

ROBERT BURNS

NUMBER 603.248 DOCKET: 24

19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

VERSUS

PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

ANNA DOW

STATE OF LOUISIANA

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**AMENDMENTS TO PLEADINGS**

NOW UNTO COURT comes Petitioner, Robert Edwin Burns, in proper person, who submits to this Honorable Court that he wishes to amend his pleadings as permitted within a 15-calendar-day period by this Honorable Court in accordance with its provisional granting of Defendant's Exception of No Cause of Action on September 26, 2011.

Petitioner wishes to amend the caption of his pleadings to read as follows:

**PETITION FOR DAMAGES FOR DEFAMATION OF CHARACTER AND  
HARRASSMENT**

Petitioner further wishes to add the following paragraphs to his initial pleadings immediately prior to his prayer for relief:

25.

Beyond the incident of August 2, 2010, Petitioner has, via a separate cause of action filed against Ms. Sandy Edmonds, Executive Assistant of the Louisiana Auctioneer's Licensing Board (LALB) on June 27, 2011, obtained significant additional knowledge of acts on the part of Ms. Dow demonstrating a consistent pattern of harassment and defamation, to wit:

26.

On Friday, April 8, 2011 at 2:32 p.m., Petitioner received a telephone call from Rev. Freddie Phillips, an LALB Member as well as a graduate of Glen Oaks High School (GOHS) Class of 1983. Rev. Phillips, who also routinely serves as Bid Assistant for Petitioner's firm, Auction Sells Fast, inquired of Petitioner as to whether he had gotten the opportunity to visit the Board Room located at 5222 Summa Court, Baton Rouge, LA that day in order to film a few brief video clips. Those clips were requested by Rev. Phillips to help promote Petitioner's 30-Year High School Reunion for the

GOHS Class of 1981 and to provide knowledge to classmates of how real estate auctions are conducted. Rev. Phillips was an invited guest to that reunion from the time Petitioner, along with approximately 8-10 other classmates, began planning the reunion on Thursday, April 8, 2010. Rev. Phillips attend the 30-year reunion, and Petitioner and Rev. Phillips conducted a brief charity auction of two (2) \$50 Outback gift cards with proceeds of \$230 obtained benefiting Heritage Ranch, one of many local charities for whom Petitioner has conducted past auctions. Over 100 GOHS alumni from the Class of 1981 have been on the email distribution list regarding reunion planning, and a website has been maintained with videos promoting the reunion, videos of driving directions, classmate interaction at planning meetings, etc. In fact the website continues to exist today outlining all the fun enjoyed by the class and showing videos of the enjoyable time shared by all. Everything pertaining to the GOHS 30-Year Reunion for the Class of 1981 is available at [www.members.cox.net/gohs1981](http://www.members.cox.net/gohs1981).

27.

Forty-one (41) minutes after receiving Mr. Phillips' telephone request, on Friday, April 8, 2011 at 3:13 p.m., Petitioner telephoned Ms. Karen Kennedy, Executive Director of the Arthritis Association of Louisiana, a tenant whose office is at 5222 Summa Court, Baton Rouge, LA, to inquire if it would be permissible for Petitioner to come to that office and utilize the Board Room, which was shared by all tenants of the building (including the LALB), to film a few brief videos to promote the Glen Oaks High School 30-Year Reunion for the Class of 1981. This was the third such occasion for Petitioner to have made this request of Ms. Kennedy, with the prior two occasions being April 6, 2011 and some date from mid to late March of 2011. Petitioner had every reason to anticipate favorable responses from Ms. Kennedy given that Petitioner had routinely conducted benefit auctions for the Arthritis Association, including auctions previously posted on prominent display on his business website for the following dates: August 27, 2010; October 24, 2008; October 19, 2007; and June 19, 2007.

28.

Ms. Kennedy indicated that she would be happy to escort Petitioner into the building on Friday, April 8, 2011 (just as she'd done previously within the past 15-20 days), and encouraged him to come right on over. Petitioner did so, and he again

telephoned Ms. Kennedy using his cell phone upon arrival at the building in order that she could admit him into the building as the doors for the facility remained locked due to a very low occupancy rate.

29.

Petitioner remained in the building until the time of Ms. Kennedy's departure, which was at approximately 4:50 p.m. In fact, Petitioner informed Mr. Phillips during their phone conversation that he would need to disconnect and transfer the video equipment to his vehicle before they could resume the conversation. Ms. Kennedy then politely escorted Petitioner out of the building and relayed that she hoped he enjoyed a nice weekend. Petitioner, upon transporting his video equipment to his vehicle, called Mr. Phillips to resume the phone conversation at 4:53 p.m.

30.

On Monday, April 11, 2011 at approximately 11:30 a.m., Petitioner heard a knock on the door of his residence. When Petitioner opened the door, he was greeted by Corporal Steven Hayward of the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office.

31.

Corporal Hayward advised, with Petitioner's mother observing, "Look, we've had some complaints over there at, uh, over there at Summa Court. So, look, you're not to be back over there unless you're either invited or you're there to attend a public meeting." Petitioner, though viewing the episode with Corporal Hayward as bizarre, relayed to Corporal Hayward that he would be fine with the stipulations he'd just relayed. Corporal Hayward indicated that would conclude the matter and exited Petitioner's residence within two minutes of his arrival.

32.

On Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at approximately 3:00 p.m., Petitioner heard another knock on the door of his residence. When Petitioner opened the door, he was greeted by two plain-clothes Louisiana State Troopers, one of whom was Detective Bart Morris. Both Detectives are employed within the Division of Louisiana State Police's Investigative Support Division, which according to the Division's website link at [www.lsp.org/iss.html](http://www.lsp.org/iss.html), focuses on "terrorism, public disorder, organized crime, money laundering, dignitary protection, and special investigations as dictated by the

Superintendent.” Detective Morris advised Petitioner, again in the presence of Petitioner’s mother, that he and his partner were there to “follow-up” on the “incident” of Friday, April 8, 2011. Detective Morris said, “I know the Sheriff was here yesterday, but we’re just here for a follow-up investigation to get your side of the story.”

33.

Petitioner stated to Detective Morris what he has demonstrated in these pleadings (i.e. that he’d called Ms. Kennedy about filming a few video clips, etc.) and offered Detective Morris and his partner an invitation to view the videos promoting the reunion. Detective Morris and his partner then viewed the video promotions of the reunion, including a tour of North Park in Denham Springs, the facility at which the GOHS Class of 1981 30-Year Reunion was held on August 6, 2011, all of which was readily available for them to view on the homepage of [www.members.cox.net/gohs1981](http://www.members.cox.net/gohs1981). Detective Morris and his partner then asked Petitioner some follow-up questions to, “ensure you have no intention of doing harm to any State employees or to a State leased building.” Upon receiving calm responses that nothing could be further from Petitioner’s intents and after a collective 30-40 minutes in Petitioner’s home, Detective Morris stated he and his partner would be on their way and this matter would be closed.

34.

As Detective Morris exited Petitioner’s residence and was walking through Petitioner’s living room toward the front door, Detective Morris asked, “Can you go over for me one more time exactly how you ended up at the building that day?” Petitioner relayed, “Well, as I said earlier, I contacted Ms. Kennedy with the Arthritis Association, and she agreed to let me in to film the videos.” Detective Morris then inquired: “Wait a minute! You mean you called over there first and asked for permission to come and film the videos?” Petitioner responded in the affirmative regarding Detective Morris’ question. Detective Morris then asked, “Well, how did you get in the building?” When Petitioner responded that Ms. Kennedy unlocked the door for him, Detective Morris then asked, “Well, was she aware you were going to film the videos?” When Petitioner responded, “I’d told her that was my purpose for coming over, and I had the video equipment in my hands while I stood at the door waiting for her to open it,”



Detective Morris then shook his head in seeming disbelief and stated that he hoped Petitioner and his mother enjoyed the rest of the day.

35.

On or about Wednesday, April 19, 2011, Petitioner obtained a copy of the EBRP Sheriff's Police Report, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit P-32. As indicated on page five (5) of the report, Ms. Sandy Edmonds, Executive Assistant of the LALB, is identified as the only complainant in the report notwithstanding the fact Ms. Edmonds was at no time present during any video production on the part of Petitioner.

36.

According to the police report, Ms. Edmonds accused Petitioner of Disturbing the Peace and Wrongful Use of Public Property. In the narrative section on page eight (8) of the report, EBRP Sheriff Corporal Hayward states, "Several employees on the property advised that a [sic] auctioneer was discharged from his position and is now regularly coming on to the property to hold 'fake board meetings' using video equipment, and his behavior has alarmed the employees."

37.

Petitioner filed a cause of action against Ms. Edmonds on June 27, 2011 with that matter presently pending before Judge Wilson Fields. In fact, Ms. Dow appears to have essentially duplicated the Attorney General's use of CCP 971 in having filed her Special Motion to Strike which was heard by this Honorable Court on September 26, 2011. In a very bizarre development, Mr. Rodney Ramsey copied the entirety of the present petition and Ms. Dow's Special Motion to Strike and incorporated it in its entirety in seeking the Attorney General's Special Motion to Strike and, in doing so, actually used Ms. Bonnette's false and scurrilous accusations regarding Petitioner "stalking" her from the present case before this Honorable Court to buttress Ms. Edmonds' supposed concerns in requesting that the EBRP Sheriff be called out to visit Petitioner at his home on Monday, April 11, 2011. Petitioner represents that Ms. Edmonds had no probable cause whatsoever to contact police as she can only be a part of processing auction licensing law violations against Petitioner. Ms. Edmonds was not even present for the video production to promote the reunion and thus had absolutely no first-hand knowledge

of anything that took place during any of the three (3) occasions Ms. Kennedy permitted Petitioner into the building to produce the video clips to promote the reunion.

38.

Petitioner waited until after the LALB meeting of June 20, 2011 (the next scheduled meeting) to see if the incidents of early April would even be brought to the LALB's attention. When they were not, Petitioner got the distinct impression that Ms. Edmonds (and, with the benefit of subsequent knowledge obtained via the Edmonds suit, Ms. Dow) desired for the whole matter to just fade into the background. That being the case, Petitioner filed a Malicious Prosecution suit against Ms. Edmonds on June 27, 2011.

39.

Through the Attorney General's Special Motion to Strike filing, Petitioner has now obtained knowledge that Defendant Dow was neck deep in the episodes of April 11, 2011 and April 12, 2011. What is amazing to Petitioner is that, as part of that Special Motion to strike filed by the Attorney General, everyone is now saying that the police report, Exhibit P-32, is all wrong and that EBRP Deputy Hayward should have identified Ms. Karen Kennedy as the complainant. Interestingly enough, Defendant Dow was very emphatic that it was the Arthritis Association of Louisiana who called the police (and Petitioner has Defendant Dow's emphatic statement of same captured on videotape); however, during the 30-day so-called "investigation period" which Petitioner voluntarily granted to Ms. Sue Clements, an adjuster with FARA assigned to Petitioner's case against Ms. Edmonds, Ms. Kennedy apparently was unwilling to corroborate that she called the police, and everyone now admits it was Ms. Edmonds who called police.

40.

Also interestingly, Petitioner requested to view public documents on behalf of LALB Member Freddie Phillips because Defendant Dow asserts Board Members do not have the same privileges and rights of access to the documents as members of the public at large (a contention which Petitioner asserts is patently absurd). That viewing transpired toward the middle of March, 2011. At that viewing which, at the insistence of the LALB, was monitored by Attorney General Paralegal Cheryl Harrison, Petitioner requested if Ms. Harrison would mind taking about two minutes of her time to

allow Petitioner to film a brief video episode promoting the reunion. Ms. Harrison graciously obliged and even zoomed the camera out as the video concluded making the presentation even more effective. Apparently, the Attorney General's Office has never bothered with even consulting one of its own employees, Ms. Harrison, to ask if she noted anything "suspicious" regarding Petitioner and a video camera. Had it done so, Ms. Harrison could have informed the Attorney General's office that Petitioner recruited her brief help in filming a 2-minute segment to promote the reunion!

41.

What is now known is that obviously Ms. Edmonds and Ms. Dow weren't satisfied with the two-minute visit by Deputy Hayward on Monday, April 11, 2011 in believing that would not represent sufficient intimidation to Petitioner to dissuade him from videotaping Board Meetings of the LALB and the Interior Design Board, with which both Ms. Dow and Ms. Edmonds are affiliated (legal counsel and executive director, respectively). Accordingly, by her own admission in a sworn affidavit filed as part of the Burns v. Edmonds lawsuit, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit P-33, Ms. Dow accused Petitioner of "secretive and suspicious conduct of April 6, 2011 and April 8, 2011." She further stated in the affidavit that "On April 11, 2011, Affiant advised the Louisiana Attorney General's Office Civil Section of Mr. Burns' actions and indicated she thought Mr. Burns was exhibiting 'stalking behavior' toward Board employees and herself and was a possible security risk." Therefore, Defendant Dow, with zero factual background whatsoever, and without even so much as questioning Petitioner as to why he was there which, had she done so, he could have sent direct links to the videos he had filmed at the Board Room, engaged in wild speculation and innuendo with no support or substantiation whatsoever, and made the outlandish allegation that Petitioner was "stalking" Board Members and herself when none of these individuals were even present, nor would Petitioner have any reason to believe they would be present! This action on Defendant Dow's part is beyond ludicrous and should be characterized as outright irrational, nonsensical, moronic, asinine, insulting, harassing, defamatory, and absurd. In fact, Ms. Dow's action is actually more egregious than the blatantly defamatory-on-its-face claims made by Ms. Bonnette in her so-called "complaint against the Board." Nevertheless, just as she did with the Bonnette

“complaint against the Board,” Ms. Dow created wild irrational thoughts in her mind which were not substantiated with one scintilla of basis in fact to harass and defame Petitioner.

42.

Interesting enough, according to Ms. Dow’s affidavit, an unnamed attorney in the Attorney General’s Civil Section, based solely upon Ms. Dow’s absurd characterization in which no Board Member or Ms. Dow were even present at any of Petitioner’s promotional videos, all of which are readily available on his website and were shown to State Police Detective Bart Morris upon his visit to Petitioner’s home, recommended to Ms. Dow that the LALB contact State Police’s terrorism unit! Since it is the Attorney General’s Office filing the Special Motion to Strike, it sure strikes Petitioner as odd that this unnamed official of the Attorney General’s Office supplied no affidavit, nor did former LALB Chairman Ken Comer, whom Defendant Dow and Ms. Edmonds now seem bent on blaming for the whole episodes of April 11, 2011 and April 12, 2011. Furthermore, from Detective Morris’ astonishment at the fact that Petitioner relayed he had called Ms. Kennedy and gotten permission beforehand to come over to the building and use the Boardroom to film the videos, it is blatantly obvious that, if Defendant Dow even had knowledge of that fact at the time she recommended to Ms. Edmonds that the Louisiana State Police Terrorism Unit be contacted, it certainly was not conveyed to the State Police, thus making the two officers leave Petitioner’s residence feeling that their time and resources had been totally and frivolously wasted. In fact, when Petitioner contacted State Police to see if he could get a written report of the incident, he was informed that, when State Police deem no merit whatsoever to the incident, they do not even document their visit with a report and that such was the case in the situation involving Petitioner.

43.

Through court filings, Petitioner has obtained knowledge that Ms. Dow was the apparent victim of identity theft on the part of several African American individuals sometime around late 2007 or early 2008. In essence, Ms. Dow alleges that she apparently requested a credit report and alleges that a former sitter may have obtained her social security number and ordered three or four cell phones with all charges for the

phones and usage being assessed to Ms. Dow. Petitioner has reviewed the approximate four-year compilations of 58 pages of police reports pertaining to the incidents, for which Ms. Dow alleges she suffered a financial loss approximating \$1,200. Petitioner has to question if Ms. Dow, as an apparent unfortunate victim of identity theft, now has elevated unwarranted and unjustifiable concerns regarding ordinary, law-abiding citizens, including Petitioner and LALB Member Freddie Phillips. Ms. Dow, at the September 19, 2011 LALB meeting, without any apparent rationale and to the shock and dismay of many Board Members and audience members (including Petitioner), inquired of Rev. Phillips **four (4)** times if he was carrying a weapon, with the entire episode captured on video and as of the time of this submission, having been viewed by 151 unique visitors to the YouTube page containing the video. Rev. Phillips steadfastly refused to answer the question and challenged the fact that he was being singled out regarding Ms. Dow's line of questioning. He further challenged her assertion that he would be subject to search just by virtue of his mere presence in the building without any probable cause. Ms. Dow repeatedly refused to acknowledge that probable cause would be required to search Rev. Phillips. Upon Rev. Phillips' steadfast refusal to answer, Ms. Dow and Ms. Tessa Steinkamp, LALB Chairman, as readily captured on Petitioner's videotaping of the meeting, both looked in the direction of EBRP Deputy Ronald Landry with an implicit query of whether he would do anything regarding Rev. Phillips' refusal to answer.

44.

Also through police report filings, Petitioner has uncovered the fact that, Ms. Edmonds, the LALB Executive Assistant who called the EBRP Sheriff regarding Petitioner's videos to promote his high school reunion and who, along with her husband, Matthew, owned three small apartment complexes in Baton Rouge, one of which was located at 1612 Cedar Lake Avenue, an area widely known for heavy proliferation of drug use and violence. Ms. Edmonds, on April 19, 2003, along with her husband, Matthew, were at the apartments when Matthew allegedly attempted to confront one of his tenants, Michael Monda, and inform him that he was being evicted. An altercation ensued, and the Baton Rouge Police were called to the scene. Ms. Edmonds gave a statement to police that, "she did not see the altercation but did see Michael come out on the balcony of his apartment and point a gun of some sort in her direction." It was later



stated by the tenant, Mr. Monda, that it was a paint ball gun. The result of the police call was that both Mr. Edmonds and Mr. Monda were placed under arrest, with Matthew Edmonds charged with simple battery and entry and remaining after being forbidden. Mr. Monda indicated that Mr. Edmonds came into his apartment “without notice or permission and shoved him to the floor.” A copy of the narrative section of the police report is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit P-34.

45.

It is unfortunate that Ms. Edmonds and Ms. Dow have experienced these episodes in their lives, but neither episode can be used as an excuse for conjuring up irrational and, in Petitioner’s strong opinion, **fabricated** concerns, which are then utilized as thinly-veiled attempts to harass and defame Petitioner.

46.

Had Ms. Edmonds or Ms. Dow even taken even three (3) minutes of their time to ascertain the nature of Petitioner’s videos or even called him regarding same, the whole episodes of April 11, 2011 and April 12, 2011 could have been avoided, including Petitioner’s petition against Ms. Edmonds pending before Judge Wilson Fields. However, just as Ms. Dow did not care whether any allegations in Ms. Bonnette’s so-called “complaint against the Board” had any truthfulness to it, she likewise had no interest whatsoever in finding out what the nature of Petitioner’s videos were on April 8, 2011. Instead, she just charged head-strong with consulting some unnamed source in the Attorney General’s Office with wild speculation on the part of her and Ms. Edmonds and because, just like Ms. Dow had an agenda on August 2, 2010 (assisting with obtaining the removal of Petitioner from the LALB) she likewise had an agenda regarding having the State Police Terrorism Unit visit Petitioner’s home: intimidate him in such a manner that he would be afraid to exercise his legal right as provided in R. S. 42:23 to videotape LALB and Interior Design Board Meetings. Accordingly, Ms. Dow chose to, with absolutely no facts whatsoever, contact the Attorney General’s Office and make blatantly defamatory statements regarding Petitioner and continue her consistent pattern of harassing Petitioner. Further evidence of Ms. Dow’s motives are readily apparent through a list of “new Board rules” which Ms. Dow drafted and was presented to the LALB at its September 19, 2011 LALB meeting. A copy of those rules is attached hereto

and made a part hereof these amended pleadings as Exhibit P-35. Ms. Dow, who assumed the Board Members would not check either of the statutes which she purports gives the Board the authority to implement her proposed restrictive rules, is actually taking R. S. 42:23, which is intended to promote videotaping, and twisting it to enable the Board to implement highly restrictive measures such as #2, #5, and #7 of Ms. Dow's proposed "new Board rules." Without a doubt, Ms. Dow and many Board Members, as well as Ms. Edmonds, have made irresponsible and reckless remarks in Board Meetings, and Ms. Dow is zealous to assist the Board's desire that Petitioner not be permitted to capture such irresponsible remarks on video.

47.


The last, and most serious, infraction of any kind that Petitioner has experienced **in his lifetime** was a speeding ticket issued by Louisiana State Police in May of 1991 on LA Highway 37 (Greenwell Springs Road)! Aside from that infraction, Petitioner does not have so much as a parking ticket on his record. Furthermore, Petitioner has never even been charged with a misdemeanor of any kind in his life. Petitioner has also never partaken in any kind of illegal drug whatsoever, has never smoked a cigarette in his life, has obviously never been arrested, was never suspended from any school nor asked to remain involuntarily after school hours, graduated Salutatorian from GOHS Class of 1981, received the University Medal for maintaining a 4.000 GPA upon graduation from LSU in December of 1985 with a B. S. Degree in Finance, is a Real Estate Broker, is a CPA (inactive), is a State-Certified Real Estate Instructor, and has received numerous accolades from Baton Rouge area charities for conducting benefit auctions at no charge. These facts, many of which were known to Defendant Dow, should have precluded Defendant Dow from arbitrarily contacting the Attorney General's Office and accusing Petitioner of "stalking behavior." Therefore, Ms. Dow has clearly repeatedly engaged in acts of harassment, exhibited extreme malice toward Petitioner, and has not hesitated to defame his character without so much as blinking an eye.

Wherefore, Petitioner prays that these amended pleadings be sufficient for nullifying the Court's action of September 26, 2011 provisionally granting Defendant's Exception for No Cause of Action and that Petitioner be permitted to proceed with

discovery to substantiate his case of defamation of character and harassment on the part of Defendant against Petitioner.

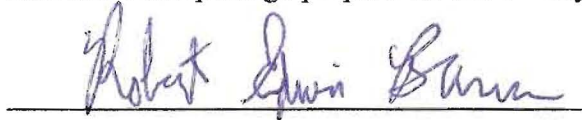
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Certificate of Service:

I certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served upon counsel for all parties to this proceeding by mailing the same to each by First Class United States Mail, properly addressed and postage prepaid on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2011.

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## Administration Information

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Report Officer 2 -			Assign Date:		
Investigator 1 -			Assign Date:		
Investigator 2 -			Review Date:		
Assigned By:			Assign Date:		
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Weapons:					
Comments:					

Report approved by Jr. Ernest Soileau on 04/17/2011

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## Person Information

☐ Victim ☐ Complainant ☐ Suspect ☐ Arrestee ☐ Witness ☐ Prop/Veh Owner ☒ Business  
☐ Financial ☒ Government ☐ Religious ☐ Society ☐ Other/Unknown ☐ Custodian

Name, Last:

LA AUCTIONEERS LICENSING BOARD

Name, First:

MNI #-

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Middle Name:

Suffix:

Social Security:

Date of Birth:

Report Age:

Age From:

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Resident Status:

Eye Color:

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Birth Place (City):

State:

Address:

05222

SUMMA

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Apt:

Phone:

(225) 763 - 5568

Hours There/From:

to:

City:

BATON ROUGE

State:

LA

Zip Code:

70809

Driver License:

State:

Exp Year:

☐ Juvenile

Comments:

## Employer Information

Employer's Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone:

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Hours From:

Hours To:

Start Date:

## Alias Information

Name:

Date of Birth:

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Name, Last: MESSENGER Name, First: CAROLINE MNI #: 11 00092419

Middle Name: PITTMAN Suffix:

Social Security:    -

Date of Birth: 0 5 / 1 6 / 1 9 8 1 Report Age: 029

Age From: 029 to: 029 Sex: F Race: W Ethnicity: N

Height/From: 5 0 5 to: 5 0 5 Weight/From: 110 to: 110 Resident Status:

Eye Color: HAZ Hair Color: BRO Birth Place (City):  State:

Address: 01515  LOBDELL AV 02 Apt:

Phone: (225) 763 - 5568 Hours There/From:  to:

City: BATON ROUGE State: L A Zip Code: 7 0 8 0 6 -

Driver License: 7034324 State: L A Exp Year:  ☐ Juvenile

Comments:



## Employer Information

Employer's Name:

Address:           Apt:

City:  State:   Zip Code:       -

Phone:       Hours From:   Hours To:

Start Date:   /   /

## Alias Information

Name:  Date of Birth:   /   /

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Name, Last: EDMONDS Name, First: SANDY MNI #: 11 00092437

Middle Name: FORET Suffix:

Social Security:

Date of Birth: 02 / 11 / 1970 Report Age: 041

From: 041 to: 041 Sex: F Race: W Ethnicity: N

Height/From: 5 02 to: 5 02 Weight/From: 130 to: 130 Resident Status:

Eye Color: BRO Hair Color: BRO Birth Place (City): State:

Address: 38063 JEFFERSON CROSSING 14 Apt:

Phone: (225) 763 - 5568 Hours There/From: to:

City: PRAIRIEVILLE State: LA Zip Code: 70769 -

Driver License: 5201526 State: LA Exp Year: Juvenile ☐

Comments:



## Employer Information

Employer's Name:

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Name, Last: KENNEDY Name, First: KAREN MNI #: 11 00092427

Middle Name: L Suffix:

Social Security:    -

Date of Birth: 0 6 / 1 9 / 1 9 5 7 Report Age: 053

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Eye Color:  Hair Color:  Birth Place (City):  State:

Address: 04116  FLEET DR 02 Apt:

Phone: (225) 761 - 8230 Hours There/From:  to:

City: BATON ROUGE State: L A Zip Code: 7 0 8 0 9 -

Driver License: 4343709 State: L A Exp Year:  ☐ Juvenile

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## Employer Information

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☐ Victim ☐ Complainant ☒ Suspect ☐ Arrestee ☐ Witness ☐ Prop/Veh Owner ☐ Business  
☐ Financial ☐ Government ☐ Religious ☐ Society ☐ Other/Unknown ☐ Custodian ☐ —

Name, Last: BURNS Name, First: ROBERT MNI #: 10 00086552

Middle Name: EDWIN Suffix:

Social Security: [REDACTED] - [REDACTED] - [REDACTED]

Date of Birth: 09 / 10 / 1963 Report Age: 047

Age From: 047 to: 047 Sex: M Race: W Ethnicity: N

Height/From: 5 09 to: 5 09 Weight/From: 205 to: 205 Resident Status:

Eye Color: BLU Hair Color: BRO Birth Place (City): State:

Address: 04155 ESSEN LN 02 Apt: 228

Phone: (225) 201 - 0390 Hours There/From: to:

City: BATON ROUGE State: LA Zip Code: 70809 -

Driver License: 1242676 State: LA Exp Year: 2012 ☐ Juvenile

Comments:



## Employer Information

Employer's Name:

Address: Apt:

City: State: Zip Code: -

Phone: ( ) - Hours From: Hours To:

Start Date: / /

## Alias Information

Name: Date of Birth: / /

Social Security: - -

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## Narrative

*On Monday, April 11, 2011, at approximately 1031 hours, I, Corporal S. Hayward, was dispatched to Louisiana Auctioneers Licensing Board, 5222 Summa Court, in reference to a disturbance.*

*Several employees on the property advised that a auctioneer was discharged from his position and is now regularly coming on to the property to hold "fake board meetings" using video equipment, and his behavior has alarmed the employees.*



ROBERT BURNS

NUMBER 602,922 SECTIONS 25

VERSUS

19TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

SANDY EDMONDS

PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

STATE OF LOUISIANA

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**AFFIDAVIT**

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**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE**

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, personally came and appeared:

**ANNA E. DOW**

who, after being duly sworn, did depose and state based on her personal knowledge the following:

I.

Affiant is of the age of majority and is a resident of East Baton Rouge Parish.

II.

Affiant is an attorney at law, licensed by the State of Louisiana, with offices located at 1434 North Burnside, Suite 14, Gonzales, Louisiana.

III.

Affiant is an attorney for the Louisiana Auctioneers Licensing Board ("LALB") and the Interior Design Board. Affiant attends all the board meetings and provides legal counsel to both boards.

IV.

Affiant was advised about Mr. Burns' secretive and suspicious conduct of April 6, 2011 and April 8, 2011, and discussed the matter with James Kenneth Comer, Jr., former chairman of the LALB. Ms. Dow conferred with Mr. Comer about whether or not the board wished to take any action in light of Mr. Burns' conduct. Mr. Comer suggested that the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office should be contacted to investigate the incident. Affiant agreed with the recommendation.

V.

After the decision was made by Mr. Comer to report the incident to the Sheriff's office, Mr. Comer instructed Sandy Edmonds to notify the Sheriff's office. Ms. Edmonds is the Executive Assistant for the LALB. Ms. Edmonds is an employee of the board and is not authorized to act on



behalf of the board, unless authorization is specifically granted to her by the chairman and/or other members of the LALB. Ms. Edmonds is not a member of either board and serves as an employee subject to dismissal by members of the boards she serves. Moreover, Ms. Edmonds does not have a vote on either Board, nor does she have the right to add an agenda to any Board meeting.

VI.

On April 11, 2011, Affiant advised the Louisiana Attorney General's Office Civil Section of Mr. Burns' actions and indicated she thought Mr. Burns was exhibiting "stalking behavior" toward Board employees and herself and was a possible security risk. An attorney in the civil section to whom Affiant reports advised that the board may want to file a report with the Office of State Police since it is a state Board and Mr. Burns was left alone in the conference room of the building. Ms. Dow concurred with the suggestion and then discussed this course of action with Mr. Comer, who also concurred with the suggestion. Mr. Comer then instructed Ms. Edmonds to place a call to the Office of State Police.

VII.

Affiant further states that, on or about August 1, 2011, Mr. Robert Burns mailed the attached threatening letter to all Interior Design Board members, wherein he implies that punitive action will be taken by him against any Board member who concurs in Ms. Edmonds' characterization and position in regard to Mr. Burns' actions before the Interior Design Board and the LALB and Ms. Edmonds' comments about the decision of the LALB to retain a security guard because of safety concerns noted by Board members.



ANNA DOW

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED  
BEFORE ME, NOTARY PUBLIC  
THIS 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF September 2011.

(SIGNED):  
(PRINT NAME):

  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary I.D. or Bar Roll Number:

Rodney A. Ramsey  
Bar No. 18674



August 1, 2011

MS CAROLYN SAWYER  
2522 MILITARY HWY  
PINEVILLE LA 71360-4361

Dear Ms. Sawyer:

At the Louisiana Auctioneer's Licensing Board (LALB) meeting of Monday, July 18, 2011, Ms. Sandy Edmonds, Executive Director of the State Board of Examiners of Interior Designers (IDB) on which you serve, stated that EBRP Deputy Landry had been retained specifically as a result of the presence of myself and Rev. Freddie Phillips. There was also considerable other commentary regarding how Rev. Phillips and myself pose major inconveniences to you in that you no longer have the luxury of meeting in public restaurants to conduct meetings due to "Mr. Phillips' presence combined with Mr. Burns showing up with his video camera."

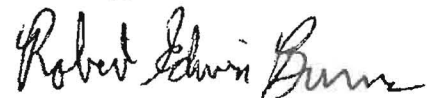
As you will recall at the IDB meeting of Thursday, April 14, 2011, I made mention at the end of the meeting, which Rev. Phillips has recorded on DVD, that I felt each member of the Board had been most gracious to us, and I stated that I hoped each member felt the same graciousness had been extended back to you on our parts. Everyone stated or nodded clear agreement.

With that being the case, I do not feel that Ms. Edmonds properly represented your position regarding her statements at that LALB meeting. I welcome you to call me, and I will be happy to send you a You Tube video link via email to where you can view Ms. Edmonds commentary in the comfort of your own home or office. Alternatively, I will bring a small DVD player and DVD to the next meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2011 in order than anyone who wishes may view Ms. Edmonds comments.

As I said above, I personally do not feel Ms. Edmonds' commentary reflects your sentiments; however, I will respectfully request that you either confirm or repudiate Ms. Edmonds' commentary in order that the matter may be cleared up since we've not gotten conflicting signals regarding our presence.

The IDB is welcome to hire as many security officers as it deems appropriate for its meetings; however, when you state publicly that you are doing so as a result of my presence, such a statement is likely to have consequences to the IDB which I don't think either of us would care to see transpire (I know I don't), and I have every confidence that you will "clear the air" on this issue at the August 11, 2011 meeting.

Sincerely,

  
Robert Edwin Burns

4155 Essen Ln., Suite 228, Baton Rouge, LA 70809-2152  
Phone: 225-201-0390 | Cell: 225-235-4346 | [www.AuctionSellsFast.com](http://www.AuctionSellsFast.com) | [Robert@AuctionSellsFast.com](mailto:Robert@AuctionSellsFast.com)



## Narrative

ON DATE AND TIME LISTED, THIS OFC, (ASSISTED BY OFC B HIGGINBOTHAM), WAS DISPATCHED TO 1612 CEDAR LAKE RELATIVE TO A DISTURBANCE. UPON ARRIVAL, THIS OFC CONTACTED ONE OF THE COMPLAINANTS, MATTHEW EDMONDS, WHO STATED THAT ONE OF THE TENANTS IN THE APARTMENT BUILDING HE OWNS, MICHAEL MONDA, PULLED A GUN ON HIM AFTER AN ALTERCATION BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM. MATTHEW ADVISED THAT MICHAEL IS BEING EVICTED FROM THE APARTMENT, AND BECAME VERY IRATE WHEN HE ARRIVED TO CHECK ON THE APARTMENT. OFC THEN CONTACTED A WITNESS, SANDY EDMONDS, WHO STATED THAT SHE DID NOT SEE THE ALTERCATION, BUT DID SEE MICHAEL COME OUT ON THE BALCONY OF HIS APARTMENT, AND POINT A GUN OF SOME SORT IN HER DIRECTION. OFC THEN CONTACTED THE OTHER COMPLAINANT, MICHAEL MONDA, WHO STATED THAT HIS LANDLORD, MATTHEW EDMONDS, CAME INSIDE HIS APARTMENT WITHOUT NOTICE OR PERMISSION AND SHOVED HIM TO THE FLOOR. MICHAEL STATED THAT HE DID BRANDISH A SMALL PAINT BALL GUN AFTER THE PHYSICAL ALTERCATION BETWEEN HIMSELF AND MATTHEW. OFC THEN CONTACTED A WITNESS, VANESSA DUCOTE, WHO STATED THAT SHE WAS SITTING ON THE STEPS OF THE APARTMENT WHEN MATTHEW WENT PAST HER AND STATED THAT HE HAD TO CHECK THE LOCK ON THE DOOR AND THEN WENT INTO THE APARTMENT. OFC THEN ADVISED BOTH MATTHEW AND MICHAEL OF THEIR RIGHTS PER MIRANDA AND CHARGED MICHAEL FOR SIMPLE ASSAULT(13:38), AND MATTHEW FOR SIMPLE BATTERY(13:35), AND ENTRY/REMAINING AFTER FORBIDDEN(13:63.3). OFC ISSUED BOTH ARRESTEES A MISDEMEANOR SUMMONS FOR THE PREVIOUSLY STATED CHARGES AND RELEASED THEM ON SCENE. NOTHING FURTHER.

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## **PROPOSED RULES**

### **BOARD MEETING MANAGEMENT AND OPEN MEETINGS RULES**

1. All parties attending the meeting should remain seated while in the meeting room. If chairs are not available, then those without chairs may remain standing until a chair becomes available.
2. Those videotaping the meeting may do so while seated.
3. Meeting attendees may not approach the board members or the conference table unless permission is requested and then granted by the Board chairman.
4. Those who wish to speak must raise your hand and be recognized by the Chairman. You may stand while you have the floor.
5. The use of tripods for cameras is prohibited.
6. Artificial lighting for filming or taking pictures is not allowed without approval of the board. Any request to use artificial lighting must be made to the Board prior to the beginning of any meeting when such lighting is to be used.
7. Those taping and otherwise needing power for equipment must provide their own source of electricity. No electrical cords are allowed.
8. Credentialed members of the media may ask for the above rules to be waived. Those requests should be made prior to the beginning of the meeting. Once the meeting has started, the rules cannot be waived.
9. All attending the meeting are subject to search.

Authority:

LSA-R.S. 42:23(B)

LSA-R.S. 37:3112

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