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Re: Complaint Against Judge Reginald Whitehead

Dear Mr. Schneider:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide additional documentation of the above complaint. As you requested in your letter of March 17, 2010, I have enclosed my letter to the Honorable Belvin Perry, Chief Judge in the Ninth Judicial Circuit, asking to have Mr. Zeigler's petition for DNA testing reassigned to a judge other than Judge Whitehead. I have also enclosed Judge Perry's letter denying my request on the grounds that I was not a party to the case.

Your letter also requested substantiation of my allegation that Judge Whitehead is married to an Assistant State Attorney in the Ninth Circuit. I learned of Judge Whitehead's long term marriage to ASA Esther Marie Whitehead in January of this year during a conversation with a local reporter about the state's response to the DNA petition. The reporter assumed that I had the same copy of the response that he had downloaded from the Internet. He pointed out that his file included an email from the judge's wife. I do not have a copy of that email, and it apparently was not related to the Zeigler case, but I believe its inadvertent inclusion in the file is evidence that the judge's wife had some discussion with Jeff Ashton, the ASA who prepared the state's response. As my previous letter to you indicated, Mr. Ashton is the ASA who in 2004 maliciously manipulated the testimony of expert witness Stuart James in order to create a false record alleging that Zeigler had performed a sex act on the dead body of Charlie Mays. This outrageous accusation had also been made in a letter from a colleague of Mr. James, Herbert MacDonell, who had testified as a prosecution expert at Mr. Zeigler's trial in 1976. I am enclosing a letter I wrote to Mr. James on May 30, 2009, asking him to repudiate Mr. Ashton's damaging and unsupported accusation. Mr. James made no response.

I am also enclosing a copy of an email dated January 21, 2010, to several of my associates which documents a conversation I had with Mrs. Whitehead on that date, and an email dated January 25, 2010, from Chief Assistant State Attorney, Bill Vose, who verified Mrs. Whitehead's employment and marital status. I would argue that Mr. Vose's response to my question about how many other judges are married to employees working for the State Attorney is an attempt to make it appear that the issue is inconsequential. **In a case of such long term and poisonous animosity, it is anything but inconsequential.** In fact, Charlie Mays, the man Mr. Ashton wants the court to believe was an innocent victim, was named by a retired detective as the alleged shooter in the unsolved murder of Winter Garden store owner, Jacob "Shorty" Reddick in 1970. It was the Reddick family that, as Mr. Zeigler told his lawyers in 1976, were involved in loan shark activity which then State Attorney Robert Eagan ordered the sheriff

department not to investigate. (See my first letter to you.)

Finally, I want to call your attention to the fact that I have obtained an affidavit from a woman in her eighties who alleges that the state attempted to suborn perjury from her son before Mr. Zeigler's trial in 1976. Her son, she says, was a known homosexual and was told he would be charged with murder unless he testified that he was the homosexual lover of Mr. Zeigler. The man refused because he had never met Mr. Zeigler and had no knowledge of him whatsoever. The woman's son, who is now deceased, was later tried for murder and acquitted. The woman's video-taped deposition as well as that of the retired detective, also deceased, is posted on Youtube, and can be reviewed online at the web address :

www.youtube.com/user/rtmceachern#p/u.

I can provide a signed affidavit of the woman's video deposition but she wants to remain anonymous until she is given protection from a court of law.

Surely, Mr. Schneider, I have provided sufficient documentation to warrant Judge Whitehead's disqualification. In 34 years, the courts have refused to look at the overwhelming evidence of Mr. Zeigler's innocence. If it is in the power of the Commission to do so, as an arm of Florida Supreme Court, I urge you to recommend that Judge Whitehead's previous rulings be set aside, and that all matters relating to Mr. Zeigler be adjudicated in another judicial circuit. In the name of fair play, I appeal to you as a human being - **Grant this man some small measure of relief for thirty-four years of unwarranted persecution!**

Sincerely yours,

Raymond T. McEachern

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