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Mr. Cuddihy,

My name is Corey Switzer, and I am an investigative journalist with LCV Blotter, an independent watchdog journalism project focused on government accountability and public corruption in the Lewis-Clark Valley and beyond.

I am writing to you today regarding your representation of Di Ann Rae Geagley in State of Idaho v. Di Ann Rae Geagley, Case No. CR35-25-6247, in the Nez Perce County District Court. As you are aware, Ms. Geagley pleaded guilty to Grand Theft on March 24, 2026, and was sentenced on June 10, 2026, to a withheld judgment, 45 days in county jail (with 30 days discretionary), and seven years of felony probation.

I am writing to you not as an adversary, but as a journalist seeking to understand the full context of this case, which has been a focal point of a years-long pattern of corruption and obstruction that LCV Blotter has been documenting.

The Whistleblower's Account

For over five years, I have reported the same set of facts: that Travelland RV, a Lewiston-based RV dealership, was a hive of financial fraud, tax evasion, and bribery of local law enforcement. My reports were called "delusional." My grievances to the Idaho State Bar were dismissed. And the Nez Perce County Prosecutor's Office - led by Justin Coleman - did nothing.

Then, in March 2026, the State of Idaho secured a guilty plea after the October 2025 indictment of Di Ann Geagley for embezzling \$554,000 from Travelland RV. The indictment proved that the crimes I reported to Fraternal Order of Police President, Lewiston City Police Captain Andrew Fox in the beginning of 2021 were very real.

The Timeline is Not a Coincidence

- April 2022 - I report embezzlement and tax evasion at Travelland RV to Officer Andrew Fox (who later received a "Community Champion Award" from Hannah Liedkie's nonprofit). No action is taken.
- May 2025 - I file grievances against Justin Coleman, April Smith, and Trae Turner with the Idaho State Bar.
- October 2025 - Geagley indicted (previously under seal).
- January 2026 - Coleman, Smith, and Turner sit for bar hearings. None of them mention the indictment. Coleman's lawyer, Trae Turner, paints me as delusional.
- February 2026 - The Lewiston Tribune publishes news of the Geagley indictment. I immediately serve the indictment on the bar. The Idaho State Bar dismisses my complaints against Smith, Turner, and Coleman.

The Coleman hearing committee acknowledged the indictment but dismissed it, saying "an article in a newspaper about charges is not a verdict or conviction." They ignored that their own office filed the charges - and that those charges vindicated every report I had made.

The Network That Protects

The story of how that indictment was delayed - and how a web of personal relationships, dual identities, campaign contributions, and family ties continues to shield the powerful - is the real scandal.

At the center of that web is Trae Turner, an Idaho attorney who represents Justin Coleman, represents the mistress Heather Moore of a sitting county commissioner, Doug Havens, currently represents Travelland RV, and - until recently -

was married to a deputy prosecutor in Coleman's own office, Kali Jo Parker.

Public records and sworn testimony confirm that Justin Coleman's mother is a Turner - making Trae Turner a relative by blood or marriage. This is not a distant coincidence. Coleman himself has publicly stated that Trae Turner was the best man at his wedding. Campaign finance records show that Turner and his then-wife, Kali Jo Parker, each donated the statutory maximum of \$500 to Coleman's campaign on the same day in April 2022.

Our Questions for You

Mr. Cuddihy, as the attorney who successfully negotiated a mediated plea deal for your client who received less than 8 weeks jail time for a severe felony you are in a unique position to provide insight into this case. We would appreciate your perspective on the following questions:

1. The Mediation Process: The court records indicate that a mediation was held before Judge Jay Gaskill on February 23, 2026, and a Rule 11 plea agreement was reached the following day. Were you aware at that time that a whistleblower had been reporting these very crimes to the Lewiston Police Department since 2021? Were you aware that the Nez Perce County Prosecutor's Office had close ties to Trae Turner, lawyer for Travelland RV?
2. The Victims' Consent: You have stated publicly that the plea deal was mediated by all parties, including the victims, who agreed to no jail time. Who specifically represented Travelland RV in these mediations? Was it Trae Turner or another attorney from Clark & Feeney?
3. The Timing: Ms. Geagley was indicted in October 2025, just months after I filed ethics grievances against Justin Coleman, April Smith, and Trae Turner. Did you or your client have any knowledge of these grievances at the time of the mediation or plea negotiations? Were you aware that Ms. Geagley's employer, Travelland RV, was at the center of those grievances?
4. The Conflict of Interest: Given that Justin Coleman's office prosecuted your client, and that Coleman's relative and personal attorney, Trae Turner, represented Travelland RV, did you have any concerns about conflicts of interest in the prosecution of this case?
5. The Restitution: The court ordered restitution of \$233,522.08. Has any of this restitution been paid? And do you know if Travelland RV has taken any steps to recover the remaining \$320,000 that was embezzled?
6. Your Client's Cooperation: Was Ms. Geagley's guilty plea part of a cooperation agreement? Did she provide information about other individuals involved in the financial crimes at Travelland RV?

The Public Interest

Mr. Cuddihy, we are publishing this inquiry as part of our ongoing investigation into the pattern of corruption that has pervaded the Lewis-Clark Valley for years. The Geagley indictment proves that the crimes I reported were real. The Kuzik letter proves that the cover-up was intentional. The Liedkie invoice proves that transparency was for sale. And the pattern of deference proves that the system was designed to protect the powerful at the expense of the public.

Please see the article published on LCV Blotter:

<https://lcvblotter.com/@corey/article/nez-perce-county-prosecutor-justin-coleman-s-travelland-rv-problem>

We would welcome the opportunity to speak with you further about this matter. Please feel free to respond to this email or contact us at the number below. All communications will be treated with the confidentiality they deserve.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

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