation, to officially serve as proof of service connected injury, especially when passed down to military dependents.

Outside looking in, this appears to be an obvious avoidance <u>to fully compensate</u> disabled Veterans and their descendants for *service-connected injuries*.

Meanwhile, refs (a) thru (j) and encl (1) demonstrates evidence of my own personal military legal and medical "horror story."

Unfortunately, the *Grassroots* Veterans' communities, <u>your constituents</u> are currently not fully aware of this new *initiative*, as their original compensation claims remains backlogged in a VA administrative portal. As loved ones share intimate stories of relatives, especially their husbands' ongoing battle with medical complications and inadequate treatment services from the entire *Atlanta VA consortium*, including clinics.

These particular Veterans are mostly early middle aged *Blue Collar "Mom and Pop"* construction workers, who are losing mobility, range of motion, pain in knees and joints, etc. – exhibiting symptoms identified as **side effects** from toxic exposure while forward deployed in the Gulf region.

Their health is rapidly deteriorating thus putting their small businesses and full family financial support at risk. As a reminder, these are residents of the 9th District.

Sir, they are waiting and ready to speak to you, as a *Town Hall* meeting is an appropriate venue to show your support for their concerns. Meanwhile, Democratic lobbyists (to include Veteran lobbyists) are gathering within the vicinity of the capitol in *Think Tanks, conferences, and other venues* contriving more corruption schemes, during our budget crisis— Beyond the Biden's corruption scandal.

Before their efforts to "break the bank" get too far out of control (specifically, the Biden family drama) and lead to more extortion of the defense budget, both parties should consider putting differences aside, especially at the current juncture of our fiscal debates.

To support a strong (bi-partisan) "Congressional Oversight Committee," to ensure survived Veterans (who qualify for the *PACT ACT*) who are <u>homesteaders in the Grass Roots Districts</u>, such as the 9th District, are properly cared for and receive proper benefits they are entitled to.

This is similar to President Lincoln's declaration to preserve Veterans' bloodlines as well as compensate their widows. *Now is also a critical time to preserve the gender identification of our unborn children during these crucial debates*.

Furthermore, as a second generation Veteran, it is only fair that *homesteaders* can choose where we want to live with *convenient access* to state of the art medical facilities, friendly and compassionate hospital staff and receive quality healthcare services, located within a few miles of our Veteran homestead communities.

As Florida's Veteran homesteaders, strong GOP supporters are preparing to migrate to higher ground, in search of refuge from the political "storms."

To include future healthcare grants be allotted for healthcare monitoring and *treatment services* (*if necessary*) for the descendants of **PACT ACT** recipients. What better time than the present to preserve the medical rights of Georgia's "unborn" future generations.

As I remain on the sidelines observing both political parties, I feel it is time for the *Party* to have a strong leader with a solid "*military and "financial*" background, to maintain integrity of the *Federal Appropriations Regulations*, in the proper execution of our defense budget, which provides the true strength of our national defense and upholding public fiduciary trust.

Specific Details in Support of My Congressional Request:

On to the nature of this request, I want to *thank you in advance* for addressing my <u>most recent</u> concerns with the Atlanta, VA.

When I first returned home to Georgia, the late Senator Johnny Isakson would resolve my ongoing medical concerns with the VA in an expeditious manner, to ensure I never experienced lack of continuity with my healthcare, in avoidance of ongoing whistleblower retaliation. Directly linked to this particular service connected disability issue, as my Civil Action case continues.

Please know that I first contacted your office by phone, during the *Memorial Day* celebration to inform you of ongoing violations of my *Civil Rights Acts protections*. Under the guidelines of the *Americans with Disabilities Act Title II, as amended,* as well as the *Military Whistleblower Protection Act, as amended.* As my concerns relates to my medical treatment services provided by the Atlanta VA, Lawrenceville and Riverside clinics.

In keeping with federal guidelines, I am inclined to inform you of a pattern of mismanagement of my treatment care, more specifically: "Ongoing violations of the *ADA*, which includes, but not limited to:

- Denial of treatment requests, for community care services for acupuncture therapy, most recently. At this particular juncture, unlimited access to community care services is my preferred method of treatment for pain management.
- As a 100% PT Veteran, I am now being forced to pay out of pocket for these services, to help relieve me of aggravated stress and chronic pain, as a direct result of ongoing reprisal from VA employees. <u>Yet my record was flagged from day one</u>, as a targeted whistleblower.
- Denial of community care services for pain management—this came after an automobile accident in late 2019 and an accidental kitchen fire earlier that year in April, which left me deeply traumatized; while the VA was cutting back our mental-health services. During this time, I was filing a motion to petition my ongoing Civil Action case, against the former Secretary of the Navy. Upon denial of my treatment request for chiropractic therapy, I sought acupuncture therapy instead;

The chiropractor relayed to me that a large majority of his clients bills went unpaid by the VA, including several of mine. Dr. Chris is a constituent of the 9th District. He is a fellow Veteran who gives back to the community by offering discounted treatment services to Veterans and their families who reside in the 9th District. Despite the lack of cooperation from the VA to settle unpaid medical bills for rendered services, to ensure his business goes uninterrupted, like our healthcare services;

- Denial of pain management medication, various over the counter medications, i.e. pain cream, allergy eye drops, etc.;
- Denial of prescription medicine (sleep medication);

As you are aware, the *ADA protects people with disabilities* and requires that *federal and state* and governments provide people with disabilities an equal opportunity to benefit from <u>all of their programs, services, and activities</u> this includes equal and fair treatment services; without fear of harassment, discrimination, or further aggravation of known physical and mental impairments and disabilities. See enclosure (1) and (2) and cited references.

For the record:

I presented my ongoing medical treatment concerns to Senator Ossoff's local office well over a year ago. After months of "no response" from his office, to avoid additional health risk, I

submitted an online request to Senator Blumenthal, to inquire about the status of my *inquiry* request, to Ossoff.

Unfortunately, with the change of committee positions, Blumenthal is no longer Chairman of the Judiciary Committee.

Due to a lack of response from both offices, along with the most recent disruption of my treatment services and manipulation of my overall healthcare management, I am now bringing this matter to your attention. My Senate Inquiry request to Senator Ossoff's office is attached to bring you up to speed, Sir. Encl (1).

Please note, "I am contacting you in the capacity as a 100% permanent and totaled disabled Veteran, and targeted "Military Whistleblower," therefore, under the guidelines of the Whistleblower Protection Act, I am entitled by law, additional federal protections— that prohibits ongoing Civil Rights and subsequent Human Rights violations against me.

Per Federal Guidelines:

The Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989, 5 U.S.C. 2302(b)(8)-(9), Pub.L. 101-12 as amended, is a United States federal law that protects federal whistleblowers who work for the government and report the possible existence of an activity constituting a violation of law, rules, or regulations, or mismanagement, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority or a substantial and specific danger to public health and safety. A federal agency violates the Whistleblower Protection Act if agency authorities take (or threaten to take) <u>retaliatory personnel action</u> against any employee, or applicant because of disclosure of information by that employee or applicant.

Therefore, as we proceed forward, I want to establish my protections, under such Civil Rights Act protections. Presuming they will be upheld I shall continue.

Service Connected Disability Background:

As a former Navy Supply Corps Officer and subsequent targeted whistleblower, I first petitioned my initial healthcare concerns to the <u>DC District Court in 2009</u>, just prior to my abrupt discharge from the Navy, that July.

Immediately following my discharge, my "medical case" was transferred VA Medical Center, San Diego Ca. where I was to receive, "The red carpet treatment." This was according to the

senior admission administrator, who stated, the decision came from the top and had never been done before, so I must be someone important.

Legal Note:

The last legal action taken on my ongoing Civil Action case was in 2019, as my case hangs in an *imbalance-awaiting equal and fair justice*, as new and compelling discovery evidence continues to come forward, to demonstrate total and absolute abuse of power and military authority over me.

Furthermore, my administrative separation was a direct result of ongoing whistleblower retaliation, escalating from an unlawful "courts martial proceeding" in 2008.

Frankly, until now, with the resurrection of Military Rape, Sexual Assault and Whistleblower Reprisal injustices, each time I recall fragments of my legal ordeal, (former) LCDR Kevin Messer is always at the center point— me as his prime target.

From start to finish, key particulars of legal malpractice included, but were not limited to:

- Erasing the tapes from the <u>first preliminary hearing</u>, in which LCDR Ahn (the <u>Article 32 hearing officer</u>) recommended against a court martial and waste of tax dollars on a trial. He referred the charges back to a Captain's Mast to be resolve.
- Witness and evidence tampering,
- Abuse of the FISA Act privilege, Interpol surveillance, etc.;

Public Evidence of Legal Corruption:

This inquiry is presented before Congress as mid-grade Navy officers appeal their prosecution for alleged legal misconduct by Navy prosecutors, when they faced prosecution for "alleged" involvement in bribery scandals connected to the infamous billionaire Glenn Francis aka "Fat Leonard" case.

This scandal have merit to become a Think Tank ethics study for the Pentagon to improve fiscal management of citizens hard earned tax dollars. As more foreign investors throughout the Diasporas are pledging to our Constitution. Especially

in Georgia, thanks to Governor Kemp by increasing our party's support in global economic expansion.

The courts martial appeal of these officers reads similar to my own and the insistent <u>miscarriage of justice</u> seems to be modus operandi in San Diego, as well as other military courts.

Yet I often wonder had I probed deeper into NECC's corruption, would there have been a connection. As fellow Supply Corps Officer, Commander, Bobby Pitts, "claims to have gotten a raw deal." While senior officers (political advisors) publicly express their desires to sacrifice our youth— much like their past subordinates' careers, to salvage their own. While seeking advanced promotion opportunities throughout the DoD's Military Industrial Complex.

As the Democrats, seek ultimate power, even, from where I'm sitting in the gooseneck of Georgia's grassroots heartland, the 9th district, N. Gwinnett's, fertile recruiting grounds... "The Speaker of the House and his loyalty to the Party is questionable.

After all, he did *sign-off* on the approval of the **2022 Defense Authorization Act**, legislation for the **Military Justice**, **Improvement and Prevention Act**, which was later authorized by President Biden for approval for proper redress for Veterans who experienced legal injustices, especially involving courts martial convictions, in cases such as mine— <u>as a "targeted Military Whistleblower.</u>"

Sir, I'm currently on the sidelines with my advocacy support for the Veteran community... I guess *I have seen and heard too much over the years from key Veteran lobbyist* ... *and something doesn't add up with our defense spending*, especially under the current administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

<u>I totally agree with Senator Kennedy's vehement challenge to expeditiously</u> audit the DoD's coffers.

This will be a time sensitive and long overdue process, if there is bi-partisan approval to audit the DoD's spending, instead of pointing blame at the other side.

As the 2024 election approaches **We, The People** will demand an answer to our wasted spending.

As I'm sure a requisition to replace the *F-35B Lighting II*, recently crashed is on someone's desk. By the Grace of GOD the pilot survived, which allows for a pause and moment of prayer by the Senate, to review better "Operational and Administrative" training, across all branches of our Armed Forces.

The audit should go as far back to the **Vietnam Era**, if necessary, to properly compensate survived Veterans and their descendants, **by reintroducing the PACT ACT**, to introduce new legislation to move forward with awarding "medical screening, benefits, treatment care and full compensation for service connected disabilities, which is deserving.

They served... to allow the current administration to serve... as their living legacies are 9th District Constituents, who sons and daughters will proudly raise their hand, to continue to serve.... even to show their support for what's becoming a failed Democracy, which is *critically in need of proper guidance*.

Sir, it's the kindhearted thing to do and money well spent in Georgia. *In keeping with federal guidelines, under the amended Civil Rights Act (CRA), "American with Disabilities Act (ADA)," requires federal and state involvement in upholding the ADA protections. With proper rehabilitation and education, and state sponsored programs to increase employment and community recreation opportunities, especially in the Grassroots, districts.*

Similar to Atlanta's growing "Art and Entertainment" cultures and festivals. Throughout the world, such festivities have proven to be the staple that holds the glue to all honest and well-nourished communities. Supported and preserved by our Veteran communities, in our ongoing support to protect and defend for human goodwill—Independent of politics.

In revisiting the topic of medical malpractice, this effort would also require an audit of the DoD's legal practices and violations of the amended CRA laws, under the top brass's command leadership, for possible perjury during their Senate Confirmation hearing(s).

Especially, in my case, providing a classic textbook example(s) of disparities and mistreatment of a black female Navy officer, and targeted whistleblower.

What better time than the present to officially: challenge, update, *preserve and enforce*, Civil Rights Act (CRA) <u>policies and protection requirements</u> for Armed Forces personnel, including the Veteran community.

This presents an opportune time to mitigate military workplace abuse, resulting from systemic CRA violations, such as: <u>hate crimes, discrimination, sexual harassment, assault, rape and rare cases of "murder and mutilation,</u>" which will soon spiral so far out of control that it would be difficult down the road to effectively manage the DoD's EO violations, with ongoing recruitment efforts.

As <u>January 6</u> inquiries continues, to further divide US, and foreign war campaigns lurks on the horizon, I'm sure Democrats will go to great lengths to push forth their modern-version of "Equality in the Workplace" to save the Democracy, especially on the battlefield— This was proven during *Post-911 Bush War Campaigns*.

I lost a dear friend and fellow officer during that war campaign and thousands of female soldiers' deaths was determined to be non-combat related.

Including PFC La Vena Johnson, sadly her unsolved murder remains a mystery at the Pentagon, as her survived love ones continue to seek redress for their slain daughter, who was brutally raped, mutilated and her body returned home desecrated by DoD medical examiners.

If this is not an example of military human right's abuse, I do not know what is! As the Spirit of our late Supreme Court Justice, "Thurgood Marshall" demands peace, equal and fair justice within our military rank and file— as Congress struggles with determining *full enforcement of CRA laws*; especially while considering *full inclusion* of members of the LBGT community.

I bring to your attention the **Military Sexual Trauma (MST) war documentary** "Invisible War," which sets the stage for "unfinished business" and the growing number of female Veterans; victims of military workplace abuse, sex-related crimes and reprisal acts committed against them; resulting in "service connected disabilities"... as they continue to speak out, uniting with the #MeToo Movement.

On that note... I draw your attention to yet another documentary, released during the same Movement, "She's Beautiful When She's Angry." The connection is clear, as more rape victims are forced to remain silent, there is always a political sponsored organization waiting to assist—especially after being denied equal and fair justice in cases involving military rape!

Sir, as a GOP member, this Movement should not be ignored and taken seriously, as it inspires compassion within us all to ensure women around the globe are not being abused in the workplace. Or mistreated when seeking proper medical assistance to aide in proper rehabilitation, as a direct result of workplace related "civil and human rights abuse crimes."

Yet I am aware of "same-sex rape" which remains a mute-point to key lobbyists, who prefer to extort our Veterans, who seek help outside the military. This is a DoD matter, that should be properly managed by the DoD, and by enforcing better laws to prohibit political influence over <u>Americans with Disabilities</u>.

Yet as we can see with the recent Biden and Clinton family scandals..."budget extortion" is getting to far out of control... as key political families have their greedy hands in everything. I digress...

Evident with my case, involving "workplace inequality" the Pentagon prefers to transfer our <u>legal cases</u> to the VA for further "Medical Study,' instead of upholding our inherit rights, under the policies that govern our CRA protections.

Proper enforcement of these laws would uphold equal opportunity employment protections, to prohibit such violence from being committed against women and other minorities in the workplace, ever again, without being punishable by full enforcement of CRA laws.

The JAG officer(s), former Surface Warfare Officer(s) that prosecuted my case should also be investigated and prosecuted for malpractice, instead of retired and appointed to serve as an <u>Administrative Judge, residing over potential Veteran's Social Security Disability claims</u>. I say this, as a targeted victim of Messer's mess.

As the media draws the world's attention to the <u>blatant abuse of power and corruption in the current administration;</u> certain people do not deserve to be appointed to serve in high-powered positions of authority, especially involving other people's lives, health and money, when systemic legal and medical malpractice are involved.

Once proven, to be morally corrupted and an "alleged" adulterous... a person is likely to do anything, to keep up their lifestyle and appearances, according to one of his alleged mistresses, who contacted me after reading my story in a Navy Times article, during one of my appeals.

She informed me of her "alleged" affair with Kevin, which supposedly began after he returned from an overseas deployment. I presumed the overseas deployment was to allow the dust to settle with my case, or until I was officially "discharged!"

According to his "alleged" former mistress, who claims they met online, on the "Plenty of Fish" website, that she was not the only mistress in his "married life."

As bizarre as it may sound, she stated, that "<u>he often spoke of previous affairs, even while prosecuting my case and even boasted how the Pentagon never prosecute anyone for adultery,"</u> which affirmed that my case was a personal vendetta and blatant reprisal.

I shared this information with several investigative journalists who was covering my story at the time and they spoke with her to see if she was credible, *which she was*. She was a nurse living in the DC surrounding area and had fallen in love with him.

She was fighting for his affection and agreed to be the "wifey" as she put it, during his tour in DC at the time while leaving his "legal wife" and family in San Diego.

Sadly, my case was promoted as an adultery case (not a whistleblower retaliation case), obviously to discredit me and redirect the spotlight from one alleged adultery scandal, to another.

My entire conviction stemmed from <u>reports</u> of **systemic financial mismanagement** and a laundry list of improprieties, discovered while serving as the *former Supply Officer of (then)* Naval Coastal Warfare Group One, Imperial Beach, San Diego. The command has since changed its name.

My entire case is a highly publicized *unusual* military "adultery conviction" case.

However, as members and close family associates from both political parties face <u>allegations of far worse allegations of sexual misconduct, ranging from bribery, sex videos, extortion of tax payers' money, and a laundry list of other Anti-Trust violations, which have not been seen in the White House since the Kennedy vs. Nixon campaign.</u>

They are set to become the military's next "Commander in Chief."

Even to see former President Trump sign a women's t-shirt at a recent campaign rally, in the manner in which he did it, as he once said, "you can grab them by the pussy," or breast in this case, was creepy to watch. The "celebrity behavior" was conduct unbecoming and totally in appropriate. Not to mentioned, it severely triggered my PTSD, just the mere thought of it.

Seemingly, the actions and statements of overly aggressive men, determined to disrupt the natural balance of the Universe, will keep constant discord between the feminine and masculine co-existence, both at home and in the workplace— to maintain power and supreme authority over others. History is strange sometimes, when it repeats itself in different characters.

Meanwhile, ongoing public court trials at taxpayers' expense ensue, and the current moral rift within the party will cause us to drift even farther apart, during the turbulent seas ahead of the brutal upcoming election.

As politicians insist on setting poor leadership examples of what to expect of our nation's President (and First family) while the entire world looks on, studying the Great American Divide for bribery opportunities, and aiding and abiding potential war criminals.

Interestingly enough, the trial took place during the Memorial Day remembrance holiday, in San Diego, 2008. The irony of my current situation, as I reflect on the 15-year anniversary of

my unlawful conviction, is submitting this request after Labor Day celebration during crucial budget debates.

In anticipation of historic corruption investigations, revealing the dire need to <u>grant better</u> <u>military whistleblower protection</u>, as more <u>Federal Whistleblowers</u> are likely to come forward to help save the <u>Republic</u>, which is the true strength to defending our national defense budget... Financially supported by, **We**, the **People**.

When my nearly 20-year career abruptly came to an end, I was forced to endure blatant civil and human rights abuse, while **command officials unlawfully subjected me to an extremely hostile working environment for several years,** while repeatedly warning my supervisors of worsening medical conditions, aggravated by direct abuse of power and command authority over me.

Yet I could not fathom the aftermath of our modern-day *post-pandemic crisis*. As America struggles to redefine— on core common ground, "appropriate conduct" in our homes, schools, public institutions, social environments, to include the White House;

As <u>remote work</u> continues, while Congress and lobbyists struggle to redefine "rights, privileges, benefits, entitlements and requirements of human behavior and public decency, especially in the modern-day "<u>workplace</u>."

However, since the pandemic, home is becoming the "new workplace," as I am sure, thanks to artificial intelligence (AI) technology, employers are able to monitor their employees in their home environments to ensure no inappropriate conduct is taking place, "in front of the monitoring screen, the background, the entire household, or neighborhood "monitoring grids" for that matter." I digress...

Yet in an "off-duty" or "off-line" situation, in a person's home environment, "What is considered <u>immoral</u> behavior for government employees, including consultant and legal advisors to government officials?"

Especially in situations involving "extramarital affairs" resulting in a love child serving <u>as proof</u> <u>of adultery</u>, as ongoing bribery cases linked to high-ranking political officials will soon require immediate Senate intervention to redirect "public policy," and future extortion of our taxes.

This is to avoid ongoing public and international humiliation from both parties, if the topic of "extramarital relationships" becomes the next trending social media hot-topic in the upcoming reelection campaigns. "Who's Doing Who in the Zoo of Washington Politics... While Taxpayers Foot the Bills?!"

As human Free Will (at all ages of our lives, including our unborn) is being challenged and manipulated by all forces of matter, causing deeply emotional discord within the Soul of

Humanity, as a whole. The **Great Spirit** within, cannot help but wonder, "What is really going on behind the iron curtain of international, high-level politics?"

While we court <u>war-talks</u> and foreign prisoner exchange. <u>Even the foundation of our religious</u> and spiritual communities are also being threatened, Exposing innocent-minded children to streaming applications, designed to challenge "moral vs. immoral" behavior, as we see within our schools from the top-down. From the White House to the rural Georgia suburbs, including the 9th District.

As we strive to *evolve* into a technological advanced economy, where corporations use *multi-medium online marketing* to lure us in—appeasing human desires; we will soon illuminate the reflection of the very *enlightenment* of what we are becoming as a whole. Especially *AI hotspot networks* around the world, as our global market increases throughout the Diasporas and #Woke cultures.

Outside looking in...when a threat to one's "job security" is on the line, in certain cases involving politics and the military, so is our "national security" considering Hollywood's Sound of Freedom Revelation, and the current Administration's situation. It is a lot to swallow, compared to my case.

As the movie, "Sound of Freedom" is outraging the core of America's soul, while Congress continues to examine the depth of the current Administration's bribery scandal— Requiring stronger measures of Senate Oversight to mitigate further extortion of our defense budget.

Sadly, I draw your attention to the 2014 movie, SOLD, based on true events, providing a deeply disturbing view to highlight international sex trafficking in South East Asia, Nepal.

As the US increases bilateral relations with foreign countries to meet mutual policy objectives, US sponsored bilateral peace talks on Human Rights protections against human trafficking, will serve to be mutually beneficial on an intentional scale; as Georgia provides fertile ground for foreign investors.

As I recently watched this film, there are strong similarities to the Mexican border crisis, not knowing who we are allowing to cross our borders, and more wealthy foreign investors take dual residency in America. I digress....

Professional Side Note:

I offer you a personal salute for your ongoing commitment and service to our nation, the Great State of Georgia and representing my hometown district, The City of Buford, Go Wolves!

The irony of the timing of this situation, as our nation faces the brink of moral and financial collapse, is that our young men and women from our nation's battleground districts' will soon be called into action to defend a failed illusion of an advancement of Democracy. As training and readiness is <u>key</u> to being battle ready at home and abroad.

Continuity of accountability of our national defense requires a strong transparent fiscal budget, which is paramount to maintaining battle-readiness—independent of our physical endurance yet mental training and exceptional and measurable application, as well.

As a fellow Supply Corps officer, most importantly to highlight your role as a former instructor of the Basic Qualification Course (BQC), in Athens... talk about strict "by the book" training!! As the JOs often joked about how the instructors instilled the fear of GOD in us, should we ever lose track of our accountability. That "by the book" training mentality is what anchored my moral foundation throughout my officer career, reinforcing my fiduciary responsibility to our nation's taxpayers, at times such as this.

Yet my Spirit remains unbroken, as honorable men and women of duty, service and valor, such as yourself and fellow Veteran colleagues, continue to uphold the fidelity of Your Oath of Office. My *Divine* prayers are with each of you.

In preserving and defending our nation's fiscal and national security interest once more—invites a compelling debate to consider, introducing a Bill to relocate the Navy's BQC Training School back to Athens. This bold endeavor, allows you direct oversight over the transition and stern curriculum on improving federal oversight over the budget.

Thus creating an immediate stimulation to our local economy, by attracting local citizens to participate in enriching new objectives by creating diversity-training programs: to partner with local schools, colleges and universities, to later employ our future business leaders to better serve our communities, and country with the upmost integrity.

Helping to mend bridges of trust and respect throughout *Georgia's grass roots districts and other battle ground states*, to support community leaders, who will always have our best interest at heart, in Washington D. C.

While penning my *Traumatic Military Experience (TME)* in my memoir, "**Broken Silence**, a Military Whistleblower's Fight for Justice," it was my desire that my testimony serve as public accountability for <u>doing my job to the best of my ability</u>, while enduring ongoing *CRA* violations from multiple government agencies, as a <u>targeted military whistleblower</u>.

Yet I find it extremely difficult while submitting this request for assistance, to explain one sole incident relating to my current situation with the VA, without reflecting on my Traumatic Brig Experience (TBE)... due to the complexity of my case surrounding gross "whistleblower" retaliation, as a former Navy officer.

Current Medical Infractions:

As my Civil Action case remains in abeyance, please know—this particular CRA infractions, involved communication with VA staff members at the Lawrenceville clinic, to include several conversations with multiple nurses with the Atlanta VA-TAP line, which began on or around May 19th.

Initially, my chief concern related to an abrasive denial of a <u>sleep medication refill request</u> for insomnia. This took place during a brief conversation with one of the Riverside clinic providers, Dr. Leena.

She vehemently denied me full treatment services, without past consideration of my overall healthcare needs and obviously lacked full awareness of my *CRA* case. As well as complaints of ongoing harassment over the years, by VA staff personnel assigned to the mental health department; since my case was first transferred to the Atlanta VA hospital, in 2010.

The medication was initially prescribed by the *Atlanta, VA Mental Health Department* for treatment for service connected PTSD, as a direct result from my TBE. For nearly a decade prior to the pandemic, I was receiving uninterrupted mental-health therapy treatment from the VA.

Yet this is the first time that I can honestly say I have experienced **blatant violations of the ADA**, as well as ongoing violations of the **Whistleblower Protection Act.**

Since my initial enrollment in the VA healthcare system, in 2009, *I have tried to mitigate ongoing manipulation of my healthcare management*, to include ongoing medical malpractice connected with my unlawful discharge.

These facts were evident in the findings of the VA Board of Appeals, 2018 decision for service-connected disability as a direct result of legal and medical infractions (malpractice). To include the Navy's 2017 response to the District Courts' Remand Order, citing dozens of violations of the Military Whistleblower's Protection Act; in the 11-page BCNR investigation report, citing nearly 40 counts of whistleblower retailiation.

This is what I had attempted to convey to Senator Ossoff's staff in my initial inquiry request to his office, in hopes to present this egregious matter before Congress. I filed the complaint via his online portal and did not hear back from him until months later, besides a computer generated response letter, acknowledging a review of my case, "to the best of his ability", and a few calls to his local office manager, who had even less faith and hope in the Senator's capabilities.

I took the Senator's words as a guarantee that I would finally achieve equal and fair justice in what has become a 15-year cold case (May 2008 GCM conviction).

Administratively reaching its statute of limitations to be over-turned, or so governed under the policy of the <u>2022 Defense Appropriations Act</u>, pertaining to a case of this austere nature... "Be granted a retrial, or clemency."

Should the government pursue an investigation into the fraudulent activity involving the Veteran-owned logistic firm, Logistics Support Inc. (LSInc) as previously discussed and approve my clemency request, it will grant me my hard-earned retirement pension, back pay, as well as the rewards from the Oui Tam petition, filed in 2009.

As a targeted military whistleblower, from what I discovered in my former capacity as a midgrade Supply Corps officer, I barely cracked the surface in fully exposing the corrupted fieldom, surrounding the award of the LSInc contract.

For the Record:

When I reached out to the Senator Ossoff's local office, I also used this as an opportunity to request <u>legal representation</u> in my ongoing whistleblower reprisal case, in its entirety. The justification for my request for a retrial (in a case such as mine); <u>granted under the new provisions of the Military Justice, Improvement and Prevention Act, authorized in the 2022 Defense Authorization Act.</u>

Yet it appears this piece of legislation remains unresolved, in cases such as this involving *military whistleblower reprisal*. Which is never fully enforced throughout the DoD or the federal government for that matter, as more honest government employees (*whistleblowers*) are coming forward to publicly testify, on behalf of the **American People**.

I asked for assistance from Senator Ossoff, while coping with my long-term ordeal with the Navy, as he promoted to offer assistance to help the minority and veteran communities.

I am truly disappointed in him, Sir. He really let me down!

As I continue to seek assistance from Congress in overcoming the last hurdle of adversity, so I can move forward with my life—

As a local author and poet, in establishing a philanthropy foundation, sponsored by my publishing company, to promote a collaborative "Creative Arts Therapy" program, and share my collections of <u>inspirational poetry</u>— scribed throughout this entire horrific ordeal; to inspire others recovering from PTSD to apply different mediums of creative arts therapy along their journey of <u>self-recovery</u> and healing.

Frankly, I expected such behavior from the corrupted JAG officers, they love to compete and screw over people's lives and careers. It's a career "sport" for them.

Yet Senator Ossoff is a Statesman promoting his support for veterans, minorities and Civil Rights Acts protections not turn a blind eye. Now he leaves me perplexed in his motives to offer other Veterans assistance, as he failed to do so in my **Navy Whistleblower case**... I'm not a Democrat, yet I still worry.

Sir, if I may... The basic fundamental laws that govern my entire case, as well as provides legal protections to millions of American citizens throughout this nation, are governed under the 2008 amended CRA, "American with Disabilities Act," independent of the "Whistleblower Protection Act."

As more federal Whistleblowers yearn to come forward in an attempt to <u>help recover billions in</u> <u>wasted spending</u>, under both current and past administrations, it becomes imperative to grant better Whistleblower's protections.

Like you put it sir, "It's common sense"... when you examine the total depth of vengeance behind the motives of senior prosecutors in carrying out multi-degrees of cruel and excessive punishment against me, to keep me quiet—as ongoing retaliation continues to present day.

Given the current pulse on the advancement of *Democracy* and upcoming debates relating to *CRA protections*, "Who can citizens truly count on to preserve our *civil liberties and human rights protections*, especially in the *workplace*?"

Well after my abrupt discharge from the Navy—long after passage of amendments to better govern CRA laws— Proper enforcement, with imposing fines and imprisonment; if found in violation of these laws, will garnish strong bi-partisan support to mitigate ongoing CRA violations against members of the Disabled Veteran community, as well as <u>Americans with Disabilities</u>, as a whole.

Whether young or old, male or female—black, white or other ethnic group, they mistreat us all the same, once we go against the grain. Primarily Veterans who have endured both physical and emotional abuse by fellow service members, as a direct result of whistleblower retaliation, while serving on active duty.

Unless Equal and Civil Rights Act violations are properly addressed by Congressional Law, or Presidential Executive Order, to be punishable each offense— more violations will occur.

As senior members of the *top brass*' receives a "free pass" to conceal ongoing CRA violations (war crimes), especially during Senate confirmation hearings, victims of their failed leadership are forced to suffer ongoing reprisal, while the top brass are granted promotional opportunities within the Military Industrial Complex.

Yet as Biden's administration appears to strongly support **Military Sexual Assault Victims**—Who in Congress supports "*Prevention of Military Whistleblower Reprisal*?"

Unfortunately, the situation involving my Senate inquiry went unresolved, thus *enabling ongoing* healthcare abuse, un-welcomed stress and aggravation of my overall health, as these actions were in clear violations of federal laws. Yet as a State Senator, denying a full inquiry into these ongoing CRA violations, by law, constitutes acts of reprisal.

During my back and forth communication with VA staff members for several days, referencing the Memorial Day incident... "What initially began with a denial of my prescription refill request, quickly escalated into much more— Resulting in a brief lapse of continuity of my mental healthcare and a week without my daily-required sleep medication for insomnia. This occurred on multiple occasions thus resulting in sleep deprivation, anxiety and aggravated trauma.

Brief Medication History:

- My regular prescription for sleep management medication is for 30 days,
- My last refill had expired on May 24th,
- I was prescribed a 7-day supply which ran out on May 31,
- Finally, on Thursday, June 8th, I received a 30-day refill with <u>5 additional refills</u>, further amplifying the unnecessary threats from the practitioners;

Months later, I continue to struggle in reestablishing a normal sleep pattern while coping with ongoing retaliation from Atlanta VA healthcare providers. I am not alone!

For the Record:

Please note, during this ordeal, it was brought to my attention by the VA's TAP-line nurse, including the appointment scheduler, "since the retirement of my former Primary Care Manager (PCM), Dr. Tran, my medical case has not been assigned a new permanent PCM.

Preferably, someone of mutual trust and is just as concerned for my overall well-being and proper healthcare management as I am, as was Dr. Tran.

Over the past decade, ongoing manipulation of my care resulting in, but are not limited to:

- Unwelcomed stress and anxiety,
- PTSD triggers of pre-existing trauma caused by service connected disabilities; "The initial sleep deprivation occurred when I was held in solitary confinement for several days upon my arrival to the Mira Mar Brig facility after my GCM trial. The traumatic episode of my former Navy career is what led to my current blood condition, (VA Board of Appeals, findings 2018)...
- Ongoing medical malpractice, by *key VA employees, involved in the above mentioned events* has left me with a genuine disinterest, lack of respect and trust in the VA's healthcare system; requiring immediate intervention by Congress, or the President (if my concerns are not properly addressed).

Furthermore, it is disheartening to be vulnerable to unwelcomed threats against my existing healthcare coverage, as well as future treatment services, by the same organizations that inflicted and continue to exacerbate my trauma. I view this as <u>Human Rights Abuse</u>, which is a crime against humanity as a whole, if it persists. I am not alone.

Sadly, I continue to face denial of much needed **treatment items** such as: *allergy eye drops medication*, *pain cream*, *OTC pain medications*, *etc.*, independent of my sleep medication.

As a direct result of denial of prescription refills and non-approval for authorization for community care services, now forces me to pay out of pocket for such items, including recent services for acupuncture therapy treatment, as a 100-percent.

Although previously conveyed to the TAP-line nurse, that I was in dire need of these treatment items and services. While Georgia continues to face *extreme weather conditions*, thus worsening chronic medical ailments, season after season, which seems to be year-round.

During our correspondence, the provider indicated that I will not be authorized any additional treatment services unless I "return to clinic," or, according to other staff members... or, "go to the ER," to have my medical concerns addressed... which was simply for an authorization of a "medication refill" request."

After being "pressured" into making an appointment for June 1st at the *Riverside clinic*, from what I was told, "So I can receive additional medication," I felt reluctant to go to the Riverside clinic, or other VA treatment facilities. To avoid additional harassment, blatant manipulation of my care and ongoing violations of my *Civil and Human Rights protections*, by VA staff employees, **as previously mentioned throughout this statement.**

Please note, since my last communication with Senator Ossoff's office:

- My VA secure message account archives was purged;
- As previously mentioned, "Multiple delays in shipment of my sleep medication refills— Causing at times nearly a week absence of my <u>daily required</u> medication, resulting in severe sleep deprivation, anxiety and aggravated trauma;
- A recent refill delivery package appeared to have been "tampered with." Partially erasing the barcode and nearly redirected the *delivery* all together;

Although I fully understand that *VA employees*' do not have authority to deny me healthcare coverage. Yet year after year, as it relates to *mental healthcare recovery*, in what appears to be *intentional infliction*, during the anniversaries of my *traumatic military experience(s) (TME)*; <u>I</u> <u>am forced to endure additional threats and manipulation of my healthcare</u>?! *Especially throughout* the pandemic, as *I bring this particular matter to Congress' attention, again*.

Unlawfully subjecting disabled veterans to *mental healthcare manipulation*, cuts beyond fleshly wounds *and the heart*— it cuts through to the *umbilical cord of life*; as young Veterans suffering from *PTSD* are taking their lives too soon while being denied adequate care for *service-connected disabilities*.

As I recall, during my prior enlisted service, regarding our <u>mental-health capacity...</u> which was also entrusted to "superiors" within the *military's rank and file* "healthcare system"...

... "Do as the corpsman and military doctors tell you to do, hence "sick-call;" while building our patience to tolerate ongoing civil and human rights violations against Veterans healthcare, generations after generation.

It is similar to pouring gasoline over an open wound that will never heal. Nowadays, healthcare warfare does not discriminate, as we can see with ongoing CRA violations as well as the ongoing *opioid epidemic*. There is no need for political correctness.

"Create a need... Pacify the dependency, while one hand feeds the other."

Service-Connected Disabilities Treatment Background:

From day one of my enrollment in the <u>VA healthcare program</u> for treatment of <u>service-connected disabilities</u>, my assigned team of <u>providers were aware of my ongoing Whistleblower Retaliation case</u>, and later adjudication of my VA Medical Board of Appeals.

<u>In his findings, the Judge cited</u>, "extreme spikes" in my blood platelet count, caused by <u>aggravated stress</u>— obviously linked to <u>cruel and excessive retaliation</u> throughout my ongoing Civil Action/Oui Tam cases.

Yet the status of the *Qui-Tam* case remains unclear, as members of the Senate makes it perfectly clear that there has never been an audit of the DoD's accountability of American's tax-dollars.

"Early on in my Qui Tam petition, while working closely with former DoJ National Crimes Division, Senior Prosecutor, Agent Shane Cralle, I was made aware that the Department of the Navy had considered my case closed, while he was directed by (former) DoJ Director (his boss) not to investigate my claims of corruption. In 2017, the claim was publicly registered, and LSInc "Merged" with one of the Army's major affiliated logistics firm, Z-Systems.

The specific of these events are in my memoir, not all DoJ agents turn a blind-eye to military corruption. As certain members of the party seek to dismantle to Department of Justice, which like other government agencies, does a good job of dismantling itself; to continue doing business with the government.

This further amplifies that I was never granted whistleblower protections by the Pentagon from the very onset. As the DoD's web of deceit, involving legal and medical malpractice typically work hand in hand.

While new and compelling evidence continues to come forward irt the findings of the BCNR's 11-page response to the DC District Court, Judge R. Collyer's Remand Order, as well as the findings of the VA's Board of Appeals, which confirms, "I clearly endured blatant whistleblower retaliation."

Although women's civil and human rights protections were not written in the original framework of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights; centuries later, we have affirmed our "working" place in history, by establishing foundations, traditions, as well as our solid contributions to humanity— "Bearing children, building and nourishing legacies and nations, generation after generation, especially in the South."

Although ripe for advanced agriculture America is not as fertile, to fully embrace and integrate the advancement of women, to serve in "unchartered territory," *a fully engaged combat war zone;* considering the current instability in our global political-military arena. Even at our national borders, as Senator Ted Cruz has exclaimed.

America has not fully embraced and recognized our "<u>inherited</u>" Civil Rights Act protections. Clearly demonstrated by my ongoing reprisal case, how *Pentagon officials would rather* ignore equal employment opportunity laws, than properly uphold them... "in defense of women of

color, and women in general. Especially "those" in transition, while serving in our Armed Forces— Without fear of exposure to a hostile working environment."

This weakens our service to our military, when co-workers present more of a threat that the enemy. Yet instead of upholding equality rights for women and increasing our quotas, the *DoD* has opted to support and launch a recruitment initiative to promote *transgender "male"* equality. How becoming.

Meanwhile, to the average person 'racism and sexism' continues to play a huge role in *denial of my clemency*. Given the current pulse of our social-political environment, I cannot fully endorse a national recruitment campaign, without *STRONG ENFORCEMENT* of Civil Rights Act protection, across the entire DoD.

Service-Connected Disabilities Treatment Background cont.:

The last time I experienced manipulation of my sleep medication of this magnitude, involved my former psychiatrist, "Dr. M. Vemulapalli." Her actions resulted in my former Primary Care Manager, Dr. Tran, appointed to manage my sleep medication prescriptions, until his retirement.

This is what initiated my contact with Senator Ossoff's office, to make Congress aware of ongoing ADA and CRA violations, being committed against me by Atlanta VA healthcare providers, and subsequent human rights violations— Linked to potential violations of the Feris Doctrine, which occurred during my unlawful imprisonment, resulting in chronic disabilities.

To avoid ongoing violations of my overall healthcare, during my PTSD recovery, I deserve trusted healthcare providers to supportively aide me in my full-recovery. **Not be a detriment,** while unlawfully subjecting me to rapidly deteriorating health.

Yet it is disheartening to imagine how many other Veterans are enduring similar mistreatment and lack of continuity of healthcare from the VA— *including threats to discontinue* prescription medications, while unlawfully being subjected to ongoing bullying, harassment and medical malpractice. At the height of what will soon be a huge political campaign rally, key politicians rely on Veterans for campaign support.

Unless there is direct Congressional oversight over Veterans' healthcare management nationwide, throughout all VA treatment facilities—will enable staff members (paid government employees) to continue to violate our disability rights.

This is clear with the recent increase of the DoD's budget to expand the VA's workforce by hiring thousands of new employees to "treat us."

From personal experience with ongoing demonstrations of abusive healthcare services, these providers will subject more disabled Veterans' to worse threats than on the battlefield.

Therefore, I grant you full authorization to review my concerns and ask that you seek a bipartisan agreement to prohibit disabled veterans from exposure to unlawful healthcare treatment services to include, but not limited to:

- Abusive healthcare services at <u>nationwide VA treatment facilities</u>, to include harassment, bullying, <u>manipulation</u> of healthcare services, and prescription medications;
- Denial of *Congressional Approved* <u>authorized treatment services</u>, to include prescription medications and, or local community care services;

Furthermore, should my <u>Whistleblower Retaliation case</u>, including the **Qui Tam** petition, receive proper attention and due justice, it will help remedy my immediate concerns and allow me to receive my *hard-earned retirement pension and back pay*, I rightfully deserve.

To include *rewards*, in accordance with the False Claims Act—<u>for putting my career and life</u> <u>on the line</u>. It will also allow me *hassle free*— convenient access to local community care services. I view this as the best resolution for all parties involved, at this juncture.

Thank you in advance for looking into this matter and I look forward to sharing with the Military Veterans' community nationwide that Congressman Clyde is truly "On Our Side!"

Lastly, it is my heartfelt desire that Congress <u>strongly consider</u> granting an <u>extension for Vietnam Era Veterans to file for PACT ACT eligibility</u>, as well as their descendants.

Especially within The 9th District, where AI technology is advancing, providing medical science researchers' and doctors an opportunity to cure *generational* chronic diseases. Such services are accessible and more affordable, in the vastly growing district.

The 9th District has always been a safe haven retirement community for the Veteran homestead community. With proper funding, this will help to improve and increase the State's required services in providing programs, and "quality care services" to the Disabled Veteran community, in keeping with federal mandate of the American with Disabilities Act.

Starting with "Building Better Beds," especially for those that are bedridden— with built-in technology features designed to target and lessen the flare-up of chronic pain, and possibly reverse chronic diseases for both young and old disabled veterans.

At the very least to "Get the Word Out" at a Town Hall venue to properly educate the Veteran community (as a whole) is a positive step in the right direction, given a large majority of

Veterans' descendants are currently <u>serving as first responders, local police, and within our city and local state governments</u>.

One final note, a few months ago, I had a conversation with a young man from *Henry County*, who was doing contracting work in our local area. He seemed to be very impressed with your resume, being a strong proponent of the 2^{nd} *Amendment*, and all.

The young man shared a sad story about a young teenager, getting possession of his father's gun and shot a much younger child. It appears that the average 13-year old in that district has access to a gun.

My heart goes out to <u>citizens who have the right to possess firearms for added protections for home safety reasons in modern times</u>, yet there is a dire need for proper: education, public self-defense use and proper storage and custody of these "home and self-defense" weapons.

With the right education and self-defense training, along with a useful government stimulus, to aid these families in purchasing a gun safe with <u>monitored security protocols</u>, is a positive step in the right direction in <u>Preserving Human Rights</u> along with championing "preservation" of our 2^{nd} Amendment Rights, in our Southern Bible-Belt, battle ground districts.

Growing up, community leaders lived by a certain creed, which is to protect and preserve our families' *Rights to Life* by defending our nation and *staying battle ready*!

Thereby presenting Georgia an opportunity to take the lead on "Gun Rights and Gun Safety" in public places.

To revisit, with your keen experience, proper passage of legislation and enforcement of past initiatives supported by the *late Civil Rights Activists*, *Dr. King and Congressman John Lewis' historic Civil Rights filibuster sit-in*, to a non-violent approach to civil unity in major city streets.

To stop brutal ongoing "black on black" gun violence, looting, drug dealings and other gang related crimes that have infested our poverty-stricken neighborhoods in heavily Democratic funded districts, that have potential to penetrate the boarders of 9th District. They need to be held accountable, Sir.

More specifically, relating to ongoing shootings in *Atlanta's West End communities*, during surmounting *blood-thirsty gang drug wars*. Putting a significant number of disabled veterans' lives at risk who frequent that area because it offers charitable and discounted shopping centers. To include a large homeless Veteran community who took up residence in that area.

According to a senior-citizen Army Veteran who conveyed, "although they fear for their lives while frequenting that area, it offers the nearest free-food pantry, charitable donation centers and closest *Good Will* store that honor Veterans and senior citizens' weekly discounts."

In accordance with the ADA, both the state and federal government are required to accommodate persons with disabilities, primarily those whose lives are facing public health and safety risk, even when using public transportation rides to commute back and forth to the VA hospital, while in fear of being a victim of gun violence. This is a critical crisis ultimately requiring the Governor's intervention.

Now is a good time for bi-partisan support to preserve our nation's Veteran communities as a whole, including draining the political swamp that infested our military's traditions, over the decades.

I agree, one "topic" at a time, while deciding what to "Pass" in the final appropriations Bill, as President Biden faces ongoing criminal investigation. As did the late President Kennedy, just prior to the passage of the historic Civil Rights Act. With the assistance of truly iconic Civil Rights leaders, who helped paved the way for me to be able to serve our country, in my measurable efforts with the upmost integrity...

As duty, service and "integrity" should be a number one consideration during our dire budget debates, and upcoming 2024 election. As Senator Matt Gaetz, has demonstrated the basics of becoming a good politician, is being someone who is true to your word, and your oath of office.

Yet my Divine Spirit interprets "laws" as equal, and all of humanity have an equal right to be human and live harassment free... as the Laws of Karma applies in our interactions, "good, bad, indifferent," especially in our professional occupations, which is where we exalt the best of human nature.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Very Respectfully, Oy'needa Penland

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