

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF SANDOVAL
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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PAUL LIVINGSTON,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SHAWN GENTRY, LEE DeFRANCESCO,
PETER ST. CYR, TIM SCOTT (aka KAISER SOSE), and
NEW MEXICO MEDICAL CANNABIS PATIENTS ALLIANCE,

Defendants.

D1329 CV-2015-1327

Judge John F Davis

COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES FOR DEFAMATION

COMES NOW PAUL LIVINGSTON, presenting his Complaint against four individuals and the unincorporated association they support, seeking damages and other relief against false, malicious, and defamatory Facebook postings and published comments. Since Plaintiff was only trying to prevent Defendants from covering up pesticide poisoning of medical cannabis currently being sold and consumed by patients in the New Mexico Department of Health's Medical Cannabis Program, Defendants' arrogance, malice, dishonesty, and disregard for the health and safety of the patients they purport to represent warrant the award of punitive damages.

I. PARTIES AND JURISDICTION

1. Paul Livingston has practiced law in New Mexico since October, 1982. Since 2009 he has been a strong advocate for the rights of patients, providers, and producers in the New Mexico Medical Cannabis Program. Since 2010 Paul Livingston has owned and operated a medical marijuana law and advocacy website: www.cannabisguild.net.

2. The **New Mexico Medical Cannabis Patients' Alliance (NMMCPA)** is an unincorporated association with a self-appointed board of directors, no written rules or bylaws, and no specific membership; Defendant **Shawn Gentry** is a medical marijuana patient who considers himself a “gorilla grower” of marijuana and a patient leader; Gentry controls the Alliance Facebook discussion groups and he has banned Plaintiff from any access to the Facebook pages and groups he controls. **Tim Scott**, using the “screen name” Kaiser Sose, is the former President of the Patients' Alliance; and **Lee DeFrancesco** is a rabid supporter of the NMMCPA, Shawn Gentry, and Peter St. Cyr.

3. **Peter St. Cyr** is a freelance investigative journalist who has associated himself with the New Mexico medical cannabis community. For at least 7 years St. Cyr and Livingston had been friends, frequently talking and corresponding and sharing information and opinions with each other. Paul Livingston successfully represented Peter St. Cyr in an Inspection of Public Records lawsuit against the former Governor: *Peter St. Cyr v. Bill Richardson, et al.*, No. D-202-CV-2010-14704.

4. Jurisdiction is found in the original jurisdiction of the court as provided by Article VI, Section 13, of the New Mexico Constitution and the laws of the United States and the State of New Mexico.

II. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

5. On June 10, 2015, using Facebook Messenger, a frequent Facebook marijuana discussion participant – Erik Burr – initiated an on-line discussion and included Shawn Gentry, Larry Love, Sarah Miles, Peter St. Cyr, and Paul Livingston. Burr started the discussion by informing the group that “**I know first hand that [Erik Briones] has been**

spraying all of his crop with a systemic pesticide. . . that can not be washed off. This is poison.“ Erik Briones is the director of Minerva Canna Group, which owns and operates Canna Café Bakery, a wholesale cannabis bakery selling a variety of baked goods.

6. Claiming that he had “placed myself in jeopardy here by presenting this information to you,” Burr asked the group to “please keep me protected from any backlash.”

7. Plaintiff’s response to Erik Burr’s information was:

Erik, none of what you say about Erik Briones and his enterprises is new or news. The problem is that even though most knew about that and much more no one seems to care about anything like that. And similar stories are out there regarding many of the other LNPPs and their “owners.” The operation and exposure of Canna Café Bakery is essential. . . .

8. Although Livingston didn’t know it at the time, Larry Love had agreed with Peter St. Cyr, that the group’s discussion would be considered a “private conversation.” When Livingston questioned why a “private” conversation about pesticide poisoning would include a reporter, Love stated, “He doesn’t report on private conversations,” and Sarah Miles wrote, “I believe in Peter’s integrity.” St. Cyr then stated, “Thanks guys. **This is an off the record conversation.**”

9. But when Plaintiff continued to disagree with keeping the pesticide poisoning discussion “off the record,” St. Cyr replied angrily:

Paul. There is nothing to put on the record. Stop putting me down. When there is proof, documents, emails, etc then we’ll move forward. I’m tired of your putting other people down. In fact, my record as a journalist was just recognized with top investigative reporting honors from the Society of Professional Journalists. There judges work for the Chicago Sun News, Washington Post and New York Times. Bite me brutha.

10. Livingston again reminded the group that Erik Burr's allegations were very serious:

You are all talking about criminal activity which is not protected by any privilege or immunity. I will not take part in any coverup of that nor will I sit by idly while Peter St. Cyr who I thought was a reputable journalist, assists you in covering up what is wrong here.

11. St. Cyr countered: "Paul. Since when do journalists have subpoena power? I can't walk in and seize records. Don't be a dick." He continued to attempt to control and direct the discussion to avoid the issue of pesticide poisoning.

12. Later in the discussion, Gentry, speaking for the Patients' Alliance wrote:

We don't neglect the fact the pesticide issue needs looking in to. What we do not agree with is jumping off half cocked and with no real ground to stand on. . . .

As to these pesticide use incidents and the ethics of Mr. Briones. It is information that we will take in to consideration. As I'm sure Peter will as well. There is only so much one can do with nothing really to go on and on the first 48 of hearing about it man. Even Nicole contacted the man himself and discussed it. What more can you ask of anyone?

File a DOH complaint Paul. Talk to the other press that isn't Peter. I'm pretty sure they will just tell you the same thing man. Unless you get that plucky 1st year cub reporter that's fresh on the beat! Looking for that big time scoop! Lordy man this make my brain hurt having to explain. I'm now done with this conversation. . . .

13. And subsequently Tim Scott wrote and published online:

[W]hat you are doing is slandering LNPP's with hear say at best and you are hurting the program by the way you are doing it. This is also a fact. Please stop misleading people with your less than honest and non-factual statements. . . .

. . . . you are hurting the program and hurting the patients by doing this stupid shit. You make your baseless accusation with no proof of anything. Do you not understand Hear Say Evidence? Do you have anything substantial, as

in real proof? Anything other than something that someone said? . . . YOU are not relevant in any capacity and need to stop. If you want to do this, go ahead and do it as no one wants to join your crazy train. You are extremely annoying. I wish they would ban you

14. Tim Scott then wrote: *"I have but one final question, Is Paul actually a patient? Or is he a trouble maker? Plain and simple. Hey Paul - Are you a Patient? And seconds later, Alliance President Nicole Morales wrote: "I don't know, Paul S., are you a patient?"* Defendants then wrote and published a short online discussion in which they discussed whether Paul was a Patient, with Shawn Gentry concluding:

ROFL!!! So your just a guy?! Jesus H Christ I thought you were a patient as you have told me before. So add on liar to your repertoire I suppose. I let you come in to the groups and defended you because you said you were a patient. I didn't think I could think less of a person ... Wow.

And Tim Scott added quickly, *"Too bad you are not a patient Paul, I can't think of someone who needs to smoke a joint more than you ...LOL I am done with you and all this garbage. One Love Cannabis Family You all be well. paul you ... Just Be You.. it is pretty comical."*

15. Shawn Gentry replied:

Mike, this guy thinks he can CSI: New Mexico this shit. He thinks that suspects and evidence just falls off trees when you shake them lol. This whole conversation is stupid unless Paul can come up with some evidence, it's just slander on a lot of folks who just may exercise their legal rights on a disbarred and dishonest ex-attorney.

I like to talk it out and resolve things with folks before removing them. Sadly I have spoken to you at length in private Paul. Denying that is yet another lie bro. Unlike you though, I don't air personal, private conversations. They are private for a reason and to violate that trust is pretty low Paul. Yet you have no limit to how low you will sink. Classic bloodsucking and soulless attorney to your core aren't ya?

16. Ten minutes later, Gentry wrote and published still another comment about

Paul Livingston:

Sadly Paul Livingston doesn't get along with people unless you can do something for him. Then he will take a shiv to your back or just straight slander you for no reason after. Kinda funny to be honest. I was the one for months defending Paul as he ridiculed, slandered, and spewed bile every time I saved him from the Thor's Hammer of group kicking. He just doesn't stop... ever. So even now I personally have removed him from the NMMCPA Discussion Group for drama. . . .

17. Plaintiff has never met or spoken with Tim Scott, Shawn Gentry, Lee DeFrancesco, or Antonio Garcia; he has not said, written, or done anything that is deceptive, dishonest, or untrue. Nor has Plaintiff told any lies or “*taken a shiv*” to anyone’s back. He has not “*ridiculed, slandered, and spewed bile,*” or done anything else to deserve these Defendants’ malicious lies, disdain, and disrespect.

18. Defendants’ defamatory postings against Plaintiff appear to have been orchestrated by Peter St. Cyr, who surely knows that the other Defendants’ postings against Plaintiff are totally false and defamatory. Among the additional defamatory statements and allegations published by NMMCPA leaders against Paul Livingston are the following:

19. **Shawn Gentry:** (June 26) “*you have no limit to how low you will sink.*” “*it’s just slander on a lot of folks who just may exercise their legal rights on a disbarred and dishonest ex-attorney.*” “*I guess you just want another tongue lashing by a Judge about being a fucking Gadfly huh?*” “*Sadly Paul Livingston has been kicked from almost all the other groups.*” “*your just a set of flapping gums, pecking fingers, and no action.*” “*Your not helping and only making people distrust the program.*”

(July 9) *"ROFL!!!! Paul your such a small and petty man. It's actually very sad. LoL"*
"A lawyer that can't practice law has to be frustrating to the max huh?" "Being disbarred for always stirring fruitless shit should've taught you something." "He slanders me so I come to respond. Simple Pimple..." "your just as sad and petty as before you were disbarred." "he is exactly what a federal judge called him, I'm not making this shit up. He was disbarred as a lawyer for being and I quote "A Gadfly... Something seen as worse than an ambulance chaser." "Yeah that's Paul and exactly why they tossed him. Same reason why we tossed him." "I'm pretty much an open book, but Mr. Disbarred over here isn't so much." "Don't even know if he is a patient." "He just blurted it all out and with a twist of the Alliance somehow being nefarious or some silly shit." "Paul just did the stupidest thing he could and screwed the whole thing up. All so he could be the one to break the story on "New Mexico Medical Marijuana Pesticide Epidemic!" " "Sadly he had nothing to go on and it was a hollow story from the word go. It's why it's getting no play anywhere. Because you HAVE TO HAVE EVIDENCE!! Jesus, help me it's sad that folks can't comprehend this FACT!"

20. **Lee DeFrancesco:** (July 9, 2015) *"Paul comes to any place on FB who hasn't banned him!" "He starts shit all the time and then walks away until he gets bored or whatever!" He has been banned from our site by numerous people numerous times! "It's always some inflammatory shit and assigns blame to whomever he chooses! Then he turns and walks away leaving a trail of innocent victims of his abuse." "Everything Shawn said is 100% accurate!" "Shawn is the target as are the rest of the Alliance board members! I'm serious." "There's never been a more despicable person than Paul Livingston." "Yes!!! Big shout out to Peter St. Cyr!!! What a wonderful man he is! ?????"* (July 11) *"I want to say that*

Shawn Gentry is one of the best people I have ever known. I love him dearly and I will try to do anything within my power to help him... He has only been trying to make things better for all of us."

21. **Tim Scott (Kaiser Sose):** (June 26) *"you are hurting the program and hurting the patients by doing this stupid shit." "You make your baseless accusation with no proof of anything." "YOU are not relevant in any capacity and need to stop." "You are nothing more than a low life trouble maker." "You have nothing relevant to say and speak mistruths." "I am sure you will end up in court for your slanderous BS." "by keeping on screaming about the same old shit you are accomplishing nothing but getting everyone to dislike you." "Paul, Please grow up and start acting like an adult and show respect and you might get some in return." "You are clueless Paul. " "Just Be You.. it is pretty comical..." "All your arm waving and rants will do absolutely nothing." (July 21, 2015) "You sir are a Fool." "You are a joke and not relevant at all." "You spread more bogus info then anyone ever... You Pleeb." "he just wants to tell everyone his side and make stuff up along the way... Just not acceptable at all and frankly it is getting very old." "You booted him but he is like a herpe, he just keeps coming back."*

22. **Peter St Cyr** initially declared the written pesticide spraying discussion *"off the record"* and responded to Livingston's objection to being off the record by saying *"there is nothing to put on the record."* He stated that Livingston is acting on *"one of his self-made conspiracy theories"* and advises: *"Paul is persona non grata in many of our communities."*

23. Medical marijuana and cannabis products sold and consumed in New Mexico have not been tested for pesticide or solvent residues; no testing lab in New Mexico

currently performs such tests. Recent reports and studies suggest a very high likelihood that cannabis products sold in New Mexico contain unacceptably high levels of harmful substances.

24. To this date there has been no investigation, no news report, and no other public indication that there is a serious pesticide poisoning issue infecting the New Mexico Medical Cannabis Program.

25. The transcript of the initial online discussion on pesticides and keeping it “off the record” is attached hereto.

WHEREFORE, having set out the facts and allegations concerning this case, Plaintiff states the following cause of action and claims for relief:

COUNT 1

DEFAMATION

26. Defamation is made up of libel, generally related to written statements, and slander, which is generally verbal; defamation is an invasion of the personal and property interest in reputation and good name. A communication is defamatory if it is false and tends to harm the reputation of another as to lower him in the estimation of the community or to deter third persons from associating or dealing with him.

27. The offensive and demeaning statements published online by Gentry, Scott, DeFrancesco and their followers were intended to and did seriously damage or destroy Plaintiff’s reputation for integrity, honesty, and competence; negate his more than 30 years as a legal advocate; and cover up credible allegations of pesticide poisoning of New Mexico “medical” marijuana.

28. Encouraged by Defendants, other Facebook “friends” of the Patients’ Alliance have also challenged Livingston’s motives and treated him with disdain. Antonio Garcia, another Facebook page administrator, laughed about Livingston before barring him from the “Cannabis Proponents” Facebook page:

I myself grow natural no pesticides so I’m Really tired of hearing about chemicals in weed what about GMO what about GLOBAL WARMING I wish Paul S. Cared about those issues as much as he cares about bug spray. . . Lol like a herpie I shouldn’t laugh but dude guys like Him And Iron LUKE bring it on themselves its like the best thing Said would be nothing at all there mouths get them in trouble be careful

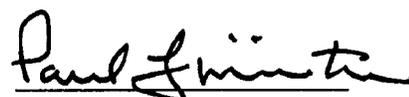
29. Defendants are liable to Plaintiff for damages to him and his reputation in an amount to be determined by a jury after trial.

CLAIM FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests the following relief:

- A. Declaratory and injunctive relief and compensatory relief for damages proximately resulting from Defendants’ malicious, dishonest, and defamatory statements;
- B. Punitive damages;
- C. Such other and further relief as the Court deems just.

Respectfully submitted,



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FACEBOOK MESSAGE THREAD ON PESTICIDE POISONING - Part 1

Wednesday, June 10, 2015

[Erik Burr, Shawn Gentry, Paul Livingston, Larry Love, Sarah Miles, and Peter St. Cyr]

Erik Burr: Folks... first of all I have respect for everyone of you... second I have been reading the thread about the Canna Bakery Chocolates and the postings by Mr. Briones...

Before any of you jump to the defense of Mr. Briones I urge all of you to do a background check and due diligence on him. Briones owned 2 nursery gardens, Rio Rancho Garden Center & Purple Sage, before jumping into this. (He couldn't grow a nursery plant if his life depended on it.). He bankrupted every business he was involved within with some of the belief it was done to extract the finances. He has absolutely no ethics and is 100% about the money. If you search deep enough you will learn that he left multiple local businesses, (funny how he touted the ethics of his vendors), with debt in the thousands of dollars!!! No I was not one of them luckily.

Lastly, I know first hand that he has been spraying all of his crop with a systemic pesticide. For those of you who do not know this leaves a residue that can not be washed off. This is poison.

It is the opinion of others that you truly have a snake in the hen house and I caution all of you to be careful with any of the claims he makes. Like I said do not take my word for it and do your own due diligence and you will find plenty! I have no personal bone to rub here rather care about this industry and the good folks I have met along the way and feel you all need to be informed of vital facts. I hope you will research yourselves and share whatever you find privately in order for you to not be sued or attacked. Beware!

I additionally hope you all recognize that I have placed myself in jeopardy here by presenting this information to you. I do so to validate my position that I desire a balanced and fair program for the patients. Thank you. Please keep me protected from any backlash. Thank you.

Ls Love: I'm not sure who you are but I'll certainly protect you and I thank you for this post

Livingston: Erik, none of what you say about Erik Briones and his enterprises is new or news. The problem is that even though most knew about that and much more no one seems to care about anything like that. And similar stories are out there regarding many of the other LNPPs and their "owners." The operation and exposure of Canna Cafe Bakery is essential, yet there is a storm of offensive stupidity against me coming from Mike, Andrew, Shawn, Kaiser, and a few others seemingly only to divert attention from the issues of ownership and profiteering.

My constructive suggestion is that we insist on posting of products and prices and that patients get the same prices as LNPPs and volume discounts. That should not displease the LNPPs and would provide a tremendous benefit for the patients.

Erik Burr: Paul... Shawn is on this private thread... this is my posting and I ask that everyone leave their tudes at the door. Not many know the data I have shared here and the feedback is evident of this. I only care about the protection of the patients which is why i will soon validate my technology as clean, organic, and heathy. Whatever the issues between you and others honestly and respectfully needs to be addressed between all of you and not drag into the patient alliance. I have also shared this viable information with my colleagues whom are with dispensaries. We all are coming with good intentions to protect the program and I would ask everyone to be selective in their comments before posting here or on the main pages as division will only cause destruction. I believe we can ALL agree we need a united program for the benefit of the patients. Don't forget that DOH and the Dispensaries hold ALL ofthe leverage while the patients are ignored. We have to join as a collective for the patients in order to make this program fair and balanced. It will NOT work any other way.

Paul you have information that many do not. If you share this information privately with the board I believe it would benefit everyone but not until you bridge the divide with those that have acquired issue with you. I don't know you and have heard about your past. It's not my place to judge but others might and I would love to see you be viewed as an asset. The program is above all of us and our egos need to be checked at the door... I'm guilty as well and will try to build consensus and coalitions when and where I can and I urge everyone to do the same... their are enemies in DOH and with many dispensaries though luckily not all. However in fighting will only crumble the ground the patients stand on....this is counterproductive. Please everyone focus on the collective objective instead. As I said before I have respect for everyone. Thank you.

S. Gentry: Amen Erik. Amen. I will comment soon on this. I'm on the road going to get supplies and cannabis from Verdes. I also feel like literal shit an don't have my wits about me really today. Sorry folks.

Erik Burr: Hang in there Shawn and I hope you feel better. We are all in this together!

Sarah Miles: Thanks for your words of caution, Erik. As Paul has stated, many people know of the dubious business practices of few of the LNPPs, and so far all I have been able to do is vote with my feet. Sharing your concerns is much appreciated. I never in a million years thought I was jumping into such a strange soup when I got involved with the patient alliance. I have yet to meet privately (or in a small group) with anyone or group in this program that didn't have a horrible story, or several stories about other patients, doctors, dispensaries, LNPPs, DOH, DPA,

vendors, you name it. I feel like I have stepped into the bizzarro world. Shit, it was easier working with black market dealers. I hope the leadership can stay above the fray. Erik, no worries, mums my word on your communication about this.

Erik Burr: Sarah... thank you for your reply and confidentiality...

Livingston: Sorry guys, but the "leadership" is right in the middle of the mess. Witness Shawn's posting today describing how Kaiser Sose, ex President of the Alliance, has been smuggling marijuana across state lines for years and getting away with it. I know people from Montana doing 5 years in federal prison for less, yet Shawn glibly announces to everyone that Tim is doing that and is apparently encouraging others to sneak their marijuana and edibles on airplanes in defiance of federal law. That can only harm the patients and any sorry notion of an alliance with leaders like that, especially those who snitch on their so-called friends and maybe are doing it without even thinking about what they are doing. It's pretty sad, but that's what we're working with, or against. Also, if you want a private conversation, it would probably be wise to keep Peter St Cyr out of it as he's a reporter and he might even want to report this.

Ls Love: He doesn't report on private conversations. I put him in. Sorry If I overstepped. But if we don't make some of this public someday nothing will change.

Peter St. Cy: I appreciate understanding the context.

Sarah Miles: I believe in Peter's integrity.

Peter St. Cyr: Thanks guys. This is an off the record conversation.

Erik Burr: I didn't add him. LS did. Secondly your complaint about crossing state line is not new news as I ensure you dispensaries have been doing plenty of that. To think otherwise is foolish being they only had 150 plants to work with and can't keep supply. Do you honestly thing Sacred Gardens could generate the revenue they claimed on ONLY a 95 plant operation? Please...

Livingston: Good, I do too. This will make a great story.

Sarah Miles: I am also grateful he has the investigative experience that I lack.

Livingston: Actually, Peter, it's not off the record. No one asked you to keep it off the record and your gratuitous offer is hardly a demonstration of journalistic integrity. You know that.

Ls Love: Yes Erik on the SG. It would be interesting to see the real numbers compared to what is reported to the DOH. They are not alone.

Erik Burr: I asked that it be off the record when I said to please keep it protected.

Livingston: But you didn't ask Peter, and he didn't agree.

Ls Love: I will assume everything on this PM is private. I do have some first hand knowledge on this subject.

Livingston: And you said protected from some "backlash," and besides, as I said, what you reported is nothing new, just that you have now reported it publically.

Ls Love: Paul how do you know what I say to Peter?

Peter St. Cyr: Paul. There is nothing to put on the record. Stop putting me down. When there is proof, documents, emails, etc then we'll move forward. I'm tired of your putting other people down. In fact, my record as a journalist was just recognized with top investigative reporting honors from the Society of Professional Journalists. There judges work for the Chicago Sun News, Washington Post and New York Times. Bite me brutha.

Sarah Miles: What is public?

Erik Burr: Paul please do not be an antagonist here. There honestly is no need and I added you out of respect for you. Are you now implying to not provide the same reciprocity?!

Sarah Miles: OK - let's stop the anger and divisive remarks

Erik Burr: Agreed.

Ls Love: Agreed

Livingston: You are all talking about criminal activity which is not protected by any privilege or immunity. I will not take part in any coverup of that nor will I sit by idly while Peter St. Cyr who I thought was a reputable journalist, assists you in covering up what is wrong here. Agreed?

Erik Burr: What cover up Paul?

Sarah Miles: I don't agree

Ls Love: Paul chill please

Peter St. Cyr: Paul. Since when do journalists have subpoena power? I can't walk in and seize records. Don't be a dick.

- Livingston: What are you talking about, subpoena power. This is about Canna Cafe Bakery, owned by Minerva, and operated outside of the rules of the State Program and in total violation of the law. Why are you calling me a "dick" and saying " Bite me brutha" when you know this is a story that needs to be told and if you won't do it someone else will and will point out your complicity in trying to keep it "private." I'm really surprised at your comments Peter, you used to be more careful.
- Sarah Miles: We all have heard the horror stories, and that doesn't make us complicit. This is not productive
- Livingston: No, Sarah, I'm not suggesting complicity with the wrong-doing, just that it's been going on so long, has become so extreme (e.g., Canna Cafe Bakery) and is still not being talked about responsibly.
- Erik Burr: For the record there is no cover up. I asked for confidentiality on the information I shared... a source so to speak. If Cafe is operating illegally then I'm sure Peter will explore more to confirm or deny if it is. I'm sure most here will do their own level of research to determine the facts.
- Peter St. Cyr: Paul. If you've read my earlier reporting then you would know that I was the FIRST to report on NM Environment Departments demand that MedPot producers set up stand alone commercial kitchens. I even published NMDOH's letter directing the LNPP's to do so. Why you think it's against the rules is beyond me. Read Eat Your Weedies - May 6 and then tell me I'm complicit. I wrote this story more than 12 months ago. Catch up or take notes Paul.
- Sarah Miles: Paul, please say why it isn't ok for Minerva to do their own baking. I remember when they got their license to open, and it was no secret. They announced it was happening, announced when their kitchens were approved, and announced when they opened.
- Erik Burr: Sounds like the point of issue is not anyone in this discussion rather with the members in charge of the program up at the DOH. This is where the patience need to engage with viable changes to the program.
- Peter St. Cyr: This is the NMDOH letter I published a year ago.
<https://s3.amazonaws.com/s3.documentcloud.org/documents/1153493/department-of-health-kitchen-notice.pdf>
- Ls Love: Sarah, My question about the Bakery is: Is it Minerva or a newly licensed MFG to sell to LNPPs like Nutrish High was going to do. I still would like to know.

Livingston: Peter, I don't think you've read what the problem is with Erik Briones and his statement that the so-called non-profit producers are all actually for profit commercial enterprises and it's none of the patients' business.

Peter St. Cyr: I was also the first journalist to publish this letter from the Environment Department:
<https://s3.amazonaws.com/s3.documentcloud.org/documents/1153494/environmental-health-bureau-letter.pdf>

Erik Burr: Paul they all are S - corps and we're approved by DOH. We have no say in this.

Peter St. Cyr: No other journalist reported the new edible production standards either.
<https://s3.amazonaws.com/s3.documentcloud.org/documents/1153495/medible-production-standards.pdf> Now, before you challenge my professionalism you should do your background. Take the lead or follow my trail..dick.

Erik Burr: Peter please cease with the name calling. The information you have shared is helpful...

Peter St. Cyr: The real question is why does NMDOH allow LNPP's to use NMSU unauthorized lab for testing potency. NMSU tells me they don't test for contaminants. It's a huge violation of the state's Antitrust Laws.

Sarah Miles: Everyone should go do a bowl and then come back

Livingston: Sarah, in case you haven't noticed, Canna Cafe Bakery was not identified as a part of Minerva. It is set up as a private business to do business with Minerva and then to sell products to the other dispensers with all the questions of ownership, profit, taxation, and price left unknown. Why are you so angry and calling me names and why would you support all the petty criminality going on here?

Peter St. Cyr: Pardon: I mean antidonation laws. Now Paul wants to play victim. Get real or get out.

Ls Love: A story and not the only one in Erik Minerva's rant is the harsh words towards the patients. Despicable attitude!

Sarah Miles: Minerva announced it was them when they opened

Ls Love: To think Ken Groggle is in charge of all this is amazing.

Erik Burr: Paul.. you have valid points of which would be better accepted if the antagonist tone was removed. For everyone where is the DOH stance on this. Has anyone posed this question to them?

Ls Love: The DOH will never comment. Right Peter?

Peter St. Cyr: No Groggel hides behind a PIO.

Ls Love: Sorry PIO?

Erik Burr: We also don't know if Groggle has his fingers attached for personal gain. An area that should be researched. After all wasn't it he who proposed Steephill??

Peter St. Cyr: Political (public) information officer

Ls Love: Yes EBB

Ls Love: TY Peter. I am just a Patient with a microphone Bro..

Peter St. Cyr: New York released the names of all 43 of their applicants today. We need the 86 names of applicants here to look for financial ties and political cronyism.

Erik Burr: Thanks Ls. Peter have you done any background on Groggle to unsurfacing his ties?

Ls Love: New York also has great pizza.

Peter St. Cyr: Pepperoni would be nice. I have not. Wish so had subpoena power.

Erik Burr: Can the Alliance acquire this power via legal agent?

Sarah Miles: As a business owner, we (husband and I) get a real rash when our guests suggest how we are running our business wrong. I know that the LNPPs are a different kind of business that deals with our medicine, but they are people too, Larry. I don't condone their rant against patients (and it really isn't "Patients" it is just the people on the FB pages that constantly blast them with condemnation, so yeah...I get their rant.

Ls Love: Sarah, Sorry But Erik Minerva says patients have no say on how the LNPPs run their business. It is all about the the intent of the Lynn and erin Comp Use act. Its all about the patients.

Sarah Miles: I have a board meeting tonight. I think there may be something about seeking council on the agenda

Erik Burr: I do too Sarah but when a minority are taking steps to not use poisons and others growing with the consensus of the patients ends up being poor. The CO testing report has opened many patients eyes in believing they are being provided the quality promised.

Ls Love: Represent Sarah.

Sarah Miles: If there isn't, I will be bringing it up and have had that in my mind long before this conversation started

Ls Love: As Scott R would say Dutch out!

Sarah Miles: Repersent Sarah?

Peter St. Cyr: Now that Paul has seen I reported on the stand one kitchen requirement more than a year ago does the group believe he owes me an apology for suggesting I was complicit in one of his self-made conspiracy theories?

Ls Love: represent us

Sarah Miles: I was the one who misspelled it" LOL

Erik Burr: I think we just need to leave the ego aspect alone for now. Everyone will walk away with their own perspective.

Sarah Miles: I need to know if there is a law that says we have a say in how a LNPP runs their business.

Erik Burr: However i believe we all agree that there is a snake up there in DOH and we need to unearth what type that snake is.

Sarah Miles: Personally, I will do what patients want, and support a free market,

Ls Love: bye for now

Erik Burr: Ciao Ls and thanks.

Peter St. Cyr: There is no law. Market forces give patients the right to purchase or not from any of the LNPPs.

Sarah Miles: I hope it is a snake, but I fear it is incompetence. I also support an outside company with no ties to NM to do our testing, and am very disappointed steep hill has seemingly given up on us

Ls Love: I still Steep Hill is coming

Erik Burr: Then maybe the Alliance needs to do background checks on the LNPP's that everyone questions like Cannaceuticals in Riudoso or Minerva or any other. Im quite certain that information being made public will change the dynamic immediately.

Ls Love: hear

Peter St. Cyr: They have not given up. They were here setting up over Memorial Day

Erik Burr: That is another corrupt organization and I caution all of you for their establishment.

Sarah Miles: Stories I heard was they came in to find a location, the real estate agents never showed so they went back to Calif.

Peter St. Cyr: steep hill will also put a stop to all this unauthorized testing at NMSU

Erik Burr: If they come the medicine will skyrocket in price and Sarah they are definitely NOT about a free market.

Peter St. Cyr: Haha. The real estate agent simply couldn't get them the key on a holiday.

Ls Love: Peter does Kenny G approve of the NMSU testing? Or wont he answer?

Sarah Miles: Why is it that anytime anyone in this business appears to be doing well and a success, everyone hates them and calls them sell outs, corrupt, or just plain fucked up?

Erik Burr: Is that question directed at me my friend Sarah?

Sarah Miles: It is a response to what you said, and a reflection of what I hear time, and time, and time again. I am not slighting you, Erik. certainly want to know more.

Erik Burr: Sure... let me explain further my position...

Sarah Miles: Sometimes I want to stick my fingers in my ears and say nanananananan!

Erik Burr: We have a law on the federal books that has been in breach since Clinton and that is the Sherman Anti-Trust Act which is simply the Anti-Monopolization law. However good SH is they move into a market to monopolize it. To take up to 10% of a businesses revenue, not profit, for a service and not for any investment is the biggest con job ever. Cannabis attorneys nationwide are saying watch out for these intricate financial plans that want to invest into your business or program. Steephill, Untra Health, NHI are all the same con and not to the benefit of any patient rather all about making money. As a business owner I would never ever

do business with an organization this way for they will end up taking more away from me then give me to increase my business.

Erik Burr: I do not feel this is fair to any LNPP and damn sure not to the benefit of the patients because prices will go up to compensate for the loss of the 10% in revenue.

Sarah Miles: They don't seem to be monopolizing in other states.

Erik Burr: but they are monopolizing producers

Sarah Miles: How long have you been in NM, Erik? Are you a patient yet. These are just friendly questions, and not pointed. I wanted to know how much experience and knowledge you have of the program. I'm kinda new at it, so my head spins a lot.

Peter St. Cyr: Where did you get that 10 percent number. Completely false. I'll see about posting some documents if so can find them.

Erik Burr: you have to look at how they handled their presentations to both patients and producers... they first wanted a collective presentation and didnt bother asking anyones opinion on how it should be conducted. Peter, i said up to 10%. They told the producers the cost would be 5-10% of their revenue.

Peter St. Cyr: Gotcha. I heard they will lease a potency testing machine (the QuantaCann2) for \$2,000 a month.

Erik Burr: Sarah, I am a native of this wonderful state. My roots run deep. I have colleagues that are in many aspects of the industry. I am not a patient yet because they have not approved my condition.

Erik Burr: Peter that is a new twist and I had not heard that. Sarah I am still learning as well but I am intertwined more and acquire data from multiple avenues.

Sarah Miles: Just so you know, Erik, I dont question your respect for patients

Erik Burr: I appreciate that Sarah... Im in this because no dispensary i contacted would help me get medicine to my dad...and I wasnt asking illegally either but none of them wanted to guide me to the right channels to get him a card. I called 3 that will remain nameless.

Peter St. Cyr: I only got assertive because Paul questioned my credibility before reading my work on the issue. Didn't appreciate him saying I'm complicit in so-called conspiracy. Jeez.

Erik Burr: I understand Peter. We all do. Lets not fuel any fires and lets all learn to let things roll. I believe Paul's intentions are for the right reasons.

Peter St. Cyr: I understand the roll but I learned long ago to protect my personal brand. It has to be defended. It's a journalist's only asset. Paul is persona non grata in many of our communities.

Erik Burr: No one is perfect. We all have our flaws.

Livingston: Which "communities" are those, Peter, and why are you continuing to attack me?

Erik Burr: Mine is probably not opening my mouth and maybe shouldn't have started this discussion. Paul.. you are like me... you can come across very strong and that can ruffle feathers. People like us have to approach our words differently in order to not offend or agitate others. Like I said I believe your intentions are good... the execution may require tweaking... been working on that myself for many years.

Erik Burr: Look folks... I'm in this in memoriam of my dad to help patients or producers grow healthier and produce better medicine. I will stand up for patients especially when they have been ignored and comments by Brioness goes to the heart of his track record. DOH is not being transparent which is bounds for a legal battle IMO. I have met some amazing people here and am looking forward to meeting many more. Simply I want to make a positive impact. Period!

Sarah Miles: I believe we all have good intentions here. All of you have been a great source of information to me in all aspects of my cannajourney, some politically, and some more personally, and I thank you. I am overwhelmed with the information as well as the task at hand with the alliance. As was said in the beginning of this conversation, if we don't all put our egos aside, nothing will get accomplished. I have to go get ready for a meeting tonight, and I leave town tomorrow, so I have to bag out of this for a while.

Erik Burr: Ok Sarah... thank you for your participation and good luck at the meeting. I hope something positive results. Thank you.

Sarah Miles: BTW Erik, thanks for starting the conversation.

Erik Burr: knowledge is power... I am glad I was helpful. Thank you Sarah

(7:30 p.m.)

Livingston: Peter and Patients: This is what Erik said and then asked for confidentiality as to what he said:

"Lastly, I know first hand that he has been spraying all of his crop with a systemic pesticide. For those of you who do not know this leaves a residue that can not be washed off. This is poison. "

I realized that the implication that one or more of the licensed non-profit producers was poisoning patients was substantial and was in shock reading that and thinking of how to respond when Peter appeared and immediately said the whole discussion was "off the record."

It was, in fact, not in any journalistic way "off the record" and I'm sure you don't want to be collectively accused of covering up the poisoning of the patients. So wake up guys, and realize you can't make accusations (like Shawn's purported food poisoning) and then just forget about it a few minutes later; it just doesn't work that way.

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So, please, without personal attack on me, tell me how you propose to deal with the bare allegation that Briones and Minerva are selling poisoned marijuana?

Peter St. Cyr: Paul we won't find out from NMSU. That's where Minerva has all their products tested. But NMSU doesn't doesn't for that or microbio contaminants. They only test for potency. Once Steep Hill and other approved labs are in place, the question will be will the NMDOH require the LNPP's to use approved labs..

Erik Burr: Read this article.
<http://www.nbcnews.com/storyline/legal-pot/legal-weed-surprisingly-strong-dirty-tests-find-n327811>
'Strong' and 'Dirty': What's Really in — and Not in — Legal Weed
Colorado's marijuana is nearly twice as strong as the illegal pot of past decades, and some packs triple the punch of vintage ganja, new tests reveal.
nbcnews.com

Erik Burr: Secondly, research Briones and you will find plenty about him and his business practices. The spraying of pesticides is commonplace within what has been considered a taboo industry. DOH has refused to establish rules pertaining to pesticides and heavy metal contamination. And bringing in a company like Steephill that will monopolize the testing aspect of the industry is not how we address testing.

- Livingston: No, Peter this has nothing to do with the testing facilities or lack of testing, it is financial and safety impropriety of the highest importance. The allegation by Erik is that Erik is poisoning the patients who buy from Minerva (and Canna Cafe) and that is being allowed by the DOH.
- Erik Burr: It has everything to do with testing Paul. Thats the point. If the patients had a legitimate lab or lab options to take material to be tested then the patients would be able to hold LNPP's accountable. These same pesticides are used on food but we are inhaling food into our lungs. Thus the point of my comment. – *aren't
- Livingston: Come on Erik and Peter, when the statement was made: "I know first hand that he has been spraying all of his crop with a systemic pesticide. For those of you who do not know this leaves a residue that can not be washed off. This is poison" was that true? Don't the patients have a right to know this? Shouldn't we be able to choose an LNPP that doesn't test and how can that be done if there is no information about anything. Are patients being poisoned or not?
- Erik Burr: Where you are taking this as literal patients view it as the elephant in the room. Additionally the data supplied to me was months ago and therefore company policies could change. However I feel it was important to share to inform others to be cautious. As to the heavy metal issue the products used to grow this crop has a high potentiality to contain heavy metals. Again another elephant in the room. In tests that we have done we have been able to determine contaminants within some of these products. Exactly what is unknown as we aren't going to spend the money to test these products. When it comes to large amounts of money rolling into an operation the greed will corrupt the quality and Josh's experience with the Ruidoso facility speaks volumes to this point. until there is a means to test products and DOH requires LNPP's to do so then confirmation is unknown however with my background in landscape world I believe many of these operations are being run without attention to detail thus opening the door for improper insect control and rudimentary products for growing.
- Erik Burr: So if you are asking if I personally saw them spray chemicals on the plants? Then no I haven't but my source is legitimate. If this is unacceptable to you then I retract my statement as of now. Thank you.
- Livingston: What was Josh's experience with the Ruidoso facility? It may "speak volumes," but not if we don't know about it.
- Erik Burr: Oh everyone knows about it. I believe he even posted on it. He went into Cannaceuticals and bought some medicine. When he lit it, it crackled and popped which is a sign that it had a residue and was not flushed or rinsed. When

he took it back and explained what the issue was they sent him a letter telling him they will no longer serve him. The point again is we need multiple approved labs in the state for people to do their own checks and balances and the DOH has not helped this cause whatsoever.

Livingston: I think that would be Compassionate Distributors (Mandy is a lawyer) not Cannaceutics which was the target of Shawn's claim of food poisoning just a few weeks ago. Aren't facts important anymore? And what do you propose to do about the fact that you said Minerva is poisoning the patients (and now want to "retract" your claim).

Erik Burr: Yes that is correct. Sorry I get everyone confused sometime. Yes it was Compassionate Distributors. Thank you for correcting me. Paul u are the only one that has taken issue with my comment. I seriously encourage you to do due diligence and you will find out more about character. I believe this is one of the most important points. honestly it is a claim until I have proven it fact. well Im not going to so you can judge the claim for yourself. I know what is used to grow therefore my position comes from this understanding as well as through viable contacts and colleagues. have i now clarified for you or are you going to beat me up some more? lol wink emoticon

Livingston: Erik, I represented Mark Springer, who claimed vehemently that Eric Briones stole his application and was approved for political reasons by the State. Everyone who knew anything about the NM Program knew about Mark's contentions and Erik's inability to run a successful business. But that's not at all the point now. Rather the almost accidental discovery of the Canna Cafe Bakery and the subsequent revelations by Erik about its ownership raise huge questions for not only the program and the patients, but above all the 86 applicants who applied without a clue as to what was going on or, even worse, those like Mark Springer and David White, who received special treatment and a reported waiver of fees because they went along with the fraud by the DOH that continues to limit and infect the program and the rights of the patients. That's what's going on now, and yes I'm the only one saying it, but not because it isn't true. And now it sounds like you're afraid too, retracting your statement.

Peter St. Cyr: I know nothing about pesticides being used or not used. I came into the conversation around the time you all were talking about stand alone commercial kitchens the NM Environment Department requires for all the LNPP's who want to produce edibles. I only mentioned testing because NMSU is not a state authorized lab and yet it appears they are allowed to test anyway.

Ls Love: Erik Minerva says he does everything allowed by the rules. So how do we find out about the NMSU testing and if the DOH approved it? Also no mention of Scepter in Santa Fe. I heard they were approved.

Erik Burr: Paul... I should have never started this discussion and should have never opened my mouth. It seems comments about this discussion have already been spoken about in public. Im done. I came with the best of intentions and now it has backfired which is EXACTLY what I asked everyone to ensure I was protected. This group is so splintered that its going to continue to be a battle between the three heads of this program; patients, producers, doh. Until the patients have legal representation and the people up at doh been background checked nothing in this program will change. From this point forward I will only talk about how to grow healthier and leave the political bickering behind. So much for trying to do the right thing. All my private message was to be about was for all of you to research what I said and use that research to help the cause. Instead it seems I am now a target. Good luck...

Peter St. Cyr: NMSU a never applied. So they're not approved lab. NMDOH told. E Scepter has provisional approval. Dang iPhone autofill sucks lately.

[END OF CHAT]

FACEBOOK MESSAGE THREAD ON PESTICIDE POISONING - Part 2

Friday, June 12, 2015

[Erik Burr, Shawn Gentry, Paul Livingston, Larry Love, Sarah Miles, and Peter St. Cyr]

[adding Kaiser Sose (Tim Scott) and Nicole Morales]

Livingston: Erik, Larry, Sarah, Shawn, and Peter, I've added (or attempted to add) Nicole and Kaiser to this discussion since it directly concerns the interests of the patients and the Alliance some of you are trying to form.

My overwhelming concern, expressed as clearly as I could already in this discussion, is the warning by Erik Burr about Erik Briones (LNPP-Minerva) that "I know first hand that he has been spraying all of his crop with a systemic pesticide. For those of you who do not know this leaves a residue that can not be washed off. This is poison. "

That was shocking to me, and to Larry, but apparently of little or no concern to Sarah, Shawn, and ultimately Erik Burr, who now "retracts" his contention and wants us to keep the discussion "private." This disgraceful conduct is highlighted by Shawn's offensive posting this morning, threatening to remove me from the discussion group, saying the "Board" is considering my alleged misconduct in talking about things like this, and calling what I write "stupid."

Shawn is so concerned about the mandatory letters from landlords that he wants to put all other concerns aside for later, he says. Well patient pesticide poisoning is a very important issue and you who object to this discussion will have a hard time justifying your opposition. Accordingly, before anything is said or reported publicly, I am asking "the Alliance" and Erik Burr to reconsider the importance of this issue and their position on pesticides, poisoning, testing, and wholesale bakeries "buying" cannabis from themselves or other LNPPs, but mostly the poisoning must be addressed right now. This can not and will not be covered up.

S. Gentry: My discussion comment last night was certainly not rude, nor did it threaten anything. It nearly stated the facts sir. I would appreciate you refraining from getting all butthurt I called you out. Take those words I said with some consideration Paul. You seriously think that pesticides are worse than patients being displaced? Really?

Livingston: Shawn, you thanked "everyone that was keeping a cool head and trying to calm this runaway train down" referring to our discussion on Canna Cafe Bakery that has drawn a substantial number of comments. Then you said that "Sarah, Ann, Pennington, and Kathy" are "awesome," called our discussion a "fiasco," and promised to "delete stupid crap from them from now on."

That's just not acceptable conduct Shawn, when the issue is pesticide poisoning of products produced under the New Mexico Cannabis Program licenses and you should certainly know that.

And yes, Shawn, I really truly do believe that even the possibility for wide-spread (or even isolated) patient poisoning from pesticides is a much much greater problem than "patients being displaced." What are you thinking of when you want to discuss actual patient poisoning later but talk about letters from landlords now?

N. Morales: Paul I really appreciate you including the President and Vice President Nicole and Joel in on this conversation. at any time not one single member can represent the board on their own! not me not Shawn not Sarah not Joel not Josh not Jacob. we all agree on these major issues yo tackle together. if somebody is speaking out of their OWN opinion their, own judgement then they need to publicly disclose just that ...' this is my personal opinion and not talking or acting as part of the Board...' there was some discussion of the nervous, we didn't say we wouldn't do anything because the matter is this is what the Patient wants. wheather the Alliance brings it to the attention of the advisory board or Department of Health obviously there's too much talk. I'm suspecting a lot of patience maybe even producers have you been written in anonymously. those who aren't playing' by the rules will soon be outed because so many of them ARE playing by the rules. This is very important to me to discuss however I just stepped into a doctors appointment for my daughter I have solidified legal counsel for the patience Alliance as of this morning.

Livingston: Nicole, Shawn's comments concern your Board and he is saying things that are intolerable. The issue is not just one product or one producer as you know. All the alliance is doing, as Shawn and Sarah have typified, is trying to cover up, censor, and evade discussion of the important subjects while they engage in whatever nonsense Shawn decides is important and threaten me with removal again. This is going to stop and this issue of pesticide poisoning (and food poisoning) are going public but I wanted to give those of you who may not have been aware of what Shawn and Sarah were saying (Sarah even saying "mums the word" about the pesticide poisoning claim by Erik Burr). I haven't said anything, anonymously or otherwise, outside of this thread. Yet. Additional discussion would be useful, but not revealing the allegation of pesticide poisoning is not an option.

S. Gentry: Paul your negative comments do not further discussion. Your comments alienate the very folks you want to know what your saying. You tell me that i'm being "rude?" I am honest and do not speak out of place. I have not one clue why Nicole decided to act as if I went rogue and this very subject about Paul's

involvement in the discussion page was discussed. An agreement was reached and I have not taken action as of yet. Because we truly want everyone to have a voice. That voice doesn't include bringing drama just to bring drama. Also hijacking posts and accusing patients of nefarious deeds had best stop sir. Misty is awesome and she didn't deserve your shit.

N. Morales: No nobody is going 'rogue' all I am stating that nobody single sided we can speak for the board. When speaking our own opinions please keep that public (that these are your own opinions and not speaking for the Board) because people can get misconstrued that you're speaking into the behalf of all of us. I don't think anything was meant for misty personally so we can throw that out of the ballpark

S. Gentry Paul you really have NPD don't you? You seriously think this is all about you and what you have to say. That we should just bow to your awesomeness and let your callousness and lack of regard for anyone else just slide. That's the real cover up. Because Paul, your grasping at straws thinking that we are in some kind of collusion with Erik Minerva. You seriously made me guffaw over the cover-up stupidity. Also don't toss Sarah in on this as she is not here to defend herself. Nor is she in any way covering shit up. Dude... really... you make me laugh.

N. Morales: And yes at the board meeting there was discussions about facebook rules regulations and guidelines for the group. Weather it be paul or anybody else

N. Morales: Sorry for the grammes voice to text sux

Livingston: Shawn, try to focus on Erik Burr's warning to all of us that Minerva is most likely selling marijuana, extracts, concentrates, and bakery products that contain poisonous pesticides that would not pass basic product testing and put aside your irrational hatred of me.

S. Gentry: LoL irrational. Anyway, oh trust me I fully listened and just as you were told before... you.... NEEEEEEED.... PROOOOOF! Making allegations can be done but not without any grounds to stand on or it's fucking slander man. Your trained as a lawyer and I'm explaining this to YOU?!

N. Morales I don't believe that any single one person on the board is trying to cover anything up I believe the angle they're looking at is give them something to work off of because opinions are like assholes everybody has one. But pesticides is a valid concern so if we stick to the subject I believe we can gain some momentum and bring some light on to that

Livingston: Shawn, why don't you tell us more about how "this very subject about Paul's

involvement in the discussion page was discussed" at your Board meeting and what "agreement was reached" and what "action" you have not taken yet. And incidentally, where do you say I called you "rude." I said your comments were offensive, and they continue to be.

Livingston: Nicole, aren't you at all concerned that this needs to be addressed today?

S. Gentry: Nice try at a misdirection and deflection of the original conversation.

Livingston: Certainly proof of an allegation like Erik's is needed, but that's the job of the DOH and, of course, the media which will be extremely interested in this. Since Erik was concerned enough to write about this and Larry thought this needed to be made public through Peter, it is surely not up to us to prove the allegations but rather to make sure they are known to the public. As it stands the story will be that the Patients' Alliance either has no comment or has deliberately refused to do anything or say anything about Erik's allegations about Erik Briones' products and pesticides.

S. Gentry: Not taking the bait. The way you act directly affects the very folks you wish to reach. You act terrible Paul. This isn't unknown or a singular view. I don't have to list your faults all over again for the 4th time. I'm just not doing it. You a grown man sir and one that seems prone to narcissistic traits. I will not play in to that. You seriously need to have some self evaluations going on brother. We don't neglect the fact the pesticide issue needs looking in to. What we do not agree with is jumping off half cocked and with no real ground to stand on. Not a good position for an organization man. You think like a single person and not as a whole group. Sorry but that can't be taught. You have to understand that for yourself.

(about 6:00 p.m.)

N. Morales I personally have called and had a quick chat with Erik, if you want to go and pick up anything at his dispensary to take it and get tested he is more than happy to assist you with this. You pay for the test he will supply the product. Of course he states, he stands behind his grow and only organic pesticides in vegetation.

I called him directly but say without any proof accusation will be subject to further action. To say the Alliance is covering anything up, you are greatly mistaken, GREATLY MISTAKEN. I can't speak to prior Board but this board will focus solely on the patient's voices and concern there is no hidden agenda on my team!!!

Kaiser Sose: There has never been any hidden agenda. What is this hidden agenda?

Ls Love: Interesting that he says Organic in vegetation. What about in flower?

- N. Morales: In this conversation someone said the Alliance covering up, hidden agenda etc. So things that I am about a month new to the board I don't know what is transpired before me in a house but I am assured of the outlook that we have for the patient from here on. For someone to try and throw shade on the only patient Alliance in NM is beyond me. If you have input you can email me or pm me, and i will address whole hearted, but Facebook balls don't cut it.
- Erik Burr: I will not be speaking further in this line of communication. If anyone on the board cares to speak to me directly then they are open to communicate directly to me and not behind my back as this chat line has shown. I have retracted my statement and issues like this will never be resolved until testing has become available and conducted in the same manner as reported in CO. Regards.
- S. Miles Ya know what Paul? Once again you are making assumptions and being shitty. Of course this is important to me and I don't like the tone you are taking saying I don't I was traveling most of yesterday, and I am in all day seminars today and the next 4 days, so bug off with your shitty comments. I have work to do.
- S. Miles It was stated that I said "mums the word" and he took that entirely out of context. I just felt I needed to say this to the people who are new to this conversation. I will say nothing more in this conversation, especially since my words are twisted by someone else.
- Livingston: I produced the exact transcript not anything out of context, Sarah. I'll send you one by e-mail. Time to tell the truth, especially about pesticides in bakery and other products from a licensed producer, don't you think?
- S. Gentry: Paul, some light reading for ya... Tact: a keen sense of what to do or say in order to maintain good relations with others or avoid offense - Merriam-Webster
- Livingston: Don't you think the Department of Health would want to test the bakery products right away on the basis of Erik Burr's warning that says he knows that pesticides are being sprayed on Minerva's crib and that these are poisonous to the patients? The article I posted about testing and pesticides in Oregon highlights the problems and the concerns, but for reasons apparently related to my statements here neither I nor my concerns about poisoning patients with pesticides seem at all urgent to you and you are opposing me for something one of you is warning about and said he wanted the patients to know about. Obviously it's time for the authorities to take this over and conduct a proper investigation of both this complaint by Erik Burr and Shawn's recent mock food poisoning episode. Thanks for your support.
- S. Gentry Yet again with the insults... you seem to think that poking a bear will get you

good results. I don't understand it. Anyway I'm done with your nonsense. If you want to go off and make your own page to rant then peachy brother. See how long you keep it going with the rhetoric, slander, and bile you spew. I want a place for patients to be able to post without fear of being torn apart by silliness or subjected to unnecessary ridicule.

We want healing round here, not stress. I honestly appreciate what Erik brought up. Also I like that he said we should do our own due diligence and see what we come up with. He said he knows that the man has no ethics and has knowledge of the use of certain pesticides that are for ornamental use only.

Unfortunately even the authorities need some modicum of proof to even launch an investigation. So all we have is the testimony of a single person and no tangible proof. You were an attorney, does that sound like a good case to take on? What are the grounds? Is there precedent? Pretty sure we all know the answers to these questions man.

You want to personally pay for the testing of some of his products Paul? Because there are some labs in a few states around us I'm sure would test for ya. Get real and enter the world of the real. Because your in some out there place of long trench coats and spy glasses. It's great when people bring up CONCERNS, but without proof that's all it is man. Why I'm wasting my time typing this shit to you is beyond me.

Oh and btw I am and have always been in full contact with the ACTUAL authorities in my case. I would appreciate you shutting the fuck up about it sir. It's none of your fucking concern and you can stop making these shit ass jabs at me about it. I have legal obligations in regards to that issue that can't be discussed and you can just fucking drop it. Or you can pursue it and look like a fool. Up to you bro.

As to these pesticide use incidents and the ethics of Mr. Briones. It is information that we will take in to consideration. As I'm sure Peter will as well. There is only so much one can do with nothing really to go on and on the first 48 of hearing about it man. Even Nicole contacted the man himself and discussed it. What more can you ask of anyone?

File a DOH complaint Paul. Talk to the other press that isn't Peter. I'm pretty sure they will just tell you the same thing man. Unless you get that plucky 1st year cub reporter that's fresh on the beat! Looking for that big time scoop! Lordy man this make my brain hurt having to explain. I'm now done with this conversation. I will be muting it and I wish you all a good evening if I don't speak again with you in other places.