

The Nick and Donna Nickerson Family

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Re: Highway Robbery at [REDACTED]

Kenneth Lay,

We are writing to respond to your recent phone message regarding the crisis you and your alleged clients have created at our ranch. To be clear, we have not abandoned our property and animals or relinquished any lawful ownership or possession of our real or personal property found and/or removed from our ranch May 5, 2022, to present. Any claims or representations otherwise are false, slanderous, and defamatory. To avoid further liability and exposure for you, your client, and the State of Montana, please refrain from making, spreading, promoting, or acting based on any such false narratives.

Please be advised seizing control of our property without request or notice to leave or vacate and denying us notice and opportunity to comply with such a request after we have clearly and repeatedly communicated our intent to voluntarily leave requires you to assume full responsibility and liability for the protection, storage, and care of our real and personal property until the impossibilities and time constraints recklessly created by your direct and indirect actions can be resolved.

Despite extensive moving efforts at our property, you and/or those acting on your behalf willfully, maliciously, and unlawfully entered our property; contaminated our safe place to call home; and violated our civil rights, safety, security, privacy, property, and wellbeing. Further, handling, removing, and storing our personal belongings, livestock, pets and agricultural assets has created unwarranted and unjustified health, safety, security, financial, and logistical concerns, impossibilities, and adverse snowball effects that are comprehensively blocking our opportunity to secure full recovery and restoration. As a result, we are suffering needless damages and injuries directly and indirectly caused by the illegal, un-noticed, reckless, and abusive seizure of our family home and large acreage organic farm and working ranch. All of this is happening in the face of well documented housing, moving resource, and storage facility shortages in Montana and across the country. In addition to locking us out of our home, stealing our existing ranch equity, and blocking all paths to relief or advocacy with communist style

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scripting, your actions are now threatening our remaining family resources by exposing us to historically high fuel prices, escalating interest rates, severe supply shortages, pandemic concerns, and heightened safety and security concerns associated with historic downturns. Per your recorded message, June 10th is the current target date for our animals and stolen property to be returned/retrieved. We request and formally recommend you exert all appropriate efforts toward providing proper care, storage, and security for our stolen property and animals.

Your willful failure and refusal to provide and/or facilitate others providing us with proof of authority, access to illegally concealed account records and employee testimonies, admissions of fraudulent claims and filings, statutory notifications, clarification of contradictory claims, satisfaction of judgment amounts, accurate redemption amounts, an accounting of rents and profits, verification of authorization to receive funds, or to ethically disclose evidence you know could save our ranch or endanger your suitcase in any way have forced us to believe you have dirty hands and you are not a good, ethical, or moral man. Your recent invasion of our property, privacy, and security without request or notice to vacate or leave demonstrates genuine malice and intent to harm. You and your legal comrades have acted with a complete disregard for the truth, law, facts, fair play, and ethical judicial proceedings from the inception of this case. Frankly, your choices render you a criminal in our eyes and we believe in the eyes of the law. Though we are unable to conclusively determine whether these choices have been compelled by threats, promises of compliance windfalls, or to fulfill some brotherhood driven agenda, it is clear with the knowledge currently available to us, you have made these choices willfully and intentionally with the full knowledge of how these choices would most certainly damage and injure us. Thus, we are committed to exposing your actions and pray the law will eventually require you, your clients, and those working for and on your behalf, to comprehensively account for the choices each has made as well as any hateful acts each has conspired to allow others to commit.

Fraudulently obtaining a summary judgment through procedural manipulation and systemic corruption in a court widely heralded for its judicial incompetence and prejudice towards parties with conservative Christian worldviews is not a win based on skilled jurisprudence. Rather, the law and the World At Large, define it organized crime, criminal conspiracy, counterfeiting, racketeering, and crimes against humanity. Contrary to what any rogue Montana judiciary may claim, judgments rendered through fraud and illegal acts are reversible. As such, we retain all lawful ownership and possession of our real and personal property located on or seized and removed from [REDACTED]. Please retain and instruct your client(s) and all parties of interest and knowledge to retain all records pertaining to our family, this case, our property, and any other concealed or unknown to us issues involving us or our property, in their original, edited form. Failure to do so will constitute willful and intentional destruction and spoliation of evidence to conceal malicious intent and criminal activity.

A few remaining issues...

1. We did not abandon our livestock and pets. Our animal friends were illegally confiscated and unjust rulings have forced us to rely on the assurances of enemy invaders that our animals are being properly cared for. Your un-noticed, reckless, unlawful and wrongful seizure of our ranch and intrusion into the reduction and relocation of our animals that was already in progress has created inescapable difficulties, complications, delays, and other circumstantial impossibilities. Per your recent message, we have until June 10th to make arrangements for our animals to be returned to us. Your silence prior to the raid so as to grandstand the unchecked powers of you and your underground associates deafens your ability to now create timelines with consequential demands. Rather, your actions establish intent to harm and further defraud us of what is rightfully and lawfully ours. Such abuse of procedure and process oversteps any fabricated authority you or your legal comrades can be lawfully acting under. Thus, any action transferring or relocating our animals to anyone or anywhere other than to the Nick and Donna Nickerson Family constitutes theft and all rights to full restitution are reserved.

2. We did not abandon our real or personal property. You entered our property through a locked gate and ignored no trespassing signs to steal our personal belongings and relocate many of them to multiple locations in Helena in violation of our right to own, protect, and preserve our private property. It is unclear whether all our personal belongings have been relocated or when the process will be complete if not. The availability of these storage locations after your alleged deadline is also unclear. Your unlawful actions have severely hampered and negatively impacted the relocation process that was already in progress in case our efforts to save our ranch were unsuccessful. As such, you and your client have assumed full responsibility to safe guard our belongings until such time arrangements are made enabling you to deliver them to a location of our choosing.

3. Perishable items requiring special care and agricultural assets needing to be retrieved were on our property. The current condition and location of our freezers full of harvested produce, stored flower bulbs, candles, seed potatoes, nursery plants, plant starts, and plants and bulbs wintering in the gardens are unknown. Based on the storage units identified, we are very concerned as to the location of our storage sheds, fuel tank, stand, truck rack, organic fertilizer/compost mountain, irrigation equipment, specialized chicken nest boxes, livestock water troughs, feeders, custom bird houses and feeders, custom mailboxes, cook ring, hammock and tent frames, raspberry nursery, temporary fencing materials, panels, chargers, gates, t-posts, wood, pipes, hardware, picnic tables (house/campsites), outdoor decorations, wagon wheels, and other personal belongings and items necessary to move our farming and ranching operations.

4. We have faithfully maintained and continued to improve our ranch since we purchased it. Should we prevail in reversing this malicious challenge to our property ownership, the perpetrators of this attack will be required to restore and return our property to the condition it

