

# The Form of Eckley's Unethical Incompetence

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Date Monday, April 14th, 2025 at 3:18 PM

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Executive Director Eckley:

Are you going to provide the public record requested in the first sentence of the attached email, or are you going to disregard and conceal that like just about everything else I have requested (i.e., your response to my City of Marshalltown, IA complaint, IPIB complaints, misrepresented facts in Dismissals, the Truth)?

This is the problem; the evidence indicates that elite bureaucrats manifest heinous and malicious acts toward the innocent. Then they manifest evidence of actions that indicate that they are entitled either by their social class or position to provide themselves with an elevated position above the law over the people they allegedly serve; that evidence indicates that they victimize for their profit.

I am not impressed; the evidence indicates your entire career is as much a work of fiction as your personal theater investment. You are an incompetent and poorly executed lie. My evidence supporting this statement is represented within the evidence that you invested time in creating legislation using the word vexatious to circumvent Iowa Code Section 708.7 (Harassment) and citizen due process. Then you incompetently went to a public meeting and used the words "abusive and harassing" to sell your vexatious legislation.

<https://iowacapitaldispatch.com/2023/09/15/proposed-bill-would-block-vexatious-citizens-from-accessing-public-records/>

The evidence supports the conclusion that you ignored evidence of actual government-based harassment and proliferation of false allegations of physical/sexual abuse against a citizen and conspired with that government body (Jasper County, IA) to discredit and attack that citizen across the state of Iowa with false allegations of abuse and harassment. Why, because the evidence indicates that possibly you both would benefit from destroying a citizen that had evidence of your alleged misconduct.

How does the unethical safeguard themselves in the eyes of this world? By creating lies and malicious acts that destroy the world's view of the innocent and victimized. At the same time, the true assailants work to elevate their positions with false narratives not supported by evidence while diverting the light away from their own historical acts.

Do you really think you are worth a six-figure salary in a position that is supposed to manifest light and transparency within the State of Iowa? I don't, and I will continue lawfully working to provide this evidence until you are replaced by someone who manifests Truth.

Stop wasting my time.

Respectfully,

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On Friday, March 21st, 2025 at 3:58 PM, Michael J. Merritt <pyrebird@phoenixharbor.net> wrote:

Executive Director Eckley:

I am requesting your copy of my electronic mail directing Jasper County, IA, to halt any further attempts to contact me by Jasper County, IA employee and Jasper County, IA Sheriff's Office Reserve Deputy Ryan Eaton (attached). This request was based on the evidence supporting his violation of Iowa Code Sections 708.7(1.) (a.) (4.) and 718.6 on 12 APR 2023. At the same time, the evidence shows he spread false allegations supported by zero evidence against me in an email to Jasper County, IA Attorney Scott Nicholson, including spousal abuse and stalking Jasper County, IA employees.

I take zero responsibility for any electronic mail sent by Ryan Eaton (See: Jasper County, IA's response to case 25FC0014) after the date of the attached email block, that requested that Ryan Eaton never contact me again. This request was made due to the evidence of his lack of professionalism, proper conduct, and use of false allegations of criminal conduct supported by zero evidence in his correspondence. The evidence supporting Jasper County, IA, Attorney Scott Nicholson's failure or possible choice not to prosecute this evidence is irrelevant. The evidence supporting Jasper County, IA, Attorney Scott Nicholson's use of this correspondence in a response to a civil complaint provides evidence of his involvement in this alleged criminal act and evidence of continued harassment (See: Iowa Code Section 708.7) as supported by the evidence.

My complaint against Jasper County, IA, Attorney Scott Nicholson, will be filed with the Iowa Supreme Court Attorney Disciplinary Review Board via certified mail on 31 MAR 2025. This complaint will include over 30 exhibits spanning August 2019–March 2025. This evidence will show your involvement with Jasper County, IA, Attorney Scott Nicholson in what later became a statewide attack on my service-connected mental health disabilities in the weeks after I was discharged from the Des Moines, IA, VA Hospital. After 6 weeks of mental health inpatient treatment. During this treatment, I was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) related to the evidence of military sexual trauma (MST) and false allegations of criminal conduct supported by zero evidence that evidence shows I have been attacked with.

It intrigues me how much evidence is available that shows how many of those licensed by the Iowa Court and those they delegate to spread false allegations of criminal conduct supported by zero evidence and alleged discrimination that violate Iowa Code Chapter 216. It is quite possible these forms of public servants and law enforcement officers (specifically at the Jasper County, IA Sheriff's office) should shut their mouths and show their handcuffs if they expect to halt my lawful work after twenty years of honorable service in the United States Navy.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the officers of the Grinnell, IA Police Department, and the Marshalltown, IA Police Department for being there for me and being a source of support. At the same time, the evidence shows the State of Iowa was more focused on criminalizing what evidence shows was a victim of domestic abuse and military sexual trauma (MST) rather than providing requested assistance. It is these honorable acts by the officers of the Grinnell, IA Police Department, and the Marshalltown, IA Police Department that have kept me launching from Iowa's flight deck every day rather than giving up on life.

*"The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more,"*  
— Romans 5:20

### **Leading with Light**

It is when this world is at its darkest that the bold and the courageous must stand and lead with the Light.

[https://youtu.be/UVRUxtPKK-w?si=L\\_H66R2cO5U-q8cE](https://youtu.be/UVRUxtPKK-w?si=L_H66R2cO5U-q8cE)

## The Venus Fly Trap Theorem

To trap the unethical, the hunter must provide an environment or manifest a paradigm that enables the arrogant to possess a level of comfort that motivates them to execute their crime.

<https://youtu.be/O7eQKSf0LmY?si=mm8Q4s7MhkBNy3K6>

Respectfully,

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On Wednesday, March 19th, 2025 at 8:39 AM, Eckley, Erika <[erika.eckley@iowa.gov](mailto:erika.eckley@iowa.gov)> wrote:

Received. Including Mr. Merritt in the response.

Erika Eckley, Executive Director  
Iowa Public Information Board (IPIB)

On Mon, Mar 17, 2025 at 11:56 AM Ryan Eaton <[reaton@jasperia.org](mailto:reaton@jasperia.org)> wrote:

Director Eckley,

Mr. Nicholson was called away on a family emergency yesterday and has asked me to scan and email his response in his absence.

He indicated he may be gone all week.

Thank you.

Ryan Eaton

Chief Information Officer

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