

Who is Anthony Riley

There's an old saying "when you lay down with dogs, you get fleas"

Why are "corruption connections" important in San Bernardino County? San Bernardino County has the reputation as being the "corruption Capital" of California. Regardless of who you believe, the fact is that 4/5 of the current Board of Supervisors have a "corruption connection" to the Colonies Scandal(Derry-hired Erwin, Biane –Doe #5, Mark Kirk, Ovitt's Chief of Staff –Doe #5, Mitzlfelt – appointed by replace Postmus by Board of Supervisors and worked for Postmus) It is not inconceivable that 3 of the Supervisors could be indicted.

How could the County function with 3 indicted supervisors? What if there are convictions in the Colonies indictment? It could be the biggest corruption scandal in the history of California. San Bernardino County is a laughing stock. Who wants to live or have a business in a laughing stock?

What are Riley's connections and why are they important? Is losing 105 millions dollars(Colonies money) important? Is losing 5.5 million dollars(California Academy money) important? To any taxpayer, that is a lot of money. If we don't have confidence in our government, we have nothing.

Look at the some of the failed states around the world; Afghanistan, Haiti, Mexico. What they have in common is corrupt government. If you don't want a failed County government, than Riley's corruption connections are important.

We need a clean break from the "corruption connection".

Anthony Riley and Anthony Adams both had a similar Republican High Desert background, working on the staffs of San Bernardino County Supervisors. Adams donated \$1500 to Riley's run for the Hesperia School Board(Sec.Statewebsite-11/6/09) Riley was on staff for Bill Postmus and then Gary Ovitt. Riley's immediate boss while working for Ovitt was Mark Kirk. Riley has garnered endorsements from the High Desert Republican establishment.

Riley's former boss, former Supervisor Bill Postmus, has been indicted in the Colonies scandal, which allegedly cost San Bernardino county \$105,000,000. In addition to Postmus, the current indictment names 5 Does; 2 Colonies partners, a Colonies staffer, Supervisor Biane(Doe #5) and Mark Kirk(Supervisor Ovitt's chief of staff Doe #4). The Colonies indictment alleges that the Colonies bought the approval of the settlement of the lawsuit by funneling donations to several Political Action Committees(PACS). Riley's connections have led to numerous questions.

COLONIES - Riley got \$5500 of Colonies' money from one of the PACS funded by the Colonies(ironically, the "Alliance for Ethical Government"). Why the Alliance for Ethical Government would donate \$5500 to Riley? Why would Riley accept the money? Most people, even career politicians, just don't have people come to them out of the blue and say "here's \$5500" . What did Riley do, or promise to do, to get the money? What did he do with money; promote "ethical government"? Mark Kirk(\$20,000), and another Ovitt staffer(\$5000) also got money. Riley serves on the Hesperia School Board with Kirk's father. When Riley was running for the board, he said he was friends with the Kirks(Hesperia Star 9-26-08). He lists Mark Kirk's father as an endorsement on his website. Was the money just a gift from Kirk?

CALIFORNIA CHARTER ACADEMY – Riley was "educational director" (Riley's website) of the California Charter Academy in the High Desert. Two of his former bosses at the California Academy Tad Honeycutt(former Hesperia city council) and Charles Christopher allegedly embezzled \$5,500,000 from the school(Case # FVIS 701868). Many of the same High Desert Republican establishment that support Riley were involved in the California Academy(Adams, Postmus, George and Sharon Runner, Mitzlfelt) and/or were called for questioning by the Grand Jury that indicted Christopher and Honeycutt. (SB Sun 9/5/07)Why, as the educational director, didn't Riley notice that \$5,500, 000 was missing from the school budget?

Performing Arts Educational Foundation – On his website, Riley states he was the leader of the non-profit Performing Arts Educational Foundation, which has been suspended by the state(Sec.Statewebsite).

CHINO AIRPORT - Mark Uffer, San Bernardino County's former Chief Administrative Officer, has recently filed a claim against the County for \$15,000,000 alleging he was fired for cooperating with the DA on the Colonies scandal. In his claim, Uffer discusses alleged improprieties in awarding \$800,000 in no bid public relations contracts to promote the County airport in Chino. The contracts were let out at the same time Riley, according to his website, was "assigned" to promote business at County airports per website. The County's Airport Division won't respond to questions about Riley's involvement, if any, in the contracts or whether the \$800,000 produced any results. Inquiries were referred to Human Resources. Part of the \$800,000 was for leather flight jackets for the Supervisors(Press Enterprise 4/2/10). Riley has a public relations business according to his website. What was Riley's involvement, if any, in the no bid contracts? Was any business attracted to the Chino Airport? Was the \$800,000 just wasted?

RILEY'S RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES – Riley, has an ownership interest in two residential properties, one in Hesperia that qualifies as his residence so he is eligible for the Hesperia School Board, and one in Victorville. He owns the Victorville residence with Dana James Grecu. They bought the residence from Mark Kirk, Doe #4 in 2006(Doc # 2006-0099803). They owned as it joint tenants, meaning if one were to die, the other would inherit the property. Riley transferred ownership to the Victorville residence to Wilson Greens LLC, operated by Barron Wilson(at whose home Riley had a fundraiser-Sec.Statewebsite) in April 2007(Doc # 2007-0234969). Riley then borrowed \$65,000 on the Hesperia residence in July 2007(Doc # 2007-0434596). The Victorville residence was transferred back to Riley and Grecu by Wilson Greens LLC in December 2008(Doc # 2008-0540667). Why transfer the Victorville property back and forth with your friend? One explanation for the change in title may be that Riley couldn't qualify to borrow the money on the Hesperia residence as long as he was on title to the Victorville residence.

Why is it that so many of Riley's old bosses are named in criminal indictments? Is he just unlucky? How does he find himself working for people who are involved in allegations of political corruption? Does he know about the corruption and just tolerates it? Is he just ignorant of millions of dollars just disappearing? How many taxpayers have had for bosses named in criminal indictments?

If Riley wants the voters trust, shouldn't he start to answer these questions? Why won't he answer these questions? When is being a nice guy just not good enough and you need to answer tough questions? Why should we trust someone with his past who won't answer these questions? With California in such bad financial shape, can we afford elect an Assembly member who doesn't notice \$5,500,000 is missing from the school budget?

Maybe I am all wrong and there is good explanation for all of this. Maybe if Riley would just answer these questions, we would all see how simple it is, how he is really honest and a really hard working guy we can count on to watch our money in Sacramento. Or maybe not. Maybe the fleas are there for a reason.

20 QUESTIONS FOR RILEY

What did you do with the \$5500 of Colonies money?

What did you do to get the \$5500 of Colonies money?

Have you been interviewed by the prosecutors or the San Bernardino Sheriff's Dept. in the Colonies case?

Have you talked with Mark Kirk about the Colonies case?

Have you talked with Mark Kirk's lawyers about the Colonies case?

Have you retained a lawyer for the Colonies or California Charter Academy cases?

If you receive the nomination and then are indicted before the election, will you voluntarily withdraw?

Have you been interviewed by the prosecutors or San Bernardino Sheriff's Dept. in the California Charter Academy case?

Have you discussed the California Charter Academy case with Tad Honeycutt or his lawyer?

Have you discussed the California Charter Academy case with Charles Cox or his lawyer?

What was your position with the Performing Arts Educational Foundation?

Why was the Performing Arts Educational Foundation suspended by the state?

What involvement did you have, if any, in the no bid contracts promoting the Chino airport?

Can you identify any businesses that were established at the County Airports as a result of your efforts?

Who assigned you to promote business at the county airports?

Why did you transfer the Victorville property to Wilson Greens LL C and why was the property transferred back to you?

What is the name of your public relations business?

How have you been supporting yourself since you left Ovitt's staff?

Where do you get the money to pay for two mortgages?

Have you ever worked at or volunteered Lodgemakers?

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