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Subject: NO RETROACTIVE COMPENSATION FOR FAI4, UNLESS RETRIED & FOUND INNOCENT
Attachments: FAI4 emails to Innocence Project.pdf
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I want to voice my perspective to State Legislators now because when AFN Resolution 16-26 was passed last fall AFN would not allow differing perspectives to be voiced by attendees before delegates voted on them.

Some of us attending AFN disagreed with the Tanana Chiefs Conference language in Resolution 16-26 because it matter-of-factly declares that the FAI4 were UNLAWFULLY and WRONGFULLY imprisoned, even though there was no retrial exonerating them.

I also do not agree with TCC's commentary that WE ARE the State and WE DID NOT AGREE to the terms of their release, which I understood was to justify TCC's RESOLVE in the Resolution that demands that the State provide for the FAI4's immediate needs of housing, counseling, education and legal services. Even though I disagreed with the State for offering that improper agreement and I disagreed with the judge for allowing it, ultimately it was the FAI4 that accepted the terms of the agreement so unless the agreement is vacated and there is a retrial, the waiver of the FAI4's rights to sue and receive compensation from the State and from individuals involved with their prosecution needs to be honored.

Be aware that the legal representative for the FAI4 was aware of my concern before the agreement was accepted because on 12/12/15 I had emailed him (Mr. Oberly of the Innocence Project) asking him to let the FAI4 know of the justice that would be lost if they accepted the offer (exoneration, compensation, and accountability for any wrongdoing). When it looked like they were about to accept the offer anyway I emailed Mr. Oberly again (on 12/17/15) saying that even if Frese, Pease and Vent accept the offer so that the 3 of them could be immediately released, at least Roberts could still pursue justice and accountability just for himself because he had already been released.

After I sent that email I found out that the State was requiring Roberts to also give up his rights in order for the remaining FAI3 to be immediately released. This was a hostage holding situation. I don't believe anyone should

have the right to give or be required to give get-out-of-jail-free cards for improper conduct of authorities, and I'm amazed that the judge allowed it, but because the FAI4 accepted the offer so that they could be released a little sooner and not face a retrial (where I believed they likely would have been exonerated), it caused me to question if they were as innocent as I thought. If this is not the case and they feel they didn't understand what they would be giving up then they need to be retried so they can be found innocent.

PLEASE SUPPORT LEGISLATION THAT ANYONE FOUND TO HAVE BEEN WRONGFULLY PENALIZED OR IMPRISONED BY OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM SHOULD IMMEDIATELY RECEIVE THEIR BACK PFD's & COMPENATION FOR LOST FREEDOM. The States budget should not be a factor in passing these bills because the budget should not be balanced at the expense of victims who deserve restitution. BUT THE ONLY WAY THE FAI4 SHOULD QUALIFY FOR ANY STATE COMPENSATION OR BACK PFD's FROM THESE BILLS NOW IS IF THE AGREEMENT THEY MADE WITH THE STATE IS VOIDED & THEY RECEIVE A NEW TRIAL & ARE FOUND INNOCENT.

Thank you for letting me give you my perspective.

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From: Dave Moser <dave.moser63@gmail.com>
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Subject: PFD's to Fairbanks 4

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Representative Kawasaki,

Really, are you kidding me with this House Bill 127? Everyone understands that the deal cut with the State was to make this go away for good guilty or not! Now, you have managed to dredge this back up. There was evidence enough to convict these young men, right or wrong depending on position taken originally. Continued pressure by groups towards State Officials are truly what made these men free today again, guilty or not.

On a side-note, interesting how the lead defense in the appeal vs. the State is now the AG for Alaska. People in positions of power made sure everything would happen according to their plan.

No, I'm not some political quack, just a lifelong Alaskan tired of seeing part of our money thrown away. If these young men want to contribute to our society, they should continue to go earn it instead of, in the case of your authored House Bill 127, receive a hand out.

A good friend put it best when summing up this four, "Guilty or not of this heinous crime, on that evening they were sure guilty of something."

That being said and the fact that they agreed not to pursue "harmful damage suits" against the State of Alaska, why are we compensating them or others! The PFD's are part of the STATE as a "defining characteristic, which define us as Alaskans." It's paid out from the State of Alaska.

It's a shame that Alaskans cannot be defined as upstanding members of a community that contribute positively to that community in order to receive a PFD much like drug testing prior to receiving any government provided assistance of any nature. While incarcerated, what did they contribute towards our great state and why do you believe that they are entitled to receive previous PFD checks?

Do you honestly believe that their liberties were taken away or are you receiving pressure from the same groups that pushed for their appeal?

I. Am. Beyond. Disgusted.

Never another vote, will discuss this with all my friends as well. Feel free to contact me.

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