

From: [Monica Corso <framonco@hotmail.com>](mailto:framonco@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 9/1/2003 2:36:39 AM

Subject: Teen Challenge Bonifay

Jeb,

Would it be possible for you to visit Teen Challenge in Bonifay?

Dates: September 5-7, 2003

October 17-19, 2003

October 31 - November 2, 2003

December 19 -21, 2003

These are Parent visit weekends and or just parent weekend visits. They would be all day events.

Please let me know.

God bless you and yours,
Monica Corso

P.S.

How is the family doing?

Where is George P now?

What about JEB jr?

Enter for your chance to IM with Bon Jovi, Seal, Bow Wow, or Mary J Blige using MSN Messenger <http://entertainment.msn.com/imastar>

From: [Vindetta Fleming <vindetta@verizon.net>](mailto:vindetta@verizon.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 9/1/2003 2:09:17 AM

Subject: Urgent Plea!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dear Governor Bush,

I greatly appreciate the time you took to write to Judge George Greer to ask for a delay in the hearing on Terry Schlinder-Schiavo's case. I understand that your request was denied by Judge Greer. I urge you to reconsider about intervening in this case. This is an outrage that this judge and this woman's husband should be allowed to "legally" murder her. No one has the right to end someone else's life. I BEG YOU TO INTERVENE on Terri and her parent's behalf!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Terri's parents should be the guardians over her.....her husband now has a child by someone else.....how devoted is that???????????????

PLEASE MAKE THIS A PRIORITY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

REFERENCE: (http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=34353)

Our hope is in Christ Jesus,

Vindetta P. Fleming
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Pound, Virginia 24279

From: [david lancia <akajimbo2000@yahoo.com>](mailto:akajimbo2000@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/31/2003 10:24:52 PM

Subject: RE: education

Jeb

It is our building 11. It is the mathematics and engineering building. It is infested with mold. It was unsafe to be in the building.

David

--- Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

> Thank you David. What building (paid for the state)

> is empty at UNF? I

> would like to know.

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> I appreciate your writing.

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> Jeb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: david lancia [mailto:akajimbo2000@yahoo.com]

> Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 10:15 PM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: education

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> Dear Jeb Bush,

> I know you are a busy person and that I am just

> one

> of many Floridians. I understand that you are under

> enormous pressure to run a state which is not easy.

> So i will make this as short as possible. I am

> currently attending the University of North Florida.

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> I am very proud of my university and am getting

> ready

> to graduate in May. I have noticed over the years

> that the university has grown tremendously, but that

> UNF can't keep up. More and more classes are filled

> up and there is less and less room. We have a

> building

> that remains vacant because the state (not meaning

> you) won't provide the funds for the building. There

> are many issues at UNF that should be addressed and

> taken care of since education is the primary

> responsibility. However when I visit other Florida
> schools I see renovations to Stadiums,
> beautification
> projects, and much wasted tax dollars. My question
> to
> you is why can't we spend the money to fix our
> building. Yes I know the the budget is tight, but
> somewhere in the system is waste because our most
> precious resource is our children and to educate
> them
> is a secure investment in tomorrow's future.
> P.S. As a Boy's State representative I have been
> inspired to vote and pay more attention to Politics.
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> This is why I am writing to you, to question my
> government and make sure that they are representing
> me
> for which is why they were elected to office.
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> Sincerely
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Langford.Brandi@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/31/2003 10:08:33 PM

Subject: FW: Mort Walker

[for a letter.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Pfares@aol.com [mailto:Pfares@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 31, 2003 2:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Mort Walker

Dearest Jeb,

This is Nelson Mead's old pal, Patricia Fares from Palm Beach County writing to tell you that after ten months, I'm still fighting the inflammatory cancer battle, and I'd like to respectfully make a request to you.

Mort Walker, the cartoonist for Beetle Bailey, is a friend of mine who will turn 80 on September 3. His wife just emailed me the details of his Sept. 6 party and also, that Colin Powell, Don Rumsfeld and others have already sent him tributes. If he could hear from you, your dad and your brother W, I think he would be thrilled.

Here is his home address and email address:

61 Studio Road, Stamford, CT 06903-4724

(email: Tromker@aol.com)

I realized this is very short notice, but my cancer battle has me preoccupied and overwhelmed with medical commitments.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Patricia

From: [David McLain <mclaind@gtcom.net>](mailto:mclaind@gtcom.net)

To: [David Struhs](#)

[Teri Donaldson](#)

[C. Chadwick Taylor](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Andrew Jubal Smith](#)

[Roger Martin](#)

[Heather Chapman](#)

Date: 8/31/2003 10:03:07 PM

Subject: Re: Ga./Al. Appeals to the Mistake of the MOU

Chad - Agree. At this point I believe we have conveyed our appeal as effectively as we can. I am at peace that what we saw as the Florida "Best and Final Offer" will NOT be changed without involvement of Florida Stakeholders. If it is, we can highlight that fact in the 60 day public comment period. I would much rather believe that the Governor, Sec. Struhs, and Ms. Donaldson will NOT break the faith when we have spent so much time and effort constructing a joint position. GA cannot claim such grassroots support because it doesn't exist. West Point Lake Association, Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, Middle Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, and the Tri-Rivers Conservation Coalition are here to testify. Remember to quote from the 1931 Supreme Court decision by Oliver Wendell Holmes:

"A river is more than amenity, it is a treasure. It offers a necessity of life that must be rationed among those who have power over it. New York City has the physical power to cut off all the water within its jurisdiction. But clearly the exercise of such power to the destruction of the interests of the lower states cannot be tolerated." 283 USC 336

So also with Atlanta.

----- Original Message -----

From: [C. Chadwick Taylor](#)

To: [Teri Donaldson](#)

Cc: [Heather Chapman](#) ; [David P. McLain](#) ; [Roger Martin](#) ; [Andrew Jubal Smith](#)

Sent: Sunday, August 31, 2003 11:18 AM

Subject: Ga./Al. Appeals to the Mistake of the MOU

Our Florida Team should not succumb to Ga. and Al. appeals and repeat the Mistake of the MOU. Secretary Struh's Statement of Intent was absolutely clear, as is the most recent Florida proposed Allocation Formula Agreement and is our stated intent to go to court and not sign a bad agreement, again! No doubt Al. and Ga. are fearful of the sixty day proposed public comment period in the Florida proposal. Let's stick with our BAFO and we'll all stand together, including those Ga. stakeholders that share our conviction and dedication to a healthy ecosystem for the ACF River Basin. No surprises, no last minute retreat, please!!! The silence of the moment is deafening and not comforting at all.

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From: [Steve <steve@windhaus.com>](mailto:steve@windhaus.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/31/2003 9:47:34 PM

Subject: Re: reciprocity

Listen, that doesn't diminish any impression of my perceptions. I receive an average of 75+ emails daily. You are such a class act. You supercede all impressions I have had of almost all other politicians every encountered in my life. In fact, I can think of only one other politician who demonstrated such a "down to earth" approach and sincerity equal to yours - Harold Washington. I don't know if you know the name, but he was the first "black" (African-American) mayor of Chicago. He was a man who never forgot his roots. Absolutely everything about his demeanor, intent, goals and objectives were simply so pure and honest. He often made me think of our founding fathers. He never placed himself above his constituency, including the political opposition. Likewise, he recognized the realities of politics. Ironically, he was able to appease the opposition, surprisingly maintaining the ability to deliver to a level even the opposition found difficult to challenge. When the man looked me in the face, I could see into his soul. He didn't care if I was Black or White. He simply looked at me for what the eyes conveyed.

Always, I have believed the eyes are the window to the soul.

Having worked at Malcolm X College as the Economic Development Director from 1983 to 1987, I had the most wonderful and challenging experience to overcome distorted perceptions based on race, ethnicity and socioeconomic status. It was such a wonderful experience. My finale at the college and in Chicago was the planning, development and execution of a M/WBE conference that made the college president so proud. I, with the equal input of an excellent (now deceased Hispanic friend) delivered a procurement conference to a predominately black college. Malcolm X and Westside Chicago were tainted by the race riot of 1968 with MLK was assassinated. In 1986 we delivered major corporations, government agencies and small ME/WBE's to that college campus. The college and president received so much press coverage.

It was my crowning glory and effort. There was really nothing more I could do to go beyond what had been delivered to that college.

.....forgive me. I am reliving past glories; small to people like you, but monumental to others like me.

I will await your reply on Tuesday. Tomorrow is a holiday. In the meantime, I will have my wife conduct on paperwork to renew her Illinois teaching license. She let it lapse, but it can be renewed according to what I understand.

Have a good weekend, and do so with your daughter who has encountered such a tremendous challenge to life. I don't recall her name, but do know that young lady encountered a level of scrutiny that most will never comprehend.

When all of this is over, and you are no longer Governor of the State of Florida, I do hope to have the opportunity to meet you face-to-face. You have three inches on me, but I don't mind looking up:)

Steve

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To: [Steve](#)

Sent: Sunday, August 31, 2003 5:09 PM

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From: [Mary Bennett <mgunter@msn.com>](mailto:MaryBennett@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/31/2003 9:24:37 PM

Subject: Re: Opportunities

I didn't mean to overload you with my previous email about my latest experience with the district....it's just the first time I actually put it in written words....I'm a survivor.....I read with interest about FSBA's press conference.....yes the budgets are tight....everyone's budget (personal and business) is tight.... but in districts our size, there is still room for belt-tightening....particularly at the top....Our district had a chance to save money by not filling an area superintendent's position upon the tragic death of David Hinson. (We have three areas and a deputy supt.) All other "vacated positions" must have special approval to fill in order to save money for the district.....However, there is a "substitute....a retired area supt" in the vacant area supt. position already....my my....we do have our priorities! Again, thanks for your leadership....we are a better state because of it.

Mary Bennett

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Mary Bennett](#)

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 7:17 AM

Subject: RE: Opportunities

Thank you Mary. What is the school district doing now?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Bennett [mailto:mgunter@msn.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:28 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Opportunities

The FCAT results have confirmed that your educational programs have been successful. The A+ plan forced school districts to redirect resources to schools in need. The No Child Left Behind results indicate that we are still not doing enough with our subgroups. We need to do more. Maybe this is another wake up call (although a harsh one) that we need.

Thanks again for all you do.....I still have to gear up to tell you about FCAT test administration....but right now, I'm having to make some hard decisions since the school district has been unkind to me yet again. (33 years, loyal employee, successful in every endeavor in my professional career.....go figure.....sometimes you just can't be too good in a bureaucracy)

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To: [Diana Wasseman-Rubin](#)
[John Rodstrom](#)
[Roger Desjarlais](#)

Date: 8/31/2003 6:34:31 PM

Subject: Rodstrom / Eggelletion

Misery loves company or is it that Birds of a feather flocks together.**RODSTROM! RODSTROM! RODSTROM!,EGGELLETION! EGGELLETION! EGGELLETION!**

Why are thou working together? Isn't it odd that Broward County Commissioners Josephus Eggelletion, Jr. and John Rodstrom, Jr. appear to be working together. What do they have in common and what appears to be their motive? Commissioner Rodstrom appeared to have been on the bandwagon attacking Commissioner Eggelletion regarding his mismanagement and or misuse of the County's credit card and the Broward County, Port deal, wherein Eggelletion faced serious allegation of sponsoring a Black man that was accused of fronting as owner of a White Corporation. Then, Commissioner Rodstrom, appeared to have politically strong armed Commissioner Eggelletion into giving up at least three (3) predominantly Black American Unincorporated Communities from District # 9 (**Eggelletion, appeared to have seen this as a political favor, because he has basically lost the Black Community trust and believe that he has better favor with the Caribbean vote.**), to accommodate Commissioner Rodstrom having enough population in District # 7 through the every ten(10) redistricting, as he abandon and feared the gay community by voting against their human-rights issue. Apparently, Rodstrom clicked his heals, gave three (3) hail-Mary's and repented to the devil. Later, this year Rodstrom gave in to the Gay Community by sashaying the Gay community's choice of candidate for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Commission a gift for forgiveness.

What have these guys, in common? They both once appeared to be supportive of Ms. Oliphant, they both appeared to have been politically chastised and attacked for supporting Ms. Oliphant. Now they are even more so, under fire (The attackers have to be White folk with power, because White media refuse to print in favor of Blacks especially, when you speak out against, the White rule Broward County, Commissioners.). Rodstrom is extremely close with Carlton Moore and have recently established a relationship with Eggelletion. What say you guys? Who is going to be the real fool on this one? Eggelletion, appear to be publicly attacking and chastising Ms. Oliphant about her management skills (We find this very laughable and shameful, will this come back and harm Say it isn't so Joe's political career.) Rodstrom, likewise (Who will also be depending on Black votes from Moore and Eggelletion.). Moore, who have not been so supportive Ms. Oliphant and appear to be very friendly with all the White folk (Directly or indirectly.) that are attacking Ms. Oliphant, seem to be establishing a very strong relationship with Eggellections Jamaican supporters. Do something smell here or is it just my imagination?

Is Rodstrom setting Eggelletion up for the Carlton Moore kill? Is this the open door for anyone else to step in and shut-out both of these Negroes, while Rodstrom reclaim his seat as a result of these two (2) Negroes help, laughing all the way to the bank? Could it be that all three have in common, the unrevealed developer that is planned to make these Negroes rich? Who is this developer? What has already been placed on the drawing board without the Broward County, Commissioners having knowledge of?

Is Commissioner Rodstrom and Eggelletion interfering with Homeowners association, in the Black Unincorporated Communities? If, so Why? Why is it that these two (2) appear to be protecting the Washington Park Homeowners Association over the Lafayette Park Homeowners Association, who holds the legal Charter and boundaries of that community? **Can we ask these two (2) Commissioners, What happened to the tax-payers property through the Broward County, Commission that was given to the Washington Park Homeowners Association, to give to first time Homeowners yet, it appears that someone sold the properties for a profit? Can government do this? Where is the money? Can we suite the Broward County, government for improper land use? Is there a cover-up? Will we get our money and or land back with interest? Can we take legal action against the folk that sold and or stole our property? How long did one or both of these commissioners know about this? What did County do to cover this stuff up? Did Roger Desjarlais know about this property? What did he do about it or was he pre-occupied investigating this beautiful Black women? You know White folk really like Black Women. Say it isn't so Roger!**

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Sent: Sat Aug 30 22:35:04 2003

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Subject: quick question re J.D.S. case (guardian of unborn baby)

Governor,

I hope for your sake you're on vacation and don't see this until it's too late. But I'm taking a shot on the off chance you're working today:

J.D.S. gave birth to her baby yesterday, a healthy _ as far as anyone can tell _ baby girl. Given that, do you think your administration should continue to push the appeal on guardians for fetuses in the 5th DCA as a matter that could come up again or is this as you said earlier this summer "the singular tragedy it is, and remain focused on serving the best interests of this particular victim and her unborn child."?

Also,

What do you think of the FMA's decision yesterday to push a constitutional amendment that would lower the percentage of malpractice winnings that trial lawyers could get?

Dave Royse

working on the holiday weekend

From: [Calvin D. Fowler <cfowler2@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:cfowler2@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/31/2003 2:06:04 PM

Subject: State motivation

I feel it is a form of blackmail to reward the school districts who increase taxes. As a conservative Republican school board member, I am being blackmailed into supporting a sales tax referendum in Brevard County. This, while I support your effort to lower taxes.
Bea Fowler

From: [Jean A White <jitterbug40@juno.com>](mailto:Jitterbug40@juno.com)

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Subject: Cypress Gardens

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Thank you and please don't let us down now.

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Date: 8/31/2003 11:18:55 AM

Subject: Be Careful

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Let God guide you.

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Subject: FCAT solution

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AYP through Education.pdf
Increasing Your Causative Power.pdf
Focus on Youth.pdf

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Governor Bush -

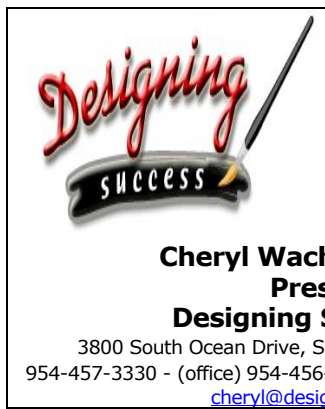
It was a pleasure meeting you yesterday at the Governor's Front Porch Florida Conference. When I introduced myself and requested a personal meeting to discuss the solution to the FCAT problem, you handed me your business card and asked that I e-mail you. Well, here it is. I am officially requesting a personal meeting at your convenience. I am happy to fly to Tallahassee or meet you anywhere.

Attached please find some information I would like you to have before we meet. The Pacific Institute (TPI) has tried and true curricula brings 30+ years of experience teaching individuals how to release potential and gain self-efficacy by changing the soft factors - old habits, attitudes, beliefs and expectations that tend to block high performance and interfere with growth and achievement. **21 Keys for High Performance Teaching and Learning** (curriculum for teachers and parents), **Achieving Your Potential through Education** (curriculum for ages 5 - 12) and **Increasing Your Causative Power** (youth curriculum) have a proven track record in the United States and other countries around the world (please see **Focus on Youth**).

I am currently working with Front Porch Florida, Lakeland Housing Authority, Polk Works and the Urban League of Greater Miami (to name a few). These organizations have personally experienced the benefits of **Imagine 21** (staff and professional development curriculum) and **STEPS (Steps to Economic and Personal Success)**, a custom curriculum for the under- and unemployed. Comments have been unanimous in that EVERYONE believes the training is life-changing and has tremendous value. Many stated that this was the best training they have ever had in their lives!

All meaningful and lasting change starts on the inside and works its way out. We must change the way our teachers, parents and children think, if we expect to get different results. I am willing to do whatever it takes to see that happen and I know that you feel the same way. Thank you for your time and I look forward to meeting with you.

Cheryl



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From: Jegconsultants@cs.com <Jegconsultants@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/31/2003 2:35:04 AM

Subject: Front Porch

Governor:

After the Front Porch graduation yesterday, I called Kathleen and Jill to let them know what a GREAT job you did!

Everyone was moved by your words. The audience felt extremely comfortable with you when you became "Men in Black". But the most touching part was when you began to talk about Front Porch.

I was in Tampa the last time I heard you talk so passionately about Front Porch. At the Crown Plaza (1998 campaign) you addressed the FAMU Alumni Chapter. After you finished talking about your dreams/hopes for Florida, I was glad I had taken off work to drive to hear you speak. Yesterday, Campaign Jeb, talked about Front Porch.

You may not hear it a lot, but thanks for all you do. I know there are people in the AA community who (at times) make you question why you give so much. You're a much better person than me on a lot of issues. But your steadfast determination to make Florida a better place for ALL Floridians is what makes you a great man.

During the morning session, Robert Woodson talked about the amount of money this country has spent on social programs (7 trillion) and how we are still in the same place today that we were yesterday. His message to the room was money doesn't correct or make your neighborhood better. That's something that has to come from within (each person). Your dedication and commitment to the Front Porch communities in this state has given them the extra push to look for that something within.

I wanted you to know I'm proud to work for someone with a heart as big as yours and to say THANKS!

Wendy

From: [Steve <steve@windhaus.com>](mailto:steve@windhaus.com)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/31/2003 1:34:20 AM
Subject: Re: I stand corrected

In short, Myra was provided a specific amount of time in which to pass all the certification tests. In the interim, she was provided a temporary certificate. She also continues to maintain her teaching certificate from the State of Illinois, but that one is not recognized in Florida.

Myra has passed two of the four tests. As a matter of fact, she just passed one of them this summer, and the grades for the other tests were significant improvements over her previous results.

Her bachelor's degree is in Bilingual Education from Northeastern Illinois University. She taught several years in the Catholic schools in Chicago before she came to Florida.

Last June I spoke to Bill Vogel because it was quite obvious Myra was not going to pass all the tests on time. He indicated to very important matters to me:

1. The State of Florida does not allow local school districts to make exceptions even if the teacher has demonstrated the ability, capacity, etc. to teach in the system. If those tests are not all passed in a certain period of time that teacher can no longer receive fulltime teacher status, much less maintain the benefits.
2. In Bill Vogel's opinion, the St. Lucie County School District was going to lose several teachers to the same problem my wife was encountering.

He indicated his belief the teachers were good, despite the fact they had not yet passed all those tests. He urged me to convey the matter to you, which I did.

You may or may not recall, I made strong reference to the teacher certification/evaluation process implemented in Washington State. I urged that in light of the teacher shortage and the observations made to me by Bill Vogel. Frankly, if I thought my wife's situation was only an unusual case this would have never been conveyed to you in the first place.

Therefore, I now find my wife working in a non-instructional capacity at one-third her previous salary, despite the fact, sans those tests for which she has not taken a college course in 20 years, nor teaches those disciplines in the school system, she appears to be very qualified to teach ESOL.

I don't know what else to convey in this matter.

Steve

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Steve](#)
Sent: Saturday, August 30, 2003 4:32 PM
Subject: RE: I stand corrected

[Thank you Steve. Can you send me more info on your wife's situation?](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve [<mailto:steve@windhaus.com>]
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 12:51 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: I stand corrected

Yesterday evening I sent you an email explaining the demise of my wife's teaching position. In that email I made a statement suggesting you were straightforward with me "almost" all the time. I stand corrected. While reading today's Wall Street Journal I was provoked to rethink that statement. Don't ask me why. Maybe it was something I was reading or heard on the O'Reilly Factor.

Regardless, I can say, with all sincerity, it appears you have "always" been straightforward in your replies to me.

I thank you for that.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['keith long--journalist'](#)

Date: 8/31/2003 12:06:12 AM

Subject: RE: Ed. reform & George Shultz in the news again!

Keith, thank you again for your very articulate advise. I truly appreciate all that you give me. To be honest, as it relates to education policy, my interest is rising student achievement. In the last five years, in terms of per student funding, we have spent more than my predecessor. More importantly, the reforms in place have created an environment where more kids are learning, particularly lower achieving students. If you need the data, I am happy to share it. Higher standards and accountability are part of the reason. Our focus, our command focus on reading in every aspect, is the other reason. Keith, Florida now is the national leader in student achievement gains but there is much more to do. Your counsel will help me advance the cause further.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: keith long--journalist [mailto:kdlongmany@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 9:06 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: paul.gigot@wsj.com

Subject: Ed. reform & George Shultz in the news again!

The Big Picture

A review of A+ Education Reform/Jeb's Framework of Limited Government

What a Conservative philosophy of Limited Government means. A big picture analysis of Florida's education reforms and some thoughts on public vs private schools in the Jeb Bush administration.

Hello Governor Jeb,

As you know, I have followed and supported your education reforms though we continue to disagree on how to respond to the the public's decision to reduce class sizes in Florida schools.

Because of the prominence you have placed on education in your 2 administrations I have given some thought to the character of your A+ education reform program, how it has been communicated and also the public's reaction to it. I would like to share those thoughts with you here.

To Coin a James Carville-esque Phrase, "It's Communication"

Bottomline, I am pleased to see that both your statements and record confirm that your philosophy of Limited Government has been partnered with a framework of strong executive leadership. But I wonder if we could look at how your framework of Limited Government has played out with respect to the centerpiece initiative of education reform and just as

importantly how the public has reacted to it.

As people have heard the words, "Limited Government" from their conservative governor here in Florida the past few years, they understandably have interpreted your intent to mean less government. Then too, conservatives already know in general there is not much risk of being misunderstood when the debate is less vs more government. But one developing issue of miscommunication conservatives have had to deal with has evolved in a way that as yet hardly seems to have been recognized even by conservatives themselves and bears directly on your experience as governor.

Because conservatives have a well known sympathy for less government, particularly when speaking in the context of state or local policy, we have a rather unfortunate and persistent history of being understood to mean not just weaker *government*, or *perhaps* less *government*, but in some cases no *government at all*. Time and again and try though we may to carefully detail our ideas as examples of more effective *government*, we can still come across at the end of the day {to the people we would like to win over} as not really sympathetic to government in any sense. So I think a reasonable conclusion that needs to be faced up to now is that the time has long since come for conservatives to balance our advocacy of, "Limited Government" with a recognition that there is a need also to advocate effective government as well, particularly at the state and local levels. In fact, conservatives already do advocate explicitly more effective local and state government on a variety of issues {education, crime, security, child protection, balanced budgets, etc}.

A New "Contemporary Conservative" Theme

Indeed Jeb, you have structured the centerpiece of your education reform so that the FCAT testing and school grading components of your education program do in fact require stronger state government engagement with local school districts in order to affect the improvement in Florida schools you seek. Yet a stronger state and local school partnership has not really been the predominant message which has gotten through during your 1st term. If it had, I might suggest Florida citizens would today be sharing a broader understanding and support for your bold reforms. It is instructive then to look closely at how your reform program has been perceived.

Your support of home schooling, Charter schools, and vouchers for private schools has been portrayed as unbalanced in favor of private, at the expense of public sector schools. So just like my prior reference where conservatives are typically perceived as suspect in any advocacy of better local government, it has similarly been your strong identification with Limited Government that has left you vulnerable to a similiar genre of uncertainty for this, your most important proposal. There is a great opportunity now however to correct that misperception as we begin your 2nd term.

So as a jumping off point for this discussion Jeb, can I suggest that the true character of your reforms are yet to be understood? They are of course actually an affirmation of how a conservative solution is intended to produce a stronger and more effective local/state government partnership. Yet that has not been how your reforms have been communicated.

Public perceptions of your education reforms persist that vouchers are a plan that intends to use the private sector as a substitute or even competitor for the existing local public school system.

I am sure you have seen that there are some conservatives out there in the public debate on this issue tilting at windmills, chasing a fiction that the private sector will somehow supplant in any comprehensive way the nation's public school system. If that could ever likely come to fruition, there will be ample and compelling enough evidence well in advance of the that revelation and the confirmation of such a tsunami-like transformation in the nation's education landscape would be unmistakable in due course.

There is an important, "Big picture" lesson for conservative state policy initiatives from this experience. Ask yourself a question: Can one afford, as the CEO of a state government, to propose reforms and then find himself to be understood as promoting ideas that tend to weaken a popular and integral part of his own state government? I think not!

But embracing a theme that keeps our conservative, "Limited Government" framework not only relevant to, but also mindful of contemporary perceptions is not just important for a conservative state public policy executive, it is imperative insofar as he intends to persuade and win over to his point of view a broader contemporary constituency. Think about this.

A valuable benefit available from a new theme of communication would be to allow you to more plausibly assert your administration's strong alliance with local schools and in the event preempt such misunderstanding people might have that you may wish to {in some way} weaken that partnership because you have an avowed commitment to, "Limited Government."

An Inclusive Theme

In summary, it stands to reason then that because of the public's understanding of this notion of, "Limited Government" as a theme and description of your framework as governor, your own position as the state's chief executive has ended up being undercut on education reform. The experience of your first 4 years, at least in terms of winning support for your strong leadership reforms, has been like dragging an anchor behind a fast boat because people have decided that you seem to be implying a reduction in the level of engagement of the very government you are leading. One needs only to recall how public education continues to enjoy a well entrenched, popular and institutional comfort level within the contemporary American {and Floridian} experience.

Seen in this context, your reforms for education would be more broadly and successfully communicated among your public policy constituents as something they all can enthusiastically embrace. Net, net, rather than allowing education reforms to be viewed as an arrow from your quiver of more Limited Government, it would be far better to describe them instead as a confirmation of your commitment to a stronger and more effective state and local government partnership.

The Shultz Framework--Think Big Picture

I think we both know that it has been an unfortunate reality that for a long time and simply put, local school boards have provided recurring and convincing evidence of a rather disheartening lack of ability to get their hands around and solve the huge problems of under achievement and so forth that we have in Florida schools across our 67 school districts. So as a Florida resident I recognize that it is fortuitous to have a farsighted conservative governor who advocates a tack which energizes the local and state government partnership by offering top-down leadership starting in Tallahassee right through to Florida's state school districts at the county level.

In the meantime, being a contemporary conservative, I personally {perhaps like you} have never had a problem in philosophically accepting the historical American tradition of a local and state partnership for public education {like Jefferson suggested} as opposed to the somewhat neo-Libertarian notion of some predominantly private sector school model for the nation.

So a question for you Jeb: as governor does your notion of Limited Government have room for this idea that a vigorous state and local partnership is important to preempt federal encroachment into local education? I cannot be certain that the public has concluded that *you yourself would describe your Limited Government framework that way Jeb! I am afraid* the public perceptions are that your Limited Government philosophy is a means to weaker state government involvement in education, not the stronger partner with local school districts that you intend it to be.

Florida's education reform movement would benefit greatly from such a newly defined relationship by a conservative executive at the top who chooses to emphasize his role as advocate for making the state's contribution to our citizens' local public education stronger.

Where does Limited Government fit into all this? Limited Government in the context of the national education debate means a focus on walling out the aggressive federal juggernaut by building such a stronger state/local government partnership. It seems to me that this is the big picture of contemporary education reform and one that your constituents will embrace.

Of course, I know your "A+" reform plan was only intended as a 1st step; we both can agree more needs to be done. Specifically what is needed is a complementary or "next step" kind of program which recognizes all of this, is inclusive in nature and rather than focusing on a theme which offers some students a passport out of the public system, or threatens to close down certain public schools, instead offers a reform framework which supports and promotes Florida's local school system with ideas designed to strengthen it as a local public school system.

Fortunately, you are a conservative Florida governor who has already well positioned himself to be a national leader by stewarding an enormous part of his state's budget as an advocate for state and locally controlled public schools.

I have had for some time now an interesting concept which takes all of this into account and which has the potential to generate a national road map for the heretofore intractable problems of education in America, while at the same time building on the foundations you have laid for true education reform in America.

I would be pleased to lay all of this out for you.

Your friend,

Keith Long

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 11:54:37 PM

Subject: Health Insurance /Task Force, will Mental Health be included?

Governor Bush, again I ask that the whole person, be considered by the Task Force, including chemical imbalances of the brain.

What insurance company would provide health insurance for a person and exclude the heart, all other parts of the body would be covered? The brain is equally as important, as the heart. The Physical parts of the brain, brain tumors, cancer of the brain are covered, somehow mental illness, seems to be set aside, as if that part of the body is immune from becoming "broken"/ "sick."

A person is qualified for treatment/medication for the rest of their lives for: Diabetes, Hypertension, and Heart trouble to name a few. Persons that need this treatment/medications for these illnesses wouldn't under any circumstances, even be suggested by anyone, it was somehow their fault/self inflicted/didn't deserve to be treated. The mentally ill, in an attempt to stop/ease the pain, get rid of the voices, sometimes do self medicate, with drugs/alcohol.

Any of the above diagnosis are not only accepted in the emergency rooms, but encouraged to rush there in an emergency. Is that true of a crisis with mental illness? If the Hospital has a Psychiatric ward, if the person has insurance, maybe. If not the dreaded Baker Act, by the police is enacted, a person who might have needed only medication / med change/adjustment or counseling is taken into custody for 72 hours, either jail (only crime being mentally ill) or nearest Baker Act Facility. Many times jail, only because its quicker, law enforcement are familiar with the their own system. Many physical emergencies are treated patient is on their way home for a routine follow-up appointment, next day with their primary care dr.

That is the way it should be with mentally ill emergencies as well, if the situation warrants, that the person needs to be hospitalized they should be transferred by ambulance to a hospital that has the treatment they need just as any physical emergency is, if the admitting Facility does not have the equipment or staff expertise to handle the emergency.

The Task Force could study how and where treatment for mental illness fits into our society with/without insurance.

Most Insurance Company's if they cover mental illness at all, limit visits as if after so many visits, mentally illness disappears, it doesn't. Anymore than saying you may have Diabetes for the rest of your life, but we will only allow x number of visits to a dr. for this, then if it doesn't disappear, you are on your own, sorry.

The Task Force is a very good idea, only if it has the teeth/or connection to enforce the valuable ideas, that will take many hours of well intended volunteers, time, thinking they are doing a very worthwhile work.

Studies provide many smoke screens, when implementing a change and fine tune it as you go, toss out what doesn't work, replace with what will.

After all the Task Force work is done that will be exactly what has to happen anyway. A planning meeting or two, then to work.

Governor Bush, I have been meaning to drop you a personal note. I saw Noel's picture in the paper, she looks so different, so confident, she is such a beautiful woman.

As we have discussed, and you said before, she still has a long way to go. One day at a time, that really works.

I trust and pray, the worst is behind her.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Goldsmith, Stephen'](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 11:40:58 PM

Subject: RE: Welfare Outsourcing

I will look into it, Steve. thanks.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Goldsmith, Stephen [mailto:stephen.goldsmith@acs-inc.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 30, 2003 6:02 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Welfare Outsourcing

Governor, I have been in communication with Jerry Regier on several issues, both as a volunteer eager to help a longtime colleague and friend (from my States Attorney days) and as a representative of ACS.

I hope to meet again with Jerry and then perhaps to ask for a meeting with you about welfare privatization. But based on what I just heard from both ACS FL folks and DCF officials this issue has unfortunately developed as a choice between two not very good alternatives: 1: ask for cumbersome waivers from the Feds or 2. continue to rely almost exclusively on the status quo, albeit somewhat improved.

There is a third approach: a hybrid one, that relies on state workers as the ultimate approvers of benefits, thus avoiding the waivers, but outsources much of the back office and technology work; this would be a model similar to what Texas has in mind and an advanced version of what you are now doing in Palm Beach.

I would not burden you with an email but there really is an opportunity here for FL to build on its pilots in a way that could enhance quality and reduce state costs by 35-50 million dollars, they estimate. It seems to me that the sort of business reengineering pieces that Skip Stitt formerly did for you, plus creative thinking, could drive results that now look like an impasse,

Thanks for listening; and when appropriate would be delighted to present to you and Jerry with our experts more details.

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Date: 8/30/2003 11:34:05 PM

Subject: (no subject)

DEAR MR BUSH,

MY SISTER WAS ATTENDING HOMESTEAD HIGH, AND HAD A B AVERAGE, AND HAD ALL HER CREDITS COMPLETED, BUT COULD NOT PASS THE FCAT, IS THERE ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT THIS SO THAT SHE CAN GET HE DIPLOMA AND NOT JUST A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION?

From: WinandSharon@aol.com <WinandSharon@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 11:14:53 PM

Subject: terry shiavo

Governor: did you know that her husband has fathered a child from another woman since the time she has been hospitalized. This man can divorce her. Her parents want to take care of her. She is not in a vegetative state. In fact, she is like many, many disabled people living in this country. Starving her to death is cruel and inhuman.

Is there anything we, the public, can do to persuade this judge?

She needs her own guardian. Fraud may be an element in this case as it appears there is wrong doing on part of the husband. As to his attorney, the more he pushes this case, the more his fees mount and he gets the "right to die" group to pay him. Of course, this guy wants to keep on going.

As an attorney, I wonder about the political background of the judge. Is he democrat? He probably has his own living will already done up and this is influencing his decision. If he is a liberal democrat, then he is most probably for euthanasia. If he is in a bad marriage himself, he might be biased here.

Divorce in this country is around 62%. There is no divorce rate between parents and child.

Sharon Bourassa, esq.

From: [Goldsmith, Stephen <stephen.goldsmith@acs-inc.com>](mailto:stephen.goldsmith@acs-inc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 10:01:39 PM

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[Denver Stutler](#)
jill.Bratina@att.net

Date: 8/30/2003 8:34:11 PM

Subject: RE: JDS

This is good news. What does 10 on the apgar scale mean?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Aliacns@aol.com [mailto:Aliacns@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 30, 2003 3:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush; Kathleen Shanahan; Denver Stutler; jill.Bratina@att.net

Subject: JDS

Governor,

Christa called me about 15 minutes ago to let me know that JDS delivered (c-section) a healthy baby girl this morning after 10 am. The baby was rated a 10 on the apgar scale. The judge appointed a guardian ad-litem to report back on the baby. DCF was at the hearing this morning and took the baby into shelter. A family, that planned to adopt the baby whether or not it had disabilities, has already been identified. Anthony Collarsossi with the Orlando Sentinel was at the hearing today. We, of course, have not yet heard back from the DCA judges who heard the JDS guardian case on Aug. 21.

Sir, if you need to reach me between now and 6:00 pm I will be at this number 894-8224 (sister's home - since my cell doesn't work out here) then after 6:00 pm on my cell at 251-7149. If you need further legal info, Christa can be reached at 510-0830 (she's in Tampa). I also left a through message for Alan Levine since I didn't have his jeb.org email address and will be talking to Jill.

Alia

From: [Pamela <phenn@zimp.org>](mailto:phenn@zimp.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 6:18:19 PM

Subject: Terri back at Hospice

I'm almost speechless. Apparently, Mr. Schiavo refused to have Terri admitted to Morton Plant hospital this morning, after she was transported there under emergency circumstances in the early morning hours. Is this not medical neglect and/or abuse under FS-825-102?

Terri is, once again, back at the Hospice facility in St Petersburg. Her immediate family are by her side.

I simply do not know what to say. This can't possibly be legal.

-Pamela-

From: Gatorpmac@aol.com <Gatorpmac@aol.com>

To: jeb@jeb.org.

Date: 8/30/2003 6:17:47 PM

Subject: Fwd: Terri Shciavo is dying , plese help

Attachments: Terri Shciavo is dying , plese help

[This is urgent, please help.](#)

From: Gatorpmac@aol.com <Gatorpmac@aol.com>

To: Jeb@Jeb

CC: RaquelRodriguez@MyFlorida.com
Wendy.Berger@MyFlorida.com

Date: 8/30/2003 6:15:30 PM

Subject: Terri Shciavo is dying , plese help

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to you on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. As I am sure you are aware, Terri's husband discharged her before she was ready to leave the hospital yesterday, afternoon. At 4:00 a.m. this morning she began a horrible coughing spell, the nurse at the hospice told her brother she needed to go back to the hospital, as her pneumonia warranted it. Michael Schiavo won't let her. She's laboring to breathe, and needs help immediately, and antibiotics.

The head of the Catholic Lawyers Association Mr. Christopher A Ferrara, Esq. and Ms. Patricia Anderson filed an Emergency Federal (Injunction) Appeal which was read by Judge Lazzara this morning. The judge said he would consider it on Tuesday. If Ms. Schiavo does not get the antibiotics for her pneumonia she could die over the weekend. They have set up a civil death order.

I am asking you to ask your counsel, since you have the authority to issue by Executive Order the stay of a criminal death sentence, if you can by Executive Order prevent them from withholding proper treatment for her until the Federal Judge can at least hear the appeal. He may not realize how critical her situation is, and hasn't given the party the protection they need to help her live through the weekend. I respectfully request you contact Judge Lazzara, perhaps he is unaware of her immanent death without his protection.

Perhaps the President could help through John Ashcroft's office and the possibility of criminal activity? Michael Schiavo intends to cremate her body and deny her a Catholic burial as well.

I believe something can be done to save Terri Schiavo from this horrible "appointment with death" which appears to have been carefully orchestrated over a long holiday weekend.

God Bless You and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Mrs. P. Ted McGowan, Jacksonville, Florida

From: [Diana Morawa <pandalady1224@yahoo.com>](mailto:pandalady1224@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 5:41:09 PM

Subject: Terri Schivo

She is back at the hospice-Woodland at Pinellas County. Please send flower - A note something to let the parents know that you are thinking of them and their daughter Terri. She has been taken off of all medication. The judge gave Michael an order to have her removed from the hospital. He is not changing the date for setting the removal of her feeding tube. That date is 9/11. Quite strange! Chances are she will not live that long without medicine to fight the infection! PLEASE???????

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 4:38:20 PM

Subject: We have a gap in hospitalization for psych patients and their discharge

Dear Gov. Bush:

Recently, I have been working with some patients who have been Backer Acted for suicide attempts. What brings these desperate people to attempt to end their lives has many causes, extreme emotional pain, alcohol, drugs, rejection....the list is endless. I had an Internal Medicine Dr. who works in Triage tell me that in her professional opinion, emotional pain exceeds any physical pain that one can suffer.

I have been working with a young man who attempted suicide twice in the last month. Through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul we were able to get him a motel room for three days and nights to allow him time to find an apartment, which we would then help for his first months rent. I was able to secure him employment through a friend who owns a plumbing company.

When, Bob....we will call him that....came to the end of the three days we got him in the hotel...he became desperate and overdosed on medication which was prescribed for him from South Seminole hospital in Longwood, FL where he had just been released. Obviously, he was not ready for release....but South Seminole is equipped to only 1. Keep the patient in a safe environment for a short time. 2. Detox them. 3. Work on a discharge plan. During the time patients are at South Seminole, they have very little counseling. This I know first hand, because that is where my daughter was when she attempted suicide. She had support from her family and a home to return to where loved ones are encouraging her on her way to healing. My daughter also has insurance.

When Bob attempted the second suicide by overdosing on Xanax and drinking alcohol, he called me and said it just hurt too much to live. I told him at this point he had left me no option but to call 911, which I did. He was taken back to South Seminole hospital where he was released within four days. This time he was on the street. He called me and said he was still feeling suicidal. However, he did not attempt to hurt himself. He called 911 himself and is currently in Florida Hospital.

The gap I am speaking of is a place for patients who have no place to go upon release. I spoke to a nurse at South Seminole and he told me they gave Bob an option to go to the Coalition for the Homeless in Downtown Orlando. I work with the homeless and frankly, they would rather sleep on the streets than stay at the Coalition. It is violent...through St. Vincent de Paul we recently helped an elderly Mother, her daughter and grandchild who were staying at the Coalition. The elderly mother was beat and had her hip broken. St. Vincent de Paul got them all transportation back to Atlanta where they had family. Even men are afraid to stay at the Coalition. The Salvation Army has a nice facility which costs \$8.00 a night, the first three days of stay are free for first time clients.

I spoke with them women in charge of the Psychiatric Unit of South Seminole, Marilyn. She told me what their primary goals are with patients who are Backer Acted, are the three steps I mentioned earlier in this mail. She is also on the Board of the Mental Health Association. They too, are concerned about the patients who are released without a home to return to for emotional support and a safe environment where they can begin counseling and healing and they are trying to work on building homes for them.

We have a big hole in the system into which many patients are falling. I tried to tell Marilyn about the resources available through church sponsored help groups, such as the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, to name one of many.

My point is that we as a state...need to address this situation. My friend Shiela Rhea and myself will be happy to drive to Tallahassee to discuss this further. I know there are no simple solutions; but we can work this one step at a time trying to begin to find solutions.

Facilities like the Center for Drug Free Living do not take patients who have attempted suicide. Lakeside Alternatives will only take the patient after their medical situation has been addressed, i.e., overdoses, etc.

PLEASE HEAR THE DESPERATE CALL OF THOSE WHO NEED HELP.

I hope to hear from you concerning this problem. I will be happy to be an advocate voice for these people.

Sincerely,

Laura Lockett

P.S. I am a commissioned Pastoral Minister in the Catholic Church, past President of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Andrew Parish in Orlando. I have a deep passion for the poor and desperate people.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Wra0000@aol.com'

Date: 8/30/2003 3:44:47 PM

Subject: Re: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter as Judge

Thank you Wayne. I hope you have a restful long weekend.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 22:39:50 2003

Subject: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter as Judge

Dear Governor: I would like to express my appreciation to you for appointing Shirlyon McWhorter as a county court judge for Miami-Dade County. As a life long democrat and African American resident of this state I applaud you for working to ensure diversity in our judiciary. As you know Judge McWhorter is the first African-American female appointed to the bench in Miami-Dade County in more than 10 years. I am happy that this appointment came under your governorship. May God bless you and keep you.

Sincerely, Wayne Adams

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'jbmcdan@yahoo.com'

CC: 'hamptob@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/30/2003 3:44:37 PM

Subject: Re: Tahnk You (Teacher Salaries)

I will get someone to contact you regarding the intern position.

Jeb

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 30 11:01:52 2003

Subject: Tahnk You (Teacher Salaries)

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Thank you again for your time and concern.

Your loyal and concerned constituent.

Jared McDaniel

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From: [Sue Dickson <SDickso1@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:SDickso1@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 3:12:13 PM

Subject: Emailing: ed082703b

Attachments: ed082703b.txt

No wonder parents are having a time managing their teens. Is there any way to stop this kind of "education" ?

Sue Dickson

P.S. Oh, thank you so much for helping us with getting our water view back. It is about halfway trimmed and we are joyous!!

You are a wonderful Governor!!!!

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Caseygovols@aol.com'

BCC: 'FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/30/2003 3:04:19 PM

Subject: Re: Fwd: Governor's Diabetic Advisory Council

Thank you for your recommendation.

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 23:27:46 2003

Subject: Fwd: Governor's Diabetic Advisory Council

In a message dated 8/29/03 11:22:31 AM Pacific Daylight Time, flordiacracker@ij.net writes:

RE: Laymen's Appointment to your Diabetic Advisory Council

Applicant: Margie (Marjorie A.) Baker

Governor JEB Bush,

Please Appoint Margie Baker to your Diabetic Advisory Council. Her 60 years of successful life with diabetes maintenance and study will benefit her peers (the insulin dependent diabetic population.)

Thank for your consideration

Lucile Casey, two term Pinellas School Board Member, Education Practices Commissioner

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'BBTme1@cs.com'

BCC: 'FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/30/2003 3:02:26 PM

Subject: Re: Please Select Margie Baker, Diabetic Council

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From: BBTme1@cs.com <BBTme1@cs.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 30 00:09:51 2003

Subject: Please Select Margie Baker, Diabetic Council

Dear Gov.Jeb Bush, August 29, 2003

I am writing to you today, as a professional Nurse, working in many facets of Health Care, one being Diabetes, and also working at the State Level, in Ohio, doing Patient Education. Today I am writing on behalf of my friend Margie Baker, Margie is seeking an appointment as a lay person to Jeb Bush's Diabetic Advisory Council.

This lady is a Diabetic, knows the real in's and out's of this dreadful Disease, and would be a real assest to anyones team. I recommend that you appoint Margie to your Board. Margie, is a lay person, and thats what you are asking for. Please take a good look at this lady, more info, please call or write me Betty Thompson

2207 Coit Rd.

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(727) 536-4082

BBTme 1 @ CS.COM

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb_Bush)

Date: 8/30/2003 3:01:46 PM

Subject: Re: Group home assistance

We would need some additional detail, but yes, this type of a situation could meet criteria for those in the greatest need. One of the greatest fears of many of the families we serve is that they will not out live their loved one with DD. Group home providers often thrive off this fear. Assuming this particular case qualifies for the more urgent status, I bet we could support her son at home or in a supportive living setting. I'll keep you posted.
Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 08/30/2003 10:51:58 AM

Subject: Fw: Group home assistance

Does the emergency status apply to the caregiver as well?

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 30 09:44:16 2003

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From: SuzanneM727@aol.com <SuzanneM727@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 2:58:51 PM

Subject: Re: Group home assistance fup

Thankyou, Gov Bush for helping.Its greatly appreciated.Suzanne molea

From: Nogfamhealth@aol.com <Nogfamhealth@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 2:57:38 PM

Subject: Re: follow up

Great! my contact information is

Debbie Nogueras Assistant Dean for Student Affairs/Asst. Professor

Barry University School of Nursing

305-899-3095 work

786-412-9110 cell.

Im happy to work with your aides in any way.

deb

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'ChristeneWorley@aol.com'

Date: 8/30/2003 2:57:19 PM

Subject: Re: Very Grateful

Christine it was good seeing you. I hope Alex is doing well.

Jeb

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From: ChristeneWorley@aol.com <ChristeneWorley@aol.com>

To: Jeb@jeb.org. <Jeb@jeb.org.>

Sent: Sat Aug 30 05:21:47 2003

Subject: Very Grateful

Dear Jeb,

Good to see you again at the Front Porch Conference! When we greeted, I wanted to express my appreciation for the support you gave my sister, Dr. Alex Penn Williams, after the unexpected and untimely death of my brother 'in' law. Since you were surrounded by grateful supporters, I could not. So, thank you!!

Also, wanted you to know I was excited to be chosen as a member of your Faith-Based Mentoring Initiative Advisory Board and am looking forward to working with Mark Nelson.

Blessings,
Christene Worley

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us'

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'SuzanneM727@aol.com'

BCC: 'shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/30/2003 2:51:06 PM

Subject: Re: Group home assistance fup

Ms. Molea, thank you for writing. I am asking that Shelly Brantley, who runs the program, look into your case.

Jeb

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Nogfamhealth@aol.com'

BCC: [Tara Wainwright](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 2:43:58 PM

Subject: Re: follow up

Thank you Debbie. I will see if we can arrange a visit.

Jeb

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Sent: Sat Aug 30 10:41:09 2003

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I wish you a restful weekend.

Debbie Noguera

From: GastonCantens114@aol.com <GastonCantens114@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 2:41:39 PM

Subject: Re: (no subject)

thanks.

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Date: 8/30/2003 2:33:31 PM

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Sent: Sat Aug 30 10:17:08 2003

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Warmest regards,

Gaston.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['wchioji@hearst.com'](mailto:wchioji@hearst.com)
Date: 8/30/2003 2:30:55 PM
Subject: Re: tour of hope

I will do so Wendy. I am proud of you.

Jeb

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From: wchioji@hearst.com <wchioji@hearst.com>
To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>
Sent: Fri Aug 29 21:15:13 2003
Subject: tour of hope

Hello, Governor. It's Wendy Chioji, from WESH-TV in Orlando. How are you?

I just wanted to let you know that two cyclists from Florida have been chosen to participate in the Bristol-Myers Squibb Tour of Hope. Only twenty cyclists were chosen (out of 1,000 applicants) to relay across America, L.A. to Washington, with Lance Armstrong for part of the way, from October 11-18. We are cancer survivors, doctors, nurses, researchers, and caregivers. The purpose of the Tour is to spread the word about the importance of clinical cancer trials in finding a cure for cancer... and to show people that we can come back better, faster, stronger, from cancer.

I am one of the riders. The other is Chris Brewer (chris@americancyclist.net), a retired Air Force airman who lives in Shalimar. It's a big deal for us, and, I think, for Florida that we are doubly represented. Bristol Myers and Spectrum Science will be sending information about this awesome Tour to Alia Faraj next week. If you get a chance, log on to www.tourofhope.org to find out more before then. And sign the cancer promise, if you would. It's a pledge to support cancer research and the fight to find a cure.

Be well.
Wendy Chioji.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Spirit527@aol.com'

BCC: 'marylaura.openshaw@fldoe.org'

Date: 8/30/2003 2:18:58 PM

Subject: Re: Reading Coaches Academy

I will pass on your positive comments. Happy labor day weekend.

Jeb

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 20:17:23 2003

Subject: Reading Coaches Academy

Dear Governor Bush:

I just wanted to let you how the Reading Coaches Academy went this week, I think we learned a lot about what the grant is supposed to do for the children. In talking to the Reading Coaches from the other counties, they agree with me that this will help achieve the goal of every student reading on grade level by 2012.

We all look forward to learning more during the second week of training so we will be more confident in our positions.

Please thank DOE for their hospitality during the week, You should be proud of the great job they did. There were so many of us and they truly made us all feel welcome.

(Sure is nice to be home!)

Sincerely,

Jeanne Stephens
Lewis Anna Woodbury Elem.

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Date: 8/30/2003 2:15:12 PM

Subject: Re: Governor's Diabetic Advisory Council

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 19:29:49 2003

Subject: Fw: Governor's Diabetic Advisory Council

August 29, 2003

From: Diane Podnar

2290 Watrous Drive, Dunedin, FL 34698

727-734-2386

RE: Laymen's Appointment to your Diabetic Advisory Council

Applicant: Margie (Marjorie A.) Baker

Governor JEB Bush,

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Diane Podnar

From: [Glen Gott <GGOTT@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:GGOTT@cfl.rr.com)

To: znow@mail2world.com

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Date: 8/30/2003 1:58:04 PM

Subject: American Family Association - Petition

Follow the link below to add your name to this important petition. Go to <http://www.afapetitions.com/signpetition.asp?id=1050> to sign.

From: SuzanneM727@aol.com <SuzanneM727@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 1:44:16 PM

Subject: Group home assistance

Dear Gov. Bush. I'm the 70 yr. old Mother of an adopted 13 & a half yr. old multiple handicapped son. Jonathan was born with Congenital Cytomegalovirus. As a result is severely mentally retarded. Is deaf. Is mild to severely Autistic. Was addicted to Cocaine & possible alcohol syndrome. His birth Mother & father were Addicts. Not married. Jonathan was placed in my care at birth. I was in the Foster care program at the time of Jonathan's placement with me. Because of my age & failing health problems, I'm desperately trying to have Jonathan placed in a group home where he will receive the care he needs for his many chronic health problems associated with his disabilities. I'm alone. The only caregiver for my son. I have no other alternatives for help. My physical capabilities, associated with health problems prevents me from giving Jon the care he requires. Jonathan is on the waiver list. Dev. Disabilities hasn't helped. I'm desperate. If something should happen to me there is no one to care for my son. We're the only ones in our home. Please Gov. Bush, help. Sincerely Suzanne Molea.

From: [Dee Bridges <DIREB@webtv.net>](mailto:DIREB@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 12:39:31 PM

Subject: Terri S. right to life

Please Gov. Bush, pull out all stops to release this poor woman from this evil person, her so called loving husband....I was abused at one time and this is the actions of just what he would have done. They abuse you where no one knows you are being abused. They abuse you where it cannot be seen.....DEAR GOD PLEASE HELP TERRI.....With Kind Regards.....Diane Bridges.....Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

From: Tinamarie12146@aol.com <Tinamarie12146@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 11:26:47 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Gov. Bush;

I am a Floridian currently living in SC; we were transferred here 4 yrs. ago when the company my husband works for closed the facility he had been employed at for 27 yrs. and we had to leave our beloved FL. I know what it is to have your life turned upside down by those only concerned about financial gain and not quality of life for others. I grew up in Winter Haven and have such fond memories of the Gardens; visiting it so many times with my grandparents, parents and visitors from our native NY state. In fact, my grandparents and parents lived just down the Blvd. from the Gardens. My brother was employed at the Gardens until April 13th. Our entire family, from FL to SC and beyond, was shocked to learn of the abrupt closing, and sadden to learn the reasons behind the closing. I understand that Mr. Maxwell desires to make money, but somehow it seems nearly criminal to destroy something that is so steeped in tradition and such a symbol of pre-Disney FL (a "kinder, gentler" Florida?!)

Through my brother, I have followed the events since April 13th with great interest, and have prayed for the best not only for my brother, but also all the employees of the Gardens, the people of Winter Haven and Polk Co., and the State of Florida. I have prayed that this symbol of Florida not be destroyed. I think Florida needs a place where people can go to find the serenity and beauty that is the heart of Florida. If I can offer a comparison, it is rather akin to the Grand Stand area of SC; Myrtle Beach has all the glitz, glitter and neon, and it is where the out-of-state tourists go who spend the money that supports the economy of SC. But for residents of SC, it is south of Myrtle Beach, to Murrell's Inlet, Pawley's Island and lovely, historic Georgetown that they go for the peace and serenity. Yes, Disney and Orlando's attractions bring in tourists galore, but I myself do not like all that, and find it nervewracking and too fast paced to be relaxing. (My daughter is a cast member at Disney, so I do go there--free passes!) I think Cypress Gardens is much like Georgetown, SC; a place of history, beauty, and serenity, and there is definitely a need for such a haven in today's world.

As a "displaced" Floridian, I want to thank you for all the support and assistance you have given to the effort to save Cypress Gardens. Your good heart and kindness shine for all to see, even as far away as SC and beyond! The newsletter that was forwarded to me regarding the meeting earlier this week was such joyful news. I pray that the effort to save the Gardens continues, and that what is good for the State and its people wins out over the monetary quest of a few. When the Gardens reopens, we will be certain to make the journey from SC to see it!

Thank you again for all you are doing for Cypress Gardens, and for the State of Florida.

By the way, thanks for the Florida Lottery, too; my daughter went to college on a 100% Lottery scholarship, and last year my son won \$1.2 million from Mega Money!!

Regards,
Christine Phillips
Florence, SC

From: ChristeneWorley@aol.com <ChristeneWorley@aol.com>

To: Jeb@jeb.org.

Date: 8/30/2003 9:21:47 AM

Subject: Very Grateful

Dear Jeb,

Good to see you again at the Front Porch Conference! When we greeted, I wanted to express my appreciation for the support you gave my sister, Dr. Alex Penn Williams, after the unexpected and untimely death of my brother 'in' law. Since you were surrounded by grateful supporters, I could not. So, thank you!!

Also, wanted you to know I was excited to be chosen as a member of your Faith-Based Mentoring Initiative Advisory Board and am looking forward to working with Mark Nelson.

Blessings,
Christene Worley

From: BFriend@flvs.net <BFriend@flvs.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 2:41:36 AM

Subject: Fw: A special student

Greetings Governor,

I wanted to take a moment and share the email below that we received from the parent of one of our students.

It warms to the heart to read this one, of many examples, of how Florida Virtual School is making such a positive impact on our students.

Thank you for your support!

Bruce

Bruce Friend
Chief Administrative Officer
Florida Virtual School
<http://www.flvs.net>

"Nothing great can be accomplished without enthusiasm"

Ralph Waldo Emerson

----- Forwarded by Carol Alves/WebHost on 08/28/2003 09:48 AM -----

"JANICE GAY"

<jagay@worldnet.att.net> To

08/28/2003 08:50 cc
AM
Subject

Hello, Mrs. Alves:

There are a few things you probably need to know about Jessi, if you are not already aware. Jessi is currently recovering from a relapse in her leukemia. She has only been home for two weeks after spending the entire summer in the hospital. She is currently managing her curriculum through Orange County Schools Hospital Homebound. Jessica spent her entire 10th grade year out of traditional school due to her leukemia. Because of her illness, she has good days and bad. In addition, there are many, many doctor appointments and procedures. Yesterday, for example, she had a bone marrow biopsy. We registered at the hospital at 11:30 a.m. and finally made it home around 4:30 p.m., after which she did not have enough energy to do school work.

Jessica is a highly motivated young lady. The classes she took with Florida Virtual School online in the 10th grade were completed early. She currently maintains a 4.0 GPA unweighted. It's a 4.61 weighted. Her SAT score was 1570 with a perfect score in math. She pushes herself to excel. However, its not always easy to maintain a rigid schedule due to her illness. She may one day find it easier to work at 10:00 a.m. and the next day, easier to work at 11:00 p.m., other days she may not be able to work at all. She will not be going to traditional school this semester. We hope, if her health improves and her immune functions rebound, that she will attend Edgewater High School on a limited basis in January. Because all of her classes this year are either AP, honors, or gifted, she has made arrangements with her teachers at Edgewater to send work home. They also understand that her health comes first. Her schoolwork is not on a deadline. Feel free to review her scholastic record and speak with her previous teachers. You will not be disappointed.

I look forward to speaking with you at any time.

Janice Gay

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From: Caseygovols@aol.com <Caseygovols@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 3:27:46 AM

Subject: Fwd: Governor's Diabetic Advisory Council

Attachments: Governor's Diabetic Advisory Council

In a message dated 8/29/03 11:22:31 AM Pacific Daylight Time, floridacracker@ij.net writes:

RE: Laymen's Appointment to your Diabetic Advisory Council
Applicant: Margie (Marjorie A.) Baker

Governor JEB Bush,

Please Appoint Margie Baker to your Diabetic Advisory Council. Her 60 years of successful life with diabetes maintenance and study will benefit her peers (the insulin dependent diabetic population.)

Thank for your consideration

Lucile Casey, two term Pinellas School Board Member, Education Practices Commissioner

From: [floridacracker <floridacracker@ij.net>](mailto:floridacracker@ij.net)

To: [Wm & Mary Urban](#)

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[Brent & Jill Miller](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 6:12:25 PM

Subject: Governor's Diabetic Advisory Council

From: Margie Baker
53 Freshwater Dr
Palm Harbor FL
Ph 727-938-6572
www.diabetictypeone.org

To: All,

I am seeking an appointment as a lay person to JEB Bush's Diabetic Advisory Council. I am a life long FL resident, born and raised in Miami, and a resident of Pinellas County for the last 23 years. I have been a Real Estate Broker since 1978, ect ect ect. My record is flawless.

I was told that my application is on JEB's desk competing against a diabetic doctor and professor from the USF.

This doctor is not a lay person. He is a diabetic endocrinologist and professor at the USF.

As there are approximately 95 positions on the council, 90 of which are reserved for the medical profession---doctors. 5 of which are reserved for lay people. The Council is top heavy with doctors. They need to be aware of information that only experience of having the disease can give. I am a genuine LAY PERSON with in-depth 1st hand knowledge of the disease and 60 years of experience supported by study gained by having the disease for 60 years (I am now age 62). I believe that the knowledge I have accumulated will be valuable to the state's insulin dependent diabetic population and help direct the doctors in knowledge that will help their insulin dependent patients.

Posted below is a letter that can be copied and sent to our Governor JEB Bush to persuade him to chose my application for appointment to the lay position that is now open Jeb@Jeb.org

August 29, 2003

From: Your name
Address
Phone #

RE: Laymen's Appointment to your Diabetic Advisory Council
Applicant: Margie (Marjorie A.) Baker

Governor JEB Bush,

Please Appoint Margie Baker to your Diabetic Advisory Council. Her 60 years of successful life with diabetes maintenance and study will benefit her peers (the insulin dependent diabetic population.)

Thank for your consideration

Type your name(s) here

From: Wra0000@aol.com <Wra0000@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 2:39:50 AM

Subject: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter as Judge

Dear Governor: I would like to express my appreciation to you for appointing Shirlyon McWhorter as a county court judge for Miami-Dade County. As a life long democrat and African American resident of this state I applaud you for working to ensure diversity in our judiciary. As you know Judge McWhorter is the first African-American female appointed to the bench in Miami-Dade County in more than 10 years. I am happy that this appointment came under your governorship. May God bless you and keep you.

Sincerely, Wayne Adams

From: [Bedwell, Allan <Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us>](mailto:Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Stutler, Denver](#)

[Struhs, Sara](#)

[Joyner, Mike](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 12:54:55 AM

Subject: RE: Sean Christiansen

Governor,

I had a good conversation with Sean. He'd be an asset to our energy technology efforts and I explored those opportunities with him. He'd be great as our business development manager creating demonstration projects, helping commercialize new technology and building alliances.

Sean is thinking about his next step, but is in no rush. He will continue to think about the opportunity with us, but he's primarily interested in the Orlando area to be closer to his parents. At the same time, Sean is also thinking about applying to be a White House Fellow this spring with the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. He's articulate, smart and energetic. Florida would also benefit from his work at OSTP on hydrogen fuel cells.

In the meantime, while Sean sorts out his next step, we will work together to develop a joint project with his company, Teledyne Energy Systems.

Allan

P.S. Had a great meeting with Gulf Power. Thanks for the lead. We will move forward with them on fuel cells. I've got FP&L and Progress on board too.

Allan F. Bedwell
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From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/30/2003 12:17:23 AM

Subject: Reading Coaches Academy

Dear Governor Bush:

I just wanted to let you how the Reading Coaches Academy went this week, I think we learned a lot about what the grant is supposed to do for the children. In talking to the Reading Coaches from the other counties, they agree with me that this will help achieve the goal of every student reading on grade level by 2012.

We all look forward to learning more during the second week of training so we will be more confident in our positions.

Please thank DOE for their hospitality during the week, You should be proud of the great job they did. There were so many of us and they truly made us all feel welcome.

(Sure is nice to be home!)

Sincerely,

Jeanne Stephens
Lewis Anna Woodbury Elem.
Fort Meade

From: SONYAMO@aol.com <SONYAMO@aol.com>

To: Crosierb@elderaffairs.org

CC: whitet@elderaffairs.org
Tuckers@elderaffairs.org
Millsp@elderaffairs.org
Prattm@elderaffairs.org
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 11:04:14 PM

Subject: Fwd: Hello

Attachments: Re: Hello

Barbara,

Thank you very much for your response this forward message is the only information I have received from Pam Mills regarding workman's comp. Please let me know what I need to do to get this done.

Thanks again for your help!!

Sonya

From: [Pam Mills <Millsp@elderaffairs.org>](mailto:Millsp@elderaffairs.org)

To: SONYAMO@aol.com

[Martha Pratt](#)

[Terry White](#)

CC: [Barbara Crosier](#)

[Susan Tucker](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 6:10:34 PM

Subject: Re: Hello

Sonya,

Your supervisor will need to contact Corvel in order to report the injury.

As far as your health insurance coverage, you have coverage through the end of August. If you want to continue your health insurance coverage, you will need to complete the COBRA information that you should have received from the Division of State Group Insurance. You will need to mail your premium directly to their office. If you have questions you may contact them directly at (800) 226-3734 or (850) 921-4600.

Hope this helps. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks,

Pam

>>> Martha Pratt 08/27/03 04:04PM >>>

Sonya-

Pam Mills from Personnel will be getting in touch with you directly to answers your questions.

All the best,

Martha

>>> <SONYAMO@aol.com> 07/14/03 02:55PM >>>

07/14/03

Secretary White/Martha, good afternoon,

First, I want to thank you both for being so understanding when it came time

for me to tend to personal matters that demanded immediate attention.

Reluctantly I presented you with a letter of resignation effective July 18, 2003 that

you accepted. I say reluctantly because I really do love my job. I

loved being apart of the home team and assisting folks around the state with there elder-ready initiatives but it just didn't seem fair to ask for three weeks off while my division and department was in the middle of transition and change. Picking up the Sand Dollar workload after losing Doug's position was enough. After a great deal of consideration towards the communication team, the DOEA and all of the Communities for a Lifetime participants that have been neglected enough, resignation seemed like the best alternative.

Unfortunately for me all of these thoughts came a week to soon. The first Monday of my leave I woke up to an excruciating pain in my lower back. I could not get out of bed. I couldn't walk. After a few trips to the emergency room, doctor offices, and a MRI I found that I had a herniated disk in my back. For the last two weeks I have had to go to the hospital for neuroblock shots in my spine to manage the pain. I have two more shots scheduled before the doctors determine if I need surgery or not. I am not sure how I got the hernia but it was definitely within the last 6 months because I had a CT scan in January and it wasn't present. One incident that I can remember happened in May when I went to the Health Expo in Jacksonville. I was lifting the CFAL display case up onto the loading dock at the Prime Osbourne Center and threw my back out and strained my arm and chest. I took some medicine and laid down for the rest of the day, picked up the display the next day and took it easy over that weekend, by Monday my back was feeling fine. My back has bothered me off and on every since. I didn't know that the injury was to this extent otherwise I would have saw to it a month ago.

I have said all of that to ask these questions. What are my health insurance options? Will my state health insurance continue? Do I need to continue working for the state in order to keep the same coverage? Which is fine with me because that's what I came to Tallahassee for and I really didn't want to leave. Do I file workman's comp., if so, what exactly is it and how do I go about filing it? Please just let me know. I want to do things right. That's why I am starting with you.

Thank you both for making me apart of the team.
Sonya

p.s. Martha I hope you had a wonderful vacation & birthday party. I am sure it was a blast!!

From: [joe farrell <joef@bonnersferry.net>](mailto:joe.farrell@bonnersferry.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 10:59:23 PM

Subject: Terri's life is worth more

Dear Govenor Bush,

Please sen an appeal to the suprme courts on Terri's behalf. i was worse than she at one time but with proper therapy I was ablt to live a life worth living with my disabilities. Please investigate her husband and Judge. For him to ignore the abuse to Terri prior to her collapsing is horrifying un unjust. What next in our unrighteos world. Please do this on behalf of her family and all the disabled folks . Thank you. You have the power to do something or your Dad. Let me know how lcan write him if you think that would help. Thank you.

Nancy Farrell

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Burma Davis Posey](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 10:44:47 PM

Subject: RE: Thank you from the bottom of my heart...

[Thank you Burma for your kind email. By the way, I am not taking my government retirement!](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Burma Davis Posey [mailto:burma@mindspring.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 12:29 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you from the bottom of my heart...

Dearest Governor Bush,

How can we ever thank you... I am a talker, yet my vocabulary *is totally inadequate to express how much I appreciate your kindness and your vote to help save Cypress Gardens on Tuesday.*

Thank you for being so gracious to the sweet young people and seniors who were present at the meeting. Thank you for honoring those who worked so hard for the past four months. You have single handedly restored the faith of thousands of people in our political process and the integrity of our public servants. You are our hero Governor Bush, in so many ways.

It was very interesting for me to watch you during the entire meeting... *the tenderness that on your face as the amazing Janet Gray spoke and inspired us all... the way you honored and defended Guy Tunnell when the angry man protested his appointment... the intelligence and knowledge you showed with each situation, how you cut to the chase and kept people focused... how you listened to all of us when you needed to go to the little room next door...*

Governor Bush, you even mentioned my beloved 80 year-young Mother... my goodness gracious! Mother will float for the remainder of her life to be so honored...

It is not easy to type through tears...

I love you Governor Bush. I will be most happy to offer my support to anything you do in the future. We pray there will be a grand re-opening of the Gardens and that you will honor us by being our speaker. God gave me a vision on April 12, the day before the closing, of the re-opening. It overwhelmed me Governor Bush. You were there, your wonderful brother was there, and your parents were there. I felt so inadequate. But the Lord said, "Burma you just do what I tell you one day at a time, then you sit back and watch what I can do!" My glorious heavenly Father has amazed us in so many ways in this journey... with kind hardworking honest unselfish people... with more rain than I have seen in years to keep the rare plants from dying... and with a Governor who cares and truly listens to those he serves.

I used to think that politicians were paid too much for retirement, but if the past four months are a glimpse of all you do, I now feel our public servants deserve more!!! When we started this, my first grandchild Adam was 4 months old. His birthday was yesterday and he is now 9 months old. Some days when I felt absolutely exhausted, I would either read yet another heartfelt letter from a hurting person grieving over the closing of the Gardens, or I would go and play for a bit with Adam... then I was reminded why we are doing this and get back to work.

I have such hope for our great nation... because we still have *leaders like you. Thank you my beloved Governor... on behalf of the Friends of Cypress Gardens and the children who will come behind us. May God continue to bless, protect, and use you mightily.*

With all my heart,

urma

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Steve](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 10:39:57 PM

Subject: RE: I stand corrected

[Thank you Steve. Can you send me more info on your wife's situation?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve [mailto:steve@windhaus.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 12:51 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: I stand corrected

Yesterday evening I sent you an email explaining the demise of my wife's teaching position. In that email I made a statement suggesting you were straightforward with me "almost" all the time. I stand corrected. While reading today's Wall Street Journal I was provoked to rethink that statement. Don't ask me why. Maybe it was something I was reading or heard on the O'Reilly Factor.

Regardless, I can say, with all sincerity, it appears you have "always" been straightforward in your replies to me.

I thank you for that.

Steve

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: RUBIKON2@aol.com

Date: 8/29/2003 10:38:31 PM

Subject: RE: The Biltmore, GBI visit, BioFlorida, et al. & possibly ad nauseum

thank you Stephanie. I am trying to make it to the lunch and will know this upcoming week.

The VC meeting was good. The Florida SBA was much more open to supporting VC activity in the state. We had a good dialogue.

Regarding the Enterprise Florida request, it is up to you. I did not find any of the paper offensive!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: RUBIKON2@aol.com [mailto:RUBIKON2@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 12:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: The Biltmore, GBI visit, BioFlorida, et al. & possibly ad nauseum

Thank you Jeb. The team at GBI is excited and overwhelmingly flattered that you would even consider "coming a visitin'" little ole us! We will wait eagerly to hear from the schedulers!

A great outcome of the Biltmore meeting was that (I think) I was able to convince Donna Shalala (even Democrats can be convinced, if I assume her party affiliation correctly, based upon that of her prior boss) that GBI is ready, willing, and able to assist the U of M in getting its technologies off the bench, into the clinic, and thereby generating accelerated and enhanced licensing revenues for the University. Next step....we need to interact with the state universities and offer the same assistance.

I hope that you will also be able to deliver the luncheon speech at BioFlorida's upcoming conference (October 19-20)...Monday lunch, the 20th? Claire has used her inimitable persuasive powers to talk me into chairing a session on how we can attract transgenic biotech companies to Florida. Transgenics, as you recall, is one of the appropriate "fits" with Florida's climate and agricultural/marine assets. I hope to gather a group of industry guru's who can set forth compelling arguments as to how Florida can successfully appeal to this sector without incurring the usual regulatory and containment issues. There are solutions....this is do-able!

How did it go with the VC's? Are they interested in financing Florida biotechs and other high tech industries? Would Betty have a list of those with whom you spoke, and would it be possible for us to contact some of the more likely candidates to look at our expansion plans? We believe that we have been looking for love in the wrong places, as the Mid-Atlantic VC's don't seem to be too interested in Florida. Their loss. In addition, we have quite a number of thinly capitalized clients with great technologies who might be compelled to re-situate in Florida if they had reason to believe that private investment capital could be attainable here.

Finally, a few of the Enterprise Florida folks have gotten wind of, and asked for a copy of my proposal to you. I would like to share, but am uncertain as to whether my candid remarks might offend someone. I hope that you know that no aspersions were intended to be cast, I want only success for EF and for BioFlorida. It was my intention only to share what I see as some areas for improvement, based principally upon my experience with the industry in general and specifically, with other state organizations who have made some rather dramatic strategic errors. It is possible that the draft report I wrote for you would not even be additive to the strategic proposals that Enterprise Florida has already espoused and begun to execute. Should I share, or censor and share, or not share? Your call.

Thanks so much for being overwhelmingly responsive to your constituency. You are the most approachable governor I have ever had the pleasure to know. That might exclude Governor Tawes of Maryland who was my grandfather's drinking buddy, but that might be deemed a bit too approachable, and anyway, it was before my time.

Best regards,

Stephanie

PS--My son Tim is a poli sci major and wants very much to work for your re-election campaign. If he could be of help, is there a contact person who could let him know how best to offer his assistance?

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Ldgaeg@aol.com

Date: 8/29/2003 10:32:37 PM

Subject: RE: FCAT, NAACP & Sen F Wilson

[thank you Lorraine for your words. I would love to have the clip for my files! :\)](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Ldgaeg@aol.com [mailto:Ldgaeg@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 5:04 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FCAT, NAACP & Sen F Wilson

Dear Gov Jeb:

I think Commissioner Horne had his words exactly correct on the issue of NAACP politicizing issue of education.

Otherwise, instead of filing lawsuits, promoting boycotts against the State, organizing protests with school kids as pawns, NAACP leadership would be trying to help kids with learning and come up with suggestions, plans, programs to do that. Sen Wilson has especially been wild in her accusations. A couple of weeks ago, around the time she was busing some kids to Tally to protest you, she was caught on film that ran on a TV program where she was just yelling and screaming, jumping and flailing, against you, I think. It was a priceless and revealing clip, humorous to boot.

Anyway, keep on track with A+. The good guys are winning and so are the kids!

Regards, Lorraine Grigsby

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/29/2003 10:16:07 PM

Subject: Fw: Diabetic Advisory Council

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

CC: Margie Baker <floridacracker@ij.net>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 16:16:24 2003

Subject: Diabetic Advisory Council

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Applicant: Margie (Marjorie A.) Baker

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Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Joel Suhm

916 Grand Central Street

Clearwater, FL 33756

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'psapp@informedfamilies.org'

Date: 8/29/2003 10:08:13 PM

Subject: Re: Good New to start the Labor Day Weekend

Thanks Peggy. I hope you have a restful long weekend.

Jeb

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Sent: Fri Aug 29 16:36:26 2003

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Peggy

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'pnehr@tampabay.rr.com'

BCC: 'elirpof@aol.com'

Date: 8/29/2003 9:58:58 PM

Subject: Re: nomination

Thank you for the recommendation.

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Sent: Fri Aug 29 17:23:28 2003

Subject: nomination

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'clewis5040@aol.com'
Date: 8/29/2003 9:39:22 PM
Subject: Fw: Schindler

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>
Sent: Fri Aug 29 17:12:27 2003
Subject: FW: Schindler

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From: [Peter Nehr <pnehr@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:Peter.Nehr@tampabay.rr.com)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/29/2003 9:30:34 PM
Subject: an issue of free speech

To all my friends and supporters,

You may have seen a letter in the St. Pete Times basically stating that I was the only Commissioner in Tarpon Springs saying that the closing of the library community room was a free speech issue and everyone else said it was an issue of expansion. To answer the allegation I have enclosed for your review a copy of an e-mail sent to me and the other Commissioners on this subject by the group that was supposedly asked to leave the library room not for "issues of free speech but for expansion reasons."

In addition I have in my possession copies of four months worth of public minutes from the Tarpon Springs Library Board that outlines the strategies that were used to keep out groups that did not adhere to political or religious neutrality in the meeting rooms. I will quote just a few words that will give you the jist of this strategy. I quote from the minutes, "**There are various ways to develop a policy that limits lawsuits. One way is not to permit public usage of conference rooms, usage only for library programs. Another way is to specify and limit the educational purposes in the policy. Lastly the policy could limit the topics, but not the viewpoints presented.**" Nowhere was any mention at this time that the library room was too crowded for outside groups. That came later when lawsuits were threatened.

I stand by my belief that this was more than about expansion of library facilities but I will allow you to make up your own minds. I will continue to be a Commissioner who fights for what I believe is in the best interests of our community and all of our citizens. I believe in hard work, common sense and a belief that each individual's opinion counts. I believe that Free Speech is of paramount importance in maintaining the strength of our Nation. I was glad I was able to reverse the decision of the Commission and allow free speech once again to thrive in Tarpon Springs

Having said all this **I will now let the matter drop.** *I just did not want all of you to be misled. The innuendo was out there that I was the only Commissioner that did not "understand the issue."*

As usual let me know what you think.

Your friend,

Peter Nehr
Tarpon Springs City Commissioner

Hon. L. Frank DiDonato, Mayor
Members of the Tarpon Springs City Commission
City Hall
Tarpon Springs, Florida 34689

Dear Mr. Mayor and City Commissioners:

It has been stated a number of times in public and in the press that the closing of the Tarpon Springs Library Community Room to outside groups was never an issue of free speech but merely a need for library expansion.

To set the record straight, I quote from a letter to our organization from the Library, signed by the Chairman of the Tarpon Springs Library Board, dated September 30th 2002, whereby we were banned from further meetings in the Community Room. The letter states "It is the opinion of the current Library Board that the Suncoast Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State lacks the "political neutrality" necessary for it to be allowed to use the Library's Community Room". No other groups were banned and no mention was made of the need for extra space in the library.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 9:28:27 PM

Subject: Support Hospital H.B. 601

I support House Bill 601 so we can maintain high quality healthcare in Brevard Bouny.

Sincerely,
Maxine Mutter
1835 S. Atlantic Ave. Unit 502
Cocoa Beach, Fl.32931

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From: [ERZA SMITH <forlater2003@yahoo.com>](mailto:ERZA_SMITH<forlater2003@yahoo.com>)

To: JERRY_REIGER@DCF.STATE.FL.US

Date: 8/29/2003 8:58:48 PM

Subject: IQC FUNDING

AUG. 29, 2003

MR. REIGER,

HAPPY FRIDAY.....I'M NOT SURE THIS WILL SEND SO I'LL BE SHORT. ADAM AND I WANT TO ATTEND THE IQC MEETING IN ORLANDO IN SEPT. AND THE LAST TIME I EMAILED MICHAEL FREEMAN FOR STATE SPONSORSHIP (ESPECIALLY FOR A ROOM) I WAS TOLD THAT ONLY STATE EMPLOYEES CAN GET FUNDED TO ATTEND. COULD YOU LOOK INTO THIS TO SEE WHY STATE EMPLOYEES CAN GET EVERYTHING PAID FOR FOR A 2 DAY VACATION JUST TO ATTEND A MEETING ONE DAY FROM 10-5 AND A SECOND DAY FOR 9-1....BUT THE CLIENT WHO NEED TO ATTEND (THE IQC IS MANDATED AND DELMARVA PAID 3.9 MILLION/YEAR TO FIX THE DELIVERY SYSTEM OF THE DCF DDP FOR THE DDP CLIENTS SO I FEEL THE IQC WOULD WELCOME CONSUMERS WHO ARE WILLING TO DROP EVERYTHING AND PUT THEMSELVES THROUGH WHAT WE HAVE T O GO THROUGH TO ATTEND A 2 DAY MEETING TO GIVE VALUABLE INPUT TO THE COMMITTEE) CAN NOT ATTEND AS MOST OF WE FAMILIES TRY TO SURVIVE ON VERY LITTLE WELFARE MONIES AND ARE POOR.AND NOW I RECEIVE A LETTER THAT I CAN NO LONGER EVEN GET MY EYE APPOINTMENTS ONCE A YEAR AND A PAIR OF GLASSES PAID FOR ON MEDICAID (AND BY THE WAY IT WAS DIRTY TO SEND US NOTICE IN AUGUST AFTER THE DEADLINE WAS IN JULY SO THAT WE COULD NOT EVEN GET TO THE EYE DOCTOR ONE MORE TIME FOR A CURRENT PERSCRIPTION TO HAVE FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES ONE MORE CURRENT PAIR OF GLASSES)..

ANYWAY.....COULD YOU LOOK INTO ADAM AND I GETTING FUNDED TO ATTEND THE MEETING? MY DISTRICT 14 FAMILY CARE COUNCIL HAS ALWAYS TURNED ME DOWN TO FUND ME TO ATTEND ANY CONFERENCES AND THE ONE TIME OUR FCC VOTED THEY WOULD REIMBURSE ME (2 YEARS AGO) ERIC OLSEN THEN REFUSED AFTER I PUT OUT \$250.00 OF CHRISTMAS MONEY AND STILL HAVE NEVER GOTTEN THE "PER DIUM" REIMBURSEMENT. NEEDLESS TO SAY.....ADAM AND MY SON WILL HAD NO CHRISTMAS IN 2001 (THE CONFERENCE WAS A FND CONFREENCE IN OCT. IN CLEARWATER)..

HOPE AND PRAY THIS SENDS THIS TME. YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HAVE A BLESSED AND SAFE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY.....

CYNDII GRATE
DISTRICT 14 FCC

Do you Yahoo!?

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To: 'DArchie@tampabay.rr.com'

CC: 'FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/29/2003 7:42:28 PM

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 15:45:48 2003

Subject: Laymen's Appointment to your Diabetic Advisory Council

From: David Archie

401 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.

(727) 934-5881

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Christine Neilson](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 7:26:03 PM

Subject: RE: The new 8th grade class at Holy Name

Thank you so much for your kind invitation.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Christine Neilson [mailto:cneilson@hnj.org]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 2:07 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: The new 8th grade class at Holy Name

Dear Governor Bush: We are the members of the new 8th grade at Holy Name Middle School in Indialantic, the Class of 2004. We hope that you will be able to visit us during this school year!

Most sincerely,

Christopher E. Struttmann

Breanne Harris

Ben Wetzel

Ana Walker

Hilary Smith

Raychel Gantt

Tara Slayton

Ian Dawley

Adriana Alzamora

Melissa Bradford

Katie Avila

Irene Sarpoolaki

Marty Walsh

Jordan Hotz

Jenna Hernandez

Lexie Mucci

Kyle Walsh

Ryan McGrath

Julie LaBelle

Mahalia Burford
Matt Szczepanski
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Jason Muth
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Elliott Russell
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Burma Davis Posey](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 7:25:33 PM

Subject: RE: Friends of Cypress Gardens Thank Governor Bush

[thank you Burma for sharing the pictures.](#)

Jeb

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From: Burma Davis Posey [mailto:burma@mindspring.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 11:03 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Friends of Cypress Gardens Thank Governor Bush

Dear Governor Bush,

Last night, Espen Tanberg hosted a cruise for some of the Winter Haven Friends of Cypress Gardens on his Paddle Wheel Boat. These photos are for you... The young woman sitting in the front is Joanne Hamilton. Joanne is handicapped and cannot walk or talk... but she helped! She wrote many letters and raised her arms for joy with tears streaming down her face when you announced your decision on Tuesday! They are happy people and you are our hero. They are all excited about getting into the Gardens with their sleeves rolled up to help pull weeds!!! Thank you again!

With great respect,

Burma

From: [Hector Lans <hl@crosswell.com>](mailto:hl@crosswell.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 7:22:19 PM

Subject: FW: Cuba Libre-Weekly Standard 081803

Attachments: Cuba Libre-Weekly Standard 081803

More negative ad.

Hector

-----Original Message-----

From: HFjh17@aol.com [mailto:HFjh17@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 12:06 PM

To: wcastroverde@hotmail.com; JoBeClark@aol.com; tcosta@costanursery.com;

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From: [Grecia Chantong <gchantong@canf.org>](mailto:gchantong@canf.org)

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Date: 8/28/2003 3:34:55 PM

Cuba Libre

by Fred Barnes, for the Editors

08/18/2003, Volume 008, Issue 46

"PRESIDENT BUSH is the most pro-democracy, pro-freedom president on Cuba that we've ever had," says Emilio Gonzalez, who recently stepped down as the National Security Council's expert on Cuba. Maybe so. Bush has vowed to block any attempt to repeal the trade embargo against Cuba. He's transformed the American interest section in Havana into a proactive spearhead for supporting Cuban dissidents. Bush raises the Cuba issue when he meets with European and Latin American leaders. He's recruited the European Union to campaign for human rights in Cuba, and he's persuaded Europeans to invite Cuban dissidents to events at their Havana embassies, infuriating Fidel Castro. He's backed Osvaldo Paya, the Cuban human rights leader and recipient of the E.U.'s Sakharov Prize who met recently with Secretary of State Colin Powell.

But there exists an appalling gap in Bush's policy toward Castro: the treatment of refugees escaping Cuba. Bush has continued the refugee policy of the Clinton administration known as "wet feet, dry feet." Under it, a refugee is sent back to Cuba unless he or she gets a foot on dry American land. This has led to wrenching scenes on Florida's shores of Cubans struggling to reach the beach--and potential freedom--as U.S. Coast Guard personnel battle to keep them in the water. Most refugees, of course, never reach American soil. In July, a dozen Cubans who'd stolen a boat were grabbed by the Coast Guard miles off the Florida shore and, following negotiations with the Cuban government, were returned to Cuba, only to face 10-year jail sentences. Bush officials regarded this as a victory of sorts, since three Cubans trying to reach the United States last spring suffered an even worse fate. They were caught by Castro's forces and executed.

This refugee policy is the result of an agreement between President Clinton and Castro. It caused Elián Gonzáles, who'd been rescued at sea, to be seized from a Miami home and flown back to Cuba. Under it, 20,000 Cubans are allowed to emigrate annually, with Castro deciding who goes and who doesn't. Castro uses the quota as a tool for suppressing dissent. If a Cuban is docile, he may have a chance to leave. But if he presses for freedom in his homeland, his chances are nil. To get out, a Cuban must pipe down. Castro deals with dissidents in other brutal ways. He cracked down on dozens last spring and sentenced them to long jail terms. Meanwhile, their family members lose jobs, their kids are expelled from school, and they lose their homes.

Why is the Bush administration clinging to a Clinton policy that's a matter of presidential discretion, not federal law? Five words: fear of another Mariel boatlift. In 1980, Castro cleaned out his jails and insane asylums and sent a flotilla of some 125,000 refugees to Florida. The sudden influx created some havoc in Miami and even in Arkansas, where violence and rioting by Cubans held at Fort Chafee contributed to Bill Clinton's defeat for reelection as governor. If you've seen the movie "Scarface," which starred Al Pacino as a refugee who becomes a crazed cocaine dealer, you'll understand the trouble that Castro caused in the United States. Averting a repeat of Mariel is the governing principle of Bush's refugee policy.

Yes, Castro is quite capable of mounting another boatlift. But the question is whether Bush should allow this fear of another Mariel to make Castro, in effect, the architect of American refugee policy. The answer is no. Another boatlift would not be pretty. And other nations are likely to be as reluctant to take in Cuban refugees now as they were in 1980. But Mariel was a problem, not a disaster. And many of the Mariel Cubans were legitimate refugees, as many in a second boatlift would be. The truth is America could handle a fresh surge of Cuban refugees, perhaps not painlessly, but without the turmoil and political fallout of 1980.

A simple fact should stand out in Bush's mind. The Cold War with the Soviet Union is over, but the Cold War with Cuba is not. Needless to say, Castro is not a leader with whom the United States should comfortably negotiate the terms of a refugee policy. The Bush administration has already set an unfortunate precedent by doing just that in the case of the 12 Cubans in July. So as a first step, Bush needs to repudiate this precedent explicitly and order the officials at the State and Justice departments who set it to reverse themselves.

A more important step is to revoke the "wet feet, dry feet" policy. Besides preventing legitimate refugees from reaching our shore, it is a cold and unfair way to treat people eager to reach America and freedom. What could be more at odds with America's tradition of accepting refugees--both political and economic refugees--than turning away those who fail by a few feet to reach dry land? Those who got over the Berlin Wall were warmly taken in. Those who escape Cuba's territorial waters should be, too.

There is a fair and compassionate policy that could be quickly put into practice. That is to bring all Cuban refugees ashore and create a process to judge whether they qualify to stay in America. The bias should be heavily in favor of letting them remain here as legal immigrants. After all, they are fleeing a Communist dictatorship. Even if they've left Cuba to improve their lives economically rather than to escape political persecution, what attracted them to the United States was freedom. And economic freedom is closely linked to political freedom. Sent back to Cuba, refugees who were merely seeking jobs will face retribution by Castro almost as harsh as if they were political dissidents.

A new policy on refugees, however, does not solve the bigger problem of Castro. It won't bring freedom to Cuba's 11 million people. What will is regime change. Bush has reversed the gradual normalization of relations with Castro that began under Clinton. Now he needs to go further. How? Treat Cuban dissidents the way we treated anti-Communist dissidents during the Cold War--that is, aid them in every conceivable way. That will require not only money, but also effective ideological warfare. Only that, along with the good Bush has already done, will shake the foundations of Castro's tyranny.

--Fred Barnes, for the Editors

From: [Hector Lans <hl@crosswell.com>](mailto:hl@crosswell.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 7:20:29 PM

Subject: FW: El Nuevo Herald 082303

Attachments: El Nuevo Herald 082303

Jeb: Also for your information on what the Cuban American Foundation is doing.

Regards,
Hector

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Subject: Fwd: El Nuevo Herald 082303

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Posted on Sat, Aug. 23, 2003

Con toda educación

ANDRES REYNALDO

El pez muere por la boca. Aunque sea un pez gordo de Washington.

El jueves 7 de agosto, el enviado especial de Estados Unidos para asuntos hemisféricos, Otto Reich, estuvo en Miami tratando de aplacar el estado de insatisfacción de sus compatriotas y correligionarios ante la política del presidente George W. Bush hacia Cuba.

En una entrevista a Telemundo, conducida por Juan Manuel Cao, Reich se preguntó qué haría el condado de Miami-Dade con un millón de balseros, sin conocimientos de inglés ni educación. Supongo que tenía la intención de asustar. "Si no quieres que Miami se vuelva un infierno, cállate la boca cuando veas repatriar a un cubano." Reich es uno de los pocos exiliados con acceso a la Casa Blanca. Sus opiniones, probablemente tomadas de personas y analistas desligados de la actualidad cubana, pueden convertirse en viciados lineamientos políticos que lastimen a corto y largo plazo la relación de los cubanos de adentro y afuera con los republicanos.

Desde 1959, el exilio ha tenido una actitud de brazos abiertos hacia los recién llegados. Es un mandato de su origen. Esa solidaridad con todo aquél que huye del castrismo obedece a un arraigado principio de identidad. Cuando vemos a un cubano en el Estrecho de la Florida sentimos una responsabilidad ética y una entrañable compasión. Darle la espalda sería una canallada. Y una burla a nuestras tradiciones. La Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre se reveló a tres juanes perdidos en el mar. En sus cinco siglos de historia, nuestra nación ha sido hogar seguro y generoso para los inmigrantes, ya vinieran de Yucatán o Austria.

Sabemos las consecuencias de una inmigración masiva y descontrolada. Ese es el as de espadas en la manga de Fidel. Pero a nosotros no nos compete contener esa jugada. Sería grotesco utilizar a las víctimas para corregir, por defecto, los errores de cuatro décadas de política norteamericana. La Casa Blanca sabrá, mejor que nosotros, por qué las cosas están como están. Tampoco alentamos una estampida caótica. En el fondo, anhelamos que ninguno tuviera que abandonar la isla en busca de un mejor destino. Ahora bien, un cubano en el agua es para nosotros una insoslayable emergencia familiar.

La falta de inglés no debía preocupar a Reich. Al fin y al cabo la economía de Miami avanza sobre los hombros de más de un millón de hispanos (en su mayoría cubanos) que sólo hablan español. Muchos de ellos, mire usted, fieles votantes del Partido Republicano. Y esto no ha sido nunca una desventaja. El inglés, por lo demás, se aprende, según se necesite. De igual manera que aprenden su emergente español los políticos interesados en nuestro voto. Harina de otro costal es lo de la falta de educación. Si Reich se refiere a calidad escolar, eso es debatible. Si a los modales y el grado de urbanidad, bueno, ahí caemos en arenas movedizas. Puestos a medir estos aspectos tendríamos que temer por igual la irrupción de norteamericanos blancos procedentes de algunos espantosos reductos tercermundistas de este mismo estado. Mejor no batir esa mantequilla.

Pero si Reich quiso referirse a la cultura general podríamos rogarle que se muerda la lengua. Porque ofende, confunde, empaña su participación en una futura Cuba democrática y priva a sus amigos norteamericanos de una opinión más alta de nuestro pueblo. Por encima de las terribles lagunas de una información censurada y del aislamiento impuestos por la dictadura, el cubano de la isla se mueve en un ambiente cultural mediterráneo, con valores universales e incentivos intelectuales que en Estados Unidos, por ejemplo, requieren una específica orientación académica. Fue así antes de Fidel y es así a pesar de Fidel.

Por último, Reich se extremó al decir que las críticas a la Casa Blanca era obra de investigadores. Afortunadamente, es uno de esos golpes bajos que conllevan el alivio de una fuerte carga humorística. Los cubanos republicanos demandan que la administración cumpla con ellos como ha cumplido puntual y audazmente con otros compromisos. Les ha entrado, digamos, cierto complejo de inferioridad, y quieren estar seguros de que no son republicanos de segunda. A las petroleras en Alaska no se les modera con la advertencia de irreparables daños ecológicos ni al conglomerado Haliburton se le pide que haga un huequito neoliberal a otros competidores en la bilionaria reconstrucción de Irak. Ellos recibieron la mercancía que compraron. Y ni siquiera tuvieron que salir a votar en la Florida.

Tal vez la culpa sea nuestra. Puede que nos estemos dejando representar por personas que carecen de tiempo o interés para entender nuestros problemas, así como nuestra compleja idiosincrasia. Puede que la Casa Blanca se haya visto obligada a admitir (con gran dolor, claro está) que somos tan deficientes como manipulables. Me pregunto qué pensará de nosotros el señor presidente cuando escucha a Otto Reich. Me pregunto qué sabrá Otto Reich de nosotros.

From: SMcLeanUF@aol.com <SMcLeanUF@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 6:55:50 PM

Subject: McLean Organic Farms Partnership

Hello Governor!

First let me thank you for reappointing me to the South Lake County Hospital District Board. I love doing that job!

My husband, Benny, and sons Matt and Ben and I are currently involved in the organic industry. It has been brought to our attention that the State of Florida owns numerous citrus acreage which was acquired for various environmental reasons. We currently own and also lease citrus land for growing organic oranges and other vegetables. As you know, growing organically means no harmful pesticides or herbicides, and would be a wonderful match for state lands.

Environmentalists love us, and it would be a nice project for the state of Florida to be involved in. It would also provide some income for land that is currently not being farmed or taken care of by the state. Who would we contact concerning a possible lease partnership on current state owned citrus properties?

Visit our website www.unclematts.com to see our operation. You can buy our Uncle Matt's Organic Orange juice at New Leaf Market in Tallahassee or at Publix. Thanks for your help, and thanks for all you have done for the nursing profession!

Susan McLean
Clermont, FL

From: [Diana Morawa <pandalady1224@yahoo.com>](mailto:pandalady1224@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 5:59:09 PM

Subject: Fwd: RE: Radio

Attachments: RE: Radio

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: [Pamela <phenn@zimp.org>](mailto:phenn@zimp.org)

To: ['Diana Morawa'](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 5:28:59 PM

Subject: RE: Radio

When you contact Jeb, let him know that Felos asked Judge Greer to allow Terri to be released back to Hospice today and he granted it. She is gravely ill and this must be against medical advice. We have people contacting Adult Protective Services. This is a move to kill her and it will work. If they stop treating her, she will be dead this weekend.

-----Original Message-----

From: Diana Morawa [mailto:pandalady1224@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 1:27 PM

To: Pamela

Subject: Re: Radio

Oh, boy, I missed it. I didn't get back to the library until today. How did things go? I hope that you didn't have to debate the ass hole! I will be contacting Jeb again today, asking for a presidential cease & desist order, and reprimand from the bar association. I did not get an answer from him when I wrote to tell him that the judge wouldn't change his court date of 9/11 to set the date of the tube pull out! Last time, he promised me he would watch for it! Keep the faith, and pray! Diana

--- Pamela <phenn@zimp.org> wrote:

> I'll be on for just a couple of minutes this evening

> on WMAL (ABC News)

> from Washington just after 7.00 pm. They stream

> audio online at

> www.wmal.com.

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> I'll be following George Felos. It may be nothing

> but a series of beeps.

> ;-)

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> -Pamela Hennessy-

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 5:24:08 PM

Subject: Hey it's me AGAIN

Well my daughter Aria just came in with the mail and says look mom I'm the mother of myself as well. This is ridiculous! Dear Aria E. Guilbeau re: Aria E Guilbeau Your childs good health blah blah blah, give me a break. In the meantime I got a phone call from a friend who just found out he has a 16 year old child in DCF care he never knew he had, he did the DNA test wants his kid but they have to inspect his home, appear in front of judge. He asked me, so when you have a child at the hospital do they follow you home and inspect your home? This is the man that fixed my mom's roof recently. Jeb? You're the boss. I provided the letters addressed to Aria to Altmans office, I told my friend to call Needelmans office. This is beyond the biggest blunder. I went and borrowed money to get my car legal today. You would not believe what I was told at the insurance company in re: Florida. I'm not even going there. I guess Florida can't keep their kids straight, they do get left behind, and your DCF is holding a child hostage at this point. This state needs to start over, it's all wrong. I'm not sure any of this can even be fixed unless everyone is fired. Well, at least my daughter laughed about it and said I guess I am EVE now. She was her own mother as well. Plus she is the mother of her brother. Kinda funny I had to declare bankruptcy after my children were born because the medical bills were so high. But according to these letters I don't exist. This is beyond stupid and there's no excuse for it! All I can say is you're the boss. The boss is always responsible for those underneath him or her. Boy, God is just showing me a little too much. This state has some serious problems but is not taking it seriously. I am gonna sit down and pray that you can give me one good explanation cuz I can't hearing we made a mistake again. This can't be only happening to me. It just can't.

Jan Futch

From: [sidney charles <sidneycharles72@hotmail.com>](mailto:sidneycharles72@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 5:00:26 PM

Subject: RE: Request for meeting with Mayor Shirley Gibson of Miami Gardens City fup

Dear Governor Bush

I hope all is well. This is to let you know that no one has contacted me yet. The Mayor is very anxious to meeting you. Please advise and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Sidney Charles

>From: "Jeb Bush"

>To: "sidney charles"

>Subject: RE: Request for meeting with Mayor Shirley Gibson of Miami Gardens City fup

>Date: Mon, 25 Aug 2003 20:18:28 -0400

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>thank you Sidney. the schedulers will be in touch.

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>Jeb

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>-----Original Message-----

>From: sidney charles [mailto:sidneycharles72@hotmail.com]

>Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 3:53 PM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Subject: Request for meeting with Mayor Shirley Gibson of Miami Gardens

>City

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>Dear Governor Bush

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>Mayor Shirley Gibson of the newly chartered City of Miami Gardens asked

>me to accompany her for a meeting with you to discuss the implementation

>of the new city's infrastructures. FYI, the Miami Gardens City is the

>largest Black City in the State of Florida with 108.000 residents and

>third largest in Dade County. Boundaries of the City: North- South=

>Dade-Broward county line to the Palmetto Exp Way. East-West= North Miami

>ave to NW 57th Ave. (Proplayer Stadium) is located in the city. Your

>consideration would be greatly appreciated at the earliest convenient

>for the meeting. Please let me know if you need any additional

>information and God bless. 305-389-2448.

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>Sincerely,

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>Sidney f. Charles

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 4:42:41 PM

Subject: Original Invitation (OFA)

Attachments: Oliver Project - Gov. Bush.doc

Hello Gov. Bush,

Just one more addition to my previous invitation. I have attached the original invitation.

Thank you, Kate

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From: RUBIKON2@aol.com <RUBIKON2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 4:45:28 PM

Subject: Re: The Biltmore, GBI visit, BioFlorida, et al. & possibly ad nauseum

Thank you Jeb. The team at GBI is excited and overwhelmingly flattered that you would even consider "coming a visitin'" little ole us! We will wait eagerly to hear from the schedulers!

A great outcome of the Biltmore meeting was that (I think) I was able to convince Donna Shalala (even Democrats can be convinced, if I assume her party affiliation correctly, based upon that of her prior boss) that GBI is ready, willing, and able to assist the U of M in getting its technologies off the bench, into the clinic, and thereby generating accelerated and enhanced licensing revenues for the University. Next step....we need to interact with the state universities and offer the same assistance.

I hope that you will also be able to deliver the luncheon speech at BioFlorida's upcoming conference (October 19-20)...Monday lunch, the 20th? Claire has used her inimitable persuasive powers to talk me into chairing a session on how we can attract transgenic biotech companies to Florida. Transgenics, as you recall, is one of the appropriate "fits" with Florida's climate and agricultural/marine assets. I hope to gather a group of industry guru's who can set forth compelling arguments as to how Florida can successfully appeal to this sector without incurring the usual regulatory and containment issues. There are solutions....this is do-able!

How did it go with the VC's? Are they interested in financing Florida biotechs and other high tech industries? Would Betty have a list of those with whom you spoke, and would it be possible for us to contact some of the more likely candidates to look at our expansion plans? We believe that we have been looking for love in the wrong places, as the Mid-Atlantic VC's don't seem to be too interested in Florida. Their loss. In addition, we have quite a number of thinly capitalized clients with great technologies who might be compelled to re-situate in Florida if they had reason to believe that private investment capital could be attainable here.

Finally, a few of the Enterprise Florida folks have gotten wind of, and asked for a copy of my proposal to you. I would like to share, but am uncertain as to whether my candid remarks might offend someone. I hope that you know that no aspersions were intended to be cast, I want only success for EF and for BioFlorida. It was my intention only to share what I see as some areas for improvement, based principally upon my experience with the industry in general and specifically, with other state organizations who have made some rather dramatic strategic errors. It is possible that the draft report I wrote for you would not even be additive to the strategic proposals that Enterprise Florida has already espoused and begun to execute. Should I share, or censor and share, or not share? Your call.

Thanks so much for being overwhelmingly responsive to your constituency. You are the most approachable governor I have ever had the pleasure to know. That might exclude Governor Tawes of Maryland who was my grandfather's drinking buddy, but that might be deemed a bit too approachable, and anyway, it was before my time.

Best regards,

Stephanie

PS--My son Tim is a poli sci major and wants very much to work for your re-election campaign. If he could be of help, is there a contact person who could let him know how best to offer his assistance?

From: [Steve <steve@windhaus.com>](mailto:steve@windhaus.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 4:50:56 PM

Subject: I stand corrected

Yesterday evening I sent you an email explaining the demise of my wife's teaching position. In that email I made a statement suggesting you were straightforward with me "almost" all the time. I stand corrected. While reading today's Wall Street Journal I was provoked to rethink that statement. Don't ask me why. Maybe it was something I was reading or heard on the O'Reilly Factor.

Regardless, I can say, with all sincerity, it appears you have "always" been straightforward in your replies to me.

I thank you for that.

Steve
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From: [Gary Tice <gtice@fnb-corp.com>](mailto:gtice@fnb-corp.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/29/2003 4:03:06 PM

Subject: Re:

Thank you for your kind message. I certainly enjoyed participating in the Economic Development Round Table. It provided an excellent opportunity to meet other Florida business leaders and exchange ideas.

As we discussed, this is an exciting time in Florida, in part due to the many opportunities now available to provide diversity in our economy. Technology has always played a major role in the financial industry so we welcome its presence here in Florida. Thanks for including me in the roundtable discussion.

>>> "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> 8/21/2003 8:20:26 AM >>>

Thank you for taking time out of your schedule to be in Tallahassee yesterday. I believe each participant came away with a better understanding of what we are doing and what we hope to do in Florida. Florida is undergoing a dynamic transformation and I am glad you are playing a part in it. I thank you for being part of the ongoing discussion about the future of technology and its impact on businesses in the state of Florida. We will remain focused on diversifying Florida's economy through creating the next

generation of advances and emerging trends. I hope you continue to engage

and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Jeb Bush

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From: [Christine Neilson <cneilson@hnj.org>](mailto:cneilson@hnj.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 6:07:27 PM

Subject: The new 8th grade class at Holy Name

Dear Governor Bush: We are the members of the new 8th grade at Holy Name Middle School in Indialantic, the Class of 2004. We hope that you will be able to visit us during this school year!

Most sincerely,

Christopher E. Struttmann

Breanne Harris

Ben Wetzel

Ana Walker

Hilary Smith

Raychel Gantt

Tara Slayton

Ian Dawley

Adriana Alzamora

Melissa Bradford

Katie Avila

Irene Sarpoolaki

Marty Walsh

Jordan Hotz

Jenna Hernandez

Lexie Mucci

Kyle Walsh

Ryan McGrath

Julie LaBelle

Mahalia Burford

Matt Szczepanski

Caitlin Borger

Nicole Totty

Kathleen Benjamin

Jason Muth

Jeanne Ambrose

Chris Clark

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Lacie Lussier

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'clewis5040@aol.com'

Date: 8/29/2003 2:53:00 PM

Subject: Fw: schiavo

Jeb Bush

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From: Kristi Hilmoe <hilmoe@dmv.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 10:20:31 2003

Subject: schiavo

Dear Governor Bush,

My children and I have been following the Schiavo case from our safe and comfortable VA home. I read in the Citizen Link email that you wrote a letter to Judge Greer asking him to appoint a legal guardian for Ms Schiavo. I also read that the judge didn't heed your letter and is setting a date for the hearing to plan a date to pull her tube. I am glad you wrote the letter, but I am asking that you don't stop there. My kids, they are 10 and 13, and they can't believe that this can happen here in our country. They are concerned that she will feel the pain and suffering of starvation and cannot understand why anyone would allow that. I don't have the answers for them. I can't even think that we are safe from the same fate, should accident or injury befall us. This is murder, plain and simple. And not a quick painless murder, not even the dignity of a death sentence for a crime committed, but the slow starvation of someone who has already had too much misfortune in her life.

Don't stop at the letter Mr. Bush. I want to tell my kids this story ended well. You have more power than any of us to make that happen. Don't let this judge commit murder. Please keep fighting for her life.

Thank you
Kristi Hilmoe
Oak Hall VA

From: [ron johnson <riverron@digitalusa.net>](mailto:ronjohnson@digitalusa.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Joe Pickens](#)

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[Marietta C. Janutolo](#)

[Hugh Gibson](#)

[Charles Dean](#)

[Anna Cowin](#)

[Johnnie Byrd](#)

[Nancy Argenziano](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:37:05 PM

Subject: DEP taking a wrong turn

Dear Governor Bush,

I have copied this letter to various Senators and State Representatives interested in the welfare of residents in Citrus, Sumter, Marion, and other Florida counties.

Department of **E**nvironmental **P**rotection - It is my understanding that the **DEP** is charged with the protection of our Florida environment; indeed their very existence is for that purpose. When an issue of protecting our environment from pollution arises, they should be part of the solution, not part of the problem. For the **DEP** to ask for an exemption from State and County laws that they are pledged to not only uphold but to also enforce is the biggest wrong turn they could possibly make. To justify this request for an exemption with false or misleading statements is a serious breach of public trust.

The buck stops on your desk, Governor Bush. Please ask the **DEP** not to undermine State and County Laws and seek a positive solution instead of an exemption to Florida Statute 327.65, part 2, which has been adopted by Marion County to protect its citizens from unnecessary noise pollution. The **DEP** is pursuing this avenue strictly to protect their private contractors from the consequences of violating this law. Help put **P**rotection back into the **DEP**.

Ron Johnson
Citizens Group

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'LJaber@PSC.STATE.FL.US'

Date: 8/29/2003 2:51:14 PM

Subject: Re: news article

Great news

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 10:26:04 2003

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August 28, 2003

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To: [Alan Florez](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:46:16 PM

Subject: Hispanic Heritage Month Student Essay

Dear Governor Bush and Alan,

Just an FYI, we're visiting all the principals' offices in our public schools, in order to promote this essay writing contest. May the best student in District 49 win!

Adam Goldman
Legislative Assistant
Rep. John "Q" Quinones
District 49
(407) 935-3777

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From: [Jim Tollerton <Jim@ProfessionalBenefits.org>](mailto:Jim@ProfessionalBenefits.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:30:12 PM

Subject: Taylor Tollerton

Taylor got a call from your office yesterday asking her to come in starting next week to intern in the International Trade office. Thanks very much. I know she'll serve you and the State of Florida well. Coincidentally she also told me she signed up for the College Republicans at FSU yesterday, too.

Thanks very much for your kindness and support.

Jim Tollerton

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From: ODemocracy@aol.com <ODemocracy@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:17:20 PM

Subject: Perfect Voting System + Opportunity Schlorships

Jeb

What did you think of my idea to empower voters, like lottery players, with a method to verify that their vote counted exactly as intended (See: email 8-19-2003 "**Heads Up Re: Touch Screen Voting Machine Issue** ")?

What do you think about a constitutional amendment that gives parents of children attending an over crowded public school an Opportunity Scholarship equal to 80% of the cost of public education?

David Biddulph

Inventor

["Perfect Voting System"](#)

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From: Mike.Stone@dca.state.fl.us <Mike.Stone@dca.state.fl.us>

To: [Faraj, Alia](#)

CC: [Alan Florez](#)

[Faraj, Alia](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

[Press - EOG](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 1:14:57 PM

Subject: RE: Port of Miami shutdown following possible ammonia leak

Alia,

6-persons transported to local hospital, no reports of fatalities.

Mike Stone

Public Information Officer

Division of Emergency Management

Florida Department of Community Affairs

(850)413-9883

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'cbayer7@comcast.net'

Date: 8/29/2003 1:10:27 PM

Subject: Re:

You are most welcome.

Jeb

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To: JEB Bush <bushj@eog.state.fl.us>; Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

CC: charliecrist@comcast.net <charliecrist@comcast.net>

Sent: Fri Aug 29 08:34:09 2003

Subject:

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Chuck Bayer

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us'

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Sent: Fri Aug 29 07:02:13 2003

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Date: 8/29/2003 12:51:35 PM

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Thu Aug 28 23:21:25 2003

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 12:05:01 PM

Subject: College Costs

Governor: You answered my last question a few months ago so I thought I'd seek another piece of info. News reports are full of stories about college costs rising at about 8.5% per year yet we are never told what costs are rising at almost 3 times the rate of inflation. What can you share. Our son starts college in five years and we don't know whether to mortgage the state of Texas or California to pay the anticipated costs.

Mr. William J. Roberts
913 Spruce Court
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547-1021
(850) 863-7031

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Wendy Berger \(BergerW@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:BergerW@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/29/2003 11:18:29 AM

Subject: FW: Paul Hill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Hirsh [mailto:mrhirsh@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 10:48 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Paul Hill

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From: [Germaise, Don <DGermaise@wfts.com>](mailto:DGermaise@wfts.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 10:48:59 AM

Subject: Good Morning

So glad to hear you'll be visiting the beautiful Bay Area today. I'm sure our viewers will benefit from learning about the state's effort to improve urban neighborhoods through Front Porch Florida.

However, they would probably also like to lean your views on two other topics. . . . Optional 12th Grade. Why does a state that prides itself on education believe it's a good idea to cut a year of school? Should the measure be repealed? AND on another education topic. . . . Some local schools & districts, in an effort raise money for education, are now allowing advertising in school books. Is this going too far? First graders learning to read sales ads!!

Wouldn't be the least bit surprised if some over-bearing loud-mouthed reporter shouted questions like those today!!??

See You Later.

Don Germaise
ABC Action News

From: [Jan Bergemann <janberg@aug.com>](mailto:Jan.Bergemann@aug.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 4:34:00 AM

Subject: Thank you!

Dear Governor Bush,

just a short thank-you note for asking DBPR Secretary Diane Carr to create a HOA Task Force. I have been invited to serve on this Task Force and will do my best to represent the consumers' interest. I hope that we will find some good proposals to solve many of the problems homeowners living in associations are facing today.

Thank you for your help!

Warm regards

Jan Bergemann

Cyber Citizens For Justice, Inc.

<http://www.ccfj.net/>

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:34:08 AM

Subject: Hey it's me Jan Futch

The more I look at this letter the angrier I am getting. I called my mom she said it's just a mistake. I am so sick of the mistakes. That's the excuse everyone gives me. There is no mistake. It's wrong. Since your name is on this letter I think you and Rhonda M. Meadows had better get it right. So on top of the "mistake" they made in re: My dad with my daughter there with me. The next "mistake" is improper record keeping from Florida Medicaid. I honestly cannot believe so she says, what's up with that Mom are they gonna get rid of you and I get to take care of Eddie? I am demanding an explanation. I made less than \$12,000 last year. Add that up Jeb! Just add is up. I don't have health care, I don't get anything from this state except mistakes. I could run every single dept with one hand tied behind my back. I am so sad tonight. Why? Why? When I am just trying to do it right, I get shut down and have to cry. What do you guys want me gone? I cannot believe everything I have seen. From watching them dig my dads grave to my face on the front page, to a letter claiming my daughter is a mother of my child. No wonder DCF can't get it right. Every bit of information was provided correctly. How can a 17 year old be the mother of a 16 year old? They got it wrong. I hurt. My mom agrees this is unexcusable. I know my dad would just say What the hell is the matter with these people. Since your name is on it. I guess you are responsible for the letter. I know you really aren't but it sure seems everything my name is on, I read it. So did my dad. Or I have responsible people around me. So much for the new people we hired to run DCF. The irony of this is just God saying you got it all wrong. Aria E. Guilbeau 001452 is my daughter. Senator Howard Futch's granddaughter. My dad and God have shown me enough of the wrongs, I want it right it Jeb. Why this keeps happening to me, God only knows. I wish I could get food stamps also. I am gonna have a breakdown soon. I'm so tired. I can't work, I try, I have to use my dad's old car, but I don't even have the money to get my car registered. I finally got it back but I can't afford the insurance and the tags. I see you pushing for minorities, my mom's attorney is raising money in my dads name for disadvantaged kids. Well, what about my kids? My dad use to take care of us. There's noone now. Just noone except God. To try to keep my daughter believing in Florida after she was refused entry to college since she was withdrawn when my mom had the heartattack they told her she couldn't come back to the community college my dads scholarship is at. Everyone of her teachers was wrong. They did horrible things, except for one. My daughter is holding the wedding jewelry of one her teachers, she tried to kill herself my daughter informed her family, the other was Haridopolis-don't even get me going, the third one drove her home from her final exam at 16. He didn't bring her straight home. Do I need to say MORE!!!!!!!!!! God this is so screwed up. Why me? Why me? I have tried to tell you the truth always. All I get is mistakes and we are so sorry. NO MORE. Make it stop. Your name has been on all these things. Everytime I write to you I look up at our fathers and think they were so good. What happened? I am going to this surf contest this weekend. It's the National Kidney Foundation Fundraiser. The largest fundraiser in the country for the NKF. My grandma died on a dialysis machine. My brother won it before, I won it, and now my son is the defending champion. Pray I win and don't take a bullet between the eyes along with my friend from Merritt Island like we have been threatened. I need the money so I can find a way to Tallahasee to fix the "mistakes" involving my moms plot. It hurts so much, my heart just hurts. Sorry to dump this on you but now I know why children die in the states care. Now, I know why my dad kept trying to make it right. I just wanna sit down and make it all go away. This letter just scares me on top of everything else, it makes it look like I won't be here to be a mother anymore!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:21:23 AM

Subject: Terri Schiabo

Something sure seems suspicious about this story.
What does Terri's husband have to gain if she dies?
What does he have to lose if she lives?

He could just get a divorce and leave her parents to attend her. NO...instead he forbids them from seeing her. What kind of animal does this do to the woman he supposedly loves, and what kind of court allows this to happen without checking the facts?

Terri is NOT in a coma. She responds to all stimuli. She can't talk, but she sure can react to words in the proper way. She is alive and aware, and I am sure she knows "he" is trying to have her killed.

This would be murder. How could a court be a part in the murder of an innocent woman? What is going on with the doctors allowing this? Someone there in Florida should step up for this woman and protect her.

I am so angry about this that I have to hold my tongue (fingers in typing) for why I think this is really occurring. Please, there must be someone, a prosecutor, a judge, a lawyer, a social worker, someone has to protect this woman and her rights.

It will be a sad day when/if this woman is murdered just because her husband doesn't want her to live. If the order comes down to allow her to starve to death, please do the humane thing and give her a shot to put her out of her misery. You wouldn't starve a dog to death would you? I can't believe our society has come to this.

Forgive me for interfering, but someone has to.

Eva Norman

Kentucky

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From: [michelle jacobs <mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>](mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:15:53 AM

Subject: FYI

Hello Governor Bush:

I wanted to ask you if you were invited to The Coalition of Concerned Parents meeting, would you attend?

This meeting would not be open to the public because they are not trying to attack you, they just want to sit down and meet with you and ask questions.

I think this would be great, especially after that letter from you in the Miami Herald day before yesterday.

I think this is a great idea and you need to take advantage of this opportunity. This group went before the school board and had the superintendent and the board members trembling.

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From: Hoyagail@aol.com <Hoyagail@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 2:12:40 AM

Subject: Thanks for your support

Just wanted to keep you posted. I did receive notice today that I will be interviewed for the federal judicial position here in South Florida. My interview is next Thursday at 3:00 p.m.

From: Hial1211@aol.com <Hial1211@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 1:54:27 AM

Subject: FYI

The best from Hialeah...the last statement takes the cake and I certainly hope you don't ever express yourself like that...lol...

Posted on Thu, Aug. 28, 2003

HIALEAH

City's overall crime rate increases slightly

BY MICHAEL VASQUEZ

mrvasquez@herald.com

The number of reported crimes in Hialeah during the first half of this year rose by 6 percent when compared to the same period in 2002, according to figures the Hialeah Police Department recently submitted to state authorities.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement will use those statistics -- along with numbers from cities and counties across the state -- to compile a comprehensive mid-year report scheduled for release in October.

Some Florida police departments have not yet turned in their mid-year data, FDLE officials said, so it is unclear how Hialeah's slight increase in crime will compare to other jurisdictions.

Hialeah Police Chief Rolando Bolaños attributed the rise in part to a weak economy. But he added that an increase was inevitable after nearly a decade of declining crime rates.

"Everything, at one point or another, bottoms out," Bolaños said.

While crime overall in the city increased, the number of aggravated assaults, motor vehicle thefts and forcible rapes dropped from first-half totals in 2002. Aggravated assaults decreased 2 percent, from 481 to 473. Motor vehicle thefts decreased 11 percent, from 1,075 to 960.

The biggest drop came in rapes, which plummeted 48 percent, from 27 in 2002 to 14 this year.

But rises in several other crime categories proved enough to bump up the overall totals. The number of robberies increased 9 percent, from 212 to 231, and burglaries jumped 13 percent, from 792 to 893.

Larcenies increased 11 percent, from 3,280 to 3,638.

Murders in Hialeah stayed at roughly 2002 levels, increasing only slightly from seven to eight.

Despite this year's increase, Hialeah is unlikely to lead Florida in crime rates any time soon. FDLE statistics for all of 2002 showed Hialeah -- the state's fifth-largest city -- as having a lower crime rate than Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa and St. Petersburg, cities ranked first through fourth in population.

Locally, Hialeah also had a lower crime rate than Miami Beach, North Miami and Coral Gables, the county's third, fourth, and fifth largest cities, respectively, prior to the incorporation of Miami Gardens this year as Miami-Dade's third largest municipality.

Bolaños said the city has just approved four additions to the force of 350 officers. Those four officers will specifically patrol Palm Avenue, between 17th Street and Okeechobee Road, historically one of the city's centers of illegal activity.

A tactical force to deal with robberies and burglaries is also on the way, Bolaños said.

Hialeah has no formal citizens' crime watch, but Bolaños said the police department does take account of citizen input when deciding where to focus its efforts.

From: ghbeasl@bellsouth.net <ghbeasl@bellsouth.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 1:49:55 AM

Subject: Union Update

Attachments: (no subject)



From: MSGBeasley@aol.com <MSGBeasley@aol.com>

To: Goingloud45@aol.com

Date: 8/29/2003 12:15:02 AM

Subject: (no subject)

Hi I want to thank you for you letter to the Judge on behalf of Terri Schindler-Schiavo. I am proud of your attempt to have someone impartial look at the case. I am writing this as an up date on what we are doing for political issues in the UTD. I formed an on-line interactive caucus to oppose the status quo of the UTD. They elected me the President, it was unopposed and my main function was to select a slate. I have formed our slate in a well balanced manor. It is not left or right but inclusive. The guys from AFT have implemented more than twenty different reforms that our group has submitted. We are in every Caucus and in every Committee, actively directing where AFT is making reforms. There were some things going on that were done without us, that is ended. Mark Richard will wait for us before taking any other positions. I.e. the protest of third grade retention. He is waiting on us to set a position on the 18 vs. 24 credits. It will be a neutral position where we just provide information to help the parents in obtaining the facts about the different options to help them decide. Most of us are for higher standards and holding students back who have not mastered the required tasks for their level. The word in the field is that more than half of the Building Stewards are lobbying for us in the Spotlight Caucus. It is clear that we will have a clean sweep in the coming election changing of the UTD leadership. I still have two positions to fill, any ideas? Tom James, Jim Kononoff, Bert Dean and myself were the forming element of the Republican action group, a Republican Caucus in the UTD. We are scheduled to meet with the Dade delegation on the 16th of September. Could you encourage the Republicans from Miami to meet with us at that luncheon. That leftist stuff is gone and we want to seriously work on education. Your support would mean a lot.

GOD Bless you and yours,
Ronald Beasley
Airborne Ranger (Ret)
Native American
Teacher North Miami Sr.
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From: Thecarold@aol.com <Thecarold@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 1:25:34 AM

Subject: Thank you

for helping to preserve Cypress Gardens, one of Florida's true treasures. It is the real FLorida.. not glitzy or dazzing, but beautiful , natural, & wholesome.

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 12:36:47 AM

Subject: Re: again requesting assistance

Thank so much for meeting with Idelio. It really meant the world to him. There are so many capable individuals like him who can dispell every meaningless and inaccurate stereotype. I realize change will take time, but I have faith that we will change history one person at a time.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 08/28/2003 07:50:06 PM

Subject: RE: FW: again requesting assistance

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Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 7:19 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Sincerely,

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From: sara.struhs@comcast.net <sara.struhs@comcast.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Denver Stutler](#)

Date: 8/29/2003 12:19:46 AM

Subject: FDLE transition team

FYI -

Jerry Demings is fully on board for the FDLE transition team

Sheriff Crowder, Chief Rumbley, Peter Powers, William Meggs, Ernie George, Hector Pesquera, Quincee Messersmith.

press release with announcement of the team will go out tomorrow AM

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From: [Steve <steve@windhaus.com>](mailto:steve@windhaus.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:48:51 PM

Subject: Re: A very long, passing thought

Myra, had a certain time period in which to pass all the teacher certification exams. She didn't do it in time. She has two down and two to go. However the state requires these tests be passed within a certain time period. As such, she lost her instructional job. She now works in a non-instructional position assisting the ESOL and other teachers communicating with the ESOL students in ESOL and other classes.

She is qualified for her job, but not according to the tests. That is why I conveyed to you some time ago that Florida may want to consider the certification process in Washington State. You teach only in your discipline. There is, I believe, a battery of one or two tests all teachers must take. All other evaluation is conducted on the local level between the teacher, a peer teacher and a representative of the local school district's administration. I suggested the State of Florida look into that process and evaluate the results of Washington State's procedures. However, that is really not a big concern for Florida anymore. I have personally come to the conclusion that so many people have lost jobs in other areas of the country. They are flocking to Florida. I seriously doubt there will be a lack of teachers in this state.

In short, the sadness of this situation is that Bill Vogel lost teachers who had not yet passed all the teacher exams, some of which are for disciplines in which they teach not a single class.

I wonder how well you would do going back a taking a calculus test. The same holds for me. I would have to study and study to prepare for a calc test. And that would be for course work I took 20 years ago. And if I was to teach in the State of Florida, it would be in business administration, not math. Still I would have to take the math test, English test and whatever else is served up in the certification process.

In the end, I guess this is God's way of moving me on elsewhere. But do know this. I really respect the manner in which you treated me. There was no "talking down", and with very rare exception, you spoke straight. You took on all my challenges. There are so few of you.

Oh, and regarding my business, the economy took its toll on me. My livelihood is based on new business creation, not necessarily new job creation.

Venture capital has been dead, for the most part, for two years. Yes, the Wall Street Journal suggests renewed life in the high tech corridors, but there are none like that in this state. That is why I am considering the return to Texas. The corridor in an around Austin will likely make things a little more opportune for me. The only alternative would be the North Carolina high tech triangle.

God Bless,
Steve

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Steve](#)

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 6:53 PM

Subject: RE: A very long, passing thought

thank you Steve. I appreciate your writing and wish it wasn't full of distressing news. I know it doesn't make you feel better but Florida leads the nation in job growth and indications are that we are continuing to grow at a pace that is the envy of the nation. However, I fully understand that this growth has not occurred for all.

regarding your wife, I am confused about why she lost her status. Can you explain with a little more detail?

Jeb

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From: Steve [mailto:steve@windhaus.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 11:58 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: A very long, passing thought

Jeb, as you may recall, I am a very independent voter. I have no political affiliations. Therefore, I vote what I believe best for my family and country. I try to make decisions with a sense of morality, decency and what is best for all, even if it means I must make personal sacrifices.

I share the following matter with you, with hopes your brother may have the opportunity to understand the trials and tribulations of a small business owner, a small business owner who now believes his President needs to take immediate steps to justify the level of sacrifice we are making in this country, economically and personally.

Granted, I cannot claim to have family or close friends, in the military, who are in harm's way at this time. My older brother is an INS agent in the Rio Grande Valley (Texas), but that is it in that regard.

I recall being very trusting of your brother's decisions regarding the movement into Afghanistan and Iraq to deal with terrorists and others threatening our country's security and freedom. I know many people took very strong positions for and against your brother in Iraq. I took to the position of not really being qualified to know. I prayed to God that your brother would take the necessary actions based on knowledge not available to the citizenry at large.

Now a lot of water has passed under the bridge. I feel very strongly that the French, Germans and Russians took positions against us for strictly economic reasons. Other countries bowed to their pressures. We would left with a rather rag-tag group of supporters. I stayed the course in belief the actions were necessary. I suspect, despite the severe lack of evidence about the weapons of mass destructions, your brother made decisions many others would have made had they known the facts as he knew them. I think it rather sophomoric to believe your brother would have done this strictly for oil or because Hussein attempted to kill your father. I would have certainly found a much more discreet manner to take the man's life had it been his intent.

Regardless, the fact of the matter is, I am now at the point the whole chain of events from the 2000 recession, 9/11, Afghanistan, Iraq and the resultantly sluggish economy have torn through my ability to provide for the needs of my family. My business has taken a very heavy toll, and the state of the economy is the sources of my professional problems.

I have had several contract opportunities fail to materialize due to the lack of venture capital, more conservative loan policies at commercial banks, uncertainty about the economy, layoffs, and so many people unwilling to take a chance on the future until they see something of substance that makes them believe the economy is really rebounding.

I can recite a list of story after story of lost contracts and opportunities, because of this overall malaise. I have now placed my one real estate holding, apart from our residence, up for sale. I have to, or there will not be enough money to pay the bills in the next month or two.

I am applying for Florida KidCare. I have no alternatives to it at this time.

The area where I reside is a booming real estate, construction and tourist economy (the Treasure Coasts sans Palm Beach County). However, business planners are not in demand around here.

I have tried everything possible to attract business. I have purchased software designed to enhance our web sites, opened a new web site (windhaus.org) to attract those would don't want a business plan, but are willing to contract a marketing plan. They don't appreciate the value of a business plan, but a marketing plan is more to the point for them - where's the money? They worry about fiscal responsibility and planning later.

I have outstanding invoices on a HUD project in Fort Pierce, but the problems with the local community development corporation sponsoring the project are such the city does not want to issue funds for payment of invoices, and with some justification.

The wife and I have not reached the point that consideration is being given to leaving this state. Now I am thinking of returning home - Texas. Perhaps the foothills area between Austin and San Antonio may provide us more opportunity. The nature of my business is more attuned to the high-tech corridor in that area, and my wife can apply for a teaching position in a local school district. She has slaved to pass the state teacher certification exams here. In fact, she just passed her second exam. She is half way there. However, the inability of local school districts to keep a teacher under temporary certification due to progress being made toward fulfillment of the requirements resulted in my wife losing an ESOL teaching position for which she was completely qualified based on student response, student performance, her knowledge of the subject area and the level of admiration and respect held toward her by her peers and administrators. Even Bill Vogel felt very sad state guidelines could not be overcome to save her and several like her from having to lose their jobs. She now has a non-instructional position in the ESOL program and has had her salary cut by 66%.

So the bottom line is this....this economy and other issues for which government is not responsive to legitimate claims will likely result in my leaving this state and voting for another candidate (most reluctantly) in the upcoming presidential elections.

Granted, things can change for the better, but until that happens I see no change in our future plans for the next 8 to 12 months.

I share this with you in the hopes you will share this delimita with your brother. I know it to be somewhat common. Unemployment has grown, the actual unemployment rate is likely higher than indicated due to those simply no longer filing claims, and the beat just keeps going on. I speak with associates in my field alone. I know they are suffering. Some business planners are no longer around. If it wasn't for the faith my wife places in me, and my continued confidence in my abilities (and I do good work), I probably would have shut down my operation a long time ago.

There isn't a day that passes that I don't get down on my knees at night, before going to bed, asking God to help me endure, emotionally and spiritually. I recognize we all have an opportunity to grow, and that God grants us those moments to become even better than before. I have assumed that is what God has delivered to my doorstep.

I also believe God expects me to act on the well-being of my family. I am not making here, now and under these circumstances. Unless, God is simply testing me, that things will suddenly shift, I must move on. Maybe God wants me to go back home. I really don't know. But I can't support this President any longer under these circumstances. I need a reason to believe my sacrifices are justified. And I don't see that right now.

God Bless You & Yours.
Steve

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Mike Allen'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:27:44 PM

Subject: RE: Dear Mr. Presidents Brother, and the finest Governor Florida has ever had.

[thank you Mike for sharing your comments.](#)

jeb

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Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 5:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Dear Mr. Presidents Brother, and the finest Governor Florida has ever had.

PLEEZ DISREGARD ALL THE HORSE MANURE E-MAILS YOU HAVE GOTTEN ABOUT THE LADY THAT IS IN THE COMA. THE PARENTS ARE BROKE AND ARE TRYING TO GET SOME OF THE MONEY THE HUSBAND GOT AS A SETTLEMENT.

IT IS ALL ABOUT JEALOUSY OVER MONEY.... PERIOD. THE PARENTS ARE ASSHOLES AT THE VERY BEST AND THE FACT IS,,, TERRY ALWAYS SAID, IF I EVER GET TO A STATE WHERE I AM IN A "VEGGIE STATE" OF EXISTANCE... DO ME AND SOCIETY A FAVOR AND TAKE ME OUT.

THE PARENTS WANTED SOME OF THE SETTLEMENT MONEY BEFORE THEY WOULD SIGN OFF AND THE HUSBAND SAID NO..... SO HERE WE ALL ARE, WASTING TIME ON A POUR SOUL WHO SHOULD HAVE BET LET GO LONG BEFORE NOW.

AS FAR AS OPINIONS GO.... WHAT WOULD BE WRONG WITH THE USA TAKING AS MUCH OIL AS NECESSARY TO PAY US BACK FOR ALL THE CRAP WE ARE GOING THROUGH IN THE STINKING LOW LIFE MIDDLE EAST????? AND WHERE WAS AND IS, ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE CONCERNING TERROISM, OSAMA AND SADDAM??.... I PERSONALLY AM SICK AND TIRED OF GOING IT ALONE IN THE MIDDLE EAST WHEN THE SUPPORT OF ISRAEL COSTS SO MUCH AND GIVES US SO LITTLE IN RETURN.... PUT THEM IN CHARGE OF ALL OF THE MIDDLE EAST.

SAY, WE BACK THE JEWS, BUT IN RETURN, THE JEWS HAVE TO SORT OUT ALL OF THE BUSINESSES, SCHOOLING, HOSPITALS, WATER, POWER AND SO ON. AMERICA JUST SITS BACK AND TAKES A HEFTY PERCENTAGE IN THE FORM OF MONEY AND OIL.

THAT WOULD TEACH THE MUSLIMS TO MESS WITH THE USA, ALWAYS WISHING DEATH TO THE JEWS AND PEOPLE LIKE US WITH MONEY AND POWER. MAKE THE JEWS THE KINGS OF THE MIDDLE EAST AND PUT THE SAUDI'S IN SECOND POSITION TO THE WISHES OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE. SAME GOES WITH IRAN, YEMEN, EGYPT, LEBANON, ET AL.

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY.....

RESPECTFULLY

MIKE ALLEN

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:26:44 PM

Subject: FW: HOMESTEAD BX MART CLOSING fup

We should show our support in a businesslike way.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Fulghum Steven R COL 482FW/CC [mailto:Steven.Fulghum@homestead.af.mil]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 3:51 PM

To: FL_Governor (E-mail); Jeb Bush

Subject: HOMESTEAD BX MART CLOSING

Importance: High

GOVERNOR BUSH,

SIR, THE DOCUMENT BELOW IS A LETTER TO SENATOR NELSON SHOWING THE PROPOSAL TO CLOSE OUR BX MART THIS DECEMBER. I FULLY REALIZE IS HAS BEEN LOSING MONEY SINCE IT WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED. THIS WAS ANTICIPATED UNTIL THE HOMESTEAD AREA STARTED TO GET REVITALIZED WHICH IS FINALLY HAPPENING. THE AREA WILL NOW HAVE SUFFICIENT AND VARIED TYPES OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING WHICH WILL THEN ALLOW FOR MILITARY RETIREES TO RETURN. I FULLY REALIZE THERE WILL BE A TIME THAT IF IT DOES NOT OBTAIN PROFITABILITY IT SHOULD CLOSE DOWN. HOWEVER, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT TIME IS THIS YEAR.

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VERY RESPECTFULLY,

COL STEVE FULGHUM
COMMANDER



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The Honorable Bill Nelson
United States Senate
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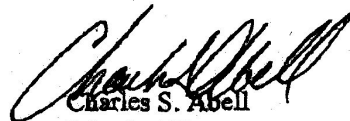
Dear Senator Nelson:

This informs you of the Department's intention to close the combined commissary and exchange store at Homestead Air Reserve Base, FL, by December 31, 2003. Paragraph 4.6.4 of DoD Directive 1330.9, in conjunction with paragraph 5-105 of DoD 1330.17-R, allows the Department to consider establishing a combined store where the active duty population assigned to an installation is under 100. However, paragraph E8.5.1.7 of DoD Instruction 1330.21 requires that combined stores be economically viable and not impact MWR dividends negatively. The Homestead ARB combined store has suffered operating losses since its inception.

Section 336 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996, Public Law 104-106 authorized the use of appropriated funds to offset combined store commissary losses, limited to 25 percent of the appropriated fund support provided in the final year that the Defense Commissary Agency operated a commissary at the location. This level of appropriated fund support would be insufficient to establish solvency.

The Homestead ARB combined store has not established economic viability and continually operates at a loss, which negatively affects both exchange profitability and MWR dividends.

Sincerely,


Charles S. Abell
Principal Deputy

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Fulghum Steven R COL 482FW/CC'

BCC: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:25:44 PM

Subject: RE: HOMESTEAD BX MART CLOSING

I am on the case.

Jeb

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['JJJ1044@aol.com'](mailto:JJJ1044@aol.com)
Date: 8/28/2003 11:21:26 PM
Subject: RE: CYPRESS GARDENS

I am sorry you disagree. I believe the Gardens have preservation and historic value and should be protected in some fashion. I really appreciate your taking the time to express your view.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: JJP1044@aol.com [mailto:JJP1044@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 10:43 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

It is seldom that I disagree with your actions...This is one of those times.

It seems to me that if the State does not have money to fund the necessities (as the current "poor mouthing" goes) then the State certainly does not have the money to fund a luxury like Cypress Gardens. Especially since it is not financially viable.

Jonni J Post

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Fred Brummer'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:06:34 PM

Subject: RE: wekiva coordinating committee

[what are your feelings after the meeting?](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Fred Brummer [mailto:fredbrummer@earthlink.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 5:42 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: wekiva coordinating committee

Governor Bush: It is disappointing that an proposal to complete a limited access beltway around Orlando has become an effort to enhance the power and authority of the Department of Community Affairs.

Fred Brummer

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Direct.From.Disney@waltdisneyworld.com'

Date: 8/28/2003 11:01:22 PM

Subject: RE: MouseMail: An Update for Community Leaders

[thank you for the update.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Direct from Disney [mailto:Direct.From.Disney@waltdisneyworld.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 6:35 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: MouseMail: An Update for Community Leaders



MouseMail - Walt Disney World Update for Community Leaders

August 28, 2003



James M. Lewis, Sr. Vice President, Walt Disney World Co.

The Central Florida community recently joined efforts to support the Heart of Florida United Way's Days of Caring campaign. Today, we are proud to recognize the efforts of hundreds of Disney VoluntEARS who committed more than 1,000 hours to 15 projects. Nine local non-profit agencies benefited from our Cast Members' service. Those organizations include BETA Center, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida, Children's Home Society, Coalition for the Homeless, Community Coordinated Care for Children, Harbor House, Orlando Day Nursery, Osceola County Council on Aging, and Seniors First. Thank you, Disney VoluntEARS!

Rasulo Named Chair of National Tourism Board

Jay Rasulo, President, Walt Disney Parks and Resorts, will serve as chair of the newly created United States Travel and Tourism Promotion Advisory Board. The board will advise United States Department of Commerce Secretary Don Evans on the best strategies to increase the number of international visitors to the United States. The advisory board is comprised of 15 senior U.S. travel and tourism industry experts from across the nation. Approximately 130 candidates applied through a competitive process to be members of the board. For more information on the U.S. Travel and Tourism Promotion Advisory Board, visit their website at www.tinet.ita.doc.gov/about/us_promo_campaign/index.html.

New Epcot® Attraction Mission: SPACE is Out of This World

Mission: SPACE at **Epcot** featured its soft opening for guests this month and already guest feedback is *out of this world*. The new thrill ride is quickly becoming a popular attraction at the theme park. It took years of training and research to develop Disney's newest e-ticket attraction open now at **Epcot**. Walt Disney Imagineering worked with present and former NASA advisors, astronauts and scientists from the California Institute of Technology's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, and Imagineers experienced astronaut and pilot training simulators at facilities throughout the United States during the research phase of the project.

Disney Vacation Club Gears up for Expansion

Membership sales for Disney's Saratoga Springs Resort & Spa, the newest vacation ownership property at the **Walt Disney World®** Resort, began in August and are off to a strong start. The first phase of the resort is scheduled to open next spring. When complete, Disney's Saratoga Springs Resort & Spa will be the largest Disney Vacation Club at the **Walt Disney World** Resort and will also be the location for the new sales operations headquarters for Disney Vacation Club.

Tom Joyner Hosts First Family Reunion - Disney Style

Syndicated radio personality Tom Joyner, whose morning radio show reaches 8 million listeners weekly, is hosting his first "Family Reunion" event at the **Walt Disney World** Resort, August 28 through September 1. Hundreds of families from across the country will attend the Tom Joyner Family Reunion to enjoy special events and exclusive parties. Florida residents can purchase tickets to the Tom Joyner Family Reunion Saturday Night Party at the **Disney-MGM Studios** Theme Park. The party will feature performances by national recording acts such as LL Cool J, Destiny's Child, teen rapper Lil' Romeo, and Maze featuring Frankie Beverly.

Wildlife Conservation Efforts Get Big Boost from Disney

Endangered species received a big boost in July when the Disney Wildlife Conservation Fund (DWCF) awarded more than \$1 million to 42 non-profit organizations that focus on protecting wildlife and wild places. This year, 68 projects were funded for work underway in 35 countries - from the forests of South America to the aquamarine waters of the Caribbean.

Animal Kingdom Executive Shares Expertise

Dr. Beth Stevens, Vice President, Disney's Animal Kingdom and Disney's Animal Programs, has been elected vice president of the American Zoo and Aquarium Association (AZA) for 2004, and is expected to lead the organization as president in 2005. AZA's vision is to work cooperatively to save and protect the wonders of the living natural world. Both The Living Seas at **Epcot** and **Disney's Animal Kingdom®** Theme Park are accredited AZA facilities. For more information about the AZA, visit their website at www.aza.org.

New Initiative Provides Tools for Central Florida Teachers

Walt Disney World Co. will introduce a **Teacherrific Symposium** on September 20 for 1,500 teachers and administrators from public schools in six counties. Nationally acclaimed speakers will discuss how to apply developmental assets - building blocks of healthy youth development - to the classroom. A box full of resource materials from the *Search Institute*, a leading research organization on child development, will be shipped to all participating schools. The symposium will prepare teachers to apply for the **2003 Disney's Teacherrific Awards**, part of our company's community initiative, **DisneyHand - Helping Kids Shine**.

❑ **Disney Engineers Recognized for Outstanding Accomplishments**

True to its commitment to provide outstanding experiences for all guests, the **Walt Disney World** Resort has been selected to receive the 2003 da Vinci Award for creativity and innovation on behalf of individuals with disabilities. Disney engineers developed new handheld captioning devices that allow guests who are deaf or hard-of-hearing to read captions while enjoying Disney attractions. By the end of this year, 30 **Walt Disney World** attractions will feature this free service. The Engineering Society of Detroit and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society present the award.

❑ **Orange County Schools Recognize Disney Leader**

On July 22, Orange County Public School (OCPS) leaders honored Bill Kivler, Walt Disney World Co. technical director of Global Engineering, for leading a team of loaned executives who developed an improvement report on school facilities maintenance systems. OCPS Superintendent Ron Blocker said Kivler and the Disney team is saving the district millions of dollars by updating its maintenance operations and design/construction programs.

❑ **Minority Contractors Gain Insight to Future Projects**

Minority and women-owned businesses had a chance to learn more about future Disney projects after a recent forum at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort. This first-time event featured executives from Walt Disney Imagineering and Walt Disney World Co. Procurement Services. Suppliers from at least 90 organizations attended the forum and gained insight into future construction opportunities at the **Walt Disney World** Resort.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['RUBIKON2@aol.com'](mailto:RUBIKON2@aol.com)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
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[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:54:40 PM

Subject: RE: The Biltmore and your visit to GBI fup

[thank you stephanie. Yes, I hope to be able to come a visitin'. The schedulers will be in touch.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: RUBIKON2@aol.com [mailto:RUBIKON2@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 8:24 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: The Biltmore and your visit to GBI

Dear Governor Bush,

It was a real pleasure to finally meet you last Friday at the Biltmore....also especially gratifying to hear you speak about the Florida business initiatives already underway and those in the works. I hope, for Florida's sake, and believe that you will be the first governor to succeed in expanding the state's industrial base.

As we discussed, might you be able to make a visit to Goodwin Biotechnology when you are in South Florida next? Would it be possible for you to give us some tentative dates that you might be able to stop by? We would be honored, and also believe that it might prove to be an insightful visit for you. As a biopharmaceutical manufacturer, we represent a microcosm of the biotech industry, and if successful in executing our growth strategy, could represent a tremendous magnet to pull biotech business into Florida. I just read an article in Clean Rooms Technology describing how various states are trying to attract bio-manufacturing as the initial hub of their biotech initiatives. There aren't many states that have such a nucleus, but I am proud to say that Florida does---and it is GBI. We just need to grow!

Thanks for sharing your time with us last week.

Best regards,

Stephanie Finnegan, CEO, GBI

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Steve'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:53:36 PM

Subject: RE: A very long, passing thought

thank you Steve. I appreciate your writing and wish it wasn't full of distressing news. I know it doesn't make you feel better but Florida leads the nation in job growth and indications are that we are continuing to grow at a pace that is the envy of the nation. However, I fully understand that this growth has not occurred for all.

regarding your wife, I am confused about why she lost her status. Can you explain with a little more detail?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve [mailto:steve@windhaus.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 11:58 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: A very long, passing thought

Jeb, as you may recall, I am a very independent voter. I have no political affiliations. Therefore, I vote what I believe best for my family and country. I try to make decisions with a sense of morality, decency and what is best for all, even if it means I must make personal sacrifices.

I share the following matter with you, with hopes your brother may have the opportunity to understand the trials and tribulations of a small business owner, a small business owner who now believes his President needs to take immediate steps to justify the level of sacrifice we are making in this country, economically and personally.

Granted, I cannot claim to have family or close friends, in the military, who are in harm's way at this time. My older brother is an INS agent in the Rio Grande Valley (Texas), but that is it in that regard.

I recall being very trusting of your brother's decisions regarding the movement into Afghanistan and Iraq to deal with terrorists and others threatening our country's security and freedom. I know many people took very strong positions for and against your brother in Iraq. I took to the position of not really being qualified to know. I prayed to God that your brother would take the necessary actions based on knowledge not available to the citizenry at large.

Now a lot of water has passed under the bridge. I feel very strongly that the French, Germans and Russians took positions against us for strictly economic reasons. Other countries bowed to their pressures. We would left with a rather rag-tag group of supporters. I stayed the course in belief the actions were necessary. I suspect, despite the severe lack of evidence about the weapons of mass destructions, your brother made decisions many others would have made had they known the facts as he knew them. I think it rather sophomoric to believe your brother would have done this strictly for oil or because Hussein attempted to kill your father. I would have certainly found a much more discreet manner to take the man's life had it been his intent.

Regardless, the fact of the matter is, I am now at the point the whole chain of events from the 2000 recession, 9/11, Afghanistan, Iraq and the resultantly sluggish economy have torn through my ability to provide for the needs of my family. My business has taken a very heavy toll, and the state of the economy is the sources of my professional problems.

I have had several contract opportunities fail to materialize due to the lack of venture capital, more conservative loan policies at commercial banks, uncertainty about the economy, layoffs, and so many people unwilling to take a chance on the future until they see something of substance that makes them believe the economy is really rebounding.

I can recite a list of story after story of lost contracts and opportunities, because of this overall malaise. I have now placed my one real estate holding, apart from our residence, up for sale. I have to, or there will not be enough money to pay the bills in the next month or two.

I am applying for Florida KidCare. I have no alternatives to it at this time.

The area where I reside is a booming real estate, construction and tourist economy (the Treasure Coasts sans Palm Beach County). However, business planners are not in demand around here.

I have tried everything possible to attract business. I have purchased software designed to enhance our web sites, opened a new web site (windhaus.org) to attract those would don't want a business plan, but are willing to contract a marketing plan. They don't appreciate the value of a business plan, but a marketing plan is more to the point for them - where's the money? They worry about fiscal responsibility and planning later.

I have outstanding invoices on a HUD project in Fort Pierce, but the problems with the local community development corporation sponsoring the project are such the city does not want to issue funds for payment of invoices, and with some justification.

The wife and I have not reached the point that consideration is being given to leaving this state. Now I am thinking of returning home - Texas. Perhaps the foothills area between Austin and San Antonio may provide us more opportunity. The nature of my business is more attuned to the high-tech corridor in that area, and my wife can apply for a teaching position in a local school district. She has slaved to pass the state teacher certification exams here. In fact, she just passed her second exam. She is half way there. However, the inability of local school districts to keep a teacher under temporary certification due to progress being made toward fulfillment of the requirements resulted in my wife losing an ESOL teaching position for which she was completely qualified based on student response, student performance, her knowledge of the subject area and the level of admiration and respect held toward her by her peers and administrators. Even Bill Vogel felt very sad state guidelines could not be overcome to save her and several like her from having to lose their jobs. She now has a non-instructional position in the ESOL program and has had her salary cut by 66%.

So the bottom line is this....this economy and other issues for which government is not responsive to legitimate claims will likely result in my leaving this state and voting for another candidate (most reluctantly) in the upcoming presidential elections.

Granted, things can change for the better, but until that happens I see no change in our future plans for the next 8 to 12 months.

I share this with you in the hopes you will share this delimita with your brother. I know it to be somewhat common. Unemployment has grown, the actual unemployment rate is likely higher than indicated due to those simply no longer filing claims, and the beat just keeps going on. I speak with associates in my field alone. I know they are suffering. Some business planners are no longer around. If it wasn't for the faith my wife places in me, and my continued confidence in my abilities (and I do good work), I probably would have shut down my operation a long time ago.

There isn't a day that passes that I don't get down on my knees at night, before going to bed, asking God to help me endure, emotionally and spiritually. I recognize we all have an opportunity to grow, and that God grants us those moments to become even better than before. I have assumed that is what God has delivered to my doorstep.

I also believe God expects me to act on the well-being of my family. I am not making here, now and under these circumstances. Unless, God is simply testing me, that things will suddenly shift, I must move on. Maybe God wants me to go back home. I really don't know. But I can't support this President any longer under these circumstances. I need a reason to believe my sacrifices are justified. And I don't see that right now.

God Bless You & Yours.
Steve

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From: [Belynda Shadoan <ShadoanB@dfs.state.fl.us>](mailto:ShadoanB@dfs.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:50:05 PM

Subject: Florida Health Insurance Symposium Update

Attachments: Email Invitation_08282003.doc

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['JC Krall'](#)

CC: [Ken Haddad \(Ken.Haddad@fwc.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Ken.Haddad@fwc.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:48:32 PM

Subject: RE: former boys stater fup

JC, thank you for writing. I am asking that Ken Haddad write you to clear up any issues regarding speed zones in the Indian River Lagoon. I love fishing as well and I hope I can take you up on your kind invite.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: JC Krall [mailto:bballsurferkid@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 10:30 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: former boys stater

hello

My name is jc krall. I participated in the 60th anniversary of Boys State. You mentioned in your talk to us that if we had any questions that you were not able to get to that we could email you. Well i have a question that I really would like to know how you feel and what you are going to do about the problem. Your answer might help me with a topic I must write about at school for our senior project. Obviously you know that Florida is the fishing capital of the world, and that 3.4 million people come to Florida each year to fish. I am sure you also know that 70,000+ jobs deal with fishing in Florida. As for me I live in New Smyrna Beach (shark bite capital) but i think is more famously known for its Mosquito Lagoon. The lagoon is a sure place to hook up with a red fish or trout: as you probably know since you are an avid fisherman. So to get to the point I want to know what you are going to do about the restrictions that are being put on the lagoon because of the manatee. There is talk that they are going to make the hole thing a no-motor zone. This talk really strikes me at home. I have countless friends that their dad is a guide in the lagoon and even closer my uncle is an offshore captain. I personally spend every free moment I have on the water. Making the lagoon a no motor zone would absolutely destroy the economy. How is a guide supposed to take customers to fish 5 miles away with out a motor. If he was crazy enough to try and pole that distance I don't think any customer would want to take that ride. Also a manatee is not native to Florida and as aerial surveys show there are more manatees now than ever. Why do we need to add more and new restrictions when obviously what is already in place has been working. Thank you for taking the time to read this. I hope you have time to answer this because it will really help with my persuasive paper I have to write.

Thank you

JC Krall

ps. If you ever want to tug on a red fish or have the desire to go offshore and catch sails, grouper and snapper I can hook you up.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['SaveCypressGdns@aol.com'](mailto:SaveCypressGdns@aol.com)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:37:31 PM

Subject: RE: Saving Cypress Gardens

Thank you for the info.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: SaveCypressGdns@aol.com [mailto:SaveCypressGdns@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 11:46 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Saving Cypress Gardens

In a message dated 08/26/03 6:14:09 AM, jeb@jeb.org writes:

<< Thanks, Jean. We will take up the issue this morning.

Jeb >

Dear Governor Bush:

What a wonderful session on Tuesday! It was so gratifying to hear the support for Cypress Gardens from you and the other cabinet members. We are very appreciative.

I was the one who was so appalled that no one from the county or the task force seemed to know what the land use designation was for the properties, I was searching the room for two people who should have had the facts at their fingertips. I knew all the answers Tuesday but did not have the podium. You finally said you would take these issues up at a later time. Therefore, I hope you will take the time to read the following pertinent information:

The 10 acres which supposedly has the 5 million dollar contract on it is TCC - Tourist Commercial Center. It is NOT Commercial, however the permitted uses of TCC and NAC or CC are somewhat similar. I do not know what the potential buyer's intent of use is, however, I sense it would be commercial retail. TCC does allow retail - with a Level 3 review (planning commission) for anything over a small establishment. I have that information for all uses also, if you need it.

The gardens are a mainly TCC, some R1, R3, and R4 (residential one, three, four dwelling units per acre) and about 12 acres ROC (recreation and open space) along the lake. Interestingly, the large triangular shaped property on Cypress Gardens Blvd. was just changed to TCC from residential last summer! The rectangular piece that is not included in the 107 acres, but lies west of

Helena Road appears to be about half TCC and half R4. Why do the owners want to hang onto this piece? There are several large buildings on this parcel which were never accessible by the public. Could these buildings hold equipment needed to operate Cypress Gardens? Could they hold electrical generators, pumps (irrigation is pumped from Lake Eloise), or some other equipment which is basic to the operation of Cypress Gardens? Why do they want this parcel excluded from the deal?

I was also shocked to hear that the 7 acre peninsula was sold! This parcel, as you probably know, was cleared of some beautiful buttress cypress trees, osprey nests, and other flora and fauna. SWFWMD is doing boring soil analysis to determine which parts are/were wetland and have issued some fines. The owners, First Gardens (aka Cypress Gardens) have told SWFWMD they "merely cleared some invasive species from the property" and have no plans for development. A friend of mine was shown a lot on the parcel which was available for \$200,000. According to Polk County planning department and the land codes, a residential development cannot go in that location without BoCC (level 4) approval. The Land Development Code states that no development can enter through residential property. (Just prior to the clearing First Gardens, aka Cypress Gardens, bought a small parcel from the estate of Margaret Swan which allowed them access to the peninsula.)

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Please feel free to share this information with the other cabinet members, the land trust, and anyone else who may benefit from it. If additional copies of maps are needed, please let me know names and addresses. With many thanks and best regards,
Jean Reed

Citizens for Proper Planning, president

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Wells, Deena'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:34:43 PM

Subject: RE: Coronet Told To Halt Wastewater Dumping

Thank you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Wells, Deena [mailto:Deena.Wells@dep.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 4:21 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Denver Stutler (E-mail); Kathleen Shanahan (E-mail)

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Date: 8/28/2003 10:32:32 PM

Subject: RE: Healthy Start program

[Send it to Betty Hampton in my office.](#)

jeb

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Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 6:01 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['John Lawrence'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:26:27 PM

Subject: RE: We'll miss you

I have a reception at the Mansion that night. I am truly sorry.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: John Lawrence [mailto:jockl@worldnet.att.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 2:20 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Jeb,

Many thanks for your e-mail message stating that you hoped you could join us for dinner at Ring Oak Plantation on October 7. Unfortunately, shortly after receiving your message I received a call from Frieda in your office, who said that your schedule would not permit it!

We'll keep trying.

Jock

From: [Brian Crowley <bcrowley@pbpost.com>](mailto:bcrowley@pbpost.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:16:22 PM

Subject: Re: baseball

Many thanks for the quote...I'll pass it on to sports....Brian

Jeb Bush wrote:

> Absolutely!

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> The sportsmanship shown by the team made me cry last Sunday. Even more

> important than their great teamwork and skill on the field, is the

> dignity they showed in defeat. I know their parents, their community and

> their state are very, very proud of them for being part of a classy

> national championship team.

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> Jeb

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> From: Brian Crowley [mailto:bcrowley@pbpost.com]

> Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 12:10 PM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: baseball

> Importance: High

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> Jeb,

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> Hi. I was wondering if you have a minute to give us a quote about the

> East Boynton Little League team....we're putting together a quote

> package and I think it would be fun for the kids if they could read

> something from you. If you send it I'll pass it on to our sports

> writers.

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> Many thanks...hope you are doing well....Brian

From: dwjrej@msn.com <dwjrej@msn.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 10:00:22 PM

Subject: Refunds in the works for big-time investors

This St. Petersburg Times (<http://www.sptimes.com>) story has been sent to you from dwjrej@msn.com

Dear Gov. Bush,

Yet another indication that prospectuses are not being distributed or explained. I have documents that indicate that RayJay's three top investment gurus turned very bearish on tech stocks before or during its \$143 million tech fund offering in late 1999. Tom James should have postponed the offering. Certainly the fund--and tech stocks in general--were not suitable for most seniors at that time. If I send you the docs, maybe Don Saxon could take action. Please give me your address. Is Betty ? still there? Regards, Dave Jonsson

http://www.sptimes.com/2003/08/28/Business/Refunds_in_the_works_.shtml

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The National Association of Securities Dealers, the brokerage industry's self-policing body, said that failure to give the appropriate discounts was widespread - though apparently inadvertent in most cases - and ordered brokerage firms to pay refunds plus interest to the affected investors.

<p> The NASD issued the order in a notice to its member companies regarding the so-called "breakpoint" discounts that was posted Tuesday on its Web site.</p>

<p> In addition to compensating investors, the NASD has said that brokerage firms may be disciplined in cases where they fail to remedy problems or brokers' conduct was seriously harmful.</p>

<p> NASD rules require the breakpoint discounts to go to investors in mutual funds with upfront sales charges when they invest at high levels, typically \$50,000, \$100,000, \$250,000, \$500,000 and \$1-million. Less than 7 percent of all mutual fund sales last year involved upfront sales charges.</p>

<p> The NASD said in the notice that an examination of fund sales by it, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Stock Exchange found that most brokerage firms "did not uniformly deliver appropriate breakpoint discounts."</p>

<p> The regulators said in March that brokers did not give investors the required discounts in nearly a third of transactions, and that the discounts not provided averaged \$364 per transaction.</p>

<p> Most failures to provide the discounts did not appear to be intentional, according to the NASD. Brokers, for example, frequently neglected to add together different mutual funds in the same group of funds owned by the same customer to reach the breakpoint amount, the regulators said.</p>

<p> The problems arose less frequently in brokerage firms that process fund transactions using paper documents as opposed to electronic processing, the examination found.</p>

<p> Investors who believe they have not received breakpoint discounts to which they are entitled should first contact their brokers and ask for the discounts, the NASD says. If a broker does not remedy the problem or provide a satisfactory explanation, the investor should write a letter to the brokerage firm's compliance department and ask for a written response.</p>

<p> SEC Chairman William Donaldson said recently that mutual fund companies should be required to make fuller disclosures to investors of fees, which are too complicated for many consumers to understand. Investors also should be told if their brokers have been given special inducements to sell particular mutual funds, he said.</p>

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To: Jeb Bush
CC: FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us
Date: 8/28/2003 10:03:45 PM
Subject: RE: Fla. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Corporation Board of Directors fup

Thanks Jeb. I appreciate it and will look forward to hearing from Eli.

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From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 9:09 PM
To: Conni Wells-FIFI
Cc: FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us
Subject: RE: Fla. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Corporation Board of Directors fup

Thank you Conni. I will pass on your interest to Eli Ferrara who as you know is my appointments director. I will speak to her about your interest.

jeb

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Subject: Fla. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Corporation Board of Directors

Jeb,

As you can imagine, I have watched with extreme interest at the unfolding of the legislation that would contribute to strengthening the system of care for individuals with mental illness and substance abuse and their families. I have contacted you and worked with your office several times in the past on issues related to the mental health needs of Florida's children. As the parent of a young adult with mental illness and the

grandparent of a 7 year old with a serious emotional disturbance, I am personally invested in facilitating a system of care that works. As the Executive Director of a non profit statewide family organization that focuses on assisting families of children and youth with mental, emotional, and behavioral issues in locating resources, identifying needs, and serving as a link between them and the programs that serve them we receive over 32,000 contacts per year and work collaboratively with the system, agencies, programs, and providers in better understanding family needs to ensure that as a society we are responsive in a manner that enhances the capacity of families to make wise decisions on behalf of the child or youth and that they have access to resources that will enable them to be successful in their parenting efforts.

Now that the bill has been signed, I would like to know how I can play an role on behalf of other families like mine and the thousands I have worked with over the past 16 years. How might I be a part of the Board of Directors to represent the families we work with? If I am unable to participate in the process in this manner, I hope that you will guide me to another avenue where I can have meaningful input on behalf of the over 282,000 families in the state with children and youth with mental, emotional, and behavioral health care needs.

Thanks once again for your time and support. On behalf of families like ours, we appreciate the opportunity to participate in building a system of care that is responsive to our needs while maximizing available resources.

PS. Sorry this is so long. I generally try to be VERY concise when communicating with you...but I could not figure out how to get what I wanted into a couple of sentences! ;)

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Date: 8/28/2003 9:52:34 PM

Subject: FW: SOFL - Jeb Invite

Attachments: SOFL - Jeb Invite

[I thought you had rsvp'd no?](#)

[jeb](#)

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From: Ssnrss1@aol.com [mailto:Ssnrss1@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 3:38 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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WE ARE BACK ONLINE!!!! This is FYI. Thanks Susan

From: AnsSOFL@aol.com <AnsSOFL@aol.com>

To: Ssnrss1@aol.com

Date: 8/28/2003 7:35:30 PM

Subject: SOFL - Jeb Invite

Just checked with Monty's secretary and to her knowledge, Monty has not received any correspondence from Jeb's office regarding coming to State Golf.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Frank Bonner](#)
[Denver Stutler](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 8:36:12 PM

Subject: Dept Homeland Sec (DHS) -- regional offices

Everyone that we need to talk to is on vacation. Frank was able to talk to a policy analyst who gave him the standard line "no states have been announced. Everyone is under consideration....of course they're looking at states that have strong homeland security presence and Miami definitely qualifies."

Frank also spoke w/ the DHS state rep and advise him that we would be looking for a heads-up.

We will follow-up on Tuesday. Nina.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Denver Stutler \(E-mail\)](#)
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Date: 8/28/2003 5:24:01 PM

Subject: The School Board's partner also wants mo'money,mo'money from YOU

Attachments: The School Board's partner also wants mo'money,mo'money from YOU

In a message dated 8/27/2003 6:55:58 PM Eastern Daylight Time, Killian7k2 writes:

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By Meghan Meyer, Palm Beach Post Staff Writer

Wednesday, August 27, 2003

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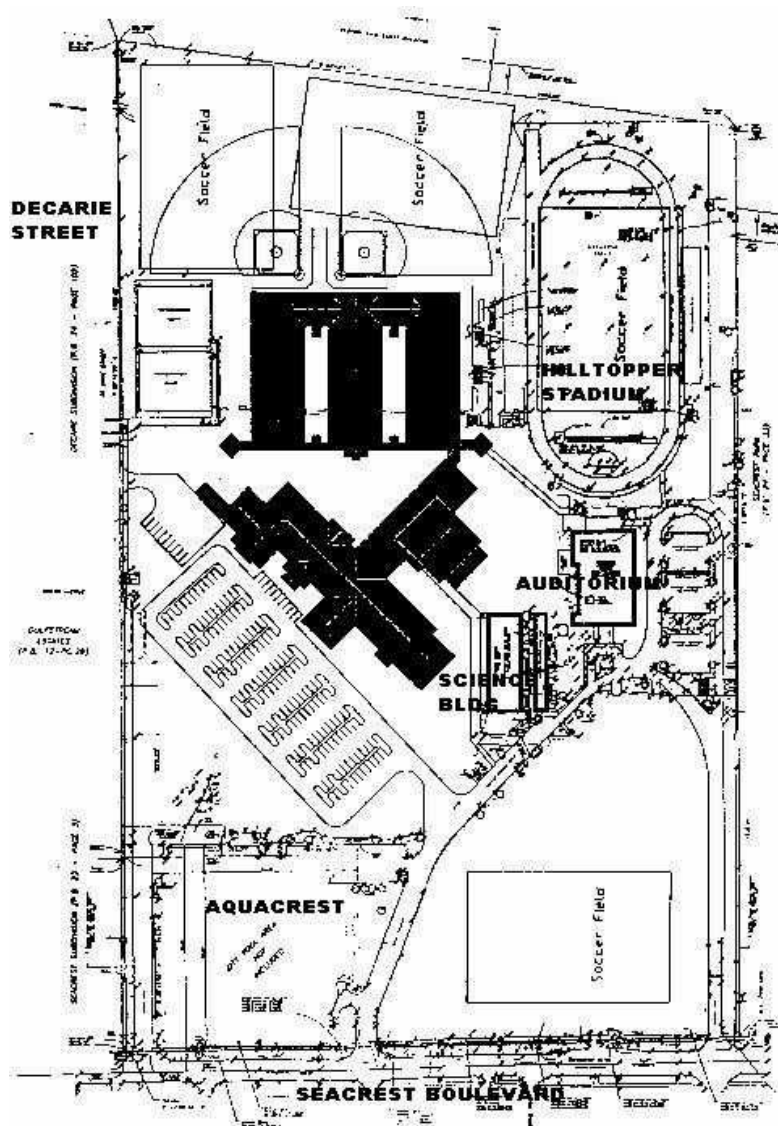
Oh, by the way, this is the same land that was the first site considered for the relocated AHS....**Continental Homes/D.R. Horton is LOVING the City of Delray Beach. Continental stuck it to Delray on the 20 acre Tate site (which is the**

new muck site for AHS) making an 80% profit in 5 months, and then turned around and bought 'school site' property that the City kindly assembled and bought it for the same amount that the city paid for it. This does not include all of the costs that go into assembling the land; surveys, title, environmental, legal fees, etc....)

THE LOVE AFFAIR BETWEEN CONTINENTAL HOMES & SDPBC/DELRAY SMELLS...AS ONE SCHOOL DISTRICT STAFF WHO WOULD ONLY SPEAK UNDER ANONYMITY SAID, "FAVORS GIVEN, FAVORS OWED"...RIGHT?

\$367,500 for the Boy Scout Hut Park, \$425,000 for Lake Ida Park, \$150,000 for Cornell park, \$300,000 for the community center and Pompey Park, \$75,000 for the beach, and \$200,000 for other city parks.

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Check this out...look where the soccer fields are....do you think this equals 15 acres? Look closely at this and realize why staff at the SDPBC stated that this would never work....

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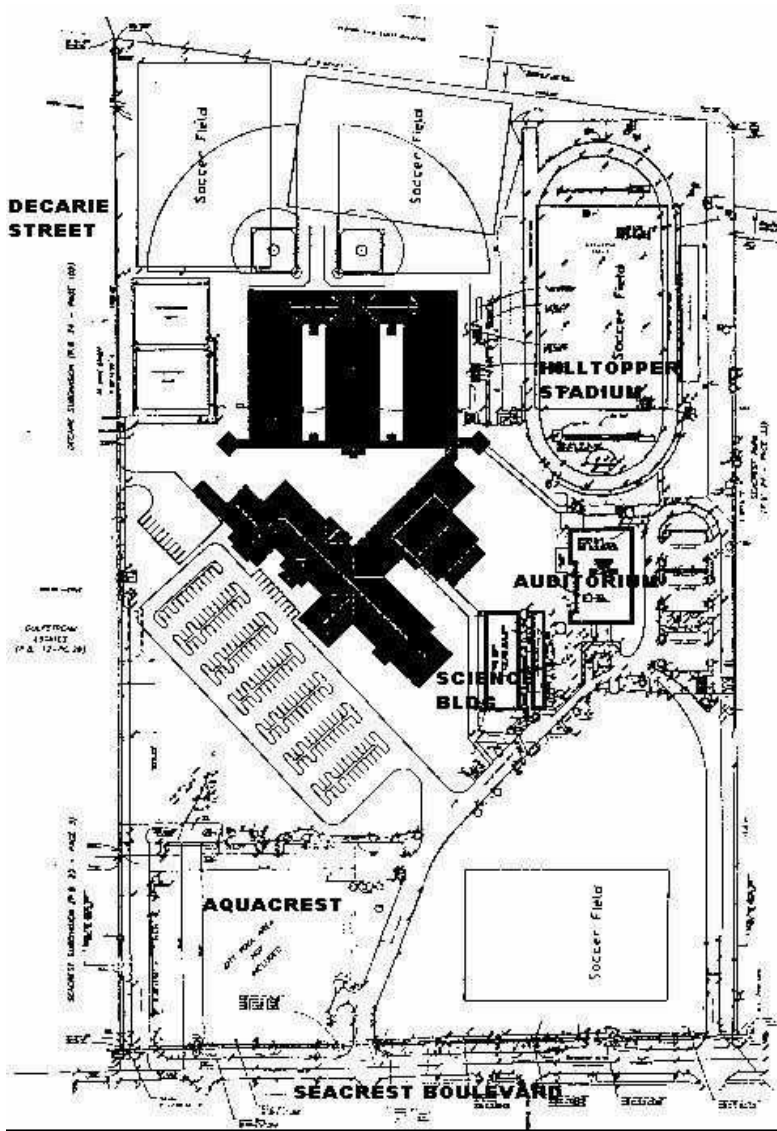
- \$2 million for improving existing parks, which would include **\$500,000 for Bexley Park in the new housing development with the same name**, (interesting....**Delray bought this property for \$7.3 and sold it to Continental Homes for \$7.3.** When we asked why the city manager why they were doing this, he said because the developer was going to build a park....what happened?

Oh, by the way, this is the same land that was the first site considered for the relocated AHS....**Continental Homes/D.R. Horton is LOVING the City of Delray Beach. Continental stuck it to Delray on the 20 acre Tate sitea (which is the new muck site for AHS)** making an 80% profit in 5 months, and then turned around and bought 'school site' property that the City kindly assembled and bought it for the same amount that the city paid for it. This does not include all of the costs that go into assembling the land; surveys, title, environmentals, legal fees, etc....)

THE LOVE AFFAIR BETWEEN CONTINENTAL HOMES & SDPBC/DELRAY SMELLS...AS ONE SCHOOL DISTRICT STAFF WHO WOULD ONLY SPEAK UNDER ANONIMITY SAID, "FAVORS GIVEN, FAVORS OWED"...RIGHT?

\$367,500 for the Boy Scout Hut Park, \$425,000 for Lake Ida Park, \$150,000 for Cornell park, \$300,000 for the community center and Pompey Park, \$75,000 for the beach, and \$200,000 for other city parks.

meghan_meyer@pbpost.com



Check this out...look where the soccer fields are....do you think this equals 15 acres? Look closely at this and realize why staff at the SDPBC stated that this would never work....

From: [Barry <burro5944@bellsouth.net>](mailto:burro5944@bellsouth.net)

To: [Kendall Middlemas](#)

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[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 4:16:25 PM

Subject: FDLE ETHICAL STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

This appointment of Sheriff Guy Tunnell is not concluded until confirmation by the Florida Senate.

Today's "32 Cent Forum" in the Panama City News Herald by Doug Haddix opens additional questions regarding the enclosed Rules of Ethical Conduct by Law Enforcement Officers.

[Click On Below:](#)

http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/cjst/Training_Resources/LE_Conduct.htm

From: [Brian Crowley <bcrowley@pbpost.com>](mailto:bcrowley@pbpost.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 4:10:20 PM

Subject: baseball

Jeb,

Hi. I was wondering if you have a minute to give us a quote about the East Boynton Little League team....we're putting together a quote package and I think it would be fun for the kids if they could read something from you. If you send it I'll pass it on to our sports writers.

Many thanks...hope you are doing well....Brian

From: Scott7759@aol.com <Scott7759@aol.com>

To: Steve_Dunaway@dcf.state.fl.us
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Date: 8/28/2003 3:54:36 PM

Subject: IQC meeting

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From: SaveCypressGdns@aol.com <SaveCypressGdns@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 3:45:50 PM

Subject: Re: Saving Cypress Gardens

In a message dated 08/26/03 6:14:09 AM, jeb@jeb.org writes:

<< Thanks, Jean. We will take up the issue this morning.

Jeb >

Dear Governor Bush:

What a wonderful session on Tuesday! It was so gratifying to hear the support for Cypress Gardens from you and the other cabinet members. We are very appreciative.

I was the one who was so appalled that no one from the county or the task force seemed to know what the land use designation was for the properties, I was searching the room for two people who should have had the facts at their fingertips. I knew all the answers Tuesday but did not have the podium. You finally said you would take these issues up at a later time. Therefore, I hope you will take the time to read the following pertinent information:

The 10 acres which supposedly has the 5 million dollar contract on it is TCC - Tourist Commercial Center. It is NOT Commercial, however the permitted uses of TCC and NAC or CC are somewhat similar. I do not know what the potential buyer's intent of use is, however, I sense it would be commercial retail. TCC does allow retail - with a Level 3 review (planning commission) for anything over a small establishment. I have that information for all uses also, if you need it.

The gardens are a mainly TCC, some R1, R3, and R4 (residential one, three, four dwelling units per acre) and about 12 acres ROC (recreation and open space) along the lake. Interestingly, the large triangular shaped property on Cypress Gardens Blvd. was just changed to TCC from residential last summer! The rectangular piece that is not included in the 107 acres, but lies west of Helena Road appears to be about half TCC and half R4. Why do the owners want to hang onto this piece? There are several large buildings on this parcel which were never accessible by the public. Could these buildings hold equipment needed to operate Cypress Gardens? Could they hold electrical generators, pumps (irrigation is pumped from Lake Eloise), or some other equipment which is basic to the operation of Cypress Gardens? Why do they want this parcel excluded from the deal?

I was also shocked to hear that the 7 acre peninsula was sold! This parcel, as you probably know, was cleared of some beautiful buttress cypress trees, osprey nests, and other flora and fauna. SWFWMD is doing boring soil analysis

to determine which parts are/were wetland and have issued some fines. The owners, First Gardens (aka Cypress Gardens) have told SWFWMD they "merely cleared some invasive species from the property" and have no plans for development. A friend of mine was shown a lot on the parcel which was available for \$200,000. According to Polk County planning department and the land codes, a residential development cannot go in that location without BoCC (level 4) approval. The Land Development Code states that no development can enter through residential property. (Just prior to the clearing First Gardens, aka Cypress Gardens, bought a small parcel from the estate of Margaret Swan which allowed them access to the peninsula.)

Additionally two homes on Lake Summit "have been sold." Another one acre parcel on Cypress Gardens Blvd. has a for sale sign on it. These are all part of the original Cypress Gardens. How are the owners able to sell these parcels? It was my understanding that nothing would be done with the property until the state decided whether or not to purchase same. Now we find out that approximately 20 acres are sold, have contracts, or for sale signs on them! Could it be to inflate the cost of the remaining property to the state?

The board members of Citizens for Proper Planning met last night. We are concerned that Cypress Gardens be preserved, that land use is not changed, and that our state buys it for a fair price. I would be happy to give you E-mail and phone numbers of my contacts at the county and SWFWMD. I would also like to send you a copy of the FLUM map I have of the area. It is in color and a blown up section of this area. I shall get it in the mail to you today or tomorrow.

Please feel free to share this information with the other cabinet members, the land trust, and anyone else who may benefit from it. If additional copies of maps are needed, please let me know names and addresses.

With many thanks and best regards,

Jean Reed

Citizens for Proper Planning, president

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From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)
To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)
Date: 8/28/2003 2:42:12 PM
Subject: Re: FW: again requesting assistance

I have responded several times to Ms. Lurie's e-mails and have done everything we can to try to assist with enrolling this provider. Unfortunately, according to Medicaid contract management the provider wants to use the FDLE exemption from background screening because they are part of the hospital. However, that exemption can only be used when a provider is enrolling as a hospital. They must comply with statutory background screening requirements and disclose information on owners, officer, director and managers. These minimum requirements are necessary to protect and ensure the safety of the individuals we serve. I have explained this to the mom, but will contact her again. I have also placed another call into Medicaid to see if they can assist further. There are also multiple other qualified speech therapy providers who are willing and able to provide services needed.

Shelly

"Jeb Bush"
<jeb@jeb.org> To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF
cc:
08/28/03 08:18 AM Subject: FW: again requesting assistance

you handled this correct?

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: PGLurie@aol.com [<mailto:PGLurie@aol.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 12:01 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: again requesting assistance

I have continued to try to find out what the stall is on getting Cleveland Clinic, Fort Lauderdale, certified as a med waiver provider for speech therapy So far it is now over 1 1/2 years. I have heard all kinds of excuses, but no action. Then everything stopped and I am getting responses from no one. My son has seen a specific therapist, Theresa Biber for speech because she is an expert in swallow problems. What is it going to take to get her certified??

Also, when is the voucher going to be opened to the CDC control group? I would like some straight answers. The last several emails and phone calls have not been answered in any way. What is going on? Can you Please help. Patricia Lurie for Joshua Lurie 10821 Lisbon St., Hollywood, FL 954-432-3818. Thank you.

From: [daryll_gunter <daryll_gunter@hotmail.com>](mailto:daryll_gunter@daryll_gunter@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 2:57:52 PM

Subject: RE: Help in Taylor County

Gov.,

No. No one has made contact. DEP or Dept. of Health has not showed up either. It is the county emergency Management's understanding that DEP was to be the lead agency. The local emergency management and State Emergency Management has done a super job of getting water for the locals to drink.

There are several questions that need to be addressed now. Has the municipal water been tested. Our local agents say the state has not, nor have they showed up. The business community is getting on edge because DBPR is instructing them to basically shut down. I have spoke with Jim Hunt, a local businessman and he would just like some answers. He and Dean Fowler maintain this is one of the busiest Tourist weekends for the area and we need to give out good information so that this area of Florida does not get any negative publicity. Dean sits of FLAUSA as one of your appointees and is a resort owner in the area.

If there is any way you can get DEP or Dept of Health to get in gear it would be very welcome. The locals at this point want info. IF there is anything you or your office can do I would be greatly appreciate.

We have 2 people at the local community center. Roy Woods and Chad Reed. They can be reached at 352-498-0655 or paged at 877-340-5216. Both are taking lead and are with local emergency managements for Taylor and Dixie Counties.

I will keep you informed.

All the best and thanks for you do for Florida.

Daryll Gunter

>From: "Jeb Bush"

>To: "daryll_gunter"

>Subject: RE: Help in Taylor County

>Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 08:15:31 -0400

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>have you been contacted?

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From: JJP1044@aol.com <JJP1044@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 2:42:31 PM

Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

It is seldom that I disagree with your actions...This is one of those times.

It seems to me that if the State does not have money to fund the necessities (as the current "poor mouthing" goes) then the State certainly does not have the money to fund a luxury like Cypress Gardens. Especially since it is not financially viable.

Jonni J Post

From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@sso.org>](mailto:Nina.Oviedo@sso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Paula Noor](#)
[Jan Russo](#)
[Betty Hampton](#)
[Karen Hogan](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Denver Stutler](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 2:33:58 PM

Subject: NGA summer meeting notes.

[Betty----pls print for Gov's reading folder.]

Governor----this took some time...we finally got around to writing up NGA summer meetings notes----Pfizer and Waiver application were consuming our time. Karen's in your office as I type....this is her report.

NGA Summer Meeting—Indianapolis, Indiana
August 16—August 19

Approximately 30 Governors participated. It was noted in the media that some of the “big name Governors” including Governors Bush, Pataki and Davis had chosen to skip the meeting. There was an explanation in the article that Governor Bush had just concluded a special session on medical malpractice.

Issues that prevailed throughout the meeting included:

- * Energy—issues related to the blackout (Governors deferred that there would be no action at the meeting on this issue, as a consensus would be difficult given the regional implications).
- * Medicare Prescription Drug Bill—Coverage for dually Medicare/Medicaid eligible and the 51 Governor letter to Conferees in support
- * Governors race in California---our R Gov's had many press inquiries over this issue.
- * New NGA Leadership—Governor Kempthorne replaced Governor Patton as Chair, and Governor Musgrove (D-MS) moved up to co-chair.
- * Year Ahead—Acknowledgement that NGA had gone over some rocky road in trying to come back together as a bi-partisan, consensus driven organization; Kempthorne and Owens noted that “crisis” was being resolved and that many of the governors who had concerns are slated to play influential leadership roles in the year ahead (including Governor Bush).

Realignment of the NGA committee structure and other business:

- * An education committee was carved out of the Health and Human Services Committee
- * Governor Bush was named Vice-Chair of the new Education Committee—will continue emphasis on early learning/education and practical solutions to challenges in education
- * Governor Holden (D-MO) has indicated his interest to his caucus to serve as Chair, however at the close of the meeting his selection had not been confirmed. (Ray told me yesterday that it will likely be Holden.)
- * 27 Governors have indicated their preference for committees; the remaining Governors will be polled to determine committee assignments.
- * Iowa and Michigan have presented their requests to host the 2005 summer meeting. Iowa has never hosted a meeting; Michigan was the location in 1987. Ballots have gone out to Governors to be returned by September 5th. [Did you receive the e-mail from Gov Vilsack. He'd like you to vote for Iowa. Would you like me to cast that vote?]

Executive Committee membership for the new year:

Musgrove (D-MS) Kempthorne (R-ID)
Rendell (D-PA) Rowland (R-CT)
Patton (D-KY) Huckabee (R-AR)
Vilsack(D-IA) Romney (R-MA)
Minner (D-DE)

The pre-Kindergarten education forum that Governor Bush will host in December was announced at the meeting and was received with great interest.

Governor Kempthorne announced his Chairman's Initiative in the year ahead will focus on common-sense solutions to long-term care that addresses the needs of the aging population.

At the Southern Governors Regional meeting, Governor Warner (D-VA) will assume the chairmanship and has also announced aging issues as his focus for his leadership year.

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Suarez, Hilda \(CMO\)](#)

CC: [Duyos, Vivian \(CMO\)](#)
[Thomas, Christine \(CMO\)](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)
[Bill Monroe](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 2:19:12 PM

Subject: PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST - pursuant to Chapter 119

At the Cabinet meeting two days ago, in Tallahassee, a deputy property appraiser, an assistant county attorney, and TWO LOBBYISTS were present to lobby against implementation of a Department of Revenue Rule which was adopted by the Legislature as part of the Taxpayers Bill of Rights. The Cabinet voted 4 to 0, adopting the Rule.

It is neither clear nor acceptable that two members of the bureaucracy intervened in a process intended to be between private citizens and their elected officials - in effect attempting to make law - used public time away from the jobs they were hired to do, appeared to be using public money for their personal agendas, and all of this appears to have been decided without appropriate public hearings so that taxpayers might instruct their elected

officials as to their interests, the intent of the statute giving rise to the Rule, and without accountability for the costs involved for the travel, lobbying, and loss of productivity.

This is to request by immediate email response the process approving the trip, by whose authority, and the legal basis for any members of the bureaucracy to be involved in policy-making, what costs were involved, what budget covers those costs, on what legal basis were lobbyists engaged to lobby for bureaucracy against the decisions of the legislature and interests of taxpayers, who the lobbyists are, when were they selected, by whom, what they were paid, and who approved these expenses.

And, this is to register a further objection that one of the lobbyists is alleged to have made disparaging remarks about professionals who are paid on a contingency basis. Real estate agents, appraisers, attorneys, and other licensed professionals routinely perform professional services on a contingency basis, which is a centuries old part of fiduciary practice. The lobbyist's payment, if it came from public funds, no doubt included taxes paid by private citizens who earn contingency fees. His alleged remarks are both offensive and objectionable.

*The person to whom the remarks were attributed is said to be with a law firm whose scandalous for legal services during the last presidential election included alleged 24-hour efforts, which was on its face abuse of public funding and insult to the intelligence of all voters. Therefore, **this public record act request demands an electronic copy of the contract engaging the lobbyists.***

*The Assistant County Attorney present in Tallahassee is alleged once to have verbally threatened to bankrupt a licensed professional by using public funds in county litigation beyond the scope of the dispute. That same attorney is on record as having disrupted hearings of the Value Adjustment Board. And, there is a record of the same public employee insulting private businesses while in a meeting in Tallahassee in 1997, and attempting to prevent members of that company and other private citizens from speaking at a public meeting. **This public record act request also demands by electronic copies all records authorizing this public employee's appearance before the Cabinet, against a decision of the legislature and in opposition to the interests and rights of every taxpayer in this community. You are expected to identify who is responsible for***

supervising this public employee who behaves so improperly.

Sheila M. Anderson

----- Original Message -----

From: [Suarez, Hilda \(CMO\)](#)

To: 'cps'

Cc: [Duyos, Vivian \(CMO\)](#) ; [Thomas, Christine \(CMO\)](#)

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 8:30 AM

Subject: RE:

Thank you for contacting the Office of the County Manager with your concerns. Your e-mail is being forwarded to Vivan Duyos, Assistant to the County Manager, for response.

Hilda A. Suarez, Executive Secretary to

George M. Burgess

County Manager

-----Original Message-----

From: cps [mailto:cps1@flash.net]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 7:27 PM

To: Mayor (Alex Penelas); County Manager (CMO); district1@miami-dade.com; district2@miami-dade.com; district3@miami-dade.com; district4@miami-dade.com; district5@miami-dade.com; district6@miami-dade.com; District7@miami-dade.com; district8@miami-dade.com; district9@miami-dade.com; district10@miami-dade.com; district11@miami-dade.com; district12@miami-dade.com; district13@miami-dade.com

Subject:

August 22, 2003

The Honorable Joel Robbins by Facsimile Transmission

Miami-Dade Property Appraiser 305-375-4019

111 NW 1st Street, 7th Floor

Miami, Florida 33128

Dear Mr Robbins,

We've been informed that you and an Assistant County Attorney traveled to Tallahassee, presumably on county time and using public funds, for the express purpose of lobbying Cabinet aides against the adoption of an administrative Rule (DOR 12D-10.0044 "Uniform Procedures For Hearings"), which implements a statute adopted by the Florida legislature. And, we've been told you and possibly others are expected to return to Tallahassee to lobby the Cabinet.

What has not been determined is what authorization you and an assistant county attorney have to make these trips on public time, spending public money. Has the County Commission instructed you to take a policy position, against provisions in the Taxpayers' Bill of Rights? Was there a public hearing? And, does the County Commission know the position you espouse is contrary to the vote of the legislature, who adopted the bill, then signed by the Governor, and now is being implemented by the Florida Department of Revenue?

But, for scandalous conduct in other counties, the statutory changes and the pending Rule neither would have been required, nor requested. But, it was necessary to change the law! And, those legally constituted to make the changes acted. In addition, during the legislative session as well as during the Rule Making process, there was substantial input from property appraisers all over the state. It is documented that you participated. But, this process is not about you, nor your personal rights. It is about fiduciary obligations of government "to the people". And, the people want the Rule adopted, without delay.

Further, the tax rolls are presented to the Department of Revenue not later than July 1st of each year, six full months after the annual assessment date. Hearings do not begin in Miami-Dade until November, often continuing until the following August or September. Are we to believe submission of the tax roll to DOR is without documentation? Are six months of lead time plus months following Value Adjustment Board petition deadlines not sufficient time to copy what should already be in the file, a week before a Hearing, and send to Petitioners, who are entitled to know how their assessments are composed?

It is highly inappropriate for anyone in your position to stand before the Cabinet or the executive agencies of this state as if you have authority to represent this community or this government. You do not. And, I object!

Sincerely yours,

Sheila M. Anderson

cc: Mayor, Manager, Commission, Governor, Cabinet

From: [Lisa Snell <lsnell@reason.org>](mailto:lsnell@reason.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/28/2003 2:11:15 PM

Subject: RE: Banquet and Education Conference in Los Angeles fup

Thanks Jeb. We appreciate it.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 5:03 AM

To: Lisa Snell

Subject: RE: Banquet and Education Conference in Los Angeles fup

Thank you Lisa. I will check with the schedulers.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Lisa Snell [<mailto:lsnell@reason.org>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 1:42 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Banquet and Education Conference in Los Angeles

Jeb,

Lisa Snell, education director for the Reason Foundation here. I would like to reaffirm Reason's April 10 invitation to keynote our 35th anniversary banquet in Beverly Hills on November 5. We would be honored to hear of your great success with education reform and parental choice in Florida.

We are also hosting an education conference leading up to the banquet. Lisa Graham Keegan will be our lunch speaker with the Broad Foundation and the Education Leaders Council showcasing their alternative leadership programs in education.

We have been working with your schedulers and hope to have a positive outcome soon.

Thank you for your consideration of this event.

Best,

Lisa Snell

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From: [Shadowkatd <shadowkatd@yahoo.com>](mailto:Shadowkatd@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 1:35:34 PM

Subject: Terri

If you, as governor, have the power to pardon a death-row inmate, do you not have the power to "pardon" the death sentence imposed upon her by the court?

Doesn't our nation's founding documents guarantee people the right to life? Further, has her husband tried to have everything possible done to rehabilitate his wife?

No. He got the courts to forbid further attempts to rehabilitate her. He doesn't want her to live and wants to do everything he can to prevent her from getting better ... because if she gets better, then the euthanasia case has no merit.

Governor please, please intervene. This case is important because it will set new precedence in the euthanasia movement. (Already a judge has decided that for someone to be qualified to live, they must be able to lift a spoon to their mouths. Infanticide becomes viable under such a definition.) As Governor, you have a greater level of control. Please don't sit back and watch her die.

Thank you for your time, Sir. I do appreciate the work you do for your state.

Kathy L. Mosebrook
Pennsylvania

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Pareigis, Susan'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:38:40 PM

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

great work again.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Pareigis, Susan [mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

Thank you for the time you gave me yesterday - it was very helpful to me.

Two brief items I forgot to mention - I'm working with DJJ (Bill Bankhead) to direct some of the WIA (Workforce Investment Act) dollars for in-school youth to Bill's facilities. We're starting a pilot program this year for one male and one female facility - where we can deliver skills training, on site, for these individuals.

Additionally, we are working with DOE - Workforce Education dept - to competitively bid 10% of Workforce Education dollars and 10% of local Workforce Adult and Dislocated Worker Training dollars for targeted industries and growth sectors.

Thank you again,

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:44 AM

To: Pareigis, Susan

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

thanks, Susan. Great meeting yesterday.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Pareigis, Susan [mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:42 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

I'm on it - I'll be in touch with Ms. Miller today.

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:31 AM
To: DKM FMM
Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

Ms. Miller, I am sorry you are having to write me regarding your family situation. I am passing on your email to the leadership of the Department of Children and Families and the Agency for workforce Innovation to expedite the benefits for your children and help with work opportunities.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: DKM FMM [mailto:DKM_1966@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 6:47 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Please Help if you can.

Enclosed in this email, as an attachment, is the rest of the information this letter is pertaining to. Thank you in advance for any help you can provide.

August 26, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to ask for any help your office may possibly be able to provide. My husband, after 23 years at his current job, hit a point of upset with his current employer on July 24th, 2003 and decided to quit. He realizes this was the wrong thing to do until he had another job lined up but what is done is done and there is no turning back. He has, however, tried to regain employment with his previous employers but was told there were no positions open. Meanwhile, he's has spent from then until today looking for new employment in his line of work but we have had no luck. Of course he was denied unemployment benefits since he made the decision to quit his job. Yes, he offered to work out his two weeks notice but they said it wasn't necessary and gave him 2 weeks severance pay. We have put in an appeal but somehow I doubt the decision will be over turned. We have also applied for family assistance through Florida Department of Children & Families for our 3 children. I found out today that the case was only just turned in. Which means at least another possible month of waiting. It seems like everywhere we turn we are denied any help or it's taking forever for anything to come through. My husband was even turned away at the Veteran's clinic in Daytona Beach because he made too much money in the previous year. He's a diabetic and only has enough medication for another month. We have never been in this position before so we really don't know about all the assistance that could possibly be out there. We also don't seem to have a very interested case-worker dealing with our situation at Children & Family Services. I have written her telling her that we are hitting dire straits but then to find out our case was just turned over today was a bit upsetting. We originally applied for help July 28th and our first appointment was on August 5th with Ms. Yearby. Meanwhile, our bank account is almost down

to \$600 and still no help in sight. This is also when he applied for Unemployment benefits. I have sent you a list showing my husband's qualifications and experience. This also should show that he is a reliable and good worker, not a job hopper. I think everyone hits a point in their life where they need help and it seems like if you have never been to this point before then it's very difficult finding the help that may be out there. My husband has applied to, sent a resume to, and/or called at least 80 employers & 3 job recruiters located throughout Florida. I have included that list also. I have included this information to prove that he is desperately looking for new employment and isn't just sitting around waiting for a handout. All we need is some assistance. We have a mortgage payment and utilities coming up and if things keep going the way they are, we are going to start getting things turned off. Our largest concern is our children. If you could send me any information on possible job openings that my husband would fit into, ways of finding job leads (besides the unemployment web site because he had no luck there either), if there is a way to appeal the unemployment benefits decision, or any way to expedite the Children & Families process, I sure would appreciate it before this family goes totally under.

Very Sincerely,

A Very concerned mother and wife,

Darlene K Miller
dfmilr99@bellsouth.net

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1183960476

FL Dept. of Children & Family Case #

Holly Hill, FL 33117

Unemployment benefits info: 411-88-0612

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Rhonda Calhoun'](#)

BCC: ['Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:38:31 PM

Subject: RE: INVITATION/Response to Terrorism, The Israeli Model: How is South Florida Preparing? fup

thanks Rhonda. I will check with the schedulers.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Rhonda Calhoun [mailto:rhonda-calhoun@myacc.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 8:55 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Orlich, Justine

Subject: INVITATION/Response to Terrorism, The Israeli Model: How is South Florida Preparing?



Dear Jeb:

Coral Springs is establishing a "sister city" relationship with the City of Petach-Tikva, Israel. The kick-off event for this occasion is a day-long event with the subject as reflected above. I have attached hereto an Executive Summary of the Program for your review.

The event has expanded from Coral Springs to include all of Broward County with participation from Boca Raton and Miami. Partners include Coral Springs International Partnerships, Inc., Coral Springs/Parkland Rotary Club (local and international), City of Petach-Tikva, Israel, The Rabin Center in Israel, the famed Ryder Trauma Center in Miami, Southwest Center for the Study of Hospitals and Health Care Systems, City of Coral Springs, the North Broward County Hospital District, and police and first responders for the county.

Speakers will include medical personnel from Israel now working at the Ryder Trauma center in Miami and the keynote speaker will be Major Michael Stein, M.D., Director of the Trauma Unit at the Rabin Center in Petach-Tikva, Israel.

I know that your calendar is "chock-full" of events and commitments, but I am hopeful you might consider attending on November 12th.

Rhonda



From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'RousonLaw@aol.com'

Date: 8/28/2003 12:37:26 PM

Subject: RE: hurt but not lost

Darryl, thank you for writing. Last week, I appointed a county judge in Miami, a well qualified candidate, who was black. NO plaudits were sought and few were given. Every choice can't be based on race. The record is pretty clear and you have been good to recognize it. If one decision is always the reason for non support, that is a no win situation don't you think?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: RousonLaw@aol.com [mailto:RousonLaw@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 8:21 AM

To: Jeb Bush; ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com; georgelemieux@hotmail.com; pjbcpa@gate.net

Cc: jimm@wesven.com

Subject: hurt but not lost

My dear friends,

I know that we will not agree on everything. It is not human nature or political to agree on everything. On last sunday, I appeared on WMNF 88.5 FM radio on the Sunday Forum. The topic was Blacks, Politics and the upcoming elections. State Farm Agent Ken Anthony, a long time friend and black republican appeared with me. The show started with the question about me shaking the Presidents hand at the base of Air Force One and what's up with that.

There were several irate callers who accused me on air of being an "house nigger", uncle tom, sell out and that I was shaking hands with the devil. I stood my ground and challenged the listening audience to be open minded and not always the pawn of the democratic party. I touted Jeb's record on diversity and inclusion which I am very proud of. I will stand by my friends who have treated me with professionalism and respect and who have given me opportunity. And I will stand by those men, like you, who have espoused certain human and political values which I respect.

As quiet as it is kept, it is my intention just prior to the next republican dinner here and near the end of second term as naacp president to join the republican party. I would love for you to be with me as I do it.

BUT, this last decision on Pate vs. Woody for the Parole Commission really hurt. I do join you Governor on the quote that you do not have to be black to be sensitive to black issues but because of the makeup of the commission's constituency and mission, it was critical that diversity AND QUALIFICATIONS be evident and real on the commission. I will not publicly attack on this issue nor will I join the groundswell of those urging penalty be exacted. Damn perception is everything.

BUT,

I do support a reconsideration on the appointment. In the event you choose to not reconsider this, you must do something in terms of Pate's assistants, her generals or lieutenants...some compromise that is looked at as meaningful should be forged. A few of the black state representatives called me and chided me on this one.

I look forward to our continuing to dialogue and communicate on important issues. I respect each of you and know that you have the best interest of all the citizens in this great state in mind.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['GUITARJAX55@aol.com'](mailto:GUITARJAX55@aol.com)
Date: 8/28/2003 12:37:18 PM
Subject: RE: more taxes

Steve, our state budget grew by 2.5 billion last year. Our school budget grew by 6.5%. Our medicaid budget grew by over \$1 billion. We are spending a lot of money. Taxing people even more than they are taxed will be my last resort.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: GUITARJAX55@aol.com [mailto:GUITARJAX55@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 8:00 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: more taxes

Jeb,

The money situation in this state has become critical. It is absurd that schools do not have enough money, yet there are billions for roads. Obviously something must change. Here are a few ideas to increase the tax base.

1. Impose a state income tax. Don't forget to tax welfare checks also.
2. State sales tax of 7% on home sales.
3. Charge an additional 10% tax on vehicle purchases over \$50,000, for a total tax of 17%.
4. Charge sales tax on insurance premiums.
5. Put meters on school buses just like taxi cabs.
6. Take every person who is unemployed and put them at intersections with video cameras to cite red light runners.
7. Sell a 5 coupon booklet for \$500 to drivers in lieu of speeding fines up to 15mph over the posted limit.
8. Put up toll booths at every entrance to the state and charge \$50 to get in.
9. Do not ever hire any school teacher from out of state who has children.
10. Finally, triple the property tax for waterfront homes.

Jeb, this will big time discourage people from migrating to Florida and get those of us who live paycheck to paycheck out. This should help with classroom size as well. Then, only the wealthy will reside here and if the state still needs more money, they still can afford to pay more tax. This state does not need poor people here. There are 49 other states where we could move to. Drastic measures for drastic times.

Steve in Riverview

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Phyllis Hayward'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:37:01 PM

Subject: RE: Schiavo NOT a govt issue...

thank you for expressing your views. All I have asked is that there be a guardian at litem, which existed before, to make sure that this woman is represented while she is in her current state.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Phyllis Hayward [mailto:phayward@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 8:53 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Schiavo NOT a govt issue...

Gov. Jeb, My mother had to deal with this issue recently-thank goodness her husband had his wishes in writing. This is a family issue and needs to be resolved as such- the govt should NOT be involved regardless how many people write about it.

Phyllis Hayward - Tarpon Springs, FL

From: [Pareigis, Susan <Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us>](mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/28/2003 12:34:17 PM
Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

No thanks necessary. That's why we're here - I'm just sorry she had to email you to get attention.

We'll keep in touch with Ms. Miller as we are still sorting through the Unemployment Compensation issue for her husband.

Sincerely,
Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 8:31 AM
To: Pareigis, Susan; Regier, Jerry; Levine, Alan
Cc: Stutler, Denver
Subject: FW: Please Help if you can. fup

thank you, thank you, thank you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: DKM FMM [mailto:DKM_1966@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:22 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

Dear Governor Bush,

I can't express the proper words that would cover just how grateful I am for the assistance your office has provided. Things at home were getting desperate and I didn't know where else to turn. Today we received a call from Family Services, Work Innovations and the Veteran's administration. All the people were very kind and extremely helpful. I was in awe at the quick response I received from my email. It has been very comforting to find out that there is someone out there who cares. The feeling of doom and depression have been lifted and there is finally a ray of hope. I have been informed that our EBT card and financial help has been expedited through Family Services. We also have been told that my husband can get help through the Veteran's Admin. for medications. You have no idea what a relief this has been. I thank you and all concerned, once again, for all the tremendous help you have been. On another good note, my husband has finally received 3 job possibilities today. Nothing is definite but things sure are looking a lot brighter than they have been. I don't know what I would have done without your help. God Bless you all.

Very Sincerely,

Darlene Miller
814 8th Street
Holly Hill, FL 32117
386-253-4602

-----Original Message-----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:30:22 AM
To: [DKM FMM](#)
Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

Ms. Miller, I am sorry you are having to write me regarding your family situation. I am passing on your email to the leadership of the Department of Children and Families and the Agency for workforce Innovation to expedite the benefits for your children and help with work opportunities.

Jeb

From: [Pareigis, Susan <Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us>](mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us)

To: [Dana, Pam](#)
[Bratina, Jill](#)
[May, Warren C.](#)

CC: [Shanahan, Kathleen](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:31:13 PM

Subject: RE: Media Opportunity

Pam,

I received the Delta inflight radio request yesterday with an invitation for a workforce spokesperson (see below) - but I thought it might be an opportunity for workforce and economic development - and I know the Governor is the best spokesperson we could have for both.

I'm happy to pay the expense. We would want to know the entire list of additional speakers on the tape (to check for compatibility) - but otherwise, let me know if I may be of further assistance.

Glenda, Darrell and I are enjoying David on our traveling roadshow - three so far - but we're eager to have you join us when you can!

Thank you in advance for your help on this!

Sincerely,

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Dana, Pam
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 4:54 PM
To: Bratina, Jill; May, Warren C.
Cc: Pareigis, Susan; Bishop, David
Subject: RE: Media Opportunity

We are the points on this Warren as it is economic development. You can pay. :)

-----Original Message-----

From: Bratina, Jill
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 4:50 PM
To: May, Warren C.
Cc: Pareigis, Susan; Dana, Pam
Subject: RE: Media Opportunity

talked with pam dana about this today. i think we are on the same page -- you guys can argue over who is paying :)

-----Original Message-----

From: May, Warren C.
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 4:45 PM
To: Bratina, Jill
Cc: Pareigis, Susan
Subject: FW: Media Opportunity

Jill, we were contacted by Sky Radio Network to see if we are interested in buying air time on Delta's in-flight radio program. It would be for a two-month run in January and February 2004. Other details are below, but overall the business traveler is the target and with the links in the Delta magazine, this has great potential. The cost is nominal (\$5,500) and we can cover that.

Would it be possible to get Governor Bush to record a three-minute scripted Q&A before Sept. 15? Susan would ideally like to have him featured on this, talking about economic development/workforce development.

Warren May
Communications Director
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-----Original Message-----

From: Pareigis, Susan
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:44 AM
To: May, Warren C.
Cc: 'lucia.fishburne@workforceflorida.com'; Austin, Curtis
Subject: FW:

Warren - pls advise.

Thank you,

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From:
Sent: None
Subject:

Dear Susan,

I hope this finds you well and in good spirits.

I would like to personally extend an invitation for a senior spokesperson from Workforce Innovation to be featured on our special in-flight radio program "Florida Business Review", which will air worldwide on Delta's NPR Channel during January and February 2004.

"Florida Business Review" will educate and inform millions of executive business travelers by presenting one-on-one interviews with leading companies and organizations that help make Florida one of the most powerful and dynamic business centers in the United States.

Other distinguished Florida guests in this exciting forum to date include Jacksonville Mayor John Delaney, Jacksonville EDC, The Beacon Council/Miami EDC, IBM Corporation, Tyco Fire and Security, CommerceQuest, University of South Florida, Florida Gulf Coast University, Miami Children's Hospital, New Piper Aircraft, and more.

We invite you to participate with your own interview segment, sharing the vision, goals and achievements of Workforce Innovation to a captive audience of 6.8 million travelers, including business leaders, C-level executives and investors from the Fortune 1000 and Global 2000.

The interview is conducted conveniently by telephone and requires only 15-20 minutes of your time on the day of recording. Questions are scripted in advance with one of staff writers working in conjunction with your point person to create an informative and dynamic interview capturing the exact message you want to convey. The entire production process is turn-key.

Your participation includes:

1. Placement of a 3-minute interview to air worldwide on 40,000 Delta Air Lines audio-equipped flights reaching 6.8 million January and February 2004
2. Company Listing and URL in Delta's Sky Magazine (450,000 monthly copies)
3. Rebroadcast of interview on our site with hotlink to your site for 1 year
4. Digital audio file of interview for promotional purposes
5. "As heard on Delta Air Lines" logo for rebroadcast on your website
6. All turnkey production including scripting, recording, editing, mastering and delivery

Our recording deadline is September 15th. In an effort to help close out the show by Friday, August 29th, we are offering our last few spots at a 50% discount. Instead of the normal rate card of \$10,950, your discounted rate is only \$5,500.

Please contact me if you're interested or if you have questions. In the meantime, I encourage you to visit <http://www.skyradionet.com> to gain a better understanding of who we are and the caliber of clients we represent.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Larry Campbell'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:29:48 PM

Subject: RE: Thank you

You are the man! I am sorry for guy about Tom's statement.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Larry Campbell [mailto:CAMPBELL@mail.co.leon.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 2:30 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you

You are truly one of the "Good Guys". I had thought so before, but know it now. I appreciate the checks very much and will be writing a more formal response in the near future. I was astounded to receive them.... :)

Also, for appointing Guy to be FDLE Commissioner. He'll do a great job, I have no doubt. Nice job of handling the disgruntled subject who just had to bad mouth him.

Gallager came to me just before the meeting and fussed about the background issue. I, and several other Sheriff's near me, tried to convince him Guy had passed many backgrounds, including those for employment in each LE Agency, the FBI National Academy and the Domestic Terrorism Task Force. He apparently was not interested in our response. Thought you got him a good one when he tried to snake you on the Parole appointment.

Thank you most of all for being a friend!!!

Larry

From: [Bobby Henry <westside-gazette@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:westside-gazette@worldnet.att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:29:12 PM

Subject: FW: Questions for the Governor

Governor,

we understand that you will be visiting a school of which we (Westside Gazette) is a Partner in Education with. We are extremely proud of the work that Dr. Dixon and her staff have done in such a short time. Dr. Dixon, should be recognized for her personal efforts of literally having no life outside of her commitment of getting Dillard Elementary on the A list. She affectionately refers to her students as "my little babies" and she seriously means it. Thank you Governor Bush for believing it worthy enough to come down to Broward County and recognize one of our many shining stars.

We are doing a story and would like for you to answer these questions and feel free to comment as you wish. If you have any questions and/or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed below.

Yours in the struggle,

Bobby R. Henry, Sr.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Toni Pompa [<mailto:pompa@bellsouth.net>]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 7:39 AM

To: Bobby Henry Sr.

Subject: Questions for the Governor

1. Does the Governor visit all "A" schools on his tour?
2. The three schools that he is visiting in South Florida, are they all "inner city" schools?
3. Do school's who receive an "A", do they receive more State funding than "F" schools?
4. How does Gov. Bush feel about Dillard Elementary going from "F" to "A" in such a short span of time?

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Farha, Todd'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:26:07 PM

Subject: RE: Thank you

it was good seeing you.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Farha, Todd [mailto:Todd.Farha@wellcare.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 10:52 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you

Dear Governor,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me at the Oak Hill Plantation yesterday. I apologize for "talking shop" at a social event, but very much enjoyed hearing your thoughts on certain Managed Medicaid issues.

Please know you can continue to count on our support of your efforts.

Best regards, Todd Farha

Todd S. Farha

President & CEO

Wellcare Health Plans

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Michelle K. Brantley \(shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us\)](mailto:shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:18:13 PM

Subject: FW: again requesting assistance

[you handled this correct?](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: PGLurie@aol.com [mailto:PGLurie@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 12:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: again requesting assistance

I have continued to try to find out what the stall is on getting Cleveland Clinic, Fort Lauderdale, certified as a med waiver provider for speech therapy So far it is now over 1 1/2 years. I have heard all kinds of excuses, but no action. Then everything stopped and I am getting responses from no one. My son has seen a specific therapist, Theresa Biber for speech because she is an expert in swallow problems. What is it going to take to get her certified??

Also, when is the voucher going to be opened to the CDC control group? I would like some straight answers. The last several emails and phone calls have not been answered in any way. What is going on? Can you Please help. Patricia Lurie for Joshua Lurie 10821 Lisbon St., Hollywood, FL 954-432-3818. Thank you.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['daryll gunter'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:15:31 PM

Subject: RE: Help in Taylor County

[have you been contacted?](#)

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: daryll gunter [mailto:daryll_gunter@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 9:51 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Help in Taylor County

Gov. Bush,

I am needing your assistance in Taylor County. We have a slight problem in the Steinhatchee area due to all the recent rainfall. If you can have someone on your staff contact Mike Smith, legal counsel for the local water utility, he can explain the problem in full.

Mike is a trusted friend and support of the Republican party and is a great asset to our area. Any help your staff could provide would be helpful. The problem seems to be with DEP. They can contact him at 850-584-3812. They can reach me if needed at 850-584-7514.

With a large 3 day weekend approaching we are in need of help to assist our local business and tourist.

Thanks you in advance for all you do for Taylor County and the entire state.

All the best,

Daryll Gunter

Taylor County Commissioner District 2

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Marketing Edge'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:12:20 PM

Subject: RE: meeting

It went fine. I urged greater coordination with the State Board and the DOE so we can work more together on the long range issues. There was interest in this.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Marketing Edge [mailto:info@marketingedgeonline.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 1:00 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: meeting

Hi-

How did the meeting with A.K. and Bob go?

Diane

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: '[Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG](#)'

Date: 8/28/2003 12:12:12 PM

Subject: RE: Announcement by General Watson of pending retirement

Thanks Doug.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG [mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 10:24 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: 'Shanahan, Kathleen M.'

Subject: Announcement by General Watson of pending retirement

Governor,

As we discussed, General Watson has announced his retirement as outlined in the message below, effective October 2, 2003. General Watson is retiring to take advantage of current opportunities in the Homeland Security venue.

Regards,

Douglas Burnett, Maj Gen, FLANG

The Adjutant General of Florida

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Assistant Adjutant General for Army announces retirement

Brigadier General Jimmy Watson, Assistant Adjutant General, Florida Army National Guard, has announced he will be retiring effective October 2, 2003. His retirement will be the culmination of a distinguished military career that has spanned more than 34 years.

"General Watson has served our state and nation all of his adult life. His leadership, particularly since the tragic events of 9/11, has ensured we have combat ready units that can meet our warfight, state and homeland defense missions," said Major General Douglas Burnett, the Adjutant General. "His personal commitment to soldier readiness has had a positive impact on the Florida Army National Guard."

General Watson was commissioned in 1969 through the Florida National Guard Officer Candidate School. He has served as an infantry platoon leader; company executive officer; company commander; battalion commander; brigade operations officer; brigade executive officer and Commander, Florida Regional Training Institute. General Watson became the Assistant Adjutant General on August 1, 1997, serving as the Adjutant General's senior advisor on the readiness, training, and missions of the Florida Army National Guard.

General Watson is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the United States Army War College. His military decorations include the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Florida Cross. In 1981 he received the prestigious Lowry Award that is presented annually to most outstanding company grade officers in the state.

In his civilian career, General Watson was an executive for Sprint Corporation. He is active in several professional, civic and service organizations to include the National Guard Association of the United States and the National Guard Officers Association of Florida. He served for three years on the Army Science Board. General Watson is currently the President of the First Militia Chapter of the Association of the United States Army and serves on the National Board of Directors of the Association of the United States Army.

General Watson is married to the former Nila Ines. They have three sons: Robert, a case manager for the Children's Home Society; John, a civil engineer; and Scott, an Army Special Forces officer serving in Iraq.

A retirement ceremony is scheduled for October 17, 2003 to honor General and Mrs. Watson.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'LJones@prcnet.com'

Date: 8/28/2003 12:03:29 PM

Subject: RE: PRC Book Drive Results

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: LJones@prcnet.com [mailto:LJones@prcnet.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 1:38 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: PRC Book Drive Results

Governor:

I thought you might be interested in this.

This is just a quick note...I will ask you later for a letter of thanks to our pres/CEO.

It was such a success and everyone participated. Even some of our clients sent us boxes of books!

I have 25 mentors and that is only from 2 accounts. I have assigned agents from all accounts to handle the sign up. I am so happy to find such cooperation here. I hear you will be visiting us in October. Charla and I have been talking...Thanks very much...I can't wait.

Lois

PS: I am so stretched getting "my" account together...I hardly can find time for anything but work...but I'm going to have to slow down and return to part-time maybe. I am tired all the time...just exhausted. Sometimes I don't leave here until after 9:00 at night. Anyway, help is on the way. My director promised me everything will be solved by this weekend.

LJ

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Miyares, Alicia

> Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 11:46 AM

> To: PRC ALL SITE USERS LIST

> Subject: PRC Book Drive Results

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> The following note is being distributed on behalf of Tom Cardella.

>

> Dear PRC Employees:

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> About a month ago, we launched the PRC Book Drive and set a goal of

> collecting 2,500 books across each of our centers. This is to support

> Florida's Governor Jeb Bush and his wife's effort to collect 10,000

> books statewide for after-school programs throughout the state.

>

> I am very pleased to announce that PRC collected a total of 7,824

> books in one month! This is 3 times the goal that we set for

> ourselves!

>

> I am extremely proud of the effort put forth by everyone who helped

> PRC exceed this goal. Here's how each center stacked up:

> * Out of 597 employees, 1505 collected 523 books

> * Out of 1,241 employees, Cutler Ridge collected 1,130 books

> * Out of 1,712 employees, Glades collected 1,553 books

> * Out of 912 employees, Kendall collected 862 books

> * Out of 317 employees, Margate collected 470 books

> * Out of 23 employees, Opa Locka collected 375 books

> * Out of 401, employees, Sunrise collected 2,611 books-more than the

> company goal!

> * Out of 459 employees, West Mifflin participated for ONE WEEK and

> collected 300 books

>

> As promised, the Marketing department is sponsoring a Pizza Party for

> the top two centers (based on percentage of books collected/# of

> employees) in this contest. Congratulations to Opa Locka and Sunrise!

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> Again, outstanding effort everyone! Great job!

>

> -Tom

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['First Baptist Cocoa Beach'](#)

BCC: ['Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:03:07 PM

Subject: RE: Pearl Harbor

thank you Ken. I will pass on to the scheduling team. I appreciate the invite.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: First Baptist Cocoa Beach [mailto:fbccb@megabits.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 1:25 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Pearl Harbor

Dear Mr.. Governor:

First, let me identify myself. Tom and Robin Davis (FDLE) have been my friends for YEARS. I was Howard Futch's Pastor for 10 years. You once told me that I do not look like your brother; I look like the guy on Saturday Night Live that PLAYS your brother! I have told that hundreds of times.

Okay, here is my request. December 7th is on a Sunday. Our church has been very involved with local Pearl Harbor survivors, and they continue dwindling down. This will be the 62nd anniversary, and I would like our church to host a Memorial Service for the entire State. We have less than 50 in Brevard County; I have no idea about the State. So, my question is this: Would you be the GUEST SPEAKER???????

If the answer is yes, we will work out the details. Please let me know, and I will begin working.

in Jesus

Ken Babington

Pastor

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email: fbccb@megabits.net

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['Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)'](#)
Date: 8/28/2003 12:03:00 PM
Subject: RE: Banquet and Education Conference in Los Angeles fup

Thank you Lisa. I will check with the schedulers.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Lisa Snell [mailto:lsnell@reason.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 1:42 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Banquet and Education Conference in Los Angeles

Jeb,

Lisa Snell, education director for the Reason Foundation here. I would like to reaffirm Reason's April 10 invitation to keynote our 35th anniversary banquet in Beverly Hills on November 5. We would be honored to hear of your great success with education reform and parental choice in Florida.

We are also hosting an education conference leading up to the banquet. Lisa Graham Keegan will be our lunch speaker with the Broad Foundation and the Education Leaders Council showcasing their alternative leadership programs in education.

We have been working with your schedulers and hope to have a positive outcome soon.

Thank you for your consideration of this event.

Best,

Lisa Snell

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Vereen2469@aol.com'](mailto:Vereen2469@aol.com)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:02:22 PM

Subject: RE: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

[thank you for your kind email. I know she will do a fine job.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Vereen2469@aol.com [mailto:Vereen2469@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 5:26 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: HTSMITHPA@aol.com

Subject: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

Dear Governor, I am please to be writing you for the first time commending you for having chosen Attorney Shirlyon McWhorter to serve as a judge on the County Court bench in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Ms. McWhorter is a woman of the greatest of qualities. She will truly enhance the profession and the administration of justice as she exemplifies good judgment, extraordinary work ethic and morals. She has been a pillar in the community and a champion for the rights and respect for others. Great job!

Best regards,

Roderick D. Vereen, Esq.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Bill Long'](#)

BCC: [Diane Carr Secretary \(Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:02:02 PM

Subject: RE: Merging the 470 Board

Thank you Bill. We are watching this issue carefully since it may come up in the legislature in the next few months.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Long [mailto:blong@co.volusia.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 4:50 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Merging the 470 Board

Dear Governor Bush:

I visited a good friend of yours the other evening in Ormond Beach, Mori Hussein. He had a reception and I understand he is a tremendous supporter of yours.

The purpose for this brief letter is to encourage you to stay the course on merging the 470 and 497 Boards. I realize that two of your ardent supporters are on opposite sides of this issue. But, politics aside I see no reason why any profession should be unnecessarily regulated by two different Boards. Ken Roberson is a wonder guy and a true funeral professional. However, like Rep. Dennis Baxley I agree with your original desire to merge the Boards and eliminate a lot of unnecessary duplication of personnel, regulation, costs, and same roles.

Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Bill Long

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From: [Pat Coon <patcoon@webtv.net>](mailto:patcoon@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:00:24 AM

Subject: Bay County Sheriff Replacement

Attachments: RE: Bay County Sheriff Replacement

Thanks for reply. My soon-to-be ex-boss will be fair in executing his new job as FDLE director.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pat Coon](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:14:58 AM

Subject: RE: Bay County Sheriff Replacement

Thank you for your recommendation.

Jeb

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From: Pat Coon [mailto:patcoon@webtv.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 7:01 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'psasrien'

Date: 8/28/2003 11:26:54 AM

Subject: RE: Most Recent County Court Appointment

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jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: psasrien [mailto:psasrien@email.msn.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 7:15 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Most Recent County Court Appointment

Dear Governor Bush:

I would like to commend you on your most recent appointment of Shirlyon Mcwhorter to the County Court bench in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

I applaud your recognition of the importance of having more Afro-American judges on the bench. As an attorney who practiced before more than 70 judges in the South Florida Area (West Palm Beach, Collier, Broward, Miami-Dade and Monroe County), I too recognize the importance and the necessity that the judiciary reflect the makeup of the members of the community within which they are serving. Afro-Americans should be appointed not just as a sense of fairness, but also in an effort to ensure the exchange of ideas and cultures among judges. Such appointments are also crucial because when judges are sitting on the bench, attending conferences and making internal policy decisions, they interact and influence each other. Our community, as a whole, will only benefit by making sure that each culture is properly represented in the judiciary, especially given the important role judges have in our society. This is extremely necessary due to the size and diversity of Miami-Dade County.

I sincerely hope that your commitment to the appointment of Afro-Americans to these positions will continue. Having 6 County Court Afro-American and 3 Circuit Court Afro-American judges is a sad commentary about the progression of our society, especially in a county as large as Miami-Dade County. Shirlyon Mcwhorter is an excellent candidate and there are many other Afro-American candidates to choose from, who may not know the right people, nonetheless are qualified to serve the bench as well.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Peter Sylvester Adrien, Esq.

7885 N.W. 191st Street

Miami, FL 33015

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Colleen Castille \(colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us\)](mailto:colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:21:34 AM

Subject: FW: wekiva coordinating committee

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-----Original Message-----

From: Fred Brummer [mailto:fredbrummer@earthlink.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 5:42 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Leslie0777@aol.com'

Date: 8/28/2003 11:20:04 AM

Subject: RE: Thank You, Soooooo Much! :-*

Thanks for writing. I appreciate the kind words.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Leslie0777@aol.com [mailto:Leslie0777@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 12:33 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank You, Soooooo Much! :-*

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you soooooo much for your INCREDIBLE assistance and support in helping us Save **ALL** of Cypress Gardens. You are truly a **GOOD** man of your word and wonderful Leader for our State! You are a man to be Highly Exalted, Honored and Commended for your quick efforts in 'Righting' this incredible 'Wrong', preventing the further demolition, desecration of our beloved garden theme park and broken spirits of those who cherish such a sacred and jeweled treasure of our State. It's so hard to imagine that . . . **you** . . . ALL the way up there in Tallahassee, so far away from each and every one of us. . . cared enough to preserve not only the HEART and SOUL of our State's Historical and valued resource; but also in taking the time out of your very busy schedule to address our thoughts and concerns.

You have been truly and richly BLESSED by GOD with the spiritual gifts of Leadership, Wisdom, Knowledge and Compassion. . . , characteristics so desperately difficult to discern in today's politics!

You've certainly won my great admiration and respect for most ALL things I've witnessed from your political position. . . MAY GOD CONTINUE TO KEEP, BLESS AND PROTECT YOU AND YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY ETERNALLY. . . and now, thanks to your divine intervention, the good deeds of your Cabinet Members and Aides we'll ALL have a legacy of Florida's natural and historical Beauty to recreate and bask in the glow in our beautiful State!

Sincerely and Most Respectfully Yours,

Leslie Sakhaee, Polk County, FL

P.S. What a TERRIFIC PRESIDENT You're gonna' make one day!!! :-)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['BERTHY DE LA ROSA-APONTE'](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:18:58 AM

Subject: RE: ADAWG state conference

I don't know.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: BERTHY DE LA ROSA-APONTE [mailto:apontemb@juno.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 12:13 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: ADAWG state conference

Jeb:

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Carinos

Berthy

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 4:59 PM

To: Wainwright, Tara

Cc: Aponte, Berthy

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['MCJBeleut@aol.com'](mailto:MCJBeleut@aol.com)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:18:44 AM

Subject: RE: Cypress Gardens.....THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!

Thank you so much for working hard to get your point across in Tallahassee. It was a joy to have you all up here for the Cabinet briefing.

Jeb

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From: MCJBeleut@aol.com [mailto:MCJBeleut@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 12:05 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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From: [Donaldson, Patrick <donaldson.patrick@mail.dc.state.fl.us>](mailto:donaldson.patrick@mail.dc.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 11:15:06 AM

Subject: Parole Commisioner Appointment

Dear Governor Bush,

I want to say thank you for the opportunity to participate in the Parole Commissioner Interview process. It was a great learning experience and an opportunity not extended to many. Even the time spent waiting between interviews in the capital was exciting. The historian in me enjoyed reading the citations for the medal of honor winners, the educator and women's hall of fame. The interaction with your staff and all the cabinet member's staffs was also very positive. They radiate enthusiasm and concern for the public's trust in them.

Enlight of your efforts to end the use of race in college selection and because of my experiences conducting interviews to fill job vacancies, I was disappointed that race had to be mentioned as a criterea in the process. Commissioner Bronson mentioned it Monday in my interview and of course Tresurer Gallager mentioned it in the Cabinet meeting. Though disappointed, I was very content to miss selection based on the principle you cited in selecting Tena. Indeed every crime has a victim and they do need a voice. As she was sitting next to me at the time of selection, I was able to extend my congrtulations to her and she graciously offered support in my not being selected. Further she called me yesterday to again offer her support. She also offered assistance in locating victims to participate in victim impact panels here at the prison. She was very genuine and testimony to the wisdom of your decision.

On a personal note, going through the process is a great challenge as you dream with your family about possibilities, make plans for the possibilities, and anxiously await the outcome. Although I do not think in this situation it would or should have changed the outcome, I think it would have enriched the decision making process if my personal references would have been contacted by your staff. I was very careful to select people who know me and would give an honest opinion of me, including a retired three-term mayor of the town I live in and a retired judge/state legislator. A few calls from a staff member could have enhanced the process, though in this case not change the outcome.

Again thank you very much for the great opportunity. I continue to serve you and the people of this state through my ministry as a Chaplain. If I can be of further assistance to you or your administration, please call upon me.

Patrick L. Donaldson, Ed.D.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Pat Coon'

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 9:42:18 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/28/2003 2:33:00 AM

Subject: FW: YOURJOBKIT

All yours.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: pr@publicrelations.nu [mailto:pr@publicrelations.nu]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 9:55 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: YOURJOBKIT

>>>Jeb: thought this would make a great idea for you to promote to help
>>>people get back in the work place immediately after filing for
>>>unemployment compensation. Can I set up a meeting with the proper folks
>>>at that dept.? Thanks, and looking forward to joining you in Sept. on
>>>the Trade Mission to Santo Domingo. Best regards, barry

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>>>At 04:24 PM 8/27/2003 -0400, you wrote:

>>>>Barry

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>>>>This product is 7 years old, was on the www way back when. It has

>>>>had

>>>>some nice success and some pretty good endorsements. Regardless of

>>>>technology, there still remains 4 tools that anyone needs to find a job.

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>>>>We donated 1000 to the New York State Board of Labor after 9/11. It

>>>>really had to pass mustard. They knew how to take money, but a product

>>>>had to be reviewed.

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>>>>A 1000 were also donated to the State of Florida, through the

>>>>Hillsborough County adult education program.

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>>>>Point your browser to

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>>>><http://www.yourjobkit.com>

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>>>>In all lower case, the username is "winningajob" the password is

>>>>"success"

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>>>>to build a resume, here are two access codes VNZHZR7I2J
>>>>5MVWCWW7KY
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>>>>In my humble opinion, everyone filing for unemployment online,
>>>>should
>>>>be given a jobkit.
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>>>>Thanks for your input
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>>>>Carole
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>>>>JUMPSTART Enterprises, Inc.
>>>>cstein@jumpei.com
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From: [david lancia <akajimbo2000@yahoo.com>](mailto:akajimbo2000@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 2:14:50 AM

Subject: education

Dear Jeb Bush,

I know you are a busy person and that I am just one of many Floridians. I understand that you are under enormous pressure to run a state which is not easy.

So i will make this as short as possible. I am currently attending the University of North Florida.

I am very proud of my university and am getting ready to graduate in May. I have noticed over the years that the university has grown tremendously, but that UNF can't keep up. More and more classes are filled up and there is less and less room. We have a building that remains vacant because the state (not meaning you) won't provide the funds for the building. There are many issues at UNF that should be addressed and taken care of since education is the primary responsibility. However when I visit other Florida schools I see renovations to Stadiums, beautification projects, and much wasted tax dollars. My question to you is why can't we spend the money to fix our building. Yes I know the the budget is tight, but somewhere in the system is waste because our most precious resource is our children and to educate them is a secure investment in tomorrow's future.

P.S. As a Boy's State representative I have been inspired to vote and pay more attention to Politics.

This is why I am writing to you, to question my government and make sure that they are representing me for which is why they were elected to office.

Sincerely

David Lancia

akajimbo2000@yahoo.com

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From: [Sue Terry <sueterry@cox.net>](mailto:sueterry@cox.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 1:29:46 AM

Subject: Schiavo Case - Please intervene

Please keep this atrocity from happening. The husband's choice is selfish and it is apparent that he wants his freedom and possibly whatever is left in insurance money. Please do not allow the murder of his wife. This is horrible. This is wrong. What will be next? Kill the disabled? The elderly? Please, Governor Bush, intervene in this situation. Mr. Schiavo is not even allowing the parents or a priest to visit Mrs. Schiavo. How cruel and evil can one be? The parents must be going through a living hell right now. The husband obviously cares nothing for his wife and wants her out of the way so he can pursue other interests. This is not the way. What cruelty! How savage! I deplore you to stop this execution.

Sue Terry

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pareigis, Susan](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 1:25:05 AM

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

great work again.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Pareigis, Susan [mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

Thank you for the time you gave me yesterday - it was very helpful to me.

Two brief items I forgot to mention - I'm working with DJJ (Bill Bankhead) to direct some of the WIA (Workforce Investment Act) dollars for in-school youth to Bill's facilities. We're starting a pilot program this year for one male and one female facility - where we can deliver skills training, on site, for these individuals.

Additionally, we are working with DOE - Workforce Education dept - to competitively bid 10% of Workforce Education dollars and 10% of local Workforce Adult and Dislocated Worker Training dollars for targeted industries and growth sectors.

Thank you again,

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:44 AM

To: Pareigis, Susan

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

thanks, Susan. Great meeting yesterday.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Pareigis, Susan [mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:42 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

I'm on it - I'll be in touch with Ms. Miller today.

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:31 AM
To: DKM FMM
Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

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Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: DKM FMM [mailto:DKM_1966@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 6:47 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Please Help if you can.

Enclosed in this email, as an attachment, is the rest of the information this letter is pertaining to. Thank you in advance for any help you can provide.

August 26, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to ask for any help your office may possibly be able to provide. My husband, after 23 years at his current job, hit a point of upset with his current employer on July 24th, 2003 and decided to quit. He realizes this was the wrong thing to do until he had another job lined up but what is done is done and there is no turning back. He has, however, tried to regain employment with his previous employers but was told there were no positions open. Meanwhile, he's has spent from then until today looking for new employment in his line of work but we have had no luck. Of course he was denied unemployment benefits since he made the decision to quit his job. Yes, he offered to work out his two weeks notice but they said it wasn't necessary and gave him 2 weeks severance pay. We have put in an appeal but somehow I doubt the decision will be over turned. We have also applied for family assistance through Florida Department of Children & Families for our 3 children. I found out today that the case was only just turned in. Which means at least another possible month of waiting. It seems like everywhere we turn we are denied any help or it's taking forever for anything to come through. My husband was even turned away at the Veteran's clinic in Daytona Beach because he made too much money in the previous year. He's a diabetic and only has enough medication for another month. We have never been in this position before so we really don't know about all the assistance that could possibly be out there. We also don't seem to have a very interested case-worker dealing with our situation at Children & Family Services. I have written her telling her that we are hitting dire straits but then to find out our case was just turned over today was a bit upsetting. We originally applied for help July 28th and our first appointment was on August 5th with Ms. Yearby. Meanwhile, our bank account is almost down

to \$600 and still no help in sight. This is also when he applied for Unemployment benefits. I have sent you a list showing my husband's qualifications and experience. This also should show that he is a reliable and good worker, not a job hopper. I think everyone hits a point in their life where they need help and it seems like if you have never been to this point before then it's very difficult finding the help that may be out there. My husband has applied to, sent a resume to, and/or called at least 80 employers & 3 job recruiters located throughout Florida. I have included that list also. I have included this information to prove that he is desperately looking for new employment and isn't just sitting around waiting for a handout. All we need is some assistance. We have a mortgage payment and utilities coming up and if things keep going the way they are, we are going to start getting things turned off. Our largest concern is our children. If you could send me any information on possible job openings that my husband would fit into, ways of finding job leads (besides the unemployment web site because he had no luck there either), if there is a way to appeal the unemployment benefits decision, or any way to expedite the Children & Families process, I sure would appreciate it before this family goes totally under.

Very Sincerely,

A Very concerned mother and wife,

Darlene K Miller
dfmilr99@bellsouth.net

Phone: 386-253-4602 Email:

814 8th Street
1183960476

FL Dept. of Children & Family Case #

Holly Hill, FL 33117

Unemployment benefits info: 411-88-0612

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Conni Wells-FIFI](#)
CC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)
Date: 8/28/2003 1:07:09 AM
Subject: RE: Fla. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Corporation Board of Directors fup

Thank you Conni. I will pass on your interest to Eli Ferrara who as you know is my appointments director. I will speak to her about your interest.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Conni Wells-FIFI [mailto:cjwells@sprynet.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:27 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fla. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Corporation Board of Directors

Jeb,

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PS. Sorry this is so long. I generally try to be VERY concise when communicating with you...but I could not figure out how to get what I wanted into a couple of sentences! ;)

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From: [Phyllis Hayward <phayward@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:phayward@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:52:41 AM

Subject: Schiavo NOT a govt issue...

Gov. Jeb, My mother had to deal with this issue recently-thank goodness her husband had his wishes in writing. This is a family issue and needs to be resolved as such- the govt should NOT be involved regardless how many people write about it.
Phyllis Hayward - Tarpon Springs, FL

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [DKM FMM](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:47:28 AM

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

thank you Darlene. I hope it all works out.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: DKM FMM [mailto:DKM_1966@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:22 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

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From: [richard <lbzrt@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:richard<lbzrt@tampabay.rr.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/28/2003 12:36:00 AM

Subject: terri schaivo

i know i am just another person on a long list about terri. what does the husband really want? not terri apparently. not for a long time i am sure. the way he says he knows how she would feel about her state comes from loving and knowing a person for a long time. which he did not .but her parents have. would we do that to a person who was born that way? i think not. in fact it would definitely be the opposite. he wants to have a single life, let it be. it is easy! it is called divorce . so i say again what does he want?

in a way what he is asking is murder. let her starve to death. we put people in jail for that. so she has a little problem, so what! her brain is not dead neither is her heart, and i am sure her heart feels. feels love, happiness . as you i am sure can plainly see. there are tones of our senior citizens in the same situation but does anyone asked that basically they be put down!?. that is what the american public keep the balls rolling for. protecting those who are unable to do that for themselves. you as a person has to keep it going. a human being. the wrong decision of this judge could in in the future lead to the death of alot of people.

sherry thompson
richard thompson
valrico fl

From: [Beckwith B. Miller <tmbots@earthlink.net>](mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: billieneese@msn.com

Date: 8/28/2003 1:33:15 AM

Subject: TrademarkBots: Demo - Technology

Governor Bush,

Thank you for your email/efforts this morning.

I thought you might like to demo our internet search technology and see the type of reports generated when one searches for competitive intelligence on corporate brands and/or famous people. We have set up a search to find competitive intelligence on "Jeb Bush" across these online resources: trademarks, domain names, message boards, web pages, newspapers, magazines, web feeds (blogs), and usenet (discussion groups). Please be sure to review the very last report, "Exact Domain Name Matches" to see who has stolen your Identity and that jebbush.us is still available. The results are presented online for up to 5 weeks and can be saved as excel files and/or emailed to other parties for action.

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user name: tmbotsdemo

password: jeb

Once logged in, look on the right side and click on "Trademark Intelligence Master Reports". You will find the demo report for "Jeb Bush".

Questions/comments, please let us know.

Best regards,

Beck

From: [Conni Wells-FIFI <cjwells@sprynet.com>](mailto:cjwells@sprynet.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:27:20 PM

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From: [Victoria J. Tschinkel <vtschinkel@tnc.org>](mailto:vtschinkel@tnc.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Robert Bendick](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:34:58 PM

Subject: Many Thanks

Dear Governor Bush,

I wanted to write you this evening even before we hear back from Georgia on the Florida proposal. All of us at TNC want to thank you so much for taking so much time on the ACF problem, and for allowing such competent, intelligent and inexhaustible folks within the Administration to work on this for you. It is a very strong team overall: reasonable, knowledgeable and willing to put up with us as long as we were fair. At this moment, I would like to signal out Teri Donaldson, whose patience and finally, innovation, allowed something different, yet proper from our standpoint, to be created in the agreement in an good effort to protect the hydrography of the Riverine System.

Listening to the calm and clear approach Teri made to all the stakeholders, I know she made the best effort to take the most important issues and translate them into agreement language. She was an unabashed advocate for keeping us reasonable.

You should know that at the end of that tough meeting (8PM), although some differences remained for the public comment period, everybody on the call complimented her on a job well done and thanked her for all her efforts.

And we thank you too, for listening to our concerns, and meeting them, for this part of the journey, to the best of your abilities.

Vicki

Victoria J. Tschinkel
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From: [DKM FMM <DKM_1966@hotmail.com>](mailto:DKM_FMM_1966@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:21:49 PM

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:20:04 PM

Subject: Re: Reading

Dear Gov.Jeb Bush:

I will do that and let you know

Thank you very much
Marsha Evans

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [FL_DEP](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:19:00 PM

Subject: RE: TV Coverage tonight on Coronet Industries

[great work.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: FL_DEP [mailto:FL_DEP@dep.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:07 PM

To: Denver Stutler; Bratina, Jill; Jeb Bush

Subject: TV Coverage tonight on Coronet Industries

We have watched all of this evening's local television news coverage of today's activities in Tampa regarding Coronet Industries. The reporting focused almost exclusively on DEP's emergency order directing the company to stabilize the site and get financial assurances in place for closure and clean-up. Positive coverage of the state's actions, and little else.

David

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To: [Denver Stutler](#)

[Bratina, Jill](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)
[Denver Stutler](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:02:20 PM

Subject: FW: Steinhatchee Facts

Attachments: Steinhatchee Facts.doc

Governor:

Attached is a good one-pager on providing Steinhatchee with bottled water supply. Distribution begins tomorrow at 8 a.m.

This morning on the phone I did not remember the amount of financial assistance we have already provided to the town to fix their water system. The amount is \$2.3 million in low-interest loans.

David

-----Original Message-----

From: Wells, Deena

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 6:28 PM

To: FL_DEP; Bedwell, Allan; Drew, Mimi; Taylor, Mario

Cc: Cordova, Ed; Mansfield, Geoffrey; Johnson, Jill

Subject: Steinhatchee Facts

<<Steinhatchee Facts.doc>>

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From: [daryll gunter <daryll_gunter@hotmail.com>](mailto:daryll_gunter@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 10:42:52 PM

Subject: Thanks you for the Help in Taylor County

Thanks so much. We need to get the businesses open ASAP and protect the school kids. It has been brought to my attention the school there is also having a water problem. Thanks so much for all you do.

Daryll

>From: "Jeb Bush"

>To: "daryll gunter"

>Subject: RE: Help in Taylor County

>Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2003 11:08:31 -0400

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>Alan Levine will call him. I am on the conference call on this subject

>right now.

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>Jeb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: daryll gunter [mailto:daryll_gunter@hotmail.com]

> Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 9:51 AM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: Help in Taylor County

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> Gov. Bush,

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> I am needing your assistance in Taylor County. We have a slight

>problem in the Steinhatchee area due to all the recent rainfall. If you
>can have someone on your staff contact Mike Smith, legal counsel for the
>local water utility, he can explain the problem in full.

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> Mike is a trusted friend and support of the Republican party and
>is a great asset to our area. Any help your staff could provide would
>be helpful. The problem seems to be with DEP. They can contact him at
>850-584-3812. They can reach me if needed at 850-584-7514.

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> With a large 3 day weekend approaching we are in need of help to
>assist our local business and tourist.

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> Thanks you in advance for all you do for Taylor County and the
>entire state.

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> All the best,

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> Daryll Gunter

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> Taylor County Commissioner District 2

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Dmaaevans@cs.com

Date: 8/27/2003 10:55:30 PM

Subject: RE: Reading

[you need to check with them to see if the portfolio was established. this is the law.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Dmaaevans@cs.com [mailto:Dmaaevans@cs.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 6:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Reading

Dear Gov. Bush:

No Sir they did not.

Thanks,
Marsha Evans

From: [John Blair <jblair02@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:jblair02@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 10:48:54 PM

Subject: FROM: SHARON BLAIR

CC: Gov. Bush
August 27,2003

Hello Jim,

I have sent an e-mail to Peggy and to Gov. Bush today. I am desperately asking for Gov. Bush's and your assistance. Jennifer is in the hospital today. She is in Tampa at Town and Country Hospital Detox Unit for drug addiction. Phone: (727) 884-1904

We have a court date set for Sept. 11, 2003 @ 9:00AM.

Honorable Judge Robert Morris will be hearing the trial on the dependency case regarding Jennifer's son, (my Grandson, Trey).

Judge Robert Morris- Phone: (727) 464-6137

I am asking Judge Morris for **court ordered drug treatment for Jennifer.**

She will not stay in a drug treatment program voluntarily. She has been in treatment 5 times since May 17, 2003.

She has track marks up and down both of her arms from shooting up heroin.

I can't bear watching her destroy herself much longer. She CANNOT do this on her own. She must have treatment. She walks out of every program when the detox gets too tough.

Can you please help me by letting Judge Robert Morris know that Jennifer has a long history of heroin addiction and needs drug treatment? This is my last chance at asking him for help.

I am sorry to bother you and Gov. Bush but I really need help. Jen is not going to make it. I can't stop her from putting a needle full of heroin in her arm. She must have residential drug treatment if she is to have any kind of chance at living.

It must be court ordered. That is the bottom line. I can't do anything else to help her. Please call me if you need to ask me anything.

Thank you so much for your time.

Sincerely,
Sharon Blair

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Date: 8/27/2003 10:37:13 PM

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Thanks,
Marsha Evans

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Dmaaevans@cs.com

Date: 8/27/2003 9:50:19 PM

Subject: RE: Reading

[what about the alternative assessment approach? Did they apply this in the case of your daughter?](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 4:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Marsha Evans

From: Vereen2469@aol.com <Vereen2469@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: HTSMITHPA@aol.com

Date: 8/27/2003 9:25:47 PM

Subject: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

Dear Governor, I am please to be writing you for the first time commending you for having chosen Attorney Shirlyon McWhorter to serve as a judge on the County Court bench in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Ms. McWhorter is a woman of the greatest of qualities. She will truly enhance the profession and the administration of justice as she exemplifies good judgment, extraordinary work ethic and morals. She has been a pillar in the community and a champion for the rights and respect for others. Great job!

Best regards,

Roderick D. Vereen, Esq.

From: [David J. Smith <vit6005@earthlink.net>](mailto:David.J.Smith@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@jeb.org)

Date: 8/27/2003 9:01:23 PM

Subject: RE: TERRI

Judges these days!!!! Whats a governer to do!!

david

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 4:11 PM

To: David J. Smith

Subject: RE: TERRI

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jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: David J. Smith [mailto:vit6005@earthlink.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 12:17 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: TERRI

Governer Bush

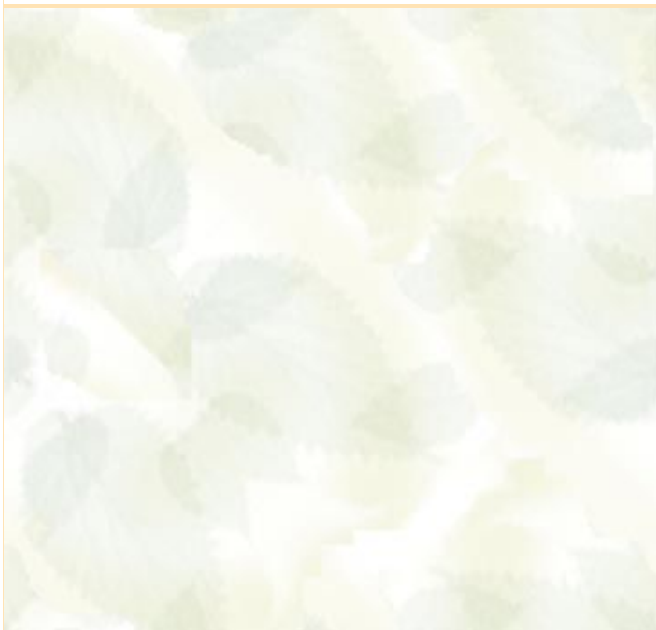
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12607 N. 51st Street

Tampa, FL 33617



From: [Bill Long <blong@co.volusia.fl.us>](mailto:blong@co.volusia.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 8:49:50 PM

Subject: Merging the 470 Board

Dear Governor Bush:

I visited a good friend of yours the other evening in Ormond Beach, Mori Hussein. He had a reception and I understand he is a tremendous supporter of yours.

The purpose for this brief letter is to encourage you to stay the course on merging the 470 and 497 Boards. I realize that two of your ardent supporters are on opposite sides of this issue. But, politics aside I see no reason why any profession should be unnecessarily regulated by two different Boards. Ken Roberson is a wonder guy and a true funeral professional. However, like Rep. Dennis Baxley I agree with your original desire to merge the Boards and eliminate a lot of unnecessary duplication of personnel, regulation, costs, and same roles.

Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Bill Long

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Agustin G. Corbella'](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 8:11:40 PM

Subject: RE:

It was good visiting with you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Agustin G. Corbella [mailto:acorbella@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 2:38 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Governor,

Thank you for your time and, more importantly, for your friendship. I remain at your service.

Big Gus

Help protect your PC: Get a free online virus scan at McAfee.com.
<http://clinic.mcafee.com/clinic/ibuy/campaign.asp?cid=3963>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'David J. Smith'

Date: 8/27/2003 8:11:10 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Harry.Wallace@usdoj.gov'](mailto:Harry.Wallace@usdoj.gov)

Date: 8/27/2003 8:09:18 PM

Subject: RE: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

Thank you Mr. Wallace. I appreciate your kind email.

Jeb Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: Harry.Wallace@usdoj.gov [mailto:Harry.Wallace@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 2:46 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

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Sincerely,

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From: [sma <sma@floridapropertytaxappeals.com>](mailto:sma@floridapropertytaxappeals.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 7:09:05 PM

Subject:

Jeb -

Also, thank you for what was described as your sincere response regarding the "contingency fee" basis upon which agents work. I've been told you said "God bless them". God bless you!

Sheila

P.S. How was that lobbyist being paid?

From: Harry.Wallace@usdoj.gov <Harry.Wallace@usdoj.gov>

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To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb_Bush)

'['Jim Horne \(jim.horne@fldoe.org\)'](mailto:Jim_Horne_(jim.horne@fldoe.org))

CC: '[Rene B. Lewis](mailto:Rene_B._Lewis)'

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'['Joaquin Avino \(javino@charterschoolhouse.com\)'](mailto:Joaquin_Avino_(javino@charterschoolhouse.com))

'[Ed J. Pozzuoli](#)'

'['Jim Scott \(jas@trippscott.com\)'](mailto:Jim_Scott_(jas@trippscott.com))

Date: 8/27/2003 5:54:11 PM

Subject: RE: Charter School Capital Outlay

Attachments: Letter

Attachment included.

-----Original Message-----

From: Hage, Jon

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 12:23 PM

To: Jeb Bush (jeb@jeb.org); Jim Horne (jim.horne@fldoe.org)

Cc: Rene B. Lewis; khall@chancellorbeacon.com; ovisiedo@chancellorbeacon.com; wdyke@chancellorbeacon.com; Al Cardenas; zfern@yahoo.com; Cynthia Henderson; Debbie Touchton; Joaquin Avino (javino@charterschoolhouse.com); 'Ed J. Pozzuoli'; Jim Scott (jas@trippscott.com)

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Jon Hage

President & CEO

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From: [Debbie Touchton <dt@tewlaw.com>](mailto:Debbie.Touchton@tewlaw.com)

To: Jhage@charterschoolsusa.com

Date: 8/27/2003 5:47:52 PM

Subject: Letter

Attachments: kooi807.doc

Per Rene's request, attached is the letter we sent to Mike Kooi.

Debbie Touchton

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From: [Lisa Snell <lsnell@reason.org>](mailto:lsnell@reason.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 5:41:33 PM

Subject: Banquet and Education Conference in Los Angeles

Jeb,

Lisa Snell, education director for the Reason Foundation here. I would like to reaffirm Reason's April 10 invitation to keynote our 35th anniversary banquet in Beverly Hills on November 5. We would be honored to hear of your great success with education reform and parental choice in Florida.

We are also hosting an education conference leading up to the banquet. Lisa Graham Keegan will be our lunch speaker with the Broad Foundation and the Education Leaders Council showcasing their alternative leadership programs in education.

We have been working with your schedulers and hope to have a positive outcome soon.

Thank you for your consideration of this event.

Best,

Lisa Snell

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From: LJones@prcnet.com <LJones@prcnet.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 5:37:42 PM

Subject: FW: PRC Book Drive Results

Governor:

I thought you might be interested in this.

This is just a quick note...I will ask you later for a letter of thanks to our pres/CEO.

It was such a success and everyone participated. Even some of our clients sent us boxes of books!

I have 25 mentors and that is only from 2 accounts. I have assigned agents from all accounts to handle the sign up. I am so happy to find such cooperation here. I hear you will be visiting us in October. Charla and I have been talking...Thanks very much...I can't wait.

Lois

PS: I am so stretched getting "my" account together...I hardly can find time for anything but work...but I'm going to have to slow down and return to part-time maybe. I am tired all the time...just exhausted. Sometimes I don't leave here until after 9:00 at night. Anyway, help is on the way. My director promised me everything will be solved by this weekend.

LJ

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Miyares, Alicia

> Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 11:46 AM

> To: PRC ALL SITE USERS LIST

> Subject: PRC Book Drive Results

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> The following note is being distributed on behalf of Tom Cardella.

>

> Dear PRC Employees:

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> About a month ago, we launched the PRC Book Drive and set a goal of
> collecting 2,500 books across each of our centers. This is to support
> Florida's Governor Jeb Bush and his wife's effort to collect 10,000 books
> statewide for after-school programs throughout the state.

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> I am very pleased to announce that PRC collected a total of 7,824 books in
> one month! This is 3 times the goal that we set for ourselves!

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> I am extremely proud of the effort put forth by everyone who helped PRC
> exceed this goal. Here's how each center stacked up:

> * Out of 597 employees, 1505 collected 523 books

> * Out of 1,241 employees, Cutler Ridge collected 1,130 books

> * Out of 1,712 employees, Glades collected 1,553 books

> * Out of 912 employees, Kendall collected 862 books

> * Out of 317 employees, Margate collected 470 books

> * Out of 23 employees, Opa Locka collected 375 books

> * Out of 401 employees, Sunrise collected 2,611 books-more than the
> company goal!

> * Out of 459 employees, West Mifflin participated for ONE WEEK and
> collected 300 books

>

> As promised, the Marketing department is sponsoring a Pizza Party for the
> top two centers (based on percentage of books collected/# of employees) in
> this contest. Congratulations to Opa Locka and Sunrise!

>

> Again, outstanding effort everyone! Great job!

>

> -Tom

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From: [Beth <montanabeth@centurytel.net>](mailto:montanabeth@centurytel.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 4:06:23 PM

Subject: Terri-on death row

Mr. Govenor, please help remove an innocent person from death row, it is within your power to issue a stay of execution, the difference is this woman is guilty of no crime. Let her loving husband move on and return her to the family that will make loving decisions regarding their daughter. If the allegations of spousal abuse could be true, there is a criminal intent to inflict great bodily harm to his victim. It needs to be investigated.

Thank you for any assistance to one of your own.

Respectfully,
Beth A. Beck
Montana/Republican

From: [First Baptist Cocoa Beach <fbccb@megabits.net>](mailto:fbccb@megabits.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 5:25:16 PM

Subject: Pearl Harbor

Dear Mr.. Governor:

First, let me identify myself. Tom and Robin Davis (FDLE) have been my friends for YEARS. I was Howard Futch's Pastor for 10 years. You once told me that I do not look like your brother; I look like the guy on Saturday Night Live that PLAYS your brother! I have told that hundreds of times.

Okay, here is my request. December 7th is on a Sunday. Our church has been very involved with local Pearl Harbor survivors, and they continue dwindling down. This will be the 62nd anniversary, and I would like our church to host a Memorial Service for the entire State. We have less than 50 in Brevard County; I have no idea about the State. So, my question is this: Would you be the GUEST SPEAKER???????

If the answer is yes, we will work out the details. Please let me know, and I will begin working.

in Jesus

Ken Babington

Pastor

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From: [Frosty & Brenda Homsher <FBHOMSHER@msn.com>](mailto:FBHOMSHER@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 5:17:08 PM

Subject: Thank You and Bless You!

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you so very much for your letter to Judge Greer on behalf of justice for Terri!

It is so refreshing and uplifting to see our officials stand for the truth in this world of loop holes.

Your input is truly appreciated! Hopefully, your request/exhortation will make a difference.

Please do keep informed and up to date with the happenings in her case...as you know, time is of essence.

Any further assistance you could give in finding the truth and justice for Terri would be so valuable :))

Again Governor, THANK YOU and May God Bless you richly as you stand for His Truth.

Psalms 84:5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.

Caring in Colorado,

Brenda

From: [Stephanie Seelenbacher <jynx@direcway.com>](mailto:jynx@direcway.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 4:06:41 PM

Subject: Terri- Please Help!

Governor Bush,

Thank you so much for your letter to Judge Greer. I live in North Carolina but this case has touched my heart. I realize that you cannot step in and stop them from starving Terri, such as you could if it were an execution. Please appeal to the judge again. Something is not right here. It feels as if she is being disposed of, and what has our country become if this is indeed the case?

Thank you so much

Stephanie Seelenbacher

From: [Marketing Edge <info@marketingedgeonline.com>](mailto:info@marketingedgeonline.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 4:59:35 PM

Subject: meeting

Hi-

How did the meeting with A.K. and Bob go?

Diane

From: [Berthy <apontemb@juno.com>](mailto:apontemb@juno.com)

To: [Brandi Langford](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 3:40:19 PM

Subject: SSA Commissioner' visit to Florida

Brandi:

I just got noticed that SSA Commissioner Barnhart visit to South Florida will be Sept. 18 & 19 and not Sept. 15 & 16 as I was told yesterday. If the Governor is available to meet with her, can someone contact Deputy Commissioner Martin Garry @ 410-965-0100? You can also let me know and I will let them know. I am attending a SSA meeting and can let them know. My cell number is 954-608-8844 or you can reply via e-mail. Thank you Brandi!

Berthy

Berthy De La Rosa-Aponte

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Please reply to the following e-mail address: apontemb@juno.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Charlie Crist \(ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com\)](mailto:ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com)

Date: 8/27/2003 3:14:24 PM

Subject: FW: information requested

-----Original Message-----

From: Bettyrbattle@aol.com [mailto:Bettyrbattle@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 11:12 AM

To: ag@oag.state.fl.us

Cc: Jeb Bush; marshahastings@yahoo.com

Subject: information requested

Mr Crist--

Again this is the email I sent to you, the auto email that came back said that one of your staff would get in touch with my sister at her email after some research. Well, my sister is the impatient type and so could you have someone get in touch with her and let her know how the research is going. Thank You, very much, her email: marshahastings@yahoo.com

Mr. Crist--

I had a gun stolen several years ago by a juvenile, he was ordered to do reimbursement--before he was able to begin his reimbursements, I divorced my husband and moved back to my hometown. I put in a change of address, but as we both know they don't last for 3 or 4 years, I failed to put in another.

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God's Love and Mine,
Becky

From: Bettyrbattle@aol.com <Bettyrbattle@aol.com>

To: ag@oag.state.fl.us

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
marshahastings@yahoo.com

Date: 8/27/2003 3:11:56 PM

Subject: information requested

Mr Crist--

Again this is the email I sent to you, the auto email that came back said that one of your staff would get in touch with my sister at her email after some research. Well, my sister is the impatient type and so could you have someone get in touch with her and let her know how the research is going. Thank You, very much, her email: marshahastings@yahoo.com

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['daryll gunter'](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 3:08:31 PM

Subject: RE: Help in Taylor County

[Alan Levine will call him. I am on the conference call on this subject right now.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: daryll gunter [mailto:daryll_gunter@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 9:51 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Help in Taylor County

Gov. Bush,

I am needing your assistance in Taylor County. We have a slight problem in the Steinhatchee area due to all the recent rainfall. If you can have someone on your staff contact Mike Smith, legal counsel for the local water utility, he can explain the problem in full.

Mike is a trusted friend and support of the Republican party and is a great asset to our area. Any help your staff could provide would be helpful. The problem seems to be with DEP. They can contact him at 850-584-3812. They can reach me if needed at 850-584-7514.

With a large 3 day weekend approaching we are in need of help to assist our local business and tourist.

Thanks you in advance for all you do for Taylor County and the entire state.

All the best,

Daryll Gunter

Taylor County Commissioner District 2

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From: [Paul Malley <p.malley@agingwithdignity.org>](mailto:p.malley@agingwithdignity.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:48:03 PM

Subject: You're doing the right thing

Governor Bush:

Greetings from Aging with Dignity! Even though our founder Jim Towe moved on, we are still going strong as a national advocate for dignified care at the end of life. I read today's news stories and your letter regarding the Schiavo case. You are taking the right approach.

This is a tragically difficult situation, for which there are no easy answers. Your appeal for caution and appropriate deliberation is the best way to affirm life while also respecting individual privacy and autonomy. While this case will have no winners, it affords an ideal opportunity to encourage Floridians of all ages -- Terri was in her 20's when this happened -- to talk to their family and doctor about their wishes. You have always been outspoken on behalf of dignified care for people of all ages -- that's why you earned an "A+" in end-of-life care on last year's Aging with Dignity Elder Issues Report Card. We are grateful for your support of the Five Wishes document, which Jim created and we continue to distribute. In just a few years, this Florida-grown document has become a model for the nation, thanks to your support.

We stand behind you, Governor. Please let me know if there is anything we can do to assist you, and provide a practical resource for Floridians to avoid similar situations. Ironically, I was in touch with Kathleen Shanahan earlier this month regarding the Five Wishes "five-year anniversary" in October. It presents an opportunity to claim Five Wishes as a "Florida success story" and encourage advance care planning. Considering the current situation, and the likely scenario in the coming weeks, a promotion of advance care planning could not be more timely.

Thank you, Governor, for your leadership.

Regards,
Paul Malley

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From: [Joseph Fishwick <JosephF@baptisthealth.net>](mailto:JosephF@baptisthealth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:49:53 PM

Subject: Thank you !

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you for intervening in the Schindler-Schiavo case. I know it is a difficult case, but you have done the right thing. I am a hospital chaplain, and through the years I have seen more than several cases where apparently "brain-dead" patients have staged miraculous recoveries. I am disappointed that Mrs. Schiavo has apparently been without any therapy or rehabilitative attention over the span of her incapacitation. Certainly we should err on the side of caution, particularly since her own parents seem to care more for her than her husband.

Thank you for your respect for life.

Sincerely, Father Joseph Fishwick, Archdiocese of Miami

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:52:03 PM

Subject: Thank you

Dear Governor,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me at the Oak Hill Plantation yesterday. I apologize for "talking shop" at a social event, but very much enjoyed hearing your thoughts on certain Managed Medicaid issues.

Please know you can continue to count on our support of your efforts.

Best regards, Todd Farha

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From: [Gayle Palmer <Pal1-2@4ez.com>](mailto:Pal1-2@4ez.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:27:05 PM

Subject: Terri Schiavo

It sounds like Judge Greer is not listening to anyone. Please intervene to protect Terri and her parents from this hard hearted husband. This is MORALLY wrong.

Sincerely,
Gayle Palmer

From: [Mark Williams <4titans@comcast.net>](mailto:4titans@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:45:30 PM

Subject: Teri Schindler-Schiavo

Thank you for intervening in Terri's case recommending that a Guardian be appointed to Teri. Please keep pressure on Judge Greer not to initiate an "exit protocol" for Terri.

She is a living human being that has been denied any therapy that could of made her better by her "Scum Bag" of a husband who already has a live-in girlfriend. He just wants what's left of the insurance money. Don't let them starve her to death. That is how "they" will kill her! Think of, if this were your daughter and her husband was trying to do the same thing to her, and there was nothing you a father could do to keep your daughter form being starved to death. Please continue to help!

Thank you,
Mark Williams
Hendersonville, TN.

From: [Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG <douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil>](mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ['Shanahan, Kathleen M.'](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:24:02 PM

Subject: Announcement by General Watson of pending retirement

Governor,

As we discussed, General Watson has announced his retirement as outlined in the message below, effective October 2, 2003. General Watson is retiring to take advantage of current opportunities in the Homeland Security venue.

Regards,

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Assistant Adjutant General for Army announces retirement

Brigadier General Jimmy Watson, Assistant Adjutant General, Florida Army National Guard, has announced he will be retiring effective October 2, 2003. His retirement will be the culmination of a distinguished military career that has spanned more than 34 years.

"General Watson has served our state and nation all of his adult life. His leadership, particularly since the tragic events of 9/11, has ensured we have combat ready units that can meet our warfight, state and homeland defense missions," said Major General Douglas Burnett, the Adjutant General. "His personal commitment to soldier readiness has had a positive impact on the Florida Army National Guard."

General Watson was commissioned in 1969 through the Florida National Guard Officer Candidate School. He has served as an infantry platoon leader; company executive officer; company commander; battalion commander; brigade operations officer; brigade executive officer and Commander, Florida Regional Training Institute. General Watson became the Assistant Adjutant General on August 1, 1997, serving as the Adjutant General's senior advisor on the readiness, training, and missions of the Florida Army National Guard.

General Watson is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the United States Army War College. His military decorations include the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Florida Cross. In 1981 he received the prestigious Lowry Award that is presented annually to most outstanding company grade officers in the state.

In his civilian career, General Watson was an executive for Sprint Corporation. He is active in several professional, civic and service organizations to include the National Guard Association of the United States and the National Guard Officers Association of Florida. He served for three years on the Army Science Board. General Watson is currently the President of the First Militia Chapter of the Association of the United States Army and serves on the National Board of Directors of the Association of the United States Army.

General Watson is married to the former Nila Ines. They have three sons: Robert, a case manager for the Children's Home Society; John, a civil engineer; and Scott, an Army Special Forces officer serving in Iraq.

A retirement ceremony is scheduled for October 17, 2003 to honor General and Mrs. Watson.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 1:51:06 PM

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 1:38:41 PM

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In care of Charlotte.Cheadle@bakerbotts.com

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IN RE:

CLEARINGSHOUSE - HomeLandSecurity - BLOWAR EARLY WARNING SYSTEM AND THE \$250 BILLION DOLLAR, PLUS, MARKETS FOR A GLOBAL MEDIA, MEDICAL, and MONETARY RISK MANAGEMENT CLEARINGHOUSE (THE "MUST HAVE" BLOWAR EARLY WARNING SYSTEM MODULE, INTEGRATING INTO THE CONFIDENTIAL COMPUTER PATIENT RECORD MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND THE \$250 BILLION DOLLAR US DOMESTIC "DOCTORS' PAPER-LESS OFFICE MARKET" MADE AVAILABLE, GLOBALLY, TOGETHER WITH "MUST HAVE" CONTENT IN EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, BEAUTY AIDS (\$160 BILLION DOLLAR MARKET)... CONTENT MANAGEMENT ... STRATEGIC POSITIONING...REAL ESTATE AND MORE...

Dear Jim,

I hope you do not mind me addressing you as Jim. I mean it in the most respectful way. However, if any other name is preferred, please advise me. In that connection, please, let me begin by offering my sincere respect and congratulations to you for your many, many outstanding accomplishments and say I wish you realization of your goals in the longest and most significant of successes and present this proposal in a spirit that would help contribute to that realization, Divine Providence willing.

Much thanks is owed to your capable and nice assistant, Charlotte, for enabling the forwarding of this e-mail letter to your personal attention. In speaking with Charlotte mention was made that I am contacting you as a fraternity brother of yours through Phi Delta Phi, a prospective client and more as I hope will develop. And try as one may, and as, in all humility, as vitally important as this proposal is believed to be, it may well be that nothing can take the place of the personal meeting respectfully requested of you.

In a little more detail than is present on the web-sites set in this e-mail letter, this opportunity and challenge is similar to the good fortune of utilizing the idea of and on behalf of a client in competition against the largest merchant banks through developing a Proposal and Integrated Approach and then negotiating and documenting the Integrated Approach Proposal into an agreement with Kathryn Darrow of the New York Times. That Integrated Approach was the one fortunately resulting in the successful modernization of The New York Time's printing presses in Manhattan.

Jim, in my humble and modest opinion and that of others, this opportunity and challenging situation before us is such an Integrated Approach opportunity and Proposal as was The New York times, however, far more important this time to the humanitarian community, America and her allies, the UK, Israel, Spain, Italy and others and your help is really needed not only as a Sponsor but, also, in every

way you can. If a lateral is a possibility I would be happy to here it.

This Integrated Approach Project is now at the level of an acceptance of an invitation from an organization chaired by the Honorable Governor of Florida to follow up a Proposal made only a few months ago which is intended to open the door to:

* A first and most comprehensive and humanitarian Biowar Early Warning System alerting to significant vital life sign deviations across large segments of population revealing early Biowar attacks; along with,

* A Confidential Computer-Based Patient Record (CPR) making your medical records as Confidential as possible. Dr. Henry Krakauer is quoted on the "Angelfire" web site set out below as stating there is a great need in the management of medicine for such a system and this firm is capable given sufficient funding and approvals by the government. (Dr. Krakauer's letter must be read on the side as it will not print.) The success of this activity would make for the most comprehensive real-time ranking of: In the Medical Area - Best Medical Practices, Best Medicines, Best Preventive Care, while in the

* Media Risk Management area (for discussion in a personal meeting) and,

* Monetary Risk Management with a specially designed capital formation engine and platform for launching and implementing new technologies and services. Applications include without limitation, Best Applications, Best Capabilities and Availabilities together with the other applications and vital in-the-know data listed in the "Angelfire" web-site.

The invitation is believed to certainly be made in good faith, and although there can be no guarantees as to outcome, there have been successes with much less by appearances than here, and Divine Providence willing we will meet with success in these endeavors. Moreover, as to the Proposal and Invitation at hand, although it is not a specified recommendation as is Dr. Miller's, below, and others on the web-sites, I should mention in all humility, I am very humbled, honored and fortunate to have a received a "Dear Steve,..." letter from the Forty-First President which I will always treasure. With that, here, in question and answer fashion are the main points of the this timely and important proposal for a simple sponsorship or independent contractor/client relationship. Time is of the essence.

(A.) WHAT IS THE FOCUS FOR MUTUAL SUCCESS?

"Based upon my professional experience, information, belief, education and expertise, it is my considered professional opinion that the sole proprietorship of Stephen A. L. Rothschild has the requisite systems engineering, managerial and integrative skills and, with proper and sufficient financing and approvals, should be able to successfully complete the provision of an integrated approach that would bring together the capabilities of information technology, organizational management, marketing and capital investment to develop or provide a system that could be used to (1) provide proof-of-concept(s) for any or all of the Communications Clearinghouse components: the Confidential computer-based Patient Record (including the Biowar Early Warning System module), the Media Communications Company, and/or the Monetary Communications Company, (2) demonstrate their utility and cost

effectiveness, and (3) implement them, making them available, globally." Signed Dr. Nancy Miller May 5th.

RECOMMENDATION from: DR. NANCY ANN MILLER, Ph.D. (ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING WITH SPECIALIZATION IN CONTROL SYSTEMS); M.S. (APPLIED PHYSICS WITH EMPHASIS IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING) M.B.A.,B.S., (FORMERLY CIVILIAN PERSONNEL UNITED STATES AIRFORCE), ACQUISITION AND PROGRAM MANAGER, Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA, with responsibilities including without limitation: Acquisition and Program Management for the Air Force, Specification Development, Cooperative Research Development Agreements with M.D. Anderson cancer institute to provide improved prostate cancer diagnostics); Electronic Engineering, System Engineering, Research Development, Image and Signal Processing Algorithms Development, Simulation, and Implementation: Control Systems (including without limitation real-time); Sensors: Neural Networks; Satellite Tracking, Non Linear Optimization, Dual Use Applications for government/Commercial; Technology Transfers. Recommendation of Stephen A. L. Rothschild.

(B.) WHAT WOULD SUCCESS MEAN?

Although, of course, notwithstanding anything to the contrary there can be no guarantees or forward looking representations, the success of any one or more of this proposal's multiple opportunities would in, my humble and modest opinion, provide you and our combined efforts with unparalleled revenue sharing, strategic positioning, and more "inelastic - must have" content and management systems than otherwise possible for mega draw global web portals. This would integrate with the Biowar Early Warning System and the Medical, Media and Monetary Risk Management Clearinghouse, together with its markets, including without limitation, the \$250 Billion Dollar US "Doctors' Paper-less Office Market, made available, globally, including "must have" content in education, and vital hard-to-get in-the-know information for business and financial news, health care, beauty aids, and more. These content management-vital data flows, proprietary deal flows, and other information are the building blocks for certain of the global media opportunities for us.

(C.) WHAT IS THE PROBLEM OR CHALLENGE CREATING THIS OPPORTUNITY?

In my humble and modest opinion and those of others, today, the problem and the challenge in part is that the United States, the United Kingdom, Israel and their global allies need, but do not have an Integrated Approach for a implement-able Proof-of-Concept providing the most real-time comprehensive and early alert Biowar Early Warning System and the larger comprehensive and fully integrated Confidential Patient Record Management System. This places the United States, the United Kingdom, Israel and their allies in an unnecessary and intolerable risk position from certain otherwise knowable activities pointing to potentially avoidable and/or mitigate-able catastrophic damage, as well as other unnecessarily lost vital benefits in health care, media and monetary risk management as set out in the web site at:

<http://www.angelfire.com/super/aim/>.

(D.) WHAT IS MY RELATIONSHIP AND (IN ALL HUMILITY) EXPERTISE AS TO THIS CHALLENGE AND OPPORTUNITY?

1. As a result of my trade secreted invention, "expertise" and unsolicited proposals described, herein, I am recruited/invited if you will, by the quasi- governmental agency of Florida, Enterprise Florida, Inc. Moreover, I am grateful to Joel, Fred, Mickie and other personnel in expressing the interest and desire to recruit my firm, with respect to these unsolicited projects and other activities, and subject to their capabilities, assisting in the successful accomplishment of our goals, negotiations and opening businesses and operations in Florida necessary to establish our services and these projects in Florida, made available globally. In addition to the State of Florida, success would provide the US federal government benefits of one or more aspects of the projects. Moreover, my research and prior discussions with certain top world experts in key fields to provide their assistance and availability is in my humble opinion, important.

2. In certain areas of my background, in all humility, I have a proven, successful background of over 25 years in the practice of law and a type of merchant banking, with a proven track record providing very tailored, strategically positioned Integrated Approach Technology Systems for profitable businesses, including without limitation, that resulting in the very successful modernization of the New York Times' printing presses in Manhattan and the "idea" to "IPO" of the integration company I formed for a client, going from concept to cash very quickly and successfully with Bear Stearns on Wall Street with our new, leading technology competing successfully against some of the largest global merchant banks.

3. Moreover, as mentioned in this instance, I invented the trade secreted process to what may be described as "must have" proprietary methodology for the BioWar Early Warning System content management, including the integrative skills ("expertise" "know how") utilized in the tried and true Integrative Approach resulting in the winning and implementing of the New York Times press modernization process mentioned above. Although, of course there can be no guarantees, the BioWar Early Warning System is integral to The Confidential Computer Patient Record System, and both are portions of the Medical Risk Management Clearinghouse, which together with the other two pillars, being, the Media and Monetary Risk Management Clearinghouse components mentioned on the above web site and referenced in the recommendation set out below, comprise the fuller Global Risk Management Clearinghouse.

4. In addition, I know of no other firm being awarded a merchant banking status in an SBA 8(a)together with the related activities listed in the SIC codes on the web-site at:

<http://stephenalrothschild.tripod.com>

and

<http://www.sba8a.com/yr04/fl102197.htm>.

If, the filings are updated and reinstated, the SBA 8(a)allows for unsolicited sole source "no wait" US federal and state contract awards. I am advised

reinstatement is a formality. Moreover, with or without the SBA 8(a) there are independent and substantial legal grounds, in my humble view, for sole source, no wait contracting. In the SIC Code of "Communications" there are no revenue limitations as to dollar limits other than 1500 employees. Yahoo's market cap was over \$30 Billion with less.

5. As to certain of the sought after contract(s), as mentioned, I invented the proprietary trade secreted method for the Biowar Interactive Early Warning System and wrote an original "White Paper" to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, (Dubois) March, 1997, forecasting the likelihood of sneak anthrax attacks against the United States on the American Continent and proposed The Early Warning System which has been expanded and improved. Although The System predates it, it would be complementary to the Vice President's brilliant BioShield Project.

6. These contracts, Divine Providence willing, would help us build a significant economic engine with a specially designed financing package for substantial new applications, market draw, companies, jobs, and more jobs, while strategically positioning us in front of the US \$250 Billion Dollar Doctor's Paper-less Office Market, and the other markets mentioned, building credibility, market share and enduring real value.

7. I should mention, here, there certain proposals, including a special proposal regarding global media which does not appear in this e-mail letter and can only be discussed in person.

(E.) WHAT CAN WE DO NOW TO BEGIN AND INSURE SUCCESS?

1. Together, initially as Sponsor/Sponsoree, ("Sponsoree" being one who is sponsored) preferably, or as independent contractor "Consultant"/"Client", I believe we would have an opportunity to establish the Global Risk Management Clearinghouse which, in my humble opinion and those of others, with our "must have" proprietary technology and programming, and business and deal flow, would ease many difficulties for many people, beginning, if, you will, with the BLOWAR Early Warning System and, then, integrating into the other systems mentioned above, and more.

2. What I am proposing is a Sponsor/Sponsoree relationship, and/or becoming your independent contractor Consultant, sourcing the proactive building of substantial business opportunities, and as appropriate, a flexible group of top sophisticated and accredited providers/investors, as regards those government, commercial and personal markets you wish to service. The SBA 8(a) would be lost by legal technicalities which do not allow it to enter into a partnership or joint venture, per se, without first qualifying with US federal regulators and coming within limiting guide lines. However, a simulation may be achieved with the desired results through commencing as Sponsor/Sponsoree or "Consultant-Integrator/-Client", as with the New York Times project.

One can not of course offer guarantees other than integrity and fidelity, but, having fortunately enjoyed I have enjoyed key successes, the references from Dr. Nancy Miller, a prior United States Air Force Program Acquisition Manager in the relevant fields necessary to make such a recommendation speaks volumes.

Jim, I am in Jerusalem with an e-mail as set out, above, and a cell number of (Country Code 972) then 51 953 222, or if in Israel 051 953 222. If you would arrange a capability to discuss this opportunity in person with a view to entering into the necessary arrangements, I have the invitations, proprietary interests, and according to experts in the field, the necessary capabilities -Divine Providence willing- to Integrate an Approach helping each and all of us reach our respective goals. Again, time is of the essence.

I am hopeful of your favorable response and moving forward as soon as possible.

The threshold costs are really SO insignificant to the opportunities which are SO great and SO important, moving on this now ought not be any real problem.

Wishing you all the best,

Very respectfully,

Steve

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'eittap@juno.com'

Date: 8/27/2003 12:55:36 PM

Subject: Re: Fiscal Budget

Trish, turkeys are line items placed in the budget that didnot go through a thorough review. They are generally local projects.

Jeb

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Sent: Wed Aug 27 08:22:29 2003

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From: [Rhonda Calhoun <rhonda-calhoun@myacc.net>](mailto:Rhonda.Calhoun@myacc.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Orlich, Justine](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:54:49 PM

Subject: INVITATION/Response to Terrorism, The Israeli Model: How is South Florida Preparing?

Attachments: mailsecurity.txt



Dear Jeb:

Coral Springs is establishing a "sister city" relationship with the City of Petach-Tikva, Israel. The kick-off event for this occasion is a day-long event with the subject as reflected above. I have attached hereto an Executive Summary of the Program for your review.

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Speakers will include medical personnel from Israel now working at the Ryder Trauma center in Miami and the keynote speaker will be Major Michael Stein, M.D., Director of the Trauma Unit at the Rabin Center in Petach-Tikva, Israel.

I know that your calendar is "chock-full" of events and commitments, but I am hopeful you might consider attending on November 12th.

Rhonda



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CC: jimm@wesven.com

Date: 8/27/2003 12:20:34 PM

Subject: hurt but not lost

My dear friends,

I know that we will not agree on everything. It is not human nature or political to agree on everything. On last sunday, I appeared on WMNF 88.5 FM radio on the Sunday Forum. The topic was Blacks, Politics and the upcoming elections. State Farm Agent Ken Anthony, a long time friend and black republican appeared with me. The show started with the question about me shaking the Presidents hand at the base of Air Force One and what's up with that.

There were several irate callers who accused me on air of being an "house nigger", uncle tom, sell out and that I was shaking hands with the devil. I stood my ground and challenged the listening audience to be open minded and not always the pawn of the democratic party. I touted Jeb's record on diversity and inclusion which I am very proud of. I will stand by my friends who have treated me with professionalism and respect and who have given me opportunity. And I will stand by those men, like you, who have espoused certain human and political values which I respect.

As quiet as it is kept, it is my intention just prior to the next republican dinner here and near the end of second term as naacp president to join the republican party. I would love for you to be with me as I do it.

BUT, this last decision on Pate vs. Woody for the Parole Commission really hurt. I do join you Governor on the quote that you do not have to be black to be sensitive to black issues but because of the makeup of the commission's constituency and mission, it was critical that diversity AND QUALIFICATIONS be evident and real on the commission. I will not publicly attack on this issue nor will I join the groundswell of those urging penalty be exacted. Damn perception is everything.

BUT,

I do support a reconsideration on the appointment. In the event you choose to not reconsider this, you must do something in terms of Pate's assistants, her generals or lieutenants...some compromise that is looked at as meaningful should be forged. A few of the black state representatives called me and chided me on this one.

I look forward to our continuing to dialogue and communicate on important issues. I respect each of you and know that you have the best interest of all the citizens in this great state in mind.

From: GUITARJAX55@aol.com <GUITARJAX55@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:00:11 PM

Subject: more taxes

Jeb,

The money situation in this state has become critical. It is absurd that schools do not have enough money, yet there are billions for roads.

Obviously something must change. Here are a few ideas to increase the tax base.

1. Impose a state income tax. Don't forget to tax welfare checks also.
2. State sales tax of 7% on home sales.
3. Charge an additional 10% tax on vehicle purchases over \$50,000, for a total tax of 17%.
4. Charge sales tax on insurance premiums.
5. Put meters on school buses just like taxi cabs.
6. Take every person who is unemployed and put them at intersections with video cameras to cite red light runners.
7. Sell a 5 coupon booklet for \$500 to drivers in lieu of speeding fines up to 15mph over the posted limit.
8. Put up toll booths at every entrance to the state and charge \$50 to get in.
9. Do not ever hire any school teacher from out of state who has children.
10. Finally, triple the property tax for waterfront homes.

Jeb, this will big time discourage people from migrating to Florida and get those of us who live paycheck to paycheck out. This should help with classroom size as well. Then, only the wealthy will reside here and if the state still needs more money, they still can afford to pay more tax. This state does not need poor people here. There are 49 other states where we could move to. Drastic measures for drastic times.

Steve in Riverview

From: [Ann M. Gillett <amgillett@sunlitsurf.com>](mailto:amgillett@sunlitsurf.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:15:09 PM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

Re: Your support of saving Cypress Gardens.....**THANKS!**

[Ann Gillett](#)
[Avon Park, FL](#)

From: [Pareigis, Susan <Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us>](mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:53:07 AM

Subject: RE: Please Help if you can. fup

Thank you for the time you gave me yesterday - it was very helpful to me.

Two brief items I forgot to mention - I'm working with DJJ (Bill Bankhead) to direct some of the WIA (Workforce Investment Act) dollars for in-school youth to Bill's facilities. We're starting a pilot program this year for one male and one female facility - where we can deliver skills training, on site, for these individuals.

Additionally, we are working with DOE - Workforce Education dept - to competitively bid 10% of Workforce Education dollars and 10% of local Workforce Adult and Dislocated Worker Training dollars for targeted industries and growth sectors.

Thank you again,

Susan

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To: Pareigis, Susan

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To: 'charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/27/2003 11:34:02 AM

Subject: FW: Florida Banks: OnlineCorporateIdentityRisks.com

fyi

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From: Beckwith B. Miller [mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 4:02 PM

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Cc: billie.neese@msn.com

Subject: Florida Banks: OnlineCorporateIdentityRisks.com

Governor Bush,

Education...education...education...

Feedback from the frontline:

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5100 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 105
Naples, Florida 34103
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Susan Pareigis \(Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us)
['Levine, Alan \(State\)'](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:31:22 AM

Subject: FW: Please Help if you can.

Attachments: Letter for Help-002.doc

-----Original Message-----

From: DKM FMM [mailto:DKM_1966@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 6:47 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Please Help if you can.

Enclosed in this email, as an attachment, is the rest of the information this letter is pertaining to. Thank you in advance for any help you can provide.

August 26, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to ask for any help your office may possibly be able to provide. My husband, after 23 years at his current job, hit a point of upset with his current employer on July 24th, 2003 and decided to quit. He realizes this was the wrong thing to do until he had another job lined up but what is done is done and there is no turning back. He has, however, tried to regain employment with his previous employers but was told there were no positions open. Meanwhile, he's has spent from then until today looking for new employment in his line of work but we have had no luck. Of course he was denied unemployment benefits since he made the decision to quit his job. Yes, he offered to work out his two weeks notice but they said it wasn't necessary and gave him 2 weeks severance pay. We have put in an appeal but somehow I doubt the decision will be over turned. We have also applied for family assistance through Florida Department of Children & Families for our 3 children. I found out today that the case was only just turned in. Which means at least another possible month of waiting. It seems like everywhere we turn we are denied any help or it's taking forever for anything to come through. My husband was even turned away at the Veteran's clinic in Daytona Beach because he made too much money in the previous year. He's a diabetic and only has enough medication for another month. We have never been in this position before so we really don't know about all the assistance that could possibly be out there. We also don't seem to have a very interested case-worker dealing with our situation at Children & Family Services. I have written her telling her that we are hitting dire straits but then to find out our case was just turned over today was a bit upsetting. We originally applied for help July 28th and our first appointment was on August 5th with Ms. Yearby. Meanwhile, our bank account is almost down to \$600 and still no help in sight. This is also when he applied for Unemployment benefits. I have sent you a list showing my husband's qualifications and experience. This also should show that he is a reliable and good worker, not a job hopper. I think everyone hits a point in their life where they need help and it seems like if you have never been to this point before then it's very difficult finding the help that may be out there. My husband has applied to, sent a resume to, and/or called at least 80 employers & 3 job recruiters located throughout Florida. I have included that list also. I have included this information to prove that he is desperately looking for new employment and isn't just sitting around waiting for a handout. All we need is some assistance. We have a mortgage payment and utilities coming up and if things keep going the way they are, we are going to start getting things turned off. Our largest concern is our children. If you could send me any information on possible job openings that my husband would fit into, ways of finding job leads (besides the unemployment web site because he had no luck there either), if there is a way to appeal the unemployment benefits decision, or any way to expedite the Children & Families process, I sure would appreciate it before this family goes totally under.

Very Sincerely,

A Very concerned mother and wife,

Darlene K Miller

Phone: 386-253-4602

Email: dfmilr99@bellsouth.net

814 8th Street

FL Dept. of Children & Family Case # 1183960476

Holly Hill, FL 33117

Unemployment benefits info: 411-88-0612

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: miller@trademarkbots.com
Date: 8/27/2003 11:27:09 AM
Subject: RE: Florida Banks: OnlineCorporateldentityRisks.com

I have passed on your email to Charlie Crist for his action should he so desire.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Beckwith B. Miller [mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 4:02 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: billie.neese@msn.com
Subject: Florida Banks: OnlineCorporateldentityRisks.com

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Charlie Crist \(charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/27/2003 11:26:19 AM
Subject: FW: Florida Banks: OnlineCorporateldentityRisks.com

fyi

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Dmaaevans@cs.com'](mailto:Dmaaevans@cs.com)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:25:13 AM

Subject: RE: Reading

Ms. Evans, it is not true that if children read to me they can pass. As I understand it, you signed a contract that your daughter had to be promoted to stay at Davenport. I don't agree with that policy but it is allowed by law. In addition, third graders who scored at level one on the FCAT (below basic reading) have alternatives to show that they should be promoted. Each county school district has the responsibility to develop those alternatives and many have passed through this process.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Dmaaevans@cs.com [mailto:Dmaaevans@cs.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 7:20 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Reading

Dear Gov.Jeb Bush

I sent an e-mail to you several weeks ago about my daughter who was dismissed from her school because of not passing the FCAT. Someone yesterday informed me that you are allowing 3rd graders who did not pass the FCAT to come in and read to you and therefore if you feel that in fact that they are able to read than you are letting them go ahead into the 4th grade. I too also know my daughter can read. My question to you today is that if I have my daughter read to you and you feel that she really can in fact read after all and you say that she can go to the 4th grade. How could she go the the 4th grade because the FCAT dismissed her from her school so therefore she doesnot have a place in her school anymore. I honestly feel that the way you used the FCAT this year is wrong. I think we should use the FCAT but not as a placement test. It should strictly be used as a part of the childs grade and should not have been used to this extreme. You already know that my daughter was dismissed from her school because of this test and then I learn that if I bring her to you and let her read to you then she can go to the 4th grade. Will I then have to enroll her again to get back in to Davenport School of the Arts. I am a little confused on what to do next.

Sincerely,
Marsha Evans

From: PDQFNA@aol.com <PDQFNA@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:20:10 AM

Subject: Thank you on behalf of the Russells

Dear Jeb,

This follow up note is written to thank you so much for sending a congratulatory letter to the Russell's for their 50th Anniversary.

They were both so thrilled and honored, as took your letter with them to show the rest of their family and friends back in Kentucky.

Your words are enduring in their memories.. and I thank you for making their life event even more special.

May your day be special as you lead and shape this great State, Pat Quigley

From: Dmaaevans@cs.com <Dmaaevans@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 11:20:05 AM

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From: [Micheal P Floyd Junior <prentiss2@netzero.com>](mailto:prentiss2@netzero.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: daniel_kennedy@srqit.sarasota.k12.fl.us

Date: 8/27/2003 10:56:07 AM

Subject: Intervention - Tampa Military Academy

To The Honorable Governor,

Sir, my name is Micheal P. Floyd, Junior, a former soldier in the U.S. Armed Forces and a current member of Pasco County Public Schools. I reside within the County of Hillsborough, but I desired the peace and quiet of country life and ventured here to establish my second career in instructing the young men and women of this fine community (Zephyrhills, Florida). I am currently assigned to R. B. Stewart Middle School and have taken this opportunity to write you regarding a matter pertaining to the establishment of a Military Academy within the City of Tampa.

The idea of forming a Military Academy within the State of Florida can be found through the Headmaster of the only Military Academy within the State - Daniel Kennedy. Mr. Kennedy's history can be found within Sarasota County District Schools where he has served, with distinction, in various roles of leadership. The Military Academy within Sarasota is properly named "Sarasota Military Academy", where it is deemed a Charter School within its third year of operation, nationally recognized by the Department of Defense as a Five Star Learning Institute, and is presently undergoing National Certification evaluation.

The idea of having a military academy within the City of Tampa was provided through a presentation given by Mr. Kennedy to my Doctorate Class, while on a field trip to his outstanding school. His presentation centered on how critics showered him with negatives, on how parents throughout the community would balk at the notion, and how the winds of politics would eventually shut him down. Now, in its third year with a waiting list bearing the names of parents with 4th graders, Sarasota Military Academy has grown from 200+ to 400+ Cadets.

How does this relate to you, well Sir, I wish to form a similar program within Hillsborough County (Tampa), Florida. Recently, the Department of Transportation purchased Oak Park Elementary School for 30 million+ dollars for the right-of-way to extend I-4 to the Crosstown Expressway. The school district sold due to safety concerns. D.O.T. can't, according to Mr. Bill Scott and Mr. John Saxton (813-975-6000), provide a lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of the school becoming an Academy due to the standard governmental rules regarding this. Personally, I understand this and seek your assistance by having the departmental debt of \$30 million assigned to the Department of Education, where they can in turn assign the vacant structure to the school district, which according to rule assigned the school to the community on a lease/purchase for use as a Charter School or other interesting venture. A lease/purchase plan will ensure repayment of the 30 million over time and provide our children with the essential tools of learning, which a military academy can provide.

If you can see a possibility of assisting in this venture, please take the lead and rest assure, documentation essentially required in the establishment of a Charter School of this format will soon find itself within the wheels of review.

Your Considerable Servant,

Micheal P Floyd Junior
Academic Instructor

As teachers come, they also go, but most of all...they watch their children grow.

God Bless You!!

From: PAMALAPOOH@aol.com <PAMALAPOOH@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 6:16:04 AM

Subject: One more item on my chronic illness, Gastroparesis

Having an invisible disability (ID) and/or invisible chronic illness (ICI) means that many things change. Just because you can't see the changes doesn't mean they aren't real.

Most people don't understand much about these disabilities/diseases and their effects, and of those that think they know, many are actually mis-informed.

In the spirit of informing those who wish to understand ...

... These are the things that I would like you to understand about me before you judge me...

Please understand that being disabled/sick doesn't mean I'm not still a human being. I have to spend most of my day being very careful what I do, and if you visit I might not seem like much fun to be with, but I'm still me stuck inside this body. I still worry about school and work and my family and friends, and most of the time I'd still like to hear you talk about yours too.

Please understand the difference between "happy" and "healthy". When you've got the flu you probably feel miserable with it, but I've been sick for years. I can't be miserable all the time, in fact I work hard at not being miserable. So if you're talking to me and I sound happy, it means I'm happy. That's all. I may be tired. I may be in pain. I may be sicker than ever. Please, don't say, "Oh, you're sounding better!". I am not sounding better, I am sounding happy. If you want to comment on that, you're welcome.

Please understand that being able to stand up for five minutes, doesn't necessarily mean that I can stand up for ten minutes, or an hour. It's quite likely that doing that five minutes has exhausted my resources and I'll need to recover - imagine an athlete after a race. They couldn't repeat that feat right away either.

Please repeat the above paragraph substituting, "sitting up", "walking", "thinking", "being sociable" and so on ... it applies to everything that I do.

Please understand that chronic illnesses and even sometimes disabilities are variable. It's quite possible (for me, it's common) that one day I am able to walk to the bathroom and back, while the next day I'll have trouble sitting

up. Please don't attack me when I'm ill by saying, "But you did it before!". If you want me to do something, ask if I can and I'll tell you. Similarly, my illness/disability may vary suddenly, meaning I may need to cancel an invitation at the last minute, if this happens please do not take it personally.

Please understand that "getting out and doing things" does not make me feel better, and can often make me worse. Chronic illnesses may cause a secondary/reactive depression (wouldn't you get depressed if you were stuck in bed 23 hours a day for years on end!?) but they are not created by depression. Telling me that I need some fresh air and exercise is not not correct and probably not appreciated - if I could possibly do it that, I would.

Please understand that if I say I have to sit down/lie down/take these pills now, that I do have to do it right now - it can't be put off or forgotten just because I'm doing something else more exciting. Illnesses and disabilities do not forgive their victims.

Please understand that I can't spend all of my energy trying to get well from my incurable chronic illness. With a short-term illness like the flu, you can afford to put life on hold for a week or two while you get well. But part of having a chronic illness is coming to the realization that you have to spend some energy on having a life now. This doesn't mean I'm not trying to get better. It doesn't mean I've given up. It's just how life is when you're dealing with a chronic illness.

If you want to suggest a cure to me, please don't. It's not because I don't appreciate the thought, and it's not because I don't want to get well. It's because I have had almost every single one of my friends suggest one at one point or another. At first I tried them all, but then I realized that I was using up so much energy trying things that I was making myself sicker, not better. If there was something that cured, or even helped, all people with a certain illness then we'd know about it. This is not a drug-company conspiracy, there is worldwide networking (both on and off the Internet) between people with similar and different chronic illnesses, if something worked we would know.

If after reading that, you still want to suggest a cure, then do it. Preferably in writing. But don't expect me to rush out and try it. If I haven't had it or something like it suggested before, I'll take what you said and discuss it with my doctor.

Please understand that getting better from an illness like this can be very slow. And getting better from an invisible disability might not happen at all. People with chronic illnesses have so many systems in their bodies out of equilibrium, and functioning wrongly, that it may take a long time to sort everything out.

I depend on you - people who are not sick - for many things.
But most importantly, I need you to understand me.

From: PAMALAPOOH@aol.com <PAMALAPOOH@aol.com>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/27/2003 6:14:27 AM

Subject: Gastroparesis

Dear Gov. Bush,

Resently I sent you some information on my illness Gastroparesis. I am begging for your help in any way to get this information to Congress. This illness is so hard to deal with as a person who suffers from it as well as for the family members. I am attaching a letter that my daughter wrote regarding how she feels about my illness. Please respond with any information that might be helpful with my quest for help in research for a cure or at least a good treatment. As of right now, there is no cure and Doctors are not sure how to even treat us. The only hope with have is to try to get quality of life through medication, feeding tubes, TPN, and the support of our friends and family. If you would like to research this alittle further, please visit [Gastroparesis and Dymotilities](#). We really need your help.

Thank you,

Pamala Morgan
Clearwater, FL

to whom it may concern-

My mom has gastroparsist, And she can't do things with me like other moms can do with their kids, Like she cant take me to the Carnival and have a Corn-dog with me, or she can't ride ride's with me. Somedays I may want to do something just me and her and she is sick. It's just so sad that my mom can't have a Normal life like other people, she can't eat like other people can. She can't eat meats, pizza, Barely anything at all. Somedays she can't even get out of bed. She's like a sick little kid and I'm the 12 year old grown-up, well most of the time, when my dad's not home. ~~_____~~

please help us raise enough money to help my mom Become my mom again

Sincerely,

Ashton Morgan

Age : 12

Clearwater FL

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org <liza@volunteerflorida.org>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

MaryLaura.Openshaw@fldoe.org

Date: 8/27/2003 4:06:54 AM

Subject: FW: Court's Toy Giveaways Get Boost From Donor

I've known Judge Tepper for probably 15 years...I drafted the Probationers Educational Growth (PEG) legislation for her back then (program where judges require students to go to adult literacy as part of probation) and she has been a real family and literacy advocate. Mary Laura, thought if you saw the article we might brainstorm around it... enjoy, Liza

-----Original Message-----

From: Tepper, Judge Lynn [mailto:ltepper@co.pinellas.fl.us]

Sent: Tue 8/26/2003 9:59 PM

To: Pat Badlands (E-mail); John J. Dalton (E-mail); Brenda Glass (E-mail); Cathy Harlan (E-mail); Eileen Herman (E-mail); Liza McFadden (E-mail); Sandy Neidert (E-mail); David Elliott Tepper (E-mail); Elliott and Mary Tepper (E-mail); Jonathan Tepper (E-mail); Peter Tepper (E-mail); Vern Wilson (E-mail)

Cc:

Subject: FW: Court's Toy Giveaways Get Boost From Donor

a nice little article about our book and toy giveaway. Not your typical courthouse!! LT

-----Original Message-----

From: Stuart, Ron

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 8:44 AM

To: 25. All

Subject: Court's Toy Giveaways Get Boost From Donor

This is a nice story about the court staff in Dade City. It ran in Sunday's Tampa Tribune, Pasco edition.

Headline:

Court's Toy Giveaways Get Boost From Donor

URL: <http://tampatrib.com/pasconews/MGAA2F51PJD.html>

Why not check out our other great articles at <http://tampatrib.com>

From: [JohnSipos <jsipos@ij.net>](mailto:jsipos@ij.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 3:16:43 AM

Subject: Greer against guardian ad litem.

Mr. Governor,

Here I go again. Sorry.

I am told by a reliable source -- Greer told media today, in response to your proposal, that he's not inclined to appoint a guardian ad litem. This is nuts.

But, not all that unpredictable since -- last time Terri had a guardian ad litem, when attorney George Felos objected that the woman's advocate WAS BIASED for advocating for rehabilitation and coming down on the side of life -- JUDGE GREER AGREED -- and threw the voice for Terri off of the case. That's my understanding, still trying to bring myself up to speed on this case.

Mark these words, and I pray I am wrong -- but this judge is interested in one thing -- after crossing all his legal t's and dotting all the i's -- there is an intent to kill that woman. None dare call it judicial homicide in the first degree? I just did.

Follow that path to the doctor appointed to represent THE JUDGE in this most recent trial. It is alleged, the dots connect back to the lawyer representing the death side of the courtroom. If volunteer private investigators could find that, could state investigators follow the same bread crumbs? And, if true, it would no longer be a civil court issue.

John Sipos

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:35:08 AM

Subject: FW: (no subject)

Can you help.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Mariecardile@aol.com [mailto:Mariecardile@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 8:42 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: (no subject)

Hi Jeb,

Remember me? I lived in D.B and am a friend of Nora. You installed me as Pres. of the Restaurant Association.

We moved to Raleigh, N.C to buy a Mrs. Fields' cookie store and opened a new one last year. I lost touch for awhile. My brother is living ot Jax. I never liked it here and I think it is time to come back home.

I have a friend in Miami who needs to sell his Mrs. Fields', but does not know of a good business broker. He would like to have it sold by October. I thought you would probably be able to suggest someone to us since you are from that area.

The store is in Miami Lakes- the Falls Mall. When you were campaigning he said you stopped in his store and bought some cookies. His name is Jerry Calvo. I would really appreciate it if you would send me information on a broker. I hope all is well with you and your family.
All the best- Marie

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alan Florez](#)

[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)

[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 2:20:53 AM

Subject: FW: unveiling of the Hispanic Heritage Month murals

[what is his art work? should i do this?](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Xavier Cortada [mailto:xavier@cortada.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 9:53 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: unveiling of the Hispanic Heritage Month murals

Governor Bush,

I am hard at work completing the Hispanic Heritage Month murals. The two are to be exhibited in the Capitol's rotunda (see <http://www.cortada.com/media/2003/fi-hispanic-heritage-month.htm>). Naturally, after the exhibit ends, you are welcome hang one or both in your office for the remainder of your term.

I am also hoping that you would be available to officially unveil/present them at some point during their display (from September 15th to October 31st). My schedule is pretty open (see: <http://www.cortada.com/calendar.htm>). Please let me know...

Thanks,
Xavier

XAVIER CORTADA

Xavier Cortada has exhibited his works in museums, galleries, and cultural venues around the world and has pioneered the use of the Internet in collaborative art-making. The Miami-based Cuban-American artist, attorney, and activist has worked collaboratively with diverse groups across the United States, Latin America, Europe and Africa to create pro-social community murals and participant-driven art projects. Cortada has been commissioned to create murals for:

The White House
The World Bank
HBO
Hershey's
Nike
Global Health Council
World AIDS Conferences
Miami-Dade County Juvenile Courthouse
Miami-Dade Art in Public Places
Miami Art Museum

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE ARTIST AT

mailing address: Xavier Cortada 3621 SW Third Avenue Miami, FL 33145

tel: 305-858-1323 | fax: 305-857-9282 | e-mail: xavier@cortada.com

website: <http://www.cortada.com>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'Xavier Cortada'
BCC: [Alan Florez](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
Date: 8/27/2003 2:20:21 AM
Subject: RE: unveiling of the Hispanic Heritage Month murals

thank you Xavier. I will check with Alan Florez and the scheduling team and they will be in touch.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Xavier Cortada [mailto:xavier@cortada.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 9:53 PM
To: Jeb Bush
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From: [Xavier Cortada <xavier@cortada.com>](mailto:xavier@cortada.com)

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Date: 8/27/2003 1:52:43 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'fbrogan@bberry.fau.edu'

Date: 8/27/2003 1:50:50 AM

Subject: Re:

Where?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Frank Brogan device <fbrogan@bberry.fau.edu>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Tue Aug 26 21:11:17 2003

Subject: Re:

Hope to join you for the One Florida press conference on Tuesday Gov

From: [GEORGE & CECI PINO <gipceci@msn.com>](mailto:gipceci@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 1:05:33 AM

Subject: Health insurance

Dear Governor Bush:

I was so excited to read that you are meeting today in Miami regarding the high cost of health insurance for individuals.

I am a young working mother. I have been on maternity leave and just returned to work. After a few weeks, my husband and I decided the best thing for our family is that I stay home and raise our daughter. The problem is he is a 1099 employee and does not receive health insurance benefits from his employer. We have decided to take an enormous risk for our daughter: I resigned from my job and we will be paying cobra for 18 months and then.... we'll take it from there. I did find out that in August he is allowed to apply for group insurance, \$1,000 a month! It would be cheaper if maternity was not included but I am still of child bearing years and we have to protect ourselves from the astronomical health costs!

We will try it out and hopefully we can make ends meet but when I think that we could be saving some of that for her education, it saddens me. I truly hope you can help us out. The high price of insurance is ridiculous. They (health insurance organizations) are monopolizing everything!

Kindest Regards,

Cecilia Smith Pino

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Diana Morawa](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 1:05:00 AM

Subject: RE:

I will be watching the process, I promise.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Diana Morawa [mailto:pandalady1224@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 7:08 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Oh, Jeb! You sweetie pie you!!!! Thank You oh sooooo much for the guardian-ad-lietum! Now, if only the case were before a new judge, Terrie would have a fair fight against Michael Schiavo. On Channel 8 news today, the judge said that it would not sway his decision to pull the feeding tube. A hearing is set for September 11, for the final decision of pulling the tube. We are half of the way there. Doctors and their statements are in place to prove that Terri is disabled and can be rehabilitated. But with a judge that already has his mind made up, it still is a grey outlook for the future decision. I believe in my heart that Michael put her in this condition, and he is afraid that she will name him as the batterer who did this to her. This is why he, his attorney - Fellows - and Greer - are all in his back pocket full of change, after all, there is still 300,000\$'s left in her malpractice suit that was to be used for her rehabilitation. Michael has used the balance of the 1.6 million dollar settlement for his attorney, and I wouldn't doubt it if Greer has gone out to lunch - a rather expensive one - with the two of them on many occasions. There is just too much SHIT piled up in this case, and it really needs to be cleaned up. You have done the right thing. You have taken the first step. Please promise me, that you will watch over the progress? Terri needs you to do this. I hope that Michael will allow The Monsignor Malakowski to see her and administer communion to her, also. Thanking you in advance for your continued future co-operation, I remain, Sincerely, Diana V. Morawa xoxoxoxoxo

Do you Yahoo!?

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [L_m_thacker](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 1:03:04 AM

Subject: RE: THANK YOU

I am glad the first step has worked out.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: L_m_thacker [mailto:lthacke1@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 8:35 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: THANK YOU

Dear Governor Bush,

Although in the past we have certainly had our differences of opinion (smile I know it's difficult to see EVERYONE'S viewpoint and still run a state) ~ my sons and I felt this was an appropriate time to thank you for your part in preserving such an important part of our beautiful Florida history.

I hope it goes without saying that we'd all want Ms. Burma Posey and Mr. David Siegel to play a large part (along with yourself and other officials) in restoring/preserving/enhancing/PROTECTING FOR THE FUTURE this beautiful place in the Florida sunshine.

Thank you SINCERELY for your stalwart effort in this matter.

It's hard to say no to Burma (no one who has met her can do so, Thank God !!)

Dear Governor Jeb Bush,

Thank you for your part in this matter, sir.

SINCERELY,

Laura M. and Julian and Joseph Thacker and Friends of Cypress Gardens and Friends

For my part, whatever anguish of spirit it may cost, I am willing to know the whole truth; to know the worst, and to provide for it.

Patrick Henry

Lawrence Michael Thacker,

022673 - 070200

"Whom the gods love die young"

"We are all of us living in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars."

~ Chrissie Hynde

I've written your name on the pages of my heart,

Reflected your face in the mirrors of my soul,

Displayed you in the galleries of my eyes

Laura Marie Thacker

holding close the sound of your voice

All my love ! I sure will never forget

laughing so much with you ...

I wanna go back and do it all over

<http://larrythacker.homestead.com/indextobe.html>

And now I wait my whole lifetime

For You

I ride the dirt, I ride the tide

For you

I search the outside, search inside

For you

To take back what you left me

I know I'll always burn to be

The one who seeks so i may find

And now I wait my whole lifetime

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: blouwells@earthlink.net

Date: 8/27/2003 1:02:33 AM

Subject: RE: Water

It is not my proposal.

-----Original Message-----

From: Betty Lou Wells [mailto:blouwells@earthlink.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 5:40 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Water

Please abandon the proposal to ship north Florida water south. Do you really think south Florida will be improved by making it possible for more people to colonize it? For hat matter, will the whole state be helped by overcrowding any part of it? Betty Lou Wells

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Dr. Dangl](#)

CC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:59:54 AM

Subject: RE: appointment of new medical board member

[thank you Dr. for your recommendation.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Dr. Dangl [mailto:drdanglinfo@verizon.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 4:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: appointment of new medical board member

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to request that current Florida Board of Medicine member Rafael Miguel, M.D. not be approved for another term. In my opinion, Dr. Miguel has and continues to use his position as a Board member to carry out the agenda of the Florida Society of Anesthesiologists and its parent organization the American Society of Anesthesiology. In particular, it appears that these organizations have an axe to grind with the Florida Academy of Cosmetic Surgery and its office surgery accrediting arm since losing their lawsuit to limit the practice of nurse anesthetists to FLACS and others.

FLACS has met all of the requirements of the Board of Medicine with regard to the accrediting process thus far. The organization provides a high level accreditation in keeping with the other approved accrediting organizations and is able to do so in a cost effective manner at a time when many of us are unable to afford malpractice insurance.

In my opinion, former Board member Gustavo Leon, M.D. is a very fair minded individual who performed his duties as a Board member in an exemplary fashion and without an apparent hidden agenda. I request that you replace Dr. Miguel at the end of his current term with Dr. Leon.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter of great importance to the office practioners in Florida.

Yours truly,
Kurt S. Dangl, M.D.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: PEC711@aol.com
BCC: [Betty Hampton \(hamptob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:hamptob@eog.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/27/2003 12:57:25 AM
Subject: RE: Sallie Huntley fup

Thank you Peter. We will work on it.

-----Original Message-----

From: PEC711@aol.com [mailto:PEC711@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 4:03 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Sallie Huntley

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If possible, she would be delighted to receive a card from the both of you. Anything you can do would be greatly appreciated by Mr. Huntley.

Her address is: 493 Piney Ridge Road # 213, Forest City, NC 28043.

As always, we support all of your efforts.

Sincerely,

Peter Creighton

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: PEC711@aol.com
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Barb Callahan](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:56:49 AM

Subject: RE: Thank you!

thank you Barb.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Barb Callahan [mailto:bj4life@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 4:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you!

Dear Gov. Bush,

I do not have words to express my thanks for your personal appeal to the Judge in the Terri Schivo case. Being a devout Catholic myself, it is a great comfort to know that you live by the Creed we profess at every Mass. Thank you again for standing up for Life from conception to natural death, and especially for doing all you can for Terri. We can only pray that God's Will be done for her and her family.

God bless,
Barb Callahan
Tampa, FL

From: [Jim Tollerton <Jim@ProfessionalBenefits.org>](mailto:Jim@ProfessionalBenefits.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:49:27 AM

Subject: Taylor Tollerton

You were kind enough to refer our daughter Taylor over to your International Trade section for an interview for an "internship" which she finally had a couple of weeks ago. They have not contacted her since and she's filling out the balance of her schedule at FSU. Would it be appropriate to inquire? We're not really worried about compensation, only the opportunity to work in that operation...

Jim Tollerton

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Esbogie2@aol.com

Date: 8/27/2003 12:51:52 AM

Subject: RE: Update

wendy berger will be in touch.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Esbogie2@aol.com [mailto:Esbogie2@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 9:29 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Update

Hi Jeb:

It has been a couple of weeks since I wrote to you about the post conviction DNA issue. This week we will be forced to pack up all transcripts and files and mail them back to the inmates, as we must give them time to file their own motions before the Oct. 1 deadline. We do not have the resources to get them all done without an extension. Each week we continue to get 3-7 new requests from those inmates who are first learning about the 3.853 motions for post conviction DNA testing. As previously mentioned, the Nova (NSU) Florida Innocence Project has worked diligently since 1999 and processed hundreds of cases - it is unfortunate that recent publicity has left a different impression.

With that said...any update? Is there someone in your office you can refer me to? We need your support to pursue the budget amendment process to extend the Oct. 1 deadline. I look forward to hearing from you. Hope all is well.

Ellyn

Ellyn Setnor Bogdanoff

EBS Consulting

(954) 767-9850

Fax (954) 767-4701

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Ken Underwood](#)

CC: tmfiorentino@fandallc.com

Date: 8/27/2003 12:51:37 AM

Subject: RE: FTC continues to mislead

Ken, I don't know what I can do. Do you have a suggestion? The FCC is an independent group. Maybe Marty has a suggestion.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Ken Underwood [mailto:oldnavypilot@msn.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 12:26 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FTC continues to mislead

Jeb,

FYI. As I'm sitting here reviewing articles about the "1-800-Do-Not-Call scam", it's apparent that the FTC is spoon feeding reporters around the country with even more false information than was provided in their press release. If you look at any of the Florida Business Journals today, you'll see that the FTC implies that we may also be involved in security theft, that we operated a now-defunct website that the FTC is currently suing, and that we are engaged in the illegal activity of bulk third party registration. The point is, if they're misleading the public and reporters, they may also be misleading your brother's staff. This Miller/Muris deal isn't the ugliest thing I've seen it politics, but it's definitely Top 10. It's ironic that when Miller isn't representing the telemarketers, he's sitting on the Board of Governors for the US Post Office...the organization that would benefit the most from a large Do Not Call registry as businesses allocate their resources away from telemarketing and toward direct mail.

Have a good week-end. I've got triplet duty while my wife and two older children are visiting family out of town. Hope to hear from you soon.

Ken

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: LccPraise@aol.com

Date: 8/27/2003 12:49:41 AM

Subject: RE: Thank you

thank you Angel.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: LccPraise@aol.com [mailto:LccPraise@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 3:20 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you

Thank you, thank you, thank you. The letter you sent to Judge Greer is fair, I pray he takes action and I am so glad you heard all the people who are worried. I knew you would listen, I didn't know if you could find a way to do something.

Thank you.

Angel Watson

Accessibility Coordinator

for Caring & Sharing Center for Independent Living, Inc.

727-577-0065, fax 727-539-7588

Toll Free: 1-866-539-7550, fax 866-533-7558

M-F 11:30-2:30 (Thurs. off)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Rick Foster](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:46:17 AM

Subject: RE: Schivo

Thank you Richard.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Rick Foster [mailto:spoker@concentric.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 2:21 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Schivo

Just to let you know, not all of us that are glad you made the decision you did, are right wing fanatics. I wonder if Mr. Schivo would withhold antibiotics (gross over response) from me, because I am in a wheelchair. Keep up the good work....#27,001 at least.

Richard Foster

spoker@concentric.net

P.S. As always, Feel free to use my correspondence to help.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Shelly Brantley](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:41:07 AM

Subject: RE:

I will watch the tape and let me know how I can help.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 11:20 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re:

I really can't thank you enough for your support. There is still a bit of scrambling and tail covering going on, but I think we are making progress. The budget position (which is really just a reclassification of existing position) has finally been approved. I spoke to Jerry last night about the auditing unit fiasco (DCF rehired and promoted the person I fired etc.) He indicated he would help to resolve the issue. I asked him to vacate the positions and move them under our program since it is in my program budget entity and I am not interested in running an employment agency-we are here to serve the people the best way we can. There are a few other minor issues, but those are the most imperative. On an unrelated note, I dropped off a 5 minute training video for you today. PLEASE take a few moments today to view it. It makes every challenge worthwhile. Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From:<jeb@jeb.org>

To:Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 08/25/2003 09:20:44 PM

Subject:

How are things going? Any better? Keep in touch.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Susan Alyn](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:39:46 AM

Subject: RE: Florida governor asks judge to delay removal of woman's feeding tube ^

no. My letter speaks for my view on a very complex subject.

Thanks, Susan.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Alyn [mailto:susanalyn@mindspring.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 1:06 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Florida governor asks judge to delay removal of woman's feeding tube ^

<http://www.freerepublic.com/focus/f-news/970708/posts>

Gov Bush, I am really glad you did not remain silent on this heartbreaking case. When I have more time tonight, I will ping everyone on FR. If you have anything else you want to add, let me know and I will post it, but I think you did great here. Thanks, Susan

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: LOSLAW87@aol.com

Date: 8/27/2003 12:38:04 AM

Subject: RE: Many Thanks from Polk County

thank you Loretta. I am so impressed with the Doctors' commitment to providing care at great expense to their patients. I look forward to coming to the FMA event on Friday afternoon.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: LOSLAW87@aol.com [mailto:LOSLAW87@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 12:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Many Thanks from Polk County

Governor Bush, I just wanted to thank you for your tremendous effort and work during the sessions this summer regarding the malpractice crisis. Your strength during the very difficult and sometimes unpopular negotiations was admirable. I have always been your supporter and will continue. We have our own difficulties with health care here in Polk County and I cannot express my frustration. I am on the board of "We Care of Polk County." We have over 110 physicians who volunteer their time and resources to provide free specialty medical care to our indigent population. Thus far, we have been unable to garner any support from the community to keep this program running. In this day, I cannot believe our community and business leaders do not see the value of such a program. I trust this is similar frustration you shared during the sessions this summer. Again, Thank you. I look forward to seeing you at the Florida Medical Association Good Government Lunch. Our support is with you. God Bless You. Sincerely, Loretta Sanders , We Care of Polk County and the Polk County Medical Association Alliance [863-325-8124]

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Cap. William Alexander](#)

CC: [Alan Florez \(alan@jeb.org\)](mailto:alan@jeb.org)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:32:37 AM

Subject: RE: sensitive issue

[I will look into this.](#)

[Thanks, Bill.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Cap. William Alexander [mailto:walexander@camacol.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 12:22 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: sensitive issue

Dear Governor:

I thought I should bring this to your attention.

When in Spain, Mr. Jessie Quiroga, who also attended the team Florida mission, handed you a patent-approved project in the energy sector, at the residence of the Ambassador. He was accompanied by the designer of the project. Accordingly, you were given many papers, which you gave to your assistant, Allan.

Mr. Quiroga has called me, preoccupied, because he has written to you on different occasions, and has tried to contact Allan, but he has not responded to his inquiries. Talking to Manny Mencia about this subject, he suggested that I get in touch with you.

As your friend, I thought that I should bring this matter up for your attention.

Thank you,

Bill Alexander

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: lbakker@mail.istal.com

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:26:30 AM

Subject: RE: A Women's Pregnancy Center's Gala Banquet fup

Thank you for your invitation. I will make sure the schedulers get back in touch with you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: lbakker [mailto:lbakker@mail.istal.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 10:55 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: A Women's Pregnancy Center's Gala Banquet

Good morning Governor Bush. I would like to extend an invitation to you and your wife to attend A Women's Pregnancy Center's Gala banquet on Friday, September 12, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. This is a fund-raising banquet and will be held at the Leon County Civic Center. If you are not familiar with A Women's Pregnancy Center, the Center has been in existence in Tallahassee since about 1985. The goal of the Center is to reach abortion-minded women and share with them alternatives to abortion, such as adoption. The speaker for the banquet is Ambassador Alan Keyes who is a dynamic speaker. Please advise if you and Mrs. Bush are available to attend the banquet. We expect to have 60-65 tables (each table seats 8) and, the banquet has already been paid for by corporate sponsors. The money raised on Friday night will go directly into the Center and is earmarked primarily to support our goal of having a visible presence on the three major campuses here in Tallahassee to make our services known. I hope you will be able to attend.

From: [m. durel millar <studebuzz@hotmail.com>](mailto:m.durel.millar@studebuzz@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:21:29 AM

Subject: Terri's life

Dear Govenor Bush

I am writing this letter to ask you to step in on behalf of Terri and her terrible ordeal. She is a gift from God and only God can decide when it is her time to join Him. Since we humans are playing God, we need people to stop us when we become to mighty and full of ourselves..Sometimes this has to come from following the law and you need to help us and Terri in this endeavor.

Please remember your place in this universe and help Terri follow whatever God has in store for in His time.

Thank you

Linda Millar
705 S. Chilson St.
Bay City, MI 48706

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Donna Suzawith](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:10:23 AM

Subject: RE: THANK YOU

I am glad this step worked out.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Donna Suzawith [mailto:holrosa@earthlink.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 6:59 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: THANK YOU

Governor Bush;

I was unable to attend the meeting today, but listened to it on the web site. I would like to personally thank you for all you have done to save yet another treasured Florida Landmark, Cypress Gardens. It goes to show that you are not just another politician, but a man with a heart. A man who realizes what is important to the people who placed him in office and is not afraid to take charge. You have shown this over and over again, not just in the Cypress Gardens issue, but also with other issues that effect the people of the great state of Florida. Thank you again from the bottom of my heart. Bless you and your family.

Donna R. Suzawith



From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [dollsandplanes](#)

Date: 8/27/2003 12:09:32 AM

Subject: RE: Cypress Gardens

[thank you very much.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: dollsandplanes [mailto:dollsandplanes@netzero.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 7:34 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Charlie Christ; Tom Gallagher; Charles Bronson

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Gentlemen

Sounds like the ball is rolling, hopefully we score a big goal.

Thanks for the help.

Jan & Chuck Cumley
Winter Haven, FL.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Duane J. Truitt, P.E.](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:58:57 PM

Subject: RE:

thank you Duane.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Duane J. Truitt, P.E. [mailto:dtruitt@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 10:41 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Jeb,

Denver Stutler is a great choice for your new Chief of Staff ... he'll do a wonderful job!

Duane

Duane J. Truitt, P.E.

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From: [Marti G Leib <martil1@juno.com>](mailto:martil1@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:55:56 PM

Subject: Park and Read Program

Good Evening Jeb:

Just wanted to let you know I have a meeting scheduled Sept 4 at 10:00 AM with Jim Paul, Superintendent of Escambia School District to discuss and obtain his support of the "Park and Read" Program I have started at Big Lagoon State Park. I also received written email commitments of support from Dr. John DeWitt, school board member, and also from Peggy Pilcher, school district volunteer coordinator. I will be meeting with each of them soon to discuss specific support they can offer. Also, Ali Cunningham, Volunteer Florida Foundation, (from your Mentoring Initiatives office) and I have mutually confirmed a trip for her to Pensacola in mid to late September to see the program in action first hand. I will keep you posted of any further progress.

Have a good evening!

Marti

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Darrell Kelley](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:57:23 PM

Subject: RE: EFI investor reception

it was a great event. Thank you Darrell.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Darrell Kelley [mailto:jdkelley@eflorida.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 10:01 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: EFI investor reception

Governor:

Judging by the number of prospective companies in attendance, the investor reception on Friday evening was a success. Now the real work begins -- turning prospects into participants (investors)!

Thanks again for your strong message and obvious support of EFI. Your comments spoke volumes about your commitment to diversifying the economy and the confidence you have in the EFI team.

Best regards,

Darrell

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Spirit527@aol.com

Date: 8/26/2003 11:46:50 PM

Subject: RE: Thank you!

[thank you Jeanne. It was a good day.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Spirit527@aol.com [mailto:Spirit527@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 6:27 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you!

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Fort Meade, FL

PS I know you probably don't have time but all the teachers from Polk County would like to see you. We are meeting in room B at the Civic Center.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Patty McWhirter](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:45:10 PM

Subject: RE: affordable health insurance

I am hopeful that we will get strong recommendations.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Patty McWhirter [mailto:patty@teennet.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 6:13 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: affordable health insurance

Thank you for creating a task force on Access to Affordable Health Insurance. We see the effects of having no health insurance with working families every day.

Patty McWhirter
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From: [Donna Suzawith <holrosa@earthlink.net>](mailto:Donna.Suzawith@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 10:58:36 PM

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Donna R. Suzawith



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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: WinandSharon@aol.com

Date: 8/26/2003 11:41:29 PM

Subject: RE: terry shiavo

[thank you Sharon.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: WinandSharon@aol.com [mailto:WinandSharon@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 6:36 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: terry shiavo

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God bless you always.

sharon bourassa

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [will pruit](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:39:02 PM

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Thank you Will.

JEb

-----Original Message-----

From: will pruit [mailto:pruitatthecapitol@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 4:59 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you!

Dear Governor,

Let me take a moment first to congratulate you on a fine selection in Sheriff Tunnell for FDLE Commissioner. He is a fine man and will do a wonderful job.

I was more than honored to be a part of the list of applicants. Thank you for your consideration and, as usual, if I can ever do anything for you please do not hesitate to call.

Be Blessed!

William R. Pruitt

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Bill Sever](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:37:42 PM

Subject: RE: Teacher Certification fup

[have a great school year.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Sever [mailto:coach5656@peoplepc.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 4:48 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Teacher Certification fup

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your help in obtaining my Professional Certificate. I had a call this morning from my School System telling me that I could apply. Your investigation into the matter is so greatly appreciated. I will never forget what you have done to help me. I am applying for positions and want to be the best teacher I can be and make a difference in our children's lives. Thanks so much,

Sincerely

Susan Sever

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Bill Sever](#)

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 8:28 PM

Subject: RE: Teacher Certification fup

[I will see if I can help.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Sever [mailto:coach5656@peoplepc.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 7:47 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: bushj@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: Teacher Certification

Dear Governor Bush,

I have been a First Grade teacher in Collier County for the last 7 years, prior to that teaching in a private Christian school. I am writing to you in hopes that you can help me. I have been unable to fulfill the Math requirement for the state after spending thousands of dollars for books, tutors and testing with Sylvan Learning Centers. Sylvan has tested me on my math abilities and I have tested at a 6TH grade level. My son can apply more math than I and he is in the 6th grade. I am 44 years old and I have struggled since elementary school through college.... only just passing with a D or most of the time failing. My parents provided extra help, tutors also to no avail. Despite my poor Math grades, I maintained A's and B's in all other academic areas. I know that I have tried my best yet still cannot grasp the skills needed.

The Math requirements have changed over the past 4 years. First the test to pass was the CLAST, then I was told the Praxis was accepted. Last year it was the General Knowledge.

I am desperate since I had to resign my teaching position as of May 30, 2003. I have been a single mom for the last 6 years doing the best that I could juggling my children's schedule, working two jobs and trying to study for this test. I am now asking for your help. I have a teacher friend who's friend has moved to the county from out of state. She taught for 23 years and could not pass under similar circumstances. She now has her certificate after being granted a waiver.

I love teaching and now must substitute which as you know is a drastic cut in pay. I must still pay my mortgage etc and wonder if I can make it financially. I am devastated that I had to resign my position, loose my pension, insurance etc. I am very discouraged to think that so many teachers are in my shoes and loosing their jobs when we need so many wonderful teachers. I love teaching and can't think of giving my career up for anything else. I miss my classroom, my students and my career. I hope that you can help me and thank you so much for listening to my plight.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Susan Renninghoff Sever

From: [Michael walling <thecelticcouple@yahoo.com>](mailto:thecelticcouple@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:35:44 PM

Subject: TERRY SCHINDLER-SCHIAVO

SURLY YOU CAN BY EXECUTIVE ORDR DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS.TO BE QUITE HONEST AFTER THE ELECTIONS WHERE YOUR STATE LOOKED FOOLISH , THE CONTENUING INFLUX OF DRUGS FROM YOUR STATE ,AND NOW THIS...i WILL NOT SET FOOT IN fLORIDA AND WE NOW NO LONGER DRINK FLORIDA oj
mAYBE IF WE THE REST OF THE COUNTRY HIT YOUR STATE IN THE POCKET BOOK THIS WILL END.MOST POLITICAL ENTITIES AND BUSINESS PERSONS FEEL WITH THEIR POAKETS AND NOT THEIR HEART

From: [dollsandplanes <dollsandplanes@netzero.net>](mailto:dollsandplanes@netzero.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Charlie Christ](#)

[Tom Gallagher](#)

[Charles Bronson](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:34:01 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

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Jan & Chuck Cumley
Winter Haven, FL.

From: [DKM FMM <DKM_1966@hotmail.com>](mailto:DKM_FMM_1966@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 10:47:27 PM

Subject: Please Help if you can.

Attachments: Letter for Help-002.doc

Enclosed in this email, as an attachment, is the rest of the information this letter is pertaining to. Thank you in advance for any help you can provide.

August 26, 2003

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A Very concerned mother and wife,

Darlene K Miller

Phone: 386-253-4602

Email: dfmilr99@bellsouth.net

814 8th Street

FL Dept. of Children & Family Case # 1183960476

Holly Hill, FL 33117

Unemployment benefits info: 411-88-0612

From: [Diana Morawa <pandalady1224@yahoo.com>](mailto:Diana.Morawa@pandalady1224@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:08:09 PM

Subject:

Oh, Jeb! You sweetie pie you!!!! Thank You oh sooooo much for the guardian-ad-lietum! Now, if only the case were before a new judge, Terrie would have a fair fight against Michael Schiavo. On Channel 8 news today, the judge said that it would not sway his decision to pull the feeding tube. A hearing is set for September 11, for the final decision of pulling the tube. We are half of the way there. Doctors and their statements are in place to prove that Terri is disabled and can be rehabilitated. But with a judge that already has his mind made up, it still is a grey outlook for the future decision. I believe in my heart that Michael put her in this condition, and he is afraid that she will name him as the batterer who did this to her. This is why he, his attorney - Fellows - and Greer - are all in his back pocket full of change, after all, there is still 300,000\$'s left in her malpractice suit that was to be used for her rehabilitation. Michael has used the balance of the 1.6 million dollar settlement for his attorney, and I wouldn't doubt it if Greer has gone out to lunch - a rather expensive one - with the two of them on many occasions. There is just too much SHIT piled up in this case, and it really needs to be cleaned up. You have done the right thing. You have taken the first step. Please promise me, that you will watch over the progress? Terri needs you to do this. I hope that Michael will allow The Monsignor Malakowski to see her and administer communion to her, also. Thanking you in advance for your continued future co-operation, I remain, Sincerely, Diana V. Morawa xoxoxoxoxo

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From: [Carlos J. Alfonso <cja@alliant-partners.com>](mailto:CjA@alliant-partners.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/26/2003 10:47:00 PM

Subject: RE: University of Florida

Jeb,
Just opened, I'll get to the bottom of this.

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813.262.2345

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 7:10 AM
To: Paul Timmerman
Subject: RE: University of Florida

Paul, I will look into this. I appreciate your bringing this to my attention.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Timmerman [mailto:paultimmerman@webtv.net]
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 3:39 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: University of Florida

Dear Governor Bush:

The U. of Florida is using our tax dollars to buy 3,000 condoms for their Fall Rally, Sex on the Lawn. Being a tax payer in the State of Florida, I oppose to funding 3,000 condoms for the Sex on the Lawn rally. I also oppose VOX, Voices for Planned Parenthood, passing out emergency contraception cards. The morning after pill is nothing more than having an abortion. Who will be financially liable when a student realises that she had an abortion instead of a pill to prevent pregnancy if the free condom breaks? Planned Parenthood is a very deceptive organization.

The morning after pill was rubber stamped by the FDA. It was never tested like aspirin was. This so called miracle drug is now being outlawed in several Countries due to its side effects and complications. Who will pay for damages; The State, The University, Planned Parenthood, or all three? If you would my sources of information, or more information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Paul F Timmerman
719 Sunny Pine Way
Greenacres, FL 33415-8989
(561) 969-7036

GOD BLESS YOU ALL !!!

From one Christian to another
one

Pro-Lifer to another
Sincerely,Paul

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sharon bourassa

From: [sma <sma@floridapropertytaxappeals.com>](mailto:sma@floridapropertytaxappeals.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Jim Zingale](#)

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Date: 8/26/2003 10:30:39 PM

Subject: DOR Rule 12D-10.0044

Jeb - First - every property owner in Florida owes you sincere thanks today, for your interest and vote to add an ethical component to the Value Adjustment Board process. But, if I had known you would ask about "massive" rescheduling, I would have come up.

First, the PA in Miami-Dade has not complied with the evidence exchange this year, or if they have it's been sporadic. But, they did slow down scheduling of hearings for about two months, looking as if they were trying to create a procedural back-log in order to support their argument. They tried to sell that fraudulent hardship to the legislature, which did not buy it. We're glad you didn't buy it either.

Second, there was a death in the family, so the PA was not there. With his absence, it seems inappropriate that the deputy left the office during one of its busiest times for a purpose not intended by their positions. And, they had two lobbyists?! (When they cry about their budget, or the county whines, remember how much was spent to pay for at least four people to spend 25 minutes for improper activities.)

Further, an assistant county attorney was before you this morning. The same attorney was involved in the Governor's Task Force responsible for drafting the Presumption Statute (194.301 F.S. sponsored by Bob Starks, and adopted as HB 445). At a stealth meeting of its members the afternoon before the Task Force was to sunset, a corporate executive from Atlanta, with intense interest in the bill, wanted to speak. This same lawyer declared that he did not want to hear further from the public! He also tried to prevent any public participation at the official meeting of the Task Force on its last day, when the proposed bill in its entirety was presented for the only time for immediate review and approval. Bob Milligan not only wrote a letter promising the meeting would comply with Chapter 119, he sent a staff attorney to DOR with orders, although it took two hours before compliance was assured.

Then, during the 2001 VAB process, the same attorney interfered in Hearings of twelve corporate taxpayers - read "major employers" - verbally attacking their agent, a highly respected licensed broker from Tampa. The results of those outbursts cost the special master his employment, while costing the community and the state more of its reputation.

Accordingly, I'm glad you did not rely on the off the mark testimony you heard today.

The valid question you asked, however should be directed to the VAB. If there was an impact from rescheduling, it would be theirs to bear. Notwithstanding their year round heavy work load, the Manager and his staff always are polite, professional, and pleasant. The credit for their dedication and diligence goes to Steve Schultz, VAB's attorney and Bill Oliver, Deputy Clerk of the Court.

The Miami-Dade VAB handles everything without complaint. You did not see them today! And, that's the real answer to your question.

Sheila

From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 10:26:53 PM

Subject: Thank you!

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I am up here in Tallahassee for the Reading Coaches Academy and it was great to hear the good news.

It is nice to have a leader who would like to preserve Florida for future generations.

Jeanne Stephens
Reading Coach
Lewis Anna Woodbury Elementary
Fort Meade, FL

PS I know you probably don't have time but all the teachers from Polk County would like to see you. We are meeting in room B at the Civic Center.

From: [Irene Haliday <ich@cox.net>](mailto:ich@cox.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 10:11:45 PM

Subject: terri

Dear Governor Bush, Teri is alive and moving and can be helped with therapy. They are going to starve her to death This is "the culture of death " at its finest. PLEASE intervene for her and let her parents take her home and give her therapy. I can't believe they are going to pull her feeding tube and murder her and no one is doing anything to stop this travesty of justice. God help us! -

Irene Haliday (Republican)
Destin, Florida

From: [Patty McWhirter <patty@teennet.com>](mailto:patty@teennet.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 10:12:34 PM

Subject: affordable health insurance

Thank you for creating a task force on Access to Affordable Health Insurance. We see the effects of having no health insurance with working families every day.

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From: [STEVE SHAW <3shaws@msn.com>](mailto:3shaws@msn.com)

To: lthacke1@tampabay.rr.com

[Jeb Bush](#)

burma@mindspring.com

Date: 8/26/2003 9:38:19 PM

Subject: Re: Fw: Breaking News Alert

pretty amazing! congratulations.

>From: "l_m_thacker" <lthacke1@tampabay.rr.com>

>To: "me" <lthacke1@tampabay.rr.com>, <jeb@jeb.org>, "Burma Davis Posey"

><burma@mindspring.com>

>Subject: Fw: Breaking News Alert

>Date: Tue, 26 Aug 2003 15:27:24 -0700

>

>Dearest Burma and Shanna,

>well I guess I don't have to tell YOU that I (along with my boys) already

>(EARLY THIS MORNING) gave you full credit for saving Cypress Gardens

>single-handedly.

>WE somehow KNEW already how it would go thanks to a devoted lady named

>Burma and her lovely daughter Shanna.

>I know the belles and other employees (and Mr. Siegel) must be VERY VERY

>happy along with literally THOUSANDS THOUSANDS UPON HUNDRED THOUSANDS OF

>OTHER PEOPLE.

>THANK YOU TO BURMA DAVIS POSEY FROM THE THACKER FAMILY AND FRIENDS !!!

>Thanks THANKS to ALL of you who lended a hand in this matter. Here's a

>copy of the official news release !

>Thanks to everyone who sung along and/or at least read the emails and

>helped where they could.

>Thanks to our wonderful Governor Jeb Bush and our Cabinet and to SO MANY

>OTHERS who worked smoothly together so that this piece of Florida history

>could be saved.

>BUT mostly ... my sincere and heartfelt thanks to the unwavering belief in

>Burma's heart that this lovely place so full of light and hope would and

>could be saved.

>I never doubted for a minute.

>Today is a special day ! The cheers arose in the Thacker house. ("I

>don't care if they ger more rides, Joseph said, I just want to go on the

>sky-ride again !!!") THANK YOU, BURMA !!!!! THANK YOU, SHANNA!!!!!!

>Thanks for showing my sons that we can do the things that others say are

>impossible !!!

>Laura Thacker and Sons

>----- Original Message -----

>From: news@baynews9.com

>To: subscribers@dataswitch.com

>Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 9:35 AM

>Subject: Breaking News Alert

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From: [Betty Lou Wells <blouwells@earthlink.net>](mailto:blouwells@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 9:40:23 PM

Subject: Water

Please abandon the proposal to ship north Florida water south. Do you really think south Florida will be improved by making it possible for more people to colonize it? For hat matter, will the whole state be helped by overcrowding any part of it? Betty Lou Wells

From: [Beckwith B. Miller <tmbots@earthlink.net>](mailto:Beckwith.B.Miller@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: billie.neese@msn.com

Date: 8/26/2003 8:01:49 PM

Subject: Florida Banks: OnlineCorporateldentityRisks.com

Governor Bush,

Education...education...education...

Feedback from the frontline:

(1)Our research and marketing efforts to help the Florida banks fix their online identity risks are falling on deaf ears. They do not care nor want to spend \$750 to buy our report to learn how they can fix their current online identity risks and thus minimize future acts of online identity theft for their brand and their consumers. Bank CEO's are "tone deaf" on this subject. Our goal: earn \$150,000 by selling the report for \$750 to each of the 200 Florida banks; educate the banks, show them how by spending \$13,670 on a collective basis they could protect 78% of their brands from future identity theft and thus minimize the risk of corporate ID Theft for the bank and the state.

(2)we see Florida is the 4th most active state for ID Theft in the country per the FTC's report in 2002. Florida reached this position with a 91% increase in cases from 5696 cases in 2001 to 10,898 cases in 2002.

(3)we've sent an email and hard copy letter to Alex Sanchez, CEO, of the Florida Banker's Association encouraging the FBA to update their online definition of ID Theft from the 11-2001 web posting on <http://banksprotectprivacy.com> from "Offline sources" to include "internet sources, i.e., network security issues and online content issues."

Educating the senior banking leadership in the state as well as the Bank CEO's is more than we can do as a private firm.

Idea: Would the State (Attorney General Christ) like to buy our research for a 50% discount, or \$75,000, and then organize a series of workshops with our firm to educate the FBA and the 200 Bank CEO's on the importance of fighting online brand ID Theft for the benefit of the banks, their clients and the general public?

We see Florida consumers lost \$39,991,000 in Fraud complaints in 2002 per the FTC. This does not include ID Theft losses.

Education is key, in our opinion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Beck Miller

TrademarkBots.com, Inc.

5100 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 105

Naples, Florida 34103

1-239-777-4638

From: [will pruit <pruittatthecapitol@hotmail.com>](mailto:will_pruitt<pruittatthecapitol@hotmail.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 8:59:13 PM

Subject: Thank you!

Dear Governor,

Let me take a moment first to congratulate you on a fine selection in Sheriff Tunnell for FDLE Commissioner. He is a fine man and will do a wonderful job.

I was more than honored to be a part of the list of applicants. Thank you for your consideration and, as usual, if I can ever do anything for you please do not hesitate to call.

Be Blessed!

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From: longj@squared.com <longj@squared.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 8:18:04 PM

Subject: Thanks

Governor,

Thanks so much for getting involved and stopping this mad man from taking a Mother and Father's child from them. You of all people know it isn't right to take a life. Starving is killing.

Thanks you so much.

JANICE LONG, Project Job Manager

From: [Dr. Dangl <drdanglinfo@verizon.net>](mailto:drdanglinfo@verizon.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 8:17:34 PM

Subject: appointment of new medical board member

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to request that current Florida Board of Medicine member Rafael Miguel, M.D. not be approved for another term. In my opinion, Dr. Miguel has and continues to use his position as a Board member to carry out the agenda of the Florida Society of Anesthesiologists and its parent organization the American Society of Anesthesiology. In particular, it appears that these organizations have an axe to grind with the Florida Academy of Cosmetic Surgery and its office surgery accrediting arm since losing their lawsuit to limit the practice of nurse anesthetists to FLACS and others.

FLACS has met all of the requirements of the Board of Medicine with regard to the accrediting process thus far. The organization provides a high level accreditation in keeping with the other approved accrediting organizations and is able to do so in a cost effective manner at a time when many of us are unable to afford malpractice insurance.

In my opinion, former Board member Gustavo Leon, M.D. is a very fair minded individual who performed his duties as a Board member in an exemplary fashion and without an apparent hidden agenda. I request that you replace Dr. Miguel at the end of his current term with Dr. Leon.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter of great importance to the office practioners in Florida.

Yours truly,
Kurt S. Dangl, M.D.

From: [JohnSipos <jsipos@ij.net>](mailto:JohnSipos@ij.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Kimberly Dale](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 8:15:41 PM

Subject: Simply, thank you.

Mr. Governor,

Simply, "Thank you."

Step 2:

Assuming the judge gives appropriate weight to your letter, may I ask you, your people, be alert that a truly independent guardian ad litem is appointed. Across the years I've done many stories on the work of those good volunteers. In this unique situation, however, I have limited, qualified confidence in the integrity of the process not being corrupted behind the scenes. During the trial at which compelling evidence of Terri's vital awareness of self and her environment was totally dismissed by the judge -- there were 3 tongue slips from the bench that would suggest that even the so-called medical expert for the court, that the husband's side of the proceeding may have assisted in selecting the judge's doctor. If the judge makes the selection, directly, the storm of contempt for what has been the exclusive death bias of this court will only grow more intense. The judge is VERY HEAVILY INVESTED in his decision to allow the starvation killing of this women.

None dare call Michael Shaivo's testimony in that first trial, perjury?

That indisputable FACT renders every Michael Shaivo statement thereafter worthy of no credible trust. Before the deposit, a promise to love and rehabilitate. After the \$1.6-million was deposited, all of the man's words take a 180-degree turn -- and, he has since been on a mission to kill.

Hospice. The political influence resulting in the warehousing of the woman there must be examined.

So much more.

But this is enough for the moment.

Sincerely, simply, "Thank you." Behind your back I have often spoken, agree or disagree with the governor on this issue or that -- this you must give him; Jeb Bush is a truly moral, decent man.

Now, I will try to keep quiet, and watch. And, talk on the air in my new format.

You know I do not do ambush journalism. Join me one evening soon by phone.

John Sipos

From: PEC711@aol.com <PEC711@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 8:02:59 PM

Subject: Sallie Huntley

Dear Governor;

My employer and a dedicated supporter of yours, Hardy Huntley, is traveling to North Carolina in a couple of weeks for a very special occasion. His mother, who is a big fan of you and the President, is celebrating her 100th birthday on September 15th.

If possible, she would be delighted to receive a card from the both of you. Anything you can do would be greatly appreciated by Mr. Huntley.

Her address is: 493 Piney Ridge Road # 213, Forest City, NC 28043.

As always, we support all of your efforts.

Sincerely,

Peter Creighton

From: [Barb Callahan <bj4life@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:bj4life@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 8:02:56 PM

Subject: Thank you!

Dear Gov. Bush,

I do not have words to express my thanks for your personal appeal to the Judge in the Terri Schivo case. Being a devout Catholic myself, it is a great comfort to know that you live by the Creed we profess at every Mass. Thank you again for standing up for Life from conception to natural death, and especially for doing all you can for Terri. We can only pray that God's Will be done for her and her family.

God bless,
Barb Callahan
Tampa, FL

From: [Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: 'shanahk@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/26/2003 7:11:19 PM

Subject: Fw: The Dignity Project t and the DOE.....Please read fup

Fyi.....Governor, let me know if you need for us to do more work.

Jim

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Armstrong, David <David.Armstrong@Fldoe.Org>

To: Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>

Sent: Tue Aug 26 14:39:22 2003

Subject: FW: The Dignity Project t and the DOE.....Please read fup

Jim,

This project was one of several that had become viewed like an "entitlement" with funding from Perkins money. So many programs had fallen into this category that there was no flexibility to do any thing else, and, there was little to no oversight or performance expectations built into them. I directed Lanny and his staff two years ago to begin to put time limits and performance criteria on these grants so that they become more like seed money to promote innovation and new projects, like our All American Success Stories and the Florida's Best project we did this year, but that these funds would no longer be viewed as on-going, operational, recurring funds. Also, all of the projects are being reviewed on a competitive basis now, and performance must be reported to us in order for there to be recurring funds for more than one year. We have also been limited in the amount we can fund because we took a significant part of the cost of funding the Florida Trend sponsored "Next" magazine, which I think we need to review at some point soon before we make additional commitments.

Bottom line, this has been a good project, but it was not scored as high as others in the competitive review of projects with the limitations on funds we have in this area after other priorities like "Next" ads.

I know that Nancy Cordill and her staff have spoken with the project sponsors about all of this in the past and I will ask them to followup with them again to see if there is any further ways we can assist them.

David

-----Original Message-----

From: Cordill, Nancy
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 9:16 AM
To: Armstrong, David
Cc: Spradley, Gloria
Subject: RE: The Dignity Project t and the DOE.....Please read fup

Yes, it was a competitive project this year and this project did not score high enough to be funded. This is a problem when we go from "giving \$\$" to worthy projects and then moving them to competitive. We did talk with the project manager and gave him the back ground as to why he did not receive funding this year. Gloria and I will be glad to review this process and rating chart with you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Armstrong, David
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 10:25 AM
To: Cordill, Nancy; Costin, Loretta B
Subject: FW: The Dignity Project t and the DOE.....Please read fup

You ladies know anything about this?

-----Original Message-----

From: Horne, Jim
To: Armstrong, David; Wood, Larry
Sent: 8/25/03 10:22 AM
Subject: FW: The Dignity Project t and the DOE.....Please read fup

do you know anything about this?

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 9:49 AM
To: bobmuni@fdt.net
Subject: RE: The Dignity Project t and the DOE.....Please read fup

Bob, I will look into this. I appreciate your bringing this to my attention.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: bobmuni@fdt.net [mailto:bobmuni@fdt.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 12:08 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: The Dignity Project and the DOE.....Please read

Dear Governor Bush

From my involvement in the FLVS I have come to appreciate your attentiveness to helping worthy causes and doing what is right.

Please take the time to read the attached email from Todd Livingston, Founder and Executive Director of the Dignity Project.

In short, he has developed one the most successful programs in the State in working with at risk young men. They have worked successfully with Americorps, the Back to Work Taskforce (they have supplied 336 vehicles to people coming off welfare so they can get to work), the City of Gainesville and more.

The Florida DOE sought them out to use them as a model to secure a \$2,000,000 grant, then cut them off from the \$120,000 funding that they rely on and have received for the past few years.

His e-mail explains more fully

This seems outrageous. I was wondering if there was something that could be done.

Thanks for your attention

Bob Muni
Chairman Board of Trustees, FLVS
Secretary, Dignity Project

----- Original Message

Subject: The Dignity Project, DOE grant
From: "Todd Livingston" <rtoddlivingston@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, August 19, 2003 11:53 am
To: bobmuni@fdt.net

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Bob,

I am writing to you as you are Secretary of The Dignity Project's Board of Directors and you are Chairman of the Board for the Florida Virtual School. I am asking for your assistance if possible. As you know the Dignity Project has developed a highly successful model for vocational education and community service. We now operate several programs and serve 50+ at-risk teenagers after school and also employ 22 high school drop outs in our Automotive and Construction programs.

Our students have given away 336 vehicles to date to individuals exiting the welfare system. Our students have also built or remodeled 12 homes for our areas low income families. Our program has been partially funded for 3 years by the Florida Department of Education, via Carl Perkins funding. Our Perkins funding each year was \$120,000.00. This funding enabled us to build a highly successful and innovative program serving both the educational needs of young people while at the same time meeting substantial community needs in transportation and housing.

The Florida Department of Education was impressed with our program model, so much so that they asked in the spring of 2002 if they could use our program as the model for a competitive grant which they were applying for. The Florida Department of Education was successful in securing \$2,000,000.00 based on our concept. They issued a request for proposals titled "Project Aspire".

The Dignity Project responded with a well written grant, however we were not awarded a grant for our own program model. We were told "it is unfortunate that the model program did not receive funding." I think it is more than unfortunate. We developed this concept and we were recognized for our efforts. We have obviously developed a successful program as FLDOE was awarded \$2,000,000.00 based on our program. In good faith we shared our concepts and materials with FLDOE as they were pursuing this funding stream, and we were rewarded for this by not being funded.

I understand completely the competitive grant process, however a small non-profit organization is not able to fairly compete with large school districts throughout the state. We are honored that our concept is being replicated; however, the loss of these funds will dramatically reduce our programs effectiveness both to our students and the Gainesville community at large. It is unfair that The Dignity Project would be left out of funding for its own concept model.

Any assistance you could provide would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

R. Todd Livingston
Executive Director/Founder
The Dignity Project, Inc.
1125 SE 4th Street
Gainesville, FL 32601
352-371-6792
rtoddlivingston@yahoo.com

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From: [Rick Foster <spoker@concentric.net>](mailto:spoker@concentric.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 6:21:05 PM

Subject: Schivo

Just to let you know, not all of us that are glad you made the decision you did, are right wing fanatics. I wonder if Mr. Schivo would withhold antibiotics (gross over responce) from me, because I am in a wheelchair. Keep up the good work....#27,001 at least.

Richard Foster
spoker@concentric.net

P.S. As always, Feel free to use my correspondence to help.

From: [JC Bowman <jbowman@coe.fsu.edu>](mailto:jbowman@coe.fsu.edu)

To: [Mary Goldsmith \(Work\)](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Jim Horne](#)

[Daniel Woodring](#)

[Lori Yaklin](#)

[Nina Rees](#)

[Mike Lieberman](#)

[Charlene Harr](#)

[John Kirtley](#)

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[Lisa Snell](#)

[Krista Kafer](#)

[David Kirkpatrick](#)

[Chester Finn](#)

[Abby Thernstrom](#)

[Larry Reed](#)

[Tracie Sharp](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 6:02:35 PM

Subject: Private School Capacity

Mary:

I am excited that you are conducting original research on this issue. As we were discussing yesterday, I feel certain that the Governor and Commissioner are both aware of the capacity issue facing school choice. I believe if we do not effectively engage the private sector, we will waste an inordinate amount of time and effort, not to mention taxpayer dollars. More importantly we will fail to utilize a key component of the No Child Left Behind legislation to change school and system structure to improve student achievement. We need highly focused strategies that target severe, long-standing system impediments, many of which are being addressed under Governor Bush's A+ Plan. Parental choice will only benefit families in Florida, if private schools have the ability and willingness to accommodate additional students. Research is limited, but could easily be conducted, to determine whether or not private schools: have the resources and capacity to take on more students; and if private schools would be willing to participate in reform proposals to reduce public school overcrowding or expand their facilities to accept a growing number of families empowered with the ability to choose schools outside of the public system. In my opinion, the capacity issue facing private schools is a critical element facing Florida as we implement NCLB. I look forward to seeing your proposal and working with you as you address this public policy issue. I am including several other individuals who may have additional comments or thoughts on this issue. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can help you on this project.

Thanks! JC

PS: here is a very old OP/Ed I wrote for the Chattanooga Times Free Press, feel free to utilize for your needs:

>>>>Using Private Schools to Alleviate Overcrowding in Public Schools

>>>>By J.C. Bowman

Recent problems with overcrowding in Hamilton County schools have led to a proposal to implement a new zoning plan, which will affect 25% of the student enrollment. Before disrupting one-fourth of the county's student population, I suggest the Hamilton County School Board explore alternative proposals. Let's look at alternatives to the zoning plan that does not leave parents wishes for the best interest of their children out of the picture.

One alternative is to utilize private schools to reduce student overcrowding in public schools. Overflow public school students could simply be transferred to existing, privately funded schools to help reduce class sizes and maximize available resources in exchange for tuition reimbursement. This would eliminate the need to use tax dollars to construct more classroom space.

This proposal would be dependent upon the ability and willingness of privately funded schools to accommodate additional students. Research is limited, but could easily be conducted, to determine whether or not private schools 1) have the resources and capacity to take on more students and 2) would be willing to participate in reform proposals to reduce public school overcrowding or expand their facilities to accept a growing number of families empowered with the ability to choose schools outside of the public system.

A careful examination of existing research and survey data, such as that conducted by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy and the Texas Public Policy Foundation demonstrates private schools in both Michigan and Texas had both a willingness and the ability to accommodate additional students and to expand in the future if demand justified it. Research projections based on this data suggest that using private schools to ease overcrowding in public schools could be both a practical and efficient method to reduce overcrowding.

Today, some of the most passionate defenders of public education are engaging the private sector to solve public school problems. Rod Paige, the superintendent of schools in Houston, Texas, is a public school advocate who sees that private schools can help solve public school overcrowding. When Houston voters rejected a \$390 million bond measure in May 1996 to build 15 new schools and renovate 84 others, Paige turned to the private sector. He suggested that some students from his 65 overcrowded schools attend local private schools at district expense. Soon thereafter, the Houston school trustees voted unanimously in favor of his plan. Board President Don McAdams told the Houston Chronicle, "the more freedom you give people, I think, the more enthusiastic they are going to be about public education."

Policy makers, taxpayers and parents should debate various proposals for alleviating overcrowded schools. As they debate, they should keep in mind the vibrant array of privately funded schools that are both willing and able to accept a larger and more active role in providing children with quality education. Many private schools in urban areas, have a proven record of teaching inner-city students at a nominal cost while providing better racial and economic diversity.

Our community can make effective use of excess capacity in privately funded schools, and we will be able to tap into the full potential of diverse educational opportunities available throughout the county, while avoiding or delaying costly capacity expansions to the existing government K-12 education system. Projections, based upon the number of private schools in the area, indicate that privately funded religious and nonsectarian schools have the capacity to participate in programs to relieve student overcrowding in the public school system.

We need innovative leaders in Hamilton County, who like Rod Paige, Don McAdams and the Houston school board are willing to recognize that engaging the private sector to solve public school problems to meet the educational needs of the children in this community is a logical solution. If angry parents and taxpayers raise questions about the zoning proposal, school board members will not be able to attribute any controversy to a lack of available resources, only a lack of solutions the school board failed to consider.

J. C. Bowman is the past President of the Chattanooga CEO Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that provides scholarships to over 500 students in 34 different K-12 schools in Hamilton County. He was the former Director of Research for the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a free-market think tank based in San Antonio, Texas. He has also served as Director of Government Relations for Professional Educators of Tennessee and as a public school teacher in Tennessee.

From: acmeninc1986@aol.com <acmeninc1986@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 5:25:44 PM

Subject: Public Records Request, FL Statute 119.07

Attachments: Public Records Request, FL Statute 119.07

In a message dated 8/22/2003 11:02:46 AM Eastern Daylight Time, Killian7k2 writes:

Subj: Public Records Request, FL Statute 119.07

Date: 8/22/2003 11:02:46 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: [Killian7k2](#)

To: GaritoB@ci.delray-beach.fl.us

CC: DorlingP@ci.delray-beach.fl.us

BCC: acmeninc1986

Candace N. Killian
642 Riviera Drive
Boynton Beach, FL 33435

August 22, 2003

Mrs. Barbara Garito
City Clerk
City of Delray Beach
100 NW 1st Avenue
Delray Beach, FL 33444

RE: Public Records Request

Dear Ms. Garito:

Pursuant to Chapter 119.07, Public Records Law, Florida Statutes I request copies of the following ordinances, rules, regulations, and land development regulations that describe with specificity:

*Site work that can be done at a construction site prior to the formal approval of a plat by City Commission.

* Requirements for egress/ingress and loading zones for day care facilities, to include city, county and the Department of Children & Families legal requirements.

If this cost exceeds \$20.00, please call me prior to copying.

Ms. Garito, Please forward the following questions to the appropriate party for answers. As always, your assistance and professionalism is acknowledged and appreciated.

Please advise when the Owens-Baker Plat for the new Atlantic High School will go before the P&Z Board and/or Commission.

This plat was pulled from the Consent Agenda at the June City Commission Meeting, without explanation, and again was pulled from the Regular Agenda at the July City Commission meeting.

Members of the public attended both of these meetings to address the commission

specifically about this plat and the public has not received an explanation from the Commission as to why this agenda item was removed at the start of each commission meeting.

The public is making a concerted effort to participate in this governmental process and we would like to know the status of this plat.

It is our understanding the construction of the high school cannot begin without plat approval by the City of Delray Beach. Is this true?

At this time the public roads in the demolished Breezy Ridge neighborhood are being obstructed and destroyed by the School District of Palm Beach County. This is a violation of Florida Criminal Statute 861.01. We have addressed this with the Delray Beach Police Department and the School Board of Palm Beach County. It appears they are unwilling to address the issue, therefore we are pursuing clarification/enforcement through other law enforcement channels.

Until such time that these roads are abandoned the public has the right to use them. From the amount of work that is done at the site and the damage that is being done to these roads, it is difficult for the public to clearly define the roads, thus making driving conditions difficult.

These roads are public roads and the School District of Palm Beach County has no legal right to fence across these roads or close the gates. They have no legal right to block access to Temple Sinai.

One governmental agency is committing a crime, and another government agency is refusing to enforce the law, thus committing a crime. The laws of the great State of Florida apply to all.

Sincerely,

Candy Killian
561-737-4786

Jeb,

Could you please respond to Candy. She is a member of The Women's Federated Republican Club of Delray Beach, of which I'm President.

She is someone that all Republicans can be proud of.

Kathryn Bertorello

561-498-0704

From: Killian7k2@aol.com <Killian7k2@aol.com>
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From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 3:19:51 PM

Subject: Re:

I really can't thank you enough for your support. There is still a bit of scrambling and tail covering going on, but I think we are making progress. The budget position (which is really just a reclassification of existing position) has finally been approved. I spoke to Jerry last night about the auditing unit fiasco (DCF rehired and promoted the person I fired etc.) He indicated he would help to resolve the issue. I asked him to vacate the positions and move them under our program since it is in my program budget entity and I am not interested in running an employment agency-we are here to serve the people the best way we can. There are a few other minor issues, but those are the most imperative. On an unrelated note, I dropped off a 5 minute training video for you today. PLEASE take a few moments today to view it. It makes every challenge worthwhile.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From:<jeb@jeb.org>

To:Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 08/25/2003 09:20:44 PM

Subject:

How are things going? Any better? Keep in touch.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

From: [sidney charles <sidneycharles72@hotmail.com>](mailto:sidneycharles72@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 5:06:28 PM

Subject: stanley tate

i look forward to the meeting along with mayor gibson. i believe some good things will come out the meeting and thank you for your consideration.

mr. tate was robbed last friday while leaving a meeting in broward county. he was attacked by someone with stun gun for his rolex watch. he was recovered and is ok but very upset. his number is 305-891-1106.

best regards,
sidney

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From: LOSLAW87@aol.com <LOSLAW87@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 4:45:24 PM

Subject: Many Thanks from Polk County

Governor Bush, I just wanted to thank you for your tremendous effort and work during the sessions this summer regarding the malpractice crisis. Your strength during the very difficult and sometimes unpopular negotiations was admirable. I have always been your supporter and will continue. We have our own difficulties with health care here in Polk County and I cannot express my frustration. I am on the board of "We Care of Polk County." We have over 110 physicians who volunteer their time and resources to provide free specialty medical care to our indigent population. Thus far, we have been unable to garner any support from the community to keep this program running. In this day, I cannot believe our community and business leaders do not see the value of such a program. I trust this is similar frustration you shared during the sessions this summer. Again, Thank you. I look forward to seeing you at the Florida Medical Association Good Government Lunch. Our support is with you. God Bless You. Sincerely, Loretta Sanders, We Care of Polk County and the Polk County Medical Association Alliance [863-325-8124]

From: [Bruce and Cheryl Thomas <4myangel@blackfoot.net>](mailto:4myangel@blackfoot.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 3:34:15 PM

Subject: TerriSchiavo

Gov. Jeb Bush, To whom much has been given much is expected. I thought that when a Gov. was elected by the people, your job is to protect and help and save people. Our Nation is GREAT! but we have become haughty and not humble, we will pay for that. What goes around comes around, better to do the right thing or this killing of someone before our very eyes will escalate and it will be on your conscience because to whom much has been given, much is expected. You have been given the power to change things and will be a better Gov. because of it. We reap what we sow. We already kill babies, 4000 a day. How many more people will loose their lives because of misguided compassion? When will it be our turn, better not go there, put a stay on Terri,s life. She is alive, she is alert, she is not on life support, my daughter has a feeding tube, I now fear for her life, I held her close and am almost afraid to let her go. Please let Terri live! Drs. have been given the gift of healing but now they kill instead of making people well. How terrifying, we had better wake up and this is a wake up call. Cheryl Thomas, Elliston Mt.

From: [Ronda Storms <Stormsr@hillsboroughcounty.org>](mailto:Stormsr@hillsboroughcounty.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Sandra Barkey](#)
[Audi Canney](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 2:55:17 PM

Subject: Fwd: Funding Transportation Needs

Attachments: Funding Transportation Needs

Governor, would you kindly provide your opinion on the feasibility of no interest federal loans for local governments for the purpose of constructing public works projects, as the letter writer suggests?
Thank you.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Ronda Storms

From: Plhorganic@aol.com <Plhorganic@aol.com>

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frankp@hillsboroughcounty.org

Date: 8/24/2003 1:18:55 PM

Subject: Funding Transportation Needs

I am sharing with you a short rhetorical article that I penned recently in the pursuit of answers to our nagging question, "How do we rebuild our communities." If conventional wisdom is what led us to the current state of affairs, then we must not rely upon that same code of thinking to help us leap beyond the impass. A new, and higher order of thinking is needed. May we live in interesting times!

Could Politics Help Public Works?

As the saying goes, "All politics is local." However, I'm starting to wonder if the public works professionals should pay close attention to the upcoming national presidential race. A total of nine candidates have already announced their intention to lead our nation in 2004. I have always supported the notion that we should think globally, and act locally. However, something is different about the upcoming national race that has my curiosity.

I recently read with interest an article which summarized "Where the Candidates Stand" in the Sunday, July 20 edition of the Tampa Tribune. Four of the nine candidates stated their support for public works as part of their position on the Economy. One candidate had a peculiar twist which I found most interesting. Dennis Kucinich is a U.S. Representative from Ohio, and according to the Tampa Tribune article, he proposes to "Start massive public works projects to rebuild cities, water systems, wastewater treatment, public transportation, schools, parks and public emergency systems." The article also noted his plan to finance these projects with "zero interest federal loans" to states and cities.

A quick review of Engineering Economics 101 will show the impact of interest on debt, and its effect on public works projects. Even at today's low interest rate, the net effects of compound interest can double the actual cost of a project over the life of the loan. If Representative Kucinich's concept were successfully implemented, communities would suddenly find the answer to their current budget crunch. Most communities face a double edge sword of being responsible for the operation and maintenance of an ever expanding, yet tired and aging infrastructure. Zero interest loans would enable municipalities to afford twice as many public works projects without a significant reduction of existing federal programs. This is a key point, as the blockade to real progress is often over the fight of whose ox will be gored.

I made a promise to myself to further investigate this innovative concept, and share the results with my associates in the public works profession. This is my first step in the sharing process. Perhaps the National American Public Works Association (APWA) organization could help with the investigative work. We should encourage our National leadership to further investigate this concept of zero interest federal loans, and invite Representative Kucinich to author a position paper on his concept for zero interest federal loans. It certainly appears worthy of further discussion, and very well may be the tonic our communities desperately need. All politics may be local, but national politics likely holds the key to solving the fiscal problems faced by all municipalities across the country.

Article submitted by: Paul Hauck
Member, American Public Works Association
Florida West Coast Branch

From: Gatorpmac@aol.com <Gatorpmac@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 2:45:47 PM

Subject: Teresa Schiavo, Governor Bush comes to her aid/Thank You

Thank You so much Jeb, I'm sure it is too late to save Terri's life but at least she may be able to have a Catholic Burial. This case was a travesty and I hope one day the truth about her "mysterious collapse" and the answers to her bone scan come to light. What a triumphal end for the Schindler's to have at their daughter's final moments of life. The citizen's of Florida will always remember your fortitude and courage, particularly in this case. I hope that one day you will follow in the steps of your brother George. God Bless You. You are truly a great Governor. Mrs. P. Ted McGowan, Jacksonville

From: [Duane J. Truitt, P.E. <dtruit@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:dtruit@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 2:41:02 PM

Subject:

Jeb,

Denver Stutler is a great choice for your new Chief of Staff ... he'll do a wonderful job!

Duane

Duane J. Truitt, P.E.

9848 Montague Street

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From: [Mary Ann Smyth <maryann@smythconsulting.com>](mailto:maryann@smythconsulting.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 2:16:44 PM

Subject: Schiavo

Governor Bush:

Please take a stand and do what you know is necessary to spare the life of this woman. May God help all of us who sit back and watch her die

Sincerely,
Mr and Mrs David Smyth

From: JLRttag@cs.com <JLRttag@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 1:35:07 PM

Subject: Congratulations

I congratulate you on the appointment of Denver Stutter as Chief of Staff. Denver has the political savvy to make you a great Chief of Staff. His loyalty is unquestionable. Like our late friend Arturo would say. Loyalty is more important than life itself.

Jose Luis

From: RUBIKON2@aol.com <RUBIKON2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 12:23:33 PM

Subject: The Biltmore and your visit to GBI

Dear Governor Bush,

It was a real pleasure to finally meet you last Friday at the Biltmore....also especially gratifying to hear you speak about the Florida business initiatives already underway and those in the works. I hope, for Florida's sake, and believe that you will be the first governor to succeed in expanding the state's industrial base.

As we discussed, might you be able to make a visit to Goodwin Biotechnology when you are in South Florida next? Would it be possible for you to give us some tentative dates that you might be able to stop by? We would be honored, and also believe that it might prove to be an insightful visit for you. As a biopharmaceutical manufacturer, we represent a microcosm of the biotech industry, and if successful in executing our growth strategy, could represent a tremendous magnet to pull biotech business into Florida. I just read an article in Clean Rooms Technology describing how various states are trying to attract bio-manufacturing as the initial hub of their biotech initiatives. There aren't many states that have such a nucleus, but I am proud to say that Florida does---and it is GBI. We just need to grow!

Thanks for sharing your time with us last week.

Best regards,

Stephanie Finnegan, CEO, GBI

From: Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/26/2003 12:17:10 PM

Subject: Fw: PMATF

Fyi: info from our General Counsel. (She is working with Rocky on this).

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: Christian, Valda <christiv@fdhc.state.fl.us>

To: Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>

Sent: Mon Aug 25 17:14:11 2003

Subject: PMATF

Non-hospital Plaintiffs: ambulatory surgical centers, clinical laboratories, diagnostic imaging centers, radiation therapy centers.

Arguments: Florida Statute 395.7015 imposes an annual assessment against certain health care entities. The statute specifically defines "health care entities" to include the plaintiff groups named above. Note, though, that statutory amendments in 1998 and 1999 exempted freestanding radiation therapy centers from assessment. However, they were statutorily included in assessment prior to that date. Plaintiffs did not like the assessment and filed suit on a number of grounds. After first losing their unconstitutional arguments on equal protection grounds, they then pursued an unconstitutional argument based on a theory that the assessment was an unconstitutional income tax. Specifically they claimed that a taxation limit was set by the state Constitution and the addition of the PMATF assessment resulted in the class being taxed at a rate over the constitutional limit. In February 2001, Circuit Court for Leon County entered a declaratory judgment in the plaintiffs' favor basically accepting that argument.

Settlement: Pursuant to the settlement and a later motion by plaintiffs' counsel, plaintiffs' lawyers cumulatively sought in excess of \$21 million dollars in fees and in costs -- some firms claiming as much as \$5 or \$7 million for their firms alone. The judge initially awarded the lawyers that amount (in late July). However, the judge then vacated his award (on or about 8/4/03) finding that the amount awarded did not fully seem reasonable. Correction to my earlier statement, the hourly fee worked out to be in excess of \$2,500 per hour. The judge thinks that award needs to be revisited, so the matter is still open for judicial consideration. The attorneys of course want the full \$21 million. Let me know if you want more

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: c2far@cox.net

Date: 8/25/2003 11:59:05 PM

Subject: Re: Disabled Rights

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Farrell:

Thank you for bringing your concerns relating to family leave days from the group home to my attention. As I stated in my previous e-mail, we strongly support family togetherness and opportunities for individuals with disabilities to be in the most integrated settings.

I am very disturbed by the decision made by your provider to limit the number of days an individual can spend at home with family in an effort to achieve maximum reimbursement through the medwaiver program. It may interest to you to know that when we reviewed your provider's rates in comparison to the last state fiscal year, they are projected to receive an increase in their provider rate for all seven of their group homes. I have instructed the district to meet directly again with your provider in an effort to ensure ongoing family visits based on individual and family choice. If such restraints persist, we will also strongly consider setting a cap on the number of billable days for residential habilitation in all group homes to ensure there are no disincentives for families to bring their loved ones home.

I truly admire and respect your advocacy on behalf of your daughter as well as other individuals with disabilities. We appreciate this opportunity to support you and other families as much as possible. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any additional concerns or continue to experience challenges with your provider.

Very sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director
Developmental Disabilities Program

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From:<c2far@cox.net>

To:Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:
Date: 08/24/2003 12:16:22 PM
Subject: Re: Disabled Rights

Dear Ms Brantley,

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Sincerely yours,

Mr. & Mrs Charles Farrell

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From: "Shelly Brantley" <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>

To: <c2far@cox.net>

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 11:48 AM

Subject: Disabled Rights

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From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 12:30:23 AM

Subject: Fw: Disabled Rights

FYI. We spent \$149 a day on reshab last year per person in group homes. My husband could build a Southern Living home for the people we serve for far less and still provide all the supports they need! We are spending 3 times what we spend for individuals in nursing homes for individuals with DD in group homes. The time is now for change.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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From: [Jerry Regier <Jerry_Regier@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Jerry_Regier@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Shelly Brantley](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 10:16:02 PM

Subject: Re: Thanks

Thanks, Shelly, for taking care of this. I appreciate your work.

Jerry Regier

Shelly Brantley

To: <skgoldstein@hotmail.com>, Jerry Regier/D20/DCF@DCF, <jeb@jeb.org>

08/18/2003 10:45 cc: ginm4@aol.com

AM Subject: Re: Personal Information regarding my daughter

Hi Susan,

I'm very sorry to hear about the difficulties you are experiencing. I am in Tampa today, but have asked staff to look into this immediately and offer any possible assistance.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From:<skgoldstein@hotmail.com>

To:Jerry Regier/D20/DCF@DCF,

<jeb@jeb.org>,

Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:ginm4@aol.com

Date: 08/18/2003 09:36:25 AM

Subject: Personal Information regarding my daughter

Dear Jeb and Shelly and Jerry,

If I was not experiencing it, I would not believe this is really happening to us. Please review the attached explanation I have sent with an emergency request to DCF and see if you have any solutions.

Maybe there is any way to get onto the CDC experimental group, as we are currently in the control group.

I really do not want to go through this litigious appeals process. Knowing what I do from the redesign meetings, I am sure that it is all a big misunderstanding and should never have gotten to this point.

Please help, as after this weekend I really need it.

Regards,
Susan

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From: [Ed Moore <emoore@icuf.org>](mailto:emoore@icuf.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:31:16 AM

Subject: Denver

Governor

Great choice, Denver is a super guy and will do a great job. As we have discussed before I always thought I'd end up working with you and both Kathleen's and Greg's roles would have been of interest, but once again, just like when I went to the House, I seem to be a couple of months into something new when opportunities arise. As usual I offer my help whenever there is a board or commission where you think I can be of service to Florida. Again, I think your choice is excellent.

Ed

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['SaveCypressGdns@aol.com'](mailto:SaveCypressGdns@aol.com)

Date: 8/26/2003 11:14:41 AM

Subject: RE: Saving Cypress Gardens

Thanks, Jean. We will take up the issue this morning.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: SaveCypressGdns@aol.com [mailto:SaveCypressGdns@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 3:02 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

What a thrill to literally bump into you last week at Andrews's restaurant while on my second trip to Tallahassee to save Cypress Gardens.

I want to thank you for taking the time and interest in our efforts. This landmark is too important to let fall to a few people for residential and/or commercial development. Many of us see a promising future for a bigger and better Cypress Gardens. If all the land is saved, it can be an economic plus for Polk County and the state of Florida bringing in tourist dollars. With proper leadership, I have no doubt it will flourish again.

But any economically viable effort requires all the property to succeed.

We just can't let 67 years of advertising and a wonderful spot like this vanish. Thank you for your role -- a great legacy -- in saving Cypress Gardens. Sincerely,
Jean S. Reed

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Steve <steve@windhaus.com>](mailto:steve@windhaus.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 3:58:15 AM

Subject: A very long, passing thought

Jeb, as you may recall, I am a very independent voter. I have no political affiliations. Therefore, I vote what I believe best for my family and country. I try to make decisions with a sense of morality, decency and what is best for all, even if it means I must make personal sacrifices.

I share the following matter with you, with hopes your brother may have the opportunity to understand the trials and tribulations of a small business owner, a small business owner who now believes his President needs to take immediate steps to justify the level of sacrifice we are making in this country, economically and personally.

Granted, I cannot claim to have family or close friends, in the military, who are in harm's way at this time. My older brother is an INS agent in the Rio Grande Valley (Texas), but that is it in that regard.

I recall being very trusting of your brother's decisions regarding the movement into Afghanistan and Iraq to deal with terrorists and others threatening our country's security and freedom. I know many people took very strong positions for and against your brother in Iraq. I took to the position of not really being qualified to know. I prayed to God that your brother would take the necessary actions based on knowledge not available to the citizenry at large.

Now a lot of water has passed under the bridge. I feel very strongly that the French, Germans and Russians took positions against us for strictly economic reasons. Other countries bowed to their pressures. We would left with a rather rag-tag group of supporters. I stayed the course in belief the actions were necessary. I suspect, despite the severe lack of evidence about the weapons of mass destructions, your brother made decisions many others would have made had they known the facts as he knew them. I think it rather sophomoric to believe your brother would have done this strictly for oil or because Hussein attempted to kill your father. I would have certainly found a much more discreet manner to take the man's life had it been his intent.

Regardless, the fact of the matter is, I am now at the point the whole chain of events from the 2000 recession, 9/11, Afghanistan, Iraq and the resultantly sluggish economy have torn through my ability to provide for the needs of my family. My business has taken a very heavy toll, and the state of the economy is the sources of my professional problems.

I have had several contract opportunities fail to materialize due to the lack of venture capital, more conservative loan policies at commercial banks, uncertainty about the economy, layoffs, and so many people unwilling to take a chance on the future until they see something of substance that makes them believe the economy is really rebounding.

I can recite a list of story after story of lost contracts and opportunities, because of this overall malaise. I have now placed my one real estate holding, apart from our residence, up for sale. I have to, or there will not be enough money to pay the bills in the next month or two.

I am applying for Florida KidCare. I have no alternatives to it at this time.

The area where I reside is a booming real estate, construction and tourist economy (the Treasure Coasts sans Palm Beach County). However, business planners are not in demand around here.

I have tried everything possible to attract business. I have purchased software designed to enhance our web sites, opened a new web site (windhaus.org) to attract those would don't want a business plan, but are willing to contract a marketing plan. They don't appreciate the value of a business plan, but a marketing plan is more to the point for them - where's the money? They worry about fiscal responsibility and planning later.

I have outstanding invoices on a HUD project in Fort Pierce, but the problems with the local community development corporation sponsoring the project are such the city does not want to issue funds for payment of invoices, and with some justification.

The wife and I have not reached the point that consideration is being given to leaving this state. Now I am thinking of returning home - Texas. Perhaps the foothills area between Austin and San Antonio may provide us more opportunity. The nature of my business is more attuned to the high-tech corridor in that area, and my wife can apply for a teaching position in a local school district. She has slaved to pass the state teacher certification exams here. In fact, she just passed her second exam. She is half way there. However, the inability of local school districts to keep a teacher under temporary certification due to progress being made toward fulfillment of the requirements resulted in my wife losing an ESOL teaching position for which she was completely qualified based on student response, student performance, her knowledge of the subject area and the level of admiration and respect held toward her by her peers and administrators. Even Bill Vogel felt very sad state guidelines could not be overcome to save her and several like her from having to lose their jobs. She now has a non-instructional position in the ESOL program and has had her salary cut by 66%.

So the bottom line is this....this economy and other issues for which government is not responsive to legitimate claims will likely result in my leaving this state and voting for another candidate (most reluctantly) in the upcoming presidential elections.

Granted, things can change for the better, but until that happens I see no change in our future plans for the next 8 to 12 months.

I share this with you in the hopes you will share this delima with your brother. I know it to be somewhat common. Unemployment has grown, the actual unemployment rate is likely higher than indicated due to those simply no longer filing claims, and the beat just keeps going on. I speak with associates in my field alone. I know they are suffering. Some business planners are no longer around. If it wasn't for the faith my wife places in me, and my continued confidence in my abilities (and I do good work), I probably would have shut down my operation a long time ago.

There isn't a day that passes that I don't get down on my knees at night, before going to bed, asking God to help me endure, emotionally and spiritually. I recognize we all have an opportunity to grow, and that God grants us those moments to become even better than before. I have assumed that is what God has delivered to my doorstep.

I also believe God expects me to act on the well-being of my family. I am not making here, now and under these circumstances. Unless, God is simply testing me, that things will suddenly shift, I must move on. Maybe God wants me to go back home. I really don't know. But I can't support this President any longer under these circumstances. I need a reason to believe my sacrifices are justified. And I don't see that right now.

God Bless You & Yours.
Steve

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From: [Fujigmo <hgr@dfsi.net>](mailto:hgr@dfsi.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 2:58:04 AM

Subject: Appreciation

Dear Jeb, since most of my e-mails relate to some problem for which I am asking help. I thought you might like to receive a thank you and know that a cure for a problem was effected, Our DeFuniak Springs Children's Visitation Center will remain in operation. This is great. It is desperately needed.

Sincerely, Gene Ryan

From: JC Krall <bballsurferkid@yahoo.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 2:30:14 AM

Subject: former boys stater

hello

My name is jc krall. I participated in the 60th anniversary of Boys State. You mentioned in your talk to us that if we had any questions that you were not able to get to that we could email you. Well i have a question that I really would like to know how you feel and what you are going to do about the problem. Your answer might help me with a topic I must write about at school for our senior project. Obviously you know that Florida is the fishing capital of the world, and that 3.4 million people come to Florida each year to fish. I am sure you also know that 70,000+ jobs deal with fishing in Florida. As for me I live in New Smyrna Beach (shark bite capital) but i think is more famously known for its Mosquito Lagoon. The lagoon is a sure place to hook up with a red fish or trout: as you probably know since you are an avid fisherman. So to get to the point I want to know what you are going to do about the restrictions that are being put on the lagoon because of the manatee. There is talk that they are going to make the hole thing a no-motor zone. This talk really strikes me at home. I have countless friends that their dad is a guide in the lagoon and even closer my uncle is an offshore captain. I personally spend every free moment I have on the water. Making the lagoon a no motor zone would absolutely destroy the economy. How is a guide supposed to take customers to fish 5 miles away with out a motor. If he was crazy enough to try and pole that distance I don't think any customer would want to take that ride. Also a manatee is not native to Florida and as aerial surveys show there are more manatees now than ever. Why do we need to add more and new restrictions when obviously what is already in place has been working. Thank you for taking the time to read this. I hope you have time to answer this because it will really help with my persuasive paper I have to write.

Thank you

JC Krall

ps. If you ever want to tug on a red fish or have the desire to go offshore and catch sails, grouper and snapper I can hook you up.

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From: JIAndr@aol.com <JIAndr@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)
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ag@oag.state.fl.us

CC: JIAndr@aol.com

Date: 8/26/2003 2:13:46 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Sir:

This is to urge you to vote to save all of Cypress Gardens. This beautiful site shows what is the best of Florida and must be preserved. Thank you.

Paul Anderson, Ph. D.

From: Teresatomlanter@aol.com <Teresatomlanter@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 1:47:54 AM

Subject: For the love of God

Please don't let Michael Schiavo kill his wife Terri, help her. Tom Lanter

From: Esbogie2@aol.com <Esbogie2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 1:29:26 AM

Subject: Update

Hi Jeb:

It has been a couple of weeks since I wrote to you about the post conviction DNA issue. This week we will be forced to pack up all transcripts and files and mail them back to the inmates, as we must give them time to file their own motions before the Oct. 1 deadline. We do not have the resources to get them all done without an extension. Each week we continue to get 3-7 new requests from those inmates who are first learning about the 3.853 motions for post conviction DNA testing. As previously mentioned, the Nova (NSU) Florida Innocence Project has worked diligently since 1999 and processed hundreds of cases - it is unfortunate that recent publicity has left a different impression.

With that said...any update? Is there someone in your office you can refer me to? We need your support to pursue the budget amendment process to extend the Oct. 1 deadline. I look forward to hearing from you. Hope all is well.

Ellyn

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/26/2003 1:20:44 AM

Subject:

How are things going? Any better? Keep in touch.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'john_cooper@bradford-co-fla.org'

BCC: 'langfob@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/26/2003 1:13:28 AM

Subject: Re: Maggie Miller fup

Done deal, John.

Jeb

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From: John Cooper <john_cooper@bradford-co-fla.org>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Mon Aug 25 21:09:12 2003

Subject: Maggie Miller

Gov. Bush: When you were in Starke Florida a year or so ago, you recognized a very special senior citizen who had just switched to the Republican Party. Her name was Maggie Miller and you made her day, month and year! Thank you again for that. Her birthday is coming up on September 10th and she'll turn 90 years young!! She is still as spry as ever and loving her new political party. I write to let you know of her birthday and hope that perhaps you could drop her a card or a phone call on that special day. I know your schedule is a bit hectic, but I also know that this lady deserves all the attention she can get. Her information is Mrs. Maggie Miller, 1848 NE 171st Street, Starke, FL 32091. Her telephone number is 904/964-7291. Thank you very much. John Cooper, Bradford County

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'babyrn1999@juno.com'

Date: 8/26/2003 1:12:21 AM

Subject: Re: will pruit

Thank you. On tuesday, I am recommending Sheriff Guy Tunnell. Thanks you for writing.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Mon Aug 25 21:00:47 2003

Subject: will pruit

Dear Govoner,

Please see attached endorsement for Will Pruitt. If you have any question please call.

Sincerly

Ann Miller

352.343.4601

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 1:11:34 AM

Subject: DOR - Agenda Item #5

From everything I've been told, and I've heard two versions of proposed changes to the language, if either of the changes are made to the Rule as proposed by property appraisers, some taxpayers may never see the evidence by or before a hearing, OR may have even less time to prepare their evidence - while the appraisers already have months and months and months. That's Rule 12D-10. The language should be adopted as presented.

And, on Rule 12D-7, the DOR language also is accurate, as written.

Sheila Anderson

From: [John Cooper <john_cooper@bradford-co-fla.org>](mailto:john_cooper@bradford-co-fla.org)

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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Attachments: FDLE Comissioner.doc

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352.343.4601

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'tag0658@earthlink.net'

Date: 8/26/2003 12:45:26 AM

Subject: Re: appointment

Thank you Tag.

Jeb

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-----Original Message-----

From: James Tagliarini <tag0658@earthlink.net>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>; JebBush <jebbush@jeb.org>

Sent: Mon Aug 25 20:44:43 2003

Subject: appointment

Great appointment of Sheriff Tunnell to FDLE.

Tag

From: Mariecardile@aol.com <Mariecardile@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 12:42:12 AM

Subject: (no subject)

Hi Jeb,

Remember me? I lived in D.B and am a friend of Nora. You installed me as Pres. of the Restaurant Association.

We moved to Raleigh, N.C to buy a Mrs. Fields' cookie store and opened a new one last year. I lost touch for awhile. My brother is living ot Jax. I never liked it here and I think it is time to come back home.

I have a friend in Miami who needs to sell his Mrs. Fields', but does not know of a good business broker. He would like to have it sold by October. I thought you would probably be able to suggest someone to us since you are from that area.

The store is in Miami Lakes- the Falls Mall. When you were campaigning he said you stopped in his store and bought some cookies. His name is Jerry Calvo.

I would really appreciate it if you would send me information on a broker.

I hope all is well with you and your family.

All the best-

Marie

From: [James Tagliarini <tag0658@earthlink.net>](mailto:tag0658@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)
[JebBush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 12:44:43 AM

Subject: appointment

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From: Wjpbr@aol.com <Wjpbr@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 12:27:42 AM

Subject: Hi

Jeb:

Please help me! I'm so down and out of hope.

Bill

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [sidney charles](#)

BCC: [Scheduling Team](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 12:15:58 AM

Subject: RE: Request for meeting with Mayor Shirley Gibson of Miami Gardens City fup

[thank you Sidney. the schedulers will be in touch.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: sidney charles [mailto:sidneycharles72@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 3:53 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Request for meeting with Mayor Shirley Gibson of Miami Gardens City

Dear Governor Bush

Mayor Shirley Gibson of the newly chartered City of Miami Gardens asked me to accompany her for a meeting with you to discuss the implementation of the new city's infrastructures. FYI, the Miami Gardens City is the largest Black City in the State of Florida with 108,000 residents and third largest in Dade County. Boundaries of the City: North- South= Dade-Broward county line to the Palmetto Exp Way. East-West= North Miami ave to NW 57th Ave. (Proplayer Stadium) is located in the city. Your consideration would be greatly appreciated at the earliest convenient for the meeting. Please let me know if you need any additional information and God bless. 305-389-2448.

Sincerely,

Sidney f. Charles

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [MG\(Ret\) Ron Harrison](#)

Date: 8/26/2003 12:08:02 AM

Subject: RE:

[thank you ron. You have played a great role in this.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: MG(Ret) Ron Harrison [mailto:mgenroh@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 8:16 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

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I just finished a study for the Defense Science Board on Dept of Defense and Dept of Homeland Security. The federal/state issues clearly showed Florida leading the way. I continue to appreciate your leadership. Ron

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From: WinandSharon@aol.com <WinandSharon@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 10:35:05 PM

Subject: sup ct refusal to rev prob judge in terry shiavo case

Governor: the parents of terry shiavo should move to recuse the prob. judge bec he is biased in that he cannot impartially determine the importance of the last right sacraments to a catholic. if a catholic receives the sacrament of the last rights, then her soul will not go to hell. that probate judge is ruling against the right of terry to practice her religion. again the gov't interferes with the freedom of religion. terry shiavo is a catholic.

i don't understand judge anstead. he is catholic and rules for abortion rights, no right of parent to be told of minor's abortion and now refuses to consider this very imp. case of euthansia. i don't know which judges ruled this way. i hope your newest appointee did not rule this way. he is a true catholic. tell me he didn't. otherwise, i will be disappointed.

sharon bourassa

From: WinandSharon@aol.com <WinandSharon@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 10:13:12 PM

Subject: abortion arg.

Governor: as catholics, it is a mortal sin to abort a baby. this is a basic law of our religion. as catholic lawyers , we need to argue that by taking the right of the parents to know their daughters (minors) are going to get an abortion is an interference by the gov't to freedom of religion. the minor is part of the catholic or christian household and cannot even contract. as parents, we are liable for our children's souls and the state is interfering in our right to practice our religion.

i have been thinking about this for some time now.

sharon bourassa

From: WinandSharon@aol.com <WinandSharon@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 10:00:32 PM

Subject: God's job to say when it is over

Governor: if Terry Shalvo was my daughter, I would be so heart broken to have someone determine to take her off food and water and force her to die. Who determines that a life is valuable. It is the Almighty, the Word among us: Jesus.

There is too much surrounding the motives of the husband. Her parents bore her: their love is genuine. We all know that many marriages exist where a partner falls out of love.

If this man had true love in his heart, he would allow her to be with her parents.

I saw the Fox video and she was happy her mom was with her.

As an attorney, I would argue that as long as there are people who want to take care of her; and can learn from what she as a human being has to give, then her life is valuable. Also, there are too many unanswered questions. Maybe husband does not want her to get better bec. there was abuse of some kind. Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness is innate is every human being.

Please intervene . You did in the case of the disabled woman and the baby in her womb and I truly believe your intervention allowed God to find the right guardian for her.

This husband continues to scream that she wanted this: as any lawyer knows, it should have been in writing and it never was reduced to writing. Guess it was not a priority for her.

Even in her condition, I see a happy, beautiful soul who teaches us the value of selfless love. Many people say the pope is old and sick so he should step down.

However, the fact that others have to wait on him makes him even more humble and this itself teaches us.

God be with you,

Sharon Bourassa

From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@ssso.org>](mailto:oviedon@ssso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Denver Stutler](#)

CC: [Pamella Dana](#)
[Tara Wainwright \(E-mail\)](#)
[Brandi Langford \(E-mail\)](#)
[Melanie DiMuzio](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 9:49:48 PM

Subject: Sept 10th visit

Governor, you are confirmed to meet w/ Deputy Under Secretary Ray DuBois at 11 a.m. on Wed Sept 10th. Sec Rumfeld will drop by the meeting at 11. He has a hectic day given the ceremonies for 9/11.

I assume we'll do our usual....lots more meetings?

A few suggestions---pls let us know how you would like to proceed:

* You were previously also interested in FTAA meetings. Mr. Shaw and Rep Harris are taking the lead on this issue but it's really up to Chairman Young at this point. The meeting would focus on the need for \$8M for protective services. We could ask for a meeting w/ Chairman Young and ask whether Shaw and Harris could also attend.

* A meeting w/ Josh Bolton or Clay Johnson on the same FTAA funding would be important too.

* Meeting w/ Conferees or just Chairman Thomas re Medicare/prescription drugs----our position supporting the House bill on dual eligibles. The timing on the 10th could be very important.

* Would you like to meet w/ Sec Ridge over a variety of issues----BIVAC (Tony Vilamil's client seeking a high level meeting w/ Homeland Sec officials concerning their potential role in cargo container security); Airport security; number of high security events in FL in the fall including FTAA Ministerial, RGA conference, an energy summit and the NATO Parliamentary assembly.

* Possible Pfizer press conference re disease management renewal.

I talked w/ Mr. Shaw's COS re whether they thought we might need a delegation meeting....we both agreed that not this time. Although a meeting w/ Mr. Young re FTAA would be very important.

Melanie/Tara----is Mrs. Bush coming up? Should we line up some meetings for her....there's a new Director of Latin initiatives at the Smithsonian. Could also have her meet w/ some of the Trustees of the Florida House.

And, when is departure?

Pam----who will be attending w/ Gov on the BRAC meeting----need names, DOB, SSN.

Thanks. Nina.

From: [AHamor <ahamor@att.net>](mailto:AHamor<ahamor@att.net>)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@oag.state.fl.us)
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Commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us

Date: 8/25/2003 8:58:30 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you today to express my concern for Cypress Gardens. Being a native of Winter Haven I know the importance of the gardens to our state and our state history. However I have to express my dismay at the greed based plans which seem to be overwhelming the possible plans for this piece of Florida history.

I hope the state sees fit to rescue this piece of Florida history; to preserve it for all generations as a piece of what Florida was and can be. Not as a carnival/thrill ride park, and not as some "Smithsonian of the South" but in its proper place as Florida's Botanical Garden and home of Florida's water skiers. Please keep it a place of beauty and peace. While Florida was and is part of the south, it is not a major part of Florida history and it has no part in Cypress Gardens history – and yet our southern heritage is reflected in the hospitality, Spanish moss, Cypress trees etc. of Cypress Gardens naturally.

Please let those who desire a place to house china collections, go to museums; and those who want a Gone With The Wind memorial, go to Atlanta. Please have the state acquire this piece of Florida history to display and promote Florida history and other things "Florida". The "plans" some already have in place for the gardens are shocking and grandiose - they will not work. The problem is rightly seen as an attempt to compete with the big tourist spots; which is what caused the downfall of the gardens to date - that and the greedy sabotage of the park by it's owners. This piece of history should not be allowed to torn into parts, bull dozed or turned into a cheep thrill park. Winter Haven is not a cheep thrill park kind of town (or it never was before now). Those in Winter Haven who are champions if some of these ideas are suspect as to how they expect to gain financially form some of the ideas. They do not have Winter Haven, Cypress Gardens or Florida's best interest in their hearts and minds.

Why can't the state take over the whole park and set the whole park up as a historical site and animal sanctuary? Not just part as is now being discussed, so parts can be "used". The whole place needs preservation and protection from greed, even hidden greed. There have to be many native plants there, the cypress trees alone are worth saving. Not to mention the Osprey - those beautiful and majestic birds who are a tribute to our lakes. There are Osprey who nest at the park (two nests in the parking lot alone are easy to spot) these birds are beautiful to watch and are protected birds of prey.

As a state we excel in our agriculture, why not showcase it at a botanical garden? There use to be vegetable gardening examples there; why not bring in the state resources to show what can grow here in the state. To get young people interested in agriculture. We are loosing our agriculture daily to development and greed. The state can not stand if this continues. We can't be solely dependent on tourism and service industries. We need our agriculture. This should be the back bone of the state and no one should be allowed to threaten it. The U of F does wonderful things in agriculture – why not showcase it to the public at Cypress Gardens.

There are so many possibilities for the benefit of our state; Cypress Gardens would be a beautiful back drop to showcase the history, but also the agricultural future of our state. I am a Florida native, I love this state and can't see myself living anywhere else, but I see Florida being destroyed daily. We are loosing what makes Florida great. While we have a place for the glitz of tourism, we have a place to showcase space and technology; why not celebrate Florida's history, nature and agriculture at Cypress Gardens? Why does Cypress Gardens have to keep trying to compete with the glitz of other places more suited to that. Cypress Gardens doesn't need convention centers – it is a garden which needs tending and care. It needs to be a place to instill that care in others, a place where they can go and appreciate caring for the land, caring for our lakes, caring for our wild life. We have plenty of places where they can be thrilled, but we are lacking in places where you can go to learn to care for Florida.

Please don't allow them to bull doze the gardens. But also don't let greed take over with people who have ideas that will just destroy all the history of the place. I am a native and I know that people don't have a place to go to understand Florida history as it could be presented at the gardens. Florida history, not all these extraneous ideas which have nothing to do with Florida, is what should be featured in this beautiful historic setting.

I joined the mailing list for the Friends of Cypress Gardens and have followed the progress as it has been presented via the organization. Conditions are such that I could not come to Tallahassee when the trips have been arranged though, I would have loved to. But now that we are down to the wire the Friends of Cypress Gardens have come up with a whole list of "ideas" which they seem to have a vested interest in. At least 50% of which have nothing to do with Florida and which will hurt the gardens in a way that the group originally said they were against.

Please protect ALL of the gardens.

Sincerely,
Ann Hamor
Polk Co., native and friend of Cypress

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Manny Mencia'](#)
['danap@eog.state.fl.us'](#)
CC: [Sarah Deben](#)
BCC: [Cardenas, Al \(AC@tewlaw.com\)](#)
Date: 8/25/2003 8:36:00 PM
Subject: RE:

thank you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Manny Mencia [mailto:MMencia@floridabusiness.com]
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 4:09 PM
To: Jeb Bush; 'danap@eog.state.fl.us'
Cc: Sarah Deben
Subject: RE:
Importance: High

Governor

We have just confirmed that President Mejia will not be in the country on Sunday August 14th. He will already be in Spain. This was just confirmed by US Ambassador Hertell's office who contacted President Mejia's office per our request.

Manny

-----Original Message-----

From: Manny Mencia
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 9:11 AM
To: Honorable Jeb Bush; danap@eog.state.fl.us
Cc: Sarah Deben
Subject: RE:
Importance: High

Pam

We will start looking into the travel logistics bright away just in case. Please let us know as soon as scheduling is consulted, since we will need to notify the Ambassador ASAP in order to make the necessary arrangements with the President's office.

Manny

-----Original Message-----

From: Honorable Jeb Bush
Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 4:34 PM
To: danap@eog.state.fl.us; Manny Mencia
Subject:

Al Cardenas has requested that I go to DR the night before to have dinner with the President who leaves that night for Spain. I will consider it but don't know what my schedule looks like.

Jeb Bush

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From: [Manny Mencia <MMencia@floridabusiness.com>](mailto:MMencia@floridabusiness.com)
To: Jeb Bush
'danap@eog.state.fl.us'
CC: Sarah Deben
Date: 8/25/2003 8:08:36 PM
Subject: RE:

Governor

We have just confirmed that President Mejia will not be in the country on Sunday August 14th. He will already be in Spain. This was just confirmed by US Ambassador Hertell's office who contacted President Mejia's office per our request.

Manny

-----Original Message-----

From: Manny Mencia
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 9:11 AM
To: Honorable Jeb Bush; danap@eog.state.fl.us
Cc: Sarah Deben
Subject: RE:
Importance: High

Pam

We will start looking into the travel logistics bright away just in case. Please let us know as soon as scheduling is consulted, since we will need to notify the Ambassador ASAP in order to make the necessary arrangements with the President's office.

Manny

-----Original Message-----

From: Honorable Jeb Bush
Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 4:34 PM
To: danap@eog.state.fl.us; Manny Mencia
Subject:

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From: [sidney charles <sidneycharles72@hotmail.com>](mailto:sidneycharles72@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 7:52:52 PM

Subject: Request for meeting with Mayor Shirley Gibson of Miami Gardens City

Dear Governor Bush

Mayor Shirley Gibson of the newly chartered City of Miami Gardens asked me to accompany her for a meeting with you to discuss the implementation of the new city's infrastructures. FYI, the Miami Gardens City is the largest Black City in the State of Florida with 108,000 residents and third largest in Dade County. Boundaries of the City: North- South= Dade-Broward county line to the Palmetto Exp Way. East-West= North Miami ave to NW 57th Ave. (Proplayer Stadium) is located in the city. Your consideration would be greatly appreciated at the earliest convenient for the meeting. Please let me know if you need any additional information and God bless. 305-389-2448.

Sincerely,

Sidney f. Charles

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From: don16@msn.com <don16@msn.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 7:57:02 PM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

I just want to thank you for all that you are doing to save Cypress Gardens.

I visited the Gardens with my family on our first visit to Florida. It was on our "must see" list and we were not disappointed. After moving to Florida, we continued to visit Cypress Gardens. The flowers and the settings were always so beautiful, a great place to "get-a-way".

Cypress Gardens is a beautiful part of Florida. The State of Florida needs to purchase and save the Gardens.

Thank you again for all that you are doing to make this happen.

Martha Edom
Lake Mary, FL

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Nina Oviedo](#)
CC: [Debbie Smith \(Medows\)](#)
[Jan Russo](#)
[Betty Jordan](#)
[Jill Randolph](#)
[Chris Osterlund](#)
[Jill Bratina](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Rhonda M. D. Medows](#)
[Bob Sharpe](#)
[Karen Hogan](#)
[Alan Levine](#)
[Tara Wainwright \(E-mail\)](#)
[Charla Sasser \(E-mail\)](#)
[Brandi Langford \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 7:38:10 PM

Subject: RE: Pfizer update

Let us see how it goes but I am proud of the venture and would like to highlight it.

Jeb

> -----Original Message-----

>From: Nina Oviedo [mailto:oviedon@sso.org]

>Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 2:48 PM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Cc: Debbie Smith (Medows); Jan Russo; Betty Jordan; Jill Randolph; Chris Osterlund; Jill Bratina; Kathleen Shanahan; Rhonda M. D. Medows; Bob Sharpe; Karen Hogan; Alan Levine; Tara Wainwright (E-mail); Charla Sasser (E-mail); Brandi Langford (E-mail)

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>Pls advise. Nina.

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From:

To: Robertjbronson@aol.com

Date: 8/25/2003 7:17:43 PM

Subject: RE: Will Pruitt

[thank you for writing. I am nominating Guy Tunnell, the Sheriff of Bay County for the position tomorrow.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Robertjbronson@aol.com [mailto:Robertjbronson@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 12:38 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: pruittatthecapitol@hotmail.com

Subject: Will Pruitt

August 25, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing on behalf and in support of Will Pruitt for the director's position for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. I have been acquainted with Will for just over three years now and have become familiar with his overall administrative skills and abilities, as well as his creative development of a new program, for statewide implementation, which would provide enhanced protection for children who are of a missing or exploited status.

Will's proven leadership experience as a police chief, private sector administrator, and personal advisor to those in state government, combined with his professional management style, motivational ability, and well-balanced judgment, facilitate him to be an extremely qualified candidate for your appointment to the director's position.

I fervently believe he would make countless positive contributions to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, if appointed and would be asset to the future of the state of Florida. I and others who know Will both professionally and personally would recommend him for the position without reservation.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions pertaining to Will's qualifications.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Bronson
South Bay Department of Public Safety
335 SW 2nd Ave.
South Bay, FL. 33493

(561) 996-6511 (Office)

(561) 261-2591 (Cell)

(561) 992-9117 (Home)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Michelle K. Brantley \(shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us\)](mailto:shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/25/2003 7:11:10 PM

Subject: FW: again requesting assistance fup

[can you answer this?](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: PGLurie@aol.com [mailto:PGLurie@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 12:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: again requesting assistance

I have continued to try to find out what the stall is on getting Cleveland Clinic, Fort Lauderdale, certified as a med waiver provider for speech therapy So far it is now over 1 1/2 years. I have heard all kinds of excuses, but no action. Then everything stopped and I am getting responses from no one. My son has seen a specific therapist, Theresa Biber for speech because she is an expert in swallow problems. What is it going to take to get her certified??

Also, when is the voucher going to be opened to the CDC control group? I would like some straight answers. The last several emails and phone calls have not been answered in any way. What is going on? Can you Please help. Patricia Lurie for Joshua Lurie 10821 Lisbon St., Hollywood, FL 954-432-3818. Thank you.

From:

To: Marti G Leib

Date: 8/25/2003 7:07:24 PM

Subject: RE: Park and Read Program

Thank you Marti.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Marti G Leib [mailto:martil1@juno.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 11:19 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Park and Read Program

Jeb-Also, received an email last week from Liza McFadden (who I forwarded a copy of this email to last week) who has put me in touch with Ali Cunningham, Volunteer Florida Foundation. We are trying to confirm a date when Ali can come see what Park and Read is all about and how they may want to become involved in promoting the program to other parks, etc. around the state. I also forwarded a copy of this email to Erma Slager at DEP last week who emailed me to say she would discuss the Park and Read Program with the interim director of Parks and Recreation at their upcoming meeting. Will let you know of results of meeting with school district and will keep you posted of any further progress/news!

Marti

On Mon, 25 Aug 2003 09:48:30 -0400 "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> writes:

> Have you sought support from the school district?

>

> jeb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Marti G Leib [mailto:martil1@juno.com]

> Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 10:55 AM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: Park and Read Program

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> Good Morning Jeb:

> The H.E.M. Club sponsored "Park and Read" program, Grades 2-5, I

> have

> developed as a 'subject intensive' part of the H.E.M. Club program,

> started at Big Lagoon State Park this past Saturday. We utilize

> high

- > school students, (specifically IB students and aspiring Bright
- > Futures
- > scholarship students accumulating community service hours) to do
- > tutoring in Reading and Math skills. I wanted to let you know I am
- > receiving accolades from parents about the enthusiasm of the
- > children to
- > participate in the Program which we are making a lot of fun by
- > utilizing
- > incentives such as progress awards/medals etc.- a basic incentives
- > format of the H.E.M. Club programming based on 'the golden rule'. We
- > only meet from 10:30-11:30 AM in the park each Saturday, weather
- > permitting. Enrollments are increasing each week.
- >
- > Jeb, government programs are not the solution for the masses,
- > especially
- > when focusing on the attainment of excellence, but programs such as
- > this, which are 'affordable' to parents and children are the key!
- > (the
- > program costs only \$5 per child per week with a one time
- > registration
- > fee of \$10- a portion of the proceeds is contributed by H.E.M. Club
- > to
- > the park for park needs under a special use permit). Again such
- > 'programs of service' have the potential to create
- > jobs/supplementary
- > incomes as well as to benefit multitudes of individuals and a
- > variety
- > of needs.
- > I have faith God will continue to entrust me with helpful solutions
- > which I can share with others. Have a wonderfully productive day!
- >
- > Marti Leib
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From:

To: AlfredoMesa413@aol.com

Date: 8/25/2003 7:02:02 PM

Subject: RE: Latin GRAMMYS

I am sorry Alfredo but I have a previous engagement.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: AlfredoMesa413@aol.com [mailto:AlfredoMesa413@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 11:01 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Latin GRAMMYS

Governor Bush:

It is very disappointing to learn that you will not be attending the 4th Annual Latin GRAMMY Awards in Miami. Did you know that the Governor of Georgia will be there? They are trying to steal the Latin GRAMMYS from Miami, as well as the FTAA! Please reconsider.

Alfredo

From:

To: kris_hmhb@bellsouth.net

Date: 8/25/2003 6:59:50 PM

Subject: RE: Choose Life funding

Thank you Kris for writing. The intent of the legislature from the very beginning was to support adoption services exclusively. I concurred with this intent by signing the bill into law four years ago.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kris Lidinsky [mailto:kris_hmhb@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 11:05 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Choose Life funding

I recently received information about the "Choose Life" license plate funding. I work for Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies that assists women in accessing prenatal care and counsels them during their pregnancy to ensure a healthy birth outcome. We served over 1900 women last year in our outreach program and thousands more in various educational programs we offer. We serve a diverse group of women, most of whom are Hispanic, Haitian and Mayan with very little knowledge of our often convoluted social service system to access care.

We are not eligible to receive these funds because of the restrictive language of providing adoption counseling. I can assure you, we do more to ensure the health and well being of moms and their babies in Palm Beach County than the agencies whose focus is adoption counseling.

I just want to express my thoughts that when these type of programs are instituted, more thought should go into them. You have now ensure that small, primarily faith-based initiatives are eligible and agencies such as ours that do the lion's share of the work, are not.

Thank you for your time on this matter.

Kris Lidinsky (daughter of Van Scherff)

Director of Development and Community Initiatives

Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies Coalition of Palm Beach County 561.732.2110 ext 225

From: [Jenny Jacobs <jenjacobs@ij.net>](mailto:jenjacobs@ij.net)

To: [Tom Gallagher](#)

[Charlie Crist](#)

[Charles Bronson](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 7:05:18 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

I am writing to ask that you vote to preserve all of Cypress Gardens.

Sincerely,

Jenny Jacobs

P. O. Box 264

Dundee, Florida 33838

From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@ssso.org>](mailto:oviedon@ssso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Debbie Smith \(Medows\)](#)

[Jan Russo](#)

[Betty Jordan](#)

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Date: 8/25/2003 6:48:05 PM

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From: [jose lagos <joseclagos@yahoo.com>](mailto:joseclagos@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 6:34:00 PM

Subject: Follow up

Dear Jeb: Hope you are doing fine. Pretty busy !!!
Just wanted to follow up with you on your job offer
the last time we met in Miami cause I never got any
word back ? Hope something can be arranged as it would
be an honor and pleasure not only to work for you but
our state specially now as Arlene and Frank among
others have moved on but the need in our State remains
Please advice if its possible if not then no problem
so I can then have second options in seeking
elsewhere. Thanks , Jose lagos
My cellular is 786-355-2477

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From:

To: CORBELLA.AGUSTIN

Date: 8/25/2003 6:31:23 PM

Subject: RE:

[come by wednesday.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: CORBELLA.AGUSTIN [mailto:corbella@flsenate.gov]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 8:37 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Hi Governor,

I read the story about Kathleen on Friday. I'm sorry to see her go--I've really enjoyed working with her.

If your schedule would permit, I'd appreciate the opportunity to come talk to you sometime next week. Thank you,

Big Gus

From:

To: [Claire Roberson](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 6:25:49 PM

Subject: RE: BioFlorida Annual Conference

Thanks for the information. Claire, unless you heard from my scheduling team, I didn't commit to the event. I expressed real interest in being there and will speak to my scheduler about it asap.

Jeb

> -----Original Message-----

>From: Claire Roberson [mailto:claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com]

>Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 8:19 AM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Subject: BioFlorida Annual Conference

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>Dear Governor,

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>It was good to talk with you at the reception in Miami on Friday and hear your enthusiasm and commitment to the economic development and diversification of Florida. There are some particularly unique opportunities to leverage the complementary attributes that Florida and the South American countries bring to each other; and I look forward continuing discussions with Sena Black on this topic.

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>Thank you for accepting the invitation to speak at the BioFlorida Annual Conference in Orlando this October. The meeting will be held at the airport Renaissance Orlando Hotel on Sunday and Monday, October 19 and 20. Boyden Grey will be speaking at the dinner on Sunday evening. I understand from our conversation that Monday is better for your schedule. The luncheon on Monday is planned for 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM at which you would be the keynote speaker. The conference title this year is Catalysts for Change and captures the spirit of the drivers and initiatives that will promote growth of the biotechnology industry in our State.

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>Please let me know any additional details you may need. We are so pleased that you will be joining us at the conference.

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>Best regards,

>Claire

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>Claire Thuning-Roberson, Ph.D.

>VP Product Development & Compliance

>Sunol Molecular Corporation

>2810 North Commerce Parkway

>Miramar, FL 33025

>954-443-8600 X811

>e-mail: claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com

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From:

To: [Karen Kellams](mailto:Karen.Kellams)

Date: 8/25/2003 6:23:13 PM

Subject: RE: FW: URGENT

Thank you Karen.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Karen Kellams [mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 8:15 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: FW: URGENT

I just found out child support is Susan and Matt's only income. That's why i called SSA on her behalf and strongly suggested she apply for SSI benefits for Matt--because he deserves them and it will give them another source of income should the father decide not to pay suddenly (which i hope and pray never happens!). The Check is in the mail today. We were affected by the "worm" virus and that may affected the emails from her last week.

>>> "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> 08/22/03 03:28PM >>>

-----Original Message-----

From: Ssnrss1@aol.com [mailto:Ssnrss1@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 9:40 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: URGENT

Matt wont' be able to communicate with you this weekend at all thanks to Idiots R Us. My child support check was mailed from NJ last week and Idiots R Us still has not logged it in and can't seem to locate it.

So

we have been disconnected from the phone and on Mon we lose electricity and water. I have written Karen since Tuesday but I guess she is out as

I have not heard back from her. NJ sent out another check today so

now

I will have 2 coming eventually.

Tried to call CSE but you get a call center that still insists I do not have a case in Florida. So what else is new? Matt left for school this morning extremely upset he cannot email you. The past two days I have had the cops at my house to tell me Matt got sick at school and I needed to get to school immediately to pick him up as the phone doesn't work. This system (excuse my language) SUCKS!!! I cannot wait for him to come home from school all upset as he cannot email you updates from golf or chat with you. The last two evenings I at least tried to keep him out of the house.

It has been 2 weeks since court hearing where judge ordered Matt's dad to pay me \$1000 but he won't send it out until he gets court order. Karen tells me they are waiting for them to send it. Is there a problem with calling the lawyer and asking him to fax it to Florida? If they are waiting, they will be waiting until next year!!

Sorry, but this is getting very old very fast. This is why I cancelled by last attempt for Florida DOR to get me my checks on time.

There were times when I waited 6 weeks between checks. I have bills due and all the money I saved for a house and all that nice stuff went to therapies for Matthew to try to help him in every way I could. I wish I had something left for emergencies but when you end up paying \$35 late fees because of the state on all these bills you have nothing left for anything. Sorry, but enough is enough!!

If it is not raining, I will try to get Matt to the library to at least

write you one email. It is the best I can do at this moment. Thanks

Susan

From:

To: [Pat Coon](#)

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 6:18:20 PM

Subject: RE: New FDLE Director

Thank you Paula.

-----Original Message-----

From: Pat Coon [mailto:patcoon@webtv.net]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 7:22 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: New FDLE Director

Sir, Frank McKeithen , current Sheriff of Gulf County, would be better than J.B. Holloway in replacing Guy M. Tunnell as Sheriff of Bay County.

Paula Agosta

Panama City, FL

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Handy Phil \(Handy, Phil\)](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 6:09:31 PM

Subject: FW: CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

-----Original Message-----

From: E. T. York [mailto:york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 2:11 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Following is material in the 2003-04 "ALMANAC ISSUE" of the CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION concerning Florida, dated August 29, 2003. This is the CHRONICLE's annual summary of developments in higher education in the various states.

I call your attention to the opening sentence, "When it came to the governance of of its 11 public universities, Florida resembled a banana republic by the end of the 2002-3 academic year."

This CHRONICLE treatment of the issue is a good indication of how the higher education community nationwide is viewing the university governance debacle in Florida.

This is consistent with what many of us, concerned with our universities, have been saying for months!

E. T. York

THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Almanac Issue 2003-4

August 29, 2003

When it came to the governance of its 11 public universities, Florida resembled a banana republic by the end of the 2002-3 academic year. Instability had become the norm, and there seemed to be no telling exactly who was in charge.

The academic year began with a popular rebellion against the public-university governance structure that Gov. Jeb Bush and the state's Republican-dominated Legislature had agreed in 2000 to put in place. The Republican governor and his legislative colleagues abolished the old state university system and the Board of Regents that had governed it for 35 years, and decentralized control of the state's public universities so that each institution answered mainly to its own gubernatorially appointed Board of Trustees. But the new governance structure had barely gotten off the ground in 2002 before critics called for its dismantlement.

U.S. Senator Bob Graham, a Democrat who had been Florida's governor, led an effort to amend Florida's Constitution to establish a new Board of Governors for the state's public universities. The proposed ballot initiative, Amendment 11, sought to secure the new governing board much more autonomy and power than the old Board of Regents had; most of the new board's 17 members were

to be appointed by the governor to staggered terms, to help safeguard against political interference in the board's affairs. The public universities were to retain their own boards, but the institutions' trustees were to have only those powers that the Board of Governors delegated to them.

The amendment, which was put on the November 2002 ballot, had the support of the university system's faculty union. It was opposed by the presidents of the public colleges, by many private-college leaders, and by the leadership of the Florida Board of Education, which had recently been established by lawmakers to help oversee all of public education in the Sunshine State.

The measure passed with about 60 percent of the vote. In the same election, Floridians re-elected Governor Bush, and also adopted a separate constitutional amendment that limited class sizes in the state's public schools, thereby putting state lawmakers under the gun to spend much more on elementary and secondary education.

The uncertainty created by the latest change in public-university governance proved too much for Daniel S. Papp, whom the Board of Education had picked to become the new chancellor of colleges and universities. In December 2002, just two weeks before he was scheduled to assume his new position, he backed out of taking the job, citing its cloudy future, and said he planned to remain in his position as the University System of Georgia's vice chancellor for academics and fiscal affairs.

Others weren't so hesitant to take new leadership positions in higher education. They included two new university presidents whose appointments were criticized by faculty leaders as politically motivated: T.K. Wetherell, a former state lawmaker who resigned from a lobbying job to become president of Florida State University, and Frank T. Brogan, who resigned as lieutenant governor to become president of Florida Atlantic University.

In March 2003, the state's education commissioner, Jim Horne, tapped Debra Austin, a former administrator at Florida State and Tallahassee Community College, to fill the chancellorship that Mr. Papp had turned down. While no one seemed to question her credentials, supporters of Amendment 11 argued that Commissioner Horne no longer had authority over the universities, and had no business naming a chancellor to oversee them.

For the most part, the state Legislature behaved as if the new Board of Governors for public universities did not exist. The board received no state appropriation for an office or staff, and lawmakers continued to assert control over universities in certain areas, such as the setting of tuitions and presidents' salaries, where the sponsors of Amendment 11 had intended for the Board of Governors to play the dominant role.

Governor Bush's appointees to the new Board of Governors appeared more than willing to hand most of their powers down to the institutions' trustees, thereby ensuring the institutions about the same level of autonomy that they had before Amendment 11's passage.

By May 2003, several of the amendment's backers had concluded that state officials were bent on circumventing the measure, and had begun preparing a lawsuit to ensure that the amendment was fully carried out.

Later that month, the legislature adopted a measure capping the state's contribution to the salaries of public-university presidents at \$225,000 annually. Universities could continue to pay their presidents more than that -- eight already were doing so -- but any compensation above the pay cap would have

to be raised from private sources.

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From: [E. T. York <york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu>](mailto:york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 6:11:10 PM

Subject: CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Following is material in the 2003-04 "ALMANAC ISSUE" of the CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION concerning Florida, dated August 29, 2003. This is the CHRONICLE's annual summary of developments in higher education in the various states.

I call your attention to the opening sentence, "When it came to the governance of its 11 public universities, Florida resembled a banana republic by the end of the 2002-3 academic year."

This CHRONICLE treatment of the issue is a good indication of how the higher education community nationwide is viewing the university governance debacle in Florida.

This is consistent with what many of us, concerned with our universities, have been saying for months!

E. T. York

THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Almanac Issue 2003-4

August 29, 2003

When it came to the governance of its 11 public universities, Florida resembled a banana republic by the end of the 2002-3 academic year. Instability had become the norm, and there seemed to be no telling exactly who was in charge.

The academic year began with a popular rebellion against the public-university governance structure that Gov. Jeb Bush and the state's Republican-dominated Legislature had agreed in 2000 to put in place. The Republican governor and his legislative colleagues abolished the old state university system and the Board of Regents that had governed it for 35 years, and decentralized control of the state's public universities so that each institution answered mainly to its own gubernatorially appointed Board of Trustees. But the new governance structure had barely gotten off the ground in 2002 before critics called for its dismantlement.

U.S. Senator Bob Graham, a Democrat who had been Florida's governor, led an effort to amend Florida's Constitution to establish a new Board of Governors for the state's public universities. The proposed ballot initiative, Amendment 11, sought to secure the new governing board much more autonomy and power than the old Board of Regents had; most of the new board's 17 members were to be appointed by the governor to staggered terms, to help safeguard against political interference in the board's affairs. The public universities were to retain their own boards, but the institutions' trustees were to have only those powers that the Board of Governors delegated to them.

The amendment, which was put on the November 2002 ballot, had the support of the university system's faculty union. It was opposed by the presidents of the public colleges, by many private-

college leaders, and by the leadership of the Florida Board of Education, which had recently been established by lawmakers to help oversee all of public education in the Sunshine State.

The measure passed with about 60 percent of the vote. In the same election, Floridians re-elected Governor Bush, and also adopted a separate constitutional amendment that limited class sizes in the state's public schools, thereby putting state lawmakers under the gun to spend much more on elementary and secondary education.

The uncertainty created by the latest change in public-university governance proved too much for Daniel S. Papp, whom the Board of Education had picked to become the new chancellor of colleges and universities. In December 2002, just two weeks before he was scheduled to assume his new position, he backed out of taking the job, citing its cloudy future, and said he planned to remain in his position as the University System of Georgia's vice chancellor for academics and fiscal affairs.

Others weren't so hesitant to take new leadership positions in higher education. They included two new university presidents whose appointments were criticized by faculty leaders as politically motivated: T.K. Wetherell, a former state lawmaker who resigned from a lobbying job to become president of Florida State University, and Frank T. Brogan, who resigned as lieutenant governor to become president of Florida Atlantic University.

In March 2003, the state's education commissioner, Jim Horne, tapped Debra Austin, a former administrator at Florida State and Tallahassee Community College, to fill the chancellorship that Mr. Papp had turned down. While no one seemed to question her credentials, supporters of Amendment 11 argued that Commissioner Horne no longer had authority over the universities, and had no business naming a chancellor to oversee them.

For the most part, the state Legislature behaved as if the new Board of Governors for public universities did not exist. The board received no state appropriation for an office or staff, and lawmakers continued to assert control over universities in certain areas, such as the setting of tuitions and presidents' salaries, where the sponsors of Amendment 11 had intended for the Board of Governors to play the dominant role.

Governor Bush's appointees to the new Board of Governors appeared more than willing to hand most of their powers down to the institutions' trustees, thereby ensuring the institutions about the same level of autonomy that they had before Amendment 11's passage.

By May 2003, several of the amendment's backers had concluded that state officials were bent on circumventing the measure, and had begun preparing a lawsuit to ensure that the amendment was fully carried out.

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From: [Allison DeFoor <adefoor@earthbalance.com>](mailto:adefoor@earthbalance.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 5:48:56 PM

Subject: RE: Monroe County Schools

I am working with him, and have reached out to Carol already. We are working on a plan, and will not let the beauracracy prevail.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 8:38 PM

To: Allison DeFoor

Subject: FW: Monroe County Schools

-----Original Message-----

From: Licko, Carol A. [mailto:CALicko@HHLAW.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 7:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Monroe County Schools

Hi, Governor: i just wanted you to know that John Padget (your newly appointed superintendent for Monroe) called our firm for help with education law (his friend told him we have a good education practice). Eventually his call came to me. His problems are not primarily legal, however --which I told him. His problem is he has no support -- the school board backed the deputy for his job and now is giving him a hard time on everything he would like to do; he has only one deputy -- the person who did not get the job, and she is simply blocking his efforts thru passive resistance. Anyway, I met him, and he is a great person who really shares your vision for public education and has tremendous energy and passion, but he is really becoming frustrated (he wants everything to move quickly, and part of the problem is that he does not know all the pitfalls of a public bureaucracy, as his background is with Take Stock with Children). Anyway, I called Daniel, and he said he would put together some help for him. I just wanted you to know. He has been attracting quite a bit of press so far -- most of it very good, but recently an editorial suggested he slow down a bit. Hope things are going well up there!!!!

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From: [SUSAN GOLDSTEIN <skgoldstein@hotmail.com>](mailto:skgoldstein@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 5:24:36 PM

Subject: true testimonial

Fw: Exerpt from [Autism-Florida] re: FLA autism education services

Hi Jeb,

Thought you might like to see some of the fruits of you labor.

The areas in FL that don't have good public options certainly have alternatives, thanks to you!

Keep up the good work.

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Autism-Florida@yahoogroups.com

Date: Monday, August 25, 2003 11:11:52

To: Autism-Florida@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [Autism-Florida] Re: FLA autism education services

Wow, it sounds like even though the public schools have failed, there are many alternatives such as charter schools and private schools with available scholarship funds. This is quite different than here in Virginia. There are no alternatives to the public schools here. No charter schools, only one private school in town with a 55K annual tuition that the counties refuse to acknowledge.

I think it's great that you have the charter schools as alternatives.

Dennis

--- In Autism-Florida@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Colannino"

<colannino4@y...> wrote:

> Hi all,

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> I'm curious how the autism education services are in the

Orlando/Lake

> Mary area.

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> Thanks,

> Dennis

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From: [Dinah P <dinahpulver@hotmail.com>](mailto:dinahpulver@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 5:06:05 PM

Subject: Followup on Class size amendment

One of my co-workers has a son who is in a gifted 5th grade class. The gifted classes were started with the idea of being smaller but at their elementary school, there are 28 students in that gifted class. When my son was in a gifted elementary school class 10 years ago, there were 18 students. My coworker's son's school, Timbercrest, is even more crowded than ours, DeBary. They sent out letters this summer asking parents to transfer their students to an out of zone nearby school that isn't quite as crowded.

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From: [Dinah P <dinahpulver@hotmail.com>](mailto:dinahpulver@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/25/2003 4:53:53 PM

Subject: RE: Class size amendment

I don't know why there hasn't been a reduction. It drives me crazy!

I'm relieved to hear you agree it's a problem. If there are 34 students now, you know that number will go up after Labor Day.

There are many problems and the school board and superintendent blame it all on the state. They say they don't have the facility or the money for another class of students. They say that it may be decided later this year that there is money for another class, but as I understand it that will require moving in another portable. Last year, when these same students were in third grade, the school district finally gave authorization at mid-year for another class but the principal decided it was too late to uproot so many kids so the teacher he got just floated in all the classrooms as a reading instructor.

The school board cut all the extra guidance counselors in the elementary schools this year and the elementary resource teachers and blamed it on you and the Legislature. (even though they did receive what? I think it was \$13 million more this year from the state than last) Where last year we had three women overseeing the testing, counseling and placement of children, this year we have one.

You know the bill that passed last year that required the school board and local governments to work together? Even though school board folks say they're doing that here, both cities that feed this elementary school have approved more housing subdivisions and even three or four apartment complexes in the last year. They have one elementary school planned to open in a couple of years to relieve overcrowding but by the time it opens they'll all still be overcrowded. That's why so many parents that I know believe this class-size amendment is so critical.

>From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

>To: "Dinah P" <dinahpulver@hotmail.com>

>Subject: RE: Class size amendment

>Date: Mon, 25 Aug 2003 09:02:57 -0400

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>Dinah, here is the problem. Why hasn't there been a reduction?

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>-----Original Message-----

>From: Dinah P [mailto:dinahpulver@hotmail.com]

>Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 4:14 PM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Subject: Class size amendment

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> I know you're not a big fan of smart aleck e-mails from mouthy

>journalists but ... if the other parents in Florida have students like

>mine,

>one of 34 in a class of fourth graders in the second week of school, I

>don't

>see how they're going to vote to repeal the class-size amendment.

> It is a horrible situation. I know the fault lies with our local

>officials and rest assured I harangue them every opportunity I get! But

>nothing changes....

> A class of more than 30 is not the same as a class of 30 when we

>were

>young. The kids are mouthier, more hyper, harder to deal with and the

>teachers have much more to deal with.

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From: [Bob Price <wpricejr@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:wpricejr@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 5:01:53 PM

Subject: Save All of Cypress Gardens

Our Dear Governor Bush --

My wife and I beg you to take any appropriate action to save Cypress Gardens for Floridians and for future visitors from our own country and from abroad. We have lived about a mile from Cypress Gardens for about 13 years. Most of this time we purchased an annual pass so we could spend more time enjoying its beauty and its many attractions, and share them more easily with our out-of-town and out-of-state guests.

From what I have learned about possible future purchasers, I would rate purchase/lease and management by David Siegel as the most attractive since it adds the extra features necessary to making the Gardens economically viable while preserving the beauty and ambience that made it such an appealing attraction.

I consider the Dantzler/Gernert plan the least attractive since it appears that they want to preserve enough of the Gardens to facilitate development of the balance as residential/commercial real estate, but, not enough to serve as an attraction with broad enough appeal to be commercially viable. As such, it eventually could become enough of a drag on someone's pocket book to eventually fall into disrepair.

Please take the action necessary to preserving all of Cypress Gardens as an economic development asset for the state and as a recreational and cultural asset for our state and our nation.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of our Save the Gardens plea!!

Bob and Lillie Price
Winter Haven, Florida

From: denise.marshall@comcast.net <denise.marshall@comcast.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 4:35:08 PM

Subject: OH!! GREAT ONE!!!!

Dear Sir:

I hope that you are well. I am writing you to let you know that I will be in the hospital here in Jacksonville. I will contact Ms. Hampton to give her the information. Please take care and know that I will be thinking of you.

Denise

Cell Phone: (904)233-0381

From: Robertjbronson@aol.com <Robertjbronson@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: pruittatthecapitol@hotmail.com

Date: 8/25/2003 4:38:23 PM

Subject: Will Pruitt

August 25, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing on behalf and in support of Will Pruitt for the director's position for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. I have been acquainted with Will for just over three years now and have become familiar with his overall administrative skills and abilities, as well as his creative development of a new program, for statewide implementation, which would provide enhanced protection for children who are of a missing or exploited status.

Will's proven leadership experience as a police chief, private sector administrator, and personal advisor to those in state government, combined with his professional management style, motivational ability, and well-balanced judgment, facilitate him to be an extremely qualified candidate for your appointment to the director's position.

I fervently believe he would make countless positive contributions to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, if appointed and would be asset to the future of the state of Florida. I and others who know Will both professionally and personally would recommend him for the position without reservation.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions pertaining to Will's qualifications.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Bronson
South Bay Department of Public Safety
335 SW 2nd Ave.
South Bay, FL. 33493

(561) 996-6511 (Office)

(561) 261-2591 (Cell)

(561) 992-9117 (Home)

From: [Daisy Vickers <daisyal_2000@yahoo.com>](mailto:daisyal_2000@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 4:38:31 PM

Subject: Insurance for Kids

Please review funding for Kidcare. This is a valuable asset for the Kids of Florida. As a school nurse I see the effects on kids and parents who have difficulty accessing health care. In some cases both parents are working hard, but cannot afford to pay the premiums on health insurance or it is not offered at their jobs. Kidcare is truly a way to help these parents and their kids. Thank you for your concern. Daisy Vickers, Hamilton County, Jasper, Florida

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Sheriff Charlie Morris](#)

CC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 4:37:26 PM

Subject: RE: Guy Tunnell

Thank you Charlie.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Sheriff Charlie Morris [mailto:cmorris@sheriff-okaloosa.org]

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 10:13 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Guy Tunnell

I wanted to thank you for your selection of Guy Tunnell for the FDLE Commissioners job. I know he will do an outstanding job and will represent you and Florida well in this position. I wrote Eli and Regina an email nominating my Chief Deputy Fred Cobb for the appointment for the Bay County Sheriff's position until the election next year. Fred Cobb lost to me in my election in 1996, but was so highly qualified I made him my Chief Deputy. Fred is a Republican; has a Masters Degree; over 25 years Law Enforcement experience; and is one of the most respected Chief Deputies in the State. He has no desire to ever run for Sheriff in any County. I have a very strong Command Staff and could survive with him being gone during this period of time. Thanks again for Guy's selection for FDLE and he will make you proud. Sheriff Charlie Morris

From: [Glen Gott <GGOTT@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:GGOTT@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 4:16:52 PM

Subject: EXPLANATION

Dear Governor

I've been told that the message I sent you about "INMATES" may not have come across as I intended it. When I asked you "if you could give us some ideas on a way to proceed on a course that will succeed in this area." I was asking that tell us how to make our efforts coordinate with yours.

And also when I mentioned about the \$65 M money I was ONLY making you aware of what a good many people that I know are thinking. I personally DO NOT believe that you are doing ANYTHING dishonest. I believe that the entire Bush family are anointed of God.

PLEASE do not misunderstand anything I said.

God bless you and your family in ALL your endeavors

From: PGLurie@aol.com <PGLurie@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 4:00:35 PM

Subject: again requesting assistance

I have continued to try to find out what the stall is on getting Cleveland Clinic, Fort Lauderdale, certified as a med waiver provider for speech therapy So far it is now over 1 1/2 years. I have heard all kinds of excuses, but no action. Then everything stopped and I am getting responses from no one. My son has seen a specific therapist, Theresa Biber for speech because she is an expert in swallow problems. What is it going to take to get her certified??

Also, when is the voucher going to be opened to the CDC control group? I would like some straight answers. The last several emails and phone calls have not been answered in any way. What is going on? Can you Please help. Patricia Lurie for Joshua Lurie 10821 Lisbon St., Hollywood, FL 954-432-3818. Thank you.

From: [Bev Kilmer <bev@bevkilmer.com>](mailto:bev@bevkilmer.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 3:54:39 PM

Subject: CLUB Bev

Attachments: Club Bev Promo-9-30.doc

Jeb, I have enclosed info on CLUB Bev and my intensive grassroots plan. I will be holding a press conference with the members of the Florida Federated Republican Women on Thursday the 4th of Sept. Women from all across the state will be here joining me. We would all love to have you stop by the luncheon just to say hello. I realize your time is extremely valuable, however, if this would work we would all be most appreciative. I will look forward to hearing from you. Give Marvin a pat on the head for me. Bev

From: [JohnSipos <jsipos@ij.net>](mailto:jsipos@ij.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Kimberly Dale](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 3:41:01 PM

Subject: Thank you.

Mr. Governor,

Sincere thanks for your reply this morning.

Appreciate my need to keep a pressure on the "we know better than the little people do" system when I'm on the air. But, for what ever the heck this isn't worth at the gas pump -- I have the most profound respect for your moral being and for your office.

This is IMPORTANT.

Her name is pronounced:

SHY-vo.

SHY-vo.

SHY-vo.

Not Shah-vee-ah-no.

John Sipos

From: DEGALLUPS@aol.com <DEGALLUPS@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 3:38:03 PM

Subject: HELP

***I HAVING TROUBLE WITH FAMILY AND CHILD SERVICES.
I TALKED TO SENATOR HILL. AND THEY DON'T ACT AS IF THEY CARE.
WHO CAN I TALK TO SIR.
MY LITTLE GIRL IS NOT SAFE WITH HER MOTHER.
THE MOTHER HAS DRINKING AND DRUGS PROBLEMS.
AND HAS CAUSE INJURY TO MY LITTLE GIRL.
THANK YOU DAVID GALLUPS
904 703-9337***

From: Marti G Leib <martil1@juno.com>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/25/2003 3:19:05 PM

Subject: Re: Park and Read Program

Jeb-Also, received an email last week from Liza McFadden (who I forwarded a copy of this email to last week) who has put me in touch with Ali Cunningham, Volunteer Florida Foundation. We are trying to confirm a date when Ali can come see what Park and Read is all about and how they may want to become involved in promoting the program to other parks, etc. around the state. I also forwarded a copy of this email to Erma Slager at DEP last week who emailed me to say she would discuss the Park and Read Program with the interim director of Parks and Recreation at their upcoming meeting. Will let you know of results of meeting with school district and will keep you posted of any further progress/news!

Marti

On Mon, 25 Aug 2003 09:48:30 -0400 "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> writes:

> Have you sought support from the school district?

>

> jeb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Marti G Leib [mailto:martil1@juno.com]

> Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 10:55 AM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: Park and Read Program

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> Good Morning Jeb:

> The H.E.M. Club sponsored "Park and Read" program, Grades 2-5, I

> have

> developed as a 'subject intensive' part of the H.E.M. Club program,

> started at Big Lagoon State Park this past Saturday. We utilize

> high

> school students, (specifically IB students and aspiring Bright

> Futures

> scholarship students accumulating community service hours) to do

> tutoring in Reading and Math skills. I wanted to let you know I am

> receiving accolades from parents about the enthusiasm of the

> children to

> participate in the Program which we are making a lot of fun by

> utilizing

> incentives such as progress awards/medals etc.- a basic incentives

- > format of the H.E.M. Club programming based on 'the golden rule'. We
- > only meet from 10:30-11:30 AM in the park each Saturday, weather
- > permitting. Enrollments are increasing each week.
- >
- > Jeb, government programs are not the solution for the masses,
- > especially
- > when focusing on the attainment of excellence, but programs such as
- > this, which are 'affordable' to parents and children are the key!
- > (the
- > program costs only \$5 per child per week with a one time
- > registration
- > fee of \$10- a portion of the proceeds is contributed by H.E.M. Club
- > to
- > the park for park needs under a special use permit). Again such
- > 'programs of service' have the potential to create
- > jobs/supplementary
- > incomes as well as to benefit multitudes of individuals and a
- > variety
- > of needs.
- > I have faith God will continue to entrust me with helpful solutions
- > which I can share with others. Have a wonderfully productive day!
- >
- > Marti Leib
- >
- > _____
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From: [margaret humphries <mhumphries7@juno.com>](mailto:mhumphries7@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:38:05 PM

Subject: Fw: Gardens Update!

Attachments: Gardens Update!

Jeb, please save this place for our state....thanks, margo..

From: CraihNaDun@aol.com <CraihNaDun@aol.com>

To: CraihNaDun@aol.com

Date: 8/24/2003 9:30:09 PM

Subject: Gardens Update!

Subj: **Wild Adventures Photos & Lakeland Ledger - "Belles Not Tallahassee Lassies" - August 22, 2003**

Date: 8/24/2003 10:39 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: burma@mindspring.com

To: Paul@gagop.org

(Contains 7 small pics of Wild Adventures in Ga - if you aren't connected with hi-speed, may take a while to load...)
Verne

Dear Friends of Cypress Gardens,

The Lakeland Ledger continues to support the wishes of Rick Dantzler and Larry Maxwell in their backing of Valdosta's Kent Buescher and his thrill rides on Cypress Gardens. But now their reporter, Bill Dean, has actually insulted the beautiful Belles who have been working so hard to save the Gardens. The following is his article and my response to him. You might want to write to him as well. His e-mail address is on the article.

Mr. Buescher is working hard to bring his rides to Cypress Gardens. Since so many people were upset about Mr. Buescher adding loud thrill rides, newspaper articles now refer to them as "Additional attractions". The people who live there do not know what this means... they have not traveled to Valdosta to see Wild Adventures. Shanna and I did go there. Attached are a few untouched photos we took of the "Added Attractions" from Wild Adventures. **The photos are at the bottom of my letter to Mr. Dean. Is this what we want for Cypress Gardens?** Please let the Governor and Cabinet members know how you feel. We have only two days left!!!

I don't think the people around Lake Eloise realize what would happen to their noise level and the value of their homes if 25 similar rides are added to our beloved Gardens. And the owners have a choice! **They don't have to have condominiums or thrill rides.** Mr. Siegel wants to save ALL the Park, add protections to Dick and Julie Pope's original botanical gardens and ski area, restore it, improve it, and make it a "Smithsonian of the South". This includes landscaping the entry and parking area to conceal the cars from Cypress Gardens Boulevard, hands on interactive features for children, intern programs for college students, Gone With the Wind Museum, Pageant Hall of Fame, Florida Sports Hall of Fame, Royal Doulton Tearoom and Restaurant, and an expanded concert series, zoo, and waterpark. Florida seniors 65 and older don't have to worry about annual passes...they will be allowed entrance for life!!!

Belles Not Tallahassee Lassies

By Bill Dean

August 22, 2003

bill.dean@theledger.com

Tuesday may well be a day of reckoning for the elegant lady of Florida theme parks -- a once-proud matron now all but reduced to begging in the street . . .

Make that hankering for a gulp from the government trough.

On Tuesday, the governor and Cabinet are scheduled to decide on adding the Gardens to the state's list of land to buy.

Cypress Gardens is -- or was -- a scenic and storied place, a land so hand-contoured that its sentimental take on Florida's state-of-mind rivaled the real thing to some.

Of course, the state has no business getting in the themepark business.

But if it can purchase the park and lease it back to an operator -- as it has done with Silver Springs -- or simply play a role in finding the right keeper, then maybe Banana George Blair and the Belles may be back.

But who should become steward and would-be savior of this unique business, a home-grown botanical garden/tourist

attraction with the sweetest-natured kitsch in the world?

Is it the time-share king from Orlando, David Siegel, who has spoken of adding art collections or other showcases to the mix?

Or is it Kent Buescher, the Georgia entrepreneur who turned a mom-and-pop petting zoo into a serious park player?

Buescher's plan of keeping the Gardens' core appeal intact while adding other attractions for crowds and revenue would seem to have the best chance for success.

If nothing else, let's learn from recent history: Reopening and operating the park exactly as it was didn't work before -and shouldn't be expected to work now.

Hopefully, that's a lesson from history we won't be doomed to repeat.

Bill Dean can be reached at bill.dean@theledger.com or 863-802-7527.

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Dear Bill,

The young Belles you ridiculed in your article are elegant young women who lost their jobs with three days notice. How they are admired for finding babysitters and traveling not once, but three times to Tallahassee to fight for those jobs and the Gardens they so dearly love. Oh if your city leaders had only half the heart and determination! Of course they will be present at the final meeting to be seen by the Governor after all the work has been done... It has been very interesting for all of us around the country to watch...

The Ledger remains faithful and consistent in your support of Kent Buescher. Since you have NEVER done one single article detailing Mr. Siegel's visions, it is easy to understand why you favor the plans that have been thoroughly outlined for Kent by your paper. Fortunately, the media around the state has outlined Mr. Siegel's plans and as a result the majority of people who have written to us from 112 cities and spoken at the state meetings are backing Mr. Siegel's plans. Your paper didn't even cover accurately what happened at those meetings!

You have never called us to ask about what we plan to do, and it is quiet a bit more than "Museums" and as your article said "Exactly like it was". Our Press Releases to the Lakeland Ledger have all been returned. It has been interesting to watch and you should know that our Governor and the state DEP are aware of the entire situation and are watching as well. Mr. Dantzler and Mr. Gernert were absolutely stunned at the vote on June 5 after our caring people spoke and the ARC voted to recommend saving ALL the Gardens. Since those two men have fought so vigorously to save only part of the Park against the will of the majority, I hope they will be stunned once again on Tuesday.

What Mr. Buescher did in Valdosta was great on I-75 in a rural area with nothing else to do. It is four hours south of Atlanta and four hours north of Orlando... a perfect stop off place for those headed to the Tourism Capitol of the World.

But it is not the same situation at Cypress Gardens. Our tourists come to see Disney, Universal and Sea World. Some of the great rides at Disney and Universal cost \$200M each! Do you really believe that our central Florida visitors are going to drive 45 minutes AWAY from these \$200M rides to go to a few smaller carnival rides? Many previous owners have learned the hard way the answer to that question is NO! You have to have something unique! It is our intent to offer many diverse attractions that will each draw their own group of fans and patrons. It is important to note... our desire is to maintain the beautiful and peaceful integrity that was created by Dick and Julie Pope 67 years ago.

Another item recently surfaced as a result of inaccurate reporting that needs to be clarified... In the article, the reporter said that Kent Buescher planned to invest \$35M and David Siegel planned to invest \$14M. Duh!!! \$35M is Kent Buescher's entire budget... to purchase, refurbish and add his thrill rides. \$14M was simply the amount Mr.

Siegel offered the owners for the land. With a net worth of over \$200M and not depending on money from lending institutions, he certainly does not intend to be limited to spending \$35M! He plans to spend whatever it takes to make this one of the finest destinations in the world... and it will be money from his own pocket. For instance, when he spoke with the officers from the Sports Hall of Fame, he told them to choose a building that would fit their needs. If none of the buildings would work, he said he would build them a building!!! Mr. Siegel is passionately committed to making this the legacy he leaves to the people of the State of Florida.

I think that the leaders in Polk County have watched Cypress Gardens fail for so many years, as a result of horrendous management, it is impossible for them to imagine the world class successful destination we are planning. They are in for quite a surprise. And if we have the opportunity to make it happen, I do hope they are humble enough to be happy about what it is going to mean to the economy of the entire county instead of just one developer. Before you take space to write another article, why don't you call the parties involved and actually get some facts? David Siegel's private number is ***_***_****.

With kindest regards,

Burma

The following photos were taken at Wild Adventures: (scroll down-there are 7).



1) The Spin Ride



2. Game Room



3. Lake... As a result of nightly fireworks, the Cypress Trees died



4. Toyo Ride



5. Arcade



6. Ladies Restroom



7. Midway



From: AlfredoMesa413@aol.com <AlfredoMesa413@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 3:01:04 PM

Subject: Latin GRAMMYS

Governor Bush:

It is very disappointing to learn that you will not be attending the 4th Annual Latin GRAMMY Awards in Miami. Did you know that the Governor of Georgia will be there? They are trying to steal the Latin GRAMMYS from Miami, as well as the FTAA! Please reconsider.

Alfredo

From: [Bethellen <bethellen65@comcast.net>](mailto:bethellen65@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:35:23 PM

Subject: Re: white paper. Please Help

WOW that is excellent!!!

Good job Pamalapooh!!!

YOU ARE AWESOME!!!

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: PAMALAPOOH@aol.com

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 8:37 PM

Subject: RE: white paper. Please Help

thank you for sharing this with me. I was not aware of this disease.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: PAMALAPOOH@aol.com [mailto:PAMALAPOOH@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 8:09 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: white paper. Please Help

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.

Checked by AVG anti-virus system (<http://www.grisoft.com>).

Version: 6.0.512 / Virus Database: 309 - Release Date: 8/19/2003

From: Marti G Leib <martil1@juno.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:31:28 PM

Subject: Re: Park and Read Program

Am on top of it! Have sent preliminary info and plan to meet with School Board members and superintendent soon., most of whom I know personally and who are aware of my efforts with H.E.M. Club as well- Marti

On Mon, 25 Aug 2003 09:48:30 -0400 "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> writes:

> Have you sought support from the school district?

>

> jeb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Marti G Leib [mailto:martil1@juno.com]

> Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 10:55 AM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: Park and Read Program

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>

> Good Morning Jeb:

> The H.E.M. Club sponsored "Park and Read" program, Grades 2-5, I

> have

> developed as a 'subject intensive' part of the H.E.M. Club program,

> started at Big Lagoon State Park this past Saturday. We utilize

> high

> school students, (specifically IB students and aspiring Bright

> Futures

> scholarship students accumulating community service hours) to do

> tutoring in Reading and Math skills. I wanted to let you know I am

> receiving accolades from parents about the enthusiasm of the

> children to

> participate in the Program which we are making a lot of fun by

> utilizing

> incentives such as progress awards/medals etc. - a basic incentives

> format of the H.E.M. Club programming based on 'the golden rule'. We

> only meet from 10:30-11:30 AM in the park each Saturday, weather

> permitting. Enrollments are increasing each week.

>

> Jeb, government programs are not the solution for the masses,

> especially

> when focusing on the attainment of excellence, but programs such as

> this, which are 'affordable' to parents and children are the key!

> (the

> program costs only \$5 per child per week with a one time

> registration

> fee of \$10- a portion of the proceeds is contributed by H.E.M. Club

> to

> the park for park needs under a special use permit). Again such

> 'programs of service' have the potential to create

> jobs/supplementary

> incomes as well as to benefit multitudes of individuals and a

> variety

> of needs.

> I have faith God will continue to entrust me with helpful solutions

> which I can share with others. Have a wonderfully productive day!

>

> Marti Leib

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From: bobmuni@fdt.net <bobmuni@fdt.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:20:30 PM

Subject: RE: The Dignity Project and the DOE.....Please read fup

Thank you so much!!

This is really one of the best organizations going. I think you would love it. It is the epitome of a successful faith based project that you and your brother have touted with an entrepreneurial component that you would love.

When you come through Gainesville next I would love to give you a tour to show you how it works. Tom Gallagher was excited about it when he found out what they were doing. Americorp has touted it as its leading project in the state.

I could brag about it forever, so I will let you go.

Thanks again

Bob Muni

> Bob, I will look into this. I appreciate your bringing this to my
> attention.

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> Jeb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: bobmuni@fdt.net [<mailto:bobmuni@fdt.net>]

> Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 12:08 PM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: The Dignity Project and the DOE.....Please read

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>

> Dear Governor Bush

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>>From my involvement in the FLVS I have come to appreciate your
> attentiveness to helping worthy causes and doing what is right.

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> Please take the time to read the attached email from Todd Livingston,
> Founder and Executive Director of the Dignity Project.

>

> In short, he has developed one the most successful programs in the State

> in working with at risk young men. They have worked successfully with
> Americorps, the Back to Work Taskforce (they have supplied 336 vehicles
> to people coming off welfare so they can get to work), the City of
> Gainesville and more.

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> The Florida DOE sought them out to use them as a model to secure a
> \$2,000,000 grant, then cut them off from the \$120,000 funding that they
> rely on and have received for the past few years.

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> His e-mail explains more fully

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> This seems outrageous. I was wondering if there was something that could
> be done.

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> Thanks for your attention

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> Bob Muni
> Chairman Board of Trustees, FLVS
> Secretary, Dignity Project

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> ----- Original Message

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> Subject: The Dignity Project, DOE grant
> From: "Todd Livingston" <rtoddlivingston@yahoo.com>
> Date: Tue, August 19, 2003 11:53 am
> To: bobmuni@fdt.net

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> Bob,

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> I am writing to you as you are Secretary of The Dignity Project's Board
> of Directors and you are Chairman of the Board for the Florida Virtual
> School. I am asking for your assistance if possible. As you know the
> Dignity Project has developed a highly successful model for vocational
> education and community service. We now operate several programs and
> serve 50+ at-risk teenagers after school and also employ 22 high school
> drop outs in our Automotive and Construction programs.

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> Our students have given away 336 vehicles to date to individuals exiting
> the welfare system. Our students have also built or remodeled 12 homes
> for our areas low income families. Our program has been partially funded
> for 3 years by the Florida Department of Education, via Carl Perkins
> funding. Our Perkins funding each year was \$120,000.00. This funding

> enabled us to build a highly successful and innovative program serving
> both the educational needs of young people while at the same time
> meeting substantial community needs in transportation and housing.
>
> The Florida Department of Education was impressed with our program
> model, so much so that they asked in the spring of 2002 if they could
> use our program as the model for a competitive grant which they were
> applying for. The Florida Department of Education was successful in
> securing \$2,000,000.00 based on our concept. They issued a request for
> proposals titled "Project Aspire".
>
> The Dignity Project responded with a well written grant, however we were
> not awarded a grant for our own program model. We were told "it is
> unfortunate that the model program did not receive funding." I think it
> is more than unfortunate. We developed this concept and we were
> recognized for our efforts. We have obviously developed a successful
> program as FLDOE was awarded \$2,000,000.00 based on our program. In good
> faith we shared our concepts and materials with FLDOE as they were
> pursuing this funding stream, and we were rewarded for this by not being
> funded.
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> I understand completely the competitive grant process, however a small
> non-profit organization is not able to fairly compete with large school
> districts throughout the state. We are honored that our concept is
> being replicated; however, the loss of these funds will dramatically
> reduce our programs effectiveness both to our students and the
> Gainesville community at large. It is unfair that The Dignity Project
> would be left out of funding for its own concept model.
>
> Any assistance you could provide would be greatly appreciated.
>
> Thank you,
>
> R. Todd Livingston
> Executive Director/Founder
> The Dignity Project, Inc.
> 1125 SE 4th Street
> Gainesville, FL 32601
> 352-371-6792
> rtoddlivingston@yahoo.com
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From: jrd1942@juno.com <jrd1942@juno.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:36:42 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

If there is any way possible to save Cypress Gardens, please try to do it.

Thanks,
Jim Durham

From: [Diane Carter <kcarter@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:kcarter@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:10:17 PM

Subject: NO CAPS -- STAND STRONG FOR THE VICTIMS

Diane Carter
205 S OCCIDENT STREET
TAMPA, FL 33609

August 25, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Diane Carter

From: [Sheriff Charlie Morris <cmorris@sheriff-okaloosa.org>](mailto:cmorris@sheriff-okaloosa.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:12:48 PM

Subject: Guy Tunnell

I wanted to thank you for your selection of Guy Tunnell for the FDLE Commissioners job. I know he will do an outstanding job and will represent you and Florida well in this position. I wrote Eli and Regina an email nominating my Chief Deputy Fred Cobb for the appointment for the Bay County Sheriff's position until the election next year. Fred Cobb lost to me in my election in 1996, but was so highly qualified I made him my Chief Deputy. Fred is a Republican; has a Masters Degree; over 25 years Law Enforcement experience; and is one of the most respected Chief Deputies in the State. He has no desire to ever run for Sheriff in any County. I have a very strong Command Staff and could survive with him being gone during this period of time. Thanks again for Guy's selection for FDLE and he will make you proud. Sheriff Charlie Morris

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Reneyo2@aol.com'](mailto:Reneyo2@aol.com)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:59:03 PM

Subject: RE: Cypress Gardens:

thank you Mr. and Mrs. Elias. I appreciate your kind words.

Jeb Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: Reneyo2@aol.com [mailto:Reneyo2@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 10:47 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Cypress Gardens:

Dear Governor bush: As a fellow republican and a great believer in your Dad and our great President your brother George.

I have often thought of you and how a man of your stature must feel and swell with pride at every time your time allows you to have a free moment. I envy the fact that you at will can call on your wonderful Mother and Father. How about it, I am gonna call brother George and ask him his opinion on any given matter. Not many mente have had or will ever have the background that you have. Rest assured that I will continue to support you as Governor of our great State. Also rest assured that I will support you should you ever run for President of this great land. Just think, A father and two sons as President of the great Us of A. I cannot even start to fathom the awe of all of this.

Concerning the Great Cypress Gardens: I urge you along with friends and my wife to see the our beloved State go and buy it outright. You are to be lauded in all of your efforts along this line.

I had more than eighteen months left on my annual pass on it's closing. I will always support the Gardens as a Florida Institution.

With great respect, We remain:

Your loyal supporter,

John and Irene Elias
8280 Sandpine Circle
Port Saint Lucie, Fl. 34952

Reneyo2@AOL.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Steven R. West'](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:58:56 PM

Subject: RE: PMATF Tax

[this is a sad story.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Steven R. West [mailto:stewest@comcast.net]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 10:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: PMATF Tax

Governor: The story of the PMTAF tax is a classic example of government getting it wrong despite good intentions. The tax is passed to raise money for Medicaid. It is justified by the argument that certain investor owned entities are skimming paying patients and not providing care to indigents, uninsured and Medicaid patients. The hospitals that take care of everyone was already paying a bed tax. The hospitals were pushing for the tax to level the playing field. The tax is passed by the legislature. The FMA signed off on the tax because the understanding was that the tax would not apply to physician practices. The Federal law that enables states to collect this tax clearly states that each entity taxed must be named in the state legislation and that physicians practice are one of the entities that must be named in the legislation or that entity may not be taxed. Physician practices are not mentioned in the legislation passed by the FL legislature. Doug Cook interprets the law to include physician practices that do designated health care services even though the sate law did not and the Federal law states that a state may not tax without naming the entity. Physicians that do Medicaid and indigent care are taxed. We go to the legislature year after year trying to get it fixed. We are able to reduce the tax by .5% to 1%. The radiation oncologist because of more cleaver lobbying is able to exclude radiation therapy services. My friend Zechariah P. Zechariah is able to get an exemption from ACHA. I am unable despite your task forces recommendation to appeal the tax. A class action law suite is brought. The tax monies are places in escrow for safe keeping for our lawyer friends. The providers win the suite. The law is declared unconstitutional. The providers receive very little. The state loses the revenues collected and the lawyers get \$21,020,450.00. I should have been a trial attorney. Steve West

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Rtlill@aol.com'](mailto:Rtlill@aol.com)
CC: [Charles Bronson \(commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us\)](mailto:commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/25/2003 1:58:43 PM
Subject: RE: Gas

I will pass on to Commissioner Bronson. thanks for writing.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Rtlill@aol.com [mailto:Rtlill@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 11:27 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Gas

Dear Gov. Bush,

It seems here in Ocala that some gas stations are bent on getting the most they can. At Race Track it cost \$1.59 as of 8/22/03 but at the Shell stations they had it at \$1.72 and others \$1.69. These Kwik Kings that have Shell also have the price that high on their other stores that use a different company. I wonder if there is anyone in the government that can look into this? Thanks for all you are doing.

Isabel Lord

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Robin Reiter Faragalli'](#)

BCC: ['Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)'](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:57:55 PM

Subject: RE: Oct. 7 Beacon Council fup

I will check to see if I can make it, Robin. It was great seeing you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Robin Reiter Faragalli [mailto:rreitertoo@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 9:05 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Oct. 7 Beacon Council

It was a pleasure seeing you at the EFI reception. I hope it provides EFI with strong potential donors.

Jeb, my tenure as Chairman of the Beacon Council ends on Oct. 7th with our Annual Meeting breakfast at the Loews Hotel on Miami Beach at 8AM. I would be most honored if you'd join us. It has been a terrific year and as a former Chair, you know well the efforts of staff and volunteer time that goes into making economic development come to life.

A dear friend, Betsy Bernard, President of AT&T (and one of the youngest female presidents of any major corporation) has agreed to join us and will be our keynote speaker – She has to fly back to NY that morning, but expects to be with us for breakfast.

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I know you have a full schedule, but it would be lovely to have you join us on Oct. 7th and I greatly appreciate your consideration.

Very best regards, Robin Reiter

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:57:09 PM

Subject: FW: Guardian ad Litem Executive Director

[please respond on monday.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Nanhrich1@aol.com [mailto:Nanhrich1@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 2:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Guardian ad Litem Executive Director

Dear Jeb:

I have contacted your office several times to find out when the committee will be appointed that will send you prospective names for your selection of the new Executive Director for the Statewide Guardian ad Litem office. I am concerned that because the committee has yet to be appointed we will be unable to meet the proposed October date for getting a Director on board.

The legislation calls for the program to be transferred in January. In order to accomplish a smooth transition, it is so important that the Director be appointed by you as soon as possible.

I know how important this program is to you. I would appreciate it if you would check into where your office is in the process and let me know.

Thank you so much.

Nan

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Robin Reiter Faragalli'](#)
BCC: ['Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'jaruarts@juno.com'

Date: 8/25/2003 1:54:50 PM

Subject: RE: Please lend your voice

Thank you for writing. I support the idea of allowing the ten commandments being displayed. However, I also support the rule of law. This will be ultimately decided in the Supreme Court and until then, I believe as does the very able Atty General of Alabama, that the ruling should be upheld.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: jaruarts@juno.com [mailto:jaruarts@juno.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 10:30 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Please lend your voice

Dear Governor Bush,

My wife and I are people who respect and support you. We understand that you are a man of sincere religious faith as are we.

We are deeply disturbed by what is currently going on in the nearby state of Alabama regarding attempts to remove a Ten Commandments monument from public display. We are asking you to call the Governor of that state to lend your voice in opposition to this removal and to urge their Governor to take action to stop this unconstitutional judicial attack against expressions of faith.

As concerned parents we feel deeply that it is time to stand up against this constant erosion of good influences in our society. Our nation is at a crossroads and someday soon there may be no turning back. As a fellow believer, please let your voice be heard. Thank you and God bless you. James & Arlene Rubino Boca Raton, Florida

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['BobKellyJr@aol.com'](mailto:BobKellyJr@aol.com)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:54:03 PM

Subject: RE: Frank A. Shepherd

[thank you Bob.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: BobKellyJr@aol.com [mailto:BobKellyJr@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 8:51 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Frank A. Shepherd

Dear Governor Jeb Bush:

I congratulate your selection of Frank Shepherd to the Third District Court of Appeal . Frank Shepherd will make a great judge . He will serve the citizens of Florida with honor and distinction .

Sincerely ,

Robert ("Bob") T. Kelly, Jr.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Ann Rowe'](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:53:20 PM

Subject: RE: Barracudas Press Release

Thank you Ann. I have always believed sports can help with rising student achievement.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Ann Rowe [mailto:annrowe64@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 8:14 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Barracudas Press Release

Dear Governor,

I thought you would find this press release most interesting. As an extra-curricular activity this past season I was an unpaid writer for Just Hockey Magazine, which is dedicated to the coverage of professional minor-league hockey throughout the U.S. (I love the game at any level, and wanted to hone my writing skills). My "beat" was covering / writing articles about players for the Jacksonville Barracudas, and I continue to receive their press releases during the off-season.

As you can see, they are gearing up for the 2003-04 season, and have decided to reward students in the state that receive good grades with tickets to their games. Many students love the game of hockey, and there are alot that may be introduced to the game through this initiative. Aside from that, many of the hockey players in Florida visit area schools to read to children and talk to them about setting good life goals, and how important it is to stay in school to learn all they can to excel in life.

I am hoping someday we will be able to bring a hockey team back to Tallahassee, so that we could offer the same type of program here.

Best Regards,

Ann Rowe, Public Affairs Director
Department of Community Affairs
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FI 32399-2100
(850) 709-1104 pager
(850) 294-5917 work cell

>For Immediate Release

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>August 18, 2003

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>Celebration, FL - The Jacksonville Barracudas and the World Hockey

>Association 2 (WHA2) announced today that they will be making "Grades

>for Blades" part of the league curriculum this season and will be

>putting students to the test.

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>Students will be able to bring in their report cards with an "A" in any

>subject to receive a free ticket to any WHA2 game as a reward for their

>hard work and dedication.

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>The Alabama Slammers, Jacksonville Barracudas, Lakeland Loggerheads,

>Macon Trax, Miami Manatees, and Orlando Seals have all committed to

>helping students in their area excel by embracing the "Grades for

>Blades" program.

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>"We just want to support all the children that are so dedicated to

>their schoolwork," CEO and Co-founder David Waronker said, adding that

>attendance will also be recognized in the program.

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>"The children will have the opportunity to present their perfect

>attendance record as well in exchange for a ticket. We want to support

>not just the students that make the A's, but also the ones that try

>hard and still seem to fall a little short."

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>Waronker said that he had difficulty in school growing up. "I

>struggled, and I sympathize with the kids that never miss a day, but

>still can't get the A's. In that way, we want to also recognize the

>students that have perfect attendance and go every day no matter how

>difficult school may be for them."

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>Lakeland Loggerheads General Manager/Coach Rick Ladouceur presented the

>idea

>to the league and all member teams unanimously voted to adopt the program.

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>"We want to support our communities and reward students for achieving

>excellence in either grades or in their commitment to perfect

>attendance." Ladouceur said.

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>The Barracudas will play a 21-week, 60 game schedule beginning on the

>road November 7, 2003 against the Alabama Slammers. The Barracudas
>home opener is November 28, 2003 vs. Miami Manatees in the brand new
>16,000 seat Veterans Memorial Arena.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Dogdaze152@wmconnect.com'

CC: [Karen Kellams \(KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:51:14 PM

Subject: RE: (no subject) fup

Lisel, thank you for writing. I am passing this email to Karen Kellams to follow up with you to get your story. She will try to help.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Dogdaze152@wmconnect.com [mailto:Dogdaze152@wmconnect.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 10:22 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: (no subject)

i dont know if i have the right e-address so ill try anyway..... my name is lisel cummings...i have lived in fla...since....1974.....and voted for your father and brother and if you were to run ..would vote for you as well....but this is a long over due letter that has to do with the matter of child support.....and would like to hear from your office and if you might be able to help me get off the merry-go-round where i seem to have gotten miss information since 1994.....i think i have been patient but now ...iam desparate.....please...write back and i will tell you a very long story and hopefully you can straighten the matter out because my daughter is the one who is losing because of child support and their lack of policy and regaurd in this matter.....thank you very much.....ill keep you and your's in my prayers....lisel cummings....dogdaze152@wmconnect.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Allan' 'Bedwell \(Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:51:02 PM

Subject: FW: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

i am passing on.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kilmer, Charles A [mailto:CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 9:23 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

Jeb Bush

Governor of Florida

Governor,

Here's a quote from an article on the BioMass conversion company called *Changing World Technologies* that I mentioned earlier. This is the company that can change sewage, municipal trash, industrial & agricultural wastes to oil for \$15@barrel. Who are the backers and how is the company being funded?

This is not being funded by some eccentric billionaire. The impressive results from the Philadelphia plant convinced the US environmental protection agency to put up \$14.5m (£9m) to fund four more plants, while private investors are backing the Missouri plant to the tune of \$40m (£25m). The company, Changing World Technologies, has also acquired such powerful friends as James Woolsey, former CIA director, and Alf Andreassen, former science adviser to George Bush. It's worth mentioning such well-connected backers because, says chief executive officer Brian Appel: "When people first hear about us they always say they don't believe it."

<http://www.sovereignty.org.uk/features/footnmouth/zwaste2.html>

There are immense implications to this technology. Not only would you clean up waste and give energy independence to the USA but this technology could yield a distributed energy system. You could site an electrical power generation plant at the garbage dump of every city. This might help solve some grid and financial problems in California and New York for starters.

There's more.

"You are not only cleaning up waste: you are talking about the distributed generation of oil all over the world" says Michael Roberts, an engineer with the Gas Technology Institute.

<http://www.sovereignty.org.uk/features/footnmouth/zwaste2.html>

Having won energy independence for the US-- this technolgy could win energy indendence for the rest of the world.

Why is this important to the department of Homeland Security? I live in an upper middle class neighborhood in a suburb outside of Washington DC. Every year more and more of the upper middle class from ailing cities in south and central America, the middle and far east buy houses and settle my neighborhood. Their home cities are dysfunctional--on a scale that dwarfs the problems of California and New York. But what would happen if all the trash & sewage of those ailing cities were turned to oil? I think more money would be available for those municipalities. This might improve their financial health.

Here's a couple more articles on the same subject. Might be appropriate to pass this email around.

http://www.discover.com/may_03/gthere.html?article=featoil.html
http://biz.yahoo.com/rc/030717/energy_garbage_1.html
<http://www.mindfully.org/Air/2003/Burn-Turkey-Waste-Energy16may03.htm>
<http://stacks.msnbc.com/news/940151.asp?0sl=-42>
<http://www.matr.net/article-6837.html>
<http://www.spiritofmaat.com/announce/newoil.htm>
<http://www.petroretail.net/fon/2003/0306/0306nt.asp>
This is the company website
<http://www.changingworldtech.com/techfr.htm>

Regards,

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"Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

08/13/03 09:27 PM

To: "Kilmer, Charles A" <CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov>
cc:
Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico fup

I will pass on the link.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kilmer, Charles A [mailto:CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 2:00 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Governor,

Thanks for the compliment. I'm a very small fish in a very large pond. Your words made my day.

O'Reilly on Fox said last night that Grey Davis ran California like a banana republic. This is about right. The circumstances around which they ran up that enormous debt are very similar to the way the Argentines ran up their debt. Basically what happened down in Argentina was that the federales there borrowed from international lenders and then used that money to maintain their power by paying off state and local officials. The people who actually got the money were not the ones responsible for paying it back-- so the money was poorly spent. It didn't increase the tax base--so the federales got no return on their investment ie: tax receipts--that would have funded the loan repayments. Similarly Davis struck a deal with state unions where by to win their support in the elections he had to expand the state payroll and give everyone a huge raise. The extra money spent, of course, didn't expand the tax base. etc (According to O'reilly Davis further weakened the tax base by increasing the insurance that small business were required to maintain.)

When officials think of themselves as the top predators rather than the top farmers then the government and the people are in trouble. The wisest state governments in this regard that I've seen are in Virginia and Colorado. Virginia in the last 10-15 years has made a radical transformation into being a high tech state. There are lots of high tech industries. The reason they are in Virginia--and spread all over Virginia--is because of a conscious state policy to grow high tech business in Virginia--and thereby grow the tax base. What Colorado has done in the last seven years largely is to copy the Virginia model--and add some embellishments.

The reason that I mention all this is not because I think Florida would do well to copy the Virginia model. I don't know much at all about Florida or how the state is run(except that it is much larger and much more diverse than Virginia.)

The reason I mention all this is because I noticed an article in Wired Magazine that mentions a Florida Company that makes artificial or cultured diamonds.

Much like desalination and biomass technologies, this technology has been around for awhile. However, like the other technologies-- cultured diamonds have been way too expensive to scale up in volume. What this new technology does is create real diamonds inexpensively. The significance of the technology is not that women will get finger diamonds on the cheap. Rather the significance of the technology is that it will enable the computer chip industry to make the next quantum leap in processing power. How important is this? Ask any high tech executive on the West Coast and they will tell you that the trend right now is that the center of gravity for high tech is shifting over to Asia.

Cheap, consistent diamonds produced for computer chips would return the future of high tech to the USA.

So how hot does that make this technology? Its hotter than cigarette boats. Its not as hot as the A bomb research in WWII. But it is about on the same level with the human genome project of the late 90's that has made gene splicing technology into a major industry in the USA (and Maryland particularly) and the Semitech Project of the early 90's that restored US leadership in the computer chip making industry-- that was at that time slipping away to Asia. (also I think some Texas companies around Austin benefitted significantly.)

Would it be appropriate for the state of Florida to support the cultured diamond producer in any way possible? I think so. There's more. I do not think that the significance of the long term technological threat from Asia is appreciated in Washington DC. And for that reason the promise of this technology is not properly understood. Perhaps you know some people in DC who would be able to properly act on this technology.

If you have a technology incubator/development dept--it might be appropriate to pass these links on to them.

<http://www.wired.com/wired/archive/11.09/start.html>

<http://science.slashdot.org/science/03/08/12/2112237.shtml?tid=126>

Regards,

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08/06/03 10:11 PM

To: "Kilmer, Charles A" <CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov>
cc: "David Struhs Secretary (E-mail)" <fl_dep@DEP.state.FI.US>
Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

thank you sir.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kilmer, Charles A [mailto:CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 9:24 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

GFI MailSecurity's HTML threat engine found HTML scripts in this email and has disabled them.

Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Jeb,

Thanks for passing on the desalination piece to David Strubs, Secretary of the Environmental Protection. His staff had already gone to visit the experimental project in Georgia--cited by the article--in May. So they are keeping up with cutting edge developments in that field.

There are three other states that are actively considering desalination proposals--who are not already in the desalination coalition currently working to bring legislation before congress to fund more desalination R&D. Those states are [Georgia](#), [Texas](#) & [New Hampshire](#). I'm not sure if its appropriate to lobby the water districts in those states to join the coalition. If it is appropriate to do so--then the way to do so would be to suggest to the heads of the Florida water districts--that they call the heads of the water districts in Georgia Texas & New Hampshire who are considering water desalination--to see if they won't join in co-sponsoring legislation coming before congress. The heads of water districts in Georgia, Texas and New Hampshire would be the kinds of people that the heads of water districts in Florida would run into at national conventions for water district officials. Another way-- though perhaps less appropriate--would be for you to call the governors of those states and have them move their water officials to join the coalition.

On a topic unrelated to desalination but related to environmental concerns.... Here's [a piece](#) that discusses a technology that --by way of heat and pressure--turns sewage and trash into oil. Like desalination, the technology has been around for a couple of decades and like desalination... costs have been too high--that is until this technology. They are saying that they can turn raw sewage, municipal garbage, industrial and agricultural waste --into oil for \$15@ barrel ...and with some tweaking & economies of scale they can do it for \$10@ barrel. The implications for government and business of turning all that sewage and trash from cost center to a profit center are pretty eye opening. According to the article turning " U.S. agricultural waste (alone) into oil and gas would yield the energy equivalent of 4 billion barrels of oil annually. In 2001 the United States imported 4.2 billion barrels of oil."

Judging by the caliber of the government, business and scientific people behind the project--it looks to be legit.

Might be appropriate to pass this one along too.

http://www.discover.com/may_03/gthere.html?article=featoil.html

Regards,

Charles Kilmer

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07/14/03 08:12 PM

To: "Kilmer, Charles A" <CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov>
cc: "David Struhs Secretary (E-mail)" <fl_dep@dep.state.fl.us>
Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

thank you charles. I am passing this email on to David Struhs, my very able Secretary of Environmental Protection.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: CHARLES.A.KILMER@CUSTOMS.TREAS.GOV [mailto:CHARLES.A.KILMER@CUSTOMS.TREAS.GOV]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2003 11:42 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Jeb,

Below is a recent article about a company that looks like it can cut the cost of water desalination from Tampa bay's record +\$600@acre foot or \$2@1000 gallons to -\$300@acre foot or \$1@1000gallons. The technology can also be used to Augment Tampa's current system to extract the rest of the freshwater from the brine concentrate leaving granular salt--at half the current costs. The company that does this work is called [Aquasonics](http://www.aquasonics.com/tech.html). (http://www.aquasonics.com/tech.html) They're located in Atlanta Georgia.

It might be appropriate to forward this info to state officials responsible for this stuff.

Regards,

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[New Scientist](#)

Hot mist strips salt from the sea

A PROCESS that turns seawater into fresh water at around a third of the cost of conventional desalination is promising a new way of providing clean drinking water, claims one US company.

Called rapid spray evaporation (RSE), it is being developed by AquaSonics International, based in Atlanta, Georgia. The company has produced portable units capable of converting up to 11,000 litres of water a day and is now scaling up the technology for much larger desalination plants.

"Our process attains near 100 per cent efficiency for recovery of feed water," says Henry Lloyd, AquaSonics' chief. This means the process produces virtually no brine, compared with as much as 40 per cent with processes such as reverse osmosis.

Many poor countries struggle to obtain affordable clean water for their burgeoning populations. From Bolivia to South Africa, water has triggered political unrest as poor people are forced to spend an ever-larger slice of their income on this essential commodity.

"There are lots of inland and shoreline communities that are facing the problem of salinity in their water," says Mansur Ali, UNICEF's senior adviser for water, environment and sanitation. This offers a good opportunity to replace the current reverse osmosis method."

Traditional desalination plants simply heat water under a partial vacuum, collecting the vapour that boils off, and condense it, or by a process called reverse osmosis which involves forcing salt water through a fine filter. RSE ejects the salt water through a nozzle into a stream of heated air, forming a mist of droplets which vaporise almost instantly. The minute flakes of solid salt left behind fall to the bottom of the evaporation chamber where they can be collected.

The process was originally conceived by Lloyd Motz and David Secunda at Columbia University, New York, in the 1970s. AquaSonics picked up the idea, patented the process and has spent the past four years developing it into a workable design. The trick lay in developing nozzles that would allow the process to work with hydraulic pressure, says Lloyd, and in designing the separation chamber. However Lloyd refuses to reveal how they solved these problems, saying that it is proprietary information.

Nevertheless, tests on the system carried out by William Turner of Westwater Resources in Albuquerque, New Mexico, confirmed that it can process water containing up to 16 per cent salt, roughly five times the salinity of seawater and three times that which reverse osmosis desalination can handle.

This makes it ideal for use as an add-on to conventional desalination plants. Taking the concentrated brine and waste heat from a reverse osmosis plant, RSE can achieve near-100 per cent salt-to-fresh conversion and greatly reduce operational costs, says Lloyd. In this configuration, the operating costs for RSE are about one-third of the cost of conventional desalination methods alone, producing 1000 litres of fresh water for between 16 and 27 cents.

RSE can also be used to treat waste water, and Lloyd suggests using it to remove arsenic contamination, which is an acute problem for people living in Bangladesh. (New Scientist, 16 November 2002, p 4).

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Altenburge@aol.com'](mailto:Altenburge@aol.com)
BCC: ['Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)'](#)
Date: 8/25/2003 1:50:32 PM
Subject: RE: INVITATION fup

thank you Karl for your kind invitation. I know that the schedulers will say that it is too early to commit and they are right but I will pass on the invitation and we will give it every consideration.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Altenburge@aol.com [mailto:Altenburge@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 9:05 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: Seddoc@aol.com; BRTAP@aol.com
Subject: INVITATION

Dear Governor Bush,

I serve on the Board of Trinity Catholic High School in Ocala. TCHS will graduate its first class on May 22, 2004 at 10:00 AM. On behalf of the school administration, I would like to invite you to attend this ceremony as our commencement speaker.

The school is administered by the Christian Brothers and Brother Andrew Prendergast serves as principle. We would be honored to have you tour our campus, meet the students and participate in the festivities of graduation day. Schedule permitting, perhaps we can combine a number of other activities for you in Ocala on that day.

Thank you for considering this request. Thank you also for all you are doing for the people of Florida.

Regards,

Karl

cc: Mrs. Debbie Brooks and Brother Andrew Prendergast

Trinity Catholic High School
2600 S.W. 42nd Street
Ocala, Florida 34474

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: '[JohnSipos](#)'

Date: 8/25/2003 1:50:20 PM

Subject: RE: Death clock counting down. Please, read this.

John, we are working on this issue. I am troubled by Ms. Shaviano's situation but I must adhere to the rule of law and cannot interject myself where my position has no relevance. Rest assured that we are seeking ways where we can intervene.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: JohnSipos [mailto:jsipos@ij.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 1:55 PM

To: JohnSipos

Subject: Death clock counting down. Please, read this.

(SEE NOTE FOLLOWING THIS OPENING)

Governor,

Some weeks back when I dropped you a quick note about who knows what, I don't remember, but you did write back commenting on how you had not heard from me in some time. My silence, I have said before, has been by deliberate design.

Most of what government is, what governors do -- and, I've watched my fair share of them -- is PROCESS, PROTOCOL, ESTABLISHED ORDER, RULES, REGULATIONS, CHARTERS, LEGISLATIVE AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW. I understand the need to play within the baselines.

You have known, vaguely, of my existence for more years than you realize. In the several months before your first unsuccessful run, I was moving quietly in your circles capturing sound clips here and there from you -- then politely backing off. My name moved to top of mind awareness for you with the Elian tragedy. And, now, there is in Pinellas a new crisis involving a threat to a self-aware life. If you will credit to my account some measure of respect, affection for my person -- THE ONLY TIMES I've, SORT OF RESPECTFULLY, gotten in your face -- there has been no self-gain in it for me. In those moments, I have raised my voice in defense of those who could not defend themselves.

I beg you in Christ Jesus name:

Today when you head back to the mansion, ask either your wife, or if the state provides you with a cook and meal attendants -- please -- and, I'm very serious in this request -- ask that they set an extra plate with utensils at your dinner table for "that woman." The last time I checked, killing self-aware people who are not dying is not a list of desired Florida economic development growth industries. Please, what was it, two or three weeks ago -- you could not pronounce her name. Phonetically, it's SHY-vo. The death clock is counting down to zero. And, a man who has not functioned as a husband, instead, as a would be executioner, seeks to kill a self-aware person.

Please. The fact of your being, governor, set that aside for a moment. You are first a moral being. And, it is that moral code planted in your heart, mind, and soul from the moment of your earliest memories -- I beg you -- call upon that as your anchor-guide in determining your official actions these next few days. I appeal to God, fill yourself, Mr. Governor, with a comprehensive knowledge of this case. Do NOT depend on those around you to do this for you. Look at the videos. Listen to the sound files.

Read the medical statement about the probable violence against her person. Read much of the history and record available online. Granted, the woman is of no budget balancing tax value to the state, or tithe value to the bishop's corporate church -- but, Dear Jesus, Lord -- she is breathing on her own, is trying so very hard to

communicate with those who love her and care about her. Do not be offended by this next tact: Mr. Governor, since her parents are so helpless to save their daughter -- extend to this woman the same helping hand you did for your own good daughter in her time of special need and affection these past few months. What you did was normal. What this woman's parents want to do, that, too, is normal.

The official record is filled with examples of court bias against the victim, her family, against the presumption of a -- right to life. Florida law favors life. And, that law is being violated. If my telling the truth results in my being sued, so be it. This must be said. What is happening here in a Pinellas Court is truly evil. It is on a path leading to Florida's first premeditated judicial homicide in the first degree.

I know you have been getting this from every direction, including your most intimately close personal friends and political and staff associates.

With a bias that favors a person's right to life, you must study what is happening here.

I can arrange a disciplined, honest presentation for you.

When you say you are powerless to help, respectfully, Mr. Governor, that is not true. You possess both the moral and legal authority to stop a corrupt, and evil act here in Pinellas County.

In Jesus name, please. And, Amen.

John Sipos

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NOT TO ME THIS MORNING FROM TERRI'S BROTHER:

> From: "Bobby Schindler" <bobbyschindler@hotmail.com>
> Date: Tue, 19 Aug 2003 11:36:35 +0000
> To: jsipos@IJ.net
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> John,
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> Thought you should know that Schiavo permanently barred Monsignor Malanowski
> from visiting Terri. Schiavo had a letter sent to Pat from his attorney,
> Debra Bushnell, informing her that Monsignor is no longer allowed to visit
> Terri by order of Schiavo. Monsignor has been visiting Terri for almost
> three years. I can't explain it other than this guy is a real monster.
> Truly despicable
>
> Bobby

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Marti G Leib'](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:48:30 PM

Subject: RE: Park and Read Program

Have you sought support from the school district?

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Marti G Leib [mailto:martil1@juno.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 10:55 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Park and Read Program

Good Morning Jeb:

The H.E.M. Club sponsored "Park and Read" program, Grades 2-5, I have developed as a 'subject intensive' part of the H.E.M. Club program, started at Big Lagoon State Park this past Saturday. We utilize high school students, (specifically IB students and aspiring Bright Futures scholarship students accumulating community service hours) to do tutoring in Reading and Math skills. I wanted to let you know I am receiving accolades from parents about the enthusiasm of the children to participate in the Program which we are making a lot of fun by utilizing incentives such as progress awards/medals etc.- a basic incentives format of the H.E.M. Club programming based on 'the golden rule'. We only meet from 10:30-11:30 AM in the park each Saturday, weather permitting. Enrollments are increasing each week.

Jeb, government programs are not the solution for the masses, especially when focusing on the attainment of excellence, but programs such as this, which are 'affordable' to parents and children are the key! (the program costs only \$5 per child per week with a one time registration fee of \$10- a portion of the proceeds is contributed by H.E.M. Club to the park for park needs under a special use permit). Again such 'programs of service' have the potential to create jobs/supplementary incomes as well as to benefit multitudes of individuals and a variety of needs.

I have faith God will continue to entrust me with helpful solutions which I can share with others. Have a wonderfully productive day!

Marti Leib

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Jared Mc Daniel'](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:48:20 PM

Subject: RE: teacher salaries

Jared, I agree with you. Higher teacher salaries are important. Over the last four years (prior to this year) we were making progress. About a 16% increase statewide. When you consider that our teachers don't pay into their pension and they get a 9% benefit and that many districts pay all of their health benefits, we are near the national average for average and starting wages. However, the class size amendment creates a huge problem. The 6.5% increase in funding this year will go disproportionately to lowering class sizes at the expense of higher pay. This will only get worse going forward.

I hope you are doing well and hope you have a great school year.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Jared Mc Daniel [mailto:jbmcdan@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 6:57 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: teacher salaries

Dear Governor Bush

I want to let you know that you are doing an excellent job as the governor of the best state in the United States of America. Our President is also guiding this nation and the rest of the world in the direction it needs to go, and I would be much appreciative if you would relay my enthusiastic support.

I have had the pleasure of meeting you twice at the Governor's All Star luncheon and recently at Florida American Legion Boy State. I am grateful for the time sacrificed to address my peers and I, and receive our input. I would appreciate it greatly if you would consider my personal thoughts as input from a loyal and concerned constituent.

Being one of the largest states in the union I know that we face several challenges with educating our children; however, despite those challenges it must remain our states main focus. Because, in thirty years one of my peers will be sitting in your seat. As a great state we can improve our educational system to great extents. One way to bring these improvements about is to attract more, and better teachers. This can be done by increasing teacher salaries. If this action is taken, brighter people will take on the responsibility of educating our future, the children.

Raising salaries makes the profession more attractive. More attraction to a field brings more potential professionals seeking the same job. This creates competition, the drive of the economy of the greatest Nation on the planet. This competition would ensure the best and the brightest will become the respected guides of the future: teachers.

Thank you for you time and energy Mr. Bush.

Your Loyal and Concerned Constituent

Jared McDaniel

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Allan' Bedwell \(Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:46:58 PM

Subject: FW: Sean Christiansen

Attachments: OR589119.DOC

Let us discuss.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Patrick T. Christiansen [mailto:PChristiansen@Akerman.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 2:54 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Sean Christiansen

Jeb,

I do not know if Sean (my son) ever sent you his resume, but when we spoke last week, I thought I would send it to you. Even discount the proud father factor, Sean is do well in the hydrogen/energy field.

Just thought you would like to see what he has been doing.

Thanks.

Pat

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'LHandf2802@aol.com'

Date: 8/25/2003 1:46:38 PM

Subject: RE: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

thank you sir.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: LHandf2802@aol.com [mailto:LHandf2802@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 3:08 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

Governor Bush:

It is with great pleasure that I applaud you on your recent appointment of Attorney Shirlyon McWhorter to the County Court bench. Like you, I am certain and assured that Ms. McWhorter will regard this position in high esteem, as she is known as a member of the Bar who is above reproach.

Ms. McWhorter will ensure that the proceedings that take place under her watch are impartial and fair, and will perform her judicial duties with an elevated level of professionalism. Once again, I commend you for your appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter.

Respectfully,

Larry Handfield

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: '[Terry Griffin](#)'

Date: 8/25/2003 1:40:20 PM

Subject: RE: Judge Alva

[thank you Terry. I hope she does well.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Terry Griffin [mailto:tgriffin@griflaw.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 3:27 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Judge Alva

Governor, I understand you have appointed Marlene Alva to the Circuit bench in Seminole County. I appreciate your allowing me to have some input. I think this will prove to be a great appointment. It was good to see you last week. If I can ever be of assistance to you in Central Fla, let me know.

Terry Griffin

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From: [FL DEP <FL_DEP@dep.state.fl.us>](mailto:FL_DEP@dep.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:28:53 PM

Subject: RE: Peacock Pond/ Struzulla Tract/ Wellington Basin B. Section 34 fup

Will work on this, then call or write to Norma Perdue. Will copy you and Denver.
DBS

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 6:23 PM

To: norma perdue

Subject: RE: Peacock Pond/ Struzulla Tract/ Wellington Basin B. Section 34 fup

I will ask the DEP to look into this and respond to your email.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: norma perdue [mailto:roses34@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:31 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Peacock Pond/ Struzulla Tract/ Wellington Basin B. Section 34

Sir. as you are aware I contacted your Office about two years ago, regards the above mentioned items. You had Benji Brumburg from DEP to come down to Wellington to see me, he worked for a little while on this , then nothing. as of today Peacock Pond was not restored, the Developer Glen Straub, who had placed against him by the water district fines Of \$10,000.00 per day x five for five offenses, of which they found him guilty, has been rewarded by allowing him to Develop the Cleansing Marsh Retention Pond, which he destroyed, in addition to being allowed to develop Country Place PUD , which Peacock was to serve, at a very high density, he has been allowed to replace Peacock a 79 acre area, with a 7 acre lake, and the balance of his pollution to run off into Acme Drainage District C2 and C4 Canals, into non existing Littoral Zones. Acmes Canals are all old Ag, Drainage Ditches if you will recall. They never were built for the massive Development. In addition it has come to my attention that a former Governing Board Member Pat Gleeson, is lobbying the District, for Struzulla a 3000 acre pristine body of water, purchased with save our rivers money, to be dammed up, and flow the water south, which it already does, of course Pat Gleeson will be the top bidder, this is the type of work he does, In may I attended a workshop, held by the Army Corp, and the District, re: Wellingtons cleanup of their pollution of the Loxahatchee, it did not surprise me that the Corp and the District are now going to build their system and claim to pump it into the STA 1 E. Wellington was not a part of the SWIM Study and the C 51 Canal Project, they refused, saying they had their own plans for Basin B. which pumps into the Loxahatchee, through Pumps 1 and 2. They claim they have no money, yet their spending millions, and floating Bonds to build yet more parks and recreation. it seems to me and others who have fought this battle for yrs, they need to clean up their current mess, before adding more. Last evening i received a phone call from an activist in Palm Beach county, they had been in a meeting with Terri Bates of the water district all afternoon section 34 in Wellingtons Basin, on which a 249 acre cleansing marsh retention pond was supposed to be built, now the District and the EPA and DEP is going to allow the Developer to build 117 5 acres tracts, with a large expensive house with a pool and tennis court on each, a barn that will house 25 horses each and a grooms quarters which will house 8 to 10 people, this equates to 2000 horses and about 4000 lbs of manure per day, no cleansing marshes, all going to the non existant littoral zones, in swales with grass, from there to the c 7 canal and straight into the Loxahatchee through Acmes Pump 2, they do not even have to adhere to the 10 ppb, they are going in at 38, which will equate to between 110 and could go as high as 400ppb. depending on conditions. The District is blocking itself in, if offenses occur and they will, just as with Peacock, there will be no land to correct the problem. Sir I cannot believe that the Taxpayers are being taxed to subsidise the wealthy developers in Palm Bch County, Wellington, It is wrong both morally and probably legally. Your Office needs to address this matter. By the way, I m concerned about the story of the Powerfull 100 wanting to now grab Marion Cty. and Sumter Cty. water in order to continue to build, GREED is the driving force, as far as I'm concerned the Water District in South FL has not done their job. they simply do not know how to say no. I

know who many of this 100 group is, their part of the problem with the Everglades, not the solution. This matter could have serious consequences for your office and the Elections next year. Water knows no Party Politics nor does the Everglades, and this will pull the people together in this State like nothing else has done.
My ph. ac352 489 0539

From: [greg smith <gsmith@aipdaytona.com>](mailto:gsmith@aipdaytona.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: noraaustinhall@aol.com

Date: 8/25/2003 1:17:03 PM

Subject: appointment request

Dear Jeb,

Greg Smith and I (Nora) would like to meet with you and your education team at your convenience. You may remember that I told you about a FCAT tutorial, PASSFCAT, that was developed by Power Education. Power Education is a group of mathematicians and physicists that we know and are working with.

We think that PASSFCAT has huge possibilities in helping students master math concepts. In fact last week, I and Bada Dehili, the owner of the company showed the program to Flagler County and they contracted with us in ten minutes. The program is far more advanced than anything else on the market.

Bada is currently teaching and has every Friday off. Do you think there is a possibility that we could show you this program?

Please advise. Hope you are doing well.....

Nora and Greg

From: [Manny Mencia <MMencia@floridabusiness.com>](mailto:MMencia@floridabusiness.com)

To: Jeb Bush
danap@eog.state.fl.us

CC: Sarah Deben

Date: 8/25/2003 1:11:01 PM

Subject: RE:

Pam

We will start looking into the travel logistics bright away just in case. Please let us know as soon as scheduling is consulted, since we will need to notify the Ambassador ASAP in order to make the necessary arrangements with the President's office.

Manny

-----Original Message-----

From: Honorable Jeb Bush
Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 4:34 PM
To: danap@eog.state.fl.us; Manny Mencia
Subject:

Al Cardenas has requested that I go to DR the night before to have dinner with the President who leaves that night for Spain. I will consider it but don't know what my schedule looks like.

Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Dinah P'](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:02:57 PM

Subject: RE: Class size amendment

Dinah, here is the problem. Why hasn't there been a reduction?

-----Original Message-----

From: Dinah P [mailto:dinahpulver@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 4:14 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Class size amendment

I know you're not a big fan of smart aleck e-mails from mouthy journalists but ... if the other parents in Florida have students like mine, one of 34 in a class of fourth graders in the second week of school, I don't see how they're going to vote to repeal the class-size amendment.

It is a horrible situation. I know the fault lies with our local officials and rest assured I harangue them every opportunity I get! But nothing changes....

A class of more than 30 is not the same as a class of 30 when we were young. The kids are mouthier, more hyper, harder to deal with and the teachers have much more to deal with.

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From: [David Jonsson <dwjrej@msn.com>](mailto:dwjrej@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 12:49:07 PM

Subject: Re: Your SPTimes letter

Thanks, Jeb. I really appreciate and enjoy our email relationship. I can be a stubborn pain at times, but I think we agree that the elderly need help fending off those who would take advantage of them, particularly where life savings are concerned. Some type of a "free look" for unsolicited income investments, together with a requirement that broker compensation be disclosed in dollars on sales confirms, looks like a reasonable solution to me. Regards, Dave Jonsson

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Jonsson](#)

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 9:10 PM

Subject: RE: Your SPTimes letter

I will push Mr. Saxon.

You are correct that docs have other problems regarding dispensing care.

There are many that believe that the initiative and referendum process needs major changes. I expect this to be death with in the next legislative session.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: David Jonsson [<mailto:dwjrej@msn.com>]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 12:04 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Your SPTimes letter

Dear Gov. Bush,

Your politically courageous efforts to eliminate social promotion in schools and to make readers out of as many third graders as possible will accomplish more for Florida's future than everything else you are doing, put together. More importantly, maybe other governors will follow your example.

Other musings: with stocks up, I don't really expect any action to be taken to protect seniors from bad brokers selling risky income investments. Nor do I expect Saxon to look into RJF. If you haven't guessed by now, I don't care much for Saxon. I had the misfortune of being compelled to testify against Merrill Lynch in Tax Court in 1981. Naturally, I was blacklisted on Wall Street and targeted for retaliation in a b.s. action by the NYSE in 1985. RJF helped set me up. I departed RJF in 1992. There were some reporting problems re my NYSE "violation" at the time. Even though I had no customer complaints, Saxon tried to drive out of the business. Of course he ignored real problems at RJF that I brought to his attention in 1992, 1994, and 1996. It is a sad commentary on the times that cheating old ladies in FL is done with near impunity and with the knowledge of so-called "regulators", many of whom wind up working for those they "regulated."

According to doctors I play poker with, your med/mal reforms are a good start, but cuts in medicare payments, delayed payments from the government and hmos, and paperwork are major causes for concern. Plus no one expects insurance companies to cut premiums.

For goodness sakes, do everything possible to keep the minimum wage and tax reform off of next year's ballot. If they get on, you will campaign against them, they will pass, and you will look bad. Against poor people, for rich people who "buy" tax favors. I have read that 300,000 Floridians earn the minimum wage. Raising it 50 cents an hour in '05, followed by 35 cents an hour in '06 for full-time employees, wouldn't be very costly to business. As for sales tax reform, I'd back it as long as

it's revenue neutral.

Regards, Dave Jonsson

From: [CORBELLA.AGUSTIN <corbella@flsenate.gov>](mailto:CORBELLA.AGUSTIN@flsenate.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 12:36:41 PM

Subject:

Hi Governor,

I read the story about Kathleen on Friday. I'm sorry to see her go--I've really enjoyed working with her.

If your schedule would permit, I'd appreciate the opportunity to come talk to you sometime next week. Thank you,

Big Gus

From: [Marketing Edge <info@marketingedgeonline.com>](mailto:info@marketingedgeonline.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:33:13 PM

Subject: RE: State Board of Education

I hope you had a fabulous weekend with your son and family.

Regarding the board, I truly do not wish to cause any problems for anyone and I am therefore reluctant to discuss details. My two frustration points are: Staff and politics. I never felt this frustration on PEPC and have been overwhelmed with these kinds of issues since the beginning of this board.

I am afraid that I should not bother you with this issue. I apologize. You have many important issues that require your attention and this is an issue that I must deal with.

I hope you will contact me if I can be of assistance to you or the State.

Diane

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 3:14 PM

To: Marketing Edge

Subject: RE: State Board of Education

what are the problems that you are dealing with?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Marketing Edge [mailto:info@marketingedgeonline.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 2:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: State Board of Education

Hello-

It sounds like you will have a fabulous weekend!

Jeb, I am struggling with my service on CEPRI. I don't know how to make the decisions I need to make about CEPRI and I feel a high level of frustration. However, I've been struggling for months now over some issues and I can't find a solution.

I am honored that you appointed me to serve the state and I want to contribute in this way and in any way I can. Any general suggestions for me on how to resolve this and make a good decision?

Enjoy that precious time with your son and your family!

Regards,
Diane

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From: [Snook Nook <henry@snooknook.net>](mailto:henry@snooknook.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 12:10:03 PM

Subject: Fw: from mike rutenberg

----- Original Message -----

From: mkcr@bellsouth.net

To: henry@snooknook.net

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 8:26 PM

Subject: from mike rutenberg

Henry,

Any sugar with your coffee?

Thanks SFWMD!

Mike



From: JBadermd@aol.com <JBadermd@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)
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Gallagher@doi.state.fl.us
Commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us

Date: 8/25/2003 12:22:22 PM

Subject: Re: Cypress Gardens

Gentlemen:

As a long term Florida resident, I urge you to save ALL of Cypress Gardens which has been an image and icon of Florida in the minds of many people. Condos and apartments and homes can be placed anywhere but the treasure that is C.G. is irreplaceable. Please vote to preserve it in it's entirety. Thank you.

James M. Bader, M.D.
Clearwater, FL.
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From: [Claire Roberson <claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com>](mailto:claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 12:18:44 PM

Subject: BioFlorida Annual Conference

Dear Governor,

It was good to talk with you at the reception in Miami on Friday and hear your enthusiasm and commitment to the economic development and diversification of Florida. There are some particularly unique opportunities to leverage the complementary attributes that Florida and the South American countries bring to each other; and I look forward continuing discussions with Sena Black on this topic.

Thank you for accepting the invitation to speak at the BioFlorida Annual Conference in Orlando this October. The meeting will be held at the airport Renaissance Orlando Hotel on Sunday and Monday, October 19 and 20. Boyden Grey will be speaking at the dinner on Sunday evening. I understand from our conversation that Monday is better for your schedule. The luncheon on Monday is planned for 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM at which you would be the keynote speaker. The conference title this year is Catalysts for Change and captures the spirit of the drivers and initiatives that will promote growth of the biotechnology industry in our State.

Please let me know any additional details you may need. We are so pleased that you will be joining us at the conference.

Best regards,
Claire

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From: [Karen Kellams <KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us>](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush)

Date: 8/25/2003 12:14:44 PM

Subject: Re: FW: URGENT

I just found out child support is Susan and Matt's only income. That's why i called SSA on her behalf and strongly suggested she apply for SSI benefits for Matt--because he deserves them and it will give them another source of income should the father decide not to pay suddenly (which i hope and pray never happens!). The Check is in the mail today. We were affected by the "worm" virus and that may affected the emails from her last week.

>>> "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> 08/22/03 03:28PM >>>

-----Original Message-----

From: Ssnrss1@aol.com [mailto:Ssnrss1@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 9:40 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: URGENT

Matt won't be able to communicate with you this weekend at all thanks to Idiots R Us. My child support check was mailed from NJ last week and Idiots R Us still has not logged it in and can't seem to locate it. So we have been disconnected from the phone and on Mon we lose electricity and water. I have written Karen since Tuesday but I guess she is out as I have not heard back from her. NJ sent out another check today so now I will have 2 coming eventually. Tried to call CSE but you get a call center that still insists I do not have a case in Florida. So what else is new? Matt left for school this morning extremely upset he cannot email you. The past two days I have had the cops at my house to tell me Matt got sick at school and I needed to get to school immediately to pick him up as the phone doesn't work. This system (excuse my language) SUCKS!!! I cannot wait for him to come home from school all upset as he cannot email you updates from golf or chat with you. The last two evenings I at least tried to keep him out of the house. It has been 2 weeks since court hearing where judge ordered Matt's dad to pay me \$1000 but he won't send it out until he gets court order. Karen tells me they are waiting for them to send it. Is there a problem with calling the lawyer and asking him to fax it to Florida? If they are waiting, they will be waiting until next year!! Sorry, but this is getting very old very fast. This is why I cancelled by last attempt for Florida DOR to get me my checks on time. There were times when I waited 6 weeks between checks. I have bills due and all the money I saved for a house and all that nice stuff went to therapies for Matthew to try to help him in every way I could. I wish I had something left for emergencies but when you end up paying \$35 late fees because of the state on all these bills you have nothing left for anything. Sorry, but enough is enough!! If it is not raining, I will try to get Matt to the library to at least write you one email. It is the best I can do at this moment. Thanks Susan

From: [Licko, Carol A. <CALicko@HHLAW.com>](mailto:Licko_Carol.A.<CALicko@HHLAW.com>)

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/25/2003 11:30:57 AM

Subject: RE: Monroe County Schools

John & I spent a few hours talking to the Board chair and the Board attorney; we'll see tomorrow if it makes any difference when the Bd again reconsiders his reorg. plan. One of the reasons he needs help from DOE is he announced he'd like to become a charter school district, but as Daniel points out, he needs more info. about it first. In any event, his "adopt-a-classroom" campaign has just exploded, and is very popular.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 8:38 PM

To: Licko, Carol A.

Subject: RE: Monroe County Schools

thank you Carol. I have been watching what is going on in Monroe County.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Licko, Carol A. [mailto:CALicko@HHLAW.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 7:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Monroe County Schools

Hi, Governor: i just wanted you to know that John Padget (your newly appointed superintendent for Monroe) called our firm for help with education law (his friend told him we have a good education practice). Eventually his call came to me. His problems are not primarily legal, however --which I told him. His problem is he has no support -- the school board backed the deputy for his job and now is giving him a hard time on everything he would like to do; he has only one deputy -- the person who did not get the job, and she is simply blocking his efforts thru passive resistance. Anyway, I met him, and he is a great person who really shares your vision for public education and has tremendous energy and passion, but he is really becoming frustrated (he wants everything to move quickly, and part of the problem is that he does not know all the pitfalls of a public bureaucracy, as his background is with Take Stock with Children). Anyway, I called Daniel, and he said he would put together some help for him. I just wanted you to know. He has been attracting quite a bit of press so far -- most of it very good, but recently an editorial suggested he slow down a bit. Hope things are going well up there!!!!

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From: [Pat Coon <patcoon@webtv.net>](mailto:patcoon@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 11:22:09 AM

Subject: New FDLE Director

Sir, Frank McKeithen , current Sheriff of Gulf County, would be better than J.B. Holloway in replacing Guy M. Tunnell as Sheriff of Bay County.

Paula Agosta
Panama City, FL

From: [clark daniels <unityhealth@yahoo.com>](mailto:clark.daniels@unityhealth@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Bob Allen](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 10:38:44 AM

Subject: Clark Daniels, writing you again from a nursing home

I am in Broward County at St. John's nursing center in
Lauderdale Lakes.

I was forced here with the police as soon as Bob Allen
went on a cruise with my entire family, conveniently.

The people here are caring, but, unprepared for a case
as tough as my own. I am stuck in the position of
having to suffer during their learning curve.

Ironically, Cedars did not follow the court order they
had authorizing my transfer or really, my transfer
lacked authority because the terms of the order were
not followed.

THE ORDER SPECIFICALLY, STATED THAT THE NURSING HOME
HAD TO PROVIDE A SPECIAL MATTRESS FOR ME. THEY HAVE
PROVIDED NONE.

PLEASE REFER THIS MATTER TO AHCA AND THE OMNBUDSMAN
FOR THIS AREA.

Thank you.

Clark Daniels, St. John's #326, 786-287-3410(not
working well in Broward), 954-739-6233(online and busy
for my extension, but, the phone can be reconnected,
quickly)

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From: [John P. Schumacher <schumacherabds@msn.com>](mailto:John.P.Schumacher<schumacherabds@msn.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 9:58:05 AM

Subject: index.html

SOME FURTHER
WORDS...

I have written in support of the resurrection of Cypress Gardens recently. Since that time, important meetings have been held that appear to hold great hope for the involvement of the state of Florida in a manner would assure the salvation of the unique and precious Cypress Gardens property at Lake Eloise.

However, there also appear to be two possible forms that such salvation could assume. One is based upon the ideas of Mr. Kent Buescher and the other upon the concepts of Mr. David Siegel.

Simply put, Mr. Buescher would preserve Cypress Gardens as a "centerpiece" of an amusement based attraction. Mr. Siegel would make Cypress Gardens the attraction in itself, as it has always been, albeit with the addition of some carefully chosen new elements, high in class and appeal and in total keeping with the original spirit of Cypress Gardens as envisioned by Dick Pope sr. many years ago.

As a consultant in

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 7:38:34 AM

Subject: University of Florida

Dear Governor Bush:

The U. of Florida is using our tax dollars to buy 3,000 condoms for their Fall Rally, Sex on the Lawn.

Being a tax payer in the State of Florida, I oppose to funding 3,000 condoms for the Sex on the Lawn rally. I also oppose VOX, Voices for Planned Parenthood, passing out emergency contraception cards. The morning after pill is nothing more than having an abortion. Who will be financially liable when a student realises that she had an abortion instead of a pill to prevent pregnancy if the free condom breaks?

Planned Parenthood is a very deceptive organization.

The morning after pill was rubber stamped by the FDA. It was never tested like aspirin was. This so called miracle drug is now being outlawed in several Countries due to its side effects and complications. Who will pay for damages; The State, The University, Planned Parenthood, or all three?

If you would my sources of information, or more information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Paul F Timmerman

719 Sunny Pine Way

Greenacres, FL 33415-8989

(561) 969-7036

GOD BLESS YOU ALL !!!

From one Christian to another

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:34:17 AM

Subject: Re: [Autism Family Circle] The amount that each state spends on funding for Developmental Disabilities

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To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

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To:

Date: 8/25/2003 5:13:37 AM

Subject: Family to Family Outreach

Attachments: mailsecurity.txt

Hi Kay

Just an up date to let you know I went to the public hearing on March 31 at HRS and a rep from David Lawrence was present and I was able to present all my concerns about how the families and consumers are treated and to see if we can improve services. Reps will be glad to come and speak at our meeting and are open to all input from us. Will let you know when, where and time. Our meeting in April will focus on a list of questions we will be asking the rep from DLC and other important issues.

Please mail the following letter to one of the Senators listed below , do not E-Mail them.

Senator Graham

524 Hart Senate Office Bldg.

Washington DC 20510

Senator Mack

517 Hart Senate Office Bldg.

Washington DC 20510

Dear _____

I am writing on behalf of the one in five families affected by severe brain disorders such as Schizophrenia, Manic Depression Bi Polar disorder, OCD, Depression, Touretts Syndrome and Autism. Clearly research has shown these to be biologically based brain disorders. Persons with mental illnesses deserve quality service, just as someone with heart disease. I implore you to support_____

Remember, Treatment Works

Sincerely,

Any questions fax me at # 643-6472 or E-Mail quiltbug@mediaone.net

Happy Easter!!!!!!!

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From: Jean A White <jitterbug40@juno.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: burma@mindspring.com

Date: 8/25/2003 2:58:32 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Please, we come to you once again to beg of you to help Save ALL of Cypress Gardens. I'm sure you will be glad when this is behind you but please know that with a wrong decision you could live with regrets for a life time. I know you are weighing all sides but please we ask that you seriously consider Mr. David Seigels offer to run Cypress Gardens. While he sounds absolutely to good to be true I feel that Mr. Seigel would preserve Floridas treasured Cypress Gardens. The state of Florida would have so much to gain with everything that he wants to offer at the Park. Winter Haven doesn't need an amusement Park with thrill rides and Mr. Buescher doesn't appear to have the marketing capability that Mr. Seigel has. I'm sure Mr. Buescher is a very nice man however I feel that in the near future we would be back to where we are now, and then Mr. Maxwell would begin excavating and building his condos. We pray that in the very near future we can begin to prepare Cypress Gardens for the world to enjoy and for the state of Florida to profit from. We'll personally buy 2 CG license plates and I would even consider voting for Jeb Bush. My husband and I were with the Friends of Cypress Gardens in Tallahassee both June and Aug. It is killing me that I am not able to get off work to be there on Tues. Thank you for considering the purchase of the entire Park and Mr. Seigel in particular.

Have you ever considered using Burma as a Campaign Manager? I've never seen anyone work so hard and so long for such a worthwhile cause. She's awesome.

From: Reneyo2@aol.com <Reneyo2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:46:57 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens:

Dear Governor bush: As a fellow republican and a great believer in your Dad and our great President your brother George.

I have often thought of you and how a man of your stature must feel and swell with pride at every time your time allows you to have a free moment. I envy the fact that you at will can call on your wonderful Mother and Father. How about it, I am gonna call brother George and ask him his opinion on any given matter. Not many mente have had or will ever have the background that you have. Rest assured that I will continue to support you as Governor of our great State. Also rest assured that I will support you should you ever run for President of this great land. Just think, A father and two sons as President of the great Us of A. I cannot even start to fathom the awe of all of this.

Concerning the Great Cypress Gardens: I urge you along with friends and my wife to see the our beloved State go and buy it outright. You are to be lauded in all of your efforts along this line.

I had more than eighteen months left on my annual pass on it's closing. I will always support the Gardens as a Florida Institution.

With great respect, We remain:

Your loyal supporter,

John and Irene Elias
8280 Sandpine Circle
Port Saint Lucie, Fl. 34952

Reneyo2@AOL.com

From: [Steven R. West <stewest@comcast.net>](mailto:stewest@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 2:37:22 AM

Subject: PMATF Tax

Governor: The story of the PMTAF tax is a classic example of government getting it wrong despite good intentions. The tax is passed to raise money for Medicaid. It is justified by the argument that certain investor owned entities are skimming paying patients and not providing care to indigents, uninsured and Medicaid patients. The hospitals that take care of everyone was already paying a bed tax. The hospitals were pushing for the tax to level the playing field. The tax is passed by the legislature. The FMA signed off on the tax because the understanding was that the tax would not apply to physician practices. The Federal law that enables states to collect this tax clearly states that each entity taxed must be named in the state legislation and that physicians practice are one of the entities that must be named in the legislation or that entity may not be taxed. Physician practices are not mentioned in the legislation passed by the FL legislature. Doug Cook interprets the law to include physician practices that do designated health care services even though the state law did not and the Federal law states that a state may not tax without naming the entity. Physicians that do Medicaid and indigent care are taxed. We go to the legislature year after year trying to get it fixed. We are able to reduce the tax by .5% to 1%. The radiation oncologist because of more clever lobbying is able to exclude radiation therapy services. My friend Zechariah P. Zechariah is able to get an exemption from ACHA. I am unable despite your task forces recommendation to appeal the tax. A class action law suite is brought. The tax monies are places in escrow for safe keeping for our lawyer friends. The providers win the suite. The law is declared unconstitutional. The providers receive very little. The state loses the revenues collected and the lawyers get \$21,020,450.00. I should have been a trial attorney. Steve West

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: suzifly@gate.net

Date: 8/25/2003 2:06:26 AM

Subject: RE: WELL SAID!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

teachers salaries and benefits don't come close to receiving food stamps.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Jonsson](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 1:07:26 AM

Subject: RE: Your SPTimes letter

I will push Mr. Saxon.

You are correct that docs have other problems regarding dispensing care.

There are many that believe that the initiative and referendum process needs major changes. I expect this to be dealt with in the next legislative session.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: David Jonsson [mailto:dwjrej@msn.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 12:04 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Your SPTimes letter

Dear Gov. Bush,

Your politically courageous efforts to eliminate social promotion in schools and to make readers out of as many third graders as possible will accomplish more for Florida's future than everything else you are doing, put together. More importantly, maybe other governors will follow your example.

Other musings: with stocks up, I don't really expect any action to be taken to protect seniors from bad brokers selling risky income investments. Nor do I expect Saxon to look into RJF. If you haven't guessed by now, I don't care much for Saxon. I had the misfortune of being compelled to testify against Merrill Lynch in Tax Court in 1981. Naturally, I was blacklisted on Wall Street and targeted for retaliation in a b.s. action by the NYSE in 1985. RJF helped set me up. I departed RJF in 1992. There were some reporting problems re my NYSE "violation" at the time. Even though I had no customer complaints, Saxon tried to drive me out of the business. Of course he ignored real problems at RJF that I brought to his attention in 1992, 1994, and 1996. It is a sad commentary on the times that cheating old ladies in FL is done with near impunity and with the knowledge of so-called "regulators", many of whom wind up working for those they "regulated."

According to doctors I play poker with, your med/mal reforms are a good start, but cuts in medicare payments, delayed payments from the government and hmos, and paperwork are major causes for concern. Plus no one expects insurance companies to cut premiums.

For goodness sakes, do everything possible to keep the minimum wage and tax reform off of next year's ballot. If they get on, you will campaign against them, they will pass, and you will look bad. Against poor people, for rich people who "buy" tax favors. I have read that 300,000 Floridians earn the minimum wage. Raising it 50 cents an hour in '05, followed by 35 cents an hour in '06 for full-time employees, wouldn't be very costly to business. As for sales tax reform, I'd back it as long as it's revenue neutral.

Regards, Dave Jonsson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: PAMALAPOOH@aol.com

Date: 8/25/2003 12:34:47 AM

Subject: RE: white paper. Please Help

thank you for sharing this with me. I was not aware of this disease.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: PAMALAPOOH@aol.com [mailto:PAMALAPOOH@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 8:09 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: white paper. Please Help

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Licko, Carol A.](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 12:25:11 AM

Subject: RE: Monroe County Schools

[thank you Carol. I have been watching what is going on in Monroe County.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Licko, Carol A. [mailto:CALicko@HHLAW.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 7:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Monroe County Schools

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From: PAMALAPOOH@aol.com <PAMALAPOOH@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/25/2003 12:08:41 AM

Subject: white paper. Please Help

Attachments: ADayintheLifeofGastroparesis.ZIP

From: [Beatrice <beatrice1@kvcom.net>](mailto:beatrice1@kvcom.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 11:11:32 PM

Subject: Medicaid renewal

Dear Jeb,

This week I will have to go to Medicaid for an annual review for my daughter " Greta". Again, the State is spending time and money for something that seems to me unnecessary. It is not like my child is going to be out of being down syndrome or autistic tomorrow or ever.. The situation is the same and her disability is there for ever unless there would a progress in the medical field.

I feel that this renewal is not only taking time away for the parents but it is useless. I would understand if there would be any changes that we were required to report it and that is absolutely comprehensive.

I don't see how it is necessary for me to go in this office every year...to renew believe it or not.. I think that a simple phone call would be more than sufficient..It would save our time and money for the State..

I think that parent should be required to tell DD or Medicaid if there is any major change in their life but not going to a stupid meeting every year that doesn't make any sense to me..

Sincerely,

Beatrice

From: [Licko, Carol A. <CALicko@HHLAW.com>](mailto:CALicko@HHLAW.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 11:00:51 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'eguilbeau@cfl.rr.com'

Date: 8/24/2003 10:52:09 PM

Subject: Re: Hey it's me Jan

I will get the FDLE to look into this..

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ed Guilbeau <eguilbeau@cfl.rr.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sun Aug 24 18:20:33 2003

Subject: Hey it's me Jan

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Jan Futch

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'donladner@fdle.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/24/2003 10:50:33 PM

Subject: Fw: Hey it's me Jan

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Jeb

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Jan Futch

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Snavecle@aol.com'

Date: 8/24/2003 10:49:12 PM

Subject: Re: Parole Commissioner Recommendation

Thank you for your reommendation.

Jeb Bushn

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To: [Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>](mailto:jeb@jeb.org); [galagher@dfs.state.fl.us <galagher@dfs.state.fl.us>](mailto:galagher@dfs.state.fl.us); [ag@oag.state.fl.us <ag@oag.state.fl.us>](mailto:ag@oag.state.fl.us); [myersm@doas.state.fl.us <myersm@doas.state.fl.us>](mailto:myersm@doas.state.fl.us)

Sent: Sun Aug 24 18:41:58 2003

Subject: Parole Commissioner Recommendation

Dear Governor Bush and Cabinet Members:

Enclosed is our recommendation of Mr. Robert Woody for the position of Parole Commissioner.

Thanks

Dr. Charles Evans, President
Tallahassee NAACP

From: Snavecle@aol.com <Snavecle@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

galagher@dfs.state.fl.us

ag@oag.state.fl.us

myersm@doas.state.fl.us

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Attachments: Parole Commission.doc

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From: Bunycrafr@aol.com <Bunycrafr@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 10:14:51 PM

Subject: Cyress Gardens

Dear Govenor Bush

In an e-mail today Burma Posey instructed the members of Friends of Cypress Gardens to write and tell you our feelings about the future of the Gardens. I am sure this is not what Burma wanted me to do but here goes.

I strongly support the purchase of the Gardens by Kent Buescher of Wild Adventures. I only worked at Cypress Gardens for 1 year 4 months and 2 days. That may give you some indication of how I loved my job. For 30 years I was a business teacher in Ohio. My job at the Gardens was the best thing that had ever happened to me. I was promoted to supervisor in that short time and I feel that I have a pretty accurate evaluation of what would make the Gardens a success. Mr. Seigel doesn't have a clue (to quote some of my ex-students.) A clever advertising campaign, rides, proper placement of shops and concerts are what would make this park the success that it should have been when the former owners were in charge. There were no checks and balances in place, everyone pretty much did what they wanted.

Museums and pagent queens would attract a one time visit from snowbirds and residents of Winter Haven and the surrounding area.

What we need is Southern Belles (lots of them) and the Junior Belle shop opened (I was involved in dressing them--they loved it), ski shows, concerts, etc.

I'm sorry to take so much of your time, but I know that most of the employees agree with me. Please give us back our jobs, and give Winter Haven back a major part of its economy.

Pat (a former C. G. employee)

From: JNCOOK37@aol.com <JNCOOK37@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 9:23:58 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Gov. Bush - I want to thank you for the work you are doing to save Cypress Gardens. Since my retirement from the FBI in Washington, DC, my wife and I have moved to Port St. Lucie to live our retirement years. One our greatest joys has been as an annual pass member of Cypress Gardens. We have greatly enjoyed the Christmas Lights shows as well as their concerts. We also have SeaWorld, Disney passes and just recently bought 2 year passes to the Universal Parks in Orlando. We travel mostly in Florida. Key West next month. Last month was Sanibel. The Everglades just before Easter. Just as we were making plans for one of our Cypress Gardens visits, they closed. A great asset for Florida has been lost, but I hope not gone forever! THANKS AGAIN! John Cook

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Greg King](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 9:15:45 PM

Subject: RE:

thank you Greg. Mary Laura briefed me on the progress you are making with the certified reading program. I really appreciate your efforts.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Greg King [mailto:greg.king.a5at@statefarm.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 3:54 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Sensitivity: Private

Governor,

I know I'll see you as the fall campaigns begin to heat up in Florida, but I couldn't wait to share this.

I had to smile at the email below from one of our support staff. She reads the paper and watches the news like we all do yet her statement I think says more about how so many Americans really think and feel about our President.

We're off to a good start on our Certified Reader Program. I'm hearing interesting things like the work is hard but gratifying. I know Mary Laura Openshaw has shared some of what occurred when we took it to our people. We had twice the volunteers as openings. People who lived outside Polk County wanted to volunteer their time to work in Polk County schools. Our folks were nothing short of amazing that day. Naturally I want to see the end result give us something we can point to and say " while so many were trying to lower the standards, or were complaining about the pay or conditions, here's a group of people who said little but did so much to actually make things work better for everyone" And they did it while they had full time work too...these are people who may volunteer as a reading instructor during school hours but they still have a job to do afterwards. You can tell I'm proud of them and I'm feeling like this will be a big payoff for us all.

See you soon I hope. And if you know who might be able to get Pat Smith's special card to the President, I'd be happy to have her contact them.

Greg King

-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia A Smith

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 4:40 PM

To: Greg King

Subject: Question

Sensitivity: Private

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From: Gayharts@aol.com <Gayharts@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 9:11:14 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Governor Jeb Bush:

We are residents of Garden Grove (Winter Haven), the home of Cypress Gardens. In fact we can see the gardens across the lake from our residence. We are Friends of Cypress Gardens, and just want you to be aware that we most definitely favor the Siegel plan over all others for the future of the gardens. Please, please, please continue to consider the wishes of Garden Grove residents in your decisions for the land.

Thank you, Jeanne and Douglas Gayhart

From: Jamiel39@aol.com <Jamiel39@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 9:08:04 PM

Subject: Media for teacher votes

Dear Governor Bush:

There doesn't seem to be a day when teachers are not complaining about FCAT and everything else with education. They never have any factual information. They just love to complain and finger point at you.

If you have not already done so, could you please do some t.v. and radio advertising in the tri-county area. I envision your regular genuine attitude wherein you simply name the individual schools in the appropriate district, how much they improved, and give a heartfelt thank you to the teachers who made it happen in the 02/03 school year. They need to connect with you. They are dying to connect with you and if it doesn't happen, they will continue to make you out to be a cruel and malicious person. We're talking about women and emotions. They need for you to reach out locally via media and praise them. They need to hear your voice or see your face when you are thanking them. Print media is too impersonal. Many have been put through the mill and they are angry. Our high school went from an F to a C, but the majority of the teachers who made it happen were zero-based and sent to other schools long before their wonderful scores were announced.

Forgive me if you have already done this.

Jamie Logsdon
West Palm Beach

From: [Nancy & Craig <krancie@alltel.net>](mailto:krancie@alltel.net)

To: [Mayor](#)
jholland@coj.net
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 8:50:43 PM

Subject: Big Talbot Island

Gentlemen:

I-95 is a mess due to continual, unending construction and on Big Talbot Island there is no construction. Let's speed up I -95 and start constructing beach steps on Big Talbot Island.

In other words tourists can not get to Mickey's World and fisherpersons can not get to the beach! I thought Florida was tourist friendly.

The Court House still costs too darn much!

Craig. G, Eifert
JAX FL. 32246

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

[Mencia Manny \(Mencia, Manny\)](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)

[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 8:10:30 PM

Subject:

Al Cardenas has requested that I go to DR the night before to have dinner with the President who leaves that night for Spain. I will consider it but don't know what my schedule looks like.

Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Goingloud45@aol.com

Date: 8/24/2003 7:16:42 PM

Subject: RE: Important!!!

you can send to me via snail mail. Jeb Bush, Office of the Governor, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32303 attn: Betty Hampton

-----Original Message-----

From: Goingloud45@aol.com [mailto:Goingloud45@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2003 1:54 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Important!!!

Sir I have a document that I have assembled about five pages long. It has lists of e-mail addresses (a partial list to the letter "I") for a group which I was involuntarily subscribed to for almost a year. I NOW think that this paper should be handed over to the dept of Homeland Security, possibly the FBI and maybe the NSA. The group is AmeriHawkWatch@aol.com and it is certainly Anti-American and possibly has sinister motives. I always treated the e-newsletter as spam and rarely read them. Once I did I immediately tried to unsubscribe (months ago) and was always ignored. Not until yesterday when I started reciting the alphabet to them (FBI, NSA, FDLE, etc) then I was unsubscribed in writing within hours!

Although I got another message today: an ad for engineers of Arab American extraction to work overseas. Could be innocent or maybe not....I DO NOT WANT TO SEND THIS 5 PAGE DOCUMENT AS AN E-MAIL. The document is the e-mail address list which has been highlighted by me to show the names of organizations (possibly extremist on the face of it), businesses and individuals with names of middle eastern origin and those which have suspicious links overseas.

Like: act_now@cybercairo.net --- cybercairo.net is a website that is ALL arabic in nature and I have NO idea what it advocates!

Tell me what to do with this paper...I wrote it like an analysis I might have written were I on active duty as an army officer. Sir, I just don't know...it might be NOTHING or it might be a big SOMETHING. Tell me what to do. Jim Kononoff

From: NuGerC@aol.com <NuGerC@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 6:29:49 PM

Subject: Re: Cypress Gardens

Attachments: Fwd: Cypress Gardens final hearing Tues.

Dear Gov. Bush:

Please preserve all of Cypress Gardens. It means so much to our city and State.

It is truly a part of our Florida history.

Gratefully,
Geraldine Castrilli

From: Alto4@aol.com <Alto4@aol.com>

To: Neen109@aol.com
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Date: 8/24/2003 2:28:46 PM

Subject: Fwd: Cypress Gardens final hearing Tues.

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From: Gaiterbait@aol.com <Gaiterbait@aol.com>

To: undisclosed-recipients

Date: 8/24/2003 1:02:58 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens final hearing Tues.

Please call or write to preserve ALL of Cypress Gardens today or tomorrow.
Tuesday will be too late.

CALL, E-MAIL, FAX, OR WRITE THE GOVERNOR AND CABINET:

The Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor - Office of Governor, The Capitol,
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001 #(850) 488-4441 E-mail: Jeb@jeb.org
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From: [Marguerite Kuyon <evnstr1717@yahoo.com>](mailto:evnstr1717@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

AG@oag.state.fl.us

Gallagher@doi.state.fl.us

Date: 8/24/2003 6:16:39 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens and my response to Ledger article

Gentlemen:

Today I sent this email to Mr. Dean of the Lakeland Ledger with my protests regarding the desire of one developer to add tacky carnival rides to Cypress Gardens if he is chosen to oversee its reconstruction. Please read my letter and consider this a plea to choose wisely when the decision is made of a new "management" for Cypress Gardens. I'm not a native Floridian, but I have such fond memories of the park during the '70s and '80s that I would hate to see it totally ruined or, worse yet, turned into another housing development!

Thank you for all you have already done to save this magnificent piece of Florida history. I would like to someday take my grandchildren there and say, "This is just how Grandma remembers it from when she was little, only better, thanks to Mr. Bush, his cabinet officers, and many others who loved Cypress Gardens too much to let it die."

Marguerite Gumore Kuyon

Mr. Dean:

My father grew up in Lakeland, Florida, and when he retired, he and my mom moved back to that beautiful little city in the center of Florida. How sad that you are part of Lakeland's voice. Our trips to visit my parents always included visits to Cypress Gardens and even as we watched it decline in the '80s, we loved it and worried about it. Now you want to see this person...forgive me, I have deliberately forgotten his name...put tacky rides and arcades in this sanctuary.

We went to Disney World when we were there, but our two favorite places were Cypress Gardens and Bok Tower because they were different. They were serene, beautiful and very different from other attractions in Florida. That difference is what should return to Lake Eloise and the Gardens, not some tacky carnival atmosphere.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Governor Bush as a follow-up to my previous letter asking him to see that the right owner acquires Cypress Gardens and thanking him for his actions already taken. You don't have to reply to this letter, Mr. Dean. I doubt you take the time to answer me anyway, since you probably view me as a reactionary, backward in my way of thinking and old-fashioned. Yes, I'm old-fashioned in many ways, and proud of it.

Sincerely,

Marguerite Gumore Kuyon

Mantua, Ohio

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From: Goingloud45@aol.com <Goingloud45@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 5:54:20 PM

Subject: Important!!!

Sir I have a document that I have assembled about five pages long. It has lists of e-mail addresses (a partial list to the letter "i") for a group which I was involuntarily subscribed to for almost a year. I NOW think that this paper should be handed over to the dept of Homeland Security, possibly the FBI and maybe the NSA. The group is AmeriHawkWatch@aol.com and it is certainly Anti-American and possibly has sinister motives. I always treated the e-newsletter as spam and rarely read them. Once I did I immediately tried to unsubscribe (months ago) and was always ignored. Not until yesterday when I started reciting the alphabet to them (FBI, NSA, FDLE, etc) then I was unsubscribed in writing within hours!

Although I got another message today: an ad for engineers of Arab American extraction to work overseas. Could be innocent or maybe not...I DO NOT WANT TO SEND THIS 5 PAGE DOCUMENT AS AN E-MAIL. The document is the e-mail address list which has been highlighted by me to show the names of organizations (possibly extremist on the face of it), businesses and individuals with names of middle eastern origin and those which have suspicious links overseas.

Like: act_now@cybercairo.net --- cybercairo.net is a website that is ALL arabic in nature and I have NO idea what it advocates!

Tell me what to do with this paper...I wrote it like an analysis I might have written were I on active duty as an army officer. Sir, I just don't know...it might be NOTHING or it might be a big SOMETHING. Tell me what to do. Jim Kononoff

From: [Todd Reaume <reaumetodd@hotmail.com>](mailto:reaumetodd@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 5:31:43 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

August 24, 2003

In regards to: Cypress Gardens

Governor Jeb Bush
Executive Office of the Governor
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL. 32399-0001

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing to express both support and concern regarding The Gardens. It seems as if the state has become skeptical regarding leasing back The Gardens to David Siegel due to a logistical problem concerning the tax exempt bond money. I can understand that it would be much easier to arrange the agreement with Mr. Buescher. But, I think it's necessary to really examine what is in the best interest of The Gardens.

Thus far, Mr. Buescher has not really led much support in efforts to save The Gardens. He has made his offer and expressed his views; nothing more. He has not extended any great time or resources in the effort thus far. His offer sounds very exciting. But is it really feasibly the best alternative. As we have seen in the past with both Boardwalk and Baseball & Circus World, amusement rides like Wild Adventures now has, will not draw attendance away from the magnates of Walt Disney World and Universal Studios. This is even truer now than ever. In the times of the previously mentioned parks, Universal Studios was not even competition. Does Mr. Buescher have any back up resources if his concept doesn't draw attendance? The key here is uniqueness; a concept that does not involve direct competition.

On the other hand, Mr. Siegel has donated to date time and money in the effort for the salvation. He has expressed that he is willing to spend his own 200M in net worth to refurbish The Gardens into a unique attraction of southern grandeur. He will also reinvest any profit in The Gardens in efforts to continually make it a unique and viable endeavor that is not in direct competition with the other Central Florida attractions. He does have the financial resources to see the concept through any rocks along the way. He has shown a real passion for making this work. It will take that heart felt genuine passion to see this through to success.

I strongly urge you to save all The Gardens and support Mr. Siegel's arrangement. I know you will make the wise decision for you always have in the past. Please remember the wise choice is not always the easiest solution. But, I know that there is some way to work out the logistics of Mr. Siegel's arrangement. We are all looking forward to salvation day for The Gardens. Remember to follow your heart. Our prayers are with you.

We all truly thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Todd Reaume

From: [CARL ROBERTS <Carlroberts1491@msn.com>](mailto:CARL.ROBERTS1491@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 5:08:39 PM

Subject:

The Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor
Office of Governor, The Capitol,
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Carl N. Roberts
1016 Edgewater Dr.
winter Haven, Fl., 33884

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to encourage you to do all you can to preserve a Florida landmark and a place of beauty and tranquility. I am referring to our beautiful Cypress Gardens. Like Bok Tower it is a place of natural beauty and a part of the history of Florida. It would be such a shame to turn it into a housing project.

Thank you for your concern,

Carl N. Roberts

From: DPD645@aol.com <DPD645@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 4:35:08 PM

Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

DEAR GOVENOR BUSH,

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THE DESTRUCTION OF A GREAT FLORIDA STATE LANDMARK, BUT RATHER PURSUE THE POSSIBILITIES OF TURNING IT INTO A FLORIDA STATE PARK WHICH MAY STILL BE ENJOYED BY ALL OF THE GENERATIONS TO COME. IT TRULY IS A BEAUTIFUL SETTING, AND ONE WHICH HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF FLORIDA TOURISM FOR MANY MANY YEARS. SADLY, GREEDY \$ GRABBING COMMERCIALIZED PARKS LIKE DISNEY ETC. HAVE DESTROYED SOMETHING SO VERY SPECIAL.

Sincerely yours,

David P. Donaldson, MFA

Curator, Morse Museum of American Art / retired

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['dws@mac.com'](mailto:dws@mac.com)

Date: 8/24/2003 4:31:22 PM

Subject: Re: medical malpractice

Thank you David. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: David Shoemaker <dws@mac.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 23 23:27:58 2003

Subject: medical malpractice

Jeb-

Just a note of thanks for your leadership on this issue. Your efforts were noted by all. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you.

David Shoemaker

From: [Stuart D. Patterson <spatter7@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:spatter7@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 4:02:58 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

As a frequent visitor to Cypress Gardens over the years and a resident of Polk County, I would ask you to preserve Cypress Gardens in it's entirety.

There is a great need for recreational public land in the county and particularly in the Lakeland/Winter Haven area. This is a gorgeous piece of land nestled along the shores of beautiful Lake Eloise. We really don't need another housing development, further restricting public access to the lakeshore. This property is truly unique. Once it is gone, there will not be another.

I ask you to ensure that this is one legacy to Floridians and Americans you can proudly put on your record of public service.

Yours truly,

Stuart D. Patterson, MD.
80 Jenni Ashley Court
Winter Haven, FL 33884-3044

From: [David Shoemaker <dws@mac.com>](mailto:dws@mac.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 3:27:58 AM

Subject: medical malpractice

Jeb-

Just a note of thanks for your leadership on this issue. Your efforts were noted by all. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you.

David Shoemaker

From: DriskellS@aol.com <DriskellS@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 3:11:28 PM

Subject: A Teacher Question

Mr. Bush,

When might we expect the state to deposit the money in the Duval County Schools accounts which will pay those staff members who raised their school's grade from a "D" to a "C?" I teach 5th grade at Pinedale Elem in Duval Cty. and we're wondering if the county actually has the money but is holding it until our employee contracts are settled. We know, of course, that they can't use the money as a pay increase or for other uses.

Thanks for your help in this matter.

Lynda Driskell

From: DARLOW REXROAT <rexroat@mpinet.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 1:18:24 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens !

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Please do whatever you can to save Cypress Gardens. I moved to Florida from Kentucky in 1983. Never knew much about Florida as a kid but knew that's where Cypress Gardens was located. Built a house across the lake from the Gardens. I feel it's definitely worth saving.
Thank You :

DARLOW REXROAT

rexroat@mpinet.net

Why Wait? Move to EarthLink.

From: BuckSTP@aol.com <BuckSTP@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 11:28:06 AM

Subject: Re: Homeowner's Insurance

Gov:

Qualsure Insurance Corp noted my policy was non-renewed because the Program Manager who placed it no longer represented them. I assume the "Program Manager" is referring to my Agent (Helen Wade Insurance Agency), but maybe not. Anyway, the main issue here is I tried 2 other agencies and received the same answer that Helen wade gave me, basically, I won't find anyone writing new insurance at this time and would have to go to Tallahassee's Citizens Insurance. So I quit looking and started "stewing". Just never thought that I would end up on the "short end".

Hey! Your busy and I don't want to get you into a one-on-one with me about this. You don't have time to do that with as many folks in this state that you represent.

Take Care,
Buck Roberts

From: [Marti G Leib <martil1@juno.com>](mailto:martil1@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 10:44:53 AM

Subject: We must be impatient!

Jeb: When we become impatient with others, we must remember that it is only a minute fraction of society that has the capacity to grasp the truth of some things, the courage to accept it and the wherewithall to do something with it. As leaders, we are given the expressed responsibility of guiding and directing others in accordance with "their needs". A false sense of optimism will not save us from the repercussions of our failures as a society....but as leaders we can lighten the pathways, sometimes not with the benefit of the sunlight of the day, but rather with the less illuminating light being emanated from a restricted beam of a lone flashlight in the darkness. Either way we get to where we are going as long as we trust our Creator to show us the way. May you have an 'enlightening' day!

Marti Leib

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From: [Peter S. Lopez de Sacra <humaneliberation@yahoo.com>](mailto:Peter.S.Lopez.de.Sacra@humaneliberation@yahoo.com)

To: Talking-Circle@yahoogroups.com

Date: 8/24/2003 3:57:04 AM

Subject: Re: [Talking-Circle] This Is True!!! MAJOR ALERT!!! LIE The Sister tried to warn the People about the voting machines

 **Thanks Elvira~~ Yep, this is interesting.. Technology has its positive and negative impacts on our so-called civilized culture.**

"What worries me is for example, the request by Broward County in Florida, for more electronic "touch-screen voting" machines, but no additional request for a mechanism added to the voting machines, which could produce a paper-trail in which it could be visually verified by the voter that their vote was accurately recorded."

Hell, Florida indirectly gave us Fuhrer Bush. The USA has Overthrow two countries, Afghanistan and Iraq, and still it has not found Osama and Saddam. Strange sinister times...

 **Brother Peter de Sacramento**

FTR Network <pathenery@yahoo.com> wrote:

This is true I was there SHE TRIED TO WARN THEM 4 MONTHS BEFORE THE RENO ELECTION NO ONE WOULD LISTEN JUST ASK CHRIS.

PATHENERY

----- Original Message -----

From: [Chris Hood](#)

To: [elvira52](#)

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 7:15 PM

Subject: Re: [FloridaDemocrat2] Fw: MAJOR ALERT!!! LIE The Sister tried to warn the People about the voting machines

Another guerrilla style terrorist attack on black economics

county establishes ordinance then breaks it -m some one should go to jail send commission Graber an email and express your outrage!

In case you missed it the county was looking for dirt on Oliphant and found some on themselves - the stupid fools!

 Sun-Sentinel.com

Prosecutors did uncover a potential violation of the county's purchasing ordinance surrounding a controversial subcontract that ES&S made to meet the minority set-aside goals and win the contract. ES&S hired a Hialeah medical supply company, American Medical Depot, to transport and store the voting machines and booths.

Officials counted American Medical's \$750,000 subcontract toward the minority set-aside goal because it promised to purchase the booths with its own funds. But prosecutors traced \$750,000 passing from ES&S to American Medical and on to the manufacturer of the voting booths, an arrangement that would make American Medical an illegal broker under the county ordinance.

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HELLO EVERYONE :)

Below is the 3rd and 2nd part in a serious and a major "red flag" because of the increase in Voter Fraud in upcoming important elections. Including those on a national scale such as the 2004 State Primaries and Presidential election.

What worries me is for example, the request by Broward County in Florida, for more electronic "touch-screen voting" machines, but no additional request for a mechanism added to the voting machines, which could produce a paper-trail in which it could be visually verified by the voter that their vote was accurately recorded. A paper trail which any auditor could easily read and could be used for auditing, re-counts, and certification of results.

If we, the American people and as voters in Florida, California (which is currently a zoo) and the rest of the U.S. - do not push for accountability, then we WILL have numerous voter fiascos happening simultaneously all over the nation! And in which folks once again, WILL be disenfranchised and their votes - not counted.

There are too many important domestic issues and International/world policies affecting us which we must have a voice in!

My friends and national/local leaders, let's join together and do what we can in achieving "clean elections" and as little voter fraud, as possible. I know this is asking a whole lot, but to sit back and do nothing, would be a shame. And frankly, if you do not like the direction in which your country has been going - then DO something about it!!

"Spiders united can tie up a Lion" People underestimate the Power of a UNITED people!

P.S. I posted the last 2 articles. They are long, but worth the read. Please feel free to post and forward the articles to all you know.

Thank you!
VILMA FOX - Florida

<http://www.miami.com/mld/miamiherald/news/local/6511666.htm>

Voter Rolls Concern Dade, Broward
'Deadwood' Increases Costs, Risk of Fraud

County commissioners in Miami-Dade & Broward say they are troubled by a Miami Herald report that exposed bloated voter rolls, and in Broward they are questioning a request for 1,000 more touch-screen voting machines.

A Miami Herald investigation found that almost a half-million people who are registered to vote in Miami-Dade & Broward have never cast a ballot. These voters, who have moved, died, or just don't vote - make up 25% of the voter rolls, inflating election costs and increasing opportunities for vote fraud.

Before passage of the 1995 Federal "Motor-Voter" law, which allowed voter registration at driver's license offices, elections supervisors could remove voters who did not cast ballots for 2 yrs. Now, only proof of a new address, death, felony conviction or a determination of mental incapacity can trigger removal.

In Broward County, some Commissioners are wary of making a multimillion dollar investment in new voting equipment, especially if the purchase is based on registration numbers loaded down by so-called ''deadwood.''

The Miami Herald found 241,611 people registered to vote in Broward who have never gone to the polls.

''It looks like we ought to get a few machines,'' said Broward County Commissioner Lori Parrish,

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a frequent critic of Supervisor of Elections Miriam Oliphant, "but you don't want to buy them for someone who's not in need of them."

JUSTIFICATION

Broward election officials cite the 1,000,177 people registered to vote in the county, the most in Florida to justify buying more machines. Parrish wants Broward county to consider the "deadwood" in its calculations.

Broward County Mayor Diana Wasserman Rubin said, "I would also like to know the exact number of voters who register but don't vote, and what effect that has had on the cost of running an election."

Broward County Supervisor of Elections, Miriam Oliphant, did not return calls seeking comment. Oliphant agreed to the county's offer of \$3.2 million to buy 1,000 machines.

Broward Deputy Elections Supervisor Ken Leb defended the request for 1,000 machines. The November 2002 vote went smoothly, he said, partly because their manufacturer, Election Systems & Software, lent the county 500 machines for the election. He also said that one Ft. Lauderdale precinct did not close until 10:15 p.m.

"Without a doubt we need 1,000 more, and that may not be enough," Leb said. "We'll try that for the March election, and if it works out, great."

Broward County Commissioner Jim Scott argued that Broward might have enough voting machines if they are properly distributed among high-and low-turnout precincts, and if poll workers know how to operate them.

He added that the elections office needed to do a better job of purging the rolls in light of the "Motor-Voter" law, which required driver's license agencies and other government offices to offer voting applications.

"There have been some efforts to clean up what we used to call 'graveyard voting,'" Scott said, "but I think there is a need for further review of how the rolls are updated."

<http://www.miami.com/mld/miamiherald/news/state/6504942.htm>

Growth Puffs-Up Florida's Voter Rolls Second of Two Parts

ST. AUGUSTINE - Just a little more than a decade ago, Florida's oldest city was still a sleepy tourist town. Then came a torrent of new residents, who helped double St. Johns County voting rolls since 1990.

"We have just gone wild since then," said the County's Supervisor of Elections, Penny Halyburton, a 33-year veteran of N.E. Florida elections.

But even in a booming area where new golf-course communities seem to crop-up monthly, one barometer of growth seems far-fetched: 90% of the adults are registered to vote in St. Johns County, according to a Miami Herald analysis of U.S. Census statistics and state voter registration data.

Election experts caution that a registration rate higher than 75% indicates that Counties are carrying many voters on their rolls who either don't vote or don't live there anymore - voters known as "deadwood."

St. Johns County is not alone. From Pensacola to Perrine, Florida voter rolls are thick with "deadwood". In 34 other Florida counties, including Broward & Palm Beach, the number of registered voters is suspiciously high. Miami-Dade's percentage is only 55%, because many in the immigrant population are not yet eligible voters.

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'We're walking a fine line,' said Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Theresa LePore (infamous Butterfly ballot fame), who heads a statewide organization of election officials. "We don't want to take anyone off who doesn't want to be off. But the more people who are registered to vote, the greater the cost."

Voter rolls in Broward & Miami-Dade are loaded down with 475,069 people who have never cast a ballot. Those voters make up one-quarter of So. Florida's rolls, a giant chunk that invites fraud and inflates election costs.

HIGHER RATES UPSTATE

But the problem appears even worse OUTSIDE South Florida. A Miami Herald analysis shows that St. Johns, Santa Rosa, and Hernando counties have the highest registration rates in the State, which means they probably have the most "deadwood" on their rolls.

The one trait they all share: rapid growth.

Election Supervisors in the 3 counties suspect they are adding people so fast that census estimates aren't keeping pace with the actual population. And they are defensive about their efforts to maintain clean voter lists, arguing that the 1995 Federal "Motor-Voter" law left them few avenues to remove non-voters.

"I think our rolls are pretty clean," Halyburton said. "Let me clarify: Our rolls are as clean, as they can be by law."

The landmark law required driver's license offices and other government agencies to offer voting applications. By making it easier to register, election supervisors point out, the law invited onto the rolls thousands of people nationwide with no interest in voting.

"There's just an excess that was created by that legislation, period," said Santa Rosa County Supervisor of Elections Doug Wilkes, whose Panhandle county has 88% of its adult population on the voter rolls.

At the same time, Motor-Voter made it more difficult for Election Supervisors to purge inactive voters from the rolls.

St. Johns County recently moved 6,750 voters to its in-active list, leaving 91,729 active voters. Santa Rosa & Hernando counties are in the midst of similar efforts.

"These are people who have not voted, or people we have not heard from," Wilkes said.

Election officials say they are worried less about fraud and more about the expense. It costs money to send registration cards, sample ballots, and other mailings to people they know won't vote. Tracking them can generate mountains of extra paperwork and labor, said Annie Williams, the Hernando County Supervisor.

Census estimates and state data indicate that 91% of the county's adults were registered to vote last year.

"At election time, we have to prepare for all these people," Williams said. "You have to be ready for Election Day. I have to order enough ballots. It's like I'm inviting you to my party and I've got to have enough food."

At the same time, most election officials want to boost voter turnout. They believe that Motor-Voter encourages people who wouldn't have cast ballots before when it was more difficult to register. "I like to always err on the side of the voters," Theresa LePore said.

NATIONWIDE ISSUE

Beyond Florida, cities and counties across the U.S. have struggled to rein in their voter lists to make them more accurate and manageable.

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Newspaper reports from around the country indicate the scope of the problem:

. One-time Ku Klux Klan Imperial Wizard Sam Bowers, convicted of ordering the killing of NAACP leader Vernon Dahmer, was still registered to vote three (3) yrs. after he went to prison! Thirty-three Mississippi counties had more registered voters than people of voting age.

. In 2001, 18 cities and towns in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, had more registered voters than voting-age adults.

. The same year, the Missouri Secretary of State found that almost one in every 10 registered voters in St. Louis also were registered to vote elsewhere in the city or state.

Such problems are supposed to be addressed by the "Help America Vote Act" (HAVA), an election reform package signed by Bush last year in response to the chaotic 2000' presidential election

A key component of the act requires states to maintain a statewide voter database to help maintain accurate voter lists. It's supposed to be especially helpful in finding duplicate registrations created when people move from county to county.

But Florida is behind schedule to create the database and has asked for a 2-yr. extension of the 2004 Federal deadline to have it up and running, said Ed Kast, Director of the State Division of Elections.

Until then, supervisors say, they'll keep maintaining the rolls as they have been - by reviewing returned mail, clipping obituary notices and gathering change-of-address notices from the post office. Most supervisors say that "deadwood" is preferable to purging someone who intends to vote, someday.

Said Halyburton: "I'd rather go to jail for letting someone vote than disenfranchise anyone."

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Lawyerflo@aol.com

Date: 8/24/2003 2:38:42 AM

Subject: RE: (no subject)

over and out.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Lawyerflo@aol.com [mailto:Lawyerflo@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 7:10 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: (no subject)

In a message dated 8/23/2003 6:22:47 PM Eastern Daylight Time, jeb@jeb.org writes:

I am spending my last weekend with Jeb before he heads back to school. I truly love hanging out with him. so *what the heck are you doing on the computer. Go away and have some fun. But if you stay on the computer, ask Jebby what he thinks about the on-line character "StrongBad." It is a totally stupid, goofy cartoon character who gets and answers lots and lots of email. You'd either love it or hate it and Jeb will know which. My kids and I have been known to spend long chunks of time on that site laughing hysterically and being embarrassed that we think it's funny....*

On the position, I got my first briefing on the candidates and it seems we have some good ones. *Y'know, I've mostly been out of town and have avoided learning what the entire candidate pool is. I do know that you have more than one way to do yourself real proud (and I was pleased to read that you dont feel limited by who all applies; Lord knows you have to feel comfortable in every way with this choice) and more than one way to regret your decision long after you've left office. I hope it doesnt sound like I'm inflating the importance of the position because that inflates the importance of my position. Honest, I dont have "robe fever;" what I do have in this job is an incredible honor, an incredible opportunity to serve every day, and a much richer, deeper understanding than I came in with of state government and how it works and doesnt work in the lives of real people ----and I wasn't the most uninformed person in Florida. So, yeah, it matters to me personally but it matters more to the state and to your legacy. I feel good knowing that you'll do what you think is best for the many many people whose lives are to be deeply and permanently affected by the the brains, the way of looking at life and the very nature of public service, the work ethic, the heart and character of the person who hold this office. Did I mention brains? Pick the smartest person you can find, someone who knows the diff between what s/he does and doesnt know, and what can be delegated and what cant. Y'know, as I think aloud about it, it sounds like your job. So much power to do good. Ok I told you to go have fun so I'll stop prattling...night, now.*

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From: Sassybone41@aol.com <Sassybone41@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/24/2003 2:21:55 AM

Subject: Please keep Teri alive

Dear Mr.Bush,

Please dont let this happen to Tari this women didn't get a fair life, I belive the husband needs to be checked out by the courts,he is to in a hurry to try to get rid of her? I feel he might be scared she might get better and tell the story of what really happened to her, that night! This family loves their Teri just as I love mine and would wont them around no matter what. I have a cousin who is kinda in this shape and I "would not" wont this to ever happen to him!!! I feel this wouldnt be right to take lifes like this, cause I do belive in mircles and the God I serve can proform mircles!!! So please stop this from happening. Thank you very much for your time. Mary Dennis

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Dennis O. Freytes](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 10:12:58 PM

Subject: RE: Veterans Fight for Hospital (Read on Monday)

thanks, Dennis.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Dennis O. Freytes [mailto:dennisfreytes@hotmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 4:28 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Veterans Fight for Hospital (Read on Monday)

Hi Governor Bush (Jeb)! For your information, I have written an article on the Orlando Metropolitan Area Veterans' fight for a Hospital. Please, see attached or below. Read, if you decide, on Monday.

You are working too hard as it is! Take care of the family!

Hope that Life brings you the BEST! :-)

Cordially, with warm regards,

DENNIS

Dennis O. Freytes

Veteran, U.S. Army (Ret.)

Trustee Valencia Community College

Phone: 407-297-4080

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The Orlando Sentinel

Orlando, FL

Dear Editor, Writers, and Reporters:

Hi! Please, see the enclosed final comments/article that I wrote on a Veterans Hospital for Central Florida. I hope that you can publish this as a "My Word" or other Column.

Also, I hope that the Orlando Sentinel becomes one of the Champions in this Veterans cause, like it did for helping keep the Navy Exchange open after the closure of the Naval Training Center.

The Sentinel published a "My Word" column that I wrote, and published over 15 articles, in a 6 months period, supporting the Navy Exchange staying in Orlando. This greatly contributed to our success in keeping the Navy Exchange here--open and profitable.

Now, I hope that we can give a lot of coverage to the upcoming VA Orlando Hearings (Sept. 10) on the Veterans Hospital. We must inform the people, and continue to support our Veterans till the just battle is won. THANKS!

Have a wonderful day!

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From: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@fl.gov)
To: BuckSTP@aol.com
BCC: [Kevin McCarty \(mccartyk@dfs.state.fl.us\)](mailto:mccartyk@dfs.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/23/2003 8:33:23 PM
Subject: RE: Homeowner's Insurance

Thank you Buck. Was there any explanation for your being dropped? I will pass on your email to the Office of Insurance Regulation as well.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: BuckSTP@aol.com [mailto:BuckSTP@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 9:06 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Homeowner's Insurance

Sat - 08/23/03

Gov. Jeb Bush:

Good morning! Usually, my emails to you deal with our lack-luster Highway Patrol who allow our roadways (especially the Interstates) to become race tracks. You remember, I was fostering the idea of "pacer cars"

Anyway, today my issue is more personal. I have lived in the same home here in St Peterburg for 32 years. It is not waterfront. Allstate insured it for about 27 years, then Clarendon for about 4 years, and now QualSure. QualSure is dropping me as of the end of my current policy term which is September 30th, 2003. I can't buy homeowners' insurance right now from a local agency, at least that is what I am told by 3 different agencies that I have contacted. One of those agencies is the one that I have used for all 32 years. I have to wait until I am within 30 days of my September 30th date to make application with Citizens Insurance in Tallahassee who I understand is the "insurance of last resort". I have never filed a flood or wind damage claim in my 42 years in St Petersburg (10 years in a previous home also insured by Allstate through the same agency). After 42 risk-free years and allegiance to the local insurance folks, I feel a bit "stepped on" and am ticked about the matter.

Governor, thanks for listening. Have a good day.

M. L. "Buck" Roberts
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buckstp@aol.com

From: [Dennis O. Freytes <dennisfreytes@hotmail.com>](mailto:dennisfreytes@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 8:27:41 PM

Subject: Veterans Fight for Hospital (Read on Monday)

Attachments: Vets Hosp Article.doc

Hi Governor Bush (Jeb)! For your information, I have written an article on the Orlando Metropolitan Area Veterans' fight for a Hospital. Please, see attached or below. Read, if you decide, on Monday.

You are working too hard as it is! Take care of the family!

Hope that Life brings you the BEST! :-)

Cordially, with warm regards,

DENNIS

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Orlando, FL

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: nrch2o@attglobal.net

Date: 8/23/2003 8:09:05 PM

Subject: RE: The Sway of Cattails and Politics

Thank you John.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: nrch2o@attglobal.net [mailto:nrch2o@attglobal.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 10:24 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: The Sway of Cattails and Politics

This story was sent to you by: john barbieri

The Sway of Cattails and Politics

A Florida law that alters water-purity rules could determine the fate of the Everglades, as well as the outcome of local and national elections.

By John Thor Dahlburg
Times Staff Writer

August 22 2003, 10:12 PM PDT

THE EVERGLADES, Fla. ¶ From the helicopter flying at 500 feet, the intruder is soon visible: a fringe of cattails, undulating lazily in the hot breeze of a Florida summer's midday.

The complete article can be viewed at: <http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-na-everglades23aug23,1,6191744.story?coll=la-home-headlines>

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: TheCommishNY@aol.com

Date: 8/23/2003 8:03:06 PM

Subject: RE: FDLE

thank you Anthony. I have asked Guy to get in touch with you. I will miss Kathleen's service a whole lot. You are a good man.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: TheCommishNY@aol.com [mailto:TheCommishNY@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 10:11 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FDLE

Hi Governor Bush:

I know this was a hard decision for you with such great candidates for FDLE.

I am disappointed but I wanted to let you know I enjoyed our time together.

I am sorry to see Shanahan leave, I like her and she has talent.

If I can serve you at any time please call and good luck.

anthony schembri

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Marketing Edge](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 7:50:08 PM

Subject: RE: State Board of Education

what are the problems that you are dealing with?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Marketing Edge [mailto:info@marketingedgeonline.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 2:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: State Board of Education

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From: [danrubio <danrubio@ilhawaii.net>](mailto:danrubio@ilhawaii.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: comdosp@aol.com
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miaarch@miaarch.org
tomwenski@catholiccharitiesadm.org
info@diocesepb.org
information@dioceseofvenice.org

Date: 8/23/2003 7:41:26 PM

Subject: Save an innocent life - Terri's.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Michelle K. Brantley \(shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us\)](mailto:shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/23/2003 7:41:31 PM

Subject: FW: [Autism Family Circle] The amount that each state spends on funding for Developmental Disabilities

[do you think this is accurate?](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Doug and Kim Hammons [<mailto:wavecraasher2@hotmail.com>]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 9:03 AM

To: autismfamilycircle; autism-indiana; debaluis; ExceptionalTampaMoms; Lauren; Lucille; tristajorge

Subject: [Autism Family Circle] The amount that each state spends on funding for Developmental Disabilities

This information is from:

The State of the States in Developmental Disabilities - 2002 Study Summary Coleman Institute for Cognitive Disabilities & University of Colorado at Boulder

More info can be found at their site:

<http://www.cu.edu/ColemanInstitute/stateofthestates/statehomepagetext.htm>

Fiscal effort is defined as the amount spent per \$1,000 of state income.

This chart shows the overall fiscal effort (combining institutional and family support services) for developmental disabilities by each state.

Fiscal

State	Effort	Rank
Alabama	1.95	47
Alaska	3.42	32
Arizona	2.93	39
Arkansas	4.19	22
California	2.91	40
Colorado	2.36	44
Conneticut	5.96	5

D.C.	4.71	14
Delaware	3.64	29
Florida	1.69	49
Georgia	1.75	48
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Idaho	4.62	16
Illinois	3.07	37
Indiana	2.85	41
Iowa	5.3	8
Kansas	4.28	21
Kentucky	2.02	46
Louisiana	4.83	10
Maine	6.83	4
Maryland	2.48	43
Massachusetts	4.72	13
Michigan	3.44	31
Minnesota	5.43	7
Mississippi	3.75	27
Missouri	3.57	30
Montana	4.14	24
Nebraska	3.68	28
Nevada	1.02	51
New Hampshire	3.34	33
New Jersey	3.24	36
New Mexico	4.02	25
New York	6.89	3
North Carolina	4.30	20
North Dakota	7.16	1
Ohio	4.78	11
Oklahoma	4.61	17
Oregon	3.81	26

Pennsylvania	4.51	18
Rhode Island	7.09	2
South Carolina	4.31	19
South Dakota	4.62	15
Tennessee	3.24	35
Texas	2.6	42
Utah	3.25	34
Vermont	5.03	9
Virginia	2.17	45
Washington	3.01	38
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Wyoming	5.66	6

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Long, Phil](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 7:18:15 PM

Subject: RE: FDLE

Yes he is my choice. He is a person of integrity, a great law enforcement officer, a leader and friend. I think he will continue and build on the successes FDLE has experienced under Tim Moore.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Long, Phil [mailto:PLong@herald.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 6:25 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FDLE

Governor,

I saw the AP story saying Tunnell is your choice for FDLE. Sure would like your confirmation for a story for tomorrow. Assuming it is true, what are his best strenghts for the job? What other factors made him the choice? Where do you expect him to take the FDLE in future years? Thanks for any help you could give on this. Phil Long Miami Herald

From: [Annabel Sutton <anna@nep1.net>](mailto:anna@nep1.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 7:08:14 PM

Subject: Terry Schindler-Schiavo

May the Lord Bless You

Dear Governor Bush,

I join the many who want to save Terry Schindler-Schiavo. It is unfortunate of the circumstances surrounding her accident. Please have the proper law enforcement agencies investigate her case more fully.

Do not have them do away with her. It is merciless. Nothing has been done to check further into her case.

I will pray very hard. For the sake of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is the Mother of All Mankind - especially the innocent ones, her birthday is Sept. 8th, and the Feast of the Holy Name of Mary is Sept. 12th. I will try to seek more Catholics to pray for this poor woman and her family who need a great miracle. Thank you for reading my e-mail.

Annabel S.

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From: [Bedwell, Allan <Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us>](mailto:Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/23/2003 5:15:56 PM

Subject: RE: Sean Christiansen

Governor,

I'll get in touch. It turns out I'm having lunch with Sean next Wednesday.

Thank you,
Allan

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Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 9:55 PM
To: Bedwell, Allan
Subject: FW: Sean Christiansen

Let us discuss.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: [Patrick T. Christiansen \[mailto:PChristiansen@Akerman.com\]](mailto:PChristiansen@Akerman.com)
Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 2:54 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Sean Christiansen

Jeb,

I do not know if Sean (my son) ever sent you his resume, but when we

spoke last week, I thought I would send it to you. Even discount the proud father factor, Sean is do well in the hydrogen/energy field.

Just thought you would like to see what he has been doing.

Thanks.

Pat

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From: Rtlill@aol.com <Rtlill@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 3:27:22 PM

Subject: Gas

Dear Gov. Bush,

It seems here in Ocala that some gas stations are bent on getting the most they can. At Race Track it cost \$1.59 as of 8/22/03 but at the Shell stations they had it at \$1.72 and others \$1.69. These Kwik Kings that have Shell also have the price that high on their other stores that use a different company. I wonder if there is anyone in the government that can look into this? Thanks for all you are doing.

Isabel Lord

From: [Martha Wells - Earthlink <mlwells.earthlink@earthlink.net>](mailto:mlwells.earthlink@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 3:16:07 PM

Subject: unborn baby

Dear Governor Bush:

I applaud your decision to find a guardian for the unborn baby, but then why won't you intervene for Terry Schindler by not allowing her feeding tube to be removed? This is a travesty that needs to be stopped. PLEASE HELP!!!

Martha Wells
Houston, TX

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anthony scombri

From: [Snook Nook <henry@snooknook.net>](mailto:henry@snooknook.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 1:52:46 PM

Subject: Re: Sick Snook I guess it started again???

SET THE LAKE LEVEL AT 13' AND MAKE ALL USERS ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE QUALITY OF THE WATER THEY PUT INTO THE SYSTEM AND I DON'T CARE WHO THEY ARE.....CITIES, AG, ANY INDUSTRY....JUST TRY COMMON SENSE, FORGET ALL THE COLLEDGE ED AND JUST OPEN YOUR EYES.....IS THE WATER CLEAN OR NOT.....IF NOT POINT THE FINGER, COMMON SENSE.....WHO PUT WHAT IN THE WATER AND HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE....THATS WHAT THE D.E.P. IS FOR NOT TO CATER TO SPECIAL INTREST.....THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY SHOULD BE CLEAN WATER....WILL YOU TELL YOUR GRAND CHILDREN YOU WERE PART OF THE PROBLEM OR THE SOLUTION.....YOU TOOK THE JOB TO REP ALL OF US AND YOU SHOULD MAKE IT GREAT FOR ALL OF USNOT THE SELECT FEW....I HAVE NEWS PAPER CLIPPINGS DATING BACK TO THE 50'S AND WE ARE STILL RESTUDING.....THIS IS A JOB FOR TO MANY AT THE PRICE OF CLEAN WATER???????PEOPLE HAVE RETIRED FROM STATE POSITIONS PERPETUATING A WATER PROBLEM AND WHO WINS,,,,,NO ONE.....WHY DOES CLEAN WATER HAVE TO BE A POLITICAL ISSUE????????.....CALL MARK FOLEY AND SEE IF YOU CAN FIND OUT WHAT THE ARMY CORP IS BUDGETED.....SEE JUST HOW MUCH S.F.W.M. HAS IN THEIR POCKET.....THIS IS JOB SECURITY FOR THEM.....AND THEY DON'T WANT IT FIXED THE END RESULT.... WATER THAT YOU WOULD BE A ASHAMED TO SAY IS A PRODUCT OF YOUR WATCH.....RED TIDE...DEAD ZONE.....ALGAE....BROWN SALT WATER???

FOAM ??????????????????????.....WHY.....HENRY

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Snook Nook](#)

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 9:55 PM

Subject: RE: Sick Snook I guess it started again???

what is your solution?

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Snook Nook [<mailto:henry@snooknook.net>]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 8:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fw: Sick Snook I guess it started again???

THIS IS WHAT YOU DID NOT ASK COKER ABOUT

THIS IS WHAT THE PEOPLE OF MARTIN COUNTY GET....

TO BAD THE FISH DON'T HAVE MONEY TO CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR

POLITICAL COFFERS.....WHY DOES CLEAN WATER HAVE TO BE A POLITICAL ISSUE....

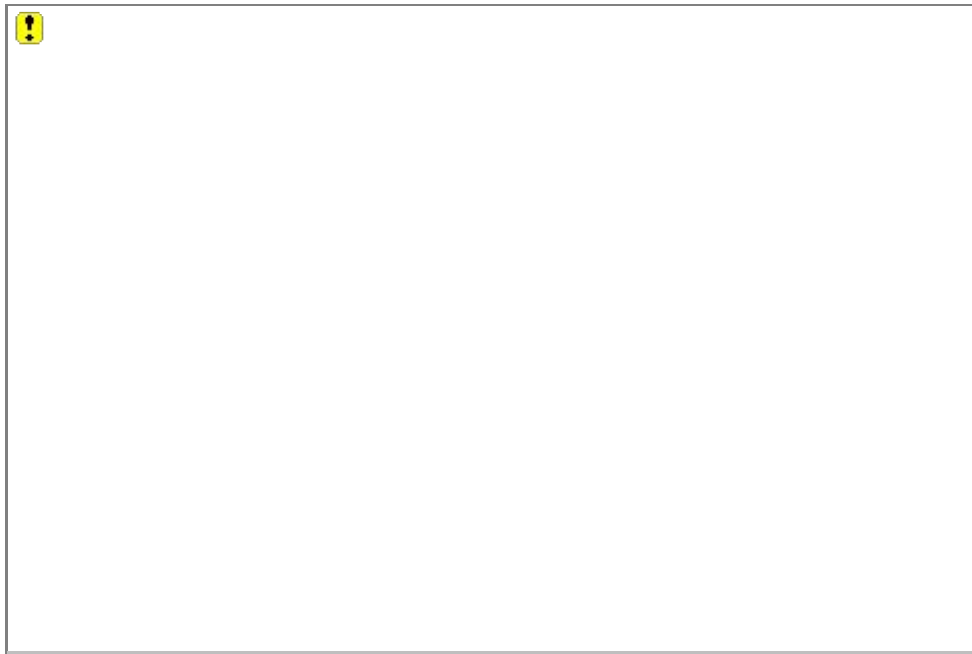
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From: Tarpon225@aol.com

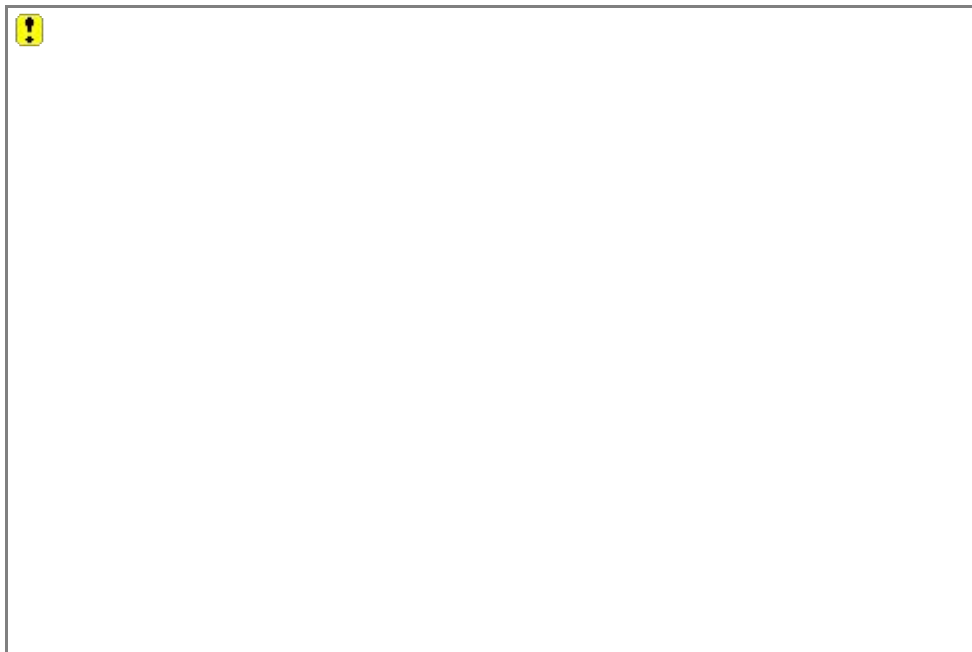
To: gcb@bellsouth.net ; dabear1@adelphia.net ; GRAMJOSE@aol.com ; henry@snooknook.net ; fishkill@adelphia.net ; pappyjmc@yahoo.com ; eekiller@hotmail.com ; captainjoe@outlawcharters.com ; Snookfreak@aol.com

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 2:19 PM

Subject: Sick Snook I guess it started again???



top picture 8 pound
snook look at the tail it had a couple of sores on both sides of the body but it wasn't bleeding



bottom picture 38 inch 12 pound has tail all split up like other picture but this fish was bleeding a lot on both sides it had opening's in the skin and was bleeding a lot. Today I caught about 30 snook to 25 pounds I only took a couple out of the water for a picture after seeing these I didn't want to touch any more I guess it started again, Harry

From: [Jerry Regier <jerryregier@comcast.net>](mailto:jerryregier@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 1:13:14 PM

Subject: Character First

Governor,

Thanks for taking the time to return my call last evening. As I told you, the Miami Herald decided not to do the story and had called back about an hour after interviewing me. I guess character won out.

However, the Tallahassee Democrat ran a "My View" from a FSU professor which was negative toward the Character First program and toward you and me. It was a totally uninformed view including that that the program was "mandated" which is not the case at all. In fact, employees pay their own breakfast in Orlando and it is totally voluntary. It is also not a program that "trains for character" but rather it is a program that recognizes character.

Have a great day.

Jerry Regier

From: BuckSTP@aol.com <BuckSTP@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 1:05:53 PM

Subject: Homeowner's Insurance

Sat - 08/23/03

Gov. Jeb Bush:

Good morning! Usually, my emails to you deal with our lack-luster Highway Patrol who allow our roadways (especially the Interstates) to become race tracks. You remember, I was fostering the idea of "pacer cars"

Anyway, today my issue is more personal. I have lived in the same home here in St Peterburg for 32 years. It is not waterfront. Allstate insured it for about 27 years, then Clarendon for about 4 years, and now QualSure. QualSure is dropping me as of the end of my current policy term which is September 30th, 2003. I can't buy homeowners' insurance right now from a local agency, at least that is what I am told by 3 different agencies that I have contacted. One of those agencies is the one that I have used for all 32 years. I have to wait until I am within 30 days of my September 30th date to make application with Citizens Insurance in Tallahassee who I understand is the "insurance of last resort". I have never filed a flood or wind damage claim in my 42 years in St Petersburg (10 years in a previous home also insured by Allstate through the same agency). After 42 risk-free years and allegiance to the local insurance folks, I feel a bit "stepped on" and am ticked about the matter.

Governor, thanks for listening. Have a good day.

M. L. "Buck" Roberts
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From: [Robin Reiter Faragalli <rreitertoo@bellsouth.net>](mailto:rreitertoo@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 1:05:15 PM

Subject: Oct. 7 Beacon Council

It was a pleasure seeing you at the EFI reception. I hope it provides EFI with strong potential donors.

Jeb, my tenure as Chairman of the Beacon Council ends on Oct. 7th with our Annual Meeting breakfast at the Loews Hotel on Miami Beach at 8AM. I would be most honored if you'd join us. It has been a terrific year and as a former Chair, you know well the efforts of staff and volunteer time that goes into making economic development come to life.

A dear friend, Betsy Bernard, President of AT&T (and one of the youngest female presidents of any major corporation) has agreed to join us and will be our keynote speaker – She has to fly back to NY that morning, but expects to be with us for breakfast.

My tenure began on the theme of economic development as a way in which to help eradicate poverty in this community (and this state). If we are successful in creating and expanding meaningful job opportunities, than economic development will be far more successful than social programs. Our Local Business Local Priorities program has found this to be true. We've worked to expand local jobs and bring in new corporations – and continue to strengthen our partnership with EFI.

I know you have a full schedule, but it would be lovely to have you join us on Oct. 7th and I greatly appreciate your consideration.

Very best regards, Robin Reiter

From: [Chris Kimball <cman43674@knology.net>](mailto:cman43674@knology.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2022 12:13:04 PM

Subject: fdle job

Governor Bush

I have long been a supporter of you, and truly believe that you are a man of conscience and integrity. I am making this revelation to you because I sincerely doubt that you were aware of these circumstances about the Bay County Sheriff Guy Tunnell. I have never had a run in with law enforcement, but after learning about an incident that he was involved in (thru back-door public access, and also thru department inside information), I feel that you should be made aware of this.

Approximately ten years ago, at the intersection of W. Baldwin Road, and State 390, in Panama City, Sheriff Tunnell (who was Bay County Sheriff at the time), ran a stop sign, and caused serious injuries to the occupants of another vehicle. The following facts I'm sure you will be very surprised to learn;

- 1) That Sheriff Tunnell was off duty in an unmarked car rushing to pick up his wife from work.
- 2) That he made absolutely no attempt to stop at the scene of the accident. This in itself is bad enough, but there was serious bodily injury, with one of the occupants being permanently disabled. Isn't this in itself grounds for arrest?
- 3) That Sheriff Tunnell used his influence to prevent both the Bay County Sheriff's office, and the Panama City Police Dept. from issuing an "all points" for him. Sheriff Tunnell was later located at home by the Florida Highway Patrol, and received only a ticket!
- 4) The occupants of the car that Sheriff Tunnell hit sued Bay County for an undisclosed (but probably substantial) amount. The Sheriff again used his influence to keep the amount of the settlement sealed and secret (it was never disclosed to the public).
- 5) The Sheriff's office used pressure to prevent the media from covering said event. There appeared only several short lines in an obscure part of the paper about the accident. TV and Radio, as far as I know, did not cover the story.
- 6) There had been an attempt by the public for many years to get a light at this intersection. Shortly after the accident, a light was then installed.

Another incident that reflects his inability as a leader deals with the Super Club Club LaVela on Panama City Beach. His department, acting on jail-house snitch tips (a known unreliable source), and after only a short investigation, raided this club several years ago, citing that it was a major source of drug distribution.

The Sheriff's Office then held several very high profile press conferences about what a great job that they were doing in stopping drug trafficking. During the raid, with the signatures of witness of more than ten people, several computers, and cash in excess of \$10,000 dollars was seized in the raid. When the club's owners attempted later to retrieve their assets after the case was dropped (it was a bad bust), the Sheriff's Office came up way short on both the cash and assets it had seized. Several Deputies and an Investigator were fired, but the bottom line is- the Sheriff is the one with overall responsibility, and he refused to take any blame for this fiasco, although he was intimately involved in its orchestration.

I now ask Governor Bush, is this the kind of individual that you want in the State's top law enforcement position?(FLDE Commissioner) If you would only have the Florida Attorney General's Office investigate in depth this information, I think you will find that it bears out a lot of truth.

Respectfully,

Chris Kimball

From: [Vincent Wolanin <Vincent.Wolanin@wolanin.com>](mailto:Vincent.Wolanin@wolanin.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 11:30:22 AM

Subject: Thank you

Thank you.

Hope all is well!

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From: [Long, Phil <PLong@herald.com>](mailto:PLong@herald.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 10:25:14 AM

Subject: FDLE

Governor,

I saw the AP story saying Tunnell is your choice for FDLE. Sure would like your confirmation for a story for tomorrow. Assuming it is true, what are his best strenghts for the job? What other factors made him the choice? Where do you expect him to take the FDLE in future years? Thanks for any help you could give on this.

Phil Long

Miami Herald

From: [Carr, Diane <Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us>](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 7:18:07 AM

Subject: Re: State mandatory class

Will do, Governor.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

From: Nanhrich1@aol.com <Nanhrich1@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 6:52:50 AM

Subject: Guardian ad Litem Executive Director

Dear Jeb:

I have contacted your office several times to find out when the committee will be appointed that will send you prospective names for your selection of the new Executive Director for the Statewide Guardian ad Litem office. I am concerned that because the committee has yet to be appointed we will be unable to meet the proposed October date for getting a Director on board.

The legislation calls for the program to be transferred in January. In order to accomplish a smooth transition, it is so important that the Director be appointed by you as soon as possible.

I know how important this program is to you. I would appreciate it if you would check into where your office is in the process and let me know.

Thank you so much.

Nan

From: [Traci Clemmer <traci@smartgirltechnologies.com>](mailto:traci@smartgirltechnologies.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 9:10:13 PM

Subject: Miami Demographic Analysis Workshop Announcement

Miami Demographic Analysis Workshop Announcement

The Local Demographic Analysis Workshop (LDAW)[™] was developed for human service providers, neighborhood activists, grant writers, planners or anyone who would like to easily look up and analyze basic demographic characteristics of a target population, neighborhood or city. This is a hands-on workshop where participants will learn to extract, query, download, analyze and present 2000 Census of Population and Housing, 2002 Census Supplemental Survey and American Community Survey data.

The content and exercises are customized for the city in which the workshop is taught. However, all techniques and methodologies are directly transferable to any other geography. Workshops are offered in most metropolitan cities including NYC, DC, Chicago and Boston.

Miami Workshop Details:

When: September 18th & 19th, 2003 (one day workshop)

Where: 6303 Blue Lagoon Dr., Ste. 350, Miami, FL 33126

Fee: \$225 for credit card at the time of sign up, \$249 regular price

How To Register: Visit www.smartgirltechnologies.com or call us toll free at 877-241-6576

OBJECTIVES

This is a basic, technical workshop that will teach you how to access, analyze, and present 2000/1990 Census (SF1, SF3, SF4), 2001 American Community Survey (ACS) and 2002 Census Supplemental data. Participants will:

- Learn the most efficient process to extract, query, download and analyze data from the American Factfinder website;
- Construct a Local Community Change Profile[™] for the city and Census tract within that city. The Profile is comprised of 30 key demographic variables;
- Learn analytical, demographic analysis techniques including commonly used mathematical formulas to transform raw data into compelling information and things you should know so as not be a dangerous analyst;
- Learn the strengths and weaknesses of the Census, ACS and Census Supplemental Surveys;
- Learn about the wide variety of variables available focusing on race and ethnicity, poverty, income, nationality, age, housing and population analysis;
- About Census geography including:
 - What to do when your target area boundaries don't fit Census boundaries;
 - Figuring out if your tract boundaries have changed between 1990 and 2000 and if so, what to do about it;
 - Demonstration of ArcExplorer, a free map browser produced by ESRI;
- Learn some techniques to present data in clear, compelling ways in terms of tabular and graphical data.

MATERIALS

Each participant will receive:

- An extensive work book with a copy of the LDAW[™] presentation,
- Demographic Data Resource CD[™] that includes:

» ArcExplorer, a free map browser produced by ESRI

» Computerized map files (shapefiles) that can be read by ArcExplorer that include:

- Census tracts (2000 & 1990) for all US counties
- County boundaries for all US counties
- City boundaries for all US cities
- Water boundaries for all US areas
- School District boundaries for all US counties

» Receive Information Activist™, a free quarterly e-letter highlighting new data rich websites and interesting social research

Former Participants' Comments:

King County, Washington, Public Health Department, Seattle 2003

"The workshop was absolutely fantastic. It was full of very useful information presented in a completely user-friendly way. The instructor was wonderful. Thank you very much."

Washington State Library, Seattle, WA 2002

"Very good, concise introduction/overview of demographic analysis using official census data. I really enjoyed the instruction, and would take more classes on a variety of subjects through Smartgirl if they were offered."

Action for Boston Community Development, Boston, MA 2002

"The materials were excellent and what I liked best about the course was that it was hands on. The class was very helpful and useful."

NYU Institute for Education and Social Policy, NYC 2003

"This workshop presented a clear and precise overview. It was very useful."

Smartgirl Technologies, the creator of the original "Local Demographic Analysis Workshop" is a social research company located in Portland, Oregon. For more information about the workshop, who we are and what we do, check out our website at www.smartgirltechnologies.com.

If do not want to receive further announcements, simply reply to this message with the word "remove" in the subject line. We will immediately remove you from the announcement list.

From: PBR0125@aol.com <PBR0125@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 3:50:13 AM

Subject: Re: Lets change it

But under the present law the parent that can not be found before a child is adopted, can hide out for 6 years and never be liable for any thing, because the statue allows only to go back a minium of 2 years. But one thing is for sure the stste is better off after you took office.

Thank You

From: [Marketing Edge <info@marketingedgeonline.com>](mailto:info@marketingedgeonline.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 4:07:33 AM

Subject: State Board of Education

Hello-

I hope you are well. Are you fighting off the computer virus? It's been terrible the last 3 days. I've received many for the City of Jacksonville and a few from the State government and many others.

I was so pleased to read that the State Board of Education signed on or endorsed presenting the opportunity to the voters to repeal the class size amendment. They are doing a good job. It was a good decision.

I know I may never get a chance to talk with you but I do appreciate the opportunity to correspond via e-mail.

I hope your weekend is a good one.

Regards,

Diane

Diane Leone

President

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Synergy@MarketingEdgeOnline.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: PBR0125@aol.com

Date: 8/23/2003 2:58:07 AM

Subject: RE: Lets change it

If child support is owed, the balance grows and grows notwithstanding if it is paid. You are correct that there are millions of dollars owed. Thankfully, we have reduced that outstanding balance significantly. There is much, much more to do.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: PBR0125@aol.com [mailto:PBR0125@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 12:17 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Lets change it

Governor

There is a glitch in the system that I know you can change. In this state if a dead beat parent hides out long enough they can get away with not paying back any child support. Yet the state still keeps rolling on supporting these kids. From what I hear we are talking millions and millions of dollars, dollars that this state can use. I personally went through a problem with the dead beat dad of two children we adopted, but because we were not able to serve him papers before the adoption was final he cannot be held accountable. This is so wrong. We did however locate the mother and she is now paying the back money thanks to your office. Hope to hear from you on this matter.

Jeri and Philip Reed

727-327-3509 home and office number

727-423-3786 cell

From: [Suzi Cottingham <suzicottingham@tnh.net>](mailto:suzicottingham@tnh.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 5:52:08 AM

Subject: Friends of Terri

If there is any chance that this girl can regain any sort of life then you could not, in good faith, close her down, medically.

Please stop and have a inside investagation on what happened to this girl!

From: [norma.perdue <roses34@bellsouth.net>](mailto:norma.perdue@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:30:34 PM

Subject: Peacock Pond/ Struzulla Tract/ Wellington Basin B. Section 34

Sir,

as you are aware I contacted your Office about two years ago, regards the above mentioned items. You had Benji Brumburg from DEP to come down to Wellington to see me, he worked for a little while on this , then nothing. as of today Peacock Pond was not restored, the Developer Glen Straub, who had placed against him by the water district fines of \$10,000.00 per day x five for five offenses, of which they found him guilty, has been rewarded by allowing him to Develop the Cleansing Marsh Retention Pond, which he destroyed, in addition to being allowed to develop Country Place PUD , which Peacock was to serve, at a very high density, he has been allowed to replace Peacock a 79 acre area, with a 7 acre lake, and the balance of his pollution to run off into Acme Drainage District C2 and C4 Canals, into non existing Littoral Zones. Acmes Canals are all old Ag, Drainage Ditches if you will recall. They never were built for the massive Development. In addition it has come to my attention that a former Governing Board Member Pat Gleeson, is lobbying the District, for Struzulla a 3000 acre pristine body of water, purchased with save our rivers money, to be dammed up, and flow the water south, which it already does, of course Pat Gleeson will be the top bidder, this is the type of work he does, In May I attended a workshop, held by the Army Corp, and the District, re: Wellingtons cleanup of their pollution of the Loxahatchee, it did not surprise me that the Corp and the District are now going to build their system and claim to pump it into the STA 1 E. Wellington was not a part of the SWIM Study and the C 51 Canal Project, they refused, saying they had their own plans for Basin B. which pumps into the Loxahatchee, through Pumps 1 and 2. They claim they have no money, yet their spending millions, and floating Bonds to build yet more parks and recreation. it seems to me and others who have fought this battle for yrs, they need to clean up their current mess, before adding more. Last evening I received a phone call from an activist in Palm Beach county, they had been in a meeting with Terri Bates of the water district all afternoon section 34 in Wellingtons Basin, on which a 249 acre cleansing marsh retention pond was supposed to be built, now the District and the EPA and DEP is going to allow the Developer to build 117 5 acres tracts, with a large expensive house with a pool and tennis court on each, a barn that will house 25 horses each and a grooms quarters which will house 8 to 10 people, this equates to 2000 horses and about 4000 lbs of manure per day, no cleansing marshes, all going to the non existant littoral zones, in swales with grass, from there to the c 7 canal and straight into the Loxahatchee through Acmes Pump 2, they do not even have to adhere to the 10 ppb, they are going in at 38, which will equate to between 110 and could go as high as 400ppb. depending on conditions. The District is blocking itself in, if offenses occur and they will, just as with Peacock, there will be no land to correct the problem. Sir I cannot believe that the Taxpayers are being taxed to subsidise the wealthy developers in Palm Bch County, Wellington, It is wrong both morally and probably legally. Your Office needs to address this matter. By the way, I m concerned about the story of the Powerful 100 wanting to now grab Marion Cty. and Sumter Cty. water in order to continue to build, GREED is the driving force, as far as I'm concerned the Water District in South FL has not done their job. they simply do not know how to say no. I know who many of this 100 group is, their part of the problem with the Everglades, not the solution. This matter could have serious consequences for your office and the Elections next year. Water knows no Party Politics nor does the Everglades, and this will pull the people together in this State like nothing else has done. My ph. ac352 489 0539

From: Gatorpmac@aol.com <Gatorpmac@aol.com>

To: jeb@jeb.org.

Date: 8/23/2003 2:02:47 AM

Subject: Fwd: To Ms. Calamas/Florida Supreme Court denies appeal of disabled woman/facts

Attachments: Fwd: To Ms. Calamas/Florida Supreme Court denies appeal of disabled woman/facts



From: Gatorpmac@aol.com <Gatorpmac@aol.com>

To: Jeb@Jeb

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Subject: Fwd: To Ms. Calamas/Florida Supreme Court denies appeal of disabled woman/facts

Attachments: To Ms. Calamas/Florida Supreme Court denies appeal of disabled woman/facts

Jeb,

Terri's stay runs out on Monday, please help her. You were sworn to uphold the Constitution, which guarantees the right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, even for the disabled. God Bless you. You are a great Governor.

Mrs. P. Ted McGowan

From: Gatorpmac@aol.com <Gatorpmac@aol.com>
To: Christa.Calamas@MyFlorida.com
Date: 8/23/2003 1:47:19 AM
Subject: To Ms. Calamas/Florida Supreme Court denies appeal of disabled woman/facts

Dear Ms. Calamas,

I received your response from Ms. Rodriguez this afternoon. Since you mention this case is in active litigation, you must have written before you heard the news about the Florida Supreme Court refusing to hear the case of Terri Schiavo's appeal. Terri's stay runs out on Monday.

I am very wary when someone states.."this is a very difficult case." It is a gross misstatement to say there are "family members in a protracted dispute," and is frustrating to hear you describe the Schindler's in this manner.

There is, "an estranged son-in-law", however, who has been living with another woman since 1995, and has conceived a baby with her, he is the "legal spouse and guardian." **Guardian-** a person who guards, protects, takes care of." There is a conflict of interest here.

No therapy, no stimulation, confined to a bed, relegated to a home for the dying, being denied the sacraments and visits by her favorite priest, the normal course of care for a beloved relative, right? Repeated civil rights violations, and the DCF failing to protect her. These are facts.

Terri's **family** are in complete agreement (her mother, her father, her sister, her brother) The word family is a uni-plural noun. Michael Schiavo's parents are dead, and they had no children) Therefore, one shouldn't describe one man, as multiple persons. It sounds misleading.

All of that is irrelevant as to whether Terri's civil rights have been violated by the Florida Statutes, which clearly they have.

Does the Governor's office believe it is o.k. to put a citizen who deserves rehabilitative therapy to be put "out to pasture" in a Hospice? **Hospice-** "a homelike facility to provide care for the terminally ill and dying." She is not in a Persistent Vegetative State under the legal definition in Florida. Also, please look at the bone scan, do you normally have spine and neck trauma when you faint?

Terri has been alive for 13 years, **she is neither terminally ill nor dying**. You can't even murder a dog that way, starving one to death.

This case is not difficult, on the contrary, it is very transparent.

Since Judge Greer is resolved on removing Terri's feeding tube, and the Florida Supreme Court, has declined to hear the case, **that leaves our Governor.**

Let me ask you a question to consider. If you had a relative that you loved, would you accept the (medical and moral) opinion of hearsay from an estranged family member and a circuit judge, or the 13 medical doctors, a renowned speech pathologist, the entire Catholic Medical Association, and 2 Prominent Moral Theologians who have examined this case? (You can throw the Pope and Mother Teresa in there too.)

I would hate to think that the first case of Euthanasia would take place in Florida, on a disabled woman, under the watch of a twice elected Republican Governor, who is admired for his character.

Jeb has already intervened (and rightly so) on behalf of a mentally slow person who conceived a baby in a rape case. Why shouldn't he intervene on behalf of a brain damaged woman who was most likely a victim of domestic violence?

Before any additional trauma is inflicted on Mrs. Schiavo, I would respectfully ask that the state do an investigation into the possibility of domestic violence, and jointly, replace Michael Schiavo as her guardian.

If she is deprived of food and water, surely she will die, and the evidence in this case goes in the ground when she does.

The State of Florida cannot and should not allow this to happen. This is frightfully reminiscent of Nazi, Germany, and you have to ask yourself why anyone would not allow someone's parents to take charge under the circumstances.

"A harm by omission is voluntary, **if it was both possible and necessary for the agent to act and he did not**" **St. Thomas Aquinas**

I hope that the Governor goes with his gut instinct and doesn't listen to anyone who would advise him to stay out of it. The citizens of Florida are counting on him to act.

Thank You very much for your reply, and words of consolation for Teresa Schiavo's well-being, please convey my thoughts to Ms. Rodriguez as well.

Mrs. P. Ted McGowan, Jacksonville, Florida
August 22, 2003

From: [Charlie Crist <ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/23/2003 12:52:44 AM

Subject: Re: Capital Update

Governor,

Enjoy your weekend! Thanks again for your time this week. Your Friend,
Charlie

----- Original Message -----

From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

To: <Weiler>; "John" <jweiler@harris.com>

Cc: <BergerW@eog.state.fl.us>; <charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us>

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 7:40 PM

Subject: RE: Capital Update

> John, I share your frustrations. I don't think it is a problem of the
> AG's office. The only death warrants that I sign these days are for
> "volunteers". The system is not working and it breaks my heart. I hope
> you are doing well.

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> Jeb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Weiler, John [mailto:jweiler@harris.com]

> Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:04 PM

> To: 'Wendy Hallowell'

> Cc: Jeb Bush

> Subject: RE: Capital Update

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> Hi Wendy,

> Thank you for the update I am sure all the victims appreciate your hard
> work. Yes my case was concluded, with the execution of Tiny Davis, and
> yes it did help me and every member of my family....it was a blessed
> relief to know that we had done our duty to our departed relatives to
> assure justice was served.

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> For many many families there are still hundreds of people on death row
> who should have had the sentence of execution carried out long ago so
> they can enjoy the relief they deserve. I am very happy that governor
> Bush continues to sign death warrants, I am not happy that the attorney
> General and staff is not assuring more warrants get on his desk. It is
> not unreasonable to expect 50 warrants to get to his desk and 12 result

> in execution in the next 12 months.

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> What can we the victims do to help reach this goal? It appears the only

> resort left is to make a media focus of the failure to promptly process

> these criminals through the system. What say you?

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> Best Regards.....John

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Wendy Hallowell [mailto:Wendy_Hallowell@oag.state.fl.us]

> Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 4:49 PM

> To: Wendy Hallowell

> Subject: Capital Update

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> Hello everyone,

>

> I hope this email finds you all well. It has been a while since I've

> given you an update so I thought I'd give you a brief overview of what's

> happening in our office.

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> So far this year, there have been two executions, Amos King (2/26/03)

> and Newton Slawson (5/16/03). King brutally raped and killed an elderly

> lady in her Tarpon Springs home which he then set on fire. He then

> viciously stabbed a corrections officer who did survive the attack.

> Slawson killed an entire Tampa family, mother, father and two toddlers.

> The mother was 8 months pregnant at the time and the unborn baby was

> also killed.

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> There is an execution set for Paul Hill who planned and carried out the

> killing of a doctor and his escort at a Pensacola women's center. The

> doctor's escort's wife was also shot but survived. His execution is set

> for Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003. In the last executions the defense used

> the tactic of claiming (at the "eleventh hour") their clients are

> incompetent to be executed. By current Florida law, if such a claim is

> made, the Governor MUST issue a temporary stay of execution and reset

> the execution time. Three doctors are assigned to examine the inmate

> and, assuming he is ruled to be competent, the execution can be reset

> immediately following the competency evaluation results.

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> The ruling handed down from the United States Supreme Court (Ring) has

> not adversely impacted our cases. Even though the media fanned the

> fire, it has not caused much more than a slight delay and more money the

> State has to pay to litigate the issue. Because the issue has not

> presented an impact to our cases, we have not done notification. The

> issues have been raised, heard and ruled upon fairly quickly.

>
> That's about it for now, I also want to let you know that I will be on
> vacation from August 13 through August 22. I am visiting Jackson Hole,
> Wyoming and plan to do some hiking (the hiking was not my idea) and
> visiting Yellowstone National Park. I am just hoping that I don't come
> face to face with a grizzly!
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> If you have any questions about this email or your particular case, just
> let me know and I will research it and respond when I return.
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> Take care and God Bless,
> Wendy
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> Please note that Florida has a broad public records law, and that all
> correspondence to me via email may be subject to disclosure.
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From: BobKellyJr@aol.com <BobKellyJr@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 12:51:22 AM

Subject: Frank A. Shepherd

Dear Governor Jeb Bush:

I congratulate your selection of Frank Shepherd to the Third District Court of Appeal . Frank Shepherd will make a great judge . He will serve the citizens of Florida with honor and distinction .

Sincerely ,

Robert ("Bob") T. Kelly, Jr.

From: [Dinah Pulver <dinah.pulver@news-jrnl.com>](mailto:dinah.pulver@news-jrnl.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 12:33:19 AM

Subject: DeLeon Springs

Did you get your questions answered about that 7.2 acres next to DeLeon Springs? Do you think you'll vote to approve on Tuesday?

Thanks,
Dinah

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From: [Ann Rowe <annrowe64@hotmail.com>](mailto:annrowe64@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 12:13:35 AM

Subject: Barracudas Press Release

Attachments: Barracudas WHA2 Press Release.doc

Dear Governor,

I thought you would find this press release most interesting. As an extra-curricular activity this past season I was an unpaid writer for Just Hockey Magazine, which is dedicated to the coverage of professional minor-league hockey throughout the U.S. (I love the game at any level, and wanted to hone my writing skills). My "beat" was covering / writing articles about players for the Jacksonville Barracudas, and I continue to receive their press releases during the off-season.

As you can see, they are gearing up for the 2003-04 season, and have decided to reward students in the state that receive good grades with tickets to their games. Many students love the game of hockey, and there are alot that may be introduced to the game through this initiative. Aside from that, many of the hockey players in Florida visit area schools to read to children and talk to them about setting good life goals, and how important it is to stay in school to learn all they can to excel in life.

I am hoping someday we will be able to bring a hockey team back to Tallahassee, so that we could offer the same type of program here.

Best Regards,

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>For Immediate Release

>

>August 18, 2003

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>BARRACUDAS & WHA2 INTRODUCES "GRADES FOR BLADES"

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>Celebration, FL - The Jacksonville Barracudas and the World Hockey

>Association 2 (WHA2) announced today that they will be making "Grades for

>Blades” part of the league curriculum this season and will be putting
>students to the test.

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>Students will be able to bring in their report cards with an “A” in any
>subject to receive a free ticket to any WHA2 game as a reward for their
>hard
>work and dedication.

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>The Alabama Slammers, Jacksonville Barracudas, Lakeland Loggerheads, Macon
>Trax, Miami Manatees, and Orlando Seals have all committed to helping
>students in their area excel by embracing the “Grades for Blades” program.

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>“We just want to support all the children that are so dedicated to their
>schoolwork,” CEO and Co-founder David Waronker said, adding that attendance
>will also be recognized in the program.

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>“The children will have the opportunity to present their perfect attendance
>record as well in exchange for a ticket. We want to support not just the
>students that make the A’s, but also the ones that try hard and still seem
>to fall a little short.”

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>Waronker said that he had difficulty in school growing up. “I struggled,
>and I sympathize with the kids that never miss a day, but still can’t get
>the A’s. In that way, we want to also recognize the students that have
>perfect attendance and go every day no matter how difficult school may be
>for them.”

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>Lakeland Loggerheads General Manager/Coach Rick Ladouceur presented the
>idea
>to the league and all member teams unanimously voted to adopt the program.

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>“We want to support our communities and reward students for achieving
>excellence in either grades or in their commitment to perfect attendance.”
>Ladouceur said.

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>The Barracudas will play a 21-week, 60 game schedule beginning on the road
>November 7, 2003 against the Alabama Slammers. The Barracudas home opener
>is November 28, 2003 vs. Miami Manatees in the brand new 16,000 seat
>Veterans Memorial Arena.

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From: [Snook Nook <henry@snooknook.net>](mailto:henry@snooknook.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/23/2003 12:17:55 AM

Subject: Fw: Sick Snook I guess it started again???

THIS IS WHAT YOU DID NOT ASK COKER ABOUT
THIS IS WHAT THE PEOPLE OF MARTIN COUNTY GET....
TO BAD THE FISH DON'T HAVE MONEY TO CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR
POLITICAL COFFERS.....WHY DOES CLEAN WATER HAVE TO BE A POLITICAL ISSUE....

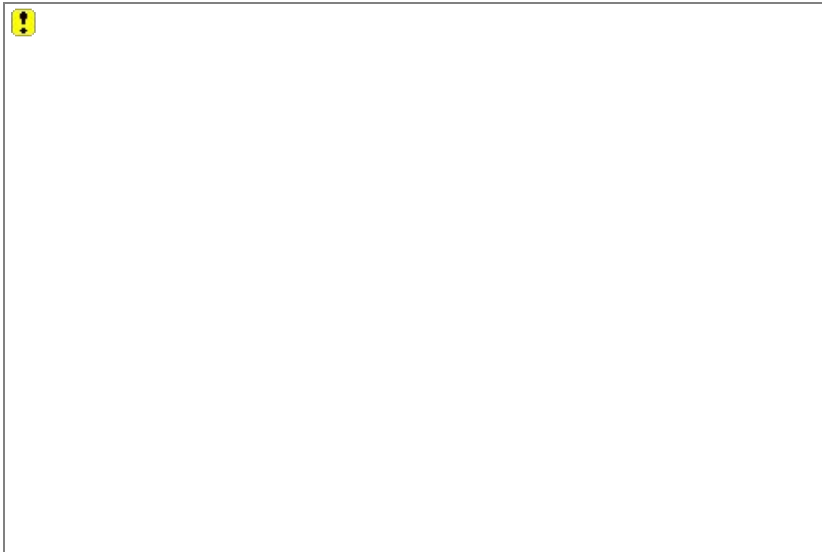
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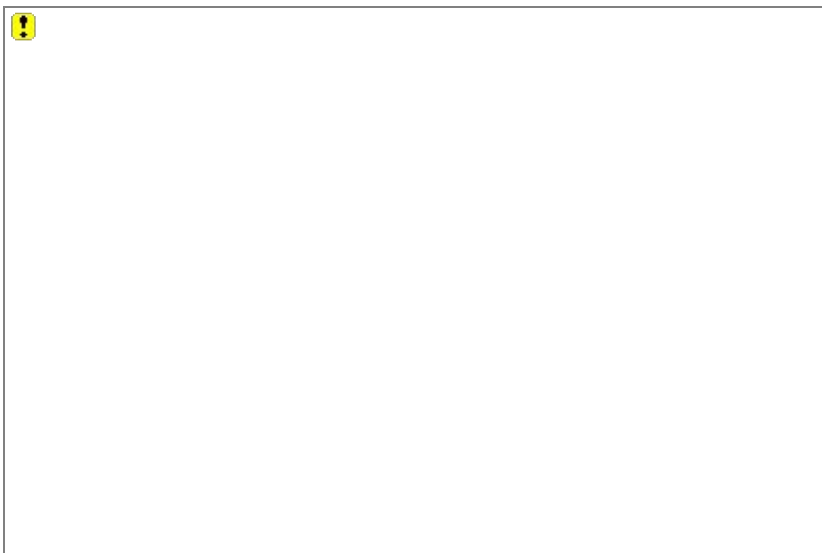
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Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 2:19 PM

Subject: Sick Snook I guess it started again???



top picture 8 pound snook look at the tail it had a couple of sores on both sides of the body but it wasn't bleeding



bottom picture 38 inch 12 pound has tail all split up like other picture but this fish was bleeding a lot on both sides it had opening's in the skin and was bleeding a lot. Today I caught about 30 snook to 25 pounds I only took a couple out of the water for a picture after seeing these I didn't want to touch any more I guess it started again, Harry

From:
To: [Patrick T. Christiansen](mailto:Patrick.T.Christiansen)
Date: 8/23/2003 12:14:45 AM
Subject: RE: Sean Christiansen

Thanks you Pat. Have a great weekend.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Patrick T. Christiansen [mailto:PChristiansen@Akerman.com]
Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 2:54 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Sean Christiansen

Jeb,

I do not know if Sean (my son) ever sent you his resume, but when we spoke last week, I thought I would send it to you. Even discount the proud father factor, Sean is do well in the hydrogen/energy field.

Just thought you would like to see what he has been doing.

Thanks.

Pat

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From: [Thomas J Barry <barrypatch8@juno.com>](mailto:barrypatch8@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 10:34:19 PM

Subject: Will a good man do nothing?

Dear Governor Bush,

If you make the time to personally read this letter in favor of a commutation of the death-by-dehydration order on the innocent person named Therese Schindler-Schiavo, then you may be swayed to at least issue a stay on that heinous act until all doubt is removed in your mind as to its morality and justice. A public act of such profound pro-life vs culture-of-death mentality would not only enhance your already respected standing in the eyes of the people of Florida (and the nation, as well), but would also clearly signal to the people of Florida that they truly have a governor who is a servant of all the innocent people here, most especially the weak or vulnerable - such as the handicapped and the elderly...

On the purely legal level, there is much to question regarding this case: How can a person who has blatantly violated many of the protective state statues pertaining to guardianship be permitted to singularly decree the termination of his ward and thus, his responsibilities.? Is it not the duty of the state to ensure the quality of care when so delegating for incapacitated wards? If the state does not enforce its statutes, for what purpose do they exist? Why has the state refused to intervene while Mrs Schiavo continues to be abused and neglected? Is it even humane that she be denied therapy, music, flowers, pictures of her family, spiritual consolation, visitors who love and help her; i.e. any stimulation to possibly assist her quality of life? What is going on here?? Is this the United States of America where all have certain inalienable rights? Why do we have justices on the Supreme Court of the state of Florida who are so grossly lacking in moral courage that today they have denied to hear the appeal of Mrs. Schiavo's family members and thus are neglecting to order a stay on the immanent death-by-dehydration order on one of Florida's helpless citizens?

As the current governor of the state of Florida, it falls to you now, Governor Bush, and to your conscience, to exercise that power and care entrusted to you by the voters of our fine state. I urge you not to fail to act on behalf of one of our own.

Very respectfully,
Thomas J. Barry
Captain, USN (Ret.)

From: [Melton, Harold <HMelton@gov.state.ga.us>](mailto:HMelton@gov.state.ga.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

[Heidi Hughes \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 9:39:23 PM

Subject:

Attachments: 08.22.03 Letter to Gov. Bush.pdf

Please find the attached letter from Governors Riley and Perdue.

[<mailto:abragg@gov.state.ga.us>](mailto:abragg@gov.state.ga.us)

From: amaloof@gjb-law.com <amaloof@gjb-law.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 9:36:40 PM

Subject: Chief of Staff

Jeb,
Can you tell me who you are considering?

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From: Bousquet@sptimes.com <Bousquet@sptimes.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 9:22:34 PM

Subject: Parole Commission vacancy

Dear Governor,

Regarding the vacancy on the Parole Commission, would it be possible to have a brief conversation Monday about the qualifications of Tena Pate and Robert Woody? If not, I'd like to ask in this format if you can offer any thought as to your preference for this position. Thanks very much.

Steve Bousquet
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From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 8:56:17 PM

Subject: Class Size Amendment

Dear Governor Bush:

What can we do on a grassroots level to get the class size amendment repealed? I didn't vote for it and I think most people wouldn't have voted for it if they had known all the facts.

By the way, are you going to drop in on the Reading Coach Conference next week in Tallahassee? I'll wave if I see you there.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Stephens

From: [Suzi Harper <suzify@gate.net>](mailto:suzify@gate.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 8:41:12 PM

Subject: FW: Can you help a child?

Thought you maybe able to pass this email on to someone who could help with this situation.

-----Original Message-----

From: MagnessTLC@cs.com [mailto:MagnessTLC@cs.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 11:02 AM

To: MagnessTLC@cs.com

Subject: Can you help a child?

To All Churches, Civic Organizations, Schools and Concerned Parties,

TLC has just had requests to house a single 3 1/2 year old little boy (fetal alcohol) with special needs (Mom wants to get into a drug rehab program), a sibling group of two - 1 1/2 and 5 years (Mom has two jobs and can't care for the children, too - grandparents are simply burnt out and can't help any more), and we have had a request as of last evening for a sibling group of 5, New born (5 weeks), 2, 4, 9 and 12. Mom has been kicked out of her last friend's home and needs to find a home for her children because people will house her, but not her kids. (We are full in the TLC home and these requests came to us within the past 5 days.)

SO...HOW CAN YOU HELP? Become a TLC Foster Parent. TLC has established a new foster parent program which I would appreciate you getting the word out to your congregation for me. Please feel free to rewrite, place a notice in your bulletin or pass this on to anyone that may be able to help. Background checks and drug testing will be a requirement for any foster parents wanting to take TLC children.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reply or call at your earliest convenience.

Ms. Sherry Magness

(Just someone who loves children)

Tender Loving Care Complex, Inc.

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From: Stipanovich_Coleman@fsba.state.fl.us <Stipanovich_Coleman@fsba.state.fl.us>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 8:27:39 PM

Subject: P.S.

FYI--I mentioned in my earlier email that this settlement was possibly the "largest non-accounting accounting securities fraud" case in US history. It is also worth mentioning that this settlement is also in the "top five securities fraud" class actions ever in the US.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lynn Lustig'](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 8:26:57 PM

Subject: RE: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON

Thank you Stan!

-----Original Message-----

From: Lynn Lustig [mailto:Lynn@tkoapparel.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 12:34 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON

Friday, August 22, 2003

Dear Jeb:

To wrap up the Ms. Whittington matter, I am pleased to advise you that the Florida Prepaid College Program office in Tallahassee received a check from Ms. Whittington, in a sum sufficient to bring the accounts of her two children on a current basis, with the premiums paid through the current month of August 2003.

As best as we are able, we will monitor the accounts. If the accounts fall into arrears again, I will be so notified, and then, of course, I will notify you.

Cordially,

Stanley G. Tate

Chairman

Florida Prepaid College Board

From: [Dinah P <dinahpulver@hotmail.com>](mailto:dinahpulver@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 8:14:09 PM

Subject: Class size amendment

I know you're not a big fan of smart aleck e-mails from mouthy journalists but ... if the other parents in Florida have students like mine, one of 34 in a class of fourth graders in the second week of school, I don't see how they're going to vote to repeal the class-size amendment. It is a horrible situation. I know the fault lies with our local officials and rest assured I harangue them every opportunity I get! But nothing changes....

A class of more than 30 is not the same as a class of 30 when we were young. The kids are mouthier, more hyper, harder to deal with and the teachers have much more to deal with.

Enter for your chance to IM with Bon Jovi, Seal, Bow Wow, or Mary J Blige using MSN Messenger <http://www.msnmessenger-download.com/imastar>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'HTSMITHPA@aol.com'

Date: 8/22/2003 8:25:56 PM

Subject: RE: appointment of shirlyon mc whorter

thank you HT. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: HTSMITHPA@aol.com [mailto:HTSMITHPA@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 7:27 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: appointment of shirlyon mc whorter

governor,

it is indeed a delight for me to commend you for wisely choosing shirlyon mc whorter for appointment to serve as a judge on the county court in miami-dade county. ms. mc whorter has the integrity, experience, judgment, temperament, and work ethic necessary to become an outstanding judge. ms. mc whorter has also served this community well working with young people and serving as a positive role model.

in my considered judgment, ms. mc whorter will improve the administration of justice, elevate respect for our courts, and bring greater dignity to the bench.

best regards,
ht smith

From: [Judith Oman <joman@rdoman.com>](mailto:joman@rdoman.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 8:04:07 PM

Subject: Terri Schaivo

Dear Governor:

Even the national TV news programs (O'Reilly, Hannity & Combs) say that Terri Schaivo deserves the opportunity to live and try to improve her condition.

Since she is not a criminal but a victim, how can the Florida Courts condemn her to death by allowing her feeding tube to be removed? This is not the State protecting its weakest citizen from harm. This is the State acting as an executioner. Where is that activity spelled out in either the State constitution or the U.S. constitution?

Step into this mess and allow her parents to do whatever they can do, want to do, or can afford to do to help their daughter. Then ask authorities to investigate whether or not actions of her husband led to Terri's being in this condition. Thank you.

Judith F. Oman
St. Petersburg, FL

From: Donegan939@aol.com <Donegan939@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 7:39:57 PM

Subject: Bill Donegan

Governor Bush,

I left a message asking if you could call me today. I know how busy you are and I would not call if it were not important.

It concerns the next Cabinet meeting.

My home number is 407-629-5606

My cell number is 321-662-7239

If you can't call today or the weekend I will be at the PA office Monday, 407-836-5911. Kent Perez knows the issue but the Property Appraiser association ask if I would make a call to you personally.

Bill Donegan

Orange County Property Appraiser

From: [Jennifer Dismore <jdismore@legalaid.org>](mailto:jdismore@legalaid.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 7:17:14 PM

Subject: Petition for Declaratory Statement on NBHD

Attachments: Final Petition for Dec. Stat on NBHD.wpd

Governor - Sharon Bourassa asked that I send this to you.

Final Petition for Dec. Stat on NBHD

<<Final Petition for Dec. Stat on NBHD.wpd>>

From: [Terry Griffin <tgriffin@griflaw.com>](mailto:tgriffin@griflaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 7:26:54 PM

Subject: Judge Alva

Governor, I understand you have appointed Marlene Alva to the Circuit bench in Seminole County. I appreciate your allowing me to have some input. I think this will prove to be a great appointment. It was good to see you last week. If I can ever be of assistance to you in Central Fla, let me know.

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From: LHandf2802@aol.com <LHandf2802@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 7:08:08 PM

Subject: Appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter

Governor Bush:

It is with great pleasure that I applaud you on your recent appointment of Attorney Shirlyon McWhorter to the County Court bench. Like you, I am certain and assured that Ms. McWhorter will regard this position in high esteem, as she is known as a member of the Bar who is above reproach.

Ms. McWhorter will ensure that the proceedings that take place under her watch are impartial and fair, and will perform her judicial duties with an elevated level of professionalism. Once again, I commend you for your appointment of Shirlyon McWhorter.

Respectfully,

Larry Handfield

From: [Patrick T. Christiansen <PChristiansen@Akerman.com>](mailto:PChristiansen@Akerman.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 6:53:45 PM

Subject: Sean Christiansen

Attachments: OR589119.DOC

Jeb,

I do not know if Sean (my son) ever sent you his resume, but when we spoke last week, I thought I would send it to you. Even discount the proud father factor, Sean is do well in the hydrogen/energy field.

Just thought you would like to see what he has been doing.

Thanks.

Pat

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Hoyagail@aol.com

Date: 8/22/2003 6:47:02 PM

Subject: RE: Judges--Shirilyon McWhorter

[Thank you Marcia! Sonic or Whataburger?](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Hoyagail@aol.com [mailto:Hoyagail@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 8:49 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Judges--Shirilyon McWhorter

I wanted to take an opportunity to commend you on the appointment of Ms. McWhorter to a county court judgeship. She will serve the community well, as she has in all of her other activities.

I am also personally proud of the fact that the judiciary in this part of Florida is becoming more diverse and reflective of the community. This appointment, as others, are great steps for Miami-Dade county's legal community. Thank you for your commitment to bringing continued diversity to state government, including the judiciary.

As a personal aside: I talked to Laura a couple of times. She seems to be adjusting to life in the big city well. She has conquered the subway system. However, she noted there was not one Sonic Burger place in metro-DC, at least not yet. I am certain as more Tally transplants move near the beltway, the demand for such a chic burger joint will be heard and it will be only a matter of time before the chain makes a move north.

Take care. Hope all is well.

Marcia.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Hoyagail@aol.com

Date: 8/22/2003 6:43:55 PM

Subject: RE: Information

PUt me down as a strong supporter.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Hoyagail@aol.com [mailto:Hoyagail@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 9:36 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Information

Governor,

I just wanted to let you know that I have applied for the federal judge vacancy left, due to the death of Judge Ferguson. The applications were due last Friday. I mailed my application to the committee a few days earlier. I have not yet heard if I made the cut for an interview. I will keep you posted.

I did want to let you know that I did list you as a job and personal reference, given my time in Tallahassee. I hope I wasn't too presumptuous. I do appreciate your continued support and guidance, in this, and other matters.

Thank you,

Marcia, the former sheriff.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: EileenR414@aol.com

Date: 8/22/2003 6:41:33 PM

Subject: RE: Thank you!

[you are most welcome.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: EileenR414@aol.com [mailto:EileenR414@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 11:28 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you!

Dear Governor Bush,

In behalf of my husband and myself, we want to thank you for the no smoking in restaurants law. Second hand smoke was making me sick everytime I went into a restaurant. It is a pleasure to be able to sit anywhere in a restaurant, and be able to taste and enjoy the food.

Sincerely,

Eileen Roth

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Chuck Laser](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 6:33:28 PM

Subject: RE: Hello Jeb

thank you Chuck.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Chuck Laser [mailto:claser@comcast.net]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 9:41 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Hello Jeb

Hello Jab, I am in 100% agreement with you about appointing a guardian for the fetus of the 22 year old girl. I was guardian for years for a Down Syndrome boy (man as he lived into his 60's) and while he could not talk and had the other afflictions he was a beautiful person inside. It is not our prerogative to abort children. That child may be the next Edison, Madam Currie or Pasteur etc. etc. Every life is precious in one way or another. I am so proud of you both as Governor, a wonderful human being and a friend. Best to you always, Chuck

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Karen Kellams \(KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/22/2003 6:29:57 PM

Subject: FW: permission

-----Original Message-----

From: Ssnrss1@aol.com [mailto:Ssnrss1@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 9:49 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: permission

I, Susan A. Ross, SSN 138-48-0456, DOB 09/15/1952, do hereby give Gov. Jeb Bush permission to investigate and speak to anyone necessary in order to resolve my child support check issues. The Case Number is 03-0000531DR. The other party is Wayne H. Pear SSN 148-42-4525 DOB 10/15/1959. The Case Number in NJ is CS61525956A.

Susan A. Ross

38430 12th Avenue

Zephyrhills, FL 33542

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Ray Valdes](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 6:23:20 PM

Subject: RE: Consideration

Thank you Ray. I love your email address.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Ray Valdes [mailto:republicanray@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 12:20 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Consideration

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Good luck. I know it will be a tough decision to pick another top notch person.

Ray Valdes

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: PBR0125@aol.com
CC: [Karen Kellams \(KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)
BCC: [Kathleen Shanahan \(kathleen@jeb.org\)](mailto:kathleen@jeb.org)
[Jim Zingale \(zingalej@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:zingalej@dor.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/22/2003 6:21:36 PM
Subject: RE: Thank You For your help

Thank you for writing about Karen. She does fine work.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: PBR0125@aol.com [mailto:PBR0125@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 12:03 PM
To: Jeb Bush
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Jeri and Philip Reed

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Diane Carr Secretary \(Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/22/2003 6:20:38 PM

Subject: FW: State mandatory class

Please get a response.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: PBR0125@aol.com [mailto:PBR0125@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 12:28 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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You see, Our company would like to teach the States version of the restaurant employee and managers handling course. We are not asking the state to pay us to do this we have over 400 clients that need the class and we just want access to teach it. I would like to now, get an appointment to meet with the director if possible there in Tallahassee if I can get a return call. Once again we just want to be able to follow through on your goal of privatizing state government and are not asking the state for a contract, money or anything else just the opportunity to advance our company, with the opportunity that has been laid in our laps. We are a small Corporations that has grown to teaching all over the state, We just want to continue to grow, and we cant if we cannot get access to important teaching material. Any help would be greatly appericiated.

JSR Training Inc

1944 49th street south

St Petersburg Florida 33707

727-327-3509

727-439-0164 cell

Jeri Reed President

From: [Glen Gott <GGOTT@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:GGOTT@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 5:53:09 PM

Subject: inmates

Dear Governor Bush

I am a state certified citizen volunteer with Kairos and I just received the following email from Jim Winter from Kairos Horizons and was wondering if you could give us some ideas on a way to proceed on a course that will succeed in this area.

Also while "I have your ear" I was wondering if any of that \$65 M appropriation is going to be used for programs to help released inmates become useful productive citizens again or only to build new prisons to warehouse them when they re-offend because they weren't equipped to re-enter society and get sent back to prison?

This may not be true but a lot of the people that I know and that vote think that a very large percentage of that money is going to "line the pockets" of a few people (including interests that you have) and the rest of it will build minimum type boxes to store throwaways.

In the opinion of MANY of the volunteers that I know the prison system DESPERATELY needs to be looked into for TERRIBLE abuses that are only going to insure recidivism.

THE EMAIL:

Dear Friends,

The Daytona Beach News Journal had an article entitled, "Untreated and Released", in the Sunday, August 17, 2003 edition. It was a very comprehensive article about an inmate, John Ferron, that was released from Tomoka with hepatitis C and was HIV Positive. It's the story of his struggle with transitioning back into society and his difficulty in dealing with social services and health care organizations. This is a typical situation of released inmates trying to make it on the outside. The article was written by Audrey Parente, a staff writer for the News Journal. She has written several articles about Tomoka CI and is very familiar with this subject.

This struggle of ex-offenders concerns me a lot because I am associated with both sides of transition equation. I see many very concerned inmates about to be released with no plan, sometimes in need of medical attention, no place to go, looking for answers and very apprehensive about walking out the gate into the free world. I also know many social service agencies, churches and individuals who want to help put these inmates on their feet and see them successfully make it on the outside. But, what I don't see happening is a coordinated effort at the local level to provide the best possible opportunity for an inmate to successfully make the transition back into society.

To help address this issue, I am trying to interest Audrey Parente to start actions in motion through the News Journal to address this "gray" area of transition. There are many agencies and people who are working the problem, but not in a coordinated fashion to maximize the potential available for the ex-offender. Often, these ex-offenders are on the verge of failure because they don't know who or how to make that "one" call that could keep them from running "in the ditch" again with a job, law enforcement, health, living accommodations, etc. The federal and state governments have recognized this problem and are "working the problem" in a larger scale that may eventually filter down to our area. But, in the mean time, we can do something on our own by combining our efforts through better liaison between the many government and private social, medical, employment, agencies, religious groups, law enforcement, judicial agencies to focus scarce resources to help our "brothers in blue".

HERE IS HOW YOU CAN HELP. Send me information on any church, individual or government agency you know of that helps in the transition process. I am compiling this info to develop a plan to streamline and combine the efforts to successfully transition the ex-offenders back into a productive lifestyle within our community.

IF YOU WANT TO FURTHER HELP WORK THIS ISSUE, LET ME KNOW. I WOULD WELCOME YOUR PARTNERSHIP.

James W. Winter

Community Resource Manager

Kairos Horizon Prison Communities

From: [Lynn Lustig <Lynn@tkoapparel.com>](mailto:Lynn.Lustig@tkoapparel.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 4:33:32 PM

Subject: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON

Friday, August 22, 2003

Dear Jeb:

To wrap up the Ms. Whittington matter, I am pleased to advise you that the Florida Prepaid College Program office in Tallahassee received a check from Ms. Whittington, in a sum sufficient to bring the accounts of her two children on a current basis, with the premiums paid through the current month of August 2003.

As best as we are able, we will monitor the accounts. If the accounts fall into arrears again, I will be so notified, and then, of course, I will notify you.

Cordially,

Stanley G. Tate
Chairman
Florida Prepaid College Board

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Ray Valdes <republicanray@yahoo.com>](mailto:republicanray@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: PBR0125@aol.com <PBR0125@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 4:17:03 PM

Subject: Lets change it

Governor

There is a glitch in the system that I know you can change. In this state if a dead beat parent hides out long enough they can get away with not paying back any child support. Yet the state still keeps rolling on supporting these kids. From what I hear we are talking millions and millions of dollars, dollars that this state can use. I personally went through a problem with the dead beat dad of two children we adopted, but because we were not able to serve him papers before the adoption was final he cannot be held accountable. This is so wrong. We did however locate the mother and she is now paying the back money thanks to your office. Hope to hear from you on this matter.

Jeri and Philip Reed

727-327-3509 home and office number

727-423-3786 cell

From: PBR0125@aol.com <PBR0125@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 4:03:19 PM

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Jeri and Philip Reed

From: EileenR414@aol.com <EileenR414@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 3:28:22 PM

Subject: Thank you!

Dear Governor Bush,

In behalf of my husband and myself, we want to thank you for the no smoking in restaurants law. Second hand smoke was making me sick everytime I went into a restaurant. It is a pleasure to be able to sit anywhere in a restaurant, and be able to taste and enjoy the food.

Sincerely,

Eileen Roth

From: [Bayard Waring <bdwaring@mindspring.com>](mailto:bdwaring@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 3:16:38 PM

Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

Dear Governor Bush,

This might be too late but ever since Burma Posey called me there has been just too much going on in this family. Anyway, I am writing you to encourage you and your legislature to support the obtaining and restoration of Cypress Gardens. It is hard to believe that that beautiful and historic area of Florida is not going to be preserved for generations to enjoy.

There are many memories I have of my reign as Miss America and one of them is going to Cypress Gardens. My Mother and I arrived and were escorted in royal fashion to the Gardens. I had never water skied in my young life and was destined to do so there. (If you want to call it that). This fete would never have been accomplished if it had not been for the wonderful young man who tried to teach me to ski.

Well, when we finished the "spin" around the lake. I found I had that young man's finger imprinted on my arm. He held me up the whole time. (Years later I did learn here on the shores of Rockport Mass ..and these cold waters are like waters in Maine.) I will never forget the "finger prints" on my arm and that this Miss America can say that she water skied at Cypress Gardens.

From what I understand, there will be a building dedicated to Miss Americas. What a nice tribute that will be to our program and to the man who welcomed us to his garden. I do sincerely hope that my memories and those of my fellow sisters will not be forgotten at the Garden. Dick Pope, Senior, gave us those precious memories.

Wishing you the best in your decision

Sincerely,
BeBe Shopp Waring

From: [Debra Shade <dshade@neighborly.org>](mailto:dshade@neighborly.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 3:07:07 PM

Subject: Pharmacy for Elders

Dear Governor Bush:

I personally met you at the FCOA conference last week where you made an opening session speech. Your speech was very inspiring and with sincerity. I am honored to have shaken your hand. I informed you that we would be opening a pharmacy in Pinellas County that is designed to aid elder residents who are uninsured or only have Medicare. These individuals are choosing between food and medicine and often times they are trying to stretch medication in order to make it last longer. This defeats the purpose and makes the treatment ineffective. Causing the individual to end up in costly nursing home care.

While I was introducing myself to you, you asked me "how am I going to do this?" I am going to offer medication at whatever it cost me from the manufacturer plus a nominal filling fee. I am also very familiar with the manufacturers IDP (indigent drug programs). This will be the fourth pharmacy I have opened for specific needs and I have utilized these IDP's for many years. I intend to complete the applications for the elders and ensure they receive free medications where eligible. I will also have free home delivery Monday through Friday, 9-5. I am planning to have two offices available for SHINE at the pharmacy and will be trying to get that up and running.

I am very interested in your Prescriptions for Life plan and would like to learn more about this program. I think I can make the \$160 go further with my pharmacy. Can you help me help the seniors? Can you please tell me how to become involved with this new program? Our date for opening is January 1, 2004. I have the building, 5000 square feet and have hired a Ph.D. in pharmacology. He is French Canadian (no connection to the Canadian pharmacy issues). Any assistance you can give me will be greatly appreciated. I am committed to this issue and our board of directors is committed to helping seniors. We have been doing work for the seniors for 37 years. Our mission is to prevent premature institutionalization. We are good at this!!!

I believe this is an alternative for elders and I have presented a three year business plan to our Board of Directors which has been approved. Have a great weekend!

Debra Shade, President/CEO

Neighborly Care Network

12425 28th Street, North, Suite 200

St. Petersburg, Florida 33716

Phone (727) 456-0222, ext. 207

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From: [Beatrice <beatrice1@kvcom.net>](mailto:beatrice1@kvcom.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:54:50 PM

Subject: Guardianship

Good morning Dear Jeb,

Would like to thank you and tell you my appreciation for helping us with the cost of guardianship for our children.

Sincerely,

Beatrice

From: Hoyagail@aol.com <Hoyagail@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:35:49 PM

Subject: Information

Governor,

I just wanted to let you know that I have applied for the federal judge vacancy left, due to the death of Judge Ferguson. The applications were due last Friday. I mailed my application to the committee a few days earlier. I have not yet heard if I made the cut for an interview. I will keep you posted.

I did want to let you know that I did list you as a job and personal reference, given my time in Tallahassee. I hope I wasn't too presumptuous. I do appreciate your continued support and guidance, in this, and other matters.

Thank you,

Marcia, the former sheriff.

From: [Tait, Tommy <ttait@whitneybank.com>](mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:27:42 PM

Subject: RE:

I understand other parts of the state , particularly Miami , were considered by the commission but in the final analysis the gulf waters off the panhandle were thought to be best and would provide significant economic impact to the region and to the state. Thanks!!!

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 7:46 PM

To: Tait, Tommy

Subject: RE:

thank you Tommy. Are there any other areas in the state seeking the designation?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tait, Tommy [mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 11:25 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Evon Emerson

Subject: RE:

Thank You -- On behalf of the Pensacola Area Chamber of Commerce I request that you support the position of the Fla. Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission which is to place the Oriskany in the waters off the coast of the panhandle. As to the best manner to express this support I am not exactly sure but I do think expressing your support to the Secretary of the Navy is in order. Thank you for your interest and support and as always let me know how I can be of assistance at the local level.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 6:52 PM

To: Tait, Tommy

Cc: danap@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: RE:

thank you tommy. How should my support be expressed?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tait, Tommy [mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 2:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

The Oriskany Reef project is one of the most important initiatives this community has ever undertaken. Creating an artificial reef using the decommissioned US Navy aircraft carrier Oriskany will have extraordinary impact on our tourism efforts and will bring substantial economic impact to the regional economy. Our public and private sectors have joined together to support this effort. Your efforts in bringing the Oriskany to Northwest Florida will demonstrate our unqualified support. Thanks you for your continued support of our area!

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From: Hoyagail@aol.com <Hoyagail@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 12:48:33 PM

Subject: Judges--Shirilyon McWhorter

I wanted to take an opportunity to commend you on the appointment of Ms. McWhorter to a county court judgeship. She will serve the community well, as she has in all of her other activities.

I am also personally proud of the fact that the judiciary in this part of Florida is becoming more diverse and reflective of the community. This appointment, as others, are great steps for Miami-Dade county's legal community. Thank you for your commitment to bringing continued diversity to state government, including the judiciary.

As a personal aside: I talked to Laura a couple of times. She seems to be adjusting to life in the big city well. She has conquered the subway system. However, she noted there was not one Sonic Burger place in metro-DC, at least not yet. I am certain as more Tally transplants move near the beltway, the demand for such a chic burger joint will be heard and it will be only a matter of time before the chain makes a move north.

Take care. Hope all is well.

Marcia.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Melainereeder@aol.com'](mailto:Melainereeder@aol.com)

Date: 8/22/2003 12:46:01 PM

Subject: RE: Bravo

[you are welcome.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Melainereeder@aol.com [mailto:Melainereeder@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 8:39 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Bravo

Bravo Jeb Bush for your position that the fetus of a retarded FL rape victim is entitled to its own guardian.

This is a welcome position in both its substance and its timing.

From: Melainereeder@aol.com <Melainereeder@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 12:38:43 PM

Subject: Bravo

Attachments: INFO RE PAID STAFF POSITIONS TO SUPPORT THE REELECTION EFFORT

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From: Melainereeder@aol.com <Melainereeder@aol.com>
To: BushCheney04@GeorgeWBush.com
CC: Melainereeder@aol.com
[Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/22/2003 12:07:41 PM
Subject: INFO RE PAID STAFF POSITIONS TO SUPPORT THE REELECTION EFFORT

IN THE 2000 ELECTION CYCLE I COMPLETED A WIDE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES. I:

- 1) RESPONDED TO ELLEN SAUERBREY'S REQUEST FOR ADULT CHAPERONES FOR THE INTERN PROGRAM AT THE 2000 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA. I SPENT THE CONVENTION WEEK AS TEAM LEADER FOR 15 COLLEGE-AGE PARTICIPANTS.
- 2) LINKED UP WITH THE MD STATE COMMUNICATIONS TEAM, RESEARCHING AND AUTHORIZING 12 LETTERS TO THE EDITOR AND AN OP-ED THROUGHOUT THE CAMPAIGN CYCLE WHICH WERE PLACED IN STATE AND LOCAL PUBLICATIONS. TOPICS INCLUDED WOMEN AND FAMILY, EDUCATION AND SMALL BUSINESS.
- 3) CREATED SPANISH-LANGUAGE FLYERS ON THE BUSH AND GORE POSITIONS ON FAMILY AND LIFE ISSUES FOR IN-PARISH DISTRIBUTION THE SUNDAY BEFORE ELECTION DAY. AS A CHARTER MEMBER OF CATHOLICS FOR BUSH IN MD I OFFERED THIS SPANISH LANGUAGE TEXT TO CHRIS MCCABE FOR STATEWIDE USE.
- 4) COMPLETED LOGISTICS, TALKING POINTS AND SPOKE TO FOUR SENIOR CITIZEN GROUPS IN KENTUCKY, TEXAS AND SOUTHERN MARYLAND ON GWB POSITIONS ON HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY LIFE ISSUES.
- 5) ATTENDED LOCAL FUNDRAISERS AND LUNCHEONS.
- 6) ASSISTED LOCAL GET-OUT-THE-VOTE EFFORTS THROUGH PERSONAL CONTACTS (PHONE AND BLOCKWALKING) PRECEDING AND ON ELECTION DAY.
- 6) PARTICIPATED IN GWB4P ATTORNEY'S CONFERENCE CALL CONVENED BY THE GENERAL COUNSEL DURING THE EARLY, PRE-CHAD HOURS OF FLORIDA VOTING CONFUSION.
- 7) ATTENDED THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE'S PROGRAM ACTIVITIES AND SOCIAL EVENTS FOR THE INAUGURAL WEEK, JANUARY 2001 (WITH R. TOIKKA).

I WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON FULL OR PART-TIME MIDLEVEL STAFF INVOLVEMENT THAT WILL HELP ADVANCE THE 2004 REELECTION EFFORT.

AS THE FOREGOING LIST REFLECTS I AM A CAN-DO, ROLL-UP-YOUR-SLEEVES TYPE WHO GIVES 110%.

MY PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND IS BROAD, ENCOMPASSING LAW AND FINANCE IN THE ENERGY, AGRICULTURE AND REAL ESTATE SECTORS.

A KENTUCKY NATIVE, I TOOK MY BA AND JD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, LEXINGTON, FOLLOWING ACCELERATED ADMISSION TO UK INTO THE HONORS PROGRAM - WHERE I WAS ALSO A GUARD FOR THE LADY CATS. A LAW REVIEW GRADUATE AT AGE 22, I WAS THE FIRST PERSON IN MY FAMILY TO ATTEND COLLEGE.

PRE-COLLEGE I WAS A STATE, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL 4-H CHAMPION IN THE HORTICULTURE AND LEADERSHIP PROJECTS.

FOLLOWING GRADUATION I PURSUED A CORPORATE LAW CAREER IN TEXAS, PUERTO RICO, FLORIDA AND WASHINGTON DC, SERVING AS ASSOCIATE REGIONAL GENERAL COUNSEL AND AS DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS BEFORE TRANSITIONING TO REAL ESTATE CONSULTING AND PRO BONO WORK TO ASSIST MY PARISH.

IN THE CAPITAL REGION I HAVE SERVED AS OFFICER AND DIRECTOR OF THE WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION (WDC), AM A GRADUATE OF LEADERSHIP LOUDOUN (VA) AND A FORMER NATIONAL VP OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GASTROENTEROLOGY AUXILIARY, IN ADDITION TO MY ACTIVITIES IN MD.

I MAY BE REACHED AT melainereeder@aol.com or (301) 656-9367.

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

MARJORIE REEDER, 4400 EAST WEST HIGHWAY 914, BETHESDA, MD 20814.

From: HTSMITHPA@aol.com <HTSMITHPA@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 11:26:35 AM

Subject: appointment of shirlyon mc whorter

governor,

it is indeed a delight for me to commend you for wisely choosing shirlyon mc whorter for appointment to serve as a judge on the county court in miami-dade county. ms. mc whorter has the integrity, experience, judgment, temperament, and work ethic necessary to become an outstanding judge. ms. mc whorter has also served this community well working with young people and serving as a positive role model.

in my considered judgment, ms. mc whorter will improve the administration of justice, elevate respect for our courts, and bring greater dignity to the bench.

best regards,
ht smith

From: [steve hughes <shughesfl@yahoo.com>](mailto:shughesfl@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 11:15:36 AM

Subject: RE: Varied

Jay Wheeler , Osceola County .

Anything they wished to write you about - probably including the three-year graduation program and the FCAT.

Steve

--- Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Stephen Gately'](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 11:09:23 AM

Subject: RE: Keep up the GREAT work!

[thank you Stephen.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Stephen Gately [mailto:gatelys_2000@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2003 12:09 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'cpq1nj8t@verizon.net'

Date: 8/22/2003 11:09:00 AM

Subject: RE: FYI from Agwunobi

Thank you John.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: cpq1nj8t@verizon.net [mailto:cpq1nj8t@verizon.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 11:16 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Muser44@aol.com'](mailto:Muser44@aol.com)

Date: 8/22/2003 11:08:04 AM

Subject: RE: Amendments

I believe it is under consideration.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Muser44@aol.com [mailto:Muser44@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 10:57 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Humbly and respectfully yours,

Mark S. Thompson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Nancy & Craig'](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 11:06:18 AM

Subject: RE: Thank You

Thank you! Have a wonderful day.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Nancy & Craig [mailto:krancie@alltel.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 9:40 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Craig G. Eifert

JAX, FL 32246.

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To: ['steve hughes'](#)

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Mark S. Thompson

From: jaruarts@juno.com <jaruarts@juno.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 2:30:14 AM

Subject: Please lend your voice

Dear Governor Bush,

My wife and I are people who respect and support you. We understand that you are a man of sincere religious faith as are we.

We are deeply disturbed by what is currently going on in the nearby state of Alabama regarding attempts to remove a Ten Commandments monument from public display. We are asking you to call the Governor of that state to lend your voice in opposition to this removal and to urge their Governor to take action to stop this unconstitutional judicial attack against expressions of faith.

As concerned parents we feel deeply that it is time to stand up against this constant erosion of good influences in our society. Our nation is at a crossroads and someday soon there may be no turning back.

As a fellow believer, please let your voice be heard.

Thank you and God bless you.

James & Arlene Rubino

Boca Raton, Florida

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From: [Bill Sever <coach5656@peoplepc.com>](mailto:coach5656@peoplepc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:53:43 AM

Subject: Re: Teacher Certification fup

Thank you so much sir. I appreciate your efforts.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Bill Sever](#)

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 8:28 PM

Subject: RE: Teacher Certification fup

I will see if I can help.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Sever [mailto:coach5656@peoplepc.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 7:47 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: bushj@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: Teacher Certification

Dear Governor Bush,

I have been a First Grade teacher in Collier County for the last 7 years, prior to that teaching in a private Christian school. I am writing to you in hopes that you can help me. I have been unable to fulfill the Math requirement for the state after spending thousands of dollars for books, tutors and testing with Sylvan Learning Centers. Sylvan has tested me on my math abilities and I have tested at a 6TH grade level. My son can apply more math than I and he is in the 6th grade. I am 44 years old and I have struggled since elementary school through college.... only just passing with a D or most of the time failing. My parents provided extra help, tutors also to no avail. Despite my poor Math grades, I maintained A's and B's in all other academic areas. I know that I have tried my best yet still cannot grasp the skills needed.

The Math requirements have changed over the past 4 years. First the test to pass was the CLAST, then I was told the Praxis was accepted. Last year it was the General Knowledge.

I am desperate since I had to resign my teaching position as of May 30, 2003. I have been a single mom for the last 6 years doing the best that I could juggling my children's schedule, working two jobs and trying to study for this test. I am now asking for your help. I have a teacher friend who's friend has moved to the county from out of state. She taught for 23 years and could not pass under similar circumstances. She now has her certificate after being granted a waiver.

I love teaching and now must substitute which as you know is a drastic cut in pay. I must still pay my mortgage etc and wonder if I can make it financially. I am devastated that I had to resign my position, loose my pension, insurance etc. I am very discouraged to think that so many teachers are in my shoes and loosing their jobs when we need so many wonderful teachers. I love teaching and can't think of giving my career up for anything else. I miss my classroom, my students and my career. I hope that you can help me and thank you so much for listening to my plight.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Susan Renninghoff Sever

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)
To: [David Beggs](#)
[Claudia Kemp](#)
CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/22/2003 1:45:25 AM
Subject:
Attachments: VAB_Publi1.doc

First - you have an incorrect address for my company. The correct address was provided to your department some time ago. You should bring your records up to date!

Second - you must be kidding.

At no cost to DOR for my time, I recently made a long distance telephone call on behalf of one of your staff attorneys to get information for DOR which your staff attorney did not know how to get herself, and has not properly used the information she was able to get.

I was told about two dozen VAB Rules had been received by DOR. You only list four. Is it that no one knows how to count, or is it that you are misrepresenting the facts?! Either would not be any surprise.

I offered to read the Rules, and point out problems in them for DORs benefit, since for years there appears to have been violations of a statute the Governor helped get adopted before his election to office. I said I would read those Rules at no charge to DOR, for the purpose of identifying those problems for the agency and for the Governor..

For the courtesy I offered to provide, you should be paying me for the time and professional services involved in that proffered review, as well as thanking me for being willing to do your job.

I bill at a minimum rate of \$300 per hour for consulting time, although I have earned the equivalent of \$2,500 per hour for professional services rendered Send me your check, and I'll read the rules. Otherwise, keep them!

Because you will wait a long time before I'll send you a check for copies of documents which are being promulgated contradicting laws you are paid to uphold. You owe the Governor an apology, for embarrassing his administration with your letter.

S M Anderson

----- Original Message -----

From: "David Beggs" <BeggsD@dor.state.fl.us>
To: <cps1@flash.net>
Cc: "Claudia Kemp" <KempC@dor.state.fl.us>
Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 8:59 PM
Subject: VAB materials

> Ms. Anderson:
> The attached letter is in response to your recent request regarding
> copies of Value Adjustment Board materials for 2003. Please contact Ms.
> Kemp if you have any questions.
>
> David Beggs
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From: [dollsandplanes <dollsandplanes@netzero.net>](mailto:dollsandplanes@netzero.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Charlie Christ](#)

[Tom Gallagher](#)

[Charles Bronson](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:42:49 AM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

Gentlemen

Being a firm believer in Cypress Gardens, we urge saving all the property now as it was in April of this year. We also would like to see Mr. David Siegel be the winner in this struggle. He is Florida and has this park in everybodys best interest. Winter Haven does not need the Georgia carnival man. We sure don't need another strip mall with a bunch of vacant spots.

Thank you and save it you will not be sorry.

Jan & Chuck Cumley
Winter Haven, FL.

From: [Nancy & Craig <krancie@alltel.net>](mailto:krancie@alltel.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:40:05 AM

Subject: Thank You

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Craig G. Eifert

JAX, FI 32246.

From: [Staci Ehrens <sehrens@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:sehrens@worldnet.att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:25:52 AM

Subject: Re: Cardiologist Convention in October fup

No thanks necessary- you are always welcome(to any of our events)- hope you can be there. Thanks for your response!

Staci

Jeb Bush wrote:

> [I will check to see if I can make it. I know that I have been invited and I will check. Thanks, Staci.Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Staci Ehrenkrantz [<mailto:sehrens@att.net>]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 12:48 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Cardiologist Convention in October

Dear Governor Bush: I wanted to share something very exciting so you will know just how serious the Florida Heart Research Foundation is about our new "Stop Heart Disease" license plate. I believe we have sent your office a formal letter inviting you to this years Florida Chapter of the American College of Cardiology conference. It will be held October 31 through November 2, 2003, at the Wyndham Palace Resort & Spa in Lake Buena Vista (Orlando). As you know these cardiologists are all board certified and represent the best doctors in the cardiology field here in Florida. Our foundation is proud to be able to present a \$25,000 award to the top researcher in the field of cardiology to be used toward future cardiac research in Florida. We would be HONORED if you would be the person to make the presentation to this years winner. As you just signed the "Stop Heart Disease" into law recently we thought we could extend our sincere thank you publicly in front of Florida's top cardiologists, in addition this will also be our kick off of the new specialty plate. In past we have also sent formal requests asking for you to proclaim the first week of February annually to become "Stop Heart Disease" week. This week will be used to increase awareness that heart disease is the leading cause of death and disability in our state, to urge Floridians to seek regular cardiac screenings and to promote the license plate. We were hoping you might consider doing the proclamation at this same event. I can't imagine a better person in Florida to lead our great State toward heart health by participating in this conference. Your example can encourage Floridians to seek regular cardiac screenings. Governor Bush, we will certainly understand if your schedule won't permit. I just wanted to send you this email to extend a personal invitation as we would love to include you in such a special event. We would certainly be flexible during this weekend to accommodate your schedule if you felt you could participate. Thank you for your time and know that the Florida Heart Research Foundation will make you proud in our efforts to market this particular plate. Staci

From: [steve hughes <shughesfl@yahoo.com>](mailto:shughesfl@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Tinker <tinkerFAD@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:tinkerFAD@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 1:03:57 AM

Subject: Re: 911 for charity

Sorry for spouting off...had a really bad night last night. It would have been my son's 34th birthday and I had a meltdown. My mom has alzheimers and I'm working 24-7. I need a break. I just really wanted you to be able to come to this event as we, too, will be paying homage to those lost on Sept. 11, 2001. We are starting the event with a tribute, have a professional singer doing "God Bless America" and a video called "Ground Zero" to remember those lost.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Tinker](#)

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 8:23 PM

Subject: RE: 911 for charity

It is OK to be blunt but I will be doing events around the state that day paying homage to the men and women of our military and the loss of innocent lives that occurred that day. I am sorry I can't make it.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tinker [mailto:tinkerFAD@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 1:38 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: 911 for charity

Hi Jeb,

The organizer of [911 For Charity...Vegas in O'Town](#) received a letter saying that you would **not** be able to attend the event on Sept. 11. I can't begin to tell you how disappointed I am. We have 22 non-profits working their butts off in the community who have been financially depleted the past year. Many have gone without paychecks because they put every dollar they get into their programs. Families Against Drugs has \$24.23 in the bank and I have not had a paycheck, either. For you to have made a 1/2 hour appearance, would have brought so many people to this event (with their check books and credit cards) just like they do at Republican fund raisers. People just want to be wherever you are. Your mere presence could have brought it so much money to help these struggling non-profits. It takes money to run a non-profit and many will be going out of business and that's a real shame. I will be hanging it up, as well, when I can no longer pay the bills....I'm really tired of begging for help. If I saw me coming, I'd duck and hide from my own self because people know that I will be begging for something.

Sorry to be so blunt but I tend to say what's on my mind.

I hope Noelle is doing well.

Tinker

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Bob Pappas'](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 12:49:06 AM

Subject: RE: Well put

1. good point.
2. thank you.
3. yes. we could have done better but I believe the compromise will work.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Pappas [mailto:cheeteh@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 11:58 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Well put

1. "We need to make sure that Florida's most vulnerable residents, who truly do not have the ability to make decisions for themselves, are represented by guardians so that their best interests are protected."

Well put, but in my opinion, with the proviso that it applies only to cases adjudicated as being the purview of the State. We must be very careful to not overreach.

2. We rejoice at your daughter's progress.
3. Are you really satisfied with the Medical Malpractice legislation?

Sincerely,
Bob Pappas
Gulf Breeze

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Patty McWhirter'](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 12:47:48 AM

Subject: RE: Thank you - Malpractice Ins

thank you Patty. I am so glad we reached a consensus and got it done. I appreciate your support.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Patty McWhirter [mailto:patty@teennet.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 5:27 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you - Malpractice Ins

Dear Gov. Bush,

Thank you for all the work you did on the malpractice insurance reform. Your leadership was the catalyst that made everything come together. Your goals of improving access to care, improving physician discipline, ensuring fair litigation and reviving the insurance market are excellent. Best wishes on your continuing pursuits.

And thank you for all you do on behalf of mothers and children in Florida. Your concern, support and protection mean so much.

Patty McWhirter
Executive Director
Healthy Start Coalition of Osceola County, Inc.
P.O. Box 701995
St. Cloud, FL 34770-1995
407-891-9199
patty@teennet.com

From: [Fernandez,Manny\(Gartner\) <Manny.Fernandez@gartner.com>](mailto:Fernandez,Manny(Gartner)<Manny.Fernandez@gartner.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush)

Date: 8/22/2003 12:46:45 AM

Subject: RE:

thanks

I thought it was a great meeting - thanks for inviting me

Let me know if I can be of help

See you in Miami

Regards

Manny

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 8:20 AM

To: jane.adams@disney.com; Fernandez,Manny(Gartner); dgury@nabi.com; bob.helms@wachovia.com; jdkelley@eflorida.com; george.koehn@suntrust.com; Joe.Lacher@bellsouth.com; timothy.laney@bankofamerica.com; dpr@ntrs.com; cresnick@tampabay.rr.com; gtice@fnb-corp.com; rmehta@sunllc.com

Subject:

Thank you for taking time out of your schedule to be in Tallahassee yesterday. I believe each participant came away with a better understanding of what we are doing and what we hope to do in Florida. Florida is undergoing a dynamic transformation and I am glad you are playing a part in it . I thank you for being part of the ongoing discussion about the future of technology and its impact on businesses in the state of Florida. We will remain focused on diversifying Florida's economy through creating the next

generation of advances and emerging trends. I hope you continue to engage

and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Tait, Tommy'](#)
Date: 8/22/2003 12:45:36 AM
Subject: RE:

[thank you Tommy. Are there any other areas in the state seeking the designation?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tait, Tommy [mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 11:25 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: Evon Emerson
Subject: RE:

Thank You -- On behalf of the Pensacola Area Chamber of Commerce I request that you support the position of the Fla. Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission which is to place the Oriskany in the waters off the coast of the panhandle. As to the best manner to express this support I am not exactly sure but I do think expressing your support to the Secretary of the Navy is in order. Thank you for your interest and support and as always let me know how I can be of assistance at the local level.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 6:52 PM
To: Tait, Tommy
Cc: danap@eog.state.fl.us
Subject: RE:

[thank you tommy. How should my support be expressed?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tait, Tommy [mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 2:18 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject:

The Oriskany Reef project is one of the most important initiatives this community has ever undertaken. Creating an artificial reef using the decommissioned US Navy aircraft carrier Oriskany will have extraordinary impact on our tourism efforts and will bring substantial economic impact to the regional economy. Our public and private sectors have joined together to support this effort. Your efforts in bringing the Oriskany to Northwest Florida will demonstrate our unqualified support. Thanks you for your continued support of our area!

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Fondamcg@aol.com'

Date: 8/22/2003 12:35:10 AM

Subject: RE: Orange County Updates

[thank you Fonda for the update.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Fondamcg@aol.com [mailto:Fondamcg@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 10:52 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Orange County Updates

Hi Jeb,

I received an invitation to the Front Porch Conference. Thank you. I do hope I am on the committee! There is not a lot of information about it here so far. Let me know if I can help in any way.

I will be going home to DC for the next week--so cannot attend in Tampa. However, I have given it to someone at Orange County Health Department as we want to attend.

Jeb-- Thankfully I have survived. The tobacco program still exists--although I have no budget. I still have SWAT youth who are active--and we go everywhere we can to spread the word about staying tobacco free, and to recruit more teens! We were in 11 community centers--and we will try to keep clubs going without funds. SWAT in schools did not work as teens rode the buses home--and could not meet after school. Community Centers--especially in inner city are much better for us.

I am blessed that Orange County Health Dept. was able to keep me to do other things such as Grants and Community Relations in addition to keeping SWAT Teens active. I have written a Grant, and have gone to Orange County Government to designate some funds from their Drug-Free Community Budget.

I am so thankful to have kept my job. I enjoy working with a great group of individuals at Orange County Health Department--- and for the State of Florida! Thanks for all that you do for Florida, Jeb!

Politics are beginning here- Being District 1 OCREC Chairman--I am sure to stay busy for this next year. I truly welcome the opportunity to reelect this President...

Thanks and Prayers for you and your family--always.

Regards,

Fonda McGowan

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['John Lasseville'](#)
Date: 8/22/2003 12:25:03 AM
Subject: RE: Absentee and Early Voting

[thank you John.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: John Lasseville [mailto:lasseville@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:23 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Absentee and Early Voting

Governor, here is the information that you requested yesterday about the absentee and early voting. I'm also sending you the information % by party affiliation and a new corrected chart of afro-americans.

Remember that the total turnout in Miami Dade in the governor's election was 508,000 votes and the total early and absentee votes was 114,567 - 22.6%. This number can be increased in future elections.

The above numbers were calculated by John Lasseville's computer.

Best regards.

John Lasseville
305.551.2587

GENERAL ELECTIONS GOVERNOR RACE
5-Nov-02
ABSENTEE AND EARLY VOTING

	TOTAL VOTED (22.7% OF T/O)	JEB BUSH (REP)	BILL MCBRIDE (REP)	ROBERT (BOB) KUNST	WHITE IN
TOTAL VOTED	114,567	63,968 55.8%	49,969 43.6%	511 0.45%	119 0.1%

**Absentee and Early
Voting**

Absentee Ballot Statistics by Party
(Updated November 5, 2002 - 7:00 PM)

DISTRICT	PARTY	
County-Wide	Democrat	40.5%
County-Wide	Republican	49.2%
County-Wide	Other	10.3%

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Tinker'

Date: 8/22/2003 12:23:26 AM

Subject: RE: 911 for charity

It is OK to be blunt but I will be doing events around the state that day paying homage to the men and women of our military and the loss of innocent lives that occurred that day. I am sorry I can't make it.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tinker [mailto:tinkerFAD@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 1:38 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: 911 for charity

Hi Jeb,

The organizer of [911 For Charity...Vegas in O'Town](#) received a letter saying that you would **not** be able to attend the event on Sept. 11. I can't begin to tell you how disappointed I am. We have 22 non-profits working their butts off in the community who have been financially depleted the past year. Many have gone without paychecks because they put every dollar they get into their programs. Families Against Drugs has \$24.23 in the bank and I have not had a paycheck, either. For you to have made a 1/2 hour appearance, would have brought so many people to this event (with their check books and credit cards) just like they do at Republican fund raisers. People just want to be wherever you are. Your mere presence could have brought it so much money to help these struggling non-profits. It takes money to run a non-profit and many will be going out of business and that's a real shame. I will be hanging it up, as well, when I can no longer pay the bills....I'm really tired of begging for help. If I saw me coming, I'd duck and hide from my own self because people know that I will be begging for something.

Sorry to be so blunt but I tend to say what's on my mind.

I hope Noelle is doing well.

Tinker

[911 for Charity ...Vegas in O'Town](#) - Partnering Agency

Raising over One Million Dollars for local organizations. www.CharityForCharities.org

This Gala Event will be held on September 11, 2003 at the TD Waterhouse Centre

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Staci Ehrenkrantz'](#)
BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
Date: 8/22/2003 12:17:09 AM
Subject: RE: Cardiologist Convention in October fup

I will check to see if I can make it. I know that I have been invited and I will check. Thanks, Staci.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Staci Ehrenkrantz [mailto:sehrens@att.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 12:48 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Cardiologist Convention in October

Dear Governor Bush:

I wanted to share something very exciting so you will know just how serious the Florida Heart Research Foundation is about our new "Stop Heart Disease" license plate.

I believe we have sent your office a formal letter inviting you to this years Florida Chapter of the American College of Cardiology conference. It will be held October 31 through November 2, 2003, at the Wyndham Palace Resort & Spa in Lake Buena Vista (Orlando). As you know these cardiologists are all board certified and represent the best doctors in the cardiology field here in Florida. Our foundation is proud to be able to present a \$25,000 award to the top researcher in the field of cardiology to be used toward future cardiac research in Florida. We would be HONORED if you would be the person to make the presentation to this years winner. As you just signed the "Stop Heart Disease" into law recently we thought we could extend our sincere thank you publicly in front of Florida's top cardiologists, in addition this will also be our kick off of the new specialty plate.

In past we have also sent formal requests asking for you to proclaim the first week of February annually to become "Stop Heart Disease" week. This week will be used to increase awareness that heart disease is the leading cause of death and disability in our state, to urge Floridians to seek regular cardiac screenings and to promote the license plate. We were hoping you might consider doing the proclamation at this same event.

I can't imagine a better person in Florida to lead our great State toward heart health by participating in this conference. Your example can encourage Floridians to seek regular cardiac screenings.

Governor Bush, we will certainly understand if your schedule won't permit. I just wanted to send you this email to extend a personal invitation as we would love to include you in such a special event. We would certainly be flexible during this weekend to accommodate your schedule if you felt you could participate.

Thank you for your time and know that the Florida Heart Research Foundation will make you proud in our efforts to market this particular plate.

Staci

From: Grandmapagreen@aol.com <Grandmapagreen@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/22/2003 12:05:40 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you for all your efforts to save Cypress Gardens. It must be a big job to decide the fate of the gardens. We are all looking forward to next week's decision.

Thanks again,

Fran Green

FRIENDS OF CYPRESS GARDENS

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Hugh Greene'](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 11:47:57 PM

Subject: RE: thank you

I think it is a great model as well. I am very appreciative of your initiative.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Hugh Greene [mailto:HGREENE@bmcjax.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 2:32 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: thank you

Governor Bush,

Thank you for your support of our JaxCare program for the working uninsured. We have learned today that we have been included in the HealthFlex program and can move forward. Special thanks to Secretary Medows and Alan Levine for their support and assistance. We truly believe this can be a model for serving the low-income working uninsured. I also now have the privilege of serving as the Chair of the Gaucherie Board. Again, thank you!

Hugh Greene, CEO
Baptist Health, Jacksonville

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['CANDIDO VIYELLA'](#)
BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
Date: 8/21/2003 11:47:11 PM
Subject: RE: Latin Grammys

Thank you for your kind invitation. I will pass on to the scheduling team.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: CANDIDO VIYELLA [mailto:brick99@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 7:30 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Latin Grammys

Hi Jeb, the Host Committe hopes you can attend the Person of the Year Tribute on September 2nd and/or the Latin Grammy Telecast on September 3rd. The Telecast will be transmitted nationwide on CBS and internationally by a network of TV stations. Apart from the business and tourism brought by the event the beauty and international development of Miami will be seen globally. As part of the event coming to Miami, a music and education event was held at Miami Dade Community College and three Latin Music street parties in Hialeah, Homestead and Westchester(at FIU) were held. The last street party is this Sunday in Ft Lauderdale. This event is a premier US Hispanic community artistic event which we hope continues in Florida. Other government dignataries are attending and any details which your scheduling team may need to verify are available. I send you my regards. Candido

Candido Jose Viyella
305-972-6744

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Ken Underwood'](#)
Date: 8/21/2003 11:46:19 PM
Subject: RE: Ken Underwood

thank you Ken. What can I do?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Ken Underwood [mailto:oldnavypilot@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 4:36 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Ken Underwood

Jeb,

FYI. The FTC says I'm a scammer. Not only is their press release inaccurate, it leaves out so many details including the fact that I offered to license the number to the FTC for \$1.00. If you would like to discuss, I'm at 904-234-1600. Thanks.

Ken

PS Here's the release and my website:

<http://www.ftc.gov/opa/2003/08/dncscammers.htm>

www.1-800-DoNotCall.com

And below is an email I just sent to Jon Sorenson at the New York Consumer Protection Board who called me today and apologized for this release being drafted while he was out of town on vacation.

Thanks Jon. I offered to license 1-800-Do-Not-Call to the FTC for \$1.00 and they refused so they could protect the telemarketing industry....and I'm made out to be the bad guy. Call 411 and try to get the number to sign up...good luck, the best I could do was a doughnut shop in DC. Anyone with any common sense can see what a failure the FTC's number has been as they have only 20% of the registrants are via telephone.

I understand you were out of town, but I can't believe your department heads would generate a press release without so much as a phone call. At least they could have done a little due diligence and contact AARP to inquire about any complaints. Had they done so they would have discovered that AARP lobbied the FTC to use my number.

As you know, Jim Miller, former FTC Chairman and mentor to the current FTC Chairman represented the Consumer Choice Coalition...a group comprising the largest telemarketers in the world. Not only did the FTC elect to choose a number that know one could remember (despite the Wharton Study showing 50 million more Americans would sign up if 1-800-Do-Not-Call was used), but the vendor that is actually providing the equipment for the national Do Not Call list is a member of that coalition...West...the third largest telemarketer in the world. The FTC was instructed by Congress to select a number that was "highly memorable" so to "maximize consumer participation", but they chose to ignore that directive.

So much to tell, but I'm just an average Joe trying to run a small business and raise 5 kids without damaging the President who I fully support. Talk to you soon.

Ken
(904) 234-1600

PS Again, we are NOT charging consumers to sign up for the registry. We are charging them for the convenience. By the way, guess what phone number the consumer will call in October to report telemarketing violators...the same number that people can't remember and don't know now. I would call that "enfarcement" rather than "enforcement". Ask yourself who's the scammer now?

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG'](#)

CC: ['Shanahan, Kathleen M.'](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 11:42:58 PM

Subject: RE: Fla Nat'l Guard's Participation in "One Florida Initiative"

Thank you Doug. You are doing great work.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG [mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 3:29 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: 'Shanahan, Kathleen M.'

Subject: Fla Nat'l Guard's Participation in "One Florida Initiative"

Governor,

As a follow-up to Mr. Wendell Page's presentation during a previous "Governor's Staff Meeting", I have provided a summary of our agency's progress in meeting your One Florida Initiative. We also have a similar initiative with the Florida National Guard's federal programs that have enabled us to reach out to diverse segments of the business community throughout Florida. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information and outline our support of this important initiative.

Our goal is to "sync" with your vision for Florida. We are proud of our results outlined in the attachment below and will continue to measure our progress in meeting the "04" goals in the coming months.

Regards,

Doug

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From: [CANDIDO VIYELLA <brick99@msn.com>](mailto:brick99@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 11:29:50 PM

Subject: Latin Grammys

Attachments: Latin Grammy Host Committee.doc

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Tabgdk@aol.com

BCC: [Scheduling Team](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 11:36:45 PM

Subject: RE: Tabernacle 110th Church Anniversary; Oct. 17 & 19th fup

[thank you so much. 110th anniversary? Wow!!!! I will pass on to the scheduling team.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Tabgdk@aol.com [mailto:Tabgdk@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 7:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Tabernacle 110th Church Anniversary; Oct. 17 & 19th

Dear Governor Bush: I hope that all is well with you and yours. I am writing to inform you that we at Tabernacle will be celebrating our 110th Church Anniversary this October. We have a Gala at the Crown Plaza on Oct. 17th and three services on the 19th. It promises to be a great time of celebration, fellowship and praising. We would be honored if you could attend any of these events. We are requesting that you send us a letter of greeting to be included in our souvenir booklet. If you have any questions, please let me know. We hope that you can be a part of this historic occasion.

Peace,
Gerald

From: Tabgdk@aol.com <Tabgdk@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 11:00:48 PM

Subject: Tabernacle 110th Church Anniversary; Oct. 17 & 19th

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Peace,
Gerald

From: cps <cps1@flash.net>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/21/2003 10:57:06 PM

Subject: #5, DOR agenda, August 26th

Jeb Bush - I would not let Jim McGill dance away from the subject of the DOR Rule - with excuses like his job does not involve the cabinet. He's in the government. It's clarification of legislative language. It's his job! After a minute or two, but he listened!

These are the points:

1. If the property appraisers don't have the evidence when they submit their rolls to DOR by July 1st, then the entire state and a fair amount of bondable financing is in deep trouble.

The truth is they don't have the evidence, and the whole system of funding local government is a house of cards.

BUT, that credibility of the rolls is NOT affected by this Rule. All the Rule does is move the PA efforts to prepare for hearings up by about a week. The PA's still have all the controls and all the advantages. What this really is about is someone got a law adopted without their consent. And, it wasn't me, because I declined when it became clear the same people were controlling F&T legislative staff.

2. Everyone wants and is entitled to know who is the governor. Is it the person who was elected to occupy the office in the capital, or is it someone in a ministerial position a hop up the road from the Mouse, who has no business making law in or for the state? (That notion got Jim McGill's attention, if body language across a cell phone is an indicator.)

3. One constant reason why people, particularly in corporations, think Florida is provincial and parochial is the extraordinary influence of local officials over the cabinet, particularly noticed during the last four or five years. It's obvious all over the country that state officials are not managing their own business. The undue influence is not appreciated.

4. These local officials have a fiduciary obligation to do their jobs in a ministerial capacity. What happened at the mini-cabinet meeting this week was stabbing voters in the back, while spending public money, which adds insult to injury.

And, there is this, which I did not tell Jim McGill. Over the years, I've had a few phone calls when Joel needed support. Each time, I've stepped up to the plate, gotten others to do the same, and backed him to the hilt, without hesitation or conditions. Neither he nor the County Attorney have STANDING to make law, under any circumstances.

The statute and the proposed Rule were not drafted because of Joel's administration, or that VAB, which is the most ethical in the state. It was about the folks along the I-4 corridor who act like war lords on good days, and their attorneys. (Someone in England might say "scruffers".) It's about 13 counties where dozens of special masters have never ruled for any taxpayer in a hearing. Property owners want to know what is going on, and seeing the evidence is one way to learn.

And, it's about property owners watching the all Republican administration to see if it's different than the alternatives - and to date, there's very little to distinguish one from the other, especially in property taxes.

And you know very well, I usually do not support DOR's ad valorem tax program, usually in opposition to the influence of these local officials and their attorneys. On that note, I urge you to adopt it, without change, and certainly without delay.

Hasta luego, Sheila Anderson

From: Joby1934@aol.com <Joby1934@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 10:37:11 PM

Subject: Fwd: Sharon: You said Jail for me: If I emailed DCF/AHCA: How about DCF email...

Attachments: Sharon: You said Jail for me: If I emailed DCF/AHCA: How about DCF email me?



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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 10:36:31 PM

Subject: Fwd: Kersker: Department of Law Enforcement: AHCA says stop all advocacy!

Attachments: Kersker: Department of Law Enforcement: AHCA says stop all advocacy!



From: Stevenkersker@aol.com <Stevenkersker@aol.com>

To: shaver_dave@hotmail.com

Date: 8/20/2003 9:36:34 PM

Subject: Kersker: Department of Law Enforcement: AHCA says stop all advocacy!

Please Help Me,

Florida Department of Law Enforcement just stopped by Steve Kersker's Apartment and told him that he was being advised to stop all e-mail activity. They were sent under instruction of Rhonda Meadows, Executive Director of AHCA in Tallahassee, to stop my advocacy about the current implementation of SB 2404 by DCF and AHCA. This is very mean to do to a person with a mental illness and can be very frightening.

AHCA headquarters, Bldg 3 I think, the office with Rhonda Meadows was evacuated because I'm such a threat down here in St. Petersburg (250 miles away!

I'm flabbergasted that AHCA would respond to their paid advocate for people with mental illnesses in such a fashion. **My phone # (727) 823-8404.** People with disabilities need your help. **Carol Marbin, a reporter from the Miami Herald, started investigation this story of the statewide and unannounced implementation of managed across Florida yesterday. So, this is legitimate, it was on her own initiative, she called me, this story impacts every inch of Florida -- our entire mental health system was to be radically altered: so far, my and others efforts have stopped and made AHCA and DCF reconsider their actions.**

I guess that if they evacuated a bldg, that I'm no longer working for AHCA in my one day a month as their disability advocate for people with mental illnesses. Thank you for any help you can give people with disabilities with the above issues and this mean sending of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to make me stop my advocacy. **I was advised to send no more e-mails to anyone. That's a pretty effective way to stop advocacy. But I don't give into pressure.**

They even asked what my diagnosis was. They said, are you Schizophrenic? This is a real insult to all people with psychiatric disabilities. Steve Kersker

Below is first e-mail asking DCF/AHCA what they're up to:

To: Bob Sharpe, Director of Medicaid, Florida Agency for Health Care Administration

Bob, I understand that Senate Bill (SB) 2404, which created our new Substance Abuse and Mental Health Corporation, is being interpreted and implemented by the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) and the Department of Children and Families (DCF) in such a way as to eliminate choice in mental health service providers. And that this loss of choice will be accomplished through the elimination of HMOs as Medicaid mental health service providers: HMO's and private sector doctors will no longer be an alternative choice for people who don't want to receive their services in the public sector's Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs).

CMHC's do provide excellent Medicaid mental health services to many of my friends with mental illnesses: CMHCs are these people's choice. But some people receiving Medicaid benefits prefer not to receive their services in the public mental health system. Instead they choose as an alternative to the public system, the private system of Medicaid HMOs that provide services for both mental health and physical health needs.

Bob, being able to choose between the private and public mental health sectors is a major issue to us. I use us because I'm a person with a mental illness and I did receive excellent services through Boley Behavioral Health, a public sector CMHC. **But, just because my preferred choice for services would be the public sector's CMHC's, doesn't mean that everyone else with a mental illness would!** We need choice!

Why are these radical plans and their implementation not being mentioned at AHCA's advocacy meetings? No mention of these plans was made at our most recent AHCA's Consumer/Advocate Work Group meeting in Tallahassee or at our July 31, Area Six Medicaid Managed Care meeting in Tampa.

I have copies of letters from both of SB 2404 co-sponsors, State Representative Sandra Murman (July 2, 2003) and State Senator Durell Peaden, Jr. (July 16, 2003) that validate the above information. And State Representative Murman's letter shows dismay at AHCA's and DCF's interpretation of her bill and states that said interpretations and implementation plan were never intended by the legislature.

Bob, both my copies of these letters were faxed (very blurry) and can't be forwarded. I'm sure that other people would like to see these letters.

Could you please send copies of these letters to my address: Steve Kersker, 118 6th Ave. No., #201, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701. I NOW HAVE THESE LETTERS.

Also, I'd like to see what AHCA's and DCF's planned implementation of SB 2404 actually entails. Could you e-mail these plans to stevenkersker@aol.com? Bob, I appreciate your help in clarifying these issues for me, other people with mental illnesses, our families, friends and supporters. Your friend, Steve Kersker

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 9:49:57 PM

Subject:

Attachments: Terri's Life.doc



From: [Douglas P Regan <Douglas_P_Regan@notes.ntrs.com>](mailto:Douglas_P_Regan@notes.ntrs.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 9:29:38 PM

Subject: Northern Trust Thanks

Governor:

Thanks for asking me to the table. You ran a good meeting. I came away believing we can marry good ideas born in Florida with capital born in - or adopted by - Florida.

George and I talked about Enterprise later that evening and I'm very interested in learning how Northern can play a role.

Thanks again - and root for the Irish this year.

Doug.

From: RonBOffice@aol.com <RonBOffice@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 8:02:13 PM

Subject: Committee to Study Uninsured

Dear Governor:

I have heard that you are contemplating creating a committee to study the issues surrounding the large uninsured population in Florida.

I represent Jackson Memorial Hospital. They have asked me to contact you and convey their interest in serving on such committee. Since you are from South Florida, I am sure you are aware of the large uninsured population they serve, and the impact they have both locally and regionally. I do not believe any study of the health care needs of the uninsured would be complete without their input and participation.

I hope you will consider saving a place for them, and I am happy to provide you with additional information if need be. Thank you and I hope all is well.

Sincerely,

Ron Book

Ronald L. Book, P.A.
305-935-1866

From: [Mike Huey <mikeh@hueylaw.com>](mailto:mikeh@hueylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 7:30:47 PM

Subject: RE: Am. Assn. of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons fup

Thank you

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 3:27 PM

To: Mike Huey

Subject: RE: Am. Assn. of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons fup

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Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Mike Huey [mailto:mikeh@hueylaw.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 10:57 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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Dear Governor: As you may recall our firm represents the oral and maxillofacial surgeons. The Florida surgeons were your early campaign supporters --primarily due to the efforts of Dr. Larry Nissen. He is currently President of their national society and sent you a letter, dated August 11, inviting you to his annual meeting being held in Orlando on September 10-12. I hope you can attend. It would mean the world to Larry and his wife.

From: [Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG <douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil>](mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ['Shanahan, Kathleen M.'](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 7:29:00 PM

Subject: Fla Nat'l Guard's Participation in "One Florida Initiative"

Attachments: MINORITYBUSINESS.doc

Governor,

As a follow-up to Mr. Wendell Page's presentation during a previous "Governor's Staff Meeting", I have provided a summary of our agency's progress in meeting your One Florida Initiative. We also have a similar initiative with the Florida National Guard's federal programs that have enabled us to reach out to diverse segments of the business community throughout Florida. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information and outline our support of this important initiative.

Our goal is to "sync" with your vision for Florida. We are proud of our results outlined in the attachment below and will continue to measure our progress in meeting the "04" goals in the coming months.

Regards,

Doug

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['lfahey@familycafe.net'](mailto:lfahey@familycafe.net)
['Shelly Brantley'](#)

CC: ['Kim Dotson \(E-mail\)'](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 7:27:09 PM

Subject: RE: Family Cafe and thank you!

I enjoyed the meeting. The packets were first rate! I loved the pictures.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Lori Fahey [mailto:lfahey@familycafe.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 10:45 AM

To: Jeb Bush; 'Shelly Brantley'

Cc: Kim Dotson (E-mail)

Subject: Family Cafe and thank you!

Thanks to you both for meeting with Kim and I yesterday morning! Your support is nothing but awesome!

We would love to share with you both the strategies we are developing in the very near future.

Please keep us in mind with any ideas that you may think of...or direction you believe that we should be taking. Your input is so valuable to this project. If there is anything we can do to assist just let us know.

Thank you again for your consideration!

Smiles,

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 6:32:22 PM

Subject: thank you

Governor Bush,

Thank you for your support of our JaxCare program for the working uninsured. We have learned today that we have been included in the HealthFlex program and can move forward. Special thanks to Secretary Medows and Alan Levine for their support and assistance. We truly believe this can be a model for serving the low-income working uninsured. I also now have the privilege of serving as the Chair of the Gaucherie Board. Again, thank you!

Hugh Greene, CEO
Baptist Health, Jacksonville

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From: [Wallsten, Peter <PWallsten@herald.com>](mailto:PWallsten@herald.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 6:27:33 PM

Subject: re: cuba politics

Gov. Bush --

We're hearing that the Cuban pilots who shot down the Brothers to the Rescue planes might soon be indicted. Have you heard this? Does thi set a dangerous precedent, opening the door to other countries indicting the president for the US war on terrorism?

And is this part of the big announcement you told me about a few weeks ago?

Peter

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From: BMahlburg@OrlandoSentinel.com <BMahlburg@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 5:58:22 PM

Subject: RE: question from orlando sentinel- mahlburg

thanks for responding.

i appreciate it.

glad to see the new blackberry is still going strong.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 1:48 PM

To: Mahlburg, Bob

Subject: RE: question from orlando sentinel- mahlburg

I will not yield to a threat and he won't be a martyr.

Jeb

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Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 12:44 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Hi -

I know you get threats often, but could you respond at all to the issue of how the Paul Hill case may have a unique twist in that some, including a victim's stepdaughter, fear the execution could breed more violence?

Also, do you feel, as some have suggested, that you are in a double bind in this case because executing him might make him a martyr to some but commuting it to life might be seen as giving him a break and yielding to a threat?

Thanks

Bob Mahlburg
Orlando Sentinel

From: [Tinker <tinkerFAD@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:tinkerFAD@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 5:37:38 PM

Subject: 911 for charity

Hi Jeb,
The organizer of [911 For Charity...Vegas in O'Town](#) received a letter saying that you would **not** be able to attend the event on Sept. 11. I can't begin to tell you how disappointed I am. We have 22 non-profits working their butts off in the community who have been financially depleted the past year. Many have gone without paychecks because they put every dollar they get into their programs. Families Against Drugs has \$24.23 in the bank and I have not had a paycheck, either. For you to have made a 1/2 hour appearance, would have brought so many people to this event (with their check books and credit cards) just like they do at Republican fund raisers. People just want to be wherever you are. Your mere presence could have brought it so much money to help these struggling non-profits. It takes money to run a non-profit and many will be going out of business and that's a real shame. I will be hanging it up, as well, when I can no longer pay the bills....I'm really tired of begging for help. If I saw me coming, I'd duck and hide from my own self because people know that I will be begging for something. Sorry to be so blunt but I tend to say what's on my mind.

I hope Noelle is doing well.

Tinker

[911 for Charity ...Vegas in O'Town](#) - Partnering Agency

Raising over One Million Dollars for local organizations. www.CharityForCharities.org

This Gala Event will be held on September 11, 2003 at the TD Waterhouse Centre

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jose Abreu \(Jose.Abreu@dot.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Jose.Abreu@dot.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/21/2003 5:22:36 PM

Subject: FW: 18-Mile Stretch to the Keys

-----Original Message-----

From: Kathy Rogers [mailto:khr113@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 12:22 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: 18-Mile Stretch to the Keys

Please consider using Card Sound road as the southbound US1 to the Florida Keys and let the 18-Mile Stretch be northbound only. The transformation cost will be minimal and any life saved will be a maximum return.

Thank you,
Kathy Rogers
Islamorada, FL

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From: dzachem@firstam.com <dzachem@firstam.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:54:38 PM

Subject: Taxpayers property rights

Please resist postponing new Dep of Revenue rule on evidence at next cabinet meeting.

From: BMahlburg@OrlandoSentinel.com <BMahlburg@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:44:01 PM

Subject: question from orlando sentinel- mahlburg

Hi -

I know you get threats often, but could you respond at all to the issue of how the Paul Hill case may have a unique twist in that some, including a victim's stepdaughter, fear the execution could breed more violence?

Also, do you feel, as some have suggested, that you are in a double bind in this case because executing him might make him a martyr to some but commuting it to life might be seen as giving him a break and yielding to a threat?

Thanks

Bob Mahlburg
Orlando Sentinel

From: [Staci Ehrenkrantz <sehrens@att.net>](mailto:sehrens@att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:47:51 PM

Subject: Cardiologist Convention in October

Dear Governor Bush:

I wanted to share something very exciting so you will know just how serious the Florida Heart Research Foundation is about our new "Stop Heart Disease" license plate.

I believe we have sent your office a formal letter inviting you to this years Florida Chapter of the American College of Cardiology conference. It will be held October 31 through November 2, 2003, at the Wyndham Palace Resort & Spa in Lake Buena Vista (Orlando). As you know these cardiologists are all board certified and represent the best doctors in the cardiology field here in Florida. Our foundation is proud to be able to present a \$25,000 award to the top researcher in the field of cardiology to be used toward future cardiac research in Florida. We would be HONORED if you would be the person to make the presentation to this years winner. As you just signed the "Stop Heart Disease" into law recently we thought we could extend our sincere thank you publicly in front of Florida's top cardiologists, in addition this will also be our kick off of the new specialty plate.

In past we have also sent formal requests asking for you to proclaim the first week of February annually to become "Stop Heart Disease" week. This week will be used to increase awareness that heart disease is the leading cause of death and disability in our state, to urge Floridians to seek regular cardiac screenings and to promote the license plate. We were hoping you might consider doing the proclamation at this same event.

I can't imagine a better person in Florida to lead our great State toward heart health by participating in this conference. Your example can encourage Floridians to seek regular cardiac screenings.

Governor Bush, we will certainly understand if your schedule won't permit. I just wanted to send you this email to extend a personal invitation as we would love to include you in such a special event. We would certainly be flexible during this weekend to accommodate your schedule if you felt you could participate.

Thank you for your time and know that the Florida Heart Research Foundation will make you proud in our efforts to market this particular plate.

Staci

From: [Shelby Dew <hsdew2000@yahoo.com>](mailto:hsdew2000@yahoo.com)

To: [Charley Price](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:28:41 PM

Subject: Latest update on Fl. State Hero Monument

Have a meeting next week with a radio station to start fund drive! I have to have help! I can't do this alone. Have supporters and people who serve on board, in mainly name only. I do all the work. Tough job, but someone has to do it! Key is to pray and never give up! That I am good at. Praise God! So many illnesses has slowed me down! Charley you already have a police memorial between the old and new capitol. Was donated to state. I wouldn't concern myself about the city owning the land. No-one in their right mind would not accept a donated "Hero Monument", in this time frame. They couldn't run for dog-catcher later.(Little Humor) Gods Blessings to you both, pray for me and let me hear from you. I need encouragement and prayers! Shelby

 Shelby

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From: [JC Bowman <jcbowman@coe.fsu.edu>](mailto:JC.Bowman@coe.fsu.edu)

To: [Jim Horne](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:21:22 PM

Subject: FW: SchoolReport

Another positive article nationally. Dave is speaking at our Orlando Conference on September 10 and Tallahassee on the 12th! --JC

"The only way to achieve significant educational progress is to open up the system - promote charter schools, increase successful Education Improvement Tax Credit programs, as Florida has done by increasing funding there from \$50 million to \$88 million, encourage alternative certification, a program which Pennsylvania also has, and establish at least public school choice even if the Governor doesn't believe in, or dare to implement, full school choice, etc."

-----Original Message-----

From: Kirkdw@aol.com [mailto:Kirkdw@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 10:26 AM

To: Tchwrtr@aol.com

Subject: SchoolReport

David W. Kirkpatrick Senior Education Fellow
U.S. Freedom Foundation www.freedomfoundation.us

d Same Means == Same Ends

Pennsylvania's Governor should be credited with being sincere and wanting to do the right thing to improve the public schools. Still, there are legitimate doubts regarding the success of his plan, which is basically more of the same, things that have been tried and usually found wanting. If enacted, the odds are it will result in more of the same - increased spending of additional dollars without corresponding gains.

As should be obvious by now but clearly isn't, the system cannot be reformed from the top down. This has been tried again and again with the same dismal results. What major urban district is successful? In Philadelphia, more than half the students drop out. Kentucky enacted its Kentucky Education Reform Act (KERA) some years ago, perhaps the most far-reaching state reform plan, necessitated by a court ruling that the entire prior system, not just the funding, was unconstitutional. David Hornbeck, less than an overwhelming success as Philadelphia's Superintendent of Schools, and Vicky Phillips, the Governor's new Secretary of Education, were both involved in drafting the KERA program. Despite the Governor's leaning on it for support it has not lived up to its expectations.

We seem unable to learn from experience. This is particularly amazing in education/schooling which, of all fields of endeavor, is the one that professes to teach critical thinking and problem solving. Yet it seems unable to think critically and solve its own problems.

For example, class size. As has often been stated, class size does matter, but it depends on many variables - subject matter, type of students, teacher skills, teaching method, etc. The only guaranteed effect of smaller class sizes set at some arbitrary number regardless of all the variables is greatly increased costs. Unfortunately almost everyone buys into it, including parents, taxpayers and the general public. One review of 152 studies on class size found a handful, about fourteen, showed minor gains. About the same number showed negative results, while the great majority, about 125, found no difference.

On the other hand, literally hundreds of studies have shown that school size does make a difference with larger schools being less effective and efficient than smaller ones. For example, one study found that the average dropout rate for high schools with 2,000 pupils is twice that for schools of 600. At their annual conference some years ago, the National Association of Secondary School Principals adopted a resolution that secondary schools should not be larger than 600 pupils. Yet the public school establishment continues to build and maintain huge schools, some with as many as 5,000 pupils, with correspondingly weaker results.

One motivation for this was a study of American high schools some 40 years ago by former Harvard University president James B. Conant. He visited high schools across the nation and made the general conclusion that many were too small. The problem is that he didn't give numbers and another of his conclusions was ignored. He looked to see what the high schools he liked had in common and the one factor that stood out was that they graduated classes of about 100. Given that most high schools then were four-year schools, grades 9-12, the average school probably enrolled somewhere between 400-500 students. Yet few schools of that size have been built in the past 40 years except where it was not feasible to find more students than that within a reasonable distance.

The U.S. Department of Education's Fourth Annual study of charter schools found that new ones had an average of 137 students each, a fraction of the average size of public schools. It's probably not coincidental that these are schools where everybody present is there voluntarily and, most of all, they are generally planned by those directly involved in their operation. Educators designing their own schools don't build them for thousands of students. Large schools are mostly created by those building them for others to use.

In brief, the tendency is to ignore programs and activities justified by research or actual experience and to continue to implement and maintain those that are not.

The only way to achieve significant educational progress is to open up the system - promote charter schools, increase successful Education Improvement Tax Credit programs, as Florida has done by increasing funding there from \$50 million to \$88 million, encourage alternative certification, a program which Pennsylvania also has, and establish at least public school choice even if the Governor doesn't believe in, or dare to implement, full school choice, etc.

Why should any student be compelled to attend in a school or classroom where he or she is unhappy or unsuccessful?

A monopolistic system based on compulsion has not, does not and can not work.

What will work is an open, democratic system based on options and choice.

Research "repeatedly indicates that a lot of what goes on in classrooms is not best for children, but best for those who supervise them." p. 98, Robert W. Cole, Jr., "The Enemy Within," The Editor's Page, Phi Delta Kappan, October 1987

From: [Fernandez,Manny\(Gartner\) <Manny.Fernandez@gartner.com>](mailto:Manny.Fernandez@gartner.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:17:52 PM

Subject:

Thanks

Great meeting

Let me know if I can help

See you in Miami

Regards

Manny

From: [David Jonsson <dwjrej@msn.com>](mailto:dwjrej@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:03:51 PM

Subject: Your SPTimes letter

Dear Gov. Bush,

Your politically courageous efforts to eliminate social promotion in schools and to make readers out of as many third graders as possible will accomplish more for Florida's future than everything else you are doing, put together. More importantly, maybe other governors will follow your example.

Other musings: with stocks up, I don't really expect any action to be taken to protect seniors from bad brokers selling risky income investments. Nor do I expect Saxon to look into RJF. If you haven't guessed by now, I don't care much for Saxon. I had the misfortune of being compelled to testify against Merrill Lynch in Tax Court in 1981. Naturally, I was blacklisted on Wall Street and targeted for retaliation in a b.s. action by the NYSE in 1985. RJF helped set me up. I departed RJF in 1992. There were some reporting problems re my NYSE "violation" at the time. Even though I had no customer complaints, Saxon tried to drive out of the business. Of course he ignored real problems at RJF that I brought to his attention in 1992, 1994, and 1996. It is a sad commentary on the times that cheating old ladies in FL is done with near impunity and with the knowledge of so-called "regulators", many of whom wind up working for those they "regulated."

According to doctors I play poker with, your med/mal reforms are a good start, but cuts in medicare payments, delayed payments from the government and hmos, and paperwork are major causes for concern. Plus no one expects insurance companies to cut premiums.

For goodness sakes, do everything possible to keep the minimum wage and tax reform off of next year's ballot. If they get on, you will campaign against them, they will pass, and you will look bad. Against poor people, for rich people who "buy" tax favors. I have read that 300,000 Floridians earn the minimum wage. Raising it 50 cents an hour in '05, followed by 35 cents an hour in '06 for full-time employees, wouldn't be very costly to business. As for sales tax reform, I'd back it as long as it's revenue neutral.

Regards, Dave Jonsson

From: [rmehta <rmehta@sunllc.com>](mailto:rmehta@sunllc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 3:59:52 PM

Subject: RE:

You are most welcome Governor. If there's anything else I can do to contribute, please feel free to call on me.

Best Regards,

Ravé Mehta
Partner

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 8:20 AM

To: jane.adams@disney.com; Manny.Fernandez@gartner.com; dgury@nabi.com; bob.helms@wachovia.com; jdkelley@eflorida.com; george.koehn@suntrust.com; Joe.Lacher@bellsouth.com; timothy.laney@bankofamerica.com; dpr@ntrs.com; cresnick@tampabay.rr.com; gtice@fnb-corp.com; rmehta@sunllc.com

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and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Jeb Bush

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To: [Pam Dana \(E-mail\)](#)

CC: [Nina Oviedo \(E-mail\)](#)

[Frank Bonner \(E-mail\)](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

[Kathleen Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 3:43:45 PM

Subject: BRAC Trip in September

Pam,

Nina and Frank have confirmed the date for the meeting at the Pentagon regarding BRAC for September 10th at 11:00 am. The meeting will be with Deputy Undersecretary for Installations and Environment Ray DuBois--it is expected that Secretary Rumsfeld will stop in at the beginning of the meeting to say hello.

Nina will continue to work on the rest of the trip's meetings when she returns next week.

Thanks, Melissa

From: [Mike Huey <mikeh@hueylaw.com>](mailto:mikeh@hueylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 2:56:57 PM

Subject: Am. Assn. of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

Dear Governor: As you may recall our firm represents the oral and maxillofacial surgeons. The Florida surgeons were your early campaign supporters --primarily due to the efforts of Dr. Larry Nissen. He is currently President of their national society and sent you a letter, dated August 11, inviting you to his annual meeting being held in Orlando on September 10-12. I hope you can attend. It would mean the world to Larry and his wife.

From: [Lori Fahey <lfahey@familycafe.net>](mailto:lfahey@familycafe.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)
['Shelly Brantley'](#)

CC: [Kim Dotson \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 2:45:08 PM

Subject: Family Cafe and thank you!

Thanks to you both for meeting with Kim and I yesterday morning! Your support is nothing but awesome!

We would love to share with you both the strategies we are developing in the very near future.

Please keep us in mind with any ideas that you may think of...or direction you believe that we should be taking. Your input is so valuable to this project. If there is anything we can do to assist just let us know.

Thank you again for your consideration!

Smiles,

Lori Fahey
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From: [romy_perkins <catislandcorp@hotmail.com>](mailto:romy_perkins@catislandcorp@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 3:17:45 PM

Subject: Fw: Composite Specifications Prior to September 2nd

fyi

----- Original Message -----

From: [romy_perkins](#)

To: JJRV@aol.com ; JamesAntonic@msn.com ; truemler@centexhomes.com

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Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 10:16 AM

Subject: Composite Specifications Prior to September 2nd

Cat Island Corporation

Cat Island, LLC

Tallahassee

August 21, 2003

Jay Jones, CEO, Advanced Composite Technology, Inc.

James Antonic, COO,

Fort Myers

Tim Ruemler, President, Centex Homes of Florida, Inc.

Naples

Re: ACT/Centex and Windstorm Mitigation Program

Dear Gentlemen:

Prior to leaving Tallahassee this afternoon, I will mail the Coalition report and recommendations to the DCA staff-- which I have copied above.

Jay as we spoke, please email the composite specifications to Ms. Ila Jones(ila.jones@dca.state.fl.us) and to Mr. Craig Fugate(craig.fugate@dca.state.fl.us) who respectively are in the code enforcement, and, the emergency management, sectors of the Department of Community Affairs.

Should you need to send the information by post or overnight service, you can call the agency @850.8466 and get their addresses/room numbers etc. Please also send a courtesy copy of the specifications to Secretary Colleen Castille.

Regards

Romy

From: [matthew r. dunnigan <mrdunnigan@hotmail.com>](mailto:mrdunnigan@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: tdedit@taldem.com

Date: 8/21/2003 1:48:50 PM

Subject: Paul Hill

21 August 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please commute Paul Hill's sentence to life, and please call a moratorium for all capital cases.

This case of Paul Hill will have repercussions. I speak from experience. If you don't believe me, ask the Dayton Police Department. By the way, the abortion clinic I witnessed at is now closed.

On this feast of Our Lady of Knock, I have a question. Do you believe in the luck of the Irish?

Sincerely,

The Buckeye

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CC: burma@mindspring.com
[Rock](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 1:41:33 PM

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens



Dear Governor Bush,

I am a new resident of Florida, having moved here only 9 months ago.

I have learned from Burma Davis Posey the life of Cypress Gardens is in jeopardy.

The limitless monies of the developers have purchased properties and land all over the state. They have condos and high-rises in all directions.

WE HAVE ONLY ONE CYPRESS GARDENS.

Please do not let them destroy our precious landmark to satisfy their monetary greed.

To pour concrete over a "Jewel of the South" would be a disgrace.

Please protect our heritage and history from greedy special interest groups.

The voice of the majority cries out for you to SAVE ALL OF CYPRESS GARDENS.

Please hear our pleas.

Sincerely,

Rock and Marsha Hartley
Ormond Beach, FL.

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From: [Karen Kellams <KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us>](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/21/2003 12:27:04 PM

Subject: Re: FW: FW: Child Support Issues fup

Thanks. I'm trying... I called her the other day at # we had, and one of the children said she was sleeping so I'll try again today. HOpefully, we can make a believer out of her.

>>> "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> 08/21/03 07:08AM >>>

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2003 5:47 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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B. Summers

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'jane.adams@disney.com'
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From: DEGALLUPS@aol.com <DEGALLUPS@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 12:05:45 PM

Subject: CHILD AND FAMILY

DAVID GALLUPS (904) 703-9337

DEAR MR BUSH PLEASE LOOK MY WAY AND HELP ME SIR.

DAVID GALLUPS

CASE No 16-2003-007500-FMXX-ma

912 LA MARCHÉ DR

JACKSONVILLE, FL 32205

(904) 703-9337

August 21, 2003

Dear Sir or Madam

PLEASE FIND THIS DEFAULT IN MY FAVOR.

MISS EDDINS HAS FAULTED TO RESPOND TO ANY OF MY COURT PAPERS, IN THIS CASE. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN TO COURT, TWICE IN THE LAST THREE WEEKS, AND SHE HAS MADE FAULTS STATEMENTS AGAINST ME, AND HAS LIE BEFORE THE COURT ABOUT HER INCOME AND CHILD CARE. I WAS ORDERED TO PAY \$130 A WEEK. I WHICH I HAVE BEEN PAYING. THE MOST IMPORTANCE THING SIR, MISS EDDINS HAS NOT LET SEE MY LITTLE GIRL SENSE SHE HAS MOVE OUT ON THE 22nd OF JULY TO BE WITH HER 22-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER.

MISS EDDINS HAS A DRINKING DRUG PROBLEM. MOREOVER, HAS WAITED TO THE 8/19/03 FOR HER DRUG TESTING, SHE STUDIED NURSING AND KNOWS HOW TO CLEAN HER BODY WITH HERBS. I HAVE TWO DAIRIES THAT SHE HAS WRITING IN ALL ABOUT HER DRUG PROBLEMS.

WHEN I WENT BEFORE THE COURT, I ASKED THE JUDGE TO ORDER HER TO GET HELP. I DO NOT DRANK NOR DO I DO DRUGS. I HAVE BEEN TESTED 100% FREE SIR.

I WOULD WATCH MY LITTLE GIRL THREE DAYS A WEEKS FROM 2PM TILL 10 PM WHILE MISS EDDINS WOULD GO TO WORK. I WOULD ALSO WATCH HER ALL DAY SUNDAY.

I WAS WORKING ON TWO HOUSES ONE DOWN THE STREET AND THE OTHER RIGHT ON SIDE OF MY HOUSE. I WOULD COME HOME ALL DURING THE DAY AND MISS EDDINS WOULD BE SLEEPING IN BED WITH OUR LITTLE GIRL ON THE SIDE FOR HER BUT MISS EDDINS SLEEPS WITH A FLOOR FAN ON AND A PILLAR OVER HER HEAD. IN WHICH I HAVE VIDEO TAPE OF WOULD CALL HOME ON MY CELL PHONE STANDING IN THE HALLWAY HOPING SHE WOULD WAKE UP. BUT SHE WOULD NOT ALWAYS WAKE UP. I WAS WORRIED ABOUT OUR LITTLE GIRL. THEREFORE, I WOULD STAY WITH HER UNTIL MISS EDDINS WOULD AWAKE. IN WHICH IT WOULD BE BETWEEN 10:30 OR AFTER 11:00. MISS EDDINS SON NEEDED A PLACE TO STAY. THEREFORE, WE LET HIM STAY WITH US. I WAS TRYING TO BE FRIENDS WITH HIM. HE TOLD ME HOW THE POLICE WANTED HIM FOR DIFFERENCE THINGS. I KEPTH MY MOUTH SHOUT. BECAUSE MISS EDDINS REALLY LOVES HER DAUGHTER AND SON. I WAS VERY HAPPY WHEN HE MOVE OUT OF MY HOUSE. MISS EDDINS STAY IN BED ALL THE NEXT DAY DEPRESS BECAUSE HER SON MOVE OUT. LATER THAT EVENS I BROTH MISS EDDINS DINNER. SHE PUT IT TO THE END TABLE. IN ADDITION, I BROUGHT OUR LITTLE GIRL TO LAY BY HER SIDE. I WAS AT THE END OF THE BED MISS EDDINS ASKED ME IF HER SON NEED TO COME BACK COULD HE STAY A MONTH ARE TWO, I SAD NO SHE ASK WHY, I TOLD HER HE WOULD BE WELL COME TO VISIT BUT NOT TO LIVE IN OUR HOUSE AGAIN, ONE HE STOLE FROM ME AND THE OTHER THAT HE WAS A CRIMINAL. SHE STOOD UP IN THE BED AND STARTED BEATING ME IN THE FACE ALMOST STEPPING ON OUR BABY, I RAN TO THE SIDE OF THE BED TO KEEP THE BABY FROM GETTING HURT.

ON JULY 21/03, I WENT TO THE CITY COURT BUILDING TO TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT GETTING HELP. AFTER TALKING TO SOMEONE AND THEM TELLING ME WHAT TO DO I THOUGHT I WOULD TALK TO MISS EDDINS ABOUT GETTING HELP SO THE THREE OF US COULD HAVE A HAPPY FAMILY. MISS EDDINS SAD SHE DID NOT NEED HELP, AND THAT SHE COULD DRINK AND SMOKE HER POT AND NO ONE WOULD TAKE HER CHILD AWAY FROM HER. SO THE DAY AFTER SHE LEFT ON THE 23rd OF JULY I PUT HER UNDER A INJUNCTION. IN ADDITION, TO BEG THE COURT TO HELP ME GET HER HELP. NINE DAYS LATTER SHE PUT ME UNDER A FAULT INJUNCTION.

MISS EDDINS FAMILY IS IN TO DRINKING AND DURGS. THIS IS WHY I STAY HOME TO WATCH MY LITTLE GIRL. TO KEEP HER FROM HER FAMILY.

Y GIRL FREIND HAVE BROUGHT INJURY TO MY NEW BORN CHILD, SHE STARTED DRINKING AND DOING DOPE SIR AFTER THE BABY WAS BORN. SHE DROP MY BEAUTIFUL LITTLE GIRL ON HER HEAD. I CALL CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES ON HER, SHE LEFT ME AND TOOK MY CHILD WITH HER. THE CASE WORKER FOUND HER DAYS LATTER, AND ACTS AND HE DOES NOT BELIVE ME, EVEN WHEN I HAVE PROFF OF HER VIOLENCE.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Karen Kellams \(KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/21/2003 11:08:08 AM

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 9:46:46 AM

Subject: Re: FW: Child Support Issues fup

I am disappointed, I may not have had time to call, but I have responded to the e-mail with all our socials to begin research, and with the information that not only myself but all of my children have come down with a stomach flu and have been very ill since Monday night. I did include both home and cell numbers on the second e-mail. Along with a heartfelt thank you that finally maybe someone was doing something. Please keep this in mind, not only have I never received child support, no one has had pay docked - no one has lost a drivers license - no one has been jailed or threatened with jail, to put it bluntly not one single thing has ever been done except me filling out a great deal of paperwork.

B. Summers

From: [Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG <douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil>](mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 9:24:29 AM

Subject: Re: Implications of Army Deployment Policy on the Florida Army National Guard

Thanks-- we are on it. Will proceed as requested.

Doug

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From: acmeninc1986@aol.com <acmeninc1986@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 4:19:36 AM

Subject: Fwd: Delray Funnel gets plugged-AJ crowns himself King

Attachments: Delray Funnel gets plugged-AJ crowns himself King

FROM
KATHY

From: Killian7k2@aol.com <Killian7k2@aol.com>

To: Killian7k2@aol.com

Date: 8/20/2003 1:18:37 PM

Subject: Delray Funnel gets plugged-AJ crowns himself King

Superintendent wants to halt Delray academy expansion

By Kimberly Miller, Palm Beach Post Staff Writer

Tuesday, August 19, 2003

The Village Academy, once touted as the key to improving student achievement through a student's senior year, may now end for children in the fifth grade.

Palm Beach County Superintendent **Art Johnson said Monday he will recommend keeping the Delray Beach school at the elementary level instead of adding a grade each year as originally planned.** It has students in kindergarten through fifth grade, and just added a \$3.5 million wing for fourth- and fifth-graders.

There is enough room for a sixth grade, Johnson said, but he was unsure Monday whether he would recommend adding the grade next year.

The 470-student school on 12th Avenue opened in 2000 with a program that coupled community involvement with extra money from a private foundation. The foundation has supported after-school tutoring and Saturday school.

But Johnson said the estimated **\$22 million needed to expand the school** to more grades could be used better to repair air-conditioning systems at about nine other schools. The schools, designed by a now-defunct architectural firm, have persistent mold and humidity problems.

Johnson also would free up **about \$19 million by keeping the Delray Full Service Center and the South Area School of Choice at their current locations.** Both facilities were planned to move to a new complex on the campus of South Tech High School in Boynton Beach.

Some school board members were surprised at the proposal to cap Village Academy at the elementary level.

"I think we are breaking a promise," said board member Debra Robinson. "We need to make sure the kids who would have gone to Village Academy for middle and high school have the same opportunities at other schools."

Delray Beach City officials also were concerned.

"The dream was to go to 12th grade," said Delray Beach Mayor Jeff Perlman. "The community spoke pretty loudly and that was a major thing that came out of the visioning for that neighborhood."

The **Village Academy** was one of the ideas to improve the city's poorest neighborhoods. It later **helped Delray Beach with its second All-America City award in 2001.**

"To my knowledge, **the city hasn't been consulted** on that and to my knowledge no one's consulted the community" **said Perlman, who noted that Johnson has supported Delray Beach schools in the past.**

Village Academy Principal Tammy Ferguson said she hasn't discussed the proposal with parents, but she thinks some of them may be disappointed that children would have to attend larger middle and high schools out of their neighborhood.

"But there may be some who want their children to attend regular middle schools," she said.

The **Village Academy's foundation faced criticism recently when it was found that former Director Chuck Ridley increased his salary from \$72,000 to \$90,000 and hired an \$80,000-a-year assistant without the foundation board's approval. Ridley has since resigned from the foundation.**

Also, **financial problems left the foundation \$152,000 in debt to the school district this year.** The money had paid for additional teaching positions that helped lower class sizes. School administrators said they would not budget for those added teachers this year.

kimberly_miller@pbpost.com

Since Dr. Johnson and Chairman Lynch have the dubious honor of holding title to the Atlantic High School Relocation Debacle, hovering at over \$80,000,000 to the taxpayers of Palm Beach County (of course, double-dipping Delray Beach residents since they will pay at the city level and county level, both governments seeking referendums for more TAX \$\$\$) this decision to plug the Delray Funnel would be politically prudent.

Let's do Math:

\$3,500,000 to add 4th & 5th Grade @ Village Academy

\$11,462,000 to buy the Tate site

\$53,166,380 Construction GMP to Centex Rooney for new AHS

\$1,623,603 Architectural Fees

\$3,149,716 Other costs based on 3D/I Project Budget 3/08/02

\$3,290,000 FF&E

\$3,108,273 Facility Support

\$692,132 Project Contingency

\$76,492,104 The School District's cost to relocate Atlantic High School

\$4,538,000 Delray's approximate 'out-of-pocket' on the 'deal'

\$81,030,104 TAXPAYER BURDEN

ALL OF THIS TO MOVE ONE HIGH SCHOOL THAT HAS
\$10,000,000+ OF VIABLE INFRASTRUCTURE
ON LAND APPRAISED AT \$8,945,000
THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN PAID FOR
BY THE TAXPAYERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY.

Yes, it is politically prudent for Dr. Johnson to plug the Delray Funnel...another \$41,000,000 (\$22,000,000 + \$19,000) to Delray might even be too much for Chairman Lynch & Dr. Johnson to politically stomach, especially since the citizens of Palm Beach County have kept the light on this debacle and continue to demand an accounting. We do make a difference, we just have to stick with it day after day, researching through public records and speaking with folks willing to tell the story. The truth will stand on its own.

Oh, by the way, we are one week into school, and my son only has books for one class. He's not an IB kid. He's not School of the Arts kid. He's not Special Ed kid. He's not an ESOL kid. He's just a kid...a kid trying to get his education in the public school system of Palm Beach County.

School board makes it harder to vote superintendent out

By Kimberly Miller, Palm Beach Post Staff Writer

Tuesday, August 19, 2003

With the teachers union poised to take a no-confidence vote on Superintendent Art Johnson, school board members made it harder Monday to fire him.

The unanimous decision changes Johnson's contract so that it takes a super-majority vote of 5-2 to oust him without cause.

Previously, the board needed a 4-3 vote.

The move, made with board members Debra Robinson absent and Sandra Richmond out of the room, (are they allowed to be out of the room when a vote is being cast? If they are present at the meeting don't they have to vote 'yes,' 'no' or abstain? Is this legal? Are they afraid?) came amid harsh criticism from a handful of parents who hollered "What a sham!" and called board members politicians who didn't care about students.

Eight people spoke against the super-majority vote.

Parents complained that the decision should be made when more people can have input -- not on a Monday

afternoon. (If they had brought this issue up at tonight's Board Meeting, teachers would have been able to speak, parents and citizens would be able to speak. But the teachers were in their classrooms, teaching our children while the Board took this action at a 'retreat'...?)

Teachers complained that Johnson's recent record of teacher treatment shouldn't be rewarded.

Teachers are working without a new contract, and their experience-based salary raise is on the budget chopping block.

Teachers also are reeling from a 5-percent performance-based bonus that many say was awarded unfairly.

The governing board of the teachers union, which represents the district's 10,000 teachers, is scheduled to decide Aug. 26 on whether to make a no-confidence vote on Johnson.

The last time teachers made such a vote was in 1994 under former Superintendent Monica Uhlhorn.

Ninety-four percent of teachers voted against Uhlhorn, and her contract was ultimately bought out by the school board.

"The pay-for-performance has been a disaster, there are no teacher aides, and people are asking, 'What are you going to do about it?' " said union President Shelley Vana. "(Johnson) keeps saying school opened up with no snags, but that's not how teachers feel."

Johnson said the teacher vote is a political move to possibly influence contract negotiations.

"I think it's a vote of politics, not confidence," Johnson said.

Board member Monroe Benaim said protecting Johnson from political backlash is one of the reasons he suggested the change to super-majority two weeks ago.

Benaim said he was unaware of the union's pending vote when he initially brought up the idea, and was more concerned about tough budget decisions Johnson had to make this year.

Because of a **\$60 million shortfall**, Johnson recommended cutting popular programs such as the seven-period day and teacher aides. (And as he was considering cutting 7th hour, he was changing the 5 year plan to conceivably add a demographically unnecessary middle school in Delray Beach on Atlantic's old site as an 'arts' school. It had to be an 'arts' school because of the \$4.5 million 680-seat auditorium that the district will be abandoning as it moves the school to a new site, and builds another new \$4.5 million auditorium)

Board Chairman Tom Lynch said that previous superintendent contracts allowed for a super-majority.

"If the superintendent is doing wrong, five of us should have the guts to stand up and do what should be done." he said. (...and I've got 42 acres of swamp land for sale....)

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From: Fondamcg@aol.com <Fondamcg@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 2:51:30 AM

Subject: Orange County Updates

Hi Jeb,

I received an invitation to the Front Porch Conference. Thank you. I do hope I am on the committee! There is not a lot of information about it here so far. Let me know if I can help in any way.

I will be going home to DC for the next week--so cannot attend in Tampa. However, I have given it to someone at Orange County Health Department as we want to attend.

Jeb-- Thankfully I have survived. The tobacco program still exists--although I have no budget. I still have SWAT youth who are active--and we go everywhere we can to spread the word about staying tobacco free, and to recruit more teens! We were in 11 community centers--and we will try to keep clubs going without funds. SWAT in schools did not work as teens rode the buses home--and could not meet after school. Community Centers--especially in inner city are much better for us.

I am blessed that Orange County Health Dept. was able to keep me to do other things such as Grants and Community Relations in addition to keeping SWAT Teens active. I have written a Grant, and have gone to Orange County Government to designate some funds from their Drug-Free Community Budget.

I am so thankful to have kept my job. I enjoy working with a great group of individuals at Orange County Health Department---and for the State of Florida! Thanks for all that you do for Florida, Jeb!

Politics are beginning here- Being District 1 OCREC Chairman--I am sure to stay busy for this next year. I truly welcome the opportunity to reelect this President...

Thanks and Prayers for you and your family--always.

Regards,

Fonda McGowan

From: [Mary Bennett <mgunter@msn.com>](mailto:MaryBennett@msn.com)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/21/2003 2:50:32 AM
Subject: Re: Opportunities

Warning....It's VERY bizzare!

Well, let's see.....First, I was too close to the Republicans and OPPAGA was coming so the deputy supt, Tim Huth, decided to cut my lobbying job to 11 months (quite unexpectedly and very unceremoniously). He was the official lobbyist so I guess he needed to validate that for OPPAGA and his job....(plus he wants to be the next supt. Bill Hall is retiring in April.) I also heard through the grapevine (but I haven't confirmed) that Wayne Blanton, FSBA, called the supt. and told him that I was in Tallahassee trashing him and Tim Huth (go figure....I was too busy to trash anyone) ...Since it was my 33rd year (yes, I am a young 56 year old!), I needed one more good year for my high 5 before DROP so I asked for and was granted a **lateral** transfer by the superintendent over the deputy's objection. Then Tim Huth told me that I would no longer receive pay raises because I made too much for the job to which I was transferred.....Then I was told that I was still making too much money for my job role (which was supposed to be a **lateral - maybe I don't know the meaning** -transfer) so I received a confusing letter about my status. I met with the supt, Bill Hall, for clarification. He told me that the job would be going to 11 months (which is a considerable change, but one that I could live with as I was scheduled to and did enter DROP on July 1), and that the salary referenced in my "letter" from Tim Huth would be the amount for the 11 month position. I told him that was fair! I made some serious and consequential financial, retirement & real estate decisions based on that information. Well, oops, I didn't get in writing....I was of the obviously erroneous belief that a superintendent's word was good.....To make a long story short....since June, I was first told I was going to 11 months (which I thought would be a \$10K pay cut plus loss of annual leave days).... When I didn't receive anything from payroll, I initiated two contacts for clarification.....Oops!!! I was then told by the personnel office that I was a 12 month employee so I kept working and receiving my pay....Oops...then last week, Tim Huth called the school to find out if I had worked since June and was paid on my old salary (DUH!) He immediately cut the position to 11 months and reduced my salary by \$20K - almost 1/3 of my salary (from \$76K to \$57K) (the same amount I would make as a teacher on a 10 month contract with a doctorate and 33 years)...sounds pretty personal to me).....I reminded our area superintended that I had met with Mr. Hall and he said my salary would not be cut that much and that I had notes from my meeting with him.....Well, she checked and Mr. Hall doesn't remember that conversation with me...(even though I asked him the same question..."is this salary for 11 months" at least 5 times during the conversation on Dec. 16!) It's almost been a form of harrassment....I've done a good job at the school....the teachers love me (I don't mean to brag!).. and I have 33 years of wonderful evaluations (even Mr. Huth's).... Administrators have so few rights so I'm treading softly, but I am weighing my options. (If I piss them off, they'll probably transfer me to the hinterland....I'd at least like to negotiate the best deal I can get so I can remain in DROP for the next 5 years!) I have an appointment with Bill Hall on Sept. 16 (I'm going out of town tomorrow and he's going out of town for the next three weeks.) I am terribly disappointed in Bill because I did so believe in him. I always thought he was one of the good guys. It's really all about a commitment that he made to me!

If you need a good education person in your shop, let me know.

NOTE: I understand that our OPPAGA review is going to be wonderful....that we are a model for others.....

I might have given you more details than you wanted.

Again, thanks for all you do for us....I remember writing a letter to you from the supt. recognizing the increased money school districts have received from your leadership.

Mary

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Mary Bennett](#)
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 7:17 AM
Subject: RE: Opportunities

Thank you Mary. What is the school distirct doing now?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Bennett [mailto:mgunter@msn.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:28 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Opportunities

The FCAT results have confirmed that your educational programs have been successful. The A+ plan forced school districts to redirect resources to schools in need. The No Child Left Behind results indicate that we are still not doing enough with our subgroups. We need to do more. Maybe this is another wake up call (although a harsh one) that we need.

Thanks again for all you do.....I still have to gear up to tell you about FCAT test administration....but right now, I'm having to make some hard decisions since the school district has been unkind to me yet again. (33 years, loyal employee, successful in every endeavor in my professional career.....go figure.....sometimes you just can't be too good in a bureaucracy)

Mary Bennett

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'bmiracle@floridatrend.com'

Date: 8/21/2003 1:59:10 AM

Subject:

Congratulations on your 25 years at Florida Trend. Your service has been exemplary and you have seen the transformation of Florida into the dynamic state that it now is. I wish you continued success at a very fine enterprise.

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

From: [robert brewster <brewst2@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:robert_brewster@worldnet.att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 1:52:12 AM

Subject: Re:

Jeb,

How do I get parent support? The district will not allow the information to get to parents. EVERY teacher wants YRS but the UNION is holding it up. The board refuses to go against the UNION. Someone is keeping it out of local newspapers??? It will work in any county that is willing to go against the ever powerful UNION. My schedule fits the school year.

Bob

----- Original Message -----

From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

To: "robert brewster" <brewst2@worldnet.att.net>

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:24 PM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Bob. It will work, particularly and only if there is parent support.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: robert brewster [mailto:brewst2@worldnet.att.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 8:19 AM

To: Jeb Bush; Levesque, Patricia; 'Florida, Taxwatch (Business Fax)'; Dana, Pamela

Subject:

This is for Brevard but any district will save millions. Four track will work. Bob

From: JMG460@aol.com <JMG460@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 1:50:54 AM

Subject: Thanks/thoughts from Jean Gonzalez

I wanted to thank you for the opportunity of serving you for 2 years as Legislative Director of DOH.

From the beginning, I believed from legislators' comments that the most critical posture for an unknown, very high energy Secretary with high profile issues was to establish his credibility and responsible side in spite of his eagerness to be more proactive. That was accomplished.

Tracking over 500 bills, insuring the department was safe and your agenda followed with few required vetoes caused my office to request over 100 amendments each session. We were successful.

With the longer time frame, the Public Health bill should easily complete its journey this year.

And regarding med mal, the figures sent to the Senate last Thursday from my office with a short time frame showed specialties losing doctors in Florida. I am sorry Jim and Alan did not see them first, but protocol was followed and an addendum explaining the 2 different data bases and additional figures would have been better than their over reaction if Alan had allowed that. I also think it was appropriate to remind Alan that our data people and my analysts were doing their best to get additional data and being very rude to them was upsetting. I know it was a high pressure time for everyone. I will adjust to my \$27,000 pay cut.

There is truly no one who has ever served our state that I admire more than you or believe has more integrity, heart and leadership. Please continue to give the country lifelong leadership. We need you!

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Clark, Lesley'](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 1:42:17 AM

Subject: RE: the paul hill story

I get threatened all of the time. The execution goes on as planned.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Clark, Lesley [mailto:LClark@herald.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 8:49 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: the paul hill story

Hi Governor,

It's Lesley at the Herald. We are hearing that you were threatened in one of the death threat letters that were sent to several officials, protesting the upcoming execution. Were you threatened in one of the letters? Your office has said you did not receive a letter. Is that the case? Some of the material I have seen threatens yourself and the president. Has the Secret Service been notified? And given the clamor about the execution, are you contemplating delaying the execution or do you believe it should go forward, and if so, why?

Thanks,

Lesley Clark

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG'](#)
CC: ['Shanahan, Kathleen M.'](#)
Date: 8/21/2003 1:38:54 AM
Subject: RE: Implications of Army Deployment Policy on the Florida Army National Guard

Absolutely.

-----Original Message-----

From: Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG [mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil]
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:45 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: 'Shanahan, Kathleen M.'
Subject: Implications of Army Deployment Policy on the Florida Army National Guard
Importance: High

> Governor,
> I have been alerted by senior personnel at the Pentagon that the
> Department of Defense and Department of the Army plan to announce a
> policy that Army (including Army National Guard) personnel deployed to
> Iraq will remain in country for a year prior to being redeployed.
> Such a policy will likely mean that the 1900+ soldiers we currently
> have in Iraq will remain mobilized for approximately 18 months,
> including the one year in country. In addition, this policy would
> apply to any future Florida Army National Guard mobilizations.
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> Due to the profound implications of this policy for our citizen
> soldiers, I would like to provide this information to our
> Congressional delegation, Florida National Guard personnel and their
> families as soon as possible. The announcement and implementation of
> this policy will not be well received by the families of our deployed
> soldiers. Therefore it is likely our Congressional delegation, state
> legislature and your office will receive many inquiries regarding this new policy.
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> The impact of this policy on our retention of these deployed soldiers
> upon their return home may be extremely negative. Many of our
> soldiers were in Iraq during and immediately after the end of
> hostilities and have served honorably in a very difficult environment.
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> This new policy will have most of our soldiers remain in Iraq until
> Spring 2004 for stabilization operations. As a senior military
> leader, I understand that mission comes first but I am concerned about
> the ultimate effect of this policy upon our soldiers and their
> families.
>
With your permission, I would like to provide this information to our Congressional delegation and our Florida National Guard personnel in the near future. I appreciate your continued strong support for the men and women of the Florida National Guard.

Respectfully,

Doug

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Phil'

Date: 8/21/2003 1:35:56 AM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Philip. I appreciate the work of the DCF. I hope that the agency becomes more receptive to change which is needed to serve the people that we serve.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Phil [mailto:phil@philipwilcox.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 9:02 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

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Well, just wanted to let you know I think of you daily and pray you are well and happy. I'm so proud of your accomplishments. You did a terrific job with the legislature on the malpractice issue--although we all know you had hoped for more. Be patient. You'll always come out ahead in the end, I feel certain. Take care and hope to see you soon,

--Philip

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Story, Susan N.'](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 1:32:35 AM

Subject: RE: Thanks

Thank you Susan. It was great seeing you today.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Story, Susan N. [mailto:SNSTORY@southernco.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 8:59 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thanks

Governor:

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Susan

From: [Phil <phil@philipwilcox.com>](mailto:phil@philipwilcox.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 1:01:55 AM

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From: [Story, Susan N. <SNSTORY@southernco.com>](mailto:SNSTORY@southernco.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 12:58:33 AM

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Susan

From: [Clark, Lesley <LClark@herald.com>](mailto:LClark@herald.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/21/2003 12:49:25 AM

Subject: the paul hill story

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From: Jamiel39@aol.com <Jamiel39@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: DennisPrager@Prager.com

Date: 8/21/2003 12:21:17 AM

Subject: Confidential Memo, PBC School District encourages poverty

Attachments: Title1.doc

Dear Governor Bush:

Attached please find a memo sent to the faculty at my high school. Perhaps I'm missing something here, but between this memo and a recent district meeting

wherein we were encouraged to bribe kids with candy, ice cream, pizza, and to go after parents who qualify but who still choose to feed their own children, I feel that we are encouraging immorality, irresponsibility, and poverty at

an exponentially dangerous rate. This practice is rampant in our district and

I have no doubt it is the same in most school districts.

"We want to remain a title one school" seems analogous to saying "We want our students and families to stay impoverished and depend on the government to feed the children they brought into this world." Yes, we get more funding for

being a Title One school. However, if each one of the new free lunch students grows up to have more children than he/she can afford to feed, simply because we have taught them that they can, the risk factors for students and families continue to multiply out of control and we then cannot possibly afford enough teachers to deal with the escalating number of crises. Moreover, it seems evident that families then begin to unfairly increase their dependency in all other areas such as housing and health care.

I can understand feeding the hungry; I can't understand the need to bribe people. On the one hand, we're told to implement the six pillars of character education. Responsibility happens to be one pillar. On the other hand, we're the culprit of exceeding the boundaries of fostering dependency.

On a different note, could we possibly consider Character Education questions on state teacher examinations? Teachers steal so much food from the cafeteria that nobody thinks it's wrong anymore.

Please do not share the memo, if you don't mind. Thank you for reading.

Jamie Logsdon
West Palm Beach

From: [Bill Sever <coach5656@peoplepc.com>](mailto:coach5656@peoplepc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: bushj@eog.state.fl.us

Date: 8/20/2003 11:46:34 PM

Subject: Teacher Certification

Dear Governor Bush,

I have been a First Grade teacher in Collier County for the last 7 years, prior to that teaching in a private Christian school. I am writing to you in hopes that you can help me. I have been unable to fulfill the Math requirement for the state after spending thousands of dollars for books, tutors and testing with Sylvan Learning Centers. Sylvan has tested me on my math abilities and I have tested at a 6TH grade level. My son can apply more math than I and he is in the 6th grade. I am 44 years old and I have struggled since elementary school through college.... only just passing with a D or most of the time failing. My parents provided extra help, tutors also to no avail. Despite my poor Math grades, I maintained A's and B's in all other academic areas. I know that I have tried my best yet still cannot grasp the skills needed.

The Math requirements have changed over the past 4 years. First the test to pass was the CLAST, then I was told the Praxis was accepted. Last year it was the General Knowledge.

I am desperate since I had to resign my teaching position as of May 30, 2003. I have been a single mom for the last 6 years doing the best that I could juggling my children's schedule, working two jobs and trying to study for this test. I am now asking for your help. I have a teacher friend who's friend has moved to the county from out of state. She taught for 23 years and could not pass under similar circumstances. She now has her certificate after being granted a waiver.

I love teaching and now must substitute which as you know is a drastic cut in pay. I must still pay my mortgage etc and wonder if I can make it financially. I am devastated that I had to resign my position, loose my pension, insurance etc. I am very discouraged to think that so many teachers are in my shoes and losing their jobs when we need so many wonderful teachers. I love teaching and can't think of giving my career up for anything else. I miss my classroom, my students and my career. I hope that you can help me and thank you so much for listening to my plight.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Susan Renninghoff Sever

From: [Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG <douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil>](mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ['Shanahan, Kathleen M.'](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:45:03 PM

Subject: Implications of Army Deployment Policy on the Florida Army National Guard

> Governor,

> I have been alerted by senior personnel at the Pentagon that the
> Department of Defense and Department of the Army plan to announce a
> policy that Army (including Army National Guard) personnel deployed to
> Iraq will remain in country for a year prior to being redeployed. Such a
> policy will likely mean that the 1900+ soldiers we currently have in Iraq
> will remain mobilized for approximately 18 months, including the one year
> in country. In addition, this policy would apply to any future Florida
> Army National Guard mobilizations.

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> Due to the profound implications of this policy for our citizen soldiers,
> I would like to provide this information to our Congressional delegation,
> Florida National Guard personnel and their families as soon as possible.
> The announcement and implementation of this policy will not be well
> received by the families of our deployed soldiers. Therefore it is likely
> our Congressional delegation, state legislature and your office will
> receive many inquiries regarding this new policy.

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> The impact of this policy on our retention of these deployed soldiers upon
> their return home may be extremely negative. Many of our soldiers were in
> Iraq during and immediately after the end of hostilities and have served
> honorably in a very difficult environment.

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> This new policy will have most of our soldiers remain in Iraq until Spring
> 2004 for stabilization operations. As a senior military leader, I
> understand that mission comes first but I am concerned about the ultimate
> effect of this policy upon our soldiers and their families.

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With your permission, I would like to provide this information to our
Congressional delegation and our Florida National Guard personnel in the
near future. I appreciate your continued strong support for the men and
women of the Florida National Guard.

Respectfully,

Doug

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Harry Duncanson'](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:41:42 PM

Subject: RE: DMS - RFP

[thank you harry. Bill is not easily swayed by 'crats.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 2:54 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['mcampbell27@earthlink.net'](mailto:mcampbell27@earthlink.net)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:40:51 PM

Subject: RE: MESSAGE FROM MARY CAMPBELL

Thank you so much Mary. We will work hard to get a solution to protect the Wekiva basin in a common sense way. I don't think that Mel is going to run for the Senate. I think we want to continue to serve his President.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: mcampbell27@earthlink.net [mailto:mcampbell27@earthlink.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 10:26 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:38:59 PM

Subject: Re: Palm Beach VAB

Thanks. Jeb. It would be useful to tell Zingale to put a stop to use of that language in Palm Beach, and everywhere else it crops up! Then, call out the National Guard to keep the Cabinet from being overrun by the script at the mini-cabinet meeting, and a colada to stay alert enough to watch your back. Sheila

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [cps](#)

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:26 PM

Subject: RE: Palm Beach VAB

I will speak to Heidi.

Jeb

From: [Chaz Corzine <chaz@bhccmgt.com>](mailto:chaz@bhccmgt.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:38:09 PM

Subject: Michael W. Smith

Jeb -

I don't expect you to remember me but I manage Michael W. Smith and Amy Grant and have met you on several occasions.

I know you are very busy so will be very brief.

I have a much older brother who lives in Port Richey at a assisted living facility. He is both physically and mentally ill. He falls between the Medicaid and Medicare gap. Who could I talk to on his behalf to help get him on the program he needs to be on?

Thank you.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Kelvin Broham'

Date: 8/20/2003 10:38:40 PM

Subject: RE:

Great news.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kelvin Broham [mailto:kblydentsic@msn.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:21 PM

To: jeb.bush@myflrda.com

Subject:

Dear Governor,

First I would like to thank you for all your support for Take Stock in Children over the years.

I have been meeting with Vern over the past few months and today he has committed to being a mentor for a 7th grader here in Sarasota. Vern has also agreed to join our Board of Directors and be champion for our program. Through your example and leadership we are able to successfully recruit members of our community such as Vern to our Take Stock family where I know he can help us impact our community. Please know you have our support in all your endeavors.

Warm regards,

Kelvin Blyden
Executive Director
Take Stock in Children Sarasota County
TakeStockSarasota.org
941-321-1637

MSN 8: Get 6 months for \$9.95/month
<http://join.msn.com/?page=dept/dialup>

From: [Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG <douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil>](mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:34:12 PM

Subject: Re: Camp Blanding: Adjoining Highway Speed limit and "BRAC"

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'RUBIKON2@aol.com'

Date: 8/20/2003 10:31:13 PM

Subject: RE: Meeting in Coral Gables

[See you on Friday.](#)

Jeb

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Best regards,

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Plantation, Florida

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Bill Monroe](#)
[Jim Dwyer](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:27:30 PM

Subject: Republicans using cabinet aides to stab Florida taxpayers in the back

Jeb - Do you know about what happened today? There was a full court press at the mini-cabinet meeting to stop the implementation of Taxpayer's Bill of Rights legislation adopted two years ago, intended to enable VAB petitioners to receive evidence before a Hearing.

Along comes the lobbyists whining that the counties can't manage to follow the law. That's interesting because it confirms what the Auditor General has been saying all along - they don't have any documentation to support the tax rolls. If they had it, all they would have to do is open a file, send the contents to the petitioner, and show up at the Hearing.

The reality is quite different. If a petition is filed, they have to do the work to prepare for hearings. So, they run around trespassing on private property, and threatening taxpayers, while they scurry to prepare for hearings. All this law means is they have to scurry a week earlier, so there are no extra costs involved, no additional time spent, only a difference of a few days, and they've had anywhere from nine to 18 months of lead time, making the whining of today pitiful.

What is involved is giving taxpayers what they are entitled to have all along, which is the opportunity to know how they are being assessed. So why would these people want the elected members of the Cabinet to table the evidence statute for 30 days, or to get rid of it altogether? The timetables in it are a result of their own efforts.

The lobbyist who was there today was the one who circulated proposed changes this past session telling everyone how major corporate taxpayers were filing hundreds of petitions, and then not showing up, and how much bother it was for the property appraisers - so the best thing to do was to reduce the petitions by adopting changes to the statutes so they can screw each taxpayer.

The truth is one company whose name was slandered during the session files about 135 petitions in Florida, out of 100,000 they file in the nation. Someone attends every hearing unless there is a settlement, or they find the evidence supports the assessment, and then they are honest about it.

In Cook County alone, over 70,000 petitions are filed. All of Florida barely reaches that level. And, isn't it amazing that Illinois has not gone out of the government business, even with all of those ad valorem tax appeals. In fact, businesses like to locate in and around Chicago.

By contrast, the entire system is stacked against taxpayers in Florida. One reason the proposed legislative changes were not successful during the last session was that Daniel Webster (you know that name!) allegedly wrote a letter to explain some of the statements made by the lobbyists were not accurate. That's the understatement of the millennium.

I've been asked to reach the corporate taxpayers and to alert them - and they will be notified. In fact, I'm sure next week may be the most watched Cabinet meeting of all time. What happens next? It's in your hands!

Sheila Anderson

P.S. In case Heidi Hughes on your legal staff has not figured out yet how to handle the improper language in Palm Beach, it's really simple. The Governor picks up the phone, calls the head of DOR, and says "get rid of that language".

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['cps'](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:26:07 PM

Subject: RE: Palm Beach VAB

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Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: cps [mailto:cps1@flash.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 10:36 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Palm Beach VAB

Jeb - no one called me, so I called office of governor's counsel. Heidi Hughes called back this am. I explained to her the language in 194.301, the historic reason why the bill was adopted, what else is going on in Palm Beach in context of how the same influences would affect a court, and what the VAB means for most taxpayers since it is not feasible for the majority to go to court if there is an error in their assessment. So if the process is not ethical, easily 90% lose their rights. And, how losing their rights makes so many people angry at government.

She said she did not know what she could do. I suggested the Attorney General could intervene, but individual private citizens cannot ask for the AGs help against abuses of government. That's troubling in itself.

I also told Ms. Hughes I have litigation pending against Palm Beach, but it's not related to the legislative language in 2003. Although I could go to court, I'm not the governor, and it's not my job to uphold the laws. I think government needs to step in, quickly and convincingly apply its authority to protect all private citizens when any part of the governmental process is acting outside of the law. Otherwise it is corruption, and everyone who knows and can correct the problems ends up an accessory if they don't act.

The language in 194.301 is quite clear, and the language in 2003 VAB Rules is clearly in contradiction to the statute. Anyone who can read can see the problem.

Thus, I would think you could sue, and it would heroic if the governor enforced the laws intended to protect homeowners and businesses. I think the legislature could sue, for it's their law being ignored. I think the AG should sue. Otherwise, how can you expect any other entities to obey the laws, if any level of government willy nilly can ignore the laws?!

Heidi Hughes can be reached at 850-488-3494, if you want her to do something specific to address this problem. Every petitioner who files in Palm Beach is expected to sign for this booklet, and that too is a problem. Where do all these abuses end? When the governor and the executive protect us, so I'm glad you are aware of this, and have staff looking at it. I hope they do more than look at it, I want them to put a stop to it. Thanks.

Sheila Anderson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['robert brewster'](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:24:13 PM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Bob. It will work, particularly and only if there is parent support.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: robert brewster [mailto:brewst2@worldnet.att.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 8:19 AM

To: Jeb Bush; Levesque, Patricia; 'Florida, Taxwatch (Business Fax)'; Dana, Pamella

Subject:

This is for Brevard but any district will save millions. Four track will work. Bob

From: [John Lasseville <lasseville@bellsouth.net>](mailto:lasseville@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:23:13 PM

Subject: Absentee and Early Voting

Attachments: File 1-Logartimic Analysis of Afroamerican Group.zip

Governor, here is the information that you requested yesterday about the absentee and early voting. I'm also sending you the information % by party affiliation and a new corrected chart of afro-americans.

Remember that the total turnout in Miami Dade in the governor's election was 508,000 votes and the total early and absentee votes was 114,567 - 22.6%. This number can be increased in future elections.

The above numbers were calculated by John Lasseville's computer.

Best regards.

John Lasseville
305.551.2587

**GENERAL ELECTIONS GOVERNOR RACE
5-Nov-02
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Absentee Ballot Statistics by Party

(Updated November 5, 2002 - 7:00 PM)

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CC: ['Shanahan, Kathleen M.'](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:22:42 PM

Subject: RE: Camp Blanding: Adjoining Highway Speed limit and "BRAC"

I am asking Jose and Denver to look into this.

jeb

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From: Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG [mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 8:03 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: 'Shanahan, Kathleen M.'

Subject: Camp Blanding: Adjoining Highway Speed limit and "BRAC"

Governor,

A quick update on the Camp Blanding speed limit issue. We have requested that DOT consider reducing the speed limit from 65 to 55 MPH on State Road 16; this section of the highway separates Camp Blanding's maneuver areas and provides access to the main entrance. As LTG Blum noted, this is a hazardous stretch which presents multiple risks to both civilian traffic and military convoys. The slow acceleration and deceleration rate of 2 1/2 ton trucks and the flatbeds that carry military vehicles presents a problem of "mix" with the civilian traffic operating at 65 MPH.

How is this a BRAC issue? During previous rounds, the services evaluated each installation's surrounding highways, capacity to support deployments, quick egress, and access to maneuver areas. I believe the current 65 MPH speed limit set at the entrance to Camp Blanding is the highest of any base in Florida.

We met with DOT's District 2 Manager, Aage Schroder, last month. They do not believe a speed limit change would significantly reduce the risk. They have, however, offered a solution that "mitigates" the safety concerns we have. DOT will support electronic warning signs and acceleration/deceleration lanes. The "warning signs" will flash when our vehicles are moving out of the base or crossing the highway into the maneuver areas. When the "warning signs" flash, they also flash the reduced speed limit of 45 MPH. Years ago, the speed limit was 45 MPH along the 1 or 2 miles in front of the main entrance. This is not exactly all I wanted, but things are beginning to roll and I will work it. Will keep you informed. The traffic engineers at DOT are professionals and make a convincing argument for their response.

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From: RGrooms1@aol.com <RGrooms1@aol.com>

To: Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Jim King](#)

GeneA@FAR.org

Date: 8/20/2003 8:57:54 PM

Subject: Thank you

Diane,
Thanks for taking the time to come to Hollywood to speak to our Directors. I meant what I said to our members that your cooperation and communication with the Florida Association of Realtors has been very positive and refreshing.
As 2004 President, I want to work with you as closely as possible and will be available anytime you want to communicate with our leadership.
My numbers are 904.387.3555 office, 904.631.3411 cell, 904.384.6141 fax and 904.777.5162 home.
Thanks again for caring,
Russell

From: [Mortham, Sandra <smortham@medone.org>](mailto:smortham@medone.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 8:44:00 PM

Subject: KMcLead@pinchapenny.com

Governor,

Thanks again for taking time today to discuss the possibility of regulation for the paralegals in Florida. They are a hard working group and want to preserve what they have worked so hard to maintain...their integrity and profession. Please let me know if I need to speak with someone in particular on your staff regarding this issue. My friend who is extremely knowledgeable would be pleased to come to Tallahassee to put this in the proper framework in case I didn't make the complete case.

Again, thanks for your friendship.

See you in Hollywood!

Sandy

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From: Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/20/2003 5:59:44 PM

Subject: RE: THE SEVERELY DISABLED MAN IS NO, WRITNG YOU FROM A NURSING HOME BED, PLEASE HELP ME JEB!!!!

Some follow up from staff in blue:

He was moved to St Johns -a facility with nursing home care and rehab facilities that should be better equiped to help him.

Moved from Cedars Nursing Home which he complained about to the St Johns facility.

-----Original Message-----

From: Dombrowski, Barbara

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 11:31 AM

Subject: RE: THE SEVERELY DISABLED MAN IS NO, WRITNG YOU FROM A NURSING HOME BED, PLEASE HELP ME JEB!!!!

Importance: High

Spoke with Mr. Daniels this morning and he seems ok and calm. He states that the nursing home is being very nice to him and is doing everything they can do to get things done for him. He was upset that his meds were not available when he first arrived but they have acted very fast to correct that problem and others. His big complaint is the way Cedars has treated him and discharged him. He wants us to go after them. He also states that the court order stipulated that they must transfer his mattress with him and they did not. Anyway, he has my e-mail address to cau and will be providing me daily updates. Diane - I included you in this e-mail because he will be contacting you very soon as he has your number and will certainly want to get to know you as he did the Miami office. Barbara

Will let you know if anything else emerges

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 7:24 AM

To: medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us

Subject: FW: THE SEVERELY DISABLED MAN IS NO, WRITNG YOU FROM A NURSING HOME BED, PLEASE HELP ME JEB!!!!

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-----Original Message-----

From: clark daniels [mailto:unityhealth@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 3:46 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Bob Allen

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From: [Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>](mailto:Medows.Rhonda.M.D.<medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>)

To: [Levine, Alan](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Kathleen Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)

[Medows, Rhonda M.D.](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 5:49:44 PM

Subject: FYI: AHCA HIPAA status

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On schedule to be compliant by deadline: 10/16/03

Status confirmed by:

- ACS (Medicaid Fiscal Agent):

I met with the new Medicaid Fiscal Agent leadership (ACS, aka Consultec) on 7/31/03 to confirm this.

Discussed what happened to the Georgia Medicaid program and the steps ACS has taken to ensure that Florida will be HiPAA compliant.

- Bob Sharpe, Medicaid Director

- AHCA HIPAA Steering Committee Chair Jim Brodie

- AHCA Privacy & Security Officer David Herman

HiPAA Components

Part 1 (Privacy): Complete. April 2003

Deadline was met

Part 2 (Transaction & Code Sets): On schedule to meet October 2003

Deadline

Assessment,

Planning, Development & Training (of Agency staff) complete

Part 3 (Security): Deadline is in 2005

Gap

Analysis/Assessment already in progress

Current work:

*Testing in Progress

- Integrated System Testing: Testing by ACS (Fiscal Agent) complete

- User Acceptance Testing: Testing by AHCA, in

progress now

- Provider Testing: Providers able to test their systems for compatibility & compliance with us now.

Medicaid

Provider training and outreach on Transactions & Code Sets is on-going -

ACS has

already completed several statewide provider training seminars

*Contingency Plan developed by ACS to address "noncompliant" claims from providers/partners - trying to minimize potential future problems. Medicaid may have additional costs if a very large number of providers are noncompliant with electronic claims and try to submit paper claims instead.

AHCA participating along with the other Agencies in the 2 Statewide HiPAA Workgroups

- STO HiPAA Enterprise wide Coordinating Council
- Transaction Review Workgroup (TRW), (Legislative branch)

Dr. Rhonda M. Medows,
Secretary
Agency for Health Care Administration
State of Florida

From: [Bernie McCabe <bmccabe@co.pinellas.fl.us>](mailto:bmccabe@co.pinellas.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 5:14:04 PM

Subject: Pinellas County Judicial Appointment

Governor--I am advised that Joe Bulone is under consideration for appointment to the vacant County Judge position in Pinellas County and that he is being interviewed by your staff today. I have known Joe for the 18 years he has been with this office and have seen him grow into an accomplished trial lawyer and an able administrator. Joe is in charge of one of our felony trial divisions and as such must effectively interact with lawyers, judges and members of the public, including crime victims. He excels in all of his responsibilities. I am confident that he would be a superb judge and I highly recommend him to you.

Bernie McCabe

From: [Stella Bourassa <Stellallogic@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:Stellallogic@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 4:54:13 PM

Subject: Once again, I need help and will you please forward this to the appropriate department

Good Afternoon Gov. Bush,

You helped me with this issue back in March and I thought it was resolved. I just sent this letter to AOL and am copying you on it. Hopefully, AOL, will send the 'credit' without anymore trouble and Bill and I can have this behind us.

Thank you again for your help!

Stella:)

August 20, 2003

AOL Billing and OP

P.O. Box 7200

Jacksonville, FL 32245-7200

Dear Billing Department,

By agreement with the State of Florida, Fraud Department and yourselves, we had all agreed to what we owed AOL and that amount was \$239.00. We received notice of this in June via the U.S. Mail. In July, I received a notice from:

Allied Interstate

P.O. Box 369008

Columbus, Ohio 43236

Stating AOL had sent our bill to them and we now owed 930.85. I immediately called Allied Interstate and explained we did not owe \$239.00 and that this matter had only been resolved in June. We made arrangements to pay the \$239.00 on August 15, 2003 and fulfilled our commitment and agreement.

I was told by Allied that we will still have an 'outstanding' balance of \$691.85 till AOL sends a 'credit' to them for this amount. Once again, we owed AOL \$239.00 and we paid our bill. Please send Allied Interstate the credit they are requesting.

I have sent a copy of this letter to Gov. Bush via e-mail knowing he will make sure this information is received by the appropriate government department.

Sincerely,

Mr. And Mrs. William and Stella Bourassa

2373 Lake Debra Dr. #2313

Orlando, FL 32835

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[Credibility is doing the right thing consistently"](#)

From: JLRttag@cs.com <JLRttag@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 4:47:28 PM

Subject: Tomato Suspension Agreement

The tomato suspension agreement renewed last fall is up for a reference price (floor price) review. The Florida tomato growers could use your help in urging the U.S. Commerce Secretary to grant a price adjustment. Is there any one in particular in your office I should brief? Time if of the essence.

Jose Luis

From: [Alex Chafuen <alex.chafuen@atlasusa.org>](mailto:alex.chafuen@atlasusa.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: jmi@jamesmadison.org
gbongiovanni@libertad.org.ar

Date: 8/20/2003 4:36:28 PM

Subject: Invite, September 30

Attachments: FILprogram.doc

Dear Governor Bush:

Greetings and congratulations for your leadership. I believe our common friend Stan Marshall already called your office about this. I am also sending a copy of this letter and additional material by mail. The newsletter mentioned in the letter also appears in the web at http://www.atlasusa.org/pdf/2002_H-fall.pdf

Sir Antony Fisher, who founded Atlas, was also the founder of the Manhattan Institute, I am delighted that you are also collaborating with them,

Sincerely,

Alejandro A. Chafuen

August 20, 2003

Hon. Jeb Bush
Office of the Governor
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Dear Governor Bush:

Last October 2002, I joined policy leaders from the The Heritage Foundation, Cato Institute, and representatives of several other major foundations of the Americas and Spain, as board members of a new international foundation for liberty. This "Fundación Internacional para la Libertad" (**FIL**) is headquartered in Spain and headed by Mario Vargas Llosa, the renowned writer/intellectual. I enclose a newsletter of the European launching of this foundation which attracted over 300 leaders from the Americas and several ministers from the Spanish government.

The launching of **FIL** in the United States of America will take place this coming *September 30, 2003* at the building of the Cato Institute and will be preceded and followed by short events. We believe that you are the political figure in the United States who can best represent our dreams for an American continent united by liberty. The goal of **FIL** is to try to bring Spain and the Americas closer together working for free-trade, common defense, and enhancing our cultural ties.

We understand that your schedule might be extraordinarily busy, but we would be delighted if you could join Mario Vargas Llosa in making a few keynote remarks during the evening reception or at any time during the program. We would accommodate to your schedule. Other figures which have agreed to participate in the afternoon panels include Hon. Miguel Angel Rodríguez, who is competing for the top job at the OAS, Professor Richard Pipes, a Spanish Minister, and several policy leaders from Latin America. We are also waiting a response from Robert Zoellick, Atlas Economic Research Foundation has been a champion of the FTAA process and we think that Florida should play the key role as the leading "State of the Americas."

For further information about our work feel free to ask our good friends Dr. Stan Marshall and Dr. Ed Feulner, with whom we have collaborated over the years.

We thank you in advance for considering this invitation and congratulate you for your contribution to the free society through your many years of service to this wonderful country.

Sincerely,

Alex
Alejandro A. Chafuen, Ph.D.
President and CEO

www.atlasusa.org
www.hacer.org

From: Stipanovich_Coleman@fsba.state.fl.us <Stipanovich_Coleman@fsba.state.fl.us>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 4:20:58 PM

Subject: Question and Answer

Q: what does BGI stand for

A: Barclays Global Investments

sorry, i had a senior's moment at 53

From: [Bob Pappas <cheeteh@bellsouth.net>](mailto:cheeteh@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 4:01:32 PM

Subject: Class size

Dear Gov. Bush,

The solution is so simple that it isn't worth the time to unamend the Constitution.

Go to multiple shifts and you can double or triple the capacity of present facilities.

Sincerely,

Bob Pappas

From: [Bob Pappas <cheeteh@bellsouth.net>](mailto:cheeteh@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 3:57:59 PM

Subject: Well put

1. "We need to make sure that Florida's most vulnerable residents, who truly do not have the ability to make decisions for themselves, are represented by guardians so that their best interests are protected."

Well put, but in my opinion, with the proviso that it applies only to cases adjudicated as being the purview of the State. We must be very careful to not overreach.

2. We rejoice at your daughter's progress.

3. Are you really satisfied with the Medical Malpractice legislation?

Sincerely,
Bob Pappas
Gulf Breeze

From: [Patty McWhirter <patty@teennet.com>](mailto:patty@teennet.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 9:27:27 PM

Subject: Thank you - Malpractice Ins

Dear Gov. Bush,

Thank you for all the work you did on the malpractice insurance reform. Your leadership was the catalyst that made everything come together. Your goals of improving access to care, improving physician discipline, ensuring fair litigation and reviving the insurance market are excellent. Best wishes on your continuing pursuits.

And thank you for all you do on behalf of mothers and children in Florida. Your concern, support and protection mean so much.

Patty McWhirter
Executive Director
Healthy Start Coalition of Osceola County, Inc.
P.O. Box 701995
St. Cloud, FL 34770-1995
407-891-9199
patty@teennet.com

From: [Tait, Tommy <ttait@whitneybank.com>](mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Evon Emerson](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 3:25:22 PM

Subject: RE:

Thank You -- On behalf of the Pensacola Area Chamber of Commerce I request that you support the position of the Fla. Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission which is to place the Oriskany in the waters off the coast of the panhandle. As to the best manner to express this support I am not exactly sure but I do think expressing your support to the Secretary of the Navy is in order. Thank you for your interest and support and as always let me know how I can be of assistance at the local level.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 6:52 PM

To: Tait, Tommy

Cc: danap@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: RE:

thank you tommy. How should my support be expressed?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tait, Tommy [mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 2:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

The Oriskany Reef project is one of the most important initiatives this community has ever undertaken. Creating an artificial reef using the decommissioned US Navy aircraft carrier Oriskany will have extraordinary impact on our tourism efforts and will bring substantial economic impact to the regional economy. Our public and private sectors have joined together to support this effort. Your efforts in bringing the Oriskany to Northwest Florida will demonstrate our unqualified support. Thanks you for your continued support of our area!

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From: [Robert Wychulis <bob@fahp.net>](mailto:Robert.Wychulis@fahp.net)

To: Levinea@eog.state.fl.us
shanahk@eog.state.fl.us
medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us
sharpeb@fdhc.state.fl.us
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:44:06 PM

Subject: Follow-up Letter related to our Tuesday, August 19th meeting

Attachments: LevineLetter082003.doc

Alan,

I have attached a letter outlining our discussions from yesterday.

Thanks again for your help and support.

Bob

From: Dogdaze152@wmconnect.com <Dogdaze152@wmconnect.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:22:11 PM

Subject: (no subject)

i dont know if i have the right e-address so ill try anyway..... my name is lisel cummings...i have lived in fla...since....1974.....and voted for your father and brother and if you were to run ..would vote for you as well....but this is a long over due letter that has to do with the matter of child support.....and would like to hear from your office and if you might be able to help me get off the merry-go-round where i seem to have gotten miss information since 1994.....i think i have been patient but now ...iam desparate.....please...write back and i will tell you a very long story and hopefully you can straighten the matter out because my daughter is the one who is losing because of child support and their lack of policy and regaurd in this matter.....thank you very much.....ill keep you and your's in my prayers....lisel cummings....dogdaze152@wmconnect.com

From: [Martinez, Bob <BMartinez@CarltonFields.com>](mailto:BMartinez@CarltonFields.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:10:11 PM

Subject: RE: Governor, what do you think?

Governor:

In your nearly five years in office, you have re-directed and qualitatively changed many areas of state government. Ongoing execution of the changes you brought about will continue to require a great amount of attention to make certain the outcome is what you expected. Change sometimes moves like a snail walking backwards.

A challenge that face many states that allow the constitution to be amended by citizen petition is how to eliminate or restrict amendments that require the state to initiate a new program, determine service standards or mandate appropriations.

If it can be worded legally to be place on the ballot, perhaps amend the state constitution to prohibit the use of the Florida Constitution to require government to spend the people's money, develop programs or determine a level of service. This could chill efforts by petition activists to amend the constitution to usurp the executive and legislative responsibility provided to those branches of government.

Sorry for my late response. I've been out of the office quite a bit.

Bob

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:12 PM
To: Martinez, Bob
Subject: FW: Governor, what do you think?

[What I meant to say was that we have finished with the legislation action for this year and I was wondering what do you suggest that focus on for the next two or three years. What initiatives do you think we should pursue? How do you think we should do it?](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:09 PM
To: Martinez, Bob (bmart@carltonfields.com)
Subject: Governor, what do you think?

So, we have finished the law making for a while (there may be more clean up bills to be passed in October) and I was wondering, if you were Governor, what would you be focusing on for the next two or three years. What initiatives do you think we should pursue? How do you think that I should do it? Inquiring minds want to know.

Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['MSBSUMMERS@aol.com'](mailto:MSBSUMMERS@aol.com)
Date: 8/20/2003 1:21:17 PM
Subject: FW: Child Support Issues fup

-----Original Message-----

From: Karen Kellams [mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us]
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 8:34 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: Child Support Issues fup

Governor,

I emailed and phoned Ms Summers but have not had any response. I think I was able to identify the cases so I'm having those reviewed to be sure we're doing all we can. I'll continue to follow up even if I don't hear from her. Have a great day!
Karen

>>> "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> 08/18/03 10:32AM >>>

Bonnie, whether you vote for me or not, does not matter. I am more than willing to try to help and have asked Karen Kellams to contact you.

Jeb Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: MSBSUMMERS@aol.com [mailto:MSBSUMMERS@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 10:14 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Child Support Issues

Mr. Bush,

In a last attempt before I give up completely I just wanted you to know that I have been a resident of Central Florida for seven years. I am a single parent of three intelligent and beautiful daughters, and your system has let them down dreadfully. I have been trying to obtain child support for the entire seven years I have lived in Florida and yet for some reason I HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE SINGLE PENNY! So I work two full time jobs just so I can make ends meet, I do not have nearly enough time to spend with them, helping them with homework, spending any form of quality time is out of the question. So just so you are aware even though I am only one person, and originally from Texas I will never vote for you under any circumstances and honestly think you are just full of hot air, like any other politician you say one thing (as long as it what you think people want to hear) and you do another, usually anything as long as it means you can take as much money from people as possible. So after seven long years of filling out mountains of paperwork and many more ahead of working myself into an early grave just so we can eat and have a place live, my deepest thank you for making sure this system in Florida is as incompetent as a third world country.

Best Regards,
Bonnie M. Summers
Single parent of daughters who will also never vote for you.

From: Altenburge@aol.com <Altenburge@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: Seddoc@aol.com
BRTAP@aol.com

Date: 8/20/2003 1:04:44 PM

Subject: INVITATION

Dear Governor Bush,

I serve on the Board of Trinity Catholic High School in Ocala. TCHS will graduate its first class on May 22, 2004 at 10:00 AM. On behalf of the school administration, I would like to invite you to attend this ceremony as our commencement speaker. The school is administered by the Christian Brothers and Brother Andrew Prendergast serves as principle. We would be honored to have you tour our campus, meet the students and participate in the festivities of graduation day. Schedule permitting, perhaps we can combine a number of other activities for you in Ocala on that day.

Thank you for considering this request. Thank you also for all you are doing for the people of Florida.

Regards,

Karl

cc: Mrs. Debbie Brooks and Brother Andrew Prendergast

Trinity Catholic High School
2600 S.W. 42nd Street
Ocala, Florida 34474

From: [Karen Kellams <KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us>](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)
To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)
Date: 8/20/2003 12:34:29 PM
Subject: RE: Child Support Issues fup

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From: Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/20/2003 11:56:26 AM

Subject: Re: THE SEVERELY DISABLED MAN IS NO, WRITNG YOU FROM A NURSING HOME BED, PLEASE HELP ME JEB!!!!

Looking into his statement alleging Cedars is "violating a court order"

Will follow up with you shortly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>

Sent: Wed Aug 20 07:24:04 2003

Subject: FW: THE SEVERELY DISABLED MAN IS NO, WRITNG YOU FROM A NURSING HOME BED, PLEASE HELP ME JEB!!!!

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-----Original Message-----

From: clark daniels [mailto:unityhealth@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 3:46 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Bob Allen

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cited in writing after refusing orally.

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From: MSBSUMMERS@aol.com <MSBSUMMERS@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 11:37:57 AM

Subject: Re: Child Support Issues fup

Thank you I look forward to hearing from her, no one should have to miss out on their children growing up because they have to work as much as I do.

B. Summers

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Rhonda Meadows Secretary \(medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us\)](mailto:medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Mary Bennett'](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 11:17:06 AM

Subject: RE: Opportunities

Thank you Mary. What is the school district doing now?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Bennett [mailto:mgunter@msn.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:28 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Opportunities

The FCAT results have confirmed that your educational programs have been successful. The A+ plan forced school districts to redirect resources to schools in need. The No Child Left Behind results indicate that we are still not doing enough with our subgroups. We need to do more. Maybe this is another wake up call (although a harsh one) that we need.

Thanks again for all you do.....I still have to gear up to tell you about FCAT test administration....but right now, I'm having to make some hard decisions since the school district has been unkind to me yet again. (33 years, loyal employee, successful in every endeavor in my professional career.....go figure.....sometimes you just can't be too good in a bureaucracy)

Mary Bennett

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'spirit527@aol.com'

Date: 8/20/2003 11:12:42 AM

Subject: RE: Class Size

Thank you Jeanne

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: theledger.com [mailto:tips@publicus.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 6:33 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Class Size

This is an article from The Ledger Online.

Jeanne Stephens thinks you might be interested in this.

Link to the article: <http://www.theledger.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=2003308200337>

A message to you from Jeanne Stephens:

What can we do at the grassroots level to get this law recalled?

Regards

Jeanne Stephens

spirit527@aol.com

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From: [Mary Bennett <mgunter@msn.com>](mailto:MaryBennett@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 10:27:48 AM

Subject: Opportunities

The FCAT results have confirmed that your educational programs have been successful. The A+ plan forced school districts to redirect resources to schools in need. The No Child Left Behind results indicate that we are still not doing enough with our subgroups. We need to do more. Maybe this is another wake up call (although a harsh one) that we need.

Thanks again for all you do.....I still have to gear up to tell you about FCAT test administration....but right now, I'm having to make some hard decisions since the school district has been unkind to me yet again. (33 years, loyal employee, successful in every endeavor in my professional career.....go figure.....sometimes you just can't be too good in a bureaucracy)

Mary Bennett

From: [clark daniels <unityhealth@yahoo.com>](mailto:clark.daniels@unityhealth@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Bob Allen](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 7:46:09 AM

Subject: THE SEVERELY DISABLED MAN IS NO, WRITNG YOU FROM A NURSING HOME BED,
PLEASE HELP ME JEB!!!!

Bob Allen is out of town on a cruise with my family.
Cedars forced me to go to a place that can't take care
of me using the police and half a dozen people.

They tricked St, Johns into accepting me and now they
are stuck with me as I am stuck with them. It's a long
story, but, Cedars violated the terms of the Court
order they got to transfer me, egregiously. My life is
threatened.

Please ask AHCA to help me. IT'S MORE URGENT THAN
EVER!!!

Clark Daniels, 786-287-3410, St. Johns #326,
unityhealth@yahoo.com

PS- The people at AHCA, have done their best to help
me. It's not their fault. They have been exemplary.
Cedars CEO, Micheal Joseph, is a madman, however, and
refused to follow what they said, even, when they were
cited in writing after refusing orally.

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From: [john_schestag <thesalvationnavy@yahoo.com>](mailto:john_schestag@thesalvationnavy@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 4:18:52 AM

Subject: Corrupt Judge Charles W. Cope

Attachments: Fw: Judge Charles W. Cope

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: [Dickson & Associates <fdickson@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:fdickson@tampabay.rr.com)

To: john.schestag

Date: 8/18/2003 8:21:08 PM

Subject: Fw: Judge Charles W. Cope

----- Original Message -----

From: [Dickson & Associates](mailto:fdickson@tampabay.rr.com)

To: BYRD.JOHNIE

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 4:17 PM

Subject: Judge Charles W. Cope

Dear Speaker Byrd,

Judge Cope has been very well protected by the judicial system, and the Republican hierarchy, but the victims of his judicial crimes, have, to date, been ignored. Mr. Robert Merckle (deceased), Judge Cope's attorney, and Judge Jimmy Jurgenson (deceased), JQC judge, felt strongly that Judge Cope was of fine character and reputation, despite the facts, and testimony presented at his JQC "trial". I am sure the confusion they experienced over the past few years regarding this case has now been totally cleared up.

Chief Judge David Demers, and Chief Judge Susan Schaeffer have also "felt sorry" for Judge Cope because he was depressed, suicidal, and acting out sexually, due to his "out of control" disease of alcoholism, and possible psychosis. The Property Appraiser's Office in Pinellas has filed complaints because of Judge Cope's psychotic behavior during their routine visit to his home. Please see the St. Pete Times for stories about Judge Cope to get some idea of how the general public and the other judges in Pinellas County feel about this whole charade. How could we have an ounce of respect for anyone protecting Judge Cope? It would be nice if the checks and balances of our system would prevent this type of conspiracy against the citizens of Florida. It is my understanding that YOU are now faced with the decision whether to further protect Judge Cope from proper accountability and discipline by preventing impeachment hearings to progress in the Florida Legislature, as Ordered by Speaker Tom Feeney. The evidence against this judge has accumulated significantly since this action was Ordered several years ago.

Speaker Byrd, the reason I write to you again, is to make perfectly sure that you understand that many people are in jail as a result of the corruption in the 6th Circuit in Clearwater. I also understand that several individuals involved in this charade may be giving substantial amounts to the Republican Party, thus negating your desire to pursue an investigation. If true, I hope you will seriously reconsider your decision.

To date, the "poor Judge Cope" story just won't go away for those benefiting financially from the well documented extortion and racketeering in the Clearwater Courts. Be assured Speaker Byrd, this won't go away, even if you CHOOSE to enable these predators as well. I do hope you will give careful consideration to the children, the families, and the folks wrongfully imprisoned, in the name of "family law" in Pinellas County, before deciding whether to be a party to such a conspiracy. Many people have been stripped of their lives, and livelihoods as a result of unrelenting GREED by Judge Cope and his friends in the Clearwater Bar and the situation calls for YOUR immediate action.

Do you ever wonder if Mr. Merckle and Judge Jurgenson would do things differently if they were given another opportunity? I do hope you will give prayerful consideration to our plight, and take action NOW based on what is right, not what is best for a political campaign.

Thank you again for your time and help.

Best Regards,
Franklin Dickson

From: [Mansion <Mansion@fdle.state.fl.us>](mailto:Mansion@fdle.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:21:57 AM

Subject: AG Christ

Governor,

Put in calls to all the numbers we have for AG Christ and left messages.

Just FYI,

Rick

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['bob@fahp.net'](mailto:bob@fahp.net)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:20:04 AM

Subject: RE: Today's Meeting

[thank you Bob.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Wychulis [mailto:bob@fahp.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 11:04 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: 'Stephen R. MacNamara'

Subject: Today's Meeting

Dear Governor Bush:

Thanks for taking the time today to meet with me. It was a very productive meeting. As previously told to me by others who have met with you, you are bright, knowledgeable about issues, and intuitive about what is important.

I will followup with your staff on the issues we discussed.

Thanks for doing a good job.

Sincerely,

Bob Wychulis
FAHP

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Kevin Schwartz'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:15:18 AM

Subject: RE: Personal friend of Berthy Aponte fup

for Berthy, I will do it. The schedulers will be in touch.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kevin Schwartz [mailto:kevin.schwartz@queens.oxford.ac.uk]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 11:14 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Personal friend of Berthy Aponte

Dear Governor Bush,

Berthy and Milton Aponte have told me a great deal about your leadership and advocacy in the area of development disabilities, and disability rights more broadly. Of course, I have also heard about Lucy and how much your work has helped countless other individuals.

I am an American Marshall Scholar at Oxford University conducting my graduate research on disability rights, and after telling me about all of your work Berthy suggested I should make sure to speak with you to include in my research all of your leadership and personal insights into this important area. I am writing to ask if you might be able to fit me into your schedule for a brief telephone interview?

I realize how busy your schedule is, and I appreciate whatever time you might be able to spare for a short interview over the telephone. If this is not possible, I could also send you questions over e-mail for your consideration.

Please let me know whatever might be convenient for you. I can be reached full time at 516-621-6487 or at my e-mail (kevin.schwartz@queens.oxford.ac.uk). Thank you very much for your consideration Governor Bush.

Sincerely,

- Kevin Schwartz

kevin.schwartz@queens.oxford.ac.uk

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Rich Pitera'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)

[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:14:05 AM

Subject: RE: NAMI (National Alliance for Mental Illness) Candlelight Vigil

Thank you for your invitation. The schedulers will be in touch. I really appreciate your request.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Rich Pitera [mailto:rpitera@adelphia.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 11:05 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Lynne Hernandez; Leah Krumme

Subject: NAMI (National Alliance for Mental Illness) Candlelight Vigil

Governor Bush;

I am writing to invite you, and any members of your staff that might wish to attend, to our Candlelight Vigil at Indian Riverside Park, Jensen Beach, in Martin County on October 6th at 7PM.

This Candlelight Vigil marks the first day of Mental Illness Awareness Week (MIAW). Gayle Harrell has already committed to attend and we hope that your presence would call attention to the plight of those who suffer from mental illness, be it depression, bipolar, schizophrenia obsessive-compulsive, etc. This problem has carried with it the stigma of its existence to almost all who are afflicted and over 20% of our population is afflicted. Unfortunately many who are go undiagnosed and it might take a significant occurrence to be diagnosed, and receive treatment in the form of therapy and medication. A large percent of those who do get treatment go on to lead happy, productive lives.

Our Vigil on Oct 5th will not only be for Martin County but will also include St. Lucie, Indian River, and we have invited Palm Beach County to attend.

Governor Bush, your presence would mean so much toward highlighting our cause and can show that mental disorders should be viewed like any other physical illness, and not be feared or ignored. Students in the emotional disturbance category achieve unacceptably poor academic results, they fail more courses, earn lower GPA's miss more days of school and are retained at grade more than students in any other disability category.

Suicide is the 3rd leading cause of deaths among 15-24 year olds(over 90% of these have a mental disorder). Also 65% of boys and 75% of girls in juvenile detention have at least one psychiatric illness.

Now you can see why we need your help to put the spotlight on this problem. I would love to make any and all arrangements that might be necessary at this end should I have been successful in pleading our cause. Finally, If you feel that this should be a family support effort we would welcome your efforts to invite other in the Bush family. Respectfully,

Rich Pitera

Public Relations

772-781-4656

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['GMcmic9054@aol.com'](mailto:GMcmic9054@aol.com)

BCC: [Rove Karl \(kr@rove.com\)](mailto:kr@rove.com)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
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[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:02:58 AM

Subject: RE: Vietnam Veterans of America, Conference of State Council Presidents fup

Thank you for your kind invitation. I will pass on to the scheduling team.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: GMcmic9054@aol.com [mailto:GMcmic9054@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 6:22 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Vietnam Veterans of America, Conference of State Council Presidents

Honorable Governor Bush,

The Vietnam Veterans of America, Florida State Council will host the quarterly meeting of the Conference of State Council Presidents. The conference is made up of presidents from each state around the nation. You are cordially invited to attend our meeting and address the membership. The meeting will be held at the Radisson Hotel in Key West from January 8th through January 10th. Please respond so we can make necessary arrangements in our agenda. You can contact me at 321-784-2472 or fax 321-783-3778.

Respectfully,

Dave McMichael, President

VVA Florida State Council

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['David Murrell'](#)

BCC: [James Crosby \(Crosby.James@mail.dc.state.fl.us\)](mailto:James.Crosby@mail.dc.state.fl.us)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 2:01:19 AM

Subject: RE: Thanks!

Thank you David.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: David Murrell [mailto:david@flpba.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 4:07 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thanks!

Dear Governor: With reference to the recently passed HB 3D which dealt with increasing prison beds, we just want to say "thanks" for your input and help in stripping out the part of the bill which we have always opposed. (You know the subject.) I know this is probably selfish on our part, but is there any possibility that you could be named Governor for Life? Best wishes. David Murrell and your legion of PBA friends

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Susan Christian'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
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Date: 8/20/2003 1:57:28 AM

Subject: RE: Atlas Foundation

[thank you Stan.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Christian [mailto:membership@jamesmadison.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 5:13 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Atlas Foundation

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I would appreciate very much your reading Dr. Chafuen's letter and considering his request.

And, as always, thanks for considering my request.

Stan Marshall

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Hosmon, Robert Stahr'](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 1:54:18 AM

Subject: RE: Happy ending!

Thank you Bob.

-----Original Message-----

From: Hosmon, Robert Stahr [mailto:rhosmon@miami.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 6:14 PM

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Hope what's left of your summer is a good one.

Bob Hosmon

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)

[Glenda Hood Secretary \(gehood@mail.dos.state.fl.us\)](mailto:gehood@mail.dos.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/20/2003 1:51:51 AM

Subject: FW: voter rolls fup

[we need to discuss.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: KayclemVB@aol.com [mailto:KayclemVB@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 7:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: voter rolls

Jeb --

It was great seeing you in Tallahassee enjoyed joking with you about Zander. You know, you try to raise them right and first thing you know they are hanging out with the wrong crowd and soon they turn into trial lawyers :).

Talked to Glenda Hood about purging voter rolls today. She said she had just returned from a meeting with you and your staff.

Let me briefly explain the purging process under Motor Voter. If a voter doesn't vote in two federal elections, he may be placed on an inactive voter status and we mail him a postcard at the address we have on record. The wording of the post card is mandated in federal law and it stinks. If the voter does not return the card to us we have to keep him on the roll. This is main reason the voter rolls are so large.

Secondly, we have a transient population and here in Indian River as well as many other parts of the state we have a population who live here part of the year and live in another state part of the year. If they decide their legal residence is Florida they register to vote here. If they happen to die while they are "up North", I have no way of knowing and cannot remove them from the roll. We, of course, watch obituaries, etc. but you never get them all. When I was with the State Party I thought Supervisors of Elections must be idiots to have dead people on the rolls -- now I understand how it happens.

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We are mandated to purge our rolls every two years -- we all do it but we are only taking a few thousand at a time off. I have heard ever since 1997 (when I took office) that as soon as Clinton was gone, the Republican Congress was going to straighten out Motor Voter so we would not have this problem ----- I'm still waiting.

Jeb, the thing that frightens me is this move to go to mail ballot elections. We have one supervisor in Tallahassee, Ion Sancho (not any a leadership role in our organization) who is really pushing it. Many of the small counties want to move towards it. Also some of the larger counties (Orange) are in favor of it. I can't imagine how frightening it would be to conduct a mail ballot election with these swollen rolls -- all those ballots belonging to dead people or people who have moved elsewhere floating around would be awful. The Joint Legislative Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs is doing an interim project on this move. I just got a survey to complete on it. I keep hearing more and more about it. Please keep your eye on it.

Thanks for listening.

Kay Clem

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Kathleen Shanahan \(kathleen@jeb.org\)](mailto:kathleen@jeb.org)
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Kay Clem

From: [beverly land <bevland@misn.com>](mailto:beverly.land@misn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 12:56:38 AM

Subject: Schiavo Case

Dear Gov. Bush: Please step into the Schiavo case, it is terrible what is happening there. Mr. & Mrs Fred Land
bevland@misn.com

From: Nancy4RE@aol.com <Nancy4RE@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/20/2003 12:48:13 AM

Subject: Pinellas County Court position.....

Dear Governor Jeb:

I am writing to express my recommendation of candidate Don Horrox to the Pinellas County Court position vacated by the elevation of Judge Michael Andrews to the Circuit Court.

I met personally with Don and was impressed with his passion, enthusiasm and desire to serve the citizens of Pinellas County. He presents a warm, easy-going personality, which would serve him well in dealing with the many people who appear in the County Court without an attorney.

Now is the perfect time for Don to assume a judgeship. He has been practicing law for twenty-one years, yet has a good many years ahead of him which will establish continuity on the bench. He brings a broad base of experience, having practiced as a prosecutor and a defense attorney and has extensive trial experience in both federal and state court. What a varied background for one to have seeking a judgeship!

In our conversation, Don shared his genuine love of family and his conservative common-sense principles. He seems modest and well-grounded, yet confident in his abilities. He expressed pride in having a reputation as a professional, ethical, attorney. I particular liked his eagerness to use his years of experience in mentoring the young lawyers who would appear before him in the County Court.

I believe Don would make an excellent judge and someone who you would be proud to have appointed. We need more judges like him and I ask that you appoint him to the position.

As always...thanks for listening to my thoughts.

Nancy

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From: DIBRO828@aol.com <DIBRO828@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: DIBRO828@aol.com

Date: 8/20/2003 12:15:14 AM

Subject: terri speaks from the heart!

mr bush

please review the facts re: this young lady. she can breath on her own. she maintains a steady life supporting heart beat on her own.she can swallow on her own.

terry is communicating the only way she knows how at this moment and that is speaking thru her heart and from the heart. mr bush me and many others like myself are not only speaking from our heart but also from the stand point of common sense. we ask you to let her live and to receive new treatments from the doctors that she has been denied for over ten years now.

as for her husband and the award money he received. i smell raw fish!

sincerely

dennis baker

68 east sweetwater rd

byhalia ms. 38611

e-mail

dibro828@aol.com

From: GMcmic9054@aol.com <GMcmic9054@aol.com>

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Date: 8/19/2003 10:24:14 PM

Subject: Conference of State Council Presidents Meeting

To All;

Vietnam Veterans of America, Conference of State Council Presidents will hold it's quarterly meeting at the Radisson Hotel in Key West from January 8th through January 10th. For anyone that would like to attend and find out what VVA is doing and where our future goals are with the input of members from around the nation please feel free to attend. For further information please contact me at 321-784-2472.

Respectfully,
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Bob Hosmon

From: [J. David Pace <davidpace@collegeconcepts.com>](mailto:davidpace@collegeconcepts.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 9:34:03 PM

Subject: Save Terri

Mr. Governor,

Please do what you can for Terri. It is absurd to allow a woman's feeding tube to be removed and starve her to death. If there is no legal will in this case then shouldn't we err on the side of life.

I know that you must do your duty as a Governor, but there has to be something you can do. Don't let the culture of death win. Don't let Terri die and her husband and lawyers lose their souls.

You've been given tremendous responsibility and an awesome opportunity to promote Life!! Jesus said that whatever we do to the least of his brethren... we do to Him. Terri needs a hero. We all need a hero. Take courage in Jesus Christ. You can do ALL things through Him.

You are in my prayers and I will offer up a Rosary for you Sir.

I pray that Life will prevail in Florida.

God bless you,
Ave Maria,
John David Pace

678-612-4685

From: [Susan Christian <membership@jamesmadison.org>](mailto:membership@jamesmadison.org)

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From: [McLaughlin, Daryl <DarylMcLaughlin@fdle.state.fl.us>](mailto:DarylMcLaughlin@fdle.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Kathleen M. Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 8:50:43 PM

Subject: Missing children Alert

Governor,

As a follow-up to our hallway discussion, please consider sending the following email to the agency heads:

Yesterday, Governor Bush unveiled a system that allows citizens to receive email alerts when an AMBER alert is issued. The system also generates Missing child alerts where the circumstances appear the child may be in danger but the AMBER criteria has not been met. I am asking you today to do what we have asked the citizens of this state to do; that is to sign up to receive these alerts. I am also asking you to look at your agency policies and procedures, and if this does not conflict with your current policy on use of state email to send the link to all of your employees statewide asking them to register. The registration allows for signing on with multiple email accounts so if permissible, employees could sign on with their agency email address as well as their personal address. These emails are only sent when a child is abducted or believed to be in a life threatening situation, so the number of emails received should not be overwhelming. I know we all have concerns about "spam" email but I can't think of a better use of the internet then one that may save the life of a child. I appreciate your attention to this very important issue. Click here now to register for

www.missingchildrenalert.com

Thanks,

Daryl

From: [David Murrell <david@flpba.org>](mailto:david@flpba.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 8:07:13 PM

Subject: Thanks!

Dear Governor: With reference to the recently passed HB 3D which dealt with increasing prison beds, we just want to say "thanks" for your input and help in stripping out the part of the bill which we have always opposed. (You know the subject.) I know this is probably selfish on our part, but is there any possibility that you could be named Governor for Life? Best wishes. David Murrell and your legion of PBA friends

From: [RM Gallo <rmgallo33@msn.com>](mailto:RMGallo33@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 8:02:00 PM

Subject: Fwd: Re: Real Estate Sales Exam

>From: "RM Gallo" <rmgallo33@msn.com>

>To: Cecilia.Rush@dbpr.state.fl.us

>CC: Jason.Steele@dbpr.state.fl.us, Jonathan.Epstein@dbpr.state.fl.us,

>Lianne.Acebo@dbpr.state.fl.us

>Subject: Re: Real Estate Sales Exam

>Date: Tue, 19 Aug 2003 20:00:35 +0000

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>Dear Diane Carr:

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>Thank you for your prompt response. I write to you to express how
>unsatisfied I am. I received a letter, giving me notice of my exam review
>on August 27, 2003 in Miami, Fl. Now it's my understanding that I may
>request the presence of unbiased expert to help me review my exam. I would
>like for an expert to attend on August 27,2003, for my appointment in
>Miami, at 7:30am.

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>I would also like too, again, request to review my first exam and also have
>a unbiased expert present for that review.

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>I would also like to know the results of the CIU investigation. Although,
>I know that on December 2, 2002 I completed an application,on-line, and on
>December 23,2002 I sent in my completed Fingerprint card; I'm still amazed
>that it takes the state over 4 months to realize that they can't download
>my application. I must also state, that though on April 1, 2003, I spoke
>to Michele and gave her my fingerprint information; I still find it hard to
>believe that information was missing. I specifically remember going to the
>police station here in Vero Beach, and the police woman, specifically told
>me that everything had be completed and have I.D. before she could even
>fingerprint me. I just find this entire experience to be unacceptable.

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>I appreciate your help Ms. Carr and wait for a response.

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>Sincerely,

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>Rosario M. Gallo

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>cc: Governor Jeb Bush
> Jason Steele
> Jon Epstein
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>>From: "Rush, Cecilia" <Cecilia.Rush@dbpr.state.fl.us>
>>To: "'rimgallo33@msn.com'" <rimgallo33@msn.com>
>>CC: "Steele, Jason" <Jason.Steele@dbpr.state.fl.us>, "Epstein, Jonathan"
><Jonathan.Epstein@dbpr.state.fl.us>, "Acebo, Lianne"
><Lianne.Acebo@dbpr.state.fl.us>
>>Subject: Real Estate Sales Exam
>>Date: Tue, 5 Aug 2003 12:53:34 -0400
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>>> Dear Rosario M. Gallo:
>>>
>>> Governor Bush received your July 31, 2003, email regarding your real
>>estate
>>> sales exam and asked that I respond directly to you. I appreciate
>your
>>> taking the time to express your concerns.
>>>
>>> I asked our Central Intake Unit (CIU) to research your application and
>>> fingerprint card concerns. Our records show that your online
>application
>>was
>>> completed in December 2002. However, it did not download for print
>>properly.
>>> Please accept my sincere apologies for the inconvenience this caused
>you.
>>> We are currently reviewing our online applications system to help
>ensure
>>> malfunctions like this do not re-occur.
>>>
>>> CIU conducted their initial review of your application after you spoke
>>with
>>> Loretta and faxed a copy of your application. The fingerprint card was
>>found
>>> to be missing data such as height, weight, color of eyes and hair and
>date
>>> of birth, which you provided via telephone. CIU approved your
>application
>>on
>>> April 1, 2003.
>>>
>>> I can certainly understand the inconvenience the computer based

>testing
>>> suspension has caused you and other candidates. We are working as
>quickly
>>as
>>> possible to resolve the legal dispute that resulted in the suspension
>of
>>> exams. We look forward to resuming normal application and testing
>>> procedures, and in the interim, we are making every effort to schedule
>as
>>> many candidates as possible for the written exam until regular testing
>>> services are available. In addition, we continue to add testing dates
>to
>>> provide more space and allow candidates a variety of choices.
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>>> Regarding the length of time to obtain your exam results, paper based
>exam
>>> results are received later than computer based exam results. However,
>>many
>>> issues facilitate the basis for this, two of which are security and
>>license
>>> data. The security of our exams is of utmost importance. Therefore,
>the
>>> exam results must be sent to Tallahassee. The results must also be in
>a
>>> format compatible with our computer system so that we may use the data
>in
>>> printing candidate licenses.
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>>> Per Rule 61-11.07 (8)(a), Florida Administrative Code, Real Estate
>>> candidates have the right to review their most recent examination, but
>>only those
>>> questions the candidate answered incorrectly. Staff in our Bureau of
>>Education
>>> and Testing will gladly make the necessary arrangements for you to
>review
>>the
>>> questions you answered incorrectly. You may contact them at
>850.488.5952.
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>>> Thank you again for sharing your concerns with us. If we may be of
>further
>>> assistance, please let me know.
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>>> Sincerely,
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>>> Diane Carr, Secretary

> > > Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation

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> > > cc: Governor Jeb Bush

> > > Jason Steele

> > > Jon Epstein

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From: HRGroman@aol.com <HRGroman@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 7:50:38 PM

Subject: (no subject)

Dear Governor Bush:

Along with thousands of others, may I add my appeal to you to help Terri Schiavo. She needs your help to survive. Thank you for your consideration.

Helene R. Groman, 26 Fernwood Road, New Britain, CT 06053-3411

From: [Maureen Bravo <maureenbravo@earthlink.net>](mailto:maureenbravo@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Jeb Gov-FL-*GovBush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 7:49:07 PM

Subject: RE: Request for your consideration of Marlene Alva for the opening in the 18th Circuit Court

From: Mrs.Maureen Bravo
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Longwood, Florida 32750-2800
407-332-7286 Home / Office
407-810-4665 Cellular
maureenbravo@earthlink.net

Date: August 19, 2003

Re: Your determination of the appointment of a new Circuit Judge to fill the open seat in the 18th Judicial Circuit

Dear Governor Bush,

Warmest greetings! I have written to you twice before, on behalf of (now 18th Judicial Circuit Judges) Donna McIntosh and Clay Simmons, both of whom received their appointments from you, and are each a credit to your good judgment. **This particular letter is being written in support of Marlene Alva in her quest to become your appointee for the Circuit Court seat that is currently being filled in our 18th Judicial Circuit.**

Marlene Alva is an outstanding criminal attorney, and for many years has been a colleague of my husband, Carmine Bravo (who is currently serving his second term as a Seminole County Court Judge). She has the respect and admiration of her peers, as well as the Judges before who she appears, and enjoys the good will and support of many sitting Judges here in Seminole County.

She is a former jurist, having previously served the 18th Judicial Circuit as a County Judge. Unfortunately, she lost her bid for a Circuit seat in 1996, due to unethical judicial campaign tactics on the part of her opponent. (The "winner" was subsequently publicly reprimanded by the Florida State Supreme Court for the false statements and misleading messages put forth in her campaign.)

I consider her to be the most viable candidate for this office, and my preference among those in contention for this seat. I have personal knowledge of her skill in the practice of the law, and appreciate her courtroom demeanor. I am quite satisfied that he would make an excellent Judge...one who would contribute positively to the reputation of the Judiciary in our State.

A female, of Hispanic descent, with a good reputation and a solid criminal practice...all these pluses would enhance and bring freshness to the composition of the 19th Circuit! She couples an understanding of the law with a keen ability to "discern", giving her a definite edge while on the bench. **I urge you to seriously regard Marlene Alva when determining your choice for this particular Circuit slot!** Thank you for your prayerful consideration in this matter.

On a personal note, I appreciate the way your staff has dealt with me each time I have called or e-mailed, offering my opinion in these matters. I have also enjoyed receiving the "thank you" letters sent following each appointment.

My love and blessings to you and your family...(in both our State and National Capitols.) You are all in my heart and prayers!

Sincerely,

From: [JC Bowman <jbowman@coe.fsu.edu>](mailto:jbowman@coe.fsu.edu)
To: [Jim Horne](#)
CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/19/2003 6:56:27 PM
Subject: FW: Would Arnold Support School Choice?

FYI! Nice Florida plug! --JC

-----Original Message-----

From: Lisa Snell [mailto:Lisa.Snell@reason.org]
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 12:42 PM
To: JC Bowman
Subject: Would Arnold Support School Choice?

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best,

Lisa

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From: [Taylor, Mike <MikeTaylor@fdle.state.fl.us>](mailto:MikeTaylor@fdle.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/19/2003 6:42:50 PM

Subject: RE: Ryan Nill

Thank you very much Sir...

mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 2:31 PM

To: Taylor, Mike

Subject: RE: Ryan Nill

Will do.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Taylor, Mike [mailto:MikeTaylor@fdle.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 11:11 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Taylor, Mike

Subject: Ryan Nill

Sorry i forgot to leave you his name.

Ryan C. Nill, age 16 (DOB 11/03/1986), Official Eagle Scout in May 2003, Troop 128, Eagle Scout Ceremony scheduled for Saturday either 9/27/2003 or 10/11/2003. Ry is a Junior at Archbishop McCarthy High School in Cooper City, Florida. He is a Weston Warrior Lacrosse star with four years under his belt as a long-stick defense man. He volunteers weekly (5 years now) for Hope Outreach (disadvantaged children) and works part-time at Outback Steak House.

Hey Gov,

i know you are a busy guy, but a good friend of mine who works the Governor's Protection Detail in Miami many times when you go down, has a son that has just become an Eagle Scout. It would be a significant honor if he could get a note from you acknowledging his accomplishment and possibly a signed photograph...

Hope all is well with you and your family.

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From: Renner72@cs.com <Renner72@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 6:13:15 PM

Subject: Please Please please

Sir

Terri has the right to live so let it be. PLEASE LOOK INTO HER HUSBAND, HE SOUNDS LIKE HE DID THE DAMAGE TO HER AND HE IS THE ONE THAT SHOULD STRAVE TO DEATH IF HE IS FOUND GUILTY

Please excuse the yelling

From: [JohnSipos <jsipos@ij.net>](mailto:JohnSipos@ij.net)

To: JohnSipos

Date: 8/19/2003 5:54:47 PM

Subject: Death clock counting down. Please, read this.

(SEE NOTE FOLLOWING THIS OPENING)

Governor,

Some weeks back when I dropped you a quick note about who knows what, I don't remember, but you did write back commenting on how you had not heard from me in some time. My silence, I have said before, has been by deliberate design.

Most of what government is, what governors do -- and, I've watched my fair share of them -- is PROCESS, PROTOCOL, ESTABLISHED ORDER, RULES, REGULATIONS, CHARTERS, LEGISLATIVE AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW. I understand the need to play within the baselines.

You have known, vaguely, of my existence for more years than you realize. In the several months before your first unsuccessful run, I was moving quietly in your circles capturing sound clips here and there from you -- then politely backing off. My name moved to top of mind awareness for you with the Elian tragedy. And, now, there is in Pinellas a new crisis involving a threat to a self-aware life. If you will credit to my account some measure of respect, affection for my person -- THE ONLY TIMES I've, SORT OF RESPECTFULLY, gotten in your face -- there has been no self-gain in it for me. In those moments, I have raised my voice in defense of those who could not defend themselves.

I beg you in Christ Jesus name:

Today when you head back to the mansion, ask either your wife, or if the state provides you with a cook and meal attendants -- please -- and, I'm very serious in this request -- ask that they set an extra plate with utensils at your dinner table for "that woman." The last time I checked, killing self-aware people who are not dying is not a list of desired Florida economic development growth industries. Please, what was it, two or three weeks ago -- you could not pronounce her name. Phonetically, it's SHY-vo. The death clock is counting down to zero. And, a man who has not functioned as a husband, instead, as a would be executioner, seeks to kill a self-aware person.

Please. The fact of your being, governor, set that aside for a moment. You are first a moral being. And, it is that moral code planted in your heart, mind, and soul from the moment of your earliest memories -- I beg you -- call upon that as your anchor-guide in determining your official actions these next few days. I appeal to God, fill yourself, Mr. Governor, with a comprehensive knowledge of this case. Do NOT depend on those around you to do this for you. Look at the videos. Listen to the sound files. Read the medical statement about the probable violence against her person. Read much of the history and record available online. Granted, the woman is of no budget balancing tax value to the state, or tithe value to the bishop's corporate church -- but, Dear Jesus, Lord -- she is breathing on her own, is trying so very hard to communicate with those who love her and care about her. Do not be offended by this next tact: Mr. Governor, since her parents are so helpless to save their daughter -- extend to this woman the same helping hand you did for your own good daughter in her time of special need and affection these past few months. What you did was normal. What this woman's parents want to do, that, too, is normal.

The official record is filled with examples of court bias against the victim, her family, against the presumption of a -- right to life. Florida law favors life. And, that law is being violated. If my telling the truth results in my being sued, so be it. This must be said. What is happening here in a Pinellas Court is truly evil. It is on a path leading to Florida's first premeditated judicial homicide in the first degree.

I know you have been getting this from every direction, including your most intimately close personal friends and political and staff associates.

With a bias that favors a person's right to life, you must study what is happening here.

I can arrange a disciplined, honest presentation for you.

When you say you are powerless to help, respectfully, Mr. Governor, that is not true. You possess both the moral and legal authority to stop a corrupt, and evil act here in Pinellas County.

In Jesus name, please. And, Amen.

John Sipos

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NOT TO ME THIS MORNING FROM TERRI'S BROTHER:

> From: "Bobby Schindler" <bobbyschindler@hotmail.com>
> Date: Tue, 19 Aug 2003 11:36:35 +0000
> To: jsipos@IJ.net
>
> John,
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> Thought you should know that Schiavo permanently barred Monsignor Malanowski
> from visiting Terri. Schiavo had a letter sent to Pat from his attorney,
> Debra Bushnell, informing her that Monsignor is no longer allowed to visit
> Terri by order of Schiavo. Monsignor has been visiting Terri for almost
> three years. I can't explain it other than this guy is a real monster.
> Truly despicable
>
> Bobby

From: [Lisa Snell <Lisa.Snell@reason.org>](mailto:Lisa.Snell@reason.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Alisa LaPolt <lapoltgns@flpress.com>](mailto:lapoltgns@flpress.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 5:36:30 PM

Subject: On prison funding

Good afternoon Gov. Bush,

Can you tell me what role ciminal aliens are playing in Florida's overall prison population increase? Are you concerned that INS isn't moving them out quickly enough?

And to what extent have you (or your administration) communicated with the President or White House about the significant federal cuts to states under the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program? Is it the reason, in part, for your \$65 million budget request?

Thanks for your time,
Alisa LaPolt
GNS/Tallahassee
222-8384/cell 508-1729

From: [Elaine Evans <tridentpress@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:ElaineEvans@worldnet.att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 4:53:50 PM

Subject: Please would you assist?

Dear Governor Bush,

Forgive me for writing to you directly but I hope you might forward this to someone who might move quickly through the appropriate channels.

My ten year old son goes to Lake Park Elementary School in Collier county. It is a fine school but as you might recall we had problems last year with mold in the portable classrooms which now is being taken care of by the new building construction which we are informed should be completed in two months.

Yesterday I was called in by the school nurse to pick my son up from school after he had thrown up on the school fields during his physical education class which involved alot of running. Christian was wracked with sweat and had a temperature of 99%. Upon a little investigation I found that the children are now expected to exercise on the school fields with absolutely no access to water or shade. The pavilion was torn down to make way for the new construction (it maintained temperatures 15% under the current norms) and the water pipes were disconnected to the fields. I talked to the coach who said he has been trying to get access to water for the children since last year but has been met with deaf ears. The nearest potable water is by the cafeteria which is a considerable distance away. The staff are concerned there would be a security risk permitting the children to wander back and forth across the school fields and grounds during the school day to the current water cooler. I also discovered that, all third, fourth and fifth grade children are expected to spend their lunch break on the very same fields again with no access to water or shade of any kind.

Our school does not have a gym. All Physical Education is taken outside in the blazing heat. The children do not change into gym clothes therefore are leaving the fields wracked in sweat and going into air conditioned classrooms. I now know why my son and his companions constantly have runny noses during the school year!

Please could you advise the responsible parties that this is not an issue which can wait until the construction is completed. Whether the construction is completed in two or three months is irrelevant if you consider the usage the fields are getting now in the worst of the Floridian heat. It is bizarre to think small children can or should wait until the end of a period before they are permitted access to water. These children also need shade now both during gym periods and during lunch breaks.

My son has now recovered from the heat exhaustion he was exposed to yesterday. But what if further complications had set in, asthma, hyper-ventillation? What would the school and Collier County's liability been in such a case? Please would you point out to the governing board that this is not an issue to be ignored, delayed or procrastinated on. The children have gone back to school in the worst of Summer heat. We wouldn't expect a dog to be left without water or shade in a park so why are we doing it to the children we love?

Please could we assert some commonsense into this equation and request immediately that water is hooked up to the fields. Water coolers are not an option given the fact that more than 300 children are using the fields during the school day in varying forms of exercise and play time. Plus I believe an immediate area of shade must be provided for the children to get some respite from the overwhelming sun and heat. Finally it would be sensible if the children were encouraged to wear hats and change T shirts too for their exercise time.

Our school is currently without a principal, Dr. Gasparino was moved on in summer. We are delighted with the building program at Lake Park however I do not think that we should take further risks with the children's health, waiting for construction of classrooms to be completed before a water line is hooked up and shade is provided.

Thank you for your time, interest and courtesy in reading this. Once more my apologies for unduly bothering you however I was hoping action taken from above would be more assertive and speedy than my efforts to move up the requisite bureaucracy. I also want to point out that I do not think the staff at Lake Park are in any way responsible for this turn of events. I know Coach Roll to be a fine coach whose paramount concern is for the safety of the children but he readily admits he has been unsuccessful in his persistant efforts to get the water turned on and shade provided. I hope my efforts achieve better results. I'm sure non of us want more children to suffer vomiting, heat exhaustion or worse on school grounds under school supervision.

Yours truly,

Elaine S. Bailey

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Date: 8/19/2003 4:48:49 PM

Subject: Heads Up Re: Touch Screen Voting Machine Issue

Jeb

The Governors of Georgia and Maryland are calling for an investigation into the security of touch screen voting machines. I have included an article from today's Atlanta Journal Constitution.

I have a patent pending that may address the questions being raised about paperless voting systems called the Perfect Voting System (See: www.PerfectVotingSystem.com)

Jeb you helped Florida take the lead on election reform. I suggest you consider taking the lead on making election records open to public inspection and audit. My invention makes elections work like the state lottery except the voter never receives a hard copy of their ballot and their vote is secret unless they wish to prove the official vote tabulation is in error.

Over time I would hope citizen confidence in the efficacy of elections would be comparable to their confidence in the Lottery. (Note: A Georgia University poll after the 2002 election on new Diebold paperless touch screen equipment showed 20% of whites and 60% of blacks questioned if their vote counted exactly as intended)

The cost of licensing the invention is \$0.10 per vote cast. In addition voting equipment would need to have a printer to prepare the recount ballot and voter "stub." I estimate that the cost per vote cast would increase about 3-5%.

In addition we may need a change in state law that gives a voter, who believes their vote to be missing or altered in the official vote tally database, the right to retrieve their recount ballot from the precinct lock box using their secret random 19 digit number printed on their stub and recount ballot. If the recount ballot is different from the official vote tabulation database, the paper recount ballot would trump the official vote tabulation database and likely trigger a manual recount of the paper recount ballots.

You may be aware that a Florida Congressman has made a public request of your Secretary of State to retrofit the states paperless voting devices with printers(See: Miami Herald Letter To Editor)

In addition I have added a recent Washington Post article on the voting machine security issue dated August 11, 2003.

Would you and/or your Secretary of State be interested in a demo showing how election records could be as open to public inspection as the Lottery without a citizen involuntarily revealing how voted or giving a voter a hard copy of their ballot which might be "sold"?

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Note: Paul Craft, who certifies election equipment, is opposed to voters being able to prove the official vote tabulation database to be inaccurate and thus doesn't like my idea. :(

Voting security questioned

Perdue seeks probe after study cites risks in new state system

By JIM GALLOWAY The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

INDIANAPOLIS -- Gov. Sonny Perdue on Monday called for an investigation of charges that Georgia's new \$54 million system of computerized voting machines is vulnerable to tampering. "We're very concerned about the software, about the security of the ballots," Perdue said on C-SPAN while attending a gathering of the National Governors Association. "If [the machines] turn out to be not reliable or can be tampered with, then they're -- frankly -- useless." In Atlanta on Monday, Secretary of State Cathy Cox expressed "total confidence in Georgia's new electronic platforms," which she said "increased the accuracy of the vote count fivefold last year." Last month, a study released by Johns Hopkins University computer researchers cited "significant security flaws" in the system designed by Diebold Election Systems and used in Georgia and several other states. However, election officials in several other states and some computer researchers have cast doubt on the findings of the Johns Hopkins study. They said it exaggerated the machines' vulnerability to hackers and failed to take into account the physical security surrounding the machines. After Perdue commented on C-SPAN, he elaborated: "We've got to assure the public that software cannot be rigged and it cannot be changed to stuff the ballot box electronically." The governor said he would ask Cox, a Democrat often mentioned as a candidate for governor in 2006, to re-examine the system. She implemented it in November, after questions were raised about Florida's ballot system in the 2000 presidential race. Although the state Republican Party has raised questions about the machines, Monday was the first time Perdue has said the Johns Hopkins study warrants a closer look. Cox said in a statement: "Although we've not previously heard anything from Governor Perdue indicating concern about the integrity of our election system, we welcome his questions." Perdue, one of the first public officials elected through use of the machines, acknowledged Monday the voting system's popularity with voters. Questions about the integrity of computerized voting machines have been stronger in other states, which only now are implementing the systems. In Congress, pending legislation would require such systems to include a "paper trail" for vote checking. On Friday, Cox plans to host an explanatory session for Georgia members of Congress.

Jolted Over Electronic Voting

Report's Security Warning Shakes Some States' Trust

By Brigid Schulte
Washington Post Staff Writer
Monday, August 11, 2003; Page A01

The Virginia State Board of Elections had a seemingly simple task before it: Certify an upgrade to the state's electronic voting machines. But with a recent report by Johns Hopkins University computer scientists warning that the system's software could easily be hacked into and election results tampered with, the once perfunctory vote now seemed to carry the weight of democracy and the people's trust along with it.

An outside consultant assured the three-member panel recently that the report was nonsense.

"I hope you're right," Chairman Michael G. Brown said, taking a leap of faith and approving Diebold Election System's upgrades. "Because when they get ready to hang the three of us in effigy, you won't be here."

Since being released two weeks ago, the Hopkins report has sent shock waves across the country. Some states have backed away from purchasing any kind of electronic voting machine, despite a new federal law that has created a gold rush by allocating billions to buy the machines and requiring all states, as well as the District of Columbia, to replace antiquated voting equipment by 2006.

"The rush to buy equipment this year or next year just doesn't make sense to us anymore," said Cory Fong, North Dakota's

deputy secretary of state.

Maryland officials, who signed a \$55.6 million agreement with Diebold for 11,000 touch-screen voting machines just days before the Hopkins report came out, have asked an international computer security firm to review the system's security. If they don't like what they find, officials have said, the sale will be off.

The report has brought square into the mainstream an obscure but increasingly nasty debate between about 900 computer scientists, who warn that these machines are untrustworthy, and state and local election officials and machine manufacturers, who insist that they are reliable.

"The computer scientists are saying, 'The machinery you vote on is inaccurate and could be threatened; therefore, don't go. Your vote doesn't mean anything,'" said Penelope Bonsall, director of the Office of Election Administration at the Federal Election Commission. "That negative perception takes years to turn around."

Still, even some advocates of the new system are thinking twice. The Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, which pushed for electronic machines to help visually impaired and disabled voters, says the Hopkins report has given them pause. They're calling on President Bush and members of Congress to convene a forum of experts to hash it out. "We have become concerned about these questions of ballot security," said Deputy Director Nancy Zirkin.

Her group and others supported passage of the \$3.9 billion Help America Vote Act in November. Of the \$1.5 billion appropriated so far to replace old machines, rewrite outdated equipment standards, encourage research to improve technology, train poll workers and update registration lists, about half has been released. And that has all gone toward buying electronic machines, which cost as much as \$4,000 a piece.

"These vendors are everywhere," said David Blount, spokesman for Mississippi Secretary of State Eric Clark. "They're besieging everyone."

The remaining money is to be released once an Election Assistance Commission is appointed. By law, the board was to have begun work in February. But the names of the four commissioners, two from each major party, have yet to go to the Senate for confirmation.

The stakes are high. The 2000 Florida presidential election showed the shortcomings of the current system.

A subsequent Cal Tech/MIT report found that of more than 100 million votes cast nationwide, as many as 6 million weren't counted because of registration errors or problems with punch-card and lever machines. One study found that of 800 lever machines tested, 200 had broken meters that stopped counting once they hit 999.

Frustrations with the old machines -- levers were invented in the 1930s and punch cards in 1904 -- have turned many local election officials into staunch supporters of the new electronic models. Advocates for the disabled say that the machines will enable the visually impaired, for the first time, to put on headphones and vote a secret ballot.

Mischelle Townsend, registrar of voters in Riverside County, Calif., said the electronic machines have saved as much as \$600,000 in paper every election and, from 1996 to 2000, helped increase voter turnout to 72 percent, up 10 percent.

Any tampering would be caught, she said, in the extensive pre- and post-election testing. The best defense of the machines, she said, is that there has been no documented case of voter fraud. "If the computer scientists had one valid point, one, then why hasn't one incident of what they're saying occurred in all of these elections?"

But past is not prologue, historians and political scientists warn.

"Some of these hacking scenarios are highly improbable. But it's not completely out of the question," said Larry J. Sabato, a political scientist at the University of Virginia who has written about political corruption. "When the stakes are high enough in an election, partisans and others will do just about anything. So this is a worry."

Bugs, Glitches Can Abound

Computer scientists note that computers are unreliable, subject to bugs, glitches and hiccups as well as the more remote possibility of outright hacking and code tampering.

They warn of a hostile programmer inserting what they call Trojan horses, Easter eggs or back doors to predetermine the outcome. They point to a number of errors in the 2002 elections, from poll workers -- like some in Montgomery County -- unfamiliar with how long it takes to warm up the machines to mysterious vote tallies.

In Georgia, where Diebold machines are used, a handful of voters found that when they pressed the screen to vote for one candidate, the machine registered a vote for the opponent. Technicians were called in and the problem was fixed, state officials have said.

In Alabama, a computer glitch caused a 7,000-vote error and clouded the outcome of the gubernatorial race for two weeks. But more critically, computer scientists charge that the software that runs the machines is riddled with security flaws.

"Whoever certified that code as secure should be fired," said Avi Rubin, technical director of the Information Security Institute at Johns Hopkins and co-author of the report.

Rubin analyzed portions of Diebold software source code that was mistakenly left on a public Internet site and concluded that a teenager could manufacture "smart" cards and vote several times. Further, he said, insiders could program the machine to alter election results without detection. All machines had the same password hard-wired into the code. And in some instances, it was set at 1111, a number laughably easy to hack, Rubin said.

Because there is no paper or electronic auditing system in the machine, there would be no way to reconstruct an actual vote, he said.

In a 27-page rebuttal, Diebold dismissed the findings. Officials said that the software Rubin analyzed was old and that only a portion may have been used in an actual election. "Right now, we're very, very confident about the security of our system,"

said Mark Radke, a Diebold executive. "If there is a way to make it more secure, we're open to that from good, reliable, knowledgeable sources who don't have a previous agenda."

That doesn't satisfy some critics. "The most important thing about the Hopkins report is not the security holes they found, but irrefutable proof that all this stuff that the machines are secure is hot air," said David Dill, a computer scientist at Stanford University who has turned the debate over electronic machines into a national crusade.

State and local election officials, however, say the checks and balances -- the poll workers and judges, the thick manuals of procedures -- ensure the sanctity of elections.

"It's not fair to do an evaluation that doesn't talk about context," said Mary Kiffmeyer, president of the National Association of Secretaries of State. "Our voting process has all kinds of security. It's not just the box of technology."

Few Players in Game

Although free and fair elections are a central tenet of America's democracy, no one paid much attention to how they were executed for years. Not until 1990 did federal elections officials decide to write voluntary standards to certify voting machines. Still, the atmosphere remained fairly clubby, with one lab doing the testing and a revolving door between voting machine companies and the state officials who later went to work for them. Although nearly 20 companies have had equipment certified by the FEC, only three are major players: Diebold, with 55,000 touch screens throughout the country; ES&S of Omaha; and Oakland, Calif.-based Sequoia Voting Systems.

All machines go through the FEC's testing and certification process, which can cost companies anywhere from \$25,000 to \$100,000. Yet a 2001 report by the General Accounting Office found that the FEC standards do not thoroughly test for security or user friendliness and that only 37 states follow them.

Doug Jones, a computer scientist in Iowa, said the testing is so secret that even he, as an insider who serves on the state board that certifies voting equipment, can't get information. Five years ago, he found the identical security flaws cited in the Hopkins report.

"They promised it would be fixed," Jones said. "The Hopkins group found clear evidence that it wasn't. Yet for five years, I had been under the impression that it was fixed."

Diebold's Radke said the code has been fixed.

Even the most vocal critics say there are workable solutions. Computer scientists say the companies should release their secret source codes for expert review, as two start-ups, VoteHere and Populex, have agreed to do. Or that states should require automatic upgrade clauses, as Santa Clara County has.

Dill, the Stanford computer scientist, and others are pushing for what are called voter-verified audit trails. By attaching a printer to every machine, voters can review the electronic ballot before it drops into a locked box.

Many solutions are already spelled out in the Help America Vote Act, which mandates tougher security, usability and accuracy standards.

In the end, however, with experts still at loggerheads and the 2004 election looming, voters are left wondering which side to trust. Howard A. Denis (R-Potomac-Bethesda), a Montgomery County Council member, was so shaken by the Hopkins report that he is considering asking for a waiver to stop using electronic machines.

"The more I look into this, the more serious I think it is," he said.

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Miami Harold Editorial

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ROBERT WEXLER

Touch-screen voting isn't enough

An election so close that it necessitates a recount. Faulty voting equipment is blamed. Lengthy and expensive lawsuits ensue. Florida is subjected to embarrassing attention. It happened once, and it could happen again. Despite all the time and money dedicated to putting our election process on sure footing after the 2000 election, we are still dangerously susceptible to another debacle. Why? Because the modern touch-screen machines that many Florida counties subsequently purchased produce no individually verified, tangible ballots. If there is no paper ballot, then there is no way of conducting a manual recount, and that is a violation of new Florida election laws. Even though touch-screen machines allow voters to review their ballot choices electronically, without a final, tangible ballot verified by an individual voter, there is no way of knowing if all votes were properly recorded. While touch-screen machines are programmed to record each ballot in a random order, we place unfounded trust in these machines to record them correctly. In a recount of ballots recorded in electronic memory, the machines will only reprint the same results they recorded the first time. This is not a recount; this is a reprint. Americans learned two important lessons from the 2000 election: Every voting machine must allow citizens to cast their votes effectively,

and every county in the nation must have the ability to conduct fair, accurate and timely recounts. For the first lesson, Florida banned the old punch-card and lever machines. Our counties now have optical-scan machines and touch-screen electronic machines. For the second lesson, the Florida Legislature rewrote the recount laws, correcting many of the problems that plagued us in 2000 by providing new guidelines for machine and manual recounts. Right now, states are deciding what to do with new federal election reform money provided by the Help America Vote Act (HAVA). Under HAVA, Congress is providing Florida with \$11.74 million to reimburse itself and its counties for the purchase of modern voting equipment. I have written to Florida Secretary of State Glenda Hood, asking that the state and our counties use this funding to correct a glaring inequity between our new voting equipment and new elections laws. I suggested a simple solution to Secretary Hood: Every touch-screen machine can be outfitted with a ballot printer. Voters could then use the easy voting methods of the touch-screen machines but also have the machine print out for a verifiable ballot. Voters would then check their ballots and place them in a traditional ballot box. This way, the machines could provide a quick tally for election night, while the paper ballots would be available for any necessary manual recount. The state should use its share of money to purchase printers for counties with touch-screen machines. The right to vote and be assured that your vote is properly counted is not a partisan issue; it is fundamental to a working democracy. Without a means to conduct a proper recount, your right to vote is in jeopardy. U.S. Rep. Robert Wexler, D-Boca Raton, represents the 19th District of Florida.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 4:08:20 PM

Subject: The Dignity Project and the DOE.....Please read

Dear Governor Bush

From my involvement in the FLVS I have come to appreciate your attentiveness to helping worthy causes and doing what is right.

Please take the time to read the attached email from Todd Livingston, Founder and Executive Director of the Dignity Project.

In short, he has developed one the most successful programs in the State in working with at risk young men. They have worked successfully with Americorps, the Back to Work Taskforce (they have supplied 336 vehicles to people coming off welfare so they can get to work), the City of Gainesville and more.

The Florida DOE sought them out to use them as a model to secure a \$2,000,000 grant, then cut them off from the \$120,000 funding that they rely on and have received for the past few years.

His e-mail explains more fully

This seems outrageous. I was wondering if there was something that could be done.

Thanks for your attention

Bob Muni
Chairman Board of Trustees, FLVS
Secretary, Dignity Project

----- Original Message -----

Subject: The Dignity Project, DOE grant

From: "Todd Livingston" <rtoddlivingston@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue, August 19, 2003 11:53 am

To: bobmuni@fdt.net

Bob,

I am writing to you as you are Secretary of The Dignity Project's Board of Directors and you are Chairman of the Board for the Florida Virtual School. I am asking for your assistance if possible. As you know the Dignity Project has developed a highly successful model for vocational education and community service. We now operate several programs and serve 50+ at-risk teenagers after school and also employ 22 high school drop outs in our Automotive and Construction programs.

Our students have given away 336 vehicles to date to individuals exiting the welfare system. Our students have also built or remodeled 12 homes for our areas low income families. Our program has been partially funded for 3 years by the Florida Department of Education, via Carl Perkins funding. Our Perkins funding each year was \$120,000.00. This funding enabled us to build a highly successful and innovative program serving both the educational needs of young people while at the same time meeting substantial community needs in transportation and housing.

The Florida Department of Education was impressed with our program model, so much so that they asked in the spring of 2002 if they could use our program as the model for a competitive grant which they were applying for. The Florida Department of Education was successful in securing \$2,000,000.00 based on our concept. They issued a request for proposals titled "Project Aspire".

The Dignity Project responded with a well written grant, however we were not awarded a grant for our own program model. We were told "it is unfortunate that the model program did not receive funding." I think it is more than unfortunate. We developed this concept and we were recognized for our efforts. We have obviously developed a successful program as FLDOE was awarded \$2,000,000.00 based on our program. In good faith we shared our concepts and materials with FLDOE as they were pursuing this funding stream, and we were rewarded for this by not being funded.

I understand completely the competitive grant process, however a small non-profit organization is not able to fairly compete with large school districts throughout the state. We are honored that our concept is being replicated; however, the loss of these funds will dramatically reduce our programs effectiveness both to our students and the Gainesville community at large. It is unfair that The Dignity Project would be left out of funding for its own concept model.

Any assistance you could provide would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

R. Todd Livingston

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Date: 8/19/2003 3:05:03 PM

Subject: NAMI (National Alliance for Mental Illness) Candlelight Vigil

Governor Bush;

I am writing to invite you, and any members of your staff that might wish to attend, to our Candlelight Vigil at Indian Riverside Park, Jensen Beach, in Martin County on October 6th at 7PM.

This Candlelight Vigil marks the first day of Mental Illness Awareness Week (MIAW). Gayle Harrell has already committed to attend and we hope that your presence would call attention to the plight of those who suffer from mental illness, be it depression, bipolar, schizophrenia obsessive-compulsive, etc. This problem has carried with it the stigma of its existence to almost all who are afflicted and over 20% of our population is afflicted. Unfortunately many who are go undiagnosed and it might take a significant occurrence to be diagnosed, and receive treatment in the form of therapy and medication. A large percent of those who do get treatment go on to lead happy, productive lives.

Our Vigil on Oct 5th will not only be for Martin County but will also include St. Lucie, Indian River, and we have invited Palm Beach County to attend.

Governor Bush, your presence would mean so much toward highlighting our cause and can show that mental disorders should be viewed like any other physical illness, and not be feared or ignored. Students in the emotional disturbance category achieve unacceptably poor academic results, they fail more courses, earn lower GPA's miss more days of school and are retained at grade more than students in any other disability category.

Suicide is the 3rd leading cause of deaths among 15-24 year olds(over 90% of these have a mental disorder). Also 65% of boys and 75% of girls in juvenile detention have at least one psychiatric illness.

Now you can see why we need your help to put the spotlight on this problem. I would love to make any and all arrangements that might be necessary at this end should I have been successful in pleading our cause. Finally, If you feel that this should be a family support effort we would welcome your efforts to invite other in the Bush family.

Respectfully,

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CC: ['Stephen R. MacNamara'](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 3:04:19 PM

Subject: Today's Meeting

Dear Governor Bush:

Thanks for taking the time today to meet with me. It was a very productive meeting. As previously told to me by others who have met with you, you are bright, knowledgeable about issues, and intuitive about what is important.

I will followup with your staff on the issues we discussed.

Thanks for doing a good job.

Sincerely,

Bob Wychulis
FAHP

From: Marti G Leib <martil1@juno.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 2:54:51 PM

Subject: Park and Read Program

Good Morning Jeb:

The H.E.M. Club sponsored "Park and Read" program, Grades 2-5, I have developed as a 'subject intensive' part of the H.E.M. Club program, started at Big Lagoon State Park this past Saturday. We utilize high school students, (specifically IB students and aspiring Bright Futures scholarship students accumulating community service hours) to do tutoring in Reading and Math skills. I wanted to let you know I am receiving accolades from parents about the enthusiasm of the children to participate in the Program which we are making a lot of fun by utilizing incentives such as progress awards/medals etc.- a basic incentives format of the H.E.M. Club programming based on 'the golden rule'. We only meet from 10:30-11:30 AM in the park each Saturday, weather permitting. Enrollments are increasing each week.

Jeb, government programs are not the solution for the masses, especially when focusing on the attainment of excellence, but programs such as this, which are 'affordable' to parents and children are the key! (the program costs only \$5 per child per week with a one time registration fee of \$10- a portion of the proceeds is contributed by H.E.M. Club to the park for park needs under a special use permit). Again such 'programs of service' have the potential to create jobs/supplementary incomes as well as to benefit multitudes of individuals and a variety of needs.

I have faith God will continue to entrust me with helpful solutions which I can share with others. Have a wonderfully productive day!

Marti Leib

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 2:36:04 PM

Subject: Palm Beach VAB

Jeb - no one called me, so I called office of governor's counsel. Heidi Hughes called back this am. I explained to her the language in 194.301, the historic reason why the bill was adopted, what else is going on in Palm Beach in context of how the same influences would affect a court, and what the VAB means for most taxpayers since it is not feasible for the majority to go to court if there is an error in their assessment. So if the process is not ethical, easily 90% lose their rights. And, how losing their rights makes so many people angry at government.

She said she did not know what she could do. I suggested the Attorney General could intervene, but individual private citizens cannot ask for the AGs help against abuses of government. That's troubling in itself.

I also told Ms. Hughes I have litigation pending against Palm Beach, but it's not related to the legislative language in 2003. Although I could go to court, I'm not the governor, and it's not my job to uphold the laws. I think government needs to step in, quickly and convincingly apply its authority to protect all private citizens when any part of the governmental process is acting outside of the law. Otherwise it is corruption, and everyone who knows and can correct the problems ends up an accessory if they don't act.

The language in 194.301 is quite clear, and the language in 2003 VAB Rules is clearly in contradiction to the statute. Anyone who can read can see the problem.

Thus, I would think you could sue, and it would heroic if the governor enforced the laws intended to protect homeowners and businesses. I think the legislature could sue, for it's their law being ignored. I think the AG should sue. Otherwise, how can you expect any other entities to obey the laws, if any level of government willy nilly can ignore the laws?!

Heidi Hughes can be reached at 850-488-3494, if you want her to do something specific to address this problem. Every petitioner who files in Palm Beach is expected to sign for this booklet, and that too is a problem. Where do all these abuses end? When the governor and the executive protect us, so I'm glad you are aware of this, and have staff looking at it. I hope they do more than look at it, I want them to put a stop to it. Thanks.

Sheila Anderson

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Date: 8/19/2003 1:47:36 PM

Subject:

Dear Governor:

As you may or may not know, I will be attending your round table meeting being held today at your home and am looking forward to meeting with you.

I would like to be able to get 5 minutes pre or post meeting with you to update you on the Presidential search at the University of Florida. I would love to pick your brain regarding future steps with the process. If this could work out, it would be great.

Please let me know via email whether you are available so I will know where to go when I land in Tallahassee.

Regards,

Manny

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Date: 8/19/2003 12:45:49 PM

Subject: clifford sims

jeb

looking forward to seeing you at the dedication for mr sims memorial service. this is a great thing you are doing.

david b.langston

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Date: 8/19/2003 12:25:46 PM

Subject: Friends of CG letter

Dear Friends of Cypress Gardens,

Last night I wrote you a letter I hope you can use Wednesday, but unfortunately it was late and I forgot to sign it. I am about to leave for the airport now to get our brave troops.

God bless this great nation and those who try to preserve it.

Sincerely, Georgia Williams
Longwood, Florida

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Date: 8/19/2003 12:02:41 PM

Subject: Camp Blanding: Adjoining Highway Speed limit and "BRAC"

Governor,

A quick update on the Camp Blanding speed limit issue. We have requested that DOT consider reducing the speed limit from 65 to 55 MPH on State Road 16; this section of the highway separates Camp Blanding's maneuver areas and provides access to the main entrance. As LTG Blum noted, this is a hazardous stretch which presents multiple risks to both civilian traffic and military convoys. The slow acceleration and deceleration rate of 2 1/2 ton trucks and the flatbeds that carry military vehicles presents a problem of "mix" with the civilian traffic operating at 65 MPH.

How is this a BRAC issue? During previous rounds, the services evaluated each installation's surrounding highways, capacity to support deployments, quick egress, and access to maneuver areas. I believe the current 65 MPH speed limit set at the entrance to Camp Blanding is the highest of any base in Florida.

We met with DOT's District 2 Manager, Aage Schroder, last month. They do not believe a speed limit change would significantly reduce the risk. They have, however, offered a solution that "mitigates" the safety concerns we have. DOT will support electronic warning signs and acceleration/deceleration lanes. The "warning signs" will flash when our vehicles are moving out of the base or crossing the highway into the maneuver areas. When the "warning signs" flash, they also flash the reduced speed limit of 45 MPH. Years ago, the speed limit was 45 MPH along the 1 or 2 miles in front of the main entrance. This is not exactly all I wanted, but things are beginning to roll and I will work it. Will keep you informed. The traffic engineers at DOT are professionals and make a convincing argument for their response.

Thanks.

Regards,

Doug

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Larry'](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 12:01:48 PM

Subject: RE:

it is a great idea and I am happy it was a success.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Larry [mailto:larry@floridakids.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 7:57 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Good morning Governor. I hope everything is well with you and your family.

Just a quick note. On July 17th, our Board of Directors invited the leaders of DCF,DJJ, DOH DOEA and DOE to meet with

us and about 40 community social service agency directors throughout the state to discuss priority issues for the coming year(s).

My hope was that we could begin a dialogue where state agencies and the community could agree on several items and work together

to bring them about. Through the years, I always wondered why, for the most part, we seldom worked together to accomplish

shared goals and ideals. I felt, and our Board agreed, that must be a high priority if we are ever to make significant gains in providing

real opportunities for children and their families.

I must tell you Governor the meeting was a huge success. Secretaries Regier, Bankhead and Dr. John as well as Deputy Secretary Susan

Tucker and Deputy Chancellor Betty Coxe presented their priorities and stayed the entire day. Their was excellent discussion with our Board

and invited community agencies, which among many others included the Eckerd family Foundation, the Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation

and the FSU School of Social Work.

Our Board is now committed to continuing to host similar type gatherings through the year. I believe it is imperative that ongoing meetings and

Discussions between state and local leaders and advocates can only serve to push through important agendas.

Sorry such a long note, but I wanted you to know how much we appreciated the participation of your agency leaders. They could have

very easily brushed this off and sent some third level managers but they didn't.

Governor I hope you have a good day.

Larry

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From: [Marguerite Kuyon <evnstr1717@yahoo.com>](mailto:evnstr1717@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 10:57:01 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Marguerite G. Kuyon
9294 State Route 44
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Mantua OH 44255

August 10, 2003

The Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor
Office of the Governor
The Capitol
Tallahassee FL 32399-0001

Governor Bush:

I am writing to ask you to make whatever effort you can to help save Cypress Gardens. This part of Florida is not only one of the most beautiful sanctuaries in the state of Florida, but it is very dear to me.

When my dad retired, he wanted to move back to Florida where he had grown up. My mother hated to leave my sister and me behind, but she knew we'd be down to visit when the Cleveland weather got bad. They moved to Lakeland, near my only aunt. The drive to Winter Haven was a short trip and they became regulars there. My parents were friends with many of the skiers and were invited to baby and wedding showers, weddings and the annual banquet at Cypress Gardens. My mother, a very heavy woman, even took part in the "Just for fun" tape that they did for the banquet, once playing one of the Aquamaids (at least up to the dock) and another time, dressing up as Corkette, the female clown. My mom had a great sense of humor. After my dad passed away, she moved back up to the Cleveland area to be closer to my sister and me, and to my husband and our two children.

We did visit my parents often and we visited Cypress Gardens multiple times; we even had yearly passes, surely an oddity for Ohio residents. Please help the interested people who are fighting to save one of the most beautiful sites in the world. (Bok Tower is the second.) Surely there is some way the grounds can be kept in their beautiful state and, if the ski show could return to its once grand presentations, Cypress Gardens will be the jewel of Florida once again. I know that you have already taken vital steps toward the preservatiuon of Cypress Gardens and for this, I thank you.

I've enclosed some pages of photos* from our visits to Cypress Gardens. One of them is my 23 year old daughter when she was only 2 in a dress that the Gardens staff had just in case a wedding wanted a Southern Belle theme and needed a dress for the flower girl. I have offered to help the Save Cypress Gardens group in any way I can because I cannot bear the thought of losing this beautiful park.

Sincerely,
Marguerite G. Kuyon
/mgk

*These are sent as attachments which are scanned for viruses before they attach and you may scan them again before you open them.

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From: 8773422541@archwireless.net <8773422541@archwireless.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 10:56:23 AM

Subject: Re: RE: Wireless Message

look forward to committee meetings in October. BRAC will be a priority. Thank goodness Football and Hockey starting soon. By the way, I too have always been a Cane fan. My Mets playing very bad season over for them..

God bless.

Your Message:

It was good seeing you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net [mailto:8773422541@archwireless.net]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 10:48 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Wireless Message

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God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'jbowman@coe.fsu.edu'

Date: 8/19/2003 10:54:41 AM

Subject: RE: Fwd: Free Press Column

Thank you JC.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: JC Bowman [mailto:jbowman@coe.fsu.edu]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 11:24 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fw: Fwd: Free Press Column

Governor: While I am not exactly a teacher union fan as you know, this is a great article, showing success on an issue close to your heart. I thought you might enjoy reading this. Duncan is a true believer in Charter Schools and good friend to the movement. ---JC.

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From: Reddog1690@aol.com <Reddog1690@aol.com>

To: jbowman@coe.fsu.edu <jbowman@coe.fsu.edu>

Sent: Mon Aug 18 14:44:16 2003

Subject: Fwd: Free Press Column

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['8773422541@archwireless.net'](mailto:8773422541@archwireless.net)

Date: 8/19/2003 10:48:35 AM

Subject: RE: Wireless Message

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Date: 8/18/2003 12:56:07 AM

Subject: Free Press Column

FREE PRESS COLUMN

8/17/03

Charter Schools of Monroe County

Dr. R. Duncan Mathewson III

Charter schools are structured to allow parents and teachers to develop publicly funded schools with the flexibility to be innovative and free of rules and regulations that stifle creativity. The charter school movement has grown from one school in Minnesota in 1992 to almost 2,700 charter schools across the country today. Currently, 37 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico have legislation authorizing the creation of charter schools.

Florida has just nosed out Texas to have the third highest number of charter schools in the country after Arizona and California with 227 schools and 53,350 students. Last year, there were 38 new charter schools established in the state with 4 more up for approval this year. The Center for Education Reform has ranked Florida as having the 8th strongest of the nation's 40 charter laws and has been given a grade of "B" for overall performance of its charter schools.

Monroe County has three charter schools: two Montessori schools, one in Key West (grades 1-5) and the other in Tavernier (grades K-5). The Montessori Elementary Charter School (MECS) in Key West was established first and now has about 50 kids. The Montessori Island Charter School (MICS) was established about 4 years ago and presently has about 120 kids. Both Montessori schools have applied to the School Board to expand their enrollment.

The third school is the Big Pine Neighborhood Charter School (BPNCs). This school (K-2) was converted last year from being an annex of Sugarloaf School to charter status in order to save it from being closed by the School Board. BPNCs is the first conversion school in South Florida and 7th of only 12 conversions in the state last year. It presently has an enrollment of about 35 students.

BPNCs is presently continuing negotiations with the School Board to lift restrictions on enrollment so it can be a school of choice like all the other public schools in the county. This will allow students to attend the school regardless of where they live in compliance with federal and state charter school statutes. A request from BPNCs has also been made to the School Board to expand its program to include a third grade in order to meet local family requests.

When comparing the standardized K-2 test schools from the other eight main-stream elementary schools, it is clear that all the charter school programs compare very well in measured out-comes. The charter school scores are good if not better than most of the other school scores district-wide. The elementary grade scores (3-5) at both Montessori schools clearly reflect high FCAT achievement in both reading and math.

Not only did the two Montessori charter schools score well county-wide in FCAT scores but they were the only two public schools in Monroe County which showed significant Adequate Yearly Progress in the federal "No Child Left Behind" (NCLB) Act of 2001. This Legislative act is aimed at educational reform that includes strong accountability measures through specifically targeting challenged students including minority kids, those who use English as a second language, the learning disabled and those who are financially disadvantaged. Only 408 Florida schools met NCLB accountability outcomes including 116 Title 1 schools.

Charter school legislation varies broadly from state to state. Here in Florida, conversion schools have a choice of remaining with the teachers union or not. Right from the start, BPNCs has chosen to remain closely associated with the United Teachers of Monroe (UTM).

Both the Founding Board of Directors and the teachers at the school made a conscious decision to remain with the UTM collective bargaining agreement as long as it continued to provide full benefits and all rights and privileges that all public school teachers expect. BPNCs meets all the following union criteria the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) requires from charter schools:

- * Charter schools must be based on high academic standards.
- * Students in charter schools should take the same tests as other students in the state and district.
- * Charter schools should hire certified teachers.
- * Charter school employees should be covered by the collective bargaining agreement.
- * Charter schools should have the approval of local districts.
- * Charter schools should be required to make information available to the public.

All educators know what works to improve student achievement. They include holding all students to high academic standards, ensuring that classrooms are safe and disciplined, reducing class size, and using instructional programs with a track record of success.

Monroe County charter schools are leading the way for opening up a whole new avenue of creativity and academic achievement in our public school education. High standards and a system of accountability at our charter schools are clearly demonstrating that they are not just another education fad but a significant trend in school reform.

From: GaWms8848@aol.com <GaWms8848@aol.com>

To: burma@mindspring

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 2:57:26 AM

Subject: MY MEGGAGE TO OUR GOVEROR

DEAR FRIENDS OF CYPRESS GARDENS,

I am writing tonight so that one of you will read my letter in Tallahassee Wednesday morning. I had planned to be there to support our efforts but felt that I was also needed elsewhere. I am a flight attendant for Delta Air Lines and have the extreme pleasure to be flying overseas to bring back home some of our brave and war weary soldiers. It is because of these flight I felt the need to speak up last June when the Friends Of Cypress Gardens met there.

Although I was born in Florida I only moved back to this wonderful state about 7 years ago. Sanford was my Father's home town and he graduated from UF in 1940. My Father loved history so everywhere we ever went on vacation we visited as many sights as possible. I believe we visited every famous battlefield in the South and saw every office in Washington, DC. When he returned to his home state of Florida I have glorious memories of seeing St. Augustine and it's Spanish Fort, Silver Springs, Bok Tower, Florida's Beaches and of course Cypress Gardens. This is a young state in many ways, full of fun and shifting sands and Cypress Gardens is and was one of our precious memories as a family. It is part of our history and culture, what makes Florida unique.

Over thirty years ago I became a Flight Attendant and have enjoyed returning here on layovers and vacations. When I finally moved to Orlando in 1995 in many ways I felt as if I had finally moved home. Over all my years of flying in and out of this great state I have especially loved seeing the faces of all the hundreds of children I have brought here to experience the excitement of a Florida vacation. It is pure joy to know I had a part in their family memories.

Recently however my flight experiences have been quiet different. The events of Sept. 11 has changed our country forever and in many ways our innocence and trust has been badly bruised if not lost. Thank God for those little faces boarding the airplanes headed to Florida are there to lift my spirits. But earlier this year I faced new challenges in my career as we began taking our Military men and women overseas into harms way. I flew a tank division into Kuwait a week before the War began and I cannot even begin to tell you how powerful an experience that was. Each CRAF or Military Charter I have flow has had a profound effect on my life. I will never forget those soldiers and their courage. I feel very blessed to have been part of this effort.

By far the best flight of my entire career however had to have been in May when I was privileged to finally bring home 250 Marines who had been on the very front lines into Baghdad. I have never been so proud of anyone as I was of those soldiers and thrilled to be bringing them home. As I was listening to their personal stories, some of which were so terrifying, I met a young soldier from Apopka a town just down the street from my home. As we were talking, the subject of Cypress Garden came up. He had not had much opportunity to see or hear news from home while he was fighting in Iraq. Even much of his mail had not reached him until he was being processed out in Kuwait. These were the soldiers making the news while we were home safe in our livingrooms watching it. However, this young soldier HAD heard about how Cypress Gardens had been closed. He could not believe anyone would do that and also plan destroy this beautiful place. He had grown up believing there would always be a Cypress Gardens for his child to go to on field trips and a ski show to see and enjoy. He simply could not believe that while he was gone, Florida had changed and part of his home had been lost. Sure he would spend some of his R & R taking his son to the bigger parks with rides and characters, but Cypress Gardens represented his home, some of his history, his heritage. These Gardens are so much a part of what is Florida, why it is so beautiful and gracious to those who come for a place to be at peace. If we loose this precious part of our culture we can never get it back. That is the real why our soldiers are willing to risk their lives. To preserve our heritage, our culture...their home.

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net <8773422541@archwireless.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 2:47:54 AM

Subject: Wireless Message

Jeb,

Thanks for a job well done today. Your talk at the school was on target.

God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['John E. Thrasher'](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 2:29:11 AM

Subject: RE:

I will pass on to the scheduling team, John. Mike would be great. What happened to the current Chair?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: John E. Thrasher [mailto:jthrasher@smithhulsey.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 2:08 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Gov-Hope you had a good weekend. Kinda nice not to have think about med mal. A couple of things. I was approached by a representative of the Miami & Beaches Hotel Association to see if you might be interested in speaking to their group on Oct 16th. I am told the audience is about 300 hundred owners and execs. The event is at the new Lowe's Hotel on Miami Beach . Your speech woulbe at 4pm. The 16th is a Thur. Also Mike Hightower is considering taking over the chairmanship of the Duval cty Rep exec committee. He would bring a lot of energy to the stuff that needs to be done for the president.'m in Tall on Wed. If I can do anything for you let me know. The gang over here is working hard on the presidents visit on sept 9th. JET

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/19/2003 2:27:03 AM

Subject: FW: OnlineCorporateIdentityRisks.com fup

Let us discuss.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Beckwith B. Miller [mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 8:21 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: billieneese@msn.com

Subject: OnlineCorporateIdentityRisks.com

Hello Governor Bush,

Thank you for your reply (see below) of 8-13-03.

We are pleased to announce that our site is now operational and open to the public: <http://onlinecorporateidentityrisks.com>

Suggestion: an advisory issued by Attorney General Christ that is similar to the DOJ advisory of May, 2003 could be an important public service initiative.

Timing: Later this week the Florida Bankers Association is having their annual meeting in Amelia Island.

Our Objective: Increase awareness that online identity theft occurs within the content as well as the network systems of the Internet. Reference DOJ's 5-03 advisory on fake web sites.

Key themes:

(1)Federal and state governments are not displaying the latest risk factors for online id theft as identified by other federal departments. (2)Banks not taking responsibility for protecting their brands on the Internet. (3)Consumers, because of the first 2 risks, are not fully informed and are at risk for id theft, unnecessarily.

Target Audience: Public and private organizations that are wrestling with ID theft on the Internet.

Industry Research: Banking - Global plus 50 major North American and 200 Florida banks.

Key Research Question: "How well are banks protecting their Corporate Identity (brands & trademarks) and online clients from identity theft across the content of the Internet?"

Further research: The web sites for the state banking associations for California plus those associated with the Florida initiative of Fraud-net.com are not advising the public or their members of the latest risks from fake web sites per the May, 2003 DOJ advisory. The same is true for FBA's own ID Theft initiative: <http://banksprotectprivacy.com/>. We have advised Alex Sanchez of this while also offering our resources for his members. We sent letters last week to each of the top 200 Florida Bank CEO's encouraging them to visit and order their risk reports via <http://onlinecorporateidentityrisks.com>.

Our meeting with one of Porter Goss's local staff in Naples on 8-14-03 went very well. They have offered to help us convey our message to the appropriate federal departments.

Thank you very much for your continued interest.

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From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:29 PM
To: miller@trademarkbots.com
Cc: billieneese@msn.com
Subject: RE: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

I will pass on to General Crist.

Jeb

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From: Beckwith B. Miller [<mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 11:47 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: billieneese@msn.com
Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Rick Kearney'](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 2:13:04 AM

Subject: RE: Appreciation from St. Pete

It was a very fine event.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Rick Kearney [mailto:Rick.Kearney@mainline.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 9:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Appreciation from St. Pete

Dear Governor,

Sincere thanks from Rick Kearney and Bishop Bob Lynch for your words of support at Bishop McLaughlin High School today. Stay well.

From: [Jamie Beck <jamiabeck@sysmatrix.net>](mailto:jamiabeck@sysmatrix.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 1:44:57 AM

Subject: Preservation of Cypress Gardens

Governor Jeb Bush

Sir:

I am writing to support the preservation of Cypress Gardens in its entirety, even if the State of Florida must invoke eminent domain to prevent its destruction.

It is good business to preserve the gardens intact. Properly managed, Cypress Gardens will promote economic development and will justify state investment. Inasmuch as the September 11 terrorist attacks have adversely affected our state's tourist industry, the closure of Cypress Gardens will simply be another victory for those who seek to harm our nation.

As a child I enjoyed Cypress Gardens more than any other Florida attraction. As an adult I know why. It was a place distinctive to Florida. It was not like anywhere else. It could not be located anywhere else except in Florida.

This historic landmark is part of our state's distinctive culture. If it is not preserved in its entirety our state will lose part of its history and identity. If Cypress Gardens is preserved intact, it will be something all Floridians can be proud of. The loss of any part of it will be a reproach to our state.

Sincerely,

Jamie Beck

3300 Bayview Way
Pensacola, FL 32503

From: [Glen Gott <GGOTT@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:GGOTT@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 1:37:20 AM

Subject: grants

Dear Governor

I am in the process of opening a boat-building factory in the Spring of 2004. I am going to work with "Christ to Inmates" prison ministry and hire recently released inmates. "Christ to Inmates" would screen the inmate and send me people that they feel a good job will give them a good start.

Someone told me that there is a grant available to help a company that plans on hiring recently released inmates. Is that true?

Glen Gott

From: [Rick Kearney <Rick.Kearney@mainline.com>](mailto:Rick.Kearney@mainline.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: NMadsen1@aol.com <NMadsen1@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 12:59:20 AM

Subject: Help, please!

We are good, loyal, hardworking Republicans - I'm recent Past Pres. of the Tallahassee Rep. Women's Club and am treasurer of FFRW's WWWPAC (ask Sandy Mortham for my credentials!) Our daughter, Karen Sutton, is a travel nurse moving from Georgetown U. Hospital in D.C. to Milwaukee. A month ago she requested that her transcript from Broward Community College be sent to the hospital in Milwaukee.

BCC has dropped the ball, and the hospital in Milwaukee will not accept her unless the transcript is sent post haste. PLEASE expedite this if you can in any way possible. BCC could send us this transcript to where we are vacationing in Boone, NC, to the fax: 828/262-2946 (Broyhill Conference Center, and we are Norman and Mary Madsen), and we will send it on. Our daughter will be with us tomorrow.

She graduated as an RN in 1976, under the name "Karen Sutton."

PLEASE HELP! Thank you very much in advance. Mary M. Madsen

From: [Steve Turza <stingt@sympatico.ca>](mailto:stingt@sympatico.ca)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/19/2003 12:56:17 AM

Subject: cypress gardens

This letter is to say how much our family would like Cypress Gardens saved. This beautiful place must not be destroyed into yet another residential property. I visited this wonderful place for the first time when I was 13 and I'm now 40 and I still think it is one of the most beautiful gardens I have ever seen. Alison Turza-- Claremont, Ont. Canada

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Pamela S. Vergara'

Date: 8/19/2003 12:43:45 AM

Subject: RE: Thank You

[thank you Pam.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Pamela S. Vergara [mailto:dr_psv@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 8:08 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank You

Dear Jeb,

Thank you very much for appointing me to the PHCC Board. I have always enjoyed teaching and am looking forward hopefully to being able to contribute to the future successes of the students at PHCC. I also want to let you know how helpful and courteous your appointments staff were, especially Eli Ferrera and Regina Lopez-Loucel.

Additionally, please let me know how I can be of help to you in the future -- you have always been our strongest supporter of education in the state and your leadership in this critical area is greatly appreciated.

Regards,

Pam

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From: [Pamela S. Vergara <dr_psv@bellsouth.net>](mailto:dr_psv@bellsouth.net)

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From: [linda linderman <lindylynn2@yahoo.com>](mailto:linda.linderman<lindylynn2@yahoo.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 11:49:28 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing this letter to urge you to approve the purchase of Cypress Gardens. As a four year Florida resident, there were many occasions when my family and I visited Cypress Gardens. My husband and I made our "permanent" home here in Winter Haven -- the "home of Cypress Gardens". We live within only 3 miles of those beautiful gardens. We finally purchased our annual passes last year and we enjoyed every minute of our countless visits to the park. We purchased an annual pass for our granddaughter also, who we also took the park on numerous occasions to enjoy the water park. My husband and I truly enjoyed the countless concerts but we would also take in the ski show and ice skating shows many times. Cypress Gardens became a part of our regular life here in Florida.

The closing of the gardens has left a very deep void in our hearts. But we have also observed the effect it has had on the economy of Winter Haven. Local restaurants are now not so full and there are not many tourists around. And our hearts truly go out to all the people who have lost their jobs (and ones that lost jobs in other businesses affected by the closing).

Therefore, before your upcoming meeting I would like to express a final request: Please find it in your heart to approve the purchase of ALL of CYPRESS GARDENS. Cypress Gardens is FLORIDA. Please don't let it die.

Sincerely,

Linda Linderman

357 Banyan Drive

Winter Haven 33884

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Inthefirstperson@aol.com

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
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[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 11:27:06 PM

Subject: RE: Hall of Fame

[please tell your daughter congratulations! I will check to see if I will be there.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Inthefirstperson@aol.com [<mailto:Inthefirstperson@aol.com>]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 3:07 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Hall of Fame

Jeb:

Hello and thank you from a doctor's wife for all the help and support you have given the medical community in Florida. I'm writing to ask you if you will be able to attend the Women's Hall of Fame ceremony on Monday, November 17. This year I am the Chair of the Commission and it would mean a great deal to me to have you on the podium. We have had some excellent nominations -- good diversity and outstanding women for you to choose from.

Now I have to put on my "mother's hat" and brag to you. Remember my daughter that you so graciously posed with at the ceremony last year? She was elected president of the student body at Leon High School and just began her first day as "president" today. Thank you again for making her feel so special last year.

I will look forward to hearing from you.

Regards, Trish Clements

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Keith Eggert](#)
BCC: [Alan Florez \(alan@jeb.org\)](mailto:alan@jeb.org)
Date: 8/18/2003 11:23:34 PM
Subject: RE: Phone call

thank you Pastor Keith for responding. I will try to call again.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Keith Eggert [mailto:keith.eggert@verizon.net]
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 8:59 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Phone call

GFI MailSecurity's HTML threat engine found HTML scripts in this email and has disabled them.

Dear Mr. Bush:


A week ago last Thursday your office placed a phone call to my home phone, giving me your office phone number for a return contact. My wife and I were on vacation, so I did not receive your call until Saturday afternoon. I did return your call at that time and was told by the secretary that she would e-mail to you that I had responded.

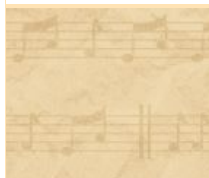
I have heard since then that someone from our church (Starkey Road Baptist in Seminole, which you visited last October), called your office and reported about the recent death of our two-year-old grandson. I am assuming, therefore, that this was the reason behind your phone call. I cannot tell you how much I appreciate your thoughtfulness in having your secretary place that call and your apparent willingness to personally express your concerns. This is without doubt one of the most difficult experiences I've ever been through, and it has been the prayerful and emotional support of friends and many others from all over this country that has given us the encouragement we've needed. We have heard of congregations all over the U.S. who have been praying for us (partly because our children are in a Christian camping ministry in North Carolina and the network of Christians around the country is pretty amazing!). We have also known the presence of the Lord in a very real way and know He has strengthened us.

I also heard that your daughter, Noelle, was released from her treatment that Thursday. That was good news, and I have prayed for her since then, too, that she will find the strength she needs to get on with her life in a meaningful way. I suspect she has lots of potential for that.

Thanks again for your kindness. Hang in there -- I think you're doing a great job!! Don't let the critics destroy your desires to help Florida in the ways you believe are right!

Sincerely, Pastor Keith Eggert

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: execofs@greatermiami.com

Date: 8/18/2003 11:22:03 PM

Subject: RE: Note from Bill Cullom

[thank you Bill. I will take you up on the offer.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Lisa Showers [mailto:execofs@greatermiami.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 12:15 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Note from Bill Cullom

Governor, there have been several times when you have wanted to speak to a group of the top business people in Miami. I wanted you to know I have organized a group of 80 business leaders, which would be available on short notice for you to speak to, bounce off ideas or try to solve a serious problem as we did in the past on inner-city problems and banking issues.

Let me know if you would like to meet with the group, you will know many of them.

Bill Cullom

William O. Cullom
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: RWilcox106@aol.com

Date: 8/18/2003 11:13:08 PM

Subject: RE: Unbelievable and true

thank you Barbara.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: RWilcox106@aol.com [mailto:RWilcox106@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 11:35 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fwd: Unbelievable and true

Hello Jeb:

Please read this letter and see if you can step in and help keep the Gardens in place.

Warm regards,

Barbara Wilcox

Barbara Wilcox

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Ldgaeg@aol.com

Date: 8/18/2003 10:58:59 PM

Subject: RE: Frank Shepherd

[thank you Lorraine. I enjoyed seeing Andy today.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Ldgaeg@aol.com [mailto:Ldgaeg@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 5:17 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Frank Shepherd

Dear Gov. Jeb:

We want to commend your excellent choice of Frank Shepherd for Judge of the 3rd DCA. He will be an exceptional jurist for the people of Florida, principled, contemplative, adept at reading the law and communicating judgments. He makes us all proud. And we know his contributions to the 3rd DCA will be remarkable.

We wish you continued success in your visionary leadership in building for the solid, sure future of our State.

Sincere regards,
Lorraine and Andy Grigsby

From: [Jared Mc Daniel <jbmcdan@yahoo.com>](mailto:jbmcdan@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 10:56:46 PM

Subject: teacher salaries

Dear Governor Bush

I want to let you know that you are doing an excellent job as the governor of the best state in the United States of America. Our President is also guiding this nation and the rest of the world in the direction it needs to go, and I would be much appreciative if you would relay my enthusiastic support.

I have had the pleasure of meeting you twice at the Governor's All Star luncheon and recently at Florida American Legion Boy State. I am grateful for the time sacrificed to address my peers and I, and receive our input. I would appreciate it greatly if you would consider my personal thoughts as input from a loyal and concerned constituent.

Being one of the largest states in the union I know that we face several challenges with educating our children; however, despite those challenges it must remain our states main focus. Because, in thirty years one of my peers will be sitting in your seat. As a great state we can improve our educational system to great extents. One way to bring these improvements about is to attract more, and better teachers. This can be done by increasing teacher salaries. If this action is taken, brighter people will take on the responsibility of educating our future, the children.

Raising salaries makes the profession more attractive. More attraction to a field brings more potential professionals seeking the same job. This creates competition, the drive of the economy of the greatest Nation on the planet. This competition would ensure the best and the brightest will become the respected guides of the future: teachers.

Thank you for you time and energy Mr. Bush.

Your Loyal and Concerned Constituent

Jared McDaniel

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: mcarr@manhattan-institute.org

Date: 8/18/2003 10:57:21 PM

Subject: RE: New study of A+ Program

thank you Matthew.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Matthew Carr [mailto:mcarr@manhattan-institute.org]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 5:11 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: New study of A+ Program

Governor Bush,

I thought you might be interested in this new study of the A+ Program we are releasing on August 20th. The study finds that vouchers are improving Florida's public schools. I have attached the study to this email and pasted the press release below. Please feel free to contact me at 954-680-8083 if you have any questions or would like to speak to one of the authors.

Best Regards,

Matthew

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**Embargoed Until 12:01 am
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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 10:39:23 PM

Subject:

Congrats on Med Mal Jeb... For the record, my wife was recently near death do to a medical mistake so I could not maintain an objective stance. MDT

From: [Harold F. Miiler Jr. <palmil@kudos.net>](mailto:Harold.F.Miiler.Jr.<palmil@kudos.net>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Johnny Byrd](#)

[Frank Hodalski](#)

[Tramm Hudson](#)

[Marsha Nippert](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 10:05:14 PM

Subject: Congratulatory letter to Rod Thomson at Sarasota Herald Tribune

Please take special note of the last two paragraphs. The people must become activists as a result of Florida's activist Supreme Court.

To: rod@plow.org Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 12:31PM

Congratulations to you on another fine article entitled "Proposal to amend constitution is result of an activist Supreme Court" dated August 18, 2003.

Please open 3 attachments: Two are my letters to the editor on the subject, while the third is my response to House Speaker, Johnnie Byrd, on July 17, 2003.

Here is a little history which drives me and, I hope drives you also:

As I'm sure you know, Martin Luther (1483-1546) began the Protestant Reformation in 1517 when he publicly challenged his own Roman Catholic Church in Wittenberg, Germany. His thesis on "Secular Authority: To What Extent it Should be Obeyed" written 1/1/1523, called for both government and the church to permit liberty of conscience. This is the principle that all people should be free to believe whatever religious ideas they hold true. He was convinced that Jesus himself agreed with this principle.

However, Europe's political governments were not ready to set it in motion. It took another century for this to happen and another two hundred years before a nation dedicated to it was founded in the new world.

The Protestant Reformation received its big push from John Calvin, (1509-1564), in Geneva, Switzerland. He wrote a famous set of volumes called the "*Institutes of the Christian Religion*", which had very large influence on the Founders of the United States as well as on key political thinkers such as Samuel Rutherford, John Locke, and John Knox of Scotland. The limits of royal authority are discussed in the final pages of Calvin's *Institutes*. Noting the example of Daniel's disobedience to the Persian king's edict, he is saying that the people **must** disobey ungodly magistrates: "If they (political authorities) command anything against Him (God), let it go unesteemed. And here let us not be concerned about all the dignity which the magistrates possess." As for governments that abuse their subjects, Calvin writes: "They dishonestly betray the freedom of the people, of which they know that they have been appointed protectors by God's ordinance."

As to the power of the civil conduct of government, Calvin states that the power "pertains only to civil justice and outward morality..." I can only presume here that what he means by outward morality is the physical action taken rather than the inward thinking or reasoning by man. Walking down the street naked, the act of homosexual behavior, or aborting the unborn are outward acts of immorality. Today those who reject morality in civil law and insist that only what harms another is wrong should consider that even the criterion of harm to another came from the law of creation.

Calvin's successor in Geneva, Theodore Beza, wrote *The Right of Magistrates*, in which he justifies armed resistance against tyrants. President John Adams indicated that another writing, *Vindiciae Contra Tyrannos (The Legal Claim Against Tyrants)* which appeared in 1579 among French Calvinists (Huguenots), was very important to the birth of America. It set forth an idea which was to become the basis of American political theory, namely the social contract which follows: "There is ever, and in all places, a mutual and reciprocal obligation between the people and the prince...If the prince fail in his promise, the people are exempt from obedience, the contract is made void, the rights of no force."

Few historians today acknowledge the religious roots of the social contract theory.

Best Regards, Hal

From: [Howard Haug <hhaug@eflorida.com>](mailto:hhaug@eflorida.com)

To: [EFI Board Members](#)

CC: [Darrell Kelley](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 9:40:37 PM

Subject: EFI Operating Budget Package for FY 2003-2004

Attachments: EFI Operating Budget 081803.pdf

<<EFI Operating Budget 081803.pdf>>

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From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 9:19:49 PM

Subject: Fw: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilitie...

Governor,

I have a meeting scheduled tomorrow morning with VR to dicuss this decision further. It appears that FARF has heavily influenced this change with a new interpretation of FS 278. I will let you know the outcome.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF

To: FugateVocEval@aol.com

Cc:

Date: 08/18/2003 05:15:04 PM

Subject: Re: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilitie...

Dear Ms. Fugate:

Thank you again for bringing your concerns to our attention. I have a meeting scheduled tomorrow morning with the DVR Director in an effort to explore all possible alternatives.

Shelly Brantley

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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From: FugateVocEval@aol.com

To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 08/18/2003 04:29:34 PM

Subject: Re: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilitie...

Dear Ms. Brantley,

Thank you for your response. I am not a vendor for the DS waiver program, although I sometimes see consumers in my evaluation practice who are served by both the Developmental Disabilities Program and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR). I work with the general population of consumers whose disability presents a substantial impediment to employment, including those not qualified for services under the Developmental Disabilities Program.

Again, thank you for assisting us in seeking assurance that this change to vendor certification requirements is in the best interests of all Floridians with disabilities, and does not inadvertently reduce already limited opportunities for meaningful choice.

Sheree Fugate

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From: [Matthew Carr <mcarr@manhattan-institute.org>](mailto:mcarr@manhattan-institute.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 9:11:10 PM

Subject: New study of A+ Program

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Lloyd Brown](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 8:27:50 PM

Subject: RE: horn tooting

Of the bigger districts, I believe it is the greatest improvement. The level one decrease of 25% is pretty darn impressive.

-----Original Message-----

From: Lloyd Brown [mailto:Lloyd.Brown@jacksonville.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 3:50 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: horn tooting

Jeb

John Fryer says you told him Duval had the best improvement rate in the state by having only 18 percent of third graders flunk FCAT this year, vs. 24 percent last year... that true?

Lloyd Brown

Editorial page editor

Florida Times-Union

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jim McDonough \(mcdonoj@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:mcdonoj@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/18/2003 8:25:01 PM

Subject: FW: Thought you should know

-----Original Message-----

From: JR Harding [mailto:JRfsu@comcast.net]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 4:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thought you should know

Governor,

I'm not certain if you are aware, but the month of September is the National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month (Recovery Month). I don't know if you have any initiatives in this area, but it might be apropos to announce them in September.

The website is www.recoverymonth.gov if you want it.

JR

JR Harding, Ed.D.

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From: [Allison DeFoor <adefoor@earthbalance.com>](mailto:adefoor@earthbalance.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 8:07:06 PM

Subject: More on the new Superintendent in Monroe

**Superintendent Padget's statement—board meeting, August 18, 2003
(as delivered)**

Board members, we are meeting here today to discuss my proposals to create the Office of the Superintendent.

The proposal I have developed is a good one. It is consistent with the best practices in organization design. It is a model that has been widely adopted in government and in business.

Nevertheless, I earnestly believe that our first obligation is to the teachers on the front line of education, and the parents whose children are entrusted to us.

Parents' concerns: That their child can read at a young age. That their child receives caring and focused attention from their teacher. That the gift of each and every child is developed through a system that notices children, not as numbers, but as human beings with talents and treasures. With parents, I talk about nurturing each child and giving that child attention—encouraging them to learn sophisticated technology and become leaders in society.

As you all know, wage and salary negotiations effecting our teachers are ongoing. Out of respect for these negotiations, I will delay any final decisions effecting our organization.

Today, I suggest that we continue our dialogue seeking to align the visions of the board together with my visions. If we can do this, then we will have made progress to reach a common basis on which to determine the proper organization structure to achieve shared objectives.

Let me be clear:

The American public school system used to be the finest in the world. It was the envy of every other nation. Our university system still is the best in the world. But since WWII, American primary and secondary public education has slowly declined. Today it is, arguably, among the worst in the industrialized world. The problem is not our children. On standardized tests, American children through the fourth grade rank at the top of the list. It is after the fourth grade that the deterioration sets in. By the time they are in the 12th grade, American children's scores are among the lowest in the industrialized world.

This is true in Monroe County: Last spring, 68% of our third graders were reading at grade level or above. But, the % reading at grade level or above declined to 38% for the ninth-

graders.

In addition to our poor FCAT performance, we are below the Florida average in the SAT's. We have to keep in mind that over 400 Florida schools made adequate progress in the No Child Left Behind initiative, but only two of our schools were in that group. If we don't meet those requirements, we will face sanctions. And our children deserve better.

But, I'm not discouraged. You know why? Because I've seen some of our best teachers and our best principals at work, and I know the results they've had just in the last year.

So, our first shared task must be to identify, recognize, honor, and motivate our outstanding teachers to be the role models in our system. I will announce a new program to do this in the near future.

In the meantime, I want to act immediately to rescue teachers who are having to dip into their own pockets for classroom supplies. Tomorrow, I will announce an alliance with nationally-recognized web-based "Adopt-A-Classroom" and I will challenge our businesses, citizens, and foundations to adopt a classroom in their neighborhood school at the rate of \$500 each. With this simple initiative, and a little working together, we can make a key improvement, right at the classroom level, without spending even one dime of taxpayer dollars. That's the power of business thinking in education.

Second, it has come to my attention that senior officers in the Navy have declined to accept assignments in the Keys because of the perceived weaknesses in our schools compared with other assignment locations. I know I do not have to emphasize the gravity of this situation, but suffice it to say that our inability to attract based on the integrity of our system must change, and it must change now. So, our priority is accelerated academic progress. We can do better.

Thirdly, we need to have a shared vision on expenditures: The new budget prepared before my arrival calls for spending \$7,111 per student. As you know, we are spending more per student than any other district in Florida. But, our academic results are not the highest in Florida. We need to investigate expenditures, especially any monies not spent in the classroom. OPPAGA says we could save \$3.8 million over five years. We will look into that. Our construction program manager and his wife receive \$265,000 per year—by far more than any other employees. We will look into that as well. Our spending is high, and we must insure that it is being spent wisely for the benefit of teachers and students.

I fully understand that public organizations do work differently than private businesses. Nevertheless, cost controls, high standards, good planning, and transparency can certainly be applied to both public and private business. We can do this.

Now, back to my reorganization proposal:

If we have a shared vision that academic performance could and should be improved, you should charge me to do that and give me the flexibility to achieve that goal.

If we have a shared vision that costs need to be rigorously controlled, you should charge me

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I am eager to have a dialogue with you on policy. I am eager to reach agreement with you on objectives. If we can come to agreement, as I'm confident we can, I promise you this CEO - - your Superintendent - - will get us there according to Florida statutes and I hope that I can convince you to refrain from micro-managing the process.

With respect to my proposal to establish an Office of the Superintendent for administrative matters - - and only with respect to this issue - - I intend to exercise my rights to retain a separate legal advisor. I have chosen the well-regarded Miami firm, Hogan & Hartson. Prior to our next discussion of this matter, I respectfully suggest that our legal advisors undertake to resolve this issue as quickly as possible.

With that in mind, I wish to withdraw the items that I had previously placed on the agenda. Thank you.

From: [JR Harding <JRfsu@comcast.net>](mailto:JRfsu@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 8:03:27 PM

Subject: Thought you should know

Governor,

I'm not certain if you are aware, but the month of September is the National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month (Recovery Month). I don't know if you have any initiatives in this area, but it might be apropos to announce them in September.

The website is www.recoverymonth.gov if you want it.

JR

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [John Beck](#)

CC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 7:57:17 PM

Subject: RE: Reappointing Norm Mansour to the Transportation Commission

Thank you for your recommendation.

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 1:49 PM

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From: [Lloyd Brown <Lloyd.Brown@jacksonville.com>](mailto:Lloyd.Brown@jacksonville.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 7:49:40 PM

Subject: horn tooting

Jeb

John Fryer says you told him Duval had the best improvement rate in the state by having only 18 percent of third graders flunk FCAT this year, vs. 24 percent last year... that true?

Lloyd Brown
Editorial page editor
Florida Times-Union

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Taylor, Mike](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 6:18:03 PM

Subject: RE: Ryan Nill

Will do.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Taylor, Mike [mailto:MikeTaylor@fdle.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 11:11 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Taylor, Mike

Subject: Ryan Nill

Sorry i forgot to leave you his name.

Ryan C. Nill, age 16 (DOB 11/03/1986), Official Eagle Scout in May 2003, Troop 128, Eagle Scout Ceremony scheduled for Saturday either 9/27/2003 or 10/11/2003. Ry is a Junior at Archbishop McCarthy High School in Cooper City, Florida. He is a Weston Warrior Lacrosse star with four years under his belt as a long-stick defense man. He volunteers weekly (5 years now) for Hope Outreach (disadvantaged children) and works part-time at Outback Steak House.

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Hope all is well with you and your family.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Taylor, Mike](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 6:09:26 PM

Subject: RE: Photograph

I need name and address!

Jeb

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Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 11:09 AM

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 6:07:57 PM

Subject:

Gov-Hope you had a good weekend. Kinda nice not to have think about med mal. A couple of things. I was approached by a representative of the Miami & Beaches Hotel Association to see if you might be interested in speaking to their group on Oct 16th. I am told the audience is about 300 hundred owners and execs. The event is at the new Lowe's Hotel on Miami Beach . Your speech woulbe at 4pm. The 16th is a Thur. Also Mike Hightower is considering taking over the chairmanship of the Duval cy Rep exec committee. He would bring a lot of energy to the stuff that needs to be done for the president.I'm in Tall on Wed. If I can do anything for you let me know. The gang over here is working hard on the presidents visit on sept 9th. JET

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From: [donakay_hannagan <donakayh@yahoo.com>](mailto:donakay_hannagan@donakayh@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 5:53:39 PM

Subject: RE: [highlandsparentsadvocacy] For Your Information-Response to Request for Protection under Whistle Blower Act fup

Thank you Thank you I can't say how much I appreciate you looking into this and trying to see what you can do. I am really scared to let this go much longer without some outside help. I look forward to a reply fom your office soon.

DonaKay Hannagan

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

I have passed on your concerns to the education advisor in my office and to the DOE. I don't think I am making you out to be a liar. I am sorry that you think so. I will continue to inquire about the situation in Highlands County.

-----Original Message-----

From: donakay hannagan [<mailto:donakayh@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 1:30 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: [highlandsparentsadvocacy] For Your Information-Response to Request for Protection under Whistle Blower Act

Dear Gov Bush

Please don't tell me this is the way you are going to repond to our repeated requests for help.

I know I for one have supported you to many families and have stated that I have been helped by your office. I hope that I do not have to start saying that you no longer care about each county in this state.

As I stated in my email last week the sitution is unbelievable down here You have been informed many times about my daughter, Maraka's, situation and you have referred people to me who have helped.

I am in communication with Rex in your office about this situation and am still waiting to hear from him. PLEASE help us I do not know how many times we have to ask for help before someone will listen. I assured these parents you would be sure to help us and you are making me out to be a liar. Please show them you can be counted upon t help even the smaller counties. Send someone personally down here to personally address the situation.

As i stated in my earlier email we have a meeting scheduled this Saturday at my church you can contact me to get the information if someone can come that day otherwise, please contact me to schedule the day they will come.

Thank You,

DonaKay hannagan, Maraka's mom

Susan <scrum-norris@tnni.net> wrote:

From: Levesque, Patricia

Date: Friday, August 15, 2003 12:32:48 PM

To: scrum-norris@tnni.net

Cc: Daniel Woodring (E-mail)

Subject: FW: Protection under Whistle Blower Act

Ms. Crum-Norris,

Thank you for writing Governor Bush regarding the ESE lawsuit issues in Highlands County. The Governor has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Parents can, under federal IDEA law, sue a school district for a variety of reasons to protect the rights of their disabled children. It appears some of the suits filed against Highlands County school board have been found to be without legal or factual basis.

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I have forwarded your e-mail to Daniel Woodring, General Counsel with the Department of Education. Mr. Woodring and his staff are aware of the situation and will continue to follow the appeals process. If you need any further information or would like to talk to a legal expert on this matter, please contact him for more information.

Thank you again for your correspondence. Please let me know if there is anything further I can do for you.

Patricia

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Crum-Norris [mailto:scrum-norris@tnni.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2003 9:53 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Protection under Whistle Blower Act

Susan Crum-Norris, Ph.D.

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July 25, 2003

Dear Sir:

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I am writing this overview to you and requesting protection under the whistler blower act. Many parents in our community are afraid of what is believed to be a retaliatory nature of this school district. I am for a Due Process and I can, if asked, give specific accounts of documented retaliation. Therefore, I am requesting protection from you. If, in fact, the district attempts to retaliate I wish to have this letter in place to protect my family.

Up to this point, I have never been formally accused of any type of child abuse or criminal act in relationship to my child, the school or district personnel, professionally or in any other realm. If following this letter such an accusation is filed I desire to be protected by your office.

I have been informed that this office is the contact number for this request
If I am incorrect in this belief, please inform me of the proper location for this request. Others in our community have filed similar requests with your office. OCR has chosen to not act either for or against the families in this district.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 5:38:15 PM

Subject: RE: water commission

Jeb,

It's great to hear back from you.

I should have qualified my statement that 50-60% of domestic consumption is related to landscape irrigation by limiting that statistic to single-family homes during dry season, when overall consumption is at its highest ... as to multi-family housing consumption, due to its higher densities, and during the wet season, the percentage due to irrigation would be substantially less. In any case, I'm not aware of any studies performed by the WMDs or DEP on the potential of effective conservation measures, including large-scale conversion to xeriscaping. I personally believe such measures should be good for at least 20-30% of current domestic consumptive use during peak consumptive months (which constitute the limiting condition). Perhaps we could achieve substantially more with new technology. That would accommodate a lot of economic growth.

By the way, a scientific analysis of the potential savings from serious conservation efforts should be at the top of the water commission's agenda.

Regarding our effective capture of freshwater now going to tide, if we expect to significantly increase that capture efficiency - and thus reduce freshwater flows to estuaries - it is likely that we would create or exacerbate other serious environmental quality problems. The historic periodic flushing of Florida's bays and harbors with freshwater has already been impacted significantly in a number of areas, affecting the estuarine ecology - i.e., salinity and overall water quality as well as impacts on baitfish, gamefish, and shellfish populations. You're more than familiar with the Apalachicola situation, of course, as one example. As you also know, a big part of Florida's current economy and future economic development (i.e., tourism and seasonal residency) depends upon a healthy coastal marine environment. Such environmental impacts - unlike what goes on in the remote reaches of the Everglades - would hit millions of Floridians where they live and play every day.

So the most relevant arguments are still likely to get back to conservation vs.. (or in addition to) interbasin transfers.

As to it being "irresponsible" to take interbasin transfers off the table, Jeb, I respectfully disagree. I don't propose a new ban on interbasin transfers - just that the initial enabling legislation for a statewide water commission should not explicitly promote interbasin transfers as a priority before exhausting the potential for conservation-derived capacity. Letting sleeping dogs lay, so to speak, is one way to look at it, at least politically. Or better yet, we should stand on principle vis a vis "first things first."

And in the meantime, while we focus first on a serious water conservation program, North Florida and rural Florida water will remain right where it is. Future Legislatures and Governors could act at any time to amend the statute to actively promote interbasin transfers as a priority.

Once interbasin transfers are proactively highlighted in the initial enabling statute for a new statewide water commission, however, the howling (and the litigating) will begin immediately. We can expect that it will get ugly, and that it will stay that way for a long time.

At the risk of being unduly cynical about people's motives, one may reasonably wonder why a group of predominantly urban Florida business leaders - i.e., the Council of 100 - all of a sudden, and without public announcement, are pushing for a statewide water commission that has at the top of its agenda the issue of interbasin transfers. Why must that issue be settled now, before we ever get serious about conservation? Is this an attempt to preempt a fight that will likely only get harder to win down the road if rural and northern Florida begin to accelerate their own development - and their resulting demand for water? (thereby creating a set of facts on the ground, calling to mind "first in time, first in line", or "possession is nine tenths of the law").

Are we really prepared at this time to play Solomon, deciding not whether we have economic development in Florida, but exactly who gets to do the economic developing? We can safely assume that once the water gets allocated and flowing down an expensive pipeline to South Florida, it ain't ever coming back again to the donor Counties. Just ask the folks in - or at least those who used to live in - the Owens Valley of California.

Bottom line, if we are honest about what we're trying to accomplish, interbasin transfers may indeed be a productive subject for public debate. But if so, we better be honest about the outcomes, and who is likely to benefit, and who is likely to pay. And if we're committed to honesty, we'll need to devise the principles behind the decision-making process up front, so that everybody who is affected - except of course those yet unborn, but who will also be affected by these decisions - gets to participate and is made fully aware of the consequences of the decisions. If we can ensure all of that and at the same time be prepared to deal with the political and social implications of the fight itself, then by all means lets start the discussion.

What I suggest, Jeb, is that by creating a new statewide water commission and at the same time immediately putting interbasin transfers at the top of the active agenda, we are "going nuclear" at the outset. That would be a debate that, if not honestly characterized, would devolve more or less into a policy of "preemption" decided not on principles but by stealthiness and/or sheer political power, a la Los Angeles Water & Power. That may suit certain individuals just fine. A lot of Floridians, and generations yet unborn, may beg to disagree.

Sorry, I probably sound like a damned tree-hugger, don't I? Can't help it ... when it comes to natural resource management, as well as issues of basic fairness, I probably think and reason a lot more like Teddy Roosevelt did than do some other Republicans today. I also believe that most Floridians - Republicans and otherwise - do too.

Duane

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 5:08 PM

To: Duane J. Truitt, P.E.

Cc: Denver Stutler

Subject: RE: water commission

thank you Duane. I agree with you completely that conservation has to be a much higher priority than it is today. Based on the numbers I have seen, I don't think landscape irrigation comprises 60% of overall consumption but it is significant. While I have not taken a position of interbasin transfers, the amount of water that goes out to tide is many times more than our entire state's consumption. There may be obstacles that will make it impossible but to take it off the table without any discussion, seems to be irresponsible. It is great hearing from you, Duane.

Jeb

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From: Duane J. Truitt, P.E. [mailto:dtruitt@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 1:14 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Denver Stutler

Subject: water commission

Jeb,

I've been out of the loop on environmental and water policy for quite awhile, as I've been focusing on business since my brief service on the water projects review panel (1999-2000) and your '98 Transition Team. But I did read today about a presentation made to you by Lee Arnold, representing the Council of 100 regarding the creation of a state-wide water commission to oversee the Water Management Districts. I'd like to make several points:

- The statewide commission approach to oversight of the WMDs seems like a common-sense approach ... as you recall that was something that my policy panel recommended back during your '98 campaign. The issue also was addressed briefly in our Transition Team report produced by the Community and Natural Resources Team. A separate commission is better able to oversee the WMDs than is DEP. The current arrangement - in which the DEP simultaneously is responsible for both protection of the resource, and (as supervisor of the WMDs) production from the resource - represents an inherent conflict of interest. From an organizational culture standpoint, neither DEP nor the WMDs are up to the job of allocating a scarce statewide resource that is a lynchpin of our continued economic development. Such an allocation inherently is a political decision. DEP's proper role should be that of the protective regulatory agency. The WMDs should be the technical managers of our water resources. And the commission should set the political policy, as governed by statute. Given the growing importance of Florida's increasingly stressed water resources, an independent public commission with a statewide scope of authority makes a great deal of sense.
- However, if the statewide commission is created primarily as a means of promoting interbasin transfers of water, from North Florida to South Florida, then it will be a non-starter. The commission immediately will be enmeshed in bitter inter-regional fighting, both political and legal, that would only tend to make Florida a much harder place to govern. It is also very likely that an attempted interbasin transfer would be blocked on environmental protection grounds. I recommend instead that you and the

Legislature explicitly take the interbasin transfer issue off the table in any enabling legislation for the commission. If at a later date (say, about a hundred years from now!) the commission decides that it is necessary to pursue interbasin transfers, it can always recommend such legislative changes. Personally, I just don't think we should ever go there. Also, raising the issue of interbasin transfers almost assuredly will lead to raising the issue of agricultural consumption vs. public consumption. Again, that would be a war that we don't need to fight in Florida. It may come to that point eventually, but hopefully not for several generations.

- I believe that the crux of the issue in Florida is simply that we consume too much water, primarily on excessive landscape irrigation, due to the way we landscape our built environment. Typically more than 50% of domestic water consumption, by both residences and most non-manufacturing/non-agricultural commercial businesses, is for landscape irrigation. If the State ever is to get serious about providing enough water to support long term economic growth (and thereby, allow continued population growth), the State first must get serious about mandating the use of xeriscaping in urban and suburban areas, not only for new development, but also for conversion of existing landscaping.

It's like when somebody once asked the infamous bank robber, Willie Sutton, "Why do you rob banks?" and his reply was, "Because that's where the money is." We must focus our attention on where the water really is. If we want to secure enough water to enable continued economic development in Florida, we know first of all that we can't create any more rainfall. We either have to transfer the water from somewhere that currently doesn't need it (assuming that someone "wins" the resulting water wars, and thereby limits the donor area's ability to access water for its own future development); we could "create water" through expanded desalination (not a cheap or non-controversial solution); or we can make much more efficient use of the water that we already have. Given that 50-60% of Florida's current water consumption is due to landscape irrigation, which could be cut by 75% or more through the use of drought-tolerant, native Florida landscape plants, then "that's where the water is", in its most accessible, lowest cost form.

Put another way, serious conservation (as opposed to the unserious conservation that Florida has practiced up to now) is the "low hanging fruit" that must be harvested first, before even thinking about igniting a new round of water wars.

It's not about tree-hugging ... it's about practicality.

(Jeb, you've probably traveled in the desert Southwest, to places like Phoenix, Tucson, Las Vegas, and Albuquerque - where I used to live back in the '80s ... many if not most of the residential and commercial properties there use varied colors of rocks, gravel, and native desert plants for much or all of their landscaping ... obviously reflective of the native climate ... we couldn't use the same plants here, but is it really necessary to have endless acres of well manicured but thirsty and pesticide-hungry St. Augustine sod lawns in Florida? That's not what our Florida forebears had ... would it really be all that difficult to get used to lawns consisting mainly of mulch, long-leaf pines, palmetto, and other native ornamental and bedding plants? We also work our butts off in the endless summer heat (or pay others to do it for us) in order to maintain that prized St. Augustine lawn. A 10-month "summer"

without the constant buzz of lawnmowers, edgers, and leaf blowers ... what would that be like? I think Southwesterners are far more practical about their landscaping than are most of us Floridians)

I know what you're thinking, Jeb ... government mandates: BAD!!!. But again, we have to be practical, Jeb: the current toothless efforts by the WMDs to promote xeriscaping (a web page and an occasional ad in the local paper) aren't going to hack it, ever ... they've been at it for at least the last ten or more years, but just how many xeriscaped lawns do you see in Florida? On the other hand, if people are required by law to xeriscape, and if landowners are provided the necessary assistance, both financial and technical, to make the transition successfully, then it will happen ... otherwise, it won't ... period.

(an alternative to an absolute ban on non-xeriscaped lawns might be the imposition of a "resource consumption tax" on water bills or on property taxes that would reflect the true economic cost of providing the necessary irrigation water ... we ought to combine that "stick" with sufficient "carrots", such as property tax credits for landscape conversion along with sufficient technical support - like that provided by County Ag agents to farmers & ranchers - so that landowners have good guidance on how to install and care for a xeriscaped lawn ... that would soften the "mandate" approach)

Such a legislatively-mandated conversion, of course, will be an expensive and disruptive process. Government mandates normally aren't very welcome, but people can be convinced of the necessity as long as the need is well-demonstrated and the burdens are shared equitably. But water conservation, if it is to ever happen to the scale that it is needed, will not be achieved voluntarily or through government nagging. Conversion will require cultural changes as well as legal and technical changes. Market expectations for what constitutes "attractive landscaping" will need to evolve - so that relative property values are not impacted. Likewise, local government codes and community deed restrictions will need to evolve. Conversion cannot be done overnight - this is probably at least a 10-year conversion project - 20 years is more likely. But frankly, Jeb, we simply cannot continue to build and support an unlimited artificial environment of thirsty St. Augustine lawns as a birthright for everyone everywhere forever ... that is, if we also want to enjoy continued economic growth in Florida.

In any case, it will be far more pleasant if we, through sensible development and landscape codes and a detailed implementation plan, can avoid having to fight massive water wars between North and South Florida, and/or between the State's agriculture industry and city-dwellers, as a cost of continued economic growth. We don't need that, now or ever.

If there is anything I can do to assist you in this issue of Florida's water resource management, I would be pleased to help out.

Duane

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 4:57:34 PM

Subject: Retention

Attachments: Grade Retention Newspaper Article.doc

Dear Governor Bush,

I sincerely believe that the Florida Department of Education is doing a great disservice to children by recommending retention. The data does not support long term benefit from retention. I thought you might find an article I recently wrote on this issue informative. I believe it would be much more productive to give children interventions that we know to be effective - for instance, a longer school day, a longer school year, specialized instruction such as the Orton Gillingham or Lindamood Bell programs, ectera. Congress encourages the use of scientifically proven interventions, and retention does not meet that criteria. Perhaps you could convene a committee to look at other alternatives. I would be more than willing to volunteer time to assist such a committee.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [McDonough, Jim](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 4:49:03 PM

Subject: FW: My daughter...I need your advise and suggestion please

-----Original Message-----

From: Babette Hankey [mailto:bhankey@cdfil.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 8:33 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: My daughter...I need your advise and suggestion please

Please give her my name and number (407) 245-0045 ext 225. If she can't reach me, she can ask for Linda at extension 222 who will make sure I get the message. You can also feel free to pass on this email which will give her the access information.

I'm happy to speak with her and if her daughter is willing, we can provide an assessment to see if she is appropriate for our programs, and if not refer her to Lakeside Alternatives or Park Place. In Florida, people can be held under a "marchman" order which is similar to a "Baker Act" but is issued in cases of severe substance abuse. The doctors have authority to issue a "marchman" along with the courts. It appears that this woman has both mental health and substance issues so a comprehensive assessment is key.

It also appears that her mom is in dire need of a support group, which we can facilitate and provide the linkages.

Babette

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 6:17 PM

To: Babette Hankey

Subject: FW: My daughter...I need your advise and suggestion please

any suggestions?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Jonlaura2@aol.com [mailto:Jonlaura2@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 3:06 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: My daughter...I need your advise and suggestion please

Dear Gov. Bush,

We have emailed in the past...if you remember, I was hoping to get you to attend and speak at the Food For The Poor gala in Orlando last year.

We then spoke about your daughter and my daughter and the problems they are suffering.

My daughter, lived in Chicago...to make a long story short...she was in an emotionally abusive relationship...she began to drink to handle the stress and she is now an alcoholic. She is embarrassed, hates herself for not being able to control the alcohol...she attempted suicide in December of 2002 and again in January of 2003. Both times I flew to Chicago to be with her...however, I had no legal ability to get her into a long term program because she was married and her husband would have to do that...he did not.

I flew 3 weeks ago to help Michelle, my daughter, move home to Orlando.

She came in Sunday, Aug. 10th. She suffered tremendous emotional abuse the day she left from Chicago by her husband.

Tuesday, August 15th I received a call at work from a friend of Michelle's who had been speaking to her. He said he thought I should call Michelle because she didn't sound good. When I called she finally told me she had taken a bottle of prescribed Tylenol based pain medication and drank. Unfortunately, any Tylenol based medication is the most fatal to take in an overdose because it caused tremendous damage to the liver. I called 911 and watched as she was taken out of my home unconscious. They police have Baker Acted her...but she will be held for only three days. If I cannot get her to be held longer...she will follow through with taking her life. She has been left with no money...her insurance only covers \$300 a day leaving her \$1,300 a day to handle.

I am frantic...if she is released...she will follow through with her suicide.

I work with the poor in Orlando and with the Third World poor; and I can't help my daughter. I have been out of work since December 2002 when the first suicide attempt was made because I had a medical problem that required 3 surgeries and I then had a grand mal seizure. I work for a Catholic bookstore with no sick leave days. We are more of a ministry rather than an organization seeking large profits. So, for the last 8 months, I have had no income. My husband has been able to cover our home expenses...but I have no extra at this point to help.

I do not want to see her in a State facility...that would be the end of Michelle...her self esteem is so low now.

What help is there? I am very active in political awareness and write to my Senators and Congressmen about issues I believe need changing.

Right now, other than my tremendous faith in our God, I feel helpless regarding help for my daughter. I know you understand this feeling.

I respect any advise you might be willing to give to me.

Humbly Yours,

Laura Luckett

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[Marsha](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 4:29:47 PM

Subject: Help this Patriotic foundation!

Please, send this web-site to all those on your e-mail list. We are a small Patriotic Foundation, who must grow in order to accomplish this God and Country project! Help us help the "Heroes" of the past, present and future! Our protectors of "Freedom". We can not accomplish without the help of the American people! In service for God and Country, Shelby J. Dew(founder and chairman of "Friends of our Nations Hero Foundation) note, please pray for this foundation! To view and further info: concerning this endeavor go to www.foohn.org

 Shelby

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From: [Lisa Showers <execofs@greatermiami.com>](mailto:execofs@greatermiami.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 4:15:17 PM

Subject: Note from Bill Cullom

Governor, there have been several times when you have wanted to speak to a group of the top business people in Miami. I wanted you to know I have organized a group of 80 business leaders, which would be available on short notice for you to speak to, bounce off ideas or try to solve a serious problem as we did in the past on inner-city problems and banking issues.

Let me know if you would like to meet with the group, you will know many of them.

Bill Cullom

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From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb_Bush)

Date: 8/18/2003 4:04:17 PM

Subject: Re: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities fup

I am investigating this further, but believe this is a misinterpretation of FS 287. I feel certain FARF is behind this change- as they are all "non-profit".

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF

To: jeb@jeb.org

Cc:

Date: 08/16/2003 06:53:59 PM

Subject: Re: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities fup

I'm really not sure at this point. VR may have felt this would ultimately reduced administrative costs...but this has not been our experience with the DS waiver. 501 (3) requirements are often difficult to achieve especially without legal representation which may actually increase overhead costs. I'll let you know when I learn more-but I do concur that this decision needs further consideration.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: [<jeb@jeb.org>](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 08/16/2003 06:40:59 PM

Subject: Re: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities fup

Why did they do it?

Jeb

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 16 18:37:13 2003

Subject: RE: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities fup

FYI. Response to Ms. Fugate. I share her concerns with this recent requirement and plan to discuss further with VR. It has impeded our own efforts to ensure employment opportunities and choice. VR receives 80% federal match. If VR providers drop out, the only hope for individuals with DD to receive support for employment is through our program which only receives 59% federal match. In addition to losing additional match opportunities, this will decrease the availability of services to individuals with DD who are transitioning from school and could achieve their goals through phase 1 (more intensive) supportive employment opportunities alone. In other words, it increases dependency on the DS waiver and the number of people who will request and wait for services.

Shelly

-----Forwarded by Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF on 08/16/2003 06:25PM -----

To: FugateVocEval@aol.com

From: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF

Date: 08/16/2003 06:26PM

Subject: RE: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities fup

Dear Ms. Fugate,

Thank you for writing Governor Bush to express your concerns relating to a new requirement of the Department of Education, Division of Vocational

Rehabilitation (DVR) directing vendors to become 501(c) (3) non profit organizations in order to serve DVR consumers. The Governor always appreciates hearing from small business owners and family members supporting individuals with developmental disabilities, such as yourself and has asked me to offer any possible assistance.

In response to your concern, I have contacted DVR Director, Loretta Costin to request careful consideration of new DVR vendor requirements and to ensure the most appropriate, effective and cost beneficial supportive employment opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities. We share your mission to create greater opportunities and supports for persons with developmental disabilities to participate as valued , contributing citizens of their communities.

Your e-mail did not include the name of your business, thus it is unclear if you are also a provider for the DS waiver program. If you are not already, I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to apply as a supportive employment service provider. We always welcome the involvement of providers who support our program's core principles and values.

On behalf of the Developmental Disabilities Program, I would like to extend my most sincere appreciation for your commitment to advocacy to promote employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. Please don't hesitate to contact me directly if I can provide any additional assistance.

Sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director of
Developmental Disabilities Program

-----Original Message-----

From: FugateVocEval@aol.com [mailto:FugateVocEval@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 8:54 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities

Dear Governor Bush:

As I know you to be a proponent of small business and an advocate for citizens with disabilities, I am seeking your assistance:

I am a small business owner who provides services to Floridians with

disabilities. The Department of Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DOE/DVR) is requiring that I change my business to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in order to continue serving DVR consumers. This requirement is an unfair burden on myself and many other small business owners who provide these services. It also unfairly restricts the choices of disabled consumers.

I'm also the parent of a daughter with a severe disability, and in this role, I know the importance of bringing together hopes and dreams with realistic and viable goals. When the time comes, I want my daughter to have the option of choosing a conscientious service provider who can best meet her needs and assist her in realizing her goals, whether it be an independent or an agency. The key word here is: CHOICE.

Bottom line is that this change would be a bad move. Bad for the Florida economy by putting many small business owners out of work, bad for consumers with disabilities and their families, who would have even fewer choices available to them. This change will result in additional barriers to consumers.

My business was launched three years ago to fill an unmet need and at the request of DVR counselors whose caseloads were comprised of consumers in the rural geographical areas of the state. The need was for individualized services, close to these consumer's homes. The public transportation/paratransit services many consumers must rely on are limited in rural areas and often require those served to wait lengthy periods for pickup and drop-off; this is not only inconvenient but may be mentally and physically taxing to many persons with disabilities. Local One-Stop Centers are not the solution, as they are unable to serve the specialized needs of disabled consumers in many areas; the facilities and their programs are not programmatically accessible.

We are the only state in the nation designated as a "high-risk grantee" by the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA). Previous changes to the state Vocational Rehabilitation program that were implemented without careful consideration of the subsequent impact, resulted in this designation.

This newly imposed requirement is the latest in an ongoing struggle for the small independents in this field to stay alive. For small businesses, it imposes a financial and administrative burden with no apparent purpose - it will not result in better quality or improved service performance to citizens with disabilities. It WILL detract from meaningful and informed choice for these consumers.

Please help. Existing vendor certification requirements should remain in

effect until this change can be more thoroughly reviewed, evaluated and other options sought.

Sincerely,

Sheree Weldon Fugate, CRC, CVE, LMHC
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From: sylviauniverse@att.net <sylviauniverse@att.net>
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/18/2003 3:46:48 PM
Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

As a citizen of Polk County for over 33 years, I'm contacting you about my passion and concern for the destruction of one of Florida's greatest traditions -- the original attraction of our great state, Cypress Gardens.

I truly believe people (tourist and citizens of Florida) have revered it as the "Heart Of Florida". Dick Pope's vision of enhancing and preserving one of Nature's glorious creations for all the world to see, was an act of genius, allowing millions of people worldwide to experience the delightful ambiance of Cypress Gardens.

Mr. Pope's Botanical Gardens, serene boat rides through the cypress hammock, thundering waterfalls, plus the beauty of the "Belle Girls" and the ever-developing delight of the aquatic skier's will be deeply missed. All this grief, because a developer seized the moment at the expense of loyal workers, taxpayers, and businesses that will lose tourism revenues. Weddings, citizen and church programs, or just strolling through...will only be a memory. What a shame. This is where your government can make a change that will echo for generations to come... "The Bush Administration Saves Cypress Gardens."

But to do this, we need to save all of Cypress Gardens; not just bits and pieces. We need expansion opportunities to make the gardens self-sustaining and to carry out Dick Pope's dream of weaving the essence of Florida's natural surroundings into a tourist destination of class, not clutter.

I have been an active leader in the community involved in many community and charitable events, from leading a Scout Den and being a substitute teacher, to sitting on the Board for the Lake Wales YMCA; a Board member for Imperial Symphony of Polk County; DAR Regent of Lake Wales; Chairman of the local Cancer Drive; past President of the Chi Omega Alumni Association of Orlando and member of the Council of 101 (supporters of the Art Museum); and recently, fund raiser for publishing of J. Ahl's new book on the history of Lake Wales and Central Florida.

Additionally, I've been able to raise three lovely children (who I took often to Cypress Gardens) while managing to fit in commercial modeling and judging of numerous beauty pageants such as Miss USA and Miss Universe. From my contacts in these events, I believe a revived Cypress Gardens could attract such TV exposure to Florida in general, and our area in particular, which as you know lies on the fringe of the Orlando-Tampa tourism hub. We desperately need a magnet to draw these people down into our area.

I would also like to mention that I was raised in the Miami area, and fondly remember the old Bunyan trees that used to line US1... and the gorgeous pine and coconut trees that enhanced our beaches. All such natural beauty is just becoming a memory... old photographs in old books that no one looks at. Let's save the real thing! Please help us do this.

I thank you for your kind attention on this extremely important matter... one that has to be acted on now or lost forever.

Respectfully,

Sylvia Hitchcock Carson - Former Miss USA and Miss Universe.

From: [Dinah Voyles Pulver <dinah.pulver@news-jrnl.com>](mailto:dinah.pulver@news-jrnl.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 3:44:26 PM

Subject: DeLeon Springs

Just fyi, e-mail from a reader. His details are accurate

----- Original Message -----

To: <dinah.pulver@news-jrnl.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 10:44 AM

Subject: Burt's Park at DeLeon Springs

Dinah,

Is this the same parcel that the current owner paid \$303k for back in 1996?

If it is, then \$310k seems like a very reasonable price in today's market.

Maybe I am mistaken.

Is this the parcel that was formerly Burt's Park, that is the point parcel

on the waterway leading to the springs? the parcel delineated below that

seems to have over 600 feet of waterfront?

dnh

<http://209.149.206.196/scripts/esrimap.dll?name=MapIt2&cmd=find&pid=69400100>

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From: RWilcox106@aol.com <RWilcox106@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 3:34:45 PM

Subject: Fwd: Unbelievable and true

Attachments: Unbelievable and true

Hello Jeb:

Please read this letter and see if you can step in and help keep the Gardens in place.

Warm regards,

Barbara Wilcox

Barbara Wilcox

From: LVanGundy@aol.com <LVanGundy@aol.com>

To: RWilcox106@aol.com
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Date: 8/18/2003 2:05:45 PM

Subject: Unbelievable and true

Dear Friends of Cypress Gardens,

The following is the transcript from yesterday's news report on Tampa Bay 10.

After many distraught letters concerning the condition of Cypress Gardens, and conflicting reports by Rick Dantzler who spoke for the owners saying everything is okay except for a few weeds, I arranged to have a news team from Tampa Bay 10 led by Dave Beleut go to the Park. They were saddened and appalled. Two of our members, Espen Tanberg and Donna Suzawith joined them. After the interview, Donna stepped aside and cried and cried. She said, "How could someone allow this? Just a few months ago it was so full of life and beauty." The canals are now overgrown and a boat could not pass through. Knee high weeds surround the beautiful gazebo that was one of the most photographs spots on this earth. **How this would break the hearts of founders Dick and Julie Pope!**

"The only thing that would make me feel better would be to see someone restore everything and my sweet granddaughter walking around in her little Belle outfit. I am so grateful she can't see it like it is now." said a heartbroken Donna.

An extremely long list of things have also been sold from the Gardens property... for cash only. I have received many letters from people who were involved in these transactions. We have to ask, will those cash sales be reported by the owners to the IRS? While Dave and Donna were there, a truck arrived to take away kitchen ovens. Topiaries have been loaded on flat bed trucks.

Steve Bidleman, former head electrician, said over \$200,000 worth of electrical equipment has been sold... Benches were reportedly sold for \$20 that have a replacement cost of \$450. Special trash cans with special liners to prevent fires were sold. Espen said the replacement value on those is \$750 each. Ski uniforms, back up generators, fire extinguishers, sewing machines, display cases... gone!

The owners obtained a new mortgage earlier this year. According to the terms of their contract, they were not supposed to remove assets. They have laughed and told people they plan to declare bankruptcy. Where is the **\$1,200,000.00+** cash they took in on the final day? Where is the cash for the things they have sold over the summer? I have been told by countless people that they owners are smug, arrogant, and feel they are above the law. Is this true? Are they above the law? Mr. Maxwell is vacationing in Europe and will not return until September.

Please write to Governor Bush and express your concern over the condition of the Gardens. Tell him we do not want thrill rides on this sacred serene land and that you will support any way the State can save it... whether it be by purchase or by invoking eminent domain. To do that, the property must be condemned. We could not have imagined that in April. But look at the gardens now... This is why Mr. Siegel tried to purchase the property in the early summer... he knew this could happen and wanted to prevent it. Amazingly and thank God he still wants to restore it.

With much concern,

Burma





Cypress Gardens is deteriorating



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Winter Haven - When Florida's first theme park closed April 13th, owners promised to maintain Cypress Gardens for awhile so the state could evaluate the property. Governor Bush and his Cabinet will vote on purchasing Cypress Gardens August 26th.

But since the state completed its appraisal, the gardens have been allowed to deteriorate. The base of a fountain just inside the entryway is overgrown with grass and weeds. Flowers are wilting, or dead.

From the paddlewheel boat Southern Breeze, Donna Suzawith couldn't believe the condition of the gardens.

"It's depressing! It's a wasteland," said Suzawith. She's with Friends of Cypress Gardens, an organization that's trying to save the theme park.

The owner of the Southern Breeze says he's seen benches, trash cans, display cases and other lots of other equipment hauled off the property.

Suzawith says the Governor's vote on Cypress Gardens can't come soon enough.

Dave Balut, Tampa Bay's 10 News

From: [Beckwith B. Miller <tmbots@earthlink.net>](mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: billieneese@msn.com

Date: 8/18/2003 12:21:09 PM

Subject: OnlineCorporateIdentityRisks.com

Hello Governor Bush,

Thank you for your reply (see below) of 8-13-03.

We are pleased to announce that our site is now operational and open to the public: <http://onlinecorporateidentityrisks.com>

Suggestion: an advisory issued by Attorney General Christ that is similar to the DOJ advisory of May, 2003 could be an important public service initiative.

Timing: Later this week the Florida Bankers Association is having their annual meeting in Amelia Island.

Our Objective: Increase awareness that online identity theft occurs within the content as well as the network systems of the Internet. Reference DOJ's 5-03 advisory on fake web sites.

Key themes:

- (1) Federal and state governments are not displaying the latest risk factors for online id theft as identified by other federal departments.
- (2) Banks not taking responsibility for protecting their brands on the Internet.
- (3) Consumers, because of the first 2 risks, are not fully informed and are at risk for id theft, unnecessarily.

Target Audience: Public and private organizations that are wrestling with ID theft on the Internet.

Industry Research: Banking - Global plus 50 major North American and 200 Florida banks.

Key Research Question: "How well are banks protecting their Corporate Identity (brands & trademarks) and online clients from identity theft across the content of the Internet?"

Further research: The web sites for the state banking associations for California plus those associated with the Florida initiative of Fraud-net.com are not advising the public or their members of the latest risks from fake web sites per the May, 2003 DOJ advisory. The same is true for FBA's own ID Theft initiative: <http://banksprotectprivacy.com/>. We have advised Alex Sanchez of this while also offering our resources for his members. We sent letters last week to each of the top 200 Florida Bank CEO's encouraging them to visit and order their risk reports via <http://onlinecorporateidentityrisks.com>.

Our meeting with one of Porter Goss's local staff in Naples on 8-14-03 went very well. They have offered to help us convey our message to the appropriate federal departments.

Thank you very much for your continued interest.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:29 PM
To: miller@trademarkbots.com
Cc: billieneese@msn.com
Subject: RE: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

I will pass on to General Crist.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Beckwith B. Miller [mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 11:47 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: billieneese@msn.com
Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

From: [Taylor, Mike <MikeTaylor@fdle.state.fl.us>](mailto:MikeTaylor@fdle.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Taylor, Mike](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 3:10:54 PM

Subject: Ryan Nill

Sorry i forgot to leave you his name.

Ryan C. Nill, age 16 (DOB 11/03/1986), Official Eagle Scout in May 2003, Troop 128, Eagle Scout Ceremony scheduled for Saturday either 9/27/2003 or 10/11/2003. Ry is a Junior at Archbishop McCarthy High School in Cooper City, Florida. He is a Weston Warrior Lacrosse star with four years under his belt as a long-stick defense man. He volunteers weekly (5 years now) for Hope Outreach (disadvantaged children) and works part-time at Outback Steak House.

Hey Gov,

i know you are a busy guy, but a good friend of mine who works the Governor's Protection Detail in Miami many times when you go down, has a son that has just become an Eagle Scout. It would be a significant honor if he could get a note from you acknowledging his accomplishment and possibly a signed photograph...

Hope all is well with you and your family.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Allison Defoor <ADefoor@tidewaterinc.com>](mailto:ADefoor@tidewaterinc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 2:55:43 PM

Subject: New Superintendent of Schools-Monroe Co.

Thought you might want to see this. He is trying to make change, but the institutional resistance is fierce.

-----Original Message-----

From: Johnpadget@aol.com [mailto:Johnpadget@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 12:57 PM

To: Allison Defoor

Subject: Re: FW:

Hi Allison,

What a job this is..... The organization is plainly dysfunctional. Last week on Tuesday, a 13 hour board meeting, with no results except for a little step forward on Big Pine Key school.

I'm working on chartering the entire district, and then I'll announce that I will receive offers from local groups to convert their schools to individual charters. Then, I can run the place with a handful of people.....

Just expressing my frustration....don't announce this stuff, but this is my direction.... Tell your friends to write supportive letters to the board members and the press. Anne Cohan and Debra and Pat are opposed to change

Best, John

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: skgoldstein@hotmail.com

[Jerry Regier](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ginm4@aol.com

Date: 8/18/2003 2:45:59 PM

Subject: Re: Personal Information regarding my daughter

Hi Susan,

I'm very sorry to hear about the difficulties you are experiencing. I am in Tampa today, but have asked staff to look into this immediately and offer any possible assistance.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: <skgoldstein@hotmail.com>

To: Jerry Regier/D20/DCF@DCF,
<jeb@jeb.org>,

Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc: ginm4@aol.com

Date: 08/18/2003 09:36:25 AM

Subject: Personal Information regarding my daughter

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Regards,
Susan

- Stephanie Goldstein Briefing.doc

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: MSBSUMMERS@aol.com

BCC: [Karen Kellams \(KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:KellamsK@dor.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/18/2003 2:30:25 PM

Subject: RE: Child Support Issues fup

Bonnie, whether you vote for me or not, does not matter. I am more than willing to try to help and have asked Karen Kellams to contact you.

Jeb Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: MSBSUMMERS@aol.com [mailto:MSBSUMMERS@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 10:14 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Child Support Issues

Mr. Bush,

In a last attempt before I give up completely I just wanted you to know that I have been a resident of Central Florida for seven years. I am a single parent of three intelligent and beautiful daughters, and your system has let them down dreadfully. I have been trying to obtain child support for the entire seven years I have lived in Florida and yet for some reason I HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE SINGLE PENNY! So I work two full time jobs just so I can make ends meet, I do not have nearly enough time to spend with them, helping them with homework, spending any form of quality time is out of the question. So just so you are aware even though I am only one person, and originally from Texas I will never vote for you under any circumstances and honestly think you are just full of hot air, like any other politician you say one thing (as long as it what you think people want to hear) and you do another, usually anything as long as it means you can take as much money from people as possible. So after seven long years of filling out mountains of paperwork and many more ahead of working myself into an early grave just so we can eat and have a place live, my deepest thank you for making sure this system in Florida is as incompetent as a third world country.

Best Regards,

Bonnie M. Summers

Single parent of daughters who will also never vote for you.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Allan' 'Bedwell \(Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/18/2003 2:27:17 PM

Subject: FW: Reduction in Energy Demand / AFTER THE PREVENTABLE BLACKOUT

all yours.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Patrick Lapone [mailto:energyinc@adelphia.net]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 9:39 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fw: Reduction in Energy Demand / AFTER THE PREVENTABLE BLACKOUT

Importance: High

----- Original Message -----

From: [Patrick Lapone](#)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2001 6:19 PM

Subject: Reduction in Energy Demand

Dear Governor Bush,

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We at Energy Conservation Techniques have the solution to this national emergency right now. Our product lessens electrical demand by as much as 25%. We improve the power factor of electrical equipment lowering heat and doubling motor life. Our device is also a superior surge and spike protection device with electrical noise reduction built into a single integrated maintenance free device. I urge you to take a closer look at the Clean Efficient Power System product.

I would be happy to meet with anyone that you feel needs to hear about the CEPS either at the local or Federal level. Together this problem can and will be solved, creating jobs for many Americans in the process.

Respectfully yours,

Patrick Lapone

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 1:39:24 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: DITALENA15@aol.com

Date: 8/18/2003 1:18:33 PM

Subject: RE: Gilchrist County

I will see if the DOE can help you out.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: DITALENA15@aol.com [mailto:DITALENA15@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 9:09 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Gilchrist County

Hello Mr. Governor,

Kathleen Thomas again.....I know I said I wouldn't bother you anymore...BUT I need HELP...

We ended the lawsuit because we cannot afford to fight anymore....that was in June...I thought I would try one more time to get them in their school but the principal said that "I PUT TOO MUCH of a strain on the faculty wanting my sons IEP implemented"....SO the boys were going to a new school in Suwannee County...I was told to bring the students release from my home county superintendent....and they could enroll.....I did that this morning...and the woman who handles the enrollment said her boss called her this am...and said, " IF those Dixie County kids come in today YOU ARE NOT TO ENROLL THEM!".....My children were sitting right there ready for school.....What is the problem??? Why am I being punished for exercising my rights??? Why am I being punished for being a concerned involved parent??? It seems to me you get better treatment and privileges when you are a deadbeat, good for nothing parent.....Why does everyone else have school choice but me??

I cannot get my children in a public school??

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I am begging you.....I don't have any money or I would pay someone to help me....Please Mr. Governor.....We are a very good Christian family...who try to find the good in everything...but how much more can a heart be crushed.....Please Please Please help us.....

Sincerely,

Kathleen Thomas

HC 4 Box 433

Old Town, FL. 32680

(352) 542-9320

From: DITALENA15@aol.com <DITALENA15@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com <MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/18/2003 12:50:14 PM

Subject: RE: Jimmy vs Jeb

I want you to feel free to complain without me tossing it in the public domain.

I happen to agree with a lot of what you said about political press. They're a lot like sports reporters (except for Mr. Silva, of course!)

As for editorial boards, i was on our's for a couple months and went bonkers.

Laurie and daughter are doing fine. Unfortunately, this means I'll have to work another 18 years. (Don't abolish Bright Future scholarships!!!)

Sure got a lot of Jimmy Carter supporters mad with that last column :)

(hey, get Mel to run for Senate)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 8:31 AM

To: Thomas, Michael(ORL)

Subject: RE: Jimmy vs Jeb

I am sorry, like you, that I just got to this. My intention wasn't to make news with this but I know that I created a public record. I get a kick that press folks always worry about the insider stuff since that is the the "stuff" that I fret about. Same with columnist and "good man" material. I leave it up to you.

On a much more important note, I hope your wife and precious daughter are doing well. Nothing is more important.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com [<mailto:MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com>]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 11:21 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Jimmy vs Jeb

Just saw this. Was out yesterday. Wouldn't be a real pregnancy without at least one middle-of-the-night rush to the hospital. Wife Laurie (25 weeks) got sick and dehydrated, which put fetus/unborn child/impending daughter in some distress.

Do you mind if I excerpt some of this for tomorrow's column. I suppose it's "public record" but I regard e-mails as off-the-record unless they obviously were written as an official response. Or unless they come from Ric Keller. Then they're fair game.

Would probably leave out most of first graff because it's pretty insider. Same with columnists and "good man" material. But I like your points about the press and editorials, and accomplishments...

Let me know.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 8:51 PM

To: Thomas, Michael(ORL)

Subject: RE: Jimmy vs Jeb

Mike, I didn't agree with the thesis of your column. I am sure that is not a surprise for you. Getting along is important. Doing what is right is important as well. I compromised on the med mal issue to about where you proposed and that was in the works for several weeks. Without the public posture (with caveats to be willing to compromise as I did over and over again), the compromise wouldn't have occurred. Trust me, without the threat of consequences, there would be no bill at all. It was important to get this done and if it needs improvement, then we will go to work again.

I can assure you I am not aloof or arrogant regarding my relationship with the legislature. Sometimes, we disagree. So what? Isn't that part of living in a democracy? I respect those who don't agree with me but that does not mean I will bend to the point of abandoning principle.

I have noticed an interesting dynamic in the politics up here. The political press is exclusively focused on the horse race aspects of life in the bubble. They don't write what they hear said if it doesn't fit their template. Then this is read by the editorial page writers who don't do much more, it seems to me, than to read their own paper to validate their already established views which for but one paper is slanted to the left.

I count on the handful of columnists who actually seem to get information from more than one source to have a chance to get my side of the issue out. You are one of those and I really appreciate your openness to hear the other side. I only hope you keep challenging the conventional wisdom of the opinion leadership that fits the cycle that I described above to be a contrarian from time to time.

During my tenure as Governor, had I not reached further than the conventional, the A plus plan would have been watered down and the achievement results we have achieved would not have occurred. We would not have eliminated race as a criteria of admissions to universities and procurement and would have had the stagnant results that symbolized the past. Instead, we have increases in opportunities in both areas. We would not have eliminated the ugly aspects of career civil service and not moved to a system where public employees are obliged to serve and they are rewarded for doing so. We would not have sucked out some of the excesses of government largess. there are scores of examples never reported in this regard. We wouldn't have cut taxes for the first time in a generation to improve our business climate and keep government from growing faster than folks ability to pay for it. There wouldn't have been a better selection process for Governors to select judges. ETC. ETC. ETC.

You get my drift? I don't expect you to agree with all of my actions but I hope you respect my desire to change the things that I have believed needed to be changed and without my leadership, even though it might have been perceived to ruffle feathers, it wouldn't have happened. If I had run the two times that I got elected saying something different than I have acted as Governor, then I think I should meet the wrath of Kahn. I think I have been pretty true to my pledges as a candidate.

You are a good man and I appreciate your interest in what I am striving to do.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com [mailto:MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 11:15 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Jimmy vs Jeb

Thot I'd pass this on...

There aren't many fans of Jimmy and Jeb.

-----Original Message-----

From: Randy Lewis [mailto:randy@fitzlew.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 11:05 AM

To: Thomas, Michael(ORL)

Subject: Jimmy vs Jeb

Mike:

I enjoyed today's column but need to give you one correction and an observation.

For the record, I was raised in Orlando and graduated from Oak Ridge High School. I worked for Jimmy Carter for almost six years, including 4 years in the White House Press Office. I was the youngest person ever to hold a White House staff appointment. I was also press secretary for Florida House Speaker T.K. Wetherell and played an external public relations role supporting Jeb Bush in the creation of Florida's various voucher programs. I now own my own public relations consulting firm in Atlanta.

The correction: Jimmy Carter did serve in a legislative capacity. He was a Georgia state senator. His winning that seat involved a very complicated legal case where he took on a powerful political machine that initially stole the election from him. His case went to the Georgia State Supreme Court, where he won. The election, the legal case, and his Senate service is the subject of one of his books, *An Hour Before Dawn*, and explains many of the early influences that shaped his personal history. I highly recommend it.

The observation: Jimmy (and Jeb) is smart and did figure it out. The real issue is that once he did figure it out, he decided that he wouldn't play the game. I believe you are correct in comparing Jeb to Jimmy Carter in this sense. The role of the political outsider is a critically important role and it should be celebrated not ridiculed .

Jimmy Carter didn't get into politics to play the game. He got into the game to achieve his goals. To him, elective office was just a process, a tool, not the end game. When someone with political power doesn't want to play the game, they are called aloof, arrogant and out of touch. I believe that Carter and Jeb are political loners, blazing a new trail. The political followers, the get along -- go along crowd don't get it. Their problem is that they don't understand someone who is not in it for instant cash or glory.

Carter recognized China diplomatically, negotiated the Egyptian-Israeli Peace Treaty, negotiated the Panama Canal Treaty, secured the Alaskan Lands legislation, and made America a beacon for human rights around the world, all against the conventional political wisdom and against the wishes of his own party. Twenty-five years later we know he was right, they were wrong.

Don't discount the outsider or the difficult political operator. They may be the only person with a vision beyond next week.

Randy Lewis

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From: [Bankhead, W. G. <Bill.Bankhead@djj.state.fl.us>](mailto:Bill.Bankhead@djj.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 12:41:57 PM

Subject: RE: DJJ

Will do pronto!

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 1:46 PM

To: NDyke@aol.com

Subject: RE: DJJ

I will ask Secretary Bankhead to give you a call.

-----Original Message-----

From: NDyke@aol.com [mailto:NDyke@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 8:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: DJJ

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to you in regards to the Department of Juvenile Justice.

My fifteen year old son was recently arrested at school last school year for something extremely petty and minor....this makes his third arrest in the Leon County School System. He has never been guilty of criminal behavior when arrested, in fact, all three times have been due to his impulsiveness with his disability. Instead of the schools going by the IEP (Individual Education Plan), they find it much easier to just send him to the School Resource Officer to arrest him, resulting in further damage to him after all my hard efforts on building his self esteem. This goes on a great deal in Florida schools and I was made greater aware of this at the Family CAFE in a workshop entitled "I am afraid my child will be arrested" - the room was packed with parents of children with disabilities being arrested. Parents are also being denied of their rights to appeal in a hearing.

On a recent visit to his probation officer which my oldest daughter took him to, the receptionist looked at my grandson (10 months old) and said to my daughter, "I hope he doesn't turn out like him", referring to my son and she said this in my son's presence. Not only was she damning my grandson, but labeling my son and calling him a failure. I raise him in a Christian home and He loves the Lord. He doesn't get into any trouble when he is home alone, at his friends homes or when he was in Christian school....only in the Leon County Public School System. My son has a lot of hope and a bright future but just think of kids in the system who don't have a good home life.....this one comment could put them over the edge. DJJ is not set up to help children and their families, just to hurt them and make things more complex. The State Attorneys Office pays no attention to a child with special needs and neither do the judges. According to laws I researched, the SRO, State Attorneys Office and the Judge should all have a copy of the child's IEP. This is not happening. Many kids in the DJJ system are kids in Special Education and I would like to know why this is not being addressed. There should be a seamless comprehensive plan for these children instead of constant prosecution in which the children have permanent records and a child is punished for his disability. I have also inquired with DJJ about meetings I could attend but was brushed off - I have valuable input I could contribute and want to be a voice for families.

I would like to speak with Mr. Blankhead personally as soon as possible regarding my son's mistreatment at DJJ. My son was also told that he has to pay for being on probation effective July and that "I can thank Jeb Bush". I am only repeating what was told. I thought our tax dollars went to support agencies and the like. My son is too young to be employed anywhere - he really wants a job bad but doesn't meet the age criteria.

I have been holding this in for a long time, but that comment made in front of my son by the receptionist (who is rude to others as well) is a very, very painful one after already having to have a child with special needs and the hardships of going through court, etc.

I also fear putting my son in public school for retaliation with the Leon County Schoolboard and Leon County Sheriffs Dept as I have filed formal complaints. It is obvious that my son and I have been victims of harassment for advocating for his rights under IDEA 1997. I am a homeowner, a taxpayer and my son is entitled to a Free and Appropriate Education in the Least Restrictive Environment.

Thank you very much for your concerns in this matter.

Sincerely,

Nancy A. Dyke

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alex Sanchez](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 12:20:31 PM

Subject: RE: Teodoro Obiang

Thanks Alex. I don't think it is necessary to meet with Teodoro. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Alex Sanchez [mailto:Asanchez@flbankers.net]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 6:39 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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Please let me know. Thanks.

Alex

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['sonja.rayment@tiscali.co.uk'](mailto:sonja.rayment@tiscali.co.uk)

Date: 8/18/2003 12:13:04 PM

Subject: RE:

Thank you for writing. I hope you continue to come to Florida!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: sonja.rayment@tiscali.co.uk [mailto:sonja.rayment@tiscali.co.uk]

Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 11:50 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Mr Bush

I would like to thank you for all the effort you are putting in to save Cypress Gardens. I am English but have had a home in Florida for the past twelve years and each time I come over I have visited Cypress Gardens and have taken friends to see it. It was a great shock to read that it had closed and that I would no longer smell the flowers and see all the xmas lights. I hope that you are successful and manage to retain a great piece of Florida history and my favourite park.

Many thanks
Sonja Rayment

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jim Zingale \(zingalej@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:zingalej@dor.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/18/2003 12:10:51 PM

Subject: FW: Dear Jeb

Attachments: header.htm

-----Original Message-----

From: Loyal Servant [mailto:Icare@youknowwho.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 12:58 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Dear Jeb

Importance: High

8/17/2003

Dear Jeb:

I am writing you because I have been a witness to irregular personnel management procedures that have cost the taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars without benefit to anyone involved. These procedures were used to eliminate an 18-year vested and outstanding Department of Revenue employee.

I have known the employee for 52 years her name is Pauline New Born. During her 18+ years of service to the State of Florida she had received numerous awards of commendation and 7 promotions without a single complaint from a taxpayer. The reason I am writing is because for the past 18 months I have watched, as she has been financial and mentally bankrupted and her reputation trashed by the very government that she loved and dedicated her life to and in addition she has been denied unemployment compensation. She hasn't been able to get a job since being terminated and every employer has told her that the State is black balling her. The only way she has been able to survive is on the money that what was supposed to be her retirement.

The reason I am mad about this whole issue is that she has had to suffer unwarranted stress because of State staff that has not followed their own procedures. This whole issue could have been resolved in about a half an hour if they had just read the personnel handbook on grievance and discipline. There was no reason for the stress that she has had to endure and further more the money that the DOR spent to fire her could have paid her salary for another year. This has been a waste of tax dollars with out a benefit to anybody involved, especially the taxpayers of Florida.

The following is a timeline summary of the process that I have witnessed:

Feb 6, 2002- The Sheriff of Hendry County filed a complaint against her for privately approaching him about the sales tax that he owed on his personal Airplane stating that he felt she had gone beyond her job duties. [See attached WINK TV Video interview.](#)

March 26th, 2002- Investigator from the DOR IG's office went to LaBelle and had lunch with Steve Worley(Sheriff) at local hangout restaurant where he introduced the investigator to others at the table who were already familiar with the complaint because he had told everyone what was going on. Mr. Worley also told the investigator that I had something to do with Ms. New Born asking him about his taxes. The investigator then interrogated Ms. New Born who got very upset because she was not allowed to have a witness present and when the investigator brought her family into the investigation she refused to cooperate further without representation.

The Investigator told her that his findings would be ready within 30 days

August 6th, 2002 -She waited from March 26th until August 6, 2002 for someone to tell her what punishment had been decided. Finally on Aug 6th she was asked to resign but she told them that she wouldn't because she hadn't done anything wrong. Then she was told that she was going to be fired if she didn't resign but she had to wait until the final determination. She told them she couldn't work under these conditions and took a few annual leave days.

Aug 9th,2002 - Her immediate supervisor contacted her and told her that she wasn't fired yet so she needed to come back to work. She returned to her job and continued doing her job.

Aug 16th,2002 –After telling me what was going on I told her to contact the Governors office for assistance. She did and she was diverted to the IG's Whistle blowers section.

Aug 26th,2002 –After DOR learned about the complaint to Whistle Blowers they took away all her job responsibilities and put her in an empty office. (Who ever said that retaliation wasn't alive and well didn't work for the DOR).

Aug 30th,2002- She received a list of allegations from the IG's office that had nothing to do with the complaint that had been filed. The IG's office had taken her statements and turned them against her calling her a liar.

Sep 10th,2002- She received a letter from the Whistle blowers office telling her that there wasn't anything wrong with the procedures and allegations that the IG's investigator had made although he was terminated.

Oct 3rd , 2002- A pre-conference hearing consisting of DOR legal and personnel staff was held to discuss allegations that the IG had made before final determination was made. None of the allegations had been proven they were only the word of the IG's investigator.

Oct 11th, 2002- She went to her supervisor and asked if he had heard anything about the final decision and he told her that it was being faxed to his office and that she was going to be fired. She was so upset that she just left. When she finally received the final decision it was again different from the list of allegations previously filed on Aug 30th.

Oct 13th,2002 – Inorder to appeal she hired a lawyer who was told by DOR lawyers that she was not needed because she was not going to win. Following procedures she requested a PERC hearing, which the lawyer knew was futile because it was just more State employees who would decide for the State but procedures were followed.

Nov 20th,2002 – The PERC hearing was set at the DOR office. Because Ms. New Born was often on the local TV WINK , they sent a crew to video the hearing and the DOR administrative hearing officer got upset and proceeded to throw the book at Ms. New Born and denied every objection that was brought up. Although she was a career service employee, Service First administrative procedures were used during the hearings.

During the (kangaroo court) hearing the now retired DOR lawyer and Personnel representative used some of the most unbelievable distraction tactics that I had ever seen:

- 1.The court reporter was crying through out the hearing because she had personal problems.
- 2.The personnel representative continually coughed very loudly (so that the tapes would not be clear) until he was told to stop or leave at which time he stopped coughing.
3. The DOR lawyer called all the subpoenaed witnesses the day before and told them to disregard all

subpoenas.

4. Testimony was heard from the former IG investigator even though his testimony was not suppose to factor into this hearing and although he no longer worked for the DOR and had moved out of State.

5. The hearing officer denied hearing anything about the Ms. New Born's background and would only hear what DOR wanted including an email that I had sent you regarding this issue.

6. After the hearing was over when Ms. New Born's lawyer was driving home the DOR lawyer, Personnel Representative and the former IG's Investigator followed her and tried to run her off the road. These actions were totally incomprehensible to everyone especially Ms. New Born's lawyer

During the hearing the DOR Lawyer offered Ms. New Born to return to work, which she said she would, but only with an apology, they said no they would not give a written apology. After the PERC hearing she was told that she could appeal to the District Court of Appeals but only if she paid \$2,550 dollars for the transcripts and supplied a free copy to the DOR and the PERC hearing office. The DOR set a 10-day time frame for the appeal. She could not get the transcripts from the DOR's court reporter in the 10-day time. She got an extension and drove 200 miles to downtown Ft Lauderdale and prepaid for the transcripts and they were supposed to be ready in 10 days. In 10 days when the transcripts were supposedly ready she drove 200 miles to Ft. Lauderdale to pick up only to discover that the transcripts belonged to another case. So once again they had to wait for the service to find the right transcripts. Then in several more weeks she had to pay special shipping charges to have them delivered. After receiving the transcripts she was advised by her lawyer that it would cost at least \$20,000 for her lawyer to proceed with the appeal. The most ridiculous part of this whole event was that DOR actually billed the unemployed Ms. New Born \$30,000 for this fiasco. Since Ms. New Born had no income and did not have any options so she just gave up.

Dec 13th, 2002 – An unemployment hearing had been set on Oct 12th to be heard on Dec 13, only to be canceled 5 minutes after it started by the DOR Lawyer pleading to await for the PERC hearing officers determination and to allow them to get a Collateral Estoppel order.

July 7th, 2003 – After calling every two weeks for 7 months to find out about when the unemployment hearing was going to be scheduled she was finally notified on July 7th that a hearing would take place on July 16th on the phone. She told her lawyer who asked for a 45 day extension but was denied.

July 16th, 2003- Her lawyer could not defend her so she took the call at her home by herself. The DOR lawyer told the unemployment-hearing officer that he could not accept anything that Ms. New Born said into record because of a Collateral Estoppel that the DOR had procured. The officer denied her compensation. She was again told that she could appeal. This means that she would again have to hire a lawyer, which she still cannot afford.

When will this stop?

My concerns are that this procedure has cost the taxpayers of Florida thousands of dollars of wasted time and money and the loss of a competent, dependable employee. The state personnel manual clearly states timeline procedures that are to be followed for **career service** employee grievances and none of them were followed. Personnel and DOR staff went way beyond their job description in terminating this employee.

There is absolutely no reason why an employee that has faithfully served this State with honor and integrity for 18 years who should be treated like this just for doing the job as she was trained to do it. The best part of this whole story is that Pauline would not have had this job and this whole story would not have taken place if the business that was responsible for collecting the taxes were doing as they had been instructed by Pauline to do.

I hope that something can be done to assure that approved procedures for personnel grievances will be followed and that employees will have access to fair constitutional process without being eliminated because of the lack of money.

Sincerely,

A Loyal Servant

From: [John Schestag <TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net>](mailto:TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 12:05:20 PM

Subject: Tampabay: Corrupt Judge out of court for 10 weeks, calendar shows

Attachments: Tampabay: Judge out of court for 10 weeks, calendar shows

Jeb.....

You can and should stop this corruption.

Corrupt Charlie Cope is laughing at you and the government.

(see below)

From: [John Schestag <TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net>](mailto:TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net)

To: thesalvationnavy@webtv.net

Date: 8/17/2003 2:54:49 PM

Subject: Tampabay: Judge out of court for 10 weeks, calendar shows

http://www.sptimes.com/2003/08/02/Tampabay/Judge_out_of_court_fo.shtml

From: [Alex Sanchez <Asanchez@flbankers.net>](mailto:Asanchez@flbankers.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 10:38:39 AM

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Please let me know. Thanks.

Alex

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Artk37@aol.com

Date: 8/18/2003 10:34:14 AM

Subject: RE: Pahokee.

I don't think I am going to Pahokee anytime soon. Probably in the fall. What can I do to help you?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Artk37@aol.com [mailto:Artk37@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 10:24 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Pahokee.

Good evening. Thanks for such a fast response. I have adopted Pahokee as my personal project. Will need your assistance on some issues.

Where are you on your visit to Pahokee?

I hope you had a good weekend now that the malpractice issue is done. Regards to all. God Bless.

Art

From: VIVINOMILLAN@aol.com <VIVINOMILLAN@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 9:45:13 AM

Subject: Invite For Doug Belden Campaign

Attachments: Belden_Invitation_English080603.ZIP

Thank you for your time and support. Vinny

From: [michelle.jacobs <mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>](mailto:michelle.jacobs<mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 3:04:46 AM

Subject: RE:

Governor Bush:

What makes it a shame is that an elementary educator is leading the charge. You need to ask her do they know what they are reading. We know they can read, but they cannot comprehend. Some of our high school seniors can read, but they are struggling because they cannot comprehend. We as parents have to encourage our children to read and ask them to explain to us what they are reading. Reading is great, but comprehension is the key.

Keep your head up and stay strong. Continue to stay out of the game of politics when it comes to the education of our children.

Take Care

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

[thank you Michelle. What a shame these children and parents were misled regarding the facts.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: michelle.jacobs [mailto:michelle.jacobs@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 8:58 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re:

You handled yourself very appropriate and you gave them the information that they were given before they left Miami. The young lady over the new parent committee explained to all the parents that they principal, teacher and she said the superintendent as well can make the decision to promote the third graders if that child have achieved and met the standards. However, I was told by one of the principals that they are not going to promote these children because a lot of them cannot comprehend. The Senator work for the school system and that is the problem. But it is easier to continue to blame you for our own failures.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

Thanks for the heads up.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: michelle.jacobs

To: Jeb Bush

Sent: Mon Aug 11 17:37:08 2003

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not know why our leaders are playing games with our children, however a bus of parents and children will be leaving Miami tonight to come to Tallahassee tomorrow. This is crazy.

Do you Yahoo!?

The New Yahoo! Search - Faster. Easier. Bingo.

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From: IQUITIQUIT@aol.com <IQUITIQUIT@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 2:20:44 AM

Subject: Fwd: KATIE PRINGLE - CHILD SAFETY AND WELFARE CONCERN

Attachments: Fwd: KATIE PRINGLE - CHILD SAFETY AND WELFARE CONCERN

**I know this family and this has been an ongoing problem!! Please can you do something to help theses children?
Thanks for your help
Bonnie Reynolds**

In a message dated 7/24/2003 8:03:11 AM Eastern Standard Time, PHALMAR writes:

Subj: Fwd: KATIE PRINGLE - CHILD SAFETY AND WELFARE CONCERN

Date: 7/24/2003 8:03:11 AM Eastern Standard Time

From: [PHALMAR](#)

To: [IQUITIQUIT](#)

Forwarded Message:

Subj: **KATIE PRINGLE - CHILD SAFETY AND WELFARE CONCERN**

Date: 7/23/2003 5:12:17 PM Eastern Standard Time

From: [PHALMAR](#)

To: JEB@JEB.ORG

Dear Governor,

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Alice Maillard

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Date: 7/24/2003 12:03:11 PM

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From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: dawna6@earthlink.net

Date: 8/18/2003 2:06:42 AM

Subject: A thank you and more

Dear Ms. Taylor:

Thank for your recent e-mail to Governor Bush to support the Austim Unit at Sunland Marianna. The Governor recognizes the importance of specialized care for individuals with autism and has asked me to respond to your concerns.

As you know, the Governor's recommended budget included additional funding to expand the Autism Unit. Although the Legislature continues to strongly support individuals with developmental disabilities-as demonstrated by a 118 percent increase in funding over the last 5 years- the 2003 Legislature was faced with multiple funding demands and many difficult decisions this year and did not adopt the expansion of the Autism Unit.

I have spoken directly with Ms. Greer about the benefits of the Autism Unit and plan to meet with her on September 8th at Sunland, Marianna to discuss the expansion of the unit in further detail. I welcome the opportunity to meet with you as well as any any other families during my upcoming visit to discuss your ideas and recommendations.

Again, thank you for bringing your concerns to our attention. It is the tireless, life-long efforts of people like you that motivate us to continually strive to ensure the provision of quality services to individuals with developmental disabilities. If you have any additional concerns or need further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director
Developmental Disabilities Director

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb_Bush)

Date: 8/18/2003 1:14:19 AM

Subject: Re: FW: A thank you and more

Although I am not familiar with the specific area of the law she is referring to, I may understand part of the problem. There are some families who wish to transfer their Medicaid eligible children with disabilities to private schools, but private schools are not always willing/able to make necessary accommodations. Because private schools are not included under the federal IDEA, children who transition from public to private schools lose access to Medicaid certified school match services/supports (private duty nursing, therapies etc.) which usually assist public schools with covering the costs of needed accommodations. I am not an expert on educational accommodations, but wonder if there is merit to cashing out Medicaid certified match services when children transfer to private schools. Public schools put up match for these services....but if the family does not think they are providing the education their child needs...maybe these funds should be transferred...?.. Another approach may be to explore whether or not the feds would agree to allow private schools to receive match (I don't know if anything in the law -IDEA- would prohibit this, but it may be another avenue to explore.

Shelly

-----"Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> wrote: -----

To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF
From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>
Date: 08/15/2003 01:14PM
Subject: FW: A thank you and more

-----Original Message-----

From: Dawn Taylor [<mailto:dawna@dotstar.net>]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2001 4:34 PM
To: Governor Jeb Bush
Subject: Parent with a question

Dear Governor Bush,

I have corresponded with you many times and am always grateful to your office for an answer to questions I have.

I am not versed in all the avenues that the legislature works, but I am trying to learn.

As I have told you before, I have a child with a disability and he is my center of focus most of the time.

Recently I ran across a Statute in the 1999 Florida Statutes and State board of Education Rules (excerpts for Special Programs).

The statute is , or was, 236.145, regarding Residential nonpublic school contract reimbursement. The interesting part is a School district may be eligible for 60% of the cost of the contract for a disabled child to attend a private school.

Now, as far as I can tell the law was repealed in 2000, under S1770.

When I looked this up to see why, it said the statute was outdated along with many others, and that the Department of Education said the statute is no longer used.

But, I recently received information from the Department of Education stating that there were many counties that have received this 60% reimbursement for disabled children for the year 99-2000.

[What can I do as a citizen, if the bill was passed under the pretense of nonuse, when in fact that was not true?](#)

[This statute could be very valuable for families that need private placement. Even though the McKay scholarships are around now, which was a wonderful idea, there are not any schools that will accept my child.](#)

[I hope you understand my question and can provide me with a direction.](#)

Sincerely, Dawn Taylor
3428 Bowker Drive
Pensacola, FL 32506

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/18/2003 1:05:20 AM

Subject: FW: Commissioner Sherry Campbell fup

WE NEED TO DISCUSS.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 8:14 PM

To: Eli Ferrera (EOG) (FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us); Kathleen Shanahan (kathleen@jeb.org)

Subject: FW: Commissioner Sherry Campbell fup

We need to discuss asap.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: /O=JEB BUSH/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JEB

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:07 PM

To: Sheriff Charlie Morris

Subject: RE: Commissioner Sherry Campbell fup

Charlie, I will get back to you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sheriff Charlie Morris [mailto:cmorris@sheriff-okaloosa.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 4:27 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Commissioner Sherry Campbell

Governor, I just read a newspaper article from the Pensacola New Journal which stated you freed two appointed Escambia County Commissioners from their agreements not to run for office next year. You appointed Sherry Campbell to replace Commissioner Ransom after she resigned to accept another job in Kuwait. I want to tell you your staff did an outstanding job in selecting her for this Commissioners position. The reason for my email to you is that I hope you will consider allowing her to run for this Commission seat in the next election and release her from the obligation she gave you to not run. Without a doubt she is one of the very best Commissioners we have had in the County for many years and it would be a tremendous mistake to not allow her to run for election in 2004. I hope you will do this for the people of Okaloosa County. They deserve a good Commissioner like her. Thanks, Sheriff Charlie Morris

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/18/2003 1:04:14 AM

Subject: FW: Substance Abuse Mental Health Board fup

STATUS REPORT.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:22 PM

To: FOOTYSWD@aol.com

Subject: RE: Substance Abuse Mental Health Board fup

[thank you Footy. I will check to see the status of the appointments. I hope you are doing well.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: FOOTYSWD@aol.com [mailto:FOOTYSWD@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 4:11 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Substance Abuse Mental Health Board

Dear Jeb,

We have submitted the name of Mary Riedel to be considered for the Substance Abuse Mental Health Corporation Board, through District 11. Mary is the Community Affairs Manager and Publisher of the Society Section for the Sun-Sentinel. As Community Affairs Manager, Mary directs the Sun-Sentinel Children's Fund which helps support over one hundred nonprofit organizations. Her devotion to community service is unsurpassed. She has no affiliation with any particular agency. I have spoken with her and she would be delighted to serve on the board, she is willing make her schedule available for all required meetings. In closing Mary is a very special individual who is well respected in South Florida. I have attached her bio for your review.

Contact Information for

Mary Riedel

954-356-4340

200 East Las Olas

Suite 1200

Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301

MRiedel@sun-sentinel.com

Sincerely,

Footy

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: jrkharley@hotmail.com

Date: 8/17/2003 10:27:44 PM

Subject:

J.R., this is Jeb Bush. I am writing you to see how you are doing. I am so sorry about your accident in the line of duty. If there is something I can do for you, please don't hesitate to let me know. God's blessings to you and your family.

Jeb Bush

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regarding state business are public records available to the
public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications
may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

From: [Christopher Hinn <hchristopher7@bellsouth.net>](mailto:hchristopher7@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 10:21:22 PM

Subject: Re: Sgt. J.R. Knighton, Orange County Sheriff's Office

Governor Bush:

Thank you, this is very kind of you to do that! His email at the hospital is: jrkharley@hotmail.com

This will make his day!

Regards,

-----Original Message-----

From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

Date: Sun, 17 Aug 2003 17:16:59

To: "Christopher Hinn" <hchristopher7@bellsouth.net>

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CC: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/17/2003 9:04:54 PM

Subject: RE: FLAMPAC GOOD GOVERNMENT Luncheon Friday August 29 fup

Govenor and Dr. West,

I have been working with your office and unfortunately you are doing a Front Porch Florida graduation in Pinellas County at the same time. We are talking about some other alternatives but you are NOT able to do the Good Government Luncheon. Thought I would let you know since your staff has been on this.

Sandy

-----Original Message-----

From: West, MD, Steven

Sent: Sun 8/17/2003 4:00 PM

To: Stapleton, Tim

Cc: Mortham, Sandra

Subject: Fw: FLAMPAC GOOD GOVERNMENT Luncheon Friday August 29 fup

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To: Steven R. West <<mailto:stewest@comcast.net>>

Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 3:54 PM

Subject: RE: FLAMPAC GOOD GOVERNMENT Luncheon Friday August 29 fup

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To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb_Bush)

Date: 8/17/2003 8:47:12 PM

Subject:

Gov. Bush,

I asked you for help for the past two years, I told you that DCF was corrupt. I asked you to investigate and you had DCF investigate their own department. Naturally they never asked me for a shred of evidence that I had because DCF knew they were going to cover up.

YOU ALONE, because you looked the other way and passed the buck have kept my grandchildren tied up with an agency that is as the newspaper says "scandal-ridden". I want it known how I have pleaded with you to investigate our charges and YOU WILL DO NOTHING.

Now that you see some of how bad DCF is will you do something NOW?

Judge Collins, with Columbia County, in Lake City, Florida will make a decision within two days as to whether my daughter can be reunited with her four children. My daughter never abused her children.

This e-mail is being copied and waiting for a reply so that others can see if the government starting with YOU are going to come to the rescue of these children and their mother.

Sincerely,

DeLoris Matthews

386-397-1463

7413 SE 182 Blvd

White Springs, Florida 32096

email: okgirl32096@yahoo.com

or

citizens_for_family_unity@yahoo.com

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From: Sav425@cs.com <Sav425@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 8:45:00 PM

Subject: AWAK(e)A_dvocacy (THANK YOU)

Dear Honorable Governor J. Bush:

Thanks for your help with Caleb and his Mom.

Also - Thanks to those you asked to help and to look into this.

Your help is Much appreciated and not to be forgotten.

Always, If I can do for you let me know

Mike Savory

Subj: **Re: AWAK(e)A_dvocacy** (Mike S.)

Date: 8/15/03 8:25:28 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: wyoung32@yahoo.com

To: Sav425@cs.com

_Received_from_Internet:_

Sav425@cs.com wrote:

>Hi, did you get the e-mail couple

>days ago from Florida

>Mike Savory

Yees i did and I want to thank you for your help I really would like to finally feel like I'm doing someee good for a change. Thasnk you again Nancy Young

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www.ourchildrenleftbehind.com (IDEA reauthorization)

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To: [GWEN MEEHAN](#)

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Jeb

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Duane J. Truitt, P.E.](#)

CC: [Denver Stutler](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 8:08:50 PM

Subject: RE: water commission

thank you Duane. I agree with you completely that conservation has to be a much higher priority than it is today. Based on the numbers I have seen, I don't think landscape irrigation comprises 60% of overall consumption but it is significant. While I have not taken a position of interbasin transfers, the amount of water that goes out to tide is many times more than our entire state's consumption. There may be obstacles that will make it impossible but to take it off the table without any discussion, seems to be irresponsible. It is great hearing from you, Duane.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Duane J. Truitt, P.E. [mailto:dtruitt@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 1:14 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Denver Stutler

Subject: water commission

Jeb,

I've been out of the loop on environmental and water policy for quite awhile, as I've been focusing on business since my brief service on the water projects review panel (1999-2000) and your '98 Transition Team. But I did read today about a presentation made to you by Lee Arnold, representing the Council of 100 regarding the creation of a state-wide water commission to oversee the Water Management Districts. I'd like to make several points:

- The statewide commission approach to oversight of the WMDs seems like a common-sense approach ... as you recall that was something that my policy panel recommended back during your '98 campaign. The issue also was addressed briefly in our Transition Team report produced by the Community and Natural Resources Team. A separate commission is better able to oversee the WMDs than is DEP. The current arrangement - in which the DEP simultaneously is responsible for both protection of the resource, and (as supervisor of the WMDs) production from the resource - represents an inherent conflict of interest. From an organizational culture standpoint, neither DEP nor the WMDs are up to the job of allocating a scarce statewide resource that is a lynchpin of our continued economic development. Such an allocation inherently is a political decision. DEP's proper role should be that of the protective regulatory agency. The WMDs should be the technical managers of our water resources. And the commission should set the political policy, as governed by statute. Given the growing importance of Florida's increasingly stressed water resources, an independent public commission with a statewide scope of authority makes a great deal of sense.
- However, if the statewide commission is created primarily as a means of promoting interbasin transfers of water, from North Florida to South Florida, then it will be a non-starter. The commission immediately will be enmeshed in bitter inter-regional fighting, both political and legal, that would only tend to make Florida a much harder place to govern. It

is also very likely that an attempted interbasin transfer would be blocked on environmental protection grounds. I recommend instead that you and the Legislature explicitly take the interbasin transfer issue off the table in any enabling legislation for the commission. If at a later date (say, about a hundred years from now!) the commission decides that it is necessary to pursue interbasin transfers, it can always recommend such legislative changes. Personally, I just don't think we should ever go there. Also, raising the issue of interbasin transfers almost assuredly will lead to raising the issue of agricultural consumption vs. public consumption. Again, that would be a war that we don't need to fight in Florida. It may come to that point eventually, but hopefully not for several generations.

- I believe that the crux of the issue in Florida is simply that we consume too much water, primarily on excessive landscape irrigation, due to the way we landscape our built environment. Typically more than 50% of domestic water consumption, by both residences and most non-manufacturing/non-agricultural commercial businesses, is for landscape irrigation. If the State ever is to get serious about providing enough water to support long term economic growth (and thereby, allow continued population growth), the State first must get serious about mandating the use of xeriscaping in urban and suburban areas, not only for new development, but also for conversion of existing landscaping.

It's like when somebody once asked the infamous bank robber, Willie Sutton, "Why do you rob banks?" and his reply was, "Because that's where the money is." We must focus our attention on where the water really is. If we want to secure enough water to enable continued economic development in Florida, we know first of all that we can't create any more rainfall. We either have to transfer the water from somewhere that currently doesn't need it (assuming that someone "wins" the resulting water wars, and thereby limits the donor area's ability to access water for its own future development); we could "create water" through expanded desalination (not a cheap or non-controversial solution); or we can make much more efficient use of the water that we already have. Given that 50-60% of Florida's current water consumption is due to landscape irrigation, which could be cut by 75% or more through the use of drought-tolerant, native Florida landscape plants, then "that's where the water is", in its most accessible, lowest cost form.

Put another way, serious conservation (as opposed to the unserious conservation that Florida has practiced up to now) is the "low hanging fruit" that must be harvested first, before even thinking about igniting a new round of water wars.

It's not about tree-hugging ... it's about practicality.

(Jeb, you've probably traveled in the desert Southwest, to places like Phoenix, Tucson, Las Vegas, and Albuquerque - where I used to live back in the '80s ... many if not most of the residential and commercial properties there use varied colors of rocks, gravel, and native desert plants for much or all of their landscaping ... obviously reflective of the native climate ... we couldn't use the same plants here, but is it really necessary to have endless acres of well manicured but thirsty and pesticide-hungry St. Augustine sod lawns in Florida? That's not what our Florida forebears had ... would it really be all that difficult to get used to lawns consisting mainly of mulch, long-leaf pines, palmetto, and other native ornamental and bedding plants? We also work our butts off in the endless summer heat (or pay others to do it for us) in order to maintain that prized St. Augustine lawn. A 10-

month "summer" without the constant buzz of lawnmowers, edgers, and leaf blowers ... what would that be like? I think Southwesterners are far more practical about their landscaping than are most of us Floridians)

I know what you're thinking, Jeb ... government mandates: BAD!!!. But again, we have to be practical, Jeb: the current toothless efforts by the WMDs to promote xeriscaping (a web page and an occasional ad in the local paper) aren't going to hack it, ever ... they've been at it for at least the last ten or more years, but just how many xeriscaped lawns do you see in Florida? On the other hand, if people are required by law to xeriscape, and if landowners are provided the necessary assistance, both financial and technical, to make the transition successfully, then it will happen ... otherwise, it won't ... period.

(an alternative to an absolute ban on non-xeriscaped lawns might be the imposition of a "resource consumption tax" on water bills or on property taxes that would reflect the true economic cost of providing the necessary irrigation water ... we ought to combine that "stick" with sufficient "carrots", such as property tax credits for landscape conversion along with sufficient technical support - like that provided by County Ag agents to farmers & ranchers - so that landowners have good guidance on how to install and care for a xeriscaped lawn ... that would soften the "mandate" approach)

Such a legislatively-mandated conversion, of course, will be an expensive and disruptive process. Government mandates normally aren't very welcome, but people can be convinced of the necessity as long as the need is well-demonstrated and the burdens are shared equitably. But water conservation, if it is to ever happen to the scale that it is needed, will not be achieved voluntarily or through government nagging. Conversion will require cultural changes as well as legal and technical changes. Market expectations for what constitutes "attractive landscaping" will need to evolve - so that relative property values are not impacted. Likewise, local government codes and community deed restrictions will need to evolve. Conversion cannot be done overnight - this is probably at least a 10-year conversion project - 20 years is more likely. But frankly, Jeb, we simply cannot continue to build and support an unlimited artificial environment of thirsty St. Augustine lawns as a birthright for everyone everywhere forever ... that is, if we also want to enjoy continued economic growth in Florida.

In any case, it will be far more pleasant if we, through sensible development and landscape codes and a detailed implementation plan, can avoid having to fight massive water wars between North and South Florida, and/or between the State's agriculture industry and city-dwellers, as a cost of continued economic growth. We don't need that, now or ever.

If there is anything I can do to assist you in this issue of Florida's water resource management, I would be pleased to help out.

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To: [Joe Major](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 5:49:18 PM

Subject: Your assistance is greatly needed.

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Greeting!

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This not about Ms. Oliphant, it is about you. Can you excel to the top without white folk attacking you.

Your call is for us all but, most of all your call is for you.

Thank you for you and thank God for us all.

Be Bold be Black

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/17/2003 5:42:04 PM
Subject: Fwd: [highlandsparentsadvocacy] Write in Support of Other Parents

and yet another - PLEASE HELP US!

Maraka's Mom Donakay Hannagan

Susan <scrum-norris@tnni.net> wrote:

To: highlandsparentsadvocacy@yahoogroups.com
From: "Susan"
Date: Sat, 16 Aug 2003 16:33:41 -0000
Subject: [highlandsparentsadvocacy] Write in Support of Other Parents

This is a letter I emailed to the Florida Supreme Courts at supremecourt@mail.flcourts.org

It is in support of those parents who are being sued by the Highlands County School District asking that the court take action against Mr. Lo Bozzo. Perhaps everyone else could write a similar letter. Remember that even though your child may be being met adequately today, that may not always be the case and there may come a time when you feel a need to present your side of the story in due process. If this policy remains in force at that time, you will face suit.

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From: [donakay hannagan <donakayh@yahoo.com>](mailto:donakay_hannagan@donakayh@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 5:39:42 PM

Subject: Fwd: [highlandsparentsadvocacy] Letter sent asking for protection for parents filing due process

In case you didn't see this I want to forward this to you as well. PLEASE HELP US!

DonaKay Hannagan

mvwinter2003 <mvwinter@tnni.net> wrote:

To: highlandsparentsadvocacy@yahoogroups.com

From: "mvwinter2003"

Date: Sat, 16 Aug 2003 18:09:58 -0000

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Bruce W. and Mary V, Winter
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August 16, 2003

Lee Constantine
Chairperson
Senate Committee on Education
404 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-11

Dear Ms.Constantine,

The School Board of Highlands County has filed four lawsuits against parents who requested due process hearings. They filed these suits claiming that the parents did not have sufficient material evidence to request

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 5:30:18 PM

Subject: Re: [highlandsparentsadvocacy] For Your Information-Response to Request for Protection under Whistle Blower Act

Dear Gov Bush

Please don't tell me this is the way you are going to repond to our repeated requests for help.

I know I for one have supported you to many families and have stated that I have been helped by your office. I hope that I do not have to start saying that you no longer care about each county in this state.

As I stated in my email last week the sitution is unbelievable down here You have been informed many times about my daughter, Maraka's, situation and you have referred people to me who have helped.

I am in communication with Rex in your office about this situation and am still waiting to hear from him. PLEASE help us I do not know how many times we have to ask for help before someone will listen. I assured these parents you would be sure to help us and you are making me out to be a liar. Please show them you can be counted upon t help even the smaller counties. Send someone personally down here to personally address the situation.

As i stated in my earlier email we have a meeting scheduled this Saturday at my church you can contact me to get the information if someone can come that day otherwise, please contact me to schedule the day they will come.

Thank You,

DonaKay hannagan, Maraka's mom

Susan <scrum-norris@tnni.net> wrote:

From: Levesque, Patricia
Date: Friday, August 15, 2003 12:32:48 PM
To: scrum-norris@tnni.net
Cc: Daniel Woodring (E-mail)
Subject: FW: Protection under Whistle Blower Act

Ms. Crum-Norris,

Thank you for writing Governor Bush regarding the ESE lawsuit issues in Highlands County. The Governor has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Parents can, under federal IDEA law, sue a school district for a variety of reasons to protect the rights of their disabled children. It appears some of the suits filed against Highlands County school board have been found to be without legal or factual basis.

In cases where the courts determine that there was no legal or factual basis for the suit, Highlands County has chosen to try to recover

attorney's fees. Section 57.105, F.S., provides for sanctions for raising unsupported claims or defenses.

It is my understanding that there are 4 cases in which Highlands County has tried to recover attorney's fees that are being appealed. In 2 of the 4 appeals cases, administrative law judges have determined that Highlands County does not have authority to recover these fees. No decision has been made yet on the other 2 appeals.

I have forwarded your e-mail to Daniel Woodring, General Counsel with the Department of Education. Mr. Woodring and his staff are aware of the situation and will continue to follow the appeals process. If you need any further information or would like to talk to a legal expert on this matter, please contact him for more information.

Thank you again for your correspondence. Please let me know if there is anything further I can do for you.

Patricia

-----Original Message-----

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July 25, 2003

Dear Sir:

I am a parent of a child in Highland County Schools Sebring Florida

I believe my child has been denied FAPE. as such I am filing a

complaint
against the school district for the following reasons

1. Denial of Classification
2. Denial of an Appropriate IEP
3. Threats from the school district regarding a suit for attorney's fees and damages if I or any other parent in the district exercise their right to request a Due Process Hearing. Three parents have already been served with notices of intent to sue, and in two cases the school district has already filed for an award of damages and attorney fees.

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Up to this point, I have never been formally accused of any type of child abuse or criminal act in relationship to my child, the school or district personnel, professionally or in any other realm. If following this letter such an accusation is filed I desire to be protected by your office.

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Sincerely,

Susan L. Crum-Norris, Ph.D.

Licensed Psychologist

Parent of Disabled Child

.From: Levesque, Patricia
Date: Friday, August 15, 2003 12:32:48 PM
To: scrum-norris@tnni.net
Cc: Daniel Woodring (E-mail)
Subject: FW: Protection under Whistle Blower Act

Ms. Crum-Norris,

Thank you for writing Governor Bush regarding the ESE lawsuit issues in Highlands County. The Governor has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Parents can, under federal IDEA law, sue a school district for a variety of reasons to protect the rights of their disabled children. It appears some of the suits filed against Highlands County school board have been found to be without legal or factual basis.

In cases where the courts determine that there was no legal or factual basis for the suit, Highlands County has chosen to try to recover attorney's fees. Section 57.105, F.S., provides for sanctions for raising unsupported claims or defenses.

It is my understanding that there are 4 cases in which Highlands County has tried to recover attorney's fees that are being appealed. In 2 of the 4 appeals cases, administrative law judges have determined that Highlands County does not have authority to recover these fees. No decision has been made yet on the other 2 appeals.

I have forwarded your e-mail to Daniel Woodring, General Counsel with the Department of Education. Mr. Woodring and his staff are aware of the situation and will continue to follow the appeals process. If you need any further information or would like to talk to a legal expert on this matter, please contact him for more information.

Thank you again for your correspondence. Please let me know if there is anything further I can do for you.

Patricia

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Crum-Norris [<mailto:scrum-norris@tnni.net>]
Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2003 9:53 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Protection under Whistle Blower Act

Susan Crum-Norris, Ph.D.

Licensed Psychologist

Nationally Certified School Psychologist

4646 Nadena Drive

Sebring, Florida 33872

Voice and Fax: 863-471-0281

Email: scrum-norris@tnni.net

Emailed to jeb@jeb.org

July 25, 2003

Dear Sir:

I am a parent of a child in Highland County Schools Sebring Florida

I believe my child has been denied FAPE. as such I am filing a complaint against the school district for the following reasons

1. Denial of Classification
2. Denial of an Appropriate IEP
3. Threats from the school district regarding a suit for attorney's fees and damages if I or any other parent in the district exercise their right to request a Due Process Hearing. Three parents have already been served with notices of intent to sue, and in two cases the school district has already filed for an award of damages and attorney fees.

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From: [Steven R. West <stewest@comcast.net>](mailto:stewest@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 4:53:14 PM

Subject: FLAMPAC GOOD GOVERNMENT Luncheon Friday August 29

Governor: I hope you will be able to be our guest speaker during the FMA Annual meeting on Friday August 29 12:00 to 1:30 PM. I understand that Mrs. Bush will be speaking to the FMA Alliance that day as well. The meeting is being held at the Westin Diplomat Resort and Spa , 3555 South Ocean Drive, Hollywood, FL 33019. Steve West

From: [jpaul <jpaul@ewol.com>](mailto:jpaul@ewol.com)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/17/2003 4:35:53 PM
Subject: Re: phosphate

I'll have my office call to set a time for brief ph. call this week.

Jerry

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [jpaul](#)
Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 12:27 PM
Subject: RE: phosphate

sure

-----Original Message-----

From: jpaul [mailto:jpaul@ewol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 17, 2003 11:52 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: phosphate

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Jerry

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [jpaul](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 4:25:03 PM

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From: [George Blumel <GBlumel@classmates.com>](mailto:GBlumel@classmates.com)

To:

Date: 8/17/2003 4:17:15 PM

Subject: Gaslight -PBSO

Attachments: mailsecurity.txt

Dean: Bill Schmidt of Schmidt Electric will look at the claims of "code violations" today. He has spent a considerable amount of time there lately (latest bill was \$2880) and stated flatly that he left no switch plates or electrical wires exposed. The tenant did have other contractors in there notably security and phone systems people who did leave holes in the building and possibly left switch plates off, etc. Schmidt used an expanding foam made for the purpo0

From: [jpaul <jpaul@ewol.com>](mailto:jpaul@ewol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 3:51:57 PM

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From: sonja.rayment@tiscali.co.uk <sonja.rayment@tiscali.co.uk>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 3:50:22 PM

Subject:

Dear Mr Bush

I would like to thank you for all the effort you are putting in to save Cypress Gardens.

I am English but have had a home in Florida for the past twelve years and each time I come over I have visited Cypress Gardens and have taken friends to see it. It was a great shock to read that it had closed and that I would no longer smell the flowers and see all the xmas lights. I hope that you are successful and manage to retain a great piece of Florida history and my favourite park.

Many thanks
Sonja Rayment

From: TonyVillamil@aol.com <TonyVillamil@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

pamdana@yahoo.com

Date: 8/17/2003 3:03:46 PM

Subject: Fwd: FTAA ARTICLE. A RETRACTION NEEDED. ABF NOT CANCELLED.

Attachments: FTAA ARTICLE. A RETRACTION NEEDED. ABF NOT CANCELLED.

For Your information. Best regards, Tony.

From: TonyVillamil@aol.com <TonyVillamil@aol.com>

To: aibarguen@herald.com

CC: CCobb@Cobbpartners.com
jarrizurieta@floridaftaa.org

Date: 8/17/2003 3:00:35 PM

Subject: FTAA ARTICLE. A RETRACTION NEEDED. ABF NOT CANCELLED.

Alberto, good Sunday morning! Please, consider a retraction in a prominent place of the factual error committed by Christina Hoag article in the Sunday business section, and that was allowed to be printed after editing. On page two, the article states: "...the prospect of protests has been one reason cited for the cancellation of a related event, THE AMERICAS BUSINESS FORUM (My emphasis). As you know this is totally incorrect, and hurts our city and our state in the marketing of the ABF. Please, I would appreciate if El Nuevo Herald doesn't print this factual error in Spanish tomorrow, and that a retraction in English should be in a place where people can read it.

Obviously, I am disappointed that such an important institution as the herald would give credence to parts of a tape in a public forum, taken out of context in the middle of a discussion and released by an organization that wants to undermine Florida FTAA, and the possibility of our State and County receiving the employment benefits of free trade. Jerry Haar's contributions to the free trade debate has been very positive throughout the years, and he is an outstanding and ethical individual. This will severely injure his reputation, in my view, in front of the academic community from which his standing and livelihood depends. These are my personal views.

Please, the factual issue now is to correct the mistake about the cancellation of the important Americas Business Forum that was made in the article. Best regards, Tony.

From: [John Schestag <TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net>](mailto:TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 2:56:21 PM

Subject: Tampabay: Judge out of court for 10 weeks, calendar shows

http://www.sptimes.com/2003/08/02/Tampabay/Judge_out_of_court_fo.shtml

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net <8773422541@archwireless.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 12:31:54 PM

Subject: Wireless Message

Great job with the press conference on crime and drug task force. Just finished watching the rerun on cable. Thanks for appointing Sheriff White. He ia a good man.

God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Robin Safley'](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 11:52:30 AM

Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

I am sure we could find a few candidates.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Robin Safley [mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 7:40 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

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Robin

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Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 8:29 AM

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Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

[sign me up.](#)

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Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 7:16 AM

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Robin Safley

228-3312

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Ellen Whitmer'

BCC: [Colleen Castille \(colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us\)](mailto:colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/17/2003 11:52:19 AM

Subject: RE: Metropolitan Planning Organization

To be honest with you, I don't know how MPO jurisdictions are changed. I will find out.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Ellen Whitmer [mailto:ellenwhitmer@msn.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 7:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Our officials have said that it is the best that they can do, but I do not believe it. I prefer to be with other counties with similar backgrounds and equal footing.

Thanks,

Ellen A. Whitmer

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['TrammHudson@aol.com'](mailto:TrammHudson@aol.com)

Date: 8/17/2003 11:51:14 AM

Subject: RE: Doug Wallace Investiture

I know you will prove yourself over again!!!!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: TrammHudson@aol.com [mailto:TrammHudson@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 6:56 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Doug Wallace Investiture

Governor, wanted you to know that you picked a good man for the Second District Court of Appeals in Doug Wallace. I attended his Investiture yesterday afternoon and it was an impressive ceremony. Had a chance to visit with Charles Canady and some other judges on the bench. It is neat the way the Executive and Judicial branches come together to select men and women to sit as our judges. Eventhough I am not a part of the formal JNC process, it has been rewarding to watch the process work and to play a small role in it by making recommendations to you.

We are getting ready to send our daughter, Glenn, off to Vanderbilt next week. As you can imagine a lot of stress in the house right now. On top of that, she has developed an infection in her eye that is threatening her vision. Say a prayer that it clears up soon.

Other than that, life is good. The RBC merger is coming along fine. We expect to close later in the fall. Requires me to do more banking work than normal. Sort of like starting a new job. You have to prove yourself all over again. Take care.

Tramm

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['TimLinger@SeniorEF.org'](mailto:TimLinger@SeniorEF.org)
BCC: ['Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)'](#)
['Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)'](#)
Date: 8/17/2003 11:44:40 AM
Subject: RE: 911 for Charity ...Vegas in O'Town

thank you for writing. I will pass on to the scheduling team.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tim Linger, CSA, CLTC [mailto:TimLinger@SeniorEF.org]
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 8:56 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: 911 for Charity ...Vegas in O'Town

Governor Bush:

Please, you MUST mark your calendar and attend this HUGE FUNdraiser (even for just a short time) on **Sept 11th** at the Orlando Arena.

Please be a part of this GALA event and help nearly two dozen non-profits raise **ONE MILLION DOLLARS**. Please visit www.CharityForCharities.org for more information.

September 11th, 2001 had a profound effect on all of us. For nonprofit and charitable organizations across America, it became extremely difficult to maintain funding. **911 For Charity** is a fundraising benefit for Central Florida organizations that do so much good in our community every day and need your **HELP 911!**

Goals:

- To raise over **One Million Dollars** in funding for local charities
- To give away over **\$50,000** in prizes and raffle items to attendees
- To have several thousand **Charitable Minded** people in attendance

We hope to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Tim Linger, CSA, CLTC, RMS
Certified Senior Advisor, Certified in Long Term Care,
Reverse Mortgage Specialist, and Executive Director

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a 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit agency -- a National Heritage Foundation
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This Gala Event will be held on September 11, 2003 at the TD Waterhouse Centre

From: [John Schestag <TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net>](mailto:TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/17/2003 4:53:01 AM

Subject: Judge Charles W. Cope, Supreme Court Reprimand

Attachments: RE: Judge Charles W. Cope, Supreme Court Reprimand

Thanks Jeb,

I plan to meet with Rocky of the 27th of this month prior to my appearing in front of the seven Justices of the Florida Supreme Court on Thursday the 28th at 9:00 a.m. regarding exposing numerous felony crimes committed by members of Pinellas County government, including the State Attorney, Sheriff, Judge Charlie Cope, numerous other judges including current and former chief judges.

Note: My life has been threatened if I appear at 9:00 a.m. on the 28th of August in front of all seven Florida Justices. This is not a joke.

Pinellas County is Florida's most corrupt county, by far..... numerous corrupt judicial officers in robes fear exposure and the resulting indictments and the resulting very long prison sentences.

I urgently need your chief executive protection as afforded me by the Florida Constitution. Please forward this on to Rocky as I will provide the felony proof to her in person on the Wednesday, 27th for indictments by your special grand jury you've impanel.

When I expose these felony crimes to the seven justices in open court and on the public record, Florida Judicial canons mandate that "all" justices "shall" individually report these crimes and initiate a criminal investigation.

Any of those justices who fail to do so, will have intentionally violated each of their sworn oath's of office and shall therefore be removed from the bench by the members of the legislature as provided by Florida law for wilful criminal judicial misconduct.

Pray for me as I fight this rampant Pinellas County corruption alone.

Thank you for your earlier notes of support to clean up Florida,

Best to you and your family,

Johnny

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [John Schestag](#)

Date: 7/15/2003 12:34:17 AM

Subject: RE: Judge Charles W. Cope, Supreme Court Reprimand

I will pass on to Rocky Rodriguez.

Jeb Bush

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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2003 1:03 PM

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Attn: Raquel Rodriguez, Chief Counsel

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: CiscoFranc@aol.com

BCC: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/17/2003 1:23:33 AM

Subject: RE: Javelin Program in Okaloosa County fup

Thank you Mike. I will see what the deal is and get back to the Javelin folks.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: CiscoFranc@aol.com [mailto:CiscoFranc@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 10:04 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Javelin Program in Okaloosa County

Jeb - I understand from John Marshall here that you will be calling George Bye, Aviation Technology Group, to express support for their bringing their company's Javelin aircraft manufacturing program (and over 500 good jobs) to the area.

I have met George through a mutual friend, Steve Ritchie (Vietnam war "Ace"), and think it is worth a major effort on your part to get them here.

New Mexico has apparently showered them with interest from both Senators and three Congressmen. However, when they were here a couple of weeks ago, they expressed dismay to me that, although a rep from your office met them and the county's support was quite strong, there was no contact with ANY of our congressmen or senators. I think Miller has since come on board but, in my view, a simple phone call from Nelson and/or Grapham could make the difference and is necessary. The nature of this business requires congressional support, so even with strong support from you personally, this is ours to lose if we don't get our congressional delegations to weigh in, Allen Boyd included.

While I don't have a personal dog in this fight, this is very important to the future of our county and district, so I send this in hopes you will engage the Senators. Time is quite short.

All the best

Mike Francisco

voicemail 800-560-4096

From: [Robin Safley <rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com>](mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

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From: [subgun <subgun@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:subgun@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 11:34:54 PM

Subject: NRA_amicus

Attachments: NRA_amicus.url

Hello Jeb,

Whoever you assigned my prior Email about my Complaint to the Medical Board sent the information to the Dept of Insurance. Here is the case number with the Board of Medicine: 200315778

It looks like doctors are allowed, under your administration, to get away with breaking the Florida Statutes and Florida Administrative Code governing doctors.

Here is a link to an Amicus Brief filed by the NRA in a California Gun Ban case. Thought you might want to send copy to "man who speaks with forked tongue." Remind W he said more than once when campaigning for office and is on the record for stating he would not sign legislation re-enacting the 1994 Assault Weapons Ban and was against the ban. Gun owners are like Elephants, long memory, and I think it will cost W dearly in votes lost to those who support the Second Amendment and are against any gun bans or magazine bans.

Article is at http://worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=34096

Brief is at http://www.keepandbeararms.com/silveira/NRA_amicus.pdf

Bill

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: drauber@earthlink.net

Date: 8/16/2003 11:32:59 PM

Subject: Re: Independence Plus

Hi Donna, We share your excitement and anticipation for final federal approval for Independence Plus. We are anxiously awaiting federal approval of our operational protocol to begin enrollment of the control group. We have responded to all questions and requests for additional information. We continue to work closely with the Agency for Health Care Administration to ensure the most prompt response to the desire to expand consumer directed care opportunities.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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From: <drauber@earthlink.net>

To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 08/15/2003 02:36:05 PM

Subject: Independence Plus

Hi Shelly:

Several of our FCC members who are in the CDC control group are asking if there is any new information you could share regarding the status of the new Independence Plus waiver.

Thank you for your continued dedication to our developmentally disabled population.

Donna

D7 Family Care Council

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To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/16/2003 10:53:59 PM

Subject: Re: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities fup

I'm really not sure at this point. VR may have felt this would ultimately reduced administrative costs...but this has not been our experience with the DS waiver. 501 (3) requirements are often difficult to achieve especially without legal representation which may actually increase overhead costs. I'll let you know when I learn more-but I do concur that this decision needs further consideration.

Shelly

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To:Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

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To: [Chris Drummond](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 9:31:27 PM

Subject: Re: Fw: Federal Lifespan Respite Bill

Chris,

I am so proud of the way you and other self advocates have taken a proactive role in public policy and other issues concerning individuals with disabilities. Your passion, commitment and perseverance are precisely what our health and human service system needs to promote positive and meaningful change.

The federal lifespan respite bill is an important legislative initiative to strengthening families who are committed to providing long term supports to individuals with disabilities in the home and community. This may be an ideal opportunity for you and other self advocates to join together with family members (Southern Movement for Independence, Family Care Council Members etc...) and share your support with local congressman and other lawmakers.

If I can assist with your efforts in anyway, please let me know.

Keep up the great work!

Shelly

-----"Chris Drummond" <chrisfieldd@worldnet.att.net> wrote: -----

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you want me to talk to any one right now!!!!!!!!!!

shelly if you do late me know now!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

cfid

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From: [Donna Rauber](#)

To: [Loretta Schultz](#) ; [Beatrice Schindler](#) ; [Bettie Hyden](#) ; [Bob Patterson](#) ; [Chris Drummond](#) ; [Chris Dugan](#) ; [Dean & Louise Parker](#) ; [Diane First](#) ; [Don & Lori Faller](#) ; [Donna Ellis](#) ; [Harry & Marion Van Loon](#) ; [Heidi Kuchenbacker](#) ; [Jeannie Forthuber](#) ; [Karen Rogers](#) ; [Lila & Eugene Klausman](#) ; [Linda Bennett](#) ; [Linda Herring](#) ; [Linda Keen](#) ; [Lois Smith](#) ; [Lydia Santiago](#) ; [Mary Kathryn Van Kleunen](#) ; [Maryann Sarra](#) ; [Phyllis Bridges](#) ; [Rita Law-McCumber](#) ; [Rob & Betsy Holl](#) ; [Sharon Rousey](#) ; [Sue Cannon](#) ; [Tracy Balint](#) ; [William & Marlene Walker](#) ; [Yolanda Herrera - FCC 11A](#) ; [Patty Houghland - FCC 1](#) ; [Pat Hawk - FCC 13](#) ; [Maryellen Jones - FCC 9](#) ; [Lynn Carper - FCC1](#) ; [Kathy Rafanan - FCC 12](#) ; [Judy O'halloran - FCC 8](#) ; [Joy Frazier - FCC 1](#) ; [Joan Hinden - FCC 10](#) ; [Janet Graham - FCC 2](#) ; [Gail Martell - FCC 11B](#) ; [Frank Carroll - FCC 3](#) ; [Don Bready - FCC 14](#) ; [Diane Ciccarelli - FCC 15](#) ; [Charm Thometz - Suncoast Region](#) ; [Cathy Mitchell - FCC 4](#) ; [Ann Millan - Suncoast Region](#) ; [Aline Klein - FCC 13](#) ; [Martha Sheldon - FCC 11](#) ; [Bill Bales](#) ; [Jack Elliott](#) ; [Terry Duffield](#)

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 2:44 PM

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FYI, I copied this from another E-mail only so you wouldn't have to scan through the very long list of E-mail addresses. Some of you have received from the original E-mail. If the Congress passes this legislation, it will be very beneficial to our state. The necessary contact information for our federal legislators is listed below.

Donna

URGENT

FEDERAL LIFESPAN RESPITE CARE ACT

YOUR IMMEDIATE ACTION IS NEEDED!

There is still time during August to reach your Congressman or Congresswoman and urge them to support the Federal Lifespan Respite Care Act (HR 1083). Your action now will help authorize \$90 million so states may apply for funding to make respite services available and accessible to families and caregivers, regardless of age or disability. Your voice can make a difference!

Action:

Please CALL or FAX your Congressman or Congresswoman today! URGE friends, families and neighbors to do the same, while representatives are in their district office this month.

Message:

* The Federal Lifespan Respite Care Act of 2003 (HR 1083) is important to YOU and YOUR FAMILY!

*Your Congressman and Congresswoman needs to support this bill and urge his/her colleagues on the Energy and Commerce Committee to discharge the Senate-passed bill quickly for House floor consideration.

Thank you for taking time to support Florida

's families and caregivers!

You will find your Representative's name and contact information in the list below. In addition, you may wish to call others on the list and voice your opinion.

*Mike Bilirakis, Member of the Energy and Commerce Committee
727-773-2871 Palm Harbor
727-784-6471 (fax)
813-960-8173 Tampa
813-961-9355 (fax)
866-773-2871 (toll-free)

*Jim Davis, Member of the Energy and Commerce Committee
813-354-9217 Tampa
813-354-9514 (fax)

*Peter Deutsch, Member of the Energy and Commerce Committee
954-437-3936 Pembroke
954-437-4776 (fax)

*Cliff Stearns, Member of the Energy and Commerce Committee
352-351-8777 Ocala
352-337-0003 Gainesville
904-269-3203 Orange
202-225-3973 (fax)
800-888-7743 (toll-free)

Please thank current Cosponsors of H.R. 1083 and ask them to encourage Members of the Energy and Commerce Committee to move this bill forward and urge other Legislators to support H.R. 1083.

Corrine Brown, Cosponsor of H.R. 1083
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Robert Wexler, Cosponsor of H.R. 1083
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954-972-6454 Broward
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Other Representatives:
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To: 'burma@mindspring.com'

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Thank you for you patience in reading countless letters from the hundreds and hundreds who care. Many have cc'd copies to me and I plan to bind them into a book for generations to read... they come from all ages, races, gender, and economic backgrounds. The one thing they have in common is their love of the Gardens. Isn't it an amazing side story that these many people who had never been involved in the political process before are now actively learning about our system to participate. They have discovered they indeed have value and that their vote does have significance. Isn't this a wonderful story from our beloved citizens Governor Bush?

With forever gratitude,

Burma

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Love,

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(Angela Yauchler... ANGELEENO@aol.com)

From: [QUENTIN STROPE <QUENTIN001@email.msn.com>](mailto:QUENTIN001@email.msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 7:31:05 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

The Honorable Jeb Bush

My wife and I were very happy to see the Great State of Florida taking an interest in Cypress Gardens. This is the one beautiful park where a person can go to really relax. We have bought season tickets to the park for several times now, because it is so beautiful!

Thanks to you, our Senators and Representatives for backing the possibility of our state taking over the reins of Cypress Gardens.

Respectfully,

Gerda and Quentin Strope
3034 Mayflower St.
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34231

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['jhdavismd@earthlink.net'](mailto:jhdavismd@earthlink.net)

Date: 8/16/2003 7:30:24 PM

Subject: Re: blackout

Very interesting Dr Davis! We operate with a reserve capacity to peak load useage of 120 pct.and we don't rely on an external grid as much as other places. I think this helps us but we must remain vigilant.

Jeb

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From: Joseph Davis <jhdavismd@earthlink.net>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

CC: Edna Buchanan <ednabmiami@aol.com>

Sent: Sat Aug 16 10:43:31 2003

Subject: Fw: blackout

I thought to share with you this insight on the current electrical grid failure. Dr. Nagel went on to medicine and is the person who set into motion the advanced cardiac life support system for paramedics that is now used world wide. He started it here in Miami back in the 1960's when he was a faculty member of the Department of Anesthesiology of the University of Miami.

Joseph H. Davis, MD

----- Original Message -----

From: Eugene Nagel <<mailto:enageldoc911@worldnet.att.net>>

To: Kurt Wolfe <<mailto:kwolfe@foundrynet.com>>

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Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 7:03 AM

Subject: blackout

A friend is a doc with NY Hospital Corp and wrote about sitting in the dark and using candles in her office!

Once in another life I was an electrical engineer(1949-52) with Staten Island Electric Corp. About 20

years later read an article written by the public health doc for Alco Aluminum Corp about "risk". In it he pointed out that we accept some risks and not others. For instance hang gliding, skiing, scuba, mtn. climbing, etc. These are o.k. But other risks that occur less frequently are not. And that when the risk is 1 to 2% it may be okay but when it is .001% it may not be o.k.. Finally, that in order to get the risk down from .1% to .01% (a reduction of ten fold) it may cost three times as much as the original .1%. And, nine times as much for the next decade, etc.

Now for the grid! Many generating plants feed into the grid. Some are new and efficient. Others older and not so efficient. So, the companies run the newer plants at capacity and the older ones on "spin reserve" which means not generating much but there if needed. Actually, they'll run them reluctantly, only when absolutely necessary. The "reserve" costs money therefore run the grid near capacity all of the time. Usually peak load is 4 PM to 8 PM when the daily and home loads overlap. At that time a sudden cloud, storm, etc., can cause a little peak and bring the "grid" near to its limit. At that time if a plant "dumps" due to faulty breaker, switchgear, other malfunction, the grid "overloads" meaning that the voltage and frequency starts to drop. Both of these parameters are unacceptable, especially frequency. Then, automatically, the "system" in trouble starts to dump load and it is then that a cascade effect may occur where more load is dumped than is absolutely necessary.

Now all of this can be avoided by having more reserve! That means that our electrical rates must increase! That is felt to be unacceptable by many and therefore the design of the grid system is put at some nearly unacceptable close limit and an unacceptable "risk". So, what do we want? 0.1% @ cost X? 0.01% @ cost XXX? Etc., etc.

Ergo, the public is like an obese child. Give me what I want or I'll cry!

I have a 4 kw auxiliary generator on my back porch. Run it once a month. Have had one outage of 3 days in 23 years. Risk? 0.001% Cost is o.k. But, in order to have an automatic switchover, the cost would be quadruple. Unacceptable! Ergo propter hoc!

en

Sort of really does put things in perspective- like our blackout. Sitting here in OEM trying to get flashlights and generators for hospitals while the non-physician commissioner for the Fire dept is denying trauma centers with no CT scanners or radiologic facilities and minimal OR's diversion status. What is wrong with this picture? Stay cool and have a good weekend.

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To: 'Marphillis@aol.com'

Date: 8/16/2003 7:24:01 PM

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Greetings to the Governor,

Mrs Davis

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To: ['jim.horne@fldoe.org'](mailto:jim.horne@fldoe.org)
Date: 8/16/2003 6:46:43 PM
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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

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From: Byrne, Ava <Ava.Byrne@fldoe.org>
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Date: 8/16/2003 5:59:37 PM

Subject: Re: attendance

You are my hero.

Thanks

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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Subject: Fw: "De ahora en adelante, mi voto hay que ganárselo"

Just F.Y.I.

----- Original Message -----

From: [CHACHI](#)

To: [Undisclosed-Recipient:](#)

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:38 PM

Subject: "De ahora en adelante, mi voto hay que ganárselo"

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Cuando un político (de cualquier partido al que este pertenezca) se siente seguro de que cuenta con nuestro voto, este no experimenta la más mínima necesidad de hacerse merecedor del mismo. Es eso precisamente en mi modesta opinión, lo que ha estado demostrando el Partido Republicano con nosotros los Cubanos. Por décadas la gran mayoría de la comunidad Cubana en el exilio a depositado su lealtad política en el partido Republicano. En gran parte, esto se debe a su tradicional línea conservadora y más notable aun por ser este la opción más lógica de los dos principales partidos políticos de esta gran nación. Digo la "opción más lógica" porque después del fiasco (o quizás mejor caracterizado como "El gran embarque") de Playa Girón / Bahía de Cochinos (aparte de otros desatinos mas por parte del partido Demócrata en lo que a nosotros en el exilio concierne. Los Demócratas nunca tendrán la confianza de los Cubanos exiliados como para ganarse su voto. Hagan lo que hagan y digan lo que digan, nunca lo tendrán y de eso ellos están muy consciente.

El derecho a emitir nuestro voto en una elección tan importante como es la de elegir al presidente de la potencia más grande del mundo económico y político (también así es el caso con las elecciones de senadores, congresistas, alcaldes, etc.), mas que un derecho es un deber, pero un deber que no se puede tomar a la ligera. Si, enfocáramos el hecho de que cuando no le damos un voto a "nuestro partido" les estamos dando uno al de los del partido contrario (por lo menos así se expresan algunas personas) también no podemos perder de vista que el otorgarle nuestro voto a un político que a nuestro juicio no ha hecho nada para merecérselo es una irresponsabilidad de nuestra parte. Eso es darle un voto inmerecido, y al hacerlo, le enviamos un mensaje equivocado "Estas haciendo una buena gestión" ¿Es acaso ese el mensaje que queremos darle? ¿Por qué no mejor decirle: Si quieres mi voto, gánatelo? El hacer acto de presencia en un acto en la calle 8 de Miami en fechas claves agitando una banderita Cubana y gritando "Viva Cuba libre" de nada sirve, ya eso no es suficiente. El declararse en apoyo del tan llamado "embargo" de nada vale si al mismo tiempo se permite el comercio con El Tirano, como se evidencia en un reciente informe publicado en el Corpus Christi Caller-Times, donde se anuncia que el puerto de esa ciudad pronto servirá de punto de embarque de productos agrícolas a la Isla cautiva. (Estos mismos agricultores en un futuro, estarán pidiendo "subsidios" al Gobierno Federal para cubrir sus perdidas, al no poder cobrarle al Tirano por sus tan cacareadas transacciones comerciales. Dinero que claro esta,

saldrá de los impuestos que ustedes y yo pagamos.

¿De que sirve que nos repitan una y otra vez que son los defensores numero uno de los derechos humanos en el mundo, si por otro lado hacen tratos con el gobierno de la Isla sobre la condena máxima que puede otorgarle a los que son interceptados tratando de escapar del monstruo? ¿De cuando acá se negocia con terroristas, y de cuando acá se puede confiar en el gobierno Cubano? ¿De que sirve proclamarse partidario de la democracia en Cuba, si se sigue la misma linea funesta cortesía de la administración anterior? Línea que termino con la "Ley del ajuste Cubano", cuando se sigue posponiendo la firma del Titulo III de la ley "Helms-Burton" y cuando se sigue utilizando la Guardia Costera para perpetuar el afán del Tirano Cubano de mantener presa a su población. ¿No cabe aquí el dicho que reza "El mismo perro con diferente collar"?

Con lo que aquí digo no pretendo cambiarle la opinión a nadie (¡Qué ingenuo seria yo sí lo pretendiera!) Muy lejos estoy de eso. Simplemente expreso mi opinión. Y para aquellos políticos de mi partido, el Republicano (desde el presidente hasta el alcalde) solo le tengo un mensaje: "Mi voto hay que ganárselo, se acabo el voto "automático"... "Remember November"!

Agustín J. Ortiz Jr.

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**The above is sent to you by
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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Denver Stutler](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 5:13:41 PM

Subject: water commission

Jeb,

I've been out of the loop on environmental and water policy for quite awhile, as I've been focusing on business since my brief service on the water projects review panel (1999-2000) and your '98 Transition Team. But I did read today about a presentation made to you by Lee Arnold, representing the Council of 100 regarding the creation of a state-wide water commission to oversee the Water Management Districts. I'd like to make several points:

- The statewide commission approach to oversight of the WMDs seems like a common-sense approach ... as you recall that was something that my policy panel recommended back during your '98 campaign. The issue also was addressed briefly in our Transition Team report produced by the Community and Natural Resources Team. A separate commission is better able to oversee the WMDs than is DEP. The current arrangement - in which the DEP simultaneously is responsible for both protection of the resource, and (as supervisor of the WMDs) production from the resource - represents an inherent conflict of interest. From an organizational culture standpoint, neither DEP nor the WMDs are up to the job of allocating a scarce statewide resource that is a lynchpin of our continued economic development. Such an allocation inherently is a political decision. DEP's proper role should be that of the protective regulatory agency. The WMDs should be the technical managers of our water resources. And the commission should set the political policy, as governed by statute. Given the growing importance of Florida's increasingly stressed water resources, an independent public commission with a statewide scope of authority makes a great deal of sense.
- However, if the statewide commission is created primarily as a means of promoting interbasin transfers of water, from North Florida to South Florida, then it will be a non-starter. The commission immediately will be enmeshed in bitter inter-regional fighting, both political and legal, that would only tend to make Florida a much harder place to govern. It is also very likely that an attempted interbasin transfer would be blocked on environmental protection grounds. I recommend instead that you and the Legislature explicitly take the interbasin transfer issue off the table in any enabling legislation for the commission. If at a later date (say, about a hundred years from now!) the commission decides that it is necessary to pursue interbasin transfers, it can always recommend such legislative changes. Personally, I just don't think we should ever go there. Also, raising the issue of interbasin transfers almost assuredly will lead to raising the issue of agricultural consumption vs. public consumption. Again, that would be a war that we don't need to fight in Florida. It may come to that point eventually, but hopefully not for several generations.
- I believe that the crux of the issue in Florida is simply that we consume too much water, primarily on excessive landscape irrigation, due to the way we landscape our built environment. Typically more than 50% of domestic water consumption, by both residences and

most non-manufacturing/non-agricultural commercial businesses, is for landscape irrigation. If the State ever is to get serious about providing enough water to support long term economic growth (and thereby, allow continued population growth), the State first must get serious about mandating the use of xeriscaping in urban and suburban areas, not only for new development, but also for conversion of existing landscaping.

It's like when somebody once asked the infamous bank robber, Willie Sutton, "Why do you rob banks?" and his reply was, "Because that's where the money is." We must focus our attention on where the water really is. If we want to secure enough water to enable continued economic development in Florida, we know first of all that we can't create any more rainfall. We either have to transfer the water from somewhere that currently doesn't need it (assuming that someone "wins" the resulting water wars, and thereby limits the donor area's ability to access water for its own future development); we could "create water" through expanded desalination (not a cheap or non-controversial solution); or we can make much more efficient use of the water that we already have. Given that 50-60% of Florida's current water consumption is due to landscape irrigation, which could be cut by 75% or more through the use of drought-tolerant, native Florida landscape plants, then "that's where the water is", in its most accessible, lowest cost form.

Put another way, serious conservation (as opposed to the unserious conservation that Florida has practiced up to now) is the "low hanging fruit" that must be harvested first, before even thinking about igniting a new round of water wars.

It's not about tree-hugging ... it's about practicality.

(Jeb, you've probably traveled in the desert Southwest, to places like Phoenix, Tucson, Las Vegas, and Albuquerque - where I used to live back in the '80s ... many if not most of the residential and commercial properties there use varied colors of rocks, gravel, and native desert plants for much or all of their landscaping ... obviously reflective of the native climate ... we couldn't use the same plants here, but is it really necessary to have endless acres of well manicured but thirsty and pesticide-hungry St. Augustine sod lawns in Florida? That's not what our Florida forebears had ... would it really be all that difficult to get used to lawns consisting mainly of mulch, long-leaf pines, palmetto, and other native ornamental and bedding plants? We also work our butts off in the endless summer heat (or pay others to do it for us) in order to maintain that prized St. Augustine lawn. A 10-month "summer" without the constant buzz of lawnmowers, edgers, and leaf blowers ... what would that be like? I think Southwesterners are far more practical about their landscaping than are most of us Floridians)

I know what you're thinking, Jeb ... government mandates: BAD!!!. But again, we have to be practical, Jeb: the current toothless efforts by the WMDs to promote xeriscaping (a web page and an occasional ad in the local paper) aren't going to hack it, ever ... they've been at it for at least the last ten or more years, but just how many xeriscaped lawns do you see in Florida? On the other hand, if people are required by law to xeriscape, and if landowners are provided the necessary assistance, both financial and technical, to make the transition successfully, then it will happen ... otherwise, it won't ... period.

(an alternative to an absolute ban on non-xeriscaped lawns might be the imposition of a "resource consumption tax" on water bills or on property taxes that would reflect the true economic cost of providing the necessary irrigation water ... we ought to combine that "stick" with sufficient "carrots", such as property tax credits for landscape conversion along with sufficient

technical support - like that provided by County Ag agents to farmers & ranchers - so that landowners have good guidance on how to install and care for a xeriscaped lawn ... that would soften the "mandate" approach)

Such a legislatively-mandated conversion, of course, will be an expensive and disruptive process. Government mandates normally aren't very welcome, but people can be convinced of the necessity as long as the need is well-demonstrated and the burdens are shared equitably. But water conservation, if it is to ever happen to the scale that it is needed, will not be achieved voluntarily or through government nagging. Conversion will require cultural changes as well as legal and technical changes. Market expectations for what constitutes "attractive landscaping" will need to evolve - so that relative property values are not impacted. Likewise, local government codes and community deed restrictions will need to evolve. Conversion cannot be done overnight - this is probably at least a 10-year conversion project - 20 years is more likely. But frankly, Jeb, we simply cannot continue to build and support an unlimited artificial environment of thirsty St. Augustine lawns as a birthright for everyone everywhere forever ... that is, if we also want to enjoy continued economic growth in Florida.

In any case, it will be far more pleasant if we, through sensible development and landscape codes and a detailed implementation plan, can avoid having to fight massive water wars between North and South Florida, and/or between the State's agriculture industry and city-dwellers, as a cost of continued economic growth. We don't need that, now or ever.

If there is anything I can do to assist you in this issue of Florida's water resource management, I would be pleased to help out.

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My prayers are with you in your decision.

Thank you,
Micki Hale

From: BCline7975@aol.com <BCline7975@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 3:18:16 PM

Subject: Re:

Dear Governor Bush,I agree. Sandy filled me in on some of your thoughts. I will have her set up a time for us to discuss this matter. Time is of the essence since we have our annual meeting in 2 weeks and I want everything ready to move forward at that time. Many thanks again for all of our courageous support. Bob Cline

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 3:14:20 PM

Subject: Parental notification

August 16, 2003

Jeb - When the courts get out-of-hand it's up to the other branches to bring them in line.

When the Florida Supremes knocked down Parental Notification they trampled all over the rights of parents in favor of the rights of Planned Parenthood and other abortionists.

Please do all you can to enable the people to have a say in this issue via a referendum on a Constitutional Amendment.

God bless you!

Terry Kemple

From: [Joseph Davis <jhdavismd@earthlink.net>](mailto:jhdavismd@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Edna Buchanan](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 2:43:31 PM

Subject: Fw: blackout

I thought to share with you this insight on the current electrical grid failure. Dr. Nagel went on to medicine and is the person who set into motion the advanced cardiac life support system for paramedics that is now used world wide. He started it here in Miami back in the 1960's when he was a faculty member of the Department of Anesthesiology of the University of Miami.

Joseph H. Davis, MD

----- Original Message -----

From: [Eugene Nagel](#)

To: [Kurt Wolfe](#)

Cc: [Peter Caroline](#) ; TABECHLER@aol.com

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 7:03 AM

Subject: blackout

A friend is a doc with NY Hospital Corp and wrote about sitting in the dark and using candles in her office!

Once in another life I was an electrical engineer(1949-52) with Staten Island Electric Corp. About 20 years later read an article written by the public health doc for Alco Aluminum Corp about "risk". In it he pointed out that we accept some risks and not others. For instance hang gliding, skiing, scuba, mtn. climbing, etc. These are o.k. But other risks that occur less frequently are not. And that when the risk is 1 to 2% it may be okay but when it is .001% it may not be o.k.. Finally, that in order to get the risk down from .1% to .01% (a reduction of ten fold) it may cost three times as much as the original .1%. And, nine times as much for the next decade, etc.

Now for the grid! Many generating plants feed into the grid. Some are new and efficient. Others older and not so efficient. So, the companies run the newer plants at capacity and the older ones on "spin reserve" which means not generating much but there if needed. Actually, they'll run them reluctantly, only when absolutely necessary. The "reserve" costs money therefore run the grid near capacity all of the time. Usually peak load is 4 PM to 8 PM when the daily and home loads overlap. At that time a sudden cloud, storm, etc., can cause a little peak and bring the "grid" near to its limit. At that time if a plant "dumps" due to faulty breaker, switchgear, other malfunction, the grid "overloads" meaning that the voltage and frequency starts to drop. Both of these parameters are unacceptable, especially frequency. Then, automatically, the "system" in trouble starts to dump load and it is then that a cascade effect may occur where more load is dumped than is absolutely necessary.

Now all of this can be avoided by having more reserve! That means that our electrical rates must increase! That is felt to be unacceptable by many and therefore the design of the grid system is put at some nearly unacceptable close limit and an unacceptable "risk". So, what do we want? 0.1% @ cost X? 0.01% @ cost XXX? Etc., etc.

Ergo, the public is like an obese child. Give me what I want or I'll cry!

I have a 4 kw auxiliary generator on my back porch. Run it once a month. Have had one outage of 3 days in 23 years. Risk? 0.001% Cost is o.k. But, in order to have an automatic switchover, the cost would be quadruple. Unacceptable! Ergo propter hoc!

en

Sort of really does put things in perspective- like our blackout. Sitting here in OEM trying to get flashlights and generators for hospitals while the non-physician commissioner for the Fire dept is denying trauma centers with no CT scanners or radiologic facilities and minimal OR's diversion status. What is wrong with this picture? Stay cool and have a good weekend.

From: [Russ Harbourne <rharp29@mpinet.net>](mailto:rharp29@mpinet.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 2:25:33 PM

Subject: Department of Elder Affairs

Dear Governor Bush,

Let me compliment you on your appointment and reappointment of Mr. Terry White as Secretary of the Department of Elder Affairs. This was a wise choice which is supported by the excellent performance of the department todate. I have never encountered a Government Agency that provides immediate responses in such a consumer oriented and professional manner. This is a credit to you, Secretary White and his excellent support staff.

I am quick to complain about the bad things that happen, however, it gives me great pleasure when I can comment in a positive manner.

Respectfully,
Russ Harbourne
520 Carrigan Avenue
Oviedo, Florida 32765

From: CiscoFranc@aol.com <CiscoFranc@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 2:04:20 PM

Subject: Javelin Program in Okaloosa County

Jeb - I understand from John Marshall here that you will be calling George Bye, Aviation Technology Group, to express support for their bringing their company's Javelin aircraft manufacturing program (and over 500 good jobs) to the area.

I have met George through a mutual friend, Steve Ritchie (Vietnam war "Ace"), and think it is worth a major effort on your part to get them here.

New Mexico has apparently showered them with interest from both Senators and three Congressmen. However, when they were here a couple of weeks ago, they expressed dismay to me that, although a rep from your office met them and the county's support was quite strong, there was no contact with ANY of our congressmen or senators. I think Miller has since come on board but, in my view, a simple phone call from Nelson and/or Grapham could make the difference and is necessary. The nature of this business requires congressional support, so even with strong support from you personally, this is ours to lose if we don't get our congressional delegations to weigh in, Allen Boyd included.

While I don't have a personal dog in this fight, this is very important to the future of our county and district, so I send this in hopes you will engage the Senators. Time is quite short.

All the best

Mike Francisco

voicemail 800-560-4096

From: TrammHudson@aol.com <TrammHudson@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: Jegconsultants@cs.com

Date: 8/16/2003 1:41:05 PM

Subject: Jim Smith (Sarasota) Bday

Just to let you know I attended Jim Smith's 80th birthday dinner celebration this week. He had over 80 people there, many family member, grandkids, community leaders, etc... Grand occasion...The master of ceremonies asked me up to the podium and I extended your greetings and read your birthday letter to Jim. It was well received. He was very appreciative. Wendy did a great job getting it to us in time. Thanks to both of you for making this special for Jim.

Tramm

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Eloiem@aol.com'](mailto:Eloiem@aol.com)

Date: 8/16/2003 12:35:11 PM

Subject: RE: Cypress Gardens

[onward.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Eloiem@aol.com [mailto:Eloiem@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:50 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank-you so much for your support of the State of Florida purchasing Cypress Gardens! I have lived in this state (when the Army has not sent my husband elsewhere) since 1976 and Cypress Gardens represents so much to me and my family. Also thank-you for supporting free admission for seniors over 65. My folks were season-pass holders to Cypress Gardens as it was a place they could still "get around" and enjoy Florida's unique and historic beauty.

We appreciate your support of this effort.

Sincerely,

Joanna C. Kelley

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Eloiem@aol.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'GHenry7214@aol.com'

Date: 8/16/2003 12:32:56 PM

Subject: RE: Speeding in Construction Zones

[thank you sister Fay.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: GHenry7214@aol.com [mailto:GHenry7214@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 4:55 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Speeding in Construction Zones

Michigan Law - \$10,000. fine plus double the normal speeding ticket and you go to jail if you speed in a construction zone.

I think they clocked someone going either 90 or 95 in the construction zone in Polk. He was in a hurry to get from Disney to Busch Gardens. Ticket was about \$500.

I like Michigan Law. We could support entire state of Fla. with speeding fines.

In HIS Grip, Fay

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'RRR1930bob@aol.com'

Date: 8/16/2003 12:30:21 PM

Subject: RE: Beds to DOC instead of CPC?

there was no way that a private bid could deal with our short term problem which was the issue at hand. Future expansions are up to the legislature. but I the public sector should be the dominant source of capacity.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: RRR1930bob@aol.com [mailto:RRR1930bob@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 10:57 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Beds to DOC instead of CPC?

Dear Jeb:

Since serving on the CPC, I can see the positive results of privatization and I was stunned to see that DOC got the new beds. I thought that we were doing a good job and getting things straightened out and saving the state money. Is this not true? Thanks, Bob

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Ofc.(850)894-6366

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E-mail: rrr1930bob@aol.com

Web Site: www.elsi.hdcc.net (Environmental Land Solutions, Inc.)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['bob@fahp.net'](mailto:bob@fahp.net)

CC: ['Stephen R. MacNamara'](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 12:30:09 PM

Subject: RE: Medical Malpractice Legislation, HMOs, and Villazon Decision

[thank you bob.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Wychulis [mailto:bob@fahp.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 9:25 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: 'Stephen R. MacNamara'

Subject: FW: Medical Malpractice Legislation, HMOs, and Villazon Decision

Sensitivity: Confidential

Dear Governor Bush,

I am the President/CEO of the Florida Association of Health Plans. FAHP represents 12 HMOs in the State of Florida. FAHP HMOs have approximately 2.5 Florida members enrolled. As you may know, I work closely with Steve MacNamara.

First, I want to thank you for your vigilance, perseverance and hard work in getting the Medical Malpractice legislation passed. A job well done.

I want to especially thank you for your efforts and the efforts of your staff (Kathleen Shanahan, Alan Levine, and others in the Governor's Office) who worked closely with our HMO industry representatives to get the vicarious liability language (Villazon vs Prudential fix) in the bill. It will save our Florida citizens and businesses tens of millions in health insurance premiums over the next 10 years.

I look forward to meeting with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Bob Wychulis
FAHP

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: MFJCUBA@aol.com
BCC: [Terry White Secretary \(whitet@elderaffairs.org\)](mailto:whitet@elderaffairs.org)
Date: 8/16/2003 12:21:41 PM
Subject: RE: COUNCIL ON AGING-coincidence fup

I will pass on your email to Terry white and he will investigate. I am sorry this happened to your mom.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: MFJCUBA@aol.com [mailto:MFJCUBA@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 3:25 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: COUNCIL ON AGING-coincidence

Earlier this week I joined more than 800 professionals and volunteers at the Florida Council on Aging Conference in Orlando. Almost a quarter of Floridians are now over the age of 60 and Florida's ongoing commitment to community based care ensures elder residents maintain their independence throughout their golden years.**The strong network of service providers ,.....**

Hola:

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OK...that 's all for now. : -)

Love & prayers,
Mariela

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Donna Suzawith'](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 12:19:13 PM

Subject: RE: Question

thank you Donna. I appreciate the advice.

-----Original Message-----

From: Donna Suzawith [mailto:holrosa@earthlink.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 3:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Question

Governor;

I had the experience first hand of the past two days to go on the "Southren Breeze". I was able to see what the Gardens is really like from the boat. I personally feel, after having this experience, that before you and the Cabinet members make a decision, you should take the boat trip and see what we see. I suggest that just you and the Cabinet members take a few hours out of your time and see for yourself the situation there. No news media, no "big whigs", no one to sway you in your decision. An unannounced visit where Espen meets you out front, takes you to the "Southern Breeze", go for the tour, and have him take you back to your vehicle. Just have Espen treat you like he treats any other passenger entering the Gardens to go on the "Southern Breeze" going for a ride. Believe me, it is an experience.

Thank you..

Donna Suzawith

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Monica Corso](#)

BCC: [Betty Hampton \(hamptob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:hamptob@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/16/2003 12:19:47 PM

Subject: RE: Request

Betty Hampton or Brandi Langford.

-----Original Message-----

From: Monica Corso [mailto:framonco@hotmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 12:59 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Request

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Thanks,

Monica Corso

p.s.

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From: TrammHudson@aol.com <TrammHudson@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 10:55:58 AM

Subject: Doug Wallace Investiture

Governor, wanted you to know that you picked a good man for the Second District Court of Appeals in Doug Wallace. I attended his Investiture yesterday afternoon and it was an impressive ceremony. Had a chance to visit with Charles Canady and some other judges on the bench. It is neat the way the Executive and Judicial branches come together to select men and women to sit as our judges. Eventhough I am not a part of the formal JNC process, it has been rewarding to watch the process work and to play a small role in it by making recommendations to you.

We are getting ready to send our daughter, Glenn, off to Vanderbilt next week. As you can imagine a lot of stress in the house right now. On top of that, she has developed an infection in her eye that is threatening her vision. Say a prayer that it clears up soon.

Other than that, life is good. The RBC merger is coming along fine. We expect to close later in the fall. Requires me to do more banking work than normal. Sort of like starting a new job. You have to prove yourself all over again. Take care.

Tramm

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net <8773422541@archwireless.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 9:48:08 AM

Subject: Wireless Message

Jeb,

Thanks for the good appointments to Pasco Hernando Community College.

See you Monday in Pasco at opening of Catholic High School.

God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: MFJCUBA@aol.com <MFJCUBA@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: maddnet@bellsouth.net <maddnet@bellsouth.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 4:09:44 AM

Subject:

Governor Bush,

After seeing the recent article on Tampa 10 News, I am disgusted - not only that such conditions exist, but that they are allowed to exist. Having been born and raised in Florida, the gardens are a part of my home state that cannot be casually tossed aside. This is not just another amusement park; Cypress Gardens is a rare living snapshot of this state, whose botanical history and rich beauty she has protected and still preserves. Lack of proper forward action by our state officials apparently even now encourages the continued pillaging of a Florida landmark that belongs to the people it was created for. To allow these criminals to vandalize one of this state's treasures under the guise of 'management' is an ecological Enron, and a slap in the face to every Florida citizen. Stand up and protect Cypress Gardens, Governor. Once gone it can never be replaced.

<http://www.tampabay10.com>

From: [Todd Reaume <reaumetodd@hotmail.com>](mailto:reaumetodd@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 3:41:33 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing to thank you for your ceaseless support to save Cypress Gardens. It is so refreshing to see such united support from our state government concerning this issue.

I will never forget the day I heard Cypress Gardens was closing. It was like Sept. 11th to me. It was that feeling inside that life had changed and would never be the same. Cypress Gardens has been a part of my life since 1967. My family vacationed here from Michigan for 15 years before permanently relocating to Florida. The Gardens were always part of our yearly visit. As a child, it was like a fantasy land: a perfect world. It was a place where dreams were made and simple beauty came naturally.

But, times have changed. People don't take the time to stop and smell the roses anymore. Our face paced lives have led to fast paced entertainment. Scores of people flock to computer games and thrill rides. They just don't have time for simplicity thus creating a society out of touch with the fundamentals of life.

I urge you to step forth at this final hour. Cypress Gardens has been left open and unattended. While its owner vacations, the gardens are being left to ruin and overgrow. Personal property attached as mortgage collateral is being sold for cash at a fraction of its value. What next? Will the main fountain be sold too? Where is this money going? Her majesty is being stripped little by little of her glory by one kind of vandalism or another. In her own way, she has feelings and lives and breathes in the hearts and minds of those who love her.

Please take the steps necessary to save this great symbol of Florida. I ask you to vote to save all the Gardens in their complete state. Not just a portion. Please consider invoking eminent domain over the property considering its current state in order to stop the pilferage immediately.

I am very excited about the plans The Friends of Cypress Gardens have to revive its glory and splendor. I feel they have a keen sense and the resources to make it happen. What a wonderful group of motivated passionate people. You can make anything happen if only you believe.

I feel if you quietly listen to your heart and soul, as the psalmist said, "you will hear wisdom call from the intersection of the streets" (point of decision). I believe she will say salvation for the gardens and eminent domain is the right way to turn for the State of Florida.

We all truly thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Todd Reaume

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Liza McFadden \(McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/16/2003 2:55:18 AM

Subject: FW: Thanks

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 10:13 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Dear Governor,

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Thanks

Scott & Sonja

From: [Margaret Hostetter <mhos3034@bellsouth.net>](mailto:mhos3034@bellsouth.net)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/16/2003 1:45:43 AM
Subject: Federal Marriage Amendment Flawed
Attachments: Sun-Sentinel 030731 MARGARET Pres Bush Oppose Gay Marriage.doc

Dear Governor Bush,

RE: Proposed Federal Marriage Amendment - a FLAWED Proposal with Huge Loophole

To preempt a judicial decision that would "legislate" "gay marriage" there is an effort to enact a Federal Marriage Amendment. It purports to protect "marriage" as only a union between a man and a woman, but there is a huge loophole in the proposed FMA that will allow each state to decide if they wish to enact the legal equivalent of "marriage" as long as it is not CALLED "marriage." Each state could eventually decide to offer "civil unions or "domestic partnerships" that could provide the same benefits and sanctions in the law now afforded to married heterosexual couples. Although the currently proposed FMA prevents judicial activism from imposing "marriage" benefits on other combinations of individuals, it does not stop the legislatures of all states from enacting laws like Vermont has already done.

"A rose by any other name is still a rose!" If "civil union" is afforded legal sanctions and benefits of marriage it is as good as marriage no matter what it is called!

If protecting the institution of marriage is worth going to the effort of having a Federal Constitutional Amendment (and I believe it is) it is worth protecting thoroughly. I was very pleased when President Bush said he is having his attorneys look into how "BEST" to codify in the law that marriage shall be the union of a man and a woman. (see attached local Sun-Sentinel 7/31/03 article where I was quoted) I don't know if the President's attorneys have considered the huge loophole/flaw in the current version of the Federal Marriage Amendment proposal thoroughly, but I pray they will point out the loophole/flaw and advise a correction immediately.

The current proposal seems expedient by many well meaning Christian leaders who want to prevent judicial activism and have already generated a lot of support for the FMA but I believe the results will be legal chaos and is certainly not the best way to codify "marriage" in the law.

We need modern day Davids to stand up for what is right and not be afraid of how large and threatening the opposition seems. I pray we will have leaders that rely on God's providence and are aware they are His vessel in our world today. I thank you for all your leadership and I believe you and President Bush love the Lord and are very wise and brave in the power of His strength!

Please correct the flaw in the current version of the Federal Marriage Amendment (below) by replacing the term "shall be construed to require that" with "shall permit" which I think effectively closes the loophole.

Current version of the proposed Federal Marriage Amendment reads: Marriage in the United States shall consist only of the union of a *man and a woman. Neither this constitution or the constitution of any state, nor state or federal law, shall be construed to require that* (replace with "**shall permit**") *marital status or the legal incidents thereof be conferred upon unmarried couples or groups.*

Let's Roll!

Margaret Hostetter

Broward County

480 Sumter Avenue
Davie, FL 33325
954-452-9577 Home

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From: [Steve Uhlfelder <steve@SULAW.NET>](mailto:steve@SULAW.NET)

To: liza@volunteerflorida.org

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 1:49:50 AM

Subject: RE: LT. GOVERNOR JENNINGS APPLAUDS STATE AGENCIES FOR

great job today as usual. steve

-----Original Message-----

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org [mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org]

Sent: Fri 8/15/2003 4:53 PM

To:

Cc:

Subject: FW: LT. GOVERNOR JENNINGS APPLAUDS STATE AGENCIES FOR

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> FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: MACKAY JIMESON
> FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2003
> (850) 488-5394
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> LT. GOVERNOR JENNINGS APPLAUDS STATE AGENCIES FOR
> COMMITMENT TO MENTORING CHILDREN
> ~~Lt. Governor names Secretary Agwunobi as Co-Chairman of Governor's
> Mentoring Initiative~~
>
> TALLAHASSEE - Lt. Governor Toni Jennings today applauded state
> agency mentor coordinators for their efforts to encourage state employees
> to mentor Florida's children at the state agency back to school kickoff.
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> "Mentors play a significant role in the lives of Florida's youth,"
> said Lt. Governor Jennings. "These state agency mentor coordinators have
> done a wonderful job building a volunteer effort that provides children
> with valuable support and resources. Governor Bush and I applaud all
> those who give of themselves to help a child and we encourage them to
> continue."
> In an effort to jumpstart the school year, Lt. Governor Jennings urged
> state agency mentor coordinators to continue their efforts in increasing
> the number of mentors to meet Governor Jeb Bush's goal of at least 10
> percent of the employees in each of the state agencies serving as mentors.
> The Lt. Governor recognized the Florida Department of the Lottery, the
> State Board of Administration and the Department of Revenue as this year's
> Trailblazers, for their efforts in recruiting more than 20 percent of

> their agency's employees to serve as mentors in Florida's schools. The
> Agency for Workforce Innovation was also recognized as this year's most
> improved State Agency, for reaching the Governor's goal of 10 percent of
> the agency's employees serving as mentors.
> The Lt. Governor also announced that Secretary of the Florida Department
> of Health John O. Agwunobi, M.D., M.B.A. would serve as Co-Chairman of the
> Governor's Mentoring Initiative, along with Steve Uhlfelder. Secretary
> Agwunobi will replace former Secretary of the Florida Department of
> Lottery David Griffin.

> "As a mentor for the past two years, I've seen the effect that one
> caring adult can have in the life of a child," said Dr. Agwunobi. "I am
> excited about the opportunity to serve as the Co-Chairman of this
> worthwhile initiative and encourage other state agencies to not only
> continue, but increase their involvement in the mentoring effort."
> Dr. Agwunobi has served as a mentor since he joined the Department of
> Health in 2001. He currently mentors a student at the Second Chance
> School in Tallahassee. Born in Dundee, Scotland, Dr. Agwunobi attended
> medical school at the University of Jos, Nigeria and holds an MBA from
> Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. Dr. Agwunobi is currently
> seeking his Masters of Public Health from the Johns Hopkins School of
> Public Health. Prior to becoming Secretary and State Health Officer, he
> served as Deputy Secretary and Deputy State Health Officer for Children's
> Medical Services.

> The Governor's Mentoring Initiative is a unique effort between the
> Governor's Office and the Volunteer Florida Foundation. Its goal is to
> recruit 200,000 Floridians to become mentors. In coordination with state
> agencies, business, nonprofit associations and Florida schools, this
> initiative has helped Florida's students excel in school. Currently, more
> than 135,000 Floridians are serving as mentors around the state. For more
> information or to become a mentor, please visit www.flamentoring.org
> <<<http://www.flamentoring.org>>>.

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From:

To: Eloiem@aol.com

Date: 8/16/2003 1:16:15 AM

Subject: RE: Cypress Gardens

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[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Eloiem@aol.com [mailto:Eloiem@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:50 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Cypress Gardens

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We appreciate your support of this effort.

Sincerely,

Joanna C. Kelley

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Eloiem@aol.com

From: FugateVocEval@aol.com <FugateVocEval@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 12:54:01 AM

Subject: Negative Impact for Small Business Owners and Floridians with Disabilities

Dear Governor Bush:

As I know you to be a proponent of small business and an advocate for citizens with disabilities, I am seeking your assistance:

I am a small business owner who provides services to Floridians with disabilities. The Department of Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DOE/DVR) is requiring that I change my business to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in order to continue serving DVR consumers. This requirement is an unfair burden on myself and many other small business owners who provide these services. It also unfairly restricts the choices of disabled consumers.

I'm also the parent of a daughter with a severe disability, and in this role, I know the importance of bringing together hopes and dreams with realistic and viable goals. When the time comes, I want my daughter to have the option of choosing a conscientious service provider who can best meet her needs and assist her in realizing her goals, whether it be an independent or an agency. The key word here is: CHOICE.

Bottom line is that this change would be a bad move. Bad for the Florida economy by putting many small business owners out of work, bad for consumers with disabilities and their families, who would have even fewer choices available to them. This change will result in additional barriers to consumers.

My business was launched three years ago to fill an unmet need and at the request of DVR counselors whose caseloads were comprised of consumers in the rural geographical areas of the state. The need was for individualized services, close to these consumer's homes. The public transportation/paratransit services many consumers must rely on are limited in rural areas and often require those served to wait lengthy periods for pickup and drop-off; this is not only inconvenient but may be mentally and physically taxing to many persons with disabilities. Local One-Stop Centers are not the solution, as they are unable to serve the specialized needs of disabled consumers in many areas; the facilities and their programs are not programmatically accessible.

We are the only state in the nation designated as a "high-risk grantee" by the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA). Previous changes to the state Vocational Rehabilitation program that were implemented without careful consideration of the subsequent impact, resulted in this designation.

This newly imposed requirement is the latest in an ongoing struggle for the small independents in this field to stay alive. For small businesses, it imposes a financial and administrative burden with no apparent purpose - it will not result in better quality or improved service performance to citizens with disabilities. It WILL detract from meaningful and informed choice for these consumers.

Please help. Existing vendor certification requirements should remain in effect until this change can be more thoroughly reviewed, evaluated and other options sought.

Sincerely,

Sheree Weldon Fugate, CRC, CVE, LMHC
(850) 877-3982

From: [Stuart Coker <mojojojo10@alltel.net>](mailto:mojojojo10@alltel.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 12:27:54 AM

Subject: Justice

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing in hopes that you will reconsider your hands-off approach to the Terri Shaivo case. I have heard that you have decided it is not in your sphere of influence and have decided to let the courts decide her fate. I have looked at the evidence and I believe that it is imperative that you become involved. If you do not, an apparently callous spouse will finally get his wish. He will be free of his vows, wealthy and free to marry another woman with whom he has fathered a child. I am a medical professional and I cannot fathom anyone starving another person to death, especially one so obviously not a vegetable as her husband describes her. We would be deluged by protests from around the world if it were reported that the State of Florida was sentencing a prisoner to death by starvation. It is as inhumane as partial-birth abortion and has as much moral standing. This Country was founded by people who had the courage to stand for what is good, moral and right. I wish our politicians of today could have that same courage. I believe some do. Your entire family has shown they have the courage and the fortitude to stand for and do what they believe to be right and I am certain you also will do what must be done.

I hope you actually read this. I know much of your correspondence is probably done by aides but I hope you can see fit to show this young woman compassion and give her family hope. She is not dying from a disease. The state, your state, has ordered her execution. Please look further into this matter. Soon it will be too late.

With sincere respect and prayers of continued blessings,
Stuart Coker CMA, CPhT

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/16/2003 12:13:31 AM

Subject: attendance

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Robin Safley](#)
Date: 8/16/2003 12:13:18 AM
Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

[sign me up.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Robin Safley [mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 9:01 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

Jeb,

Sorry for the delay in responding, I just got back from Little Palm Island (pretty remote and beautiful). The pedometer is a small device that you place on your belt or waist band. It very simply calculates the number of steps you take by tracking the movement of your hip. You can reset it daily or keep track cumulatively. They are very simple to use and are actually kind of fun. They are a great tool to calculate activity. The science now indicates that individuals who walk 4,000 steps or less a day are deemed inactive. The goal should be 10,000 steps a day. Of course it depends on the length of your stride. I get approximately 8,500 steps in a 5 mile walk. My daughter Caldwell gets 12,000 in that same walk. Thanks for your interest.

Robin

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 4:17 PM
To: Robin Safley
Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

[Robin, what does it entail to where a pedometer? I will check to see if I am available on August 27th?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Robin Safley [mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com]
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 7:16 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Wellness Initiative

Governor,

When we met in May we discussed two projects that I was working on. The first was my effort with regard to Braille and that is going ok. We have produced hurricane tracking maps in Braille and they should be finalized within the next week. I think it would be a wonderful press opportunity. I will send you a map when they are complete.

The other project was a community initiative that I am working on for Capital Health Plan (CHP) called "Stepping Toward Health, a Community on the Move" and the goal is to get people more active and conscious about their health. The statistics are alarming when you look at how many people are overweight (10 pounds) and how many are obese (30 pounds). Our partners are the Leon County School District, FSU, FAMU, TCC, City of Tallahassee and Leon County. I met with Dr. Agwunobi and he is very excited and is being very supportive. This initiative actually follows along the same lines as many of the Department of Health initiatives. As you may know the latest research shows that an individual must walk 10,000 steps a day to be deemed *active*. We are revolving our initiative around pedometers as a way to calculate the number of steps people are taking. **So I know you are wondering what I want from you.** I would like two things. First, I want you to agree to wear a pedometer and keep track of your steps. Second I would really like you to participate in one of our press conferences. Our initial launch is on Wednesday, August 27 at 9:30 (we are thinking about holding it at either the parks downtown or a school track downtown) and will focus on the K-12 system (Bill Montford) and the Business Community. Dr. Agwunobi is going to attend and wear a pedometer. Now, if that date does not work for you, we are going to role out something new each month. On September 10, John Marks, Mayor and Tony Grippa are going to announce their commitment.

It would be great if we could post the number of steps you are actually walking either on our website or the Department of Health. You could get a little competition going among the agencies. The possibilities are endless and this a lot more fun than medical malpractice. Let me know if you need additional information or if I need to beg.

Robin Safley
228-3312

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['HESED77@cs.com'](mailto:HESED77@cs.com)

BCC: [Liza McFadden \(McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/15/2003 11:54:29 PM

Subject: RE: Thanks

thank you Reverend and Mrs. Seidler. We are expanding faith based opportunities here in Florida. If you are interested, I will ask Liza McFadden to send you a brief on our activities. I appreciate your kind words of support for me but more importantly, for my brother.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: HESED77@cs.com [mailto:HESED77@cs.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 6:05 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thanks

Governor Jeb Bush,

I thank you for serving the Lord by serving the people of Florida as Governor and for doing a good job. I am pleased that I voted for you and you have made us proud to have done so. We also think your brother is surpassing our expectations as President and we appreciate his submission to the Lord in serving the country as well. Perhaps the Lord will yet grant you the privilege and duty of serving in that office as well in the not so distant future. I have recently moved to the Panhandle area -Panama City Beach from the South Florida area. I am looking into the progress of the Faith Based Initiatives in this area. I am hoping that with all the other pressing concerns both on a state and national level that this opportunity does not slip through the cracks but that many Christian helping ministries will be empowered by resources that are currently available to their secular counterparts who often similar services but yield inferior results. I also would like to see the voucher program gain ground so that education choices may be fair and balanced. We just want you to know that you and your family are in our prayers from time to time and that your service is appreciated. If there are others ways in which we can be of assistance please let us know.

Sincerely,

Rev. and Mrs. Scott Seidler

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Arduindonna@aol.com'](mailto:Arduindonna@aol.com)

Date: 8/15/2003 11:53:28 PM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Donna.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Arduindonna@aol.com [mailto:Arduindonna@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 2:13 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: FW:

My thoughts are attached in the "future focus" document.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lynn Lustig'](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 11:52:35 PM

Subject: RE: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Thank you Stan.

-----Original Message-----

From: Lynn Lustig [mailto:Lynn@tkoapparel.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 3:34 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Thursday, August 14, 2003

Dear Jeb:

I received all of the history concerning the Prepaid College contracts that were purchased by Ms. Sandra L. Whittington for her two daughters, one in 1992 and the other in 1995.

The Prepaid College contracts on these two children were cancelled, first in 1998, because Ms. Whittington was seven months in arrears. When she was contacted, the Board, which has the authority, allowed Ms. Whittington to reinstate those contracts. In 1999, the more recently purchased contract was once again cancelled, because the monthly payments on that contract were again seven months in arrears. Again, at the request of Ms. Whittington, the Board allowed her to reinstate that contract for the second time.

In May 2003, both contracts were once again cancelled for non-payment. This is the latest cancellation that Ms. Whittington spoke with you about, I'm sure without giving you the benefit of her payment (or non-payment) history.

Because of your involvement, and because Ms. Whittington must now feel that she can financially carry these two contracts, we are going to allow Ms. Whittington to bring both contracts to a current basis, pay the \$50.00 reinstatement fee on each, and return the cancellation checks she received when the contracts were cancelled. As far as we know, those checks, which were sent to Ms. Whittington, were not deposited.

You should additionally know that, as of this date, both contracts are eleven months in arrears.

I am having our Executive Director advise Ms. Whittington of the actions of the Board, to allow for the reinstatement of both contracts. She will have to make a payment on one of her daughters contracts (the older contract) in the amount of \$490.33, and on the more recent contract, in the amount of \$578.00

I am glad we were able to resolve this issue in this manner.

Hopefully, Ms. Whittington will understand that if she is in arrears again, she will have foregone the ability to reinstate these contracts any further.

Cordially,

Stanley G. Tate
Chairman
Florida Prepaid College Board

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Tait, Tommy'](#)

CC: ['Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)'](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/15/2003 11:51:41 PM

Subject: RE:

[thank you tommy. How should my support be expressed?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tait, Tommy [mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 2:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

The Oriskany Reef project is one of the most important initiatives this community has ever undertaken. Creating an artificial reef using the decommissioned US Navy aircraft carrier Oriskany will have extraordinary impact on our tourism efforts and will bring substantial economic impact to the regional economy. Our public and private sectors have joined together to support this effort. Your efforts in bringing the Oriskany to Northwest Florida will demonstrate our unqualified support. Thanks you for your continued support of our area!

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Dinah P'

Date: 8/15/2003 11:51:26 PM

Subject: RE: Nice work

Thank you Dinah.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Dinah P [mailto:dinahpulver@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 9:34 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Nice work

Congratulations on finally getting an agreement. We sure needed it.

And thanks for the note on the state parks story. That was very kind of you.

Dinah Pulver

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Jamiel39@aol.com'

Date: 8/15/2003 11:51:04 PM

Subject: RE: Character Education and FCAT

I will pursue your idea. Thank you for writing.

Jeb Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: Jamiel39@aol.com [mailto:Jamiel39@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 9:42 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Character Education and FCAT

Jeb:

Please figure out a way to be the first state to put Character Education on the state exams. We are in deep trouble down here in the tri-county area. One of the mildest indicators would be that the computer graphics teacher on our campus asked me for 25 headsets because students stole all of his. The language on campuses is horrible. I could go on and on but I'll stop.

Sincerely,

Jamie Logsdon

Palm Beach County School District

Forest Hill High School

Safe Schools Coordinator

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Matthew Gomez'](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 11:50:41 PM

Subject: RE: Collegis news / South Florida higher ed contracts

[Meeting with Jim is a great start.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Matthew Gomez [mailto:MGomez@collegis.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 1:36 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: 'Commissioner@fldoe.org'; 'judy.wilson@fldoe.org'

Subject: Collegis news / South Florida higher ed contracts

Gov. Bush:

You've already heard about our news regarding St. Thomas University, but Collegis is happy to announce a contract extension with Edison College as well (see press release link below).

Collegis renews and extends technology contracts with two higher education clients in South Florida
<http://www.collegis.com/pages/13.asp?prID=153>

Also, I've taken your suggestion and have arranged for a Sept. 9 meeting with Commissioner Horne and Debra Austin regarding Collegis and our prospects of working to "do more with less" among other colleges and universities throughout the state. We now have seven Florida clients among our client list of more than 100 higher education institutions, and would be happy to discuss more efficient and effective means of improving teaching and learning with the help of technology-related services throughout the State of Florida.

Best regards,

Matt Gomez

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From: [Dawn Taylor <dawna6@earthlink.net>](mailto:dawna6@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 11:08:34 PM

Subject: Re: A thank you and more fup

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you for taking the time to answer so quickly..and most of all for saying you will look into the funding issue for the new autism unit at Sunland.

My understanding is that the cost is really minimal compared to most things that involve serving persons with disabilities.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Thanks again, Dawn

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Dawn Taylor](#)

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 12:14 PM

Subject: RE: A thank you and more fup

[Dawn, once again, I will look into it.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Dawn Taylor [mailto:dawna6@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 8:31 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fw: A thank you and more

Dear Governor Bush,

In June of last year, I sent you the following email concerning your support for funding an additional unit at Sunland Mariana for persons with Autism.

As you may or may not be aware, the funding was approved last year. But when positions changed within the system, the prior approval was forgotten and everyone was required to justify the program again. People scrambled and resubmitted everything, but everything just stopped. That is all I know, for I am not in the government...but I do know that in September of 2002 we were about to admit my son when all this happened. Now it is a year later and Sunland has a waiting list that would fill another unit in a minute...

Dr. Tracy Clemmons, Superintendent at Sunland and some tireless parents continue to work to try to make this happen for some very needy families.

I know you supported this before and I am pleading with you now....is there anything that can be done ?

Thank you very much, Dawn Taylor

----- Original Message -----

From: [Dawn Taylor](#)

To: [Governor Bush](#)

Sent: Sunday, June 16, 2002 8:08 AM

Subject: A thank you and more

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to express my deepest thanks to you, Judge Kearney, Bill Wendt, and Larry Pintacouda for supporting a much needed addition to Sunland Marianna. In a time when the state is supporting disabled persons to remain in their communities, we all must realize that there are cases where persons with disabilities and their families need the option of residential placement. It is not politically correct these days to say this, and I commend anyone who supports all placement options for persons with disabilities.

As you work towards improving our education system, with school choice and vouchers, our children with severe

disabilities will someday truly achieve an education, with persons highly trained in specific disabilities and collaborative agencies with the same. At this time, as you know, that is not usually the case and unfortunately, the more severe the disability, the harder it is to find qualified personnel in these areas.

My husband and I met you in Pensacola, March of 1999 and had the pleasure of speaking to you for a few moments to discuss with you our concerns. We relayed to you a story of how our son with mental retardation and autism was charged with battery on a special ed aide. We also relayed how a local agency that provided behavior techs for our schools, caused a severe injury to our son. Both of these incidents occurred due to lack of training and expertise with the persons involved. That is pretty much what parents of children with severe disabilities deal with daily, either in school or in community services.

I hate to say it, but I am afraid that when Congress first approved the laws to bring children with disabilities into our public schools, they put the cart before the horse. The laws are good, but we have such a long way to go before the laws are implemented and the expertise is there to teach our children.

I think we are at such a crucial point in education, especially Special Education, that we really need to let the communities know that they need to call on their businesses, and most of all churches....to get help teaching our children. Truthfully, I cringe when I go by a church and see it building more and more and more...and even parochial schools that have special ed classes in our community only accept the higher functioning individuals.....Do they just think its not worth getting involved? I dont know, but it is a tragedy. I know a Mom who has been all over town just trying to find a church that would take her daughter in while she attends the service and she still hasnt found one.

I applaud the efforts you have made towards encouraging more involvement with private schools through the McKay Scholarships. I think as time goes by, if the Unions and School Districts just give it a chance it will work.

Our time is about up with our son. He is 18 now, and we have swung from one end of the pendulum to the other. After years of trying to get appropriate services in the school and the community, we have come to the conclusion that Cliff will probably have a lot more chances in his life if he is in a residential placement. His aggression at home has worsened, and it is almost impossible to take him to a doctor, dentist, or other places in the community. His quality of life is extremely limited, as is ours.

When our situation worsened, we found out about what Sunland Marianna has done, through a survey from the CARD center, Tallahassee. We went to Sunland and met two wonderful parents who were instrumental in establishing this program for persons with Autism. They were in a desperate situation and their son was placed at Sunland a few years ago. Much to their dismay no one really knew about Autism and how to work with persons with Autism. So they rolled up their sleeves and got to work. With the help of Dr. Tracy Clemons, Sunland superintendent, they created a program to address the unique needs of this population, and they are still working to make it better. The Greers, Elizabeth and John live in Marianna now and visit Sunland almost daily to help in anyway they can, by bringing in workshops for personnel to decorating each clients room they way they like it. They both have the enthusiasm needed to keep people interested and moral up. Their son is doing very well now and they are so happy that he is content. The Greers have a mission to make this the best it can be and they never stop. A hope is that Sunland can be an Autism Treatment Center, in which research and quality care can be used to establish the best possible life for persons with Autism all over the state.

I wholeheartedly agree with this, and will do all I can to expand the possibilities for these wonderful, unique individuals with Autism, who still live in a world that doesnt understand them at all.

I do not know if my child has not accomplished much in his special education over the years because of his level of severity or because the school system can not address his needs. It is probably both.

But what bothers me is that parents seem to be loosing more and more in terms of laws these days, to the point that they dont have the options to accomplish reform in the schools anymore.

Two very important changes in the past few years in Florida, I feel are detrimental to helping parents solve their own problems without the use of a lawyer.

They are: a) There is no longer a Secretarial Review allowed as and option for a parent when they file a complaint with the State regarding their child in Exceptional Student Education. There is no longer anyone to watch over and regulate what the FI Dept. of Ed. is doing in regard to State Complaints.

b) In HB 4053, 2/14/2000, section 14, The repeal of a law most people have never heard of, statute 236.145, residential nonpublic school contract reimbursement. A School district is eligible to recieve up to 60% of the amount paid for residential, nonpublic school services contracts. DOE recommended repealing this law, saying it is no longer being funded or implemented.(I have to question if it is because no one knew about it! DOE probably didnt want to let too many people know about this) Under the substantive analysis of the hb4053, it does not support individual freedon, personal responsibility or family empowerment, which is stated as not applicable. It says the bill supports

less government, which makes no sense on this issue. To me it is clearly a financial issue. DOE states this is outdated and not used, but I must say as a citizen, I had never heard of it.

I sent your office an email regarding this issue, and you forwarded to a Ms. Conn. Here is her response, see attached.

Perhaps the argument is the McKay Scholarships will make up for this, but as I have told you before, for the severe population, the schools are not there.....To me this is a horrible way to deal with persons with severe disabilities, who cant speak for themselves and could have had an opportunity to get real education, and perhaps achieve enough independence early in life so as not to live off the state for the rest of their lives.....

Is there anything you as Governor could do to look at this law again? It is so critical.

I want you to know I think you and your administration is doing an admirable job, and I know that you have had to pick up the pieces of the previous adm. and try to put things back in order...What a job....

Thank you for all your help and please think about visiting Sunland someday soon. When you meet the Greers and Dr. Clemons, staff, and residents, you will be in for a real treat!

Sincerely, Dawn Taylor

3428 Bowker Drive

Pensacola, Fl 32506

8504926128

From: [Rodney Barreto <rbarreto@nextel.blackberry.net>](mailto:rbarreto@nextel.blackberry.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/15/2003 11:18:40 PM

Subject: Re: Florida Fish & wildlife License

I'll take care of it. Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

Date: Fri, 15 Aug 2003 18:18:10

To: <Bernlevine@aol.com>

Cc: <RBarreto@BCMPartners.com>

Subject: RE: Florida Fish & wildlife License

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jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bernlevine@aol.com [mailto:Bernlevine@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 5:15 PM

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Rodney Barreto

From: [Grant, Margaret M. <Margaret.M.Grant@who.eop.gov>](mailto:Margaret.M.Grant@who.eop.gov)

To:

Date: 8/15/2003 10:51:32 PM

Subject: President Bush calls for binational joint task force re: recent power outage

Below please find a statement released by the White House Press Secretary regarding the President's call for a task force to identify the causes of the recent power outage. I also have included the full remarks the President made on the subject last night. As more details become available, I will forward them to you.

Please contact me with any questions or comments. Thank you. Maggie

Maggie Grant
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs
The White House
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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

August 15, 2003

STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

The United States and Canada have today agreed to form a joint task force to identify the causes of the recent power outage that affected North America and to seek solutions to help prevent future outages. The Task Force will be jointly chaired by United States Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham and Canadian Minister of Natural Resources Herb Dhaliwal. Federal, state, provincial, and local authorities, as well as private sector electricity providers, will be invited to contribute to the work of the Task Force.

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President Discusses Power Outage

Remarks by the President to the Travel Pool
Manchester Grand Hyatt
San Diego, California

5:24 P.M. PDT

THE PRESIDENT: Today our country, a major portion of our country was affected by rolling blackout. Canada was affected, over 10 million people in Canada were affected, as well. And I have been working with federal officials to make sure the response to this situation was quick and thorough, and I believe it has been.

We're focused on two major things right now. One is to work with state and local authorities to manage the consequences of this rolling blackout. In my judgment, the governors and mayors of the affected states and cities have responded very well. We've offered all the help they need to help people cope with this blackout. And they've -- to this moment, have said they've

got the resources necessary to handle it. The emergency preparedness teams at the local level and the state level are responding very well.

I also want to thank the people in the affected cities and states for their calm response to this emergency situation. It has been remarkable to watch on television how resolved the people are about dealing with this situation, and I'm grateful for that. And I know their neighbors are grateful, as well, for the proper and calm response.

The other thing, of course, we're working on is to get electricity up and running as quickly as possible. And federal officials are working with state and local officials to get the electricity grid up and running. Our goal, of course, is to do this as quickly as possible. Obviously, the sooner we can get electricity up, the more normal people's lives will become.

One thing I think I can say for certain is that this was not a terrorist act. I've heard reports about a lightning strike in Niagara Falls, New York, and federal officials, of course, are investigating the veracity of that. We'll find out here what caused the blackout. But, most importantly, what we now need to do is fix the problem and to get electricity up and running as quickly as possible.

I was pleased to hear that many of the airports up east are beginning to have flights leave, and that's good. So, in other words, slowly but surely, we're coping with this massive national problem. Millions of people's lives are affected. I fully understand that their lives will not be normal for the short run, and hope that they continue to cope with this in a manner that they have done so far. I'm confident we can get things up and running as quickly as possible and people's lives will go back to normal.

Yes.

Q Mr. President, does this suggest that even with all the attention paid to homeland security that the electrical grid is still vulnerable, should it have been a terrorist attack?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, I think, you know, one of the things we'll have to do, of course, is take an assessment of why the cascade was so significant, why it was able to ripple so significantly throughout our system up east. And that will be a very important part of the investigation once we deal with the immediate -- and the immediate, of course, is to take care of people.

You know, for example, in New York City, Mayor Bloomberg has ordered out thousands of police officers on the street to help bring calm; fire fighters are working overtime; emergency crews are out working well. My focus is to work with state and local authorities to help deal with the immediate problem. Of course, we'll have time to look at it and determine whether or not our grid needs to be modernized. I happen to think it does, and have said so all along. But this will be -- this is going to be an interesting lesson for our country, and we'll have to respond to it.

Q Mr. President, do we know why this happened?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, as I say, I saw a preliminary report. But we'll find out why, and we'll deal with the problem.

Q Mr. President, you said that the state and locals had said they have all the resources they need. Can you talk about what the federal government might do, or might already be doing to help them out?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, one thing, of course, we're doing is we're getting the airlines running. The FAA is -- as I understand, has cleared flights out of LaGuardia and Newark, for example.

The organization of Homeland Security is aimed at quick communications with state and local authorities and I think that that communication was quick and thorough. I talked to Secretary Ridge several times. Governors have been notified and mayors have been notified, and we're prepared to do anything that we can upon request.

Q But it doesn't sound like they've asked you, yet, to do --

THE PRESIDENT: Not much, because they're well prepared. I mean, the first thing that I think America is already pleased about is the fact that we're better organized today than we were two-and-a-half years ago to deal with an emergency, and the system responded well. Secretary Ridge was telling me 30 minutes ago how quickly the local authorities responded and how good the communications were between the federal government, the state government, the local government.

It's a serious situation, but the people whose lives have been affected need to know there's a lot of people working to enable them to get on about their lives in a normal way. And, hopefully, electricity will be restored soon; I can't tell you exactly when, but I know a lot of people are working overtime to get it done.

Thank you, all.

END 5:30 P.M. PDT

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Watkins_Ben@fsba.state.fl.us

Date: 8/15/2003 10:34:49 PM

Subject: RE: Miami/Dade County Courthouse Bonds

Thank you Ben.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Watkins_Ben@fsba.state.fl.us [mailto:Watkins_Ben@fsba.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 6:05 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Miami/Dade County Courthouse Bonds

Governor Bush

Following up on our meeting regarding the referenced subject.

I talked with the trader at Merrill Lynch handling the remarketing of the auction rate bonds. The remarketing went very smoothly with no adverse reaction by investors to the news on this credit. The bonds were priced to yield .859% which is consistent with how they traded before the material event notice issued by Miami/Dade. This tells me that there was no risk premium associated with the remarketing of the bonds.

I have also talked with the rating agencies and the bond insurer for this transaction. They are obviously aware of the current situation but I do not expect any precipitous action on their part, i.e. no rating downgrade. They will continue to monitor developments and I told them I would keep them informed.

From my perspective, this issue is exactly where it needs to be, i.e., with the legislature. I would hate for this to degenerate into litigation, but that is a possibility. I will try and stay abreast of developments and keep you informed.

Ben

From: Bernlevine@aol.com <Bernlevine@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 10:30:34 PM

Subject: Re: Florida Fish & wildlife License

thanks,

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: Bernlevine@aol.com
CC: RBarreto@BCMPartners.com
Date: 8/15/2003 10:15:19 PM
Subject: RE: Florida Fish & wildlife License

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[jeb](#)

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Ben

From: HESED77@cs.com <HESED77@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 10:04:43 PM

Subject: Thanks

Governor Jeb Bush,

I thank you for serving the Lord by serving the people of Florida as Governor and for doing a good job. I am pleased that I voted for you and you have made us proud to have done so. We also think your brother is surpassing our expectations as President and we appreciate his submission to the Lord in serving the country as well. Perhaps the Lord will yet grant you the privilege and duty of serving in that office as well in the not so distant future. I have recently moved to the Panhandle area - Panama City Beach from the South Florida area. I am looking into the progress of the Faith Based Initiatives in this area. I am hoping that with all the other pressing concerns both on a state and national level that this opportunity does not slip through the cracks but that many Christian helping ministries will be empowered by resources that are currently available to their secular counterparts who often similar services but yield inferior results. I also would like to see the voucher program gain ground so that education choices may be fair and balanced. We just want you to know that you and your family are in our prayers from time to time and that your service is appreciated. If there are others ways in which we can be of assistance please let us know.

Sincerely,

Rev. and Mrs. Scott Seidler

From:

To: [Tait, Tommy](#)

CC: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/15/2003 9:56:46 PM

Subject: RE:

[thank you tommy. How should my support be expressed?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Tait, Tommy [mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 2:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

The Oriskany Reef project is one of the most important initiatives this community has ever undertaken. Creating an artificial reef using the decommissioned US Navy aircraft carrier Oriskany will have extraordinary impact on our tourism efforts and will bring substantial economic impact to the regional economy. Our public and private sectors have joined together to support this effort. Your efforts in bringing the Oriskany to Northwest Florida will demonstrate our unqualified support. Thanks you for your continued support of our area!

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Date: 8/15/2003 9:35:07 PM

Subject: Budgets



To: FTAA Ministerial and VIII ABF Board
From: Chuck Cobb
Date: August 15, 2003

Attached is a copy of our letter to Chris Padilla and his response on the recent discussions regarding the appropriate police and security budgets for the Ministerial. As you can see, both our letter and Chris Padilla's response recognize the excellent work of Ana Gutierrez and Susy Torriente in developing these budgets.

Enclosures



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July 31, 2003

Chris Padilla, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative
For Intergovernmental Affairs & Public Liaison
Executive Office of the President
600 17th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20508

Dear Mr. Padilla:

We are pleased to transmit the enclosed proposed expenditure security budget for the VIII FTAA Ministerial and Americas Business Forum, and related protestors. As discussed the last couple of days, this new presentation of the numbers includes two scenarios, a high end and a low end as explained in the comments. City of Miami and Miami-Dade County officials have been working diligently in the last 24 hours to compile the figures.

Please note that these numbers do not include the costs that will be incurred by the State and a number of other municipalities that have been asked to support the efforts of the City of Miami and Miami-Dade County through generous in-kind contributions. Additionally, these numbers do not reflect the availability of in-kind support from the Federal agencies, as the details of those resources are not yet determined. These budget justifications will be used by Doug Melvin, United States Trade Representative Director of Security and Administrative Services, to potentially reduce local costs.

The budget is a presentation of our collective best planning efforts, based on guidance from USTR and request from the lead agency, the City of Miami Police Department. It is agreed and understood that these numbers may in fact fluctuate as the event progresses.

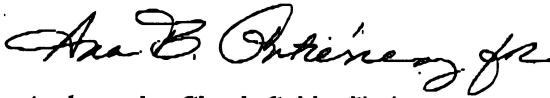
In order to avoid any further confusion or misunderstandings on the costs associated with this event we ask that any additional information or updates are provided to Ana B. Gutierrez, Director of Operations, at the FTAA Ministerial, Inc. office. Future updated budget figures will be circulated to each of you under our signature.

Chris Padilla
July 31, 2003

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We would like to thank all the representatives from the City of Miami and Miami-Dade County public safety departments, budget office and other officials, for their hard work and cooperation. We especially want to thank Ana B. Gutierrez and Susanne M. Torriente, Assistant County Manager, for coordinating and "scrubbing" this budget.

Sincerely,



Ambassador Chuck Cobb, Chairman
FTAA Ministerial, Inc

Ambassador Luis Lauredo, Executive Director
FTAA Ministerial, Inc

Attachments

- c: Mayor Alex Penelas, Miami-Dade County
- Mayor Manuel A. Diaz, City of Miami
- Mayor David Dermer, City of Miami Beach
- Mayor Don Slcsnick, City of Coral Gables
- Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Miami-Dade County
- Commissioner Johnny L. Winton, City of Miami
- George Burgess, Manager, Miami-Dade County
- Joe Ariola, Manager, City of Miami
- Jorge M. Gonzalcz, Manager, City of Miami Beach
- David L. Brown, Manager, City of Coral Gables
- Pam Dana, Director of Office of Tourism/Travel and Economic Development
- Jessie Manzano, Protocol International Affairs Liaison
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- Eric Olafson, Federal Coordinator, Mayor Penelas' Office
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- Tony Ojeda, Deputy Director, FTAA Ministerial, Inc.
- Ana B. Gutierrez, Director of Operations, FTAA Ministerial, Inc.
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

August 1, 2003

Ambassador Chuck Cobb
Chairman
FTAA Ministerial, Inc.

Ambassador Luis Lauredo
Executive Director
FTAA Ministerial, Inc.

Dear Chuck and Luis:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 31 regarding the proposed security expenditure budget for the VIII FTAA Ministerial and related events. We greatly appreciate the hard work and cooperation of City of Miami and Miami-Dade County officials to compile these estimates. We also recognize and appreciate the good work of Ana Gutierrez and Susanne Torriente on this and so many other things related to the November events.

I think the approach you've taken of planning for a range of scenarios is a good one, and the level of detail presented in these budgets will be very helpful as we continue to work with local officials to plan for a variety of possible contingencies in November. I've asked Doug Melvin, our Director of Security and Administrative Services, to compile details on the support we anticipate from various Federal agencies; we hope to provide this to you by mid-August.

These budget estimates will be extremely helpful as we resume our briefings for Members of Congress and other executive branch agencies on the security plan for the Miami Ministerial. Once again, thank you for your assistance, and for all the excellent preparations that Miami is making for what we know will be a first-class event.

Sincerely,



Christopher A. Padilla
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For Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison

From: Bernlevine@aol.com <Bernlevine@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: RBarreto@BCMPartners.com

Date: 8/15/2003 9:14:47 PM

Subject: Fwd: Florida Fish & wildlife License

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From: Susanclubb@aol.com <Susanclubb@aol.com>

To: Bernlevine@aol.com

Date: 8/13/2003 9:46:05 PM

Subject: Florida Fish & wildlife License

Hi Bern,

Bobbie told me that she had called about our license again and got a really screwy message. They wanted to send Pat Reynolds for another inspection. I spoke to Pat today. He had received the message. He sent them a message back today which I guess they will receive it tomorrow (slow e-mail). I said he will send a message saying that he has already done the inspection and that they should issues the permit for exactly what we had at the old park and that the next set of exhibits are not ready to be inspected. He was very frustrated with them as well.

I told him you were going to send a note to the governor and he thought that you should. In you letter please tell him that **Lt Linda Harrison** told me 5 weeks ago that the permit had been issued. She actually was nicer thn normal on the phone but still did not accomplish the task. Since then they lost it, couldn't get it printed, had to move their office, had to paint the walls, were generally incompetent. Now they want another inspection which is not needed. We cannot get our federal permits until this one is issued. We submitted the application I think in April or May hoping to get it before opening. We notified them that we were moving and needed to change address for our permit and location in November 02.

We sent additional license applications for our mobile licenses on July 30 and have not heard anything about those either.

Thanks

Susan

From:

To: [Lynn Lustig](mailto:Lynn.Lustig@tkoapparel.com)

Date: 8/15/2003 9:05:08 PM

Subject: RE: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Thank you Stan.

-----Original Message-----

From: Lynn Lustig [mailto:Lynn@tkoapparel.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 3:34 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Thursday, August 14, 2003

Dear Jeb:

I received all of the history concerning the Prepaid College contracts that were purchased by Ms. Sandra L. Whittington for her two daughters, one in 1992 and the other in 1995.

The Prepaid College contracts on these two children were cancelled, first in 1998, because Ms. Whittington was seven months in arrears. When she was contacted, the Board, which has the authority, allowed Ms. Whittington to reinstate those contracts. In 1999, the more recently purchased contract was once again cancelled, because the monthly payments on that contract were again seven months in arrears. Again, at the request of Ms. Whittington, the Board allowed her to reinstate that contract for the second time.

In May 2003, both contracts were once again cancelled for non-payment. This is the latest cancellation that Ms. Whittington spoke with you about, I'm sure without giving you the benefit of her payment (or non-payment) history.

Because of your involvement, and because Ms. Whittington must now feel that she can financially carry these two contracts, we are going to allow Ms. Whittington to bring both contracts to a current basis, pay the \$50.00 reinstatement fee on each, and return the cancellation checks she received when the contracts were cancelled. As far as we know, those checks, which were sent to Ms. Whittington, were not deposited.

You should additionally know that, as of this date, both contracts are eleven months in arrears.

I am having our Executive Director advise Ms. Whittington of the actions of the Board, to allow for the reinstatement of both contracts. She will have to make a payment on one of her daughters contracts (the older contract) in the amount of \$490.33, and on the more recent contract, in the amount of \$578.00

I am glad we were able to resolve this issue in this manner.

Hopefully, Ms. Whittington will understand that if she is in arrears again, she will have foregone the ability to reinstate these contracts any further.

Cordially,

Stanley G. Tate
Chairman
Florida Prepaid College Board

From:

To: Arduindonna@aol.com

Date: 8/15/2003 8:56:13 PM

Subject: RE: FW:

Thank you Donna.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Arduindonna@aol.com [mailto:Arduindonna@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 2:13 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: FW:

My thoughts are attached in the "future focus" document.

From: GHenry7214@aol.com <GHenry7214@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 8:54:34 PM

Subject: Speeding in Construction Zones

Michigan Law - \$10,000. fine plus double the normal speeding ticket and you go to jail if you speed in a construction zone.

I think they clocked someone going either 90 or 95 in the construction zone in Polk. He was in a hurry to get from Disney to Busch Gardens. Ticket was about \$500.

I like Michigan Law. We could support entire state of Fla. with speeding fines.

In HIS Grip, Fay

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jim McDonough \(mcdonoj@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:mcdonoj@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/15/2003 8:49:20 PM

Subject: FW: My daughter...I need your advise and suggestion please

any thoughts? I sent to babette hankey as well.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Jonlaura2@aol.com [mailto:Jonlaura2@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 3:06 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: My daughter...I need your advise and suggestion please

Dear Gov. Bush,

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Dyslexia Research Institute](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 8:41:19 PM

Subject: RE: Response to the Wednesday Compliance Letter Meeting - Or How Not to Get Hit By The Heifer Dust

Thanks for writing. We are not overreacting to the press. We are responding to the need for a degree of accountability that is non invasive. I think we can achieve that and protect our school choice programs.

[Jeb Bush](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Dyslexia Research Institute [mailto:dri@talstar.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 3:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Response to the Wednesday Compliance Letter Meeting - Or How Not to Get Hit By The Heifer Dust

From: [Tedd Webb <twebb003@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:twebb003@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 8:06:45 PM

Subject: Jeb, this is an addendum to my previous email on Schiavo

Dear Glenn:

The attached is a copy of 1996 Order that says the Hospice which is governed under the Nursing Home laws [FS400 Part VI] must openly discuss Terri's medical condition with Bob and Mary Schindler to whatever extent they wish and whenever they ask.

Also, Michael is to inform Bob and Mary Schindler of "significant" changes in her medical condition.

Can anyone say CONTEMPT OF COURT and reasons for removal as court appointed guardian.

This 1996 Order has been brought out several times in instances where Michael and the Hospice tighten their lips and hide the books. Judge Greer only ignores or deny's the parent's legal pleadings and requests-turned-begging to know and review data about what is going on with Terri's condition and medical health at any time they desire as granted by the ORDER.

This may be a propitious time to give public view to this most basic right of Terri's parents and siblings that has been also ordered by a court. The denying and concealment of Terri's true condition at any given time gives even more telling support to the subversive agenda at play here.

***Friend of Terri
David Kirkland***

Feel free to share this with others who can help. God bless you and thanks for keeping up the fight. Call me about details of a planned PR stunt/event headed for Jeb B. You may wish to cover this. Petitions are nearing 30,000 I hear. Also, I was informed your comments this AM caused yet another major spike in petition submittals.

727-344-0707; 727-488-9117cell

Off to the hospital to be with Terri and her parents...

From: [Nathan Cummins <ceti@earthlink.net>](mailto:Nathan.Cummins@ceti@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 10:46:32 PM

Subject: Re: SAMM motor controller.....

Dear Mr. Bush

So far Allan has been helpful, but we need to get this through to the DOE in Washington.... This has been inexplicably difficult to do. The point is, that we have been trying for years to get the DOE to complete what was started before Spencer Abraham took office. We need to move forward. Mr. Bush, I keep thinking that, although this may prove to be nothing more than a technological failure.... What if this kind of failure happened during a crisis situation.....? This could be prevented. I just listened to our President give a speech suggesting that we (as Americans) need to conserve our energy to prevent this kind of chain reaction of power failure. This is true, the demand load will cause this cascade effect and conservation is key to preventing it. Asking people to operate in the heat, restricted lighting, or operate business with restriction of electricity during high peak periods simply is not the answer (which was tried in California during their energy crisis periods), when we could use this technology to accomplish even more profound savings. This is simply a practical approach at solving a potentially difficult problem.

Mr. Bush, I hope this statement will not offend you, but so far all assistance from the government has been comprised of great enthusiasm, much talk, but little action. We are willing to do what ever is needed to facilitate the success of this project. To date we have put all of our finances, time and effort into this. We would ask that the government would meet us half way. This technology IS EVERYTHING I HAVE SAID. There is absolutely no question as to the "merit" of this technology. No one that has ever closely examined it has ever had any doubt..... I believe Allan would attest to the fact that this technology is filled with great potential.

I do appreciate you and Allan's response to us..... We still need your help. This technology can make an enormous difference..... Believe me, I would not waste your time, or my time if this were not the case!

Respectfully,
Nate Cummins
CETI

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Nathan Cummins](#)

Cc: [Allan F. Bedwell](#)

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 10:13 AM

Subject: RE: SAMM motor controller.....

I can assure you Allan will not dismiss your concepts if they have merit.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Nathan Cummins [<mailto:ceti@earthlink.net>]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 2:02 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Allan F. Bedwell

Subject: SAMM motor controller.....

Dear Governor Bush;

The power outage that was experienced by the eastern portion of the country is exactly what we have been talking about. Whatever the trigger was that start this whole thing, the cascading effect that knocked out such a large area of power is ultimately resultant from the extreme overloaded condition of the grid. It has been very frustrating to us trying to get the government to realize that the "demand load" that is needed to start the vast number of motor within the grid is a real problem. It is so obvious to all of us that deal with electricity that air conditioning is playing a major role in creating this excess demand on power suppliers. More frustrating still, is the fact that we have technology that would provide profound improvement of this situation. The exhaustive studies of the Nation Bureau of Standards pointed to the fact that with wide spread use of this technology, significant reduction of demand load could be experienced. The evaluation of the SAMM (the device) unit by Florida Institute of Technology's Dr. Pierre Larochelle confirmed this fact.

Mr. Bush, why does it take a catastrophic event to get the attention of the political community? This reminds me of the inquest that was inflicted upon Oliver North during the Contra Affair, when he warned against a terrorist that scared him badly enough to install an elaborate security system in his home to protect his family. That terrorist was Osama Bin-Ladin and Mr. North was mocked for having this overwhelming fear of some puny third world criminal. This mockery came from the illustrious Al Gore. Nonetheless, no one took this serious.... In like fashion, the energy problems that have plagued California are a growing problem. The reduction of such heavy demand load is an important part of the solution. We have the technology to provide important help, but we need assistance and we are ignored.

I have tried to obtain help from our state representative, but this has been treated with the same flippancy that we experience from David Garman (DOE) when even Carl Rove asked to see the result of the analysis performed by FIT. Mr. Garman, without any investigation, dismissed our technology as something he didn't have time for.

How do we make this technology known and how do we get the help we need, at this time, to get this product into production? As I have said to you before: Funding and federal assistance is given to so many "hair-brained" programs that never get heard from again and help no one..... I don't understand why such a worthwhile and timely project gets totally ignored.

Respectfully,

Nate Cummins

Controlled Energy Technologies, Inc.

From: [Dyslexia Research Institute <dri@talstar.com>](mailto:dri@talstar.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 7:39:21 PM

Subject: Response to the Wednesday Compliance Letter Meeting - Or How Not to Get Hit By
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Attachments: jeb letter.doc

From: [Longino, Sarah <longins@ocps.k12.fl.us>](mailto:Longino.Sarah@ocps.k12.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 7:31:31 PM

Subject:

August 15, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing in response to our just-released school grade of D. We are just starting our third year so this is the first school grade that we have received. We have been in limbo since the scores of other schools were released in May. Until today, our grade has been an Incomplete. Apparently, there was an error made somewhere along the line in regard to the grade level data of the students tested. I do not know if the problem originated with us, with the Orange County School Board, or with Tallahassee. I do know, though, that it has taken too long to resolve the problem and that the resolution released today is certainly not acceptable.

To my understanding, one or more boxes of 10th grade tests were mixed with or labeled as 11th or 12th grade tests. This resulted in an inaccurate statistic regarding the percentage of 10th-grade students tested. Documentation of the testing data was compiled and sent to Tallahassee during the summer. The problem has not been resolved satisfactorily, however, because the State seems to think that we only tested 80% of our 10th graders while our data show a number more near 98%.

We have been awaiting our grade for months. Today we were issued a D grade. There are several upsetting aspects of this situation. First, with our test scores, there is no way that we earned a D grade. Apparently, we were dropped one grade because of our low testing percentage. Secondly, our principal and the entire school community were informed of this grade by the media on the 6 a.m. newscasts. It is unconscionable that the media knew before the school knew. When our principal called Tallahassee to discuss the grade he was treated quite rudely and was told that they didn't have time to look into his individual situation. We will have to submit rafts of data (again) and wait an undetermined amount of time. The principal indicated that the woman with whom he spoke was not very helpful. She did, however, agree to look into the possibility of returning our grade to an Incomplete instead of a D.

I do not know if you have any comprehension of the impact of the school grading system. It affects school morale, student behavior and attitudes, parent and community attitudes and even real estate values. I have been a teacher in Florida for more than 20 years, including all of the years since we have started receiving grades. This is my first experience with a problem in the data analysis involving school grades. Frankly, I am appalled at the lack of help and the lack of concern on the part of the State in resolving problems. We are just one school with problems. I presume there are many others, too.

We would all appreciate it if you could have someone spend a bit of time looking into our school's problem. It may not be a big issue for you but it certainly is for us.

P.S. If our wonderful principal has a heart attack and dies over the weekend.....we will hold the State of Florida responsible!

Very truly yours,
Sarah Longino
Science Department Chair
Timber Creek High School
1001 Avalon Park Blvd.
Orlando, FL 32828

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[References: Florida State Constitution I.24, Florida State Statutes Chapter 119, and OCPS Management Directive A-9.]

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From: Jonlaura2@aol.com <Jonlaura2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 7:05:37 PM

Subject: My daughter...I need your advise and suggestion please

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From: [sunny <sunny@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:sunny@sunny@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 6:34:55 PM

Subject: MORE

Dear Governor JEB!

The new neighbors running roughshod over this once very fine area...are buying up homes immediately...I wanted to say, in the other note. They crowd into these homes until they have enough money to put another family into this area, very close to my own home. I called the CODES people who told me to call the Sheriff. Businesses are being run from these devastated homes, in violation of all the rest of our own rights that are not being protected. The people seem to be prospering, hand over fist...as they are all driving new vans...and more and more new vans. They put cars and trucks up on the lawn areas and the one other point, for now...is that they pass themselves off for other races...such as Puerto Rican and Brazilian. I believe they are coming through Brazil. They put Mid Eastern statuary in their yards...or huge salamanders...(cookers) on their front porches. One group has a fence of wrought iron...that has the look of a shoe polish "paint job." He parks his jalopy up alongside on one vacant lot next to his trashy house, behind mine. This is prime real estate that is going to the dogs, in other words...when the Home Owners' Association could well help us. There is nothing that regulates or checks up on the imposter "presidents" and officers, it appears to me. The Sand Lake Newsletter, has a website. The "president" boasts of how he "takes calls." The most flagrant of violations...I pointed out to him, via telephone. He demanded that I identify myself and pay up \$70 before he would even "look" at the offenders who are right out there for EVERYBODY to see. His list of "calls taken" number into the hundreds. That does not mean he addresses any of the problems. I think this has to be a question for the Attorney General to look into and our legislature to remedy. I trust you would agree. If we put felonious types from other countries, and worse...into our neighborhoods...as readily as it all seems to be...then we can count on rolling neighborhood slums all around this state. All situations would be alleviated if only we would stop the onslaught of this anti-American neighborhood war, facilitated by HUD and the misinterpretation of same. We must make certain that homeowner leaders are not merely scamming the people, taking huge sums and then running off with any improvements...as we know he is about to do with the new fence/wall approval. The area close to the president will be the place where the improvements will be made. My lawn care person...who is also a tennis coach for the country clubs around here...and a person who is a Republican...knows all about what I send to you in this note. He knows the Muslims are a serious threat, if one goes merely by the demeanor of these people. A HUGE threat, I must add. The overturning of our homes is putting us all in a quandry, for certain. If you can change any of this...it would be better for Florida...even better than saving the manatees.

Thank you,

M. Weather

From: Arduindonna@aol.com <Arduindonna@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 6:13:17 PM

Subject: Re: FW:

Attachments: future focus.doc

Child Welfare White Paper_FINAL_2.doc

My thoughts are attached in the "future focus" document.

From: Scott7759@aol.com <Scott7759@aol.com>

To: michael_freeman@dcf.state.fl.us

CC: shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us

[Jeb Bush](#)

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Date: 8/15/2003 6:04:04 PM

Subject: IQC Meeting

Hi Michael,

I haven't heard anything about the September's meeting of the Interagency Quality Council. I know that the dates have changed from September 10-11 until the 24-25. I am looking forward to attending the September's meeting in Orlando. My agency has acquired a few new consumers; however, this new rate structure is terrible for providers. I know that something had to be done; however, these new rates will doom many providers. Our consumers can be quite difficult to work with at times. I had to lower the pay scale for all of my employees. I was paying like \$11.00 to \$13.00 an hour, but to stay in business I had to put all of my employees at \$9.75 an hour. It wouldn't be bad if the state would start adding individuals onto the program. I am trying my best to stay in business while working on my master's degree. I only need seven more classes to earn it. I will continue to speak up on the issues that concern me as a client receiving services myself, and now as a provider of services through the Home and Community Based Services program which is an outstanding concept and theory that allows individuals with developmental disabilities to live in their own communities.

Sincerely,
Scott Barrish
Been There, Inc.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Colleen Castille \(colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us\)](mailto:colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:57:38 PM

Subject: FW: still concerned with fragmented review of state issues and want to preserve ICW lands

[please respond.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Bush, Jeb [mailto:BushJ@eog.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:54 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: still concerned with fragmented review of state issues and want to preserve ICW lands

-----Original Message-----

From: Britt [mailto:jaxbritt76@fcol.com]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2003 8:41 AM

To: BushJ@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: still concerned with fragmented review of state issues and want to preserve ICW lands

----- Original Message -----

From: [Britt](#)

To: BushJ@eog.fl.state.us

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2003 8:19 AM

Subject: still concerned with fragmented review of state issues and want to preserve ICW lands

Governor Bush:

I think the state must step up to the plate as to preserving more land along the ICW! Soon, it will be too late and that option will not be available! I would be more than happy to provide a list of Jacksonville needs in close range of my own home!!!!

Recently, I expressed great concern to the state about a private developer being allowed to have changed the Community's protective TEXT of our local comprehensive plan making certain policies not applicable to that proposed new marina development in the CHHA off of Atlantic Blvd. and allowing about 700 NEW units in an area that previously allowed for NO units and included agricultural designations to protect the wetlands along the ICW. Although some land was preserved of land that was already preserved, other land was changed so that a NEW category could allow NEW uses of higher density apartments on the ICW rather than the agricultural designation. This proposal impacts a school that was only recently coming out from under a cap. There are many local and regional problems with the marina proposal.

At the time I expressed concerns with the proposed text changes and the FLUM change in the CHHA, I also indicated my concerns with the fragmented review process.

Now, I am wondering why this marina project has not had to go through the DRI process which would pull the review together under one umbrella but I can get no response form our local planning director. I read the statutes to require DRI review for all marinas unless they meet the opt out provision of a recent change in those statutes and I do not see that Jax can do so. Again, the local planning director ignores my questions.

There have been multiple environmental permit applications which remain pending and a fair share agreement to address the congested and failed state roadways impacted by this marina project proposal and this one of three marinas coming on line affecting Pablo Creek is contiguous to the municipalities of both ATLANTIC BEACH and NEPTUNE BEACH which have separate comprehensive plans from Jacksonville's comp plan. How can this NOT need regional review!!!!!!

Again, I ask that the state look carefully at this CHHA land along the ICW where the density of housing will be INCREASING (e.g., apartments) in the COASTAL HIGH HAZARD AREA with the proposed mixed use marina development, adversely impacting state roadways!

Thank you for your dedication to preserving our state's treasures and what makes Florida Florida! I again complement you on the state staff as they have consistently responded promptly to my "citizen" questions and concerns [even if they can't do what I want. :)] Unfortunately, that has not been true at our local level even though the statutes require citizen participation in planning matters!

Valerie Britt

----- Original Message -----

From: [Britt](#)

To: JFEWELL@coj.net

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2003 7:53 AM

Subject: response to question about marinas?

Director Fewell:

It has been a week and I have not heard anything back from you even as to WHEN I can expect to hear an answer back from you or your department about our [marinas in Jacksonville](#):

QUESTION: What is the status of marinas here as to the statutory requirement for DRI review?

e.g., Are our marinas in Jacksonville required to go through the DRI review process?

If so, are any of the 3 pending Pablo Creek marina projects along San Pablo Rd (Atlantic, JTB, Beach) going through DRI review?

If so, under what DRI names and what is the timeline?

If Jax marinas are not required to go through DRI review, why not?

If any, what are the citations in our comp plan for the opt out if marinas not going through DRI review?

In trying to answer my own question (unsuccessfully), I re-read the comp plan elements looking for but not finding the language to opt out and I have reviewed the DRI maps given to me when I was on CPAC LUZ by Ed Lehman --in a training presentation our sub-committee pulled together for the CPAC around maybe 1999 --and the recent DRI map published in the Business Journal's corporate relocation guide. I see that the JaxPort and Blount Island are DRI's but don't see any indication that local marinas generally are on that DRI list. I am aware of proposed development activity pending for three different marina projects along San Pablo Road where I live and am very interested in hearing from you their status as to DRI review or not.

The courtesy of a response of at least info about when you will respond would be appreciated.

Time is of the essence as permitting is pending for area marinas. I read our city's Neighborhood Bill of Rights to mandate a response. I read the Growth Management Act to encourage citizen participation to the maximum extent possible.

Valerie Britt (904) 221-4945

----- Original Message -----

From: [Britt](#)

To: JFEWELL@coj.net

Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2003 12:56 PM

Subject: Re: When will I receive an answer? {awaiting a response as to director's determination if review marinas as DRI's}

Director Fewell:

When can I anticipate an answer back to my question about what determination has been made locally as to marinas and whether or not they need to go through DRI review and what comp plan language is being used as an opt out if not?

Valerie Britt

----- Original Message -----

From: [Britt](#)

To: JFEWELL@coj.net

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2003 3:27 PM

Subject: awaiting a response as to director's determination if review marinas as DRI's

Director Fewell:

I have not yet heard back from you as to whether you have determined either that none of the marina projects in Jacksonville have to go through the DRI review, or if any are already DRI's or are being reviewed as DRI's, or if opting out, the comp plan reference if we have adopted language to allow an opt out.

I look forward to your answer soon.

Valerie Britt

> ----- Original Message -----

> From: Britt <<mailto:jaxbritt76@fcol.com>>

> To: JFEWELL@coj.net

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> Sent: Monday, July 14, 2003 8:39 AM

> Subject: Re: Fw: who will determine if marina needs to be a DRI?

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> To: Jeannie Fewell, Director of Planning, City of Jacksonville

> From: Valerie Britt, Citizen, Individually and Valerie Britt, Director of

> Land Use & Zoning for PPCA

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> Dear Director Fewell:

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> I have some questions about 3 marina projects along our road (San Pablo Rd.

> at Pablo Creek) proposed that are not going through the DRI process. See

> Mr.

> Stansbury's general information below as well as my questions.

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> Could you tell me where I can find information on our Jacksonville marinas

> and how you determine whether they need to be reviewed as DRI's or not and

> which ones have gone through that determination and where I can find your

> decisions?

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> * I note from the DRI map that no marinas in Jacksonville are on the

> list of DRI's. If there are some, please point them out to me.

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> * I remember --and am sure you will --that the Johnston Island proposal
> for one casino ship on the same Pablo Creek/ICW had to go through the DRI
> process but that change in the FLUM/DRI was not approved.

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> * I note that we have not adopted into our comprehensive plan a boat
> facilities siting [sic: siting] plan to allow the statutory "opt out " of
> our
> marinas from the DRI review. (If I am wrong and we have adopted such a
> plan
> to allow us to opt out of DRI review for marinas, please give the element
> and
> page number citations as well as the transmitted resolution and adopted
> ordinance numbers.)

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> * There are no pending comp plan text amendments to adopt a boat
> facilities siting plan specifically to allow local opt out of marinas from
> DRI review

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> Director Fewell, I am very interested in reading more on the state marina
> requirements as well as our specific criteria and policy as to DRI
> requirements for marinas, as I had previously understood that before the
> 2002
> statutory marina opt out provision that all marinas in the state had to go
> through DRI review (e.g., Johnston Island proposal) and thought that they
> still do unless a community has adopted into their Plan a facilities siting
> plan.

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> Since it does not appear we as a community qualify for the new opt out for
> marinas as to DRI's, please refer me to our local determination criteria for
> marinas and and citations that will help me understand if none of them are
> having to go through the DRI review.

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> Or, if there are Jacksonville DRI's that are marinas, or Jacksonville
> marinas
> that are DRI's, please reference them from the RPC map of DRI's that I have
> as I can not determine any DRI's that are marinas or any marinas proposed
> that are on the DRI list.

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> Again, I do remember the 1998 planning discussions during the Johnston
> Island
> proposal that reported that even the one ship proposed there to be docked
> commercially triggered the need for the DRI review. I am now trying to
> understand the differences that are allowing other marina projects proposed
> to escape DRI review.

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> I will be happy to come in to pick up or come in to review on site our local
> marina siting criteria and the list of any marina DRI's upon your direction
> that they will be provided to me. Any Plan or code references would be
> appreciated.

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> Pursuant to the local Neighborhood Bill of Rights, I will look forward to a
> prompt response to my questions as a citizen.

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> Sincerely,
> Valerie Britt, Individually,
> and
> Valerie Britt, Director of Land Use & Zoning for Pablo Point Civic
> Association, Inc.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:57:02 PM

Subject: FW: Board of Optometry

Attachments: Pierie CV 2003 Revised (Shortened Version).doc

-----Original Message-----

From: Bush, Jeb [mailto:BushJ@eog.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:54 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Board of Optometry

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Easton Jr OD FAAO [mailto:EastonODRELIV@msn.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2003 10:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Jason R Rodriguez

Subject: Board of Optometry

July 23, 2003

Dear Jeb:

I would like to recommend Raymond Pierie, OD, FAAO for a second term on the Florida Board of Optometry.

I have known Ray professionally for 20 years. Over the years he has served the profession with distinction, has been awarded top honors from our colleagues in the FOA, and has been a true leader that represents your mission as Governor.

Ray and I were appointed by you at the same time in 1999 and it has been a pleasure working closely with Ray, to curb ULA, to strengthen rules regarding continuing medical education for Optometrists, to be vigilant in our service to protect the public, to educate our colleagues about Chapter 463 and Rules 63B-13, and to ensure we remain fiscally responsible to the State of Florida just to name a few.

Ray has chaired many of the committees within the Board of Optometry and has

been elected by our members as Chairman for 2003. As Chairman, Ray has done a superb job of organizing, actuating, and controlling the Optometry Board meetings and agenda. Ray's leadership and dedication to service above self is paramount, and with the above mentioned compliments, I highly recommend Dr, Raymond Pierie for a second term on the Florida Board of Optometry.

I have included a CV for your information and files for Jason Rodriguez. If you need any further information about Ray, please do not hesitate to call me.

Best Regards,

Robert M Easton Jr OD FAAO, Vice-Chair

Florida Board of Optometry 1999-

Board Certified Optometric Physician

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ceo@doctorsmemorial.com

Date: 8/15/2003 5:56:41 PM

Subject: FW: Malpractice Insurance

Jim, thank you for writing. I hope that the bill I signed into law helps you soon. I believe it will provide some relief. It was the best we could do given the need to compromise with the Senate to get any bill at all.

[Jeb Bush](#)

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Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:54 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Malpractice Insurance

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From: Jim McKnight CEO [mailto:ceo@doctorsmemorial.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2003 2:35 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: levine alan

Subject: Malpractice Insurance

Governor, thanks for Herculean effort to resolve the malpractice crisis. As a rural hospital in North Florida we have experienced the 360% premium increase over the past three years (No Claims) while raising our deductible from 10,000 per occurrence to \$100,000 per occurrence but that pales in comparison to the news of today, I read in the Tallahassee democrat today that TIG our carrier is pulling out of Florida. This action threatens our very existence as there were only two carriers that would quote our hospital last year. Our renewal is up in November at which time we will need to pay for tail coverage and hope that some entity will surface to write our policy. This will adversely affect the healthcare in a three county area as we operate the hospital, six rural health clinics, a home health agency and the air and ground ambulance. Also threatened is our new obstetrics program scheduled to open in November. Our current carrier had agreed to include our obstetrician on our policy, but now they are leaving. Governor the people of our County passed a one cent sale tax to fund our new state of art facility and now our future operations and viability are on the line. Coincidentally I met with Senator Aregnziano who was in Perry today. She was not very encouraging and is obviously not in your court. I attended your news conference with the physicians you held two weeks ago and I could tell that you are personally doing everything you can to solve this problem. Let me know how we can help. Jim

From: [Carr, Diane <Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us>](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:51:43 PM

Subject: Re: Letter of Importance fup

Will do.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Frank Ryll](#)

BCC: [Scheduling Team](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:50:41 PM

Subject: RE: fup

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Jeb

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Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 1:29 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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To: [Frank Ryll](#)
BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:50:42 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Bill and Ida Thompson](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:48:54 PM

Subject: RE: Rally for Malpractice Insurance Caps

thank you for writing. The bill was the best we could do and while I am confident that it will improve the situation, we are prepared to work on this issue again if we don't get positive results. Again, I really appreciate your taking the time to write.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill and Ida Thompson [mailto:b.thompson4@comcast.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 9:31 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Rally for Malpractice Insurance Caps

Thank you for organizing the Rally in July for the promotion of your proposed \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages for Malpractice claims. We appreciate you being a friend of medicine and appreciate all the publicity you generated statewide to try to educate the general public about the Medical Crisis in our state. Unfortunately, until people have to go to other states for medical care, they/the public will never really know or understand the crisis the insurance companies have created for medical doctors.

My husband, Dr. William Thompson, is an orthopaedic surgeon. He went to Univ of Miami Medical School, Trained at UM/Jackson Memorial Hospital for 5 years and did a sports medicine fellowship in Los Angeles with the founders of sports medicine, Kerlan/Jobe Sports Medicine Clinic. As he said, "we aren't grown on trees and it has taken me 10 years past of post-graduate work to become an orthopaedic surgeon." The general public sees doctors as wealthy. They do not see the years of training, sweat tears and compassion that they give to their patients. Doctors do not become doctors anymore to become rich. They want to take care of people - complete strangers.

I know I'm preaching to the choir. I wanted you to know that we, the Medical community and my husband and I appreciate your unwavering support. Senator Jim King is a disgrace of a politician and reminds one of the days of "Good old boys in office who only listen to powerful lobbyist." You, on the other hand are a pragmatic businessperson and I admire your approach to the governorship.

Please put us on your fundraising mail list. We'd love to support anything you do in regard to your political career.

Gratefully,

Dr & Mrs. William H. Thompson IV

3726 Bobbin Brook Circle

Tallahassee, FL 32312

(850)893-4886

written by Ida Mattia Thompson.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [R.A.L.](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:45:39 PM

Subject: RE: Congratulations

thank you Rod.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: R.A.L. [mailto:LoveCsU@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 9:10 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Congratulations

Dear Governor Bush:

Congratulations on the successful medical malpractice legislation, of which is a credit to your leadership abilities of developing consensus. As a proactive measure, please do not hesitate to engage my leadership abilities in an effort to ensure that Florida is prepared in the event of a similar crisis to that of New York and Canada in a way of a power black out. I am sure that discussions have already taken place to make certain that we are prepared, however I wanted to ensure that I stand ready to assist.

Respectfully

Rod Love

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Shelly Brantley](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:39:51 PM

Subject: RE: fup

[thank you for your quick response to this.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 8:26 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: fup

FYI. I had a meeting with the FI. DD Council this evening to discuss abuse and individuals with developmental disabilities. In addition to training already underway in 5 regions of the state on sexual abuse among individuals with DD, the DD Council recently announced an ITN to address education on growth and sexuality for individuals with DD. The Council is very supportive and interested in working together to find solutions and partner with our program on any needed changes. I plan to meet with executive board members again next week. I will also meet with the provider and support coordination groups again tomorrow to discuss plans further.

Shelly

From: Scott7759@aol.com <Scott7759@aol.com>

To: Diana_Lincoln@dcf.state.fl.us

CC: shelly_brantley@dcf.state.fl.us

[Jeb Bush](#)

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Date: 8/15/2003 5:33:50 PM

Subject: Your wheelchair

In a message dated 8/12/2003 2:34:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time, Scott7759 writes:

I have an Invacare Ranger X electric wheelchair which is only less than eighteen months old. In the last month, it required over \$2,000 in repairs. Medicare and Vocational Rehabilitation paid over \$8,600 for the chair. I just got my joystick back yesterday from Custom Mobility which took a month to get it repaired from the Invacare factory in Ohio. My old electric wheelchair is also an Invacare, and it is over seven years old, and it never required this much repairs. This new wheelchair is supposed to be a heavy duty chair. Invacare has no customer relations because my father call their factory in November about my other motor problem, and they told him "that Invacare only deals with venders concerning problems with their wheelchairs." Some of these problems with my situation are due to lack of wheelchair transportation in the Tampa Bay area. Custom Mobility in Largo does excellent work if you can get the chair over to them. My parents were in Ohio for the month, and I had no way to get to their shop.

I have been receiving services under the Florida Home and Community Based Services program since 1998. The quality of my own services have been quite poor. Most of the problems that I have to endure are from the lack of support services such as: transportation, lack of accessible and affordable housing for the handicapped, employment opprotunities and etc. I am extremely active with the program as a client and now as a provider of services with my own agency called Been There, Inc. I am also a graduate student here at the University of South Florida where I only need seven more classes to earn my master's degree in rehabilitation counseling. This Home and Community Based Services program is an excellent concept and theory to allow individuals with developmental disabilities to live in their own communities. The current system is not working for the vast majority of the consumers receiving services, and I have

seen no indication that the system redesign will improve the system either. Right now, the state and Mercer have slash the rate structure by nearly one-third which would hinder the program from acquiring excellent staff to work with this difficult population.

We need people in Tallahassee that totally comprehend and understand the true plight of individuals with developmental disabilities. I would bet money that the Delvarma Foundation, Mercer or Maximus all involved with cutting services for this population has nobody on the payroll with a severe physical or developmental disability working for them. Meanwhile, they have no knowledge about the true needs of this population. I will continue to speak out on the issues that concern me and tens of thousands of other individuals with developmental disabilities. This huge federal and state program is costing us vast financial resources. I have been expressing my concerns to the state since 1999. Nobody seems to know how to solve the difficulties that we are facing inside the program. Slashing provider rates by nearly one-third will only hinder the program from enhancing the lives for individuals with developmental disabilities.

These new rates may be unconstitutional. Back in the early 1970's, President Nixon and Ford wanted to fix wages and prices at a certain level; however, the United State Supreme Court said, "it was unconstitutional." These new rates especially being so low could be challenged by providers. Delvarma Foundation, Mercer, and Maximus all need to be booted out of the state because their jobs are to slash and burn services for individuals with developmental disabilities. The state needs to re-examine their work. We need a better vision that works for all individuals receiving services through the Florida Home and Community Based Services program.

Sincerely,
Scott Barrish
Been There, Inc.

From: [McCain, Diane <Diane.McCain@fldoe.org>](mailto:Diane.McCain@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:28:07 PM

Subject: Teacher of year idea

Now all we need here in Turlington is

for Cheryl C.

to become our Teacher of Year and
League of Teacher person...here within DOE

under Warford, then she can be direct liaison with
Sharon B., you, Kathleen, Patricia, etc.

How's that for clever, unsolicited idea?

You don't have to answer on public email.

Diane

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 1:18 PM

To: McCain, Diane

Subject: RE: 3rd DCA apptmt. THANKS!

Thank you Diane.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: McCain, Diane [mailto:Diane.McCain@fldoe.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 7:30 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: 3rd DCA apptmt. THANKS!

Governor"

While I was at capitol today, got voice mail message from
Frank himself saying you you've made an appointment
---Frank Shepherd to 3rd DCA.

This is great news!

I am tickled, overjoyed and thrilled!

No one will wear the robe better! You made a good solid decision!

My dad served on 4th DCA hundreds of years ago...this is great for Frank
and his family!

He will do a good job for all of us in Florida!

Diane McCain

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To: rwpierie@yahoo.com

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Eli.Ferrera(EOG)(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us))

Date: 8/15/2003 5:01:11 PM

Subject: FW: Letter of Recommendation

Attachments: Easton Letter of Recommendation July 2003.doc

[Thank you for your recommendation.](#)

[Jeb](#)

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From: Bush, Jeb [<mailto:Jeb.Bush@eog.state.fl.us>]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Letter of Recommendation

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From: RWPierie [<mailto:rwpierie@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Friday, July 25, 2003 3:57 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Jason R. Rodriguez

Subject: Letter of Recommendation

[Dear Governor Bush,](#)

[I attached a letter of recommendation for Dr. Bob Easton for re-appointment to the FL Board of Optometry for your review.](#)

[As a side note, I would like to tell you that the men and women serving on board the USS Abraham Lincoln were super impressed with your brother's flight to the carrier. My son was one of the LSO officers who helped guide President Bush's plane to a safe landing. In fact, if you noticed the F/A-18E Super Hornet positioned behind the President during his speech, that was the plane my son flew on board from N.A.S. LaMoore. Just a short few months earlier he himself returned from serving 3 1/2 years on board the U.S.S. Kitty Hawk. They had several tours to the Persian Gulf and to the Korean Penninsula during that time. Very challenging parts of the globe to be sure.](#)

[As a nation, we are very fortunate to have President Bush serving as our President during these trying times. He is truely a great leader.](#)

[As a state, we are equally fortunate to have you serving as our Governor. Thank you for the leadership and wisdom.](#)

[Sincerely,](#)

[Ray](#)

[Raymond W. Pierie, O.D., F.A.A.O.
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [McCain, Diane](#)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: dc618@msn.com

Date: 8/15/2003 4:55:27 PM

Subject: FW: Letter of Importance

Attachments: Letter to State Reps..doc

Thank you for writing. I have passed on your letter to my chief legal counsel.

Jeb

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From: Bush, Jeb [mailto:Jeb@eog.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Letter of Importance

-----Original Message-----

From: Doris Carden [mailto:dc618@msn.com]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 7:11 PM

To: bushj@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: Letter of Importance

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you read the attached letter.

Sincerely,

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Allan' 'Bedwell \(Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Allan.Bedwell@dep.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:51:54 PM

Subject: FW: piney point plume

[please respond](#)

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Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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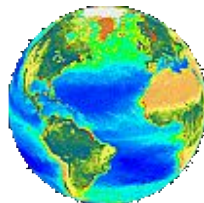
From: Ralf Brookes [mailto:Ralf@ralfbrookesattorney.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 11:27 AM

To: jeb@gulf1.com; bushj@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: FW: piney point plume

SeaWiFS Project



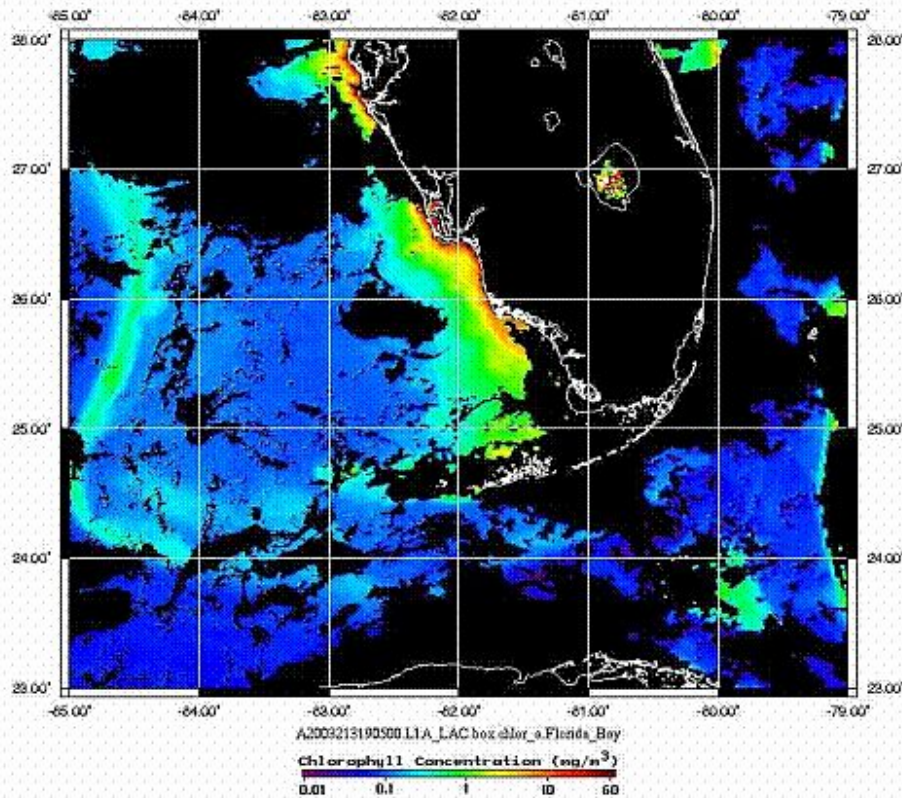
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**Featured MODIS Image
Ribbon of Chlorophyll**

There is a ribbon of water having elevated chlorophyll concentrations along the left edge of the image at right. Researchers at the University of South Florida's [Institute for Marine Remote Sensing \(IMaRS\)](#) have suggested in [published reports](#) that nutrients dumped from a wastewater barge, or nutrients from the Mississippi River, or both are being advected southward by the Gulf of Mexico's [Loop Current](#) and are promoting the growth of chlorophyll bearing phytoplankton along the course of that current.

Note that the apparently elevated chlorophyll concentrations over Cay Sal Bank (lower right corner of image) and the rest of the Bahama Banks (right edge of image) are false readings caused by light reflected off of the ocean bottom.



This image was collected on August 1, 2003 by the Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer ([MODIS](#)) flying aboard the Aqua satellite.

The SeaWiFS Project has begun processing MODIS data as part of a prototyping activity to demonstrate capabilities needed to support an [ocean color mission](#) scheduled for launch towards the end of this decade.

The data from which the image at left was made are available via the "Global Ocean Color Browse Utility" hyperlink below. Alternatively, you may go directly to the page displaying the [Aqua-MODIS scenes collected on August 1, 2003](#) and click on the Gulf of Mexico.

NOTE: All SeaWiFS images and data presented on this website are for *research* and *educational* use only. All commercial use of SeaWiFS data must be coordinated with [ORBIMAGE](#).



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By PAMELA SMITH HAYFORD, phayford@news-press.com

Treated wastewater dumped into the Gulf of Mexico from an abandoned phosphate plant near Tampa hitched a ride on the so-called Loop Current — taking the water south some 100 miles west of Fort Myers to the Keys near Marathon.

“It is definitely a concern. The question is: How real of a problem is this becoming?” said Mitchell A. Roffer, a Miami oceanographer hired by the state as a third-party reviewer.

Satellite images showed the stream of wastewater from Piney Point Phosphates near Marathon on Friday, and it is expected to continue east along the Gulf Stream.

Roffer said the wastewater, with its ammonia nitrogen, could contribute to red tide, a bloom of toxin-producing algae that has left dead fish along Lee County shores in recent weeks. But he adds the wastewater may not be responsible for recent fish kills.

“It could have been a million things that could have caused them (the fish) to die,” Roffer said. “We can’t go crazy over one set of dead fish or two sets, but if there’s a pattern developing, we want to know about it.”

Longtime environmentalist and documentary film producer Gary Burris of east Naples said he fears the Piney Point water will have an enormous impact, from the shrimping industry to coral reefs.

“That’s the seed bed for a very popular inshore fishery that brings in billions of dollars,” Burris said. “Everybody who builds a boat, sells fishing tackle ought to be real angry about this.

“The whole chain is going to suffer for this, and I’ll bet they keep doing this.”

The state began dispersing the water 120 miles offshore July 20 because high water levels at the abandoned plant threatened to breach dikes holding 1.2 billion gallons of acidic wastewater.

A spill at the plant would have destroyed the nearby estuary — brackish coastal waters where hundreds of creatures spawn and spend their youth protected from predators of the sea.

Officials with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection say the current is helping disperse the water and is not a threat to sea life.

Excess nutrients in the Piney Point water drop to normal levels within four hours, said DEP spokeswoman Deena Wells.

“The nutrients are used up by the time they get down to the Tortugas,” Wells said. “To confirm, we are attempting to get some ambient water samples.”

Neither the state nor Roffer has any evidence of the Piney Point water reaching Lee County shores.

“It does not appear — the big word is appear — to be going into the coast,” Roffer said.

Generally, the Loop Current stays well offshore, but sometimes eddies break away and move landward. Such an eddy could pick up the wastewater and carry it to Lee County.

Richard Pierce, director of the center for ecotoxicology at Mote Marine Laboratory, said he doubts the Piney Point water is directly responsible for the recent fish kills here.

“Those are consistent with the red tide kills we’ve been having,” Pierce said.

The state took over responsibility for the phosphate plant in 2001 after its owner, Mulberry Corp., went bankrupt.

In April 2003, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued an emergency permit to release the water 40 miles offshore.

After protests from environmental groups and commercial fishermen and spongers, DEP agreed to go farther out, where the water is at least 650 feet deep.



Doug Kabler, 25, of Fort Myers casts a line near a dead grouper, one of many fish decomposing on the beach near Big Carlos Pass south of Fort Myers Beach. A discharge of treated wastewater from an abandoned plant may have contributed to recent fish kills here.
GARTH FRANCIS/news-press.com

Ralf Brookes

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: D_OTTENSTROER@email.msn.com

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Date: 8/15/2003 4:50:07 PM

Subject: FW:

[Thank you Duane. I appreciate the recommendation.](#)

[Jeb](#)

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To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW:

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From: D_OTTENSTROER [mailto:D_OTTENSTROER@email.msn.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 2:02 PM

To: bushj@eog.state.fl.us

Subject:

Jeb

Thanks for working hard on the malpractice caps. A J Johns is asking to be appointed to the JTA. He is an excellent choice. Thank you for your consideration.

Duane Ottenstroer

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [B. G. Douglas Burnett \(douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil\)](mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:47:42 PM

Subject: FW: New Chief, National Guard Bureau visits Fla Nat'l Guard Headquarters

What is the speedlimit issue? Why is it a BRAC problem?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Bush, Jeb [mailto:BushJ@eog.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 7:52 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: New Chief, National Guard Bureau visits Fla Nat'l Guard Headquarters

-----Original Message-----

From: Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG [mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:56 PM

To: 'Bush, Governor Jeb'

Cc: 'Shanahan, Kathleen M.'

Subject: New Chief, National Guard Bureau visits Fla Nat'l Guard Headquarters

Governor,

Last Friday and Saturday, we hosted a regional Adjutants General conference here in St. Augustine at the request of the new Chief, National Guard Bureau, Lieutenant General H Steven Blum. The President and SecDef appointed a real "winner" here.

He was also the keynote speaker at the Officer Candidate School graduation at Camp Blanding. He was very complimentary of our operations and stated positively that we had the best Officer Candidate Program he had ever visited. (We changed the process to significantly increase production--highest graduation rate in the S/E Region) He is going to help us move forward on our vision for a new Officer Candidate School and Leadership Academy. He said he would locate the regional Joint Warfighting School at Camp Blanding and support funding for the new facility in congress.

On an operational note, he was very concerned about the 65 MPH Speed Limit in front of Camp Blanding. We have been working with Fla DOT for over a year to reduce the speed limit along with warning signs. Will work that harder and let you know if we don't get results. Nothing so far. General Blum was concerned about possible serious accidents with our slow moving military trucks entering and leaving Camp Blanding with fast moving traffic just outside the main gate. This would be a serious "hit" if reviewed by BRAC.

Just wanted to let you know the new Chief has been very complimentary of your Nat'l Guard and is saying this across the country.

Regards,

Doug

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Dawn Taylor](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:37:42 PM

Subject: RE: A thank you and more fup

Dawn, once again, I will look into it.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Dawn Taylor [mailto:dawna6@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 8:31 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fw: A thank you and more

Dear Governor Bush,

In June of last year, I sent you the following email concerning your support for funding an additional unit at Sunland Mariana for persons with Autism.

As you may or may not be aware, the funding was approved last year. But when positions changed within the system, the prior approval was forgotten and everyone was required to justify the program again. People scrambled and resubmitted everything, but everything just stopped. That is all I know, for I am not in the government...but I do know that in September of 2002 we were about to admit my son when all this happened. Now it is a year later and Sunland has a waiting list that would fill another unit in a minute...

Dr. Tracy Clemmons, Superintendent at Sunland and some tireless parents continue to work to try to make this happen for some very needy families.

I know you supported this before and I am pleading with you now....is there anything that can be done ?

Thank you very much, Dawn Taylor

----- Original Message -----

From: [Dawn Taylor](#)

To: [Governor Bush](#)

Sent: Sunday, June 16, 2002 8:08 AM

Subject: A thank you and more

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to express my deepest thanks to you, Judge Kearney, Bill Wendt, and Larry Pintacouda for supporting a much needed addition to Sunland Marianna. In a time when the state is supporting disabled persons to remain in their communities, we all must realize that there are cases where persons with disabilities and their families need the option of residential placement. It is not politically correct these days to say this, and I commend anyone who supports all placement options for persons with disabilities.

As you work towards improving our education system, with school choice and vouchers, our children with severe disabilities will someday truly achieve an education, with persons highly trained in specific disabilities and collaborative agencies with the same. At this time, as you know, that is not usually the case and unfortunately, the more severe the disability, the harder it is to find qualified personnel in these areas.

My husband and I met you in Pensacola, March of 1999 and had the pleasure of speaking to you for a few moments to discuss with you our concerns. We relayed to you a story of how our son with mental retardation and autism was charged with battery on a special ed aide. We also relayed how a local agency that provided behavior techs for our schools, caused a severe injury to our son. Both of these incidents occurred due to lack of training and expertise with the persons involved. That is pretty much what parents of children with severe disabilities deal with daily, either in school or in community services.

I hate to say it, but I am afraid that when Congress first approved the laws to bring children with disabilities into our public schools, they put the cart before the horse. The laws are good, but we have such a long way to go before the laws are implemented and the expertise is there to teach our children.

I think we are at such a crucial point in education, especially Special Education, that we really need to let the

communities know that they need to call on their businesses, and most of all churches....to get help teaching our children. Truthfully, I cringe when I go by a church and see it building more and more and more...and even parochial schools that have special ed classes in our community only accept the higher functioning individuals.....Do they just think its not worth getting involved? I dont know, but it is a tragedy. I know a Mom who has been all over town just trying to find a church that would take her daughter in while she attends the service and she still hasnt found one. I applaud the efforts you have made towards encouraging more involvement with private schools through the McKay Scholarships. I think as time goes by, if the Unions and School Districts just give it a chance it will work. Our time is about up with our son. He is 18 now, and we have swung from one end of the pendulum to the other. After years of trying to get appropriate services in the school and the community, we have come to the conclusion that Cliff will probably have a lot more chances in his life if he is in a residential placement. His aggression at home has worsened, and it is almost impossible to take him to a doctor, dentist, or other places in the community. His quality of life is extremely limited, as is ours.

When our situation worsened, we found out about what Sunland Marianna has done, through a survey from the CARD center, Tallahassee. We went to Sunland and met two wonderful parents who were instrumental in establishing this program for persons with Autism. They were in a desperate situation and their son was placed at Sunland a few years ago. Much to their dismay no one really knew about Autism and how to work with persons with Autism. So they rolled up their sleeves and got to work. With the help of Dr. Tracy Clemons, Sunland superintendent, they created a program to address the unique needs of this population, and they are still working to make it better. The Greers, Elizabeth and John live in Marianna now and visit Sunland almost daily to help in anyway they can, by bringing in workshops for personnel to decorating each clients room they way they like it. They both have the enthusiasm needed to keep people interested and moral up. Their son is doing very well now and they are so happy that he is content. The Greers have a mission to make this the best it can be and they never stop. A hope is that Sunland can be an Autism Treatment Center, in which research and quality care can be used to establish the best possible life for persons with Autism all over the state.

I wholeheartedly agree with this, and will do all I can to expand the possibilities for these wonderful, unique individuals with Autism, who still live in a world that doesnt understand them at all.

I do not know if my child has not accomplished much in his special education over the years because of his level of severity or because the school system can not address his needs. It is probably both.

But what bothers me is that parents seem to be loosing more and more in terms of laws these days, to the point that they dont have the options to accomplish reform in the schools anymore.

Two very important changes in the past few years in Florida, I feel are detrimental to helping parents solve their own problems without the use of a lawyer.

They are: a) There is no longer a Secretarial Review allowed as and option for a parent when they file a complaint with the State regarding their child in Exceptional Student Education. There is no longer anyone to watch over and regulate what the FI Dept. of Ed. is doing in regard to State Complaints.

b) In HB 4053, 2/14/2000, section 14, The repeal of a law most people have never heard of, statute 236.145, residential nonpublic school contract reimbursement. A School district is eligible to recieve up to 60% of the amount paid for residential, nonpublic school services contracts. DOE recommended repealing this law, saying it is no longer being funded or implemented.(I have to question if it is because no one knew about it! DOE probably didnt want to let too many people know about this) Under the substantive analysis of the hb4053, it does not support individual freedon, personal responsibility or family empowerment, which is stated as not applicable. It says the bill supports less government, which makes no sense on this issue. To me it is clearly a financial issue. DOE states this is outdated and not used, but I must say as a citizen, I had never heard of it.

I sent your office an email regarding this issue, and you forwarded to a Ms. Conn. Here is her response, see attached. Perhaps the argument is the McKay Scholarships will make up for this, but as I have told you before, for the severe population, the schools are not there.....To me this is a horrible way to deal with persons with severe disabilities, who cant speak for themselves and could have had an opportunity to get real education, and perhaps achieve enough independence early in life so as not to live off the state for the rest of their lives.....

Is there anything you as Governor could do to look at this law again? It is so critical.

I want you to know I think you and your administration is doing an admirable job, and I know that you have had to pick up the pieces of the previous adm. and try to put things back in order...What a job....

Thank you for all your help and please think about visiting Sunland someday soon. When you meet the Greers and Dr. Clemons, staff, and residents, you will be in for a real treat!

Sincerely, Dawn Taylor
3428 Bowker Drive
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8504926128

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [BARBARA MARANO](#)

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:35:52 PM

Subject: RE: GUSTAVO LEON

Thank you for your recommendation.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: BARBARA MARANO [mailto:barbiemarano@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 9:04 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: CC.SMITHPVCS@POL.NET

Subject: GUSTAVO LEON

Dear Governor Bush:

Rafael Miguel MD anesthesiologist from Tampa, Fl.
in my opinion is not looking out for the best interest
of the public.

I strongly support Gustavo Leon from Miami for the
position on the medical board. I know him personally
and believe in his fairness and integrity.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ernest DiGeronimo

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Lloyd Brown](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:34:25 PM

Subject: RE: med mal

They really don't like it. Scouts honor. They will sue and will go to the ballot to stop it.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Lloyd Brown [mailto:Lloyd.Brown@jacksonville.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 9:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: med mal

/Gov

Do the trial lawyers really dislike it, or is that just posturing while they hoist the champagne in private?

Lloyd Brown

Editorial page editor

Florida Times-Union

From: LisaMaile@aol.com <LisaMaile@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: Burma@mindspring.com

Date: 8/15/2003 4:32:50 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

As Floridians since the early 60's my wife Lisa and I would like to thank you for your efforts to retain Cypress Gardens as a state heritage landmark. Both of us have had opportunities over the years to visit and work at the park, as we are involved in the entertainment industry, owning a talent school in central Florida for nearly 22 years.

Cypress Gardens recalls the Florida of long ago, the pristine oasis that drew so many to our state over the past century. We would hate to see one of the last vestiges of our proud state go the way of so many others, and such a natural splendor laid to modern waste.

As a screenwriter, I travel frequently between Los Angeles and Florida, and am sure that losing Cypress Gardens as a film location would impact negatively on a film industry which is already waning over the past decade.

My wife Lisa was Florida's Citrus Queen in 1976 and made numerous appearances at the Gardens, a place which seemed then, as it does now, a refuge for all those who seek a remedy for life's daily travails.

We support and salute our efforts.

Sincerely,

Art D'Alessandro and Lisa Maile

Owners, Lisa Maile Image, Modeling & Acting, Winter Park, FL

From: amaloof@gjb-law.com <amaloof@gjb-law.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:23:11 PM

Subject: Dept. of Corrections (DOC)-Transition

Governor,

It has come to my attention that a recent DOC bill was approved in which a provision to fund a study for *privatization* was deleted. If the goal of the administration is to research this issue without incurring costs, I would be happy to *volunteer* and lead this effort to assist in identifying any potential benefits.

AI

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Frank Ryll](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:16:47 PM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Frank. He is being seriously considered. Frank, I need to speak to you about health care insurance.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank Ryll [mailto:fryll@flchamber.com]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 11:17 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Congratulations on a great victory this week. On a separate note I hope you will give strong consideration to Daryl McLaughlin for Commissioner of FDLE. God bless

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Nathan Cummins](#)

CC: [Allan F. Bedwell](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:15:30 PM

Subject: RE: SAMM motor controller.....

I can assure you Allan will not dismiss your concepts if they have merit.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Nathan Cummins [mailto:ceti@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 2:02 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Allan F. Bedwell

Subject: SAMM motor controller.....

Dear Governor Bush;

The power outage that was experienced by the eastern portion of the country is exactly what we have been talking about. Whatever the trigger was that start this whole thing, the cascading effect that knocked out such a large area of power is ultimately resultant from the extreme overloaded condition of the grid. It has been very frustrating to us trying to get the government to realize that the "demand load" that is needed to start the vast number of motor within the grid is a real problem. It is so obvious to all of us that deal with electricity that air conditioning is playing a major role in creating this excess demand on power suppliers. More frustrating still, is the fact that we have technology that would provide profound improvement of this situation. The exhaustive studies of the Nation Bureau of Standards pointed to the fact that with wide spread use of this technology, significant reduction of demand load could be experienced. The evaluation of the SAMM (the device) unit by Florida Institute of Technology's Dr. Pierre Larochelle confirmed this fact.

Mr. Bush, why does it take a catastrophic event to get the attention of the political community? This reminds me of the inquest that was inflicted upon Oliver North during the Contra Affair, when he warned against a terrorist that scared him badly enough to install an elaborate security system in his home to protect his family. That terrorist was Osama Bin-Ladin and Mr. North was mocked for having this overwhelming fear of some puny third world criminal. This mockery came from the illustrious Al Gore. Nonetheless, no one took this serious.... In like fashion, the energy problems that have plagued California are a growing problem. The reduction of such heavy demand load is an important part of the solution. We have the technology to provide important help, but we need assistance and we are be ignored.

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How do we make this technology known and how do we get the help we need, at this time, to get this product into production? As I have said to you before: Funding and federal assistance is given to so many "hair-brained" programs that never get heard from again and help no one..... I don't understand why such a worthwhile and timely project gets totally ignored.

Respectfully,

Nate Cummins

Controlled Energy Technologies, Inc.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Judge Charles Canady](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 4:10:05 PM

Subject: RE: Miami judges

Thank you Charles. I hope you and your family is doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Judge Charles Canady [mailto:canadyc@flcourts.org]

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2003 10:05 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Miami judges

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Allan F. Bedwell](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 6:02:29 PM

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From: [May, Warren C. <Warren.May@awi.state.fl.us>](mailto:Warren.May@awi.state.fl.us)

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[Faraj, Alia](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 3:00:29 PM

Subject: Letter to Editor--NYT

This was in today's New York Times.

To the Editor:

Bob Herbert ('No Work, No Homes,' column, Aug. 14) laments federal inaction to curb unemployment. But what about states that make it worse?

California, for example, has a minimum wage 31 percent higher than the federal minimum. This increases existing payroll costs and depresses incentives for job creation.

The other West Coast states, with wage mandates far above the federal minimum, similarly have unemployment rates higher than the national average. Most economic models predict this outcome. The role of state governments in the cost of job creation should not be ignored.

RICHARD BERMAN

Executive Director

Employment Policies Institute

Washington, Aug. 14, 2003

This same institute has some interesting facts about ACORN, the organization pushing for a minimum wage in Florida and elsewhere. I will summarize in a follow-up email.

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From: Angel.Cortinas@usdoj.gov <Angel.Cortinas@usdoj.gov>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 2:43:16 PM

Subject: Thank You

Governor, I would like to thank you for having considered me for a position on the 3rd DCA. For me, serving on this Court has been and continues to be a life-long dream. I had always been looking forward to meeting you and am glad I had that opportunity. Please know that I value the hard work and efforts you expend on behalf of all Floridians.

Yours very truly,
Angel A. Cortinas.

From: [Judge Charles Canady <canadyc@flcourts.org>](mailto:canadyc@flcourts.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 2:05:13 PM

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From: Jack Moran <jmoran@gulf.net>

To: [Kat Miller](#)

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[Tom Banjanin](#)

[Janice](#)

[Racquel](#)

[Jerry Melvin](#)

[Mark Obrien](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 2:27:03 PM

Subject: Re: Life Saving Curriculum Endowments at PJC

Dear Kat, (Kat, I am CC'ing this to several interested parties, because I think the Endowments are an essential element to the solution of Beach Safety).

There is no urgent hurry on this. Fmr State Rep. Jerry Melvin is heading a taskforce that involves a long list of dignitaries, organizations, media and citizens. This includes The World Health Organization, The World Council on Drowning, The US Life Saving Association, The Red Cross, The National Weather Service, CNN, The State Dept. of Health, The US Coast Guard Auxiliary, Navy SAR, The Center for Disease Control, and possibly even Opra Winfrey. The mission is to take steps to implement long-term solutions to the horrible & tragic drownings in NW Florida. We expect this Task Force to be able to launch a media, legislative and county lobby campaign sometime this fall or winter for the upcoming legislative session of 2004.

The solutions we have come up with so far include SIX ELEMENTS:

- (1) Establishing Statewide Credentialing Standards for each kind of Lifeguard. (Indoor pool, Outdoor pool, Outdoor Openwater [bays & lakes), Ocean Surf Life Saver, and Ocean Search), and for each kind of beach or recreational bathing water.
- (2) Establish a State Licensure program for all Lifeguards, as well as State Licensure for "Certified Protected Beaches". (your Nail Technician is licensed, but your Lifeguard is not . . . duh?!)
- (3) Establish a formal course of study at a community college to provide an AS Degree in Ocean Life Saving/EMS, hopefully at PJC.
- (4) Place Lifeguards and Life Saving under the oversight of the Director's of Emergency Management in each EMS District, statewide.
- (5) Establish a Certification and State supported information campaign for "Safe & Protected Beaches" for the entire state of Florida, the nation, and internationally.
- (6) Establish a statewide school, and internet-based training and education program for children up to the age of 16 to help engage, involve, and educate them in water safety, water environment preservation, and coastal knowledge.

Kat, I feel very strongly that the key to saving lives is education - of the Life Saving Specialist, and of the general public. That education needs to begin with those who dedicate their very LIVES every day (as do Firepersons, and Police persons) to such a career specialty. They are our champions! They are the people who will find the real, workable solutions to these problems in years to come. Establishing a curriculum is to basis for helping now, and helping our children cope with this problem in years to come.

Having a "Chair" will help establish, improve the quality of, and promote the founding of a curriculum at PJC. **Thus, my interest in a "Chair" and a scholarship endowment.** Perhaps it is a case of wanting to put my money where my mouth is . . . *smile*, also I know how motivational, beneficial and worthy Kevon's Paramedic Scholarship Endowment has been. I just

need help from you on how to accomplish the Chair and Scholarship endowments.

Having a Scholarship Endowment will give those motivated to be dedicated to RISK THEIR LIFE to save others, a way to realize their dream. I know that dream . . . It was Kevon Moran's Dream.

Jack Moran

----- Original Message -----

From: [Kat Miller](#)

To: jmoran@gulf.net

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 1:07 PM

Subject: Re: Endowments

Jack give a little time to research this for you. My exec. dir is out due to a death in the family - she'll be back Monday. I need to confer with her. But I'm sure we can work out something. Kat

Kat Miller

Annual Fund/Alumni Affairs Manager

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>>> "Jack Moran" <jmoran@gulf.net> 08/14/03 12:57PM >>>

Dear Kat,

Thank you for your kind and prompt reply.

A group of interested professionals in NW Florida are pursuing a goal to get the State to establish a curriculum for community colleges for a professional AS degree for Ocean Life Saver, probably combined with certification as an EMT.

Yes, I would like to set up a time in the near future for us to discuss these things.

- 1) Would it be possible for me to perhaps assign, or even take out an insurance policy to endow a Chair for such a curriculum, if and when it is established?
- 2) And, what would it take to establish a scholarship endowment fund (up-front cash) that would allow me to promote and solicit contributions for that fund, for a scholarship endowment for Ocean Life Savers?

Jack Moran

From: [BARBARA MARANO <barbiemarano@yahoo.com>](mailto:BARBARA.MARANO@barbiemarano@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: CC.SMITHPVCS@POL.NET

Date: 8/15/2003 1:04:08 PM

Subject: GUSTAVO LEON

Dear Governor Bush:

Rafael Miguel MD anesthesiologist from Tampa, Fl.
in my opinion is not looking out for the best interest
of the public.

I strongly support Gustavo Leon from Miami for the
position on the medical board. I know him personally
and believe in his fairness and integrity.

Sincerely,
Dr. Ernest DiGeronimo

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CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 12:19:16 PM

Subject: Fwd: Robert Woody (Chairman of Parole Commission)

Attachments: Robert Woody (Chairman of Parole Commission)

Dear gentlemen,

can you help Mr. Woody? I have met him on several occasions and i believe him to be a qualified and competent person.

darryl ervin rouson

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Date: 8/14/2003 1:42:50 PM

Subject: Robert Woody (Chairman of Parole Commission)

Hello Daryl :

Hope all Continues to be well for you family and friends .

Thank you for agreeing to communicate to **Atty . General Charlie Crist** the importance of **supporting Robert Woody** for the **position of Chairman of the Florida Parole Commission** .

As I shared with you this morning I have known and work with Robert for many years . Prior to accepting the position he presently is in with the Florida Department of Corrections Robert lived and work for DC in Gainesville . He has for many years donated his knowledge , talents and time to that community and beyond . His leadership service have been in the form of Chairman of Gainesville Chamber of Commerce (first African American) , Trustee - Santa Fe Community College , Trustee - Sun Trust Bank ,etc .

Additionally , Robert is a **long standing member** of the **Republican Party** and is a active member of the local Republican Committee . He worked and continues to work with Republican leadership at all levels of the Party to enhance the goals and principles of the Party **to include recruitment of more African American into the Party** . To that end he **works very closely** with **Dr . Dorsey Miller** .

Robert has worked hard on the Election and Re - Election Campaigns of Gov . Jeb Bush .

The Atty . General support for Robert Woody for this Position would communicate in a most genuine manner that Black Republican contributions are recognize and valued . Failure to do so would be a major set back in not only re - cruitment efforts but a set back for the future of Blacks aspirations and dreams of succeeding on the bases of merit .

Robert is available to provide any additional information you desire related to this effort .

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Best thanks and appreciation for your support to this
deserving friend .

Whitfield Jenkins

From: JamInfo@aol.com <JamInfo@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Struhs_D@DEP.State.FL.US
Ernie.Barnett@DEP.State.FL.US

CC: COMMONS-EVERGLADES@LISTS.SIERRACLUB.ORG

Date: 8/15/2003 11:09:24 AM

Subject: 90% of What Everglades is how clean!?

In an Palm Beach Post Op-ed dated 8/14/03 Florida Department of Environmental Protection Secretary Struhs posts fundamental non-science regarding:

"90 percent of the Everglades clean"

Dear Secretary Struhs;

We request that the Florida Govt in Tallahassee quit using this statement, as it is not scientifically defensible, and as such it is misleading the general public.

The attached counterpoint Letter to the Editor on the previous use of this statement by the Environmental Regulation Commission, et al, is germane.

Check your premises. Multiple falsehoods, misuse of data, and innuendo make this inept summary cliché one of the most outrageously erroneous statements ever to come out of Everglades politics.

Dozens of scientists, govt and non-govt, remain perplexed over the continued use of this statement by public officials, to the extent that your agency is becoming known as the Dept of Environmental Propaganda.

Some Everglades plan scientists have advised their bosses to avoid the 90/10 cliché.

On behalf of the citizens of Florida, we request, short of profanity, that the political scientists in Tallahassee quit using this cliché as well.

What we have persistently asked for and not seen, regarding the conceptual cliché that only 50% of the Everglades remains:

What was the actual percentage of Everglades remaining as of December 2001, compared with the original acreage? This is also known as the (pre)CERP baseline. Establishment of this baseline, would allow reporting of actual progress towards meeting the first stated objective of CERP: "Increase the total spatial extent of natural areas". The baseline, targets, and measurement of results approach is the same sound science GAO and the National Academy of Sciences have called for, and the prerequisite for another concept yet to be realized: Adaptive Implementation. Please give the people of Florida a reality check by moving the CERP in a results-based direction based on sound science.

The Duda Farms is part of the total historic Everglades spatial extent baseline, even though it is not now recognizable in geopolitics as Everglades per se, but contributes significantly to the Everglades restoration problems to be solved.

Thanks for getting back to the Governor's promise and CERP premise that the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan would be based on sound science. This is the Honorable thing to do.

John Arthur Marshall, President/CEO
Arthur R. Marshall Foundation & Florida Environmental Institute.

Copy to the Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor

Subj: **LTE: FDEP/ERC Science is not Clean**
Date: 8/2/03 9:04:47 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: JamInfo
To: letters@PBPost.com

LETTER TO THE EDITOR, PALM BEACH POST

In response to the 7-28-03 'Letter to the Editor' from the Chairman, Environmental Regulation Commission, Tallahassee and 7-14-03 Post's editorial 'Give Everglades guardian':

Conservationists applaud the Environmental Regulation Commission (ERC) setting phosphorous (P) standards at P = 10 parts per billion (ppb). However Congress, conservationists, and citizens of Florida remain perplexed at the extension of deadline for clean water, and misinformation surrounding legislation that bypassed the process of democracy by suppressing time for public comment.

Only a few weeks ago thousands of concerned Floridians pleaded with the Governor not to extend the Everglades cleanup for ten additional years, by vetoing a bill in which the public had little chance to comment. The people of Florida as well as Congress were totally ignored and now are being told that the Everglades is 90% Clean. This statement is based on unsubstantiated hypotheses.

Declaring that "90% of the Everglades is clean" misleads the public by trivializing a nontrivial, multiple pollutants problem, and projecting a position not defensible by sound science. Specifically:

Statement only considers Phosphorous (P); Many contaminants including the pesticides atrazine, diazinon, and endosulphan, exceed EPA tolerance standards; there are written warnings posted in the area in question, not to eat the fish due to mercury contamination; algal blooms caused by excessive nitrogen as well as P are common.

Spatial extent considered is about half the total Everglades ecosystem, when a Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) mandate is that the Ecosystem will be managed as a whole. Other areas of the ecosystem are much more impacted, especially Lake Okeechobee.

The 90/10 statement is based on an unsubstantiated hypothesis that bases P levels in the water on P levels in the soil. There is no established model or numeric correlation between P levels in the water and P levels in the soil.

There is no visible calculated fraction from which the 90/10 statement arose.

Soil sample data is based on 1998 data; since then the situation has gotten much worse.

Data is said to be correlated with cattail intrusion; cattail data is 1995 data; since then situation has gotten much worse.

The 90/10 statement is not based on the measurement system used by the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge and Everglades National Park.

Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP)/ERC data is not peer-reviewed, except here. No govt scientist outside DEP/ERC has been found that will own up to the 90/10 statements. There are indications that some govt agents have advised against the use of the 90/10 statements.

Peer-reviewed data in a 2003 govt report indicates: "Looking at the Everglades Protection Area as a whole, 38% of P concentrations were at or below 10 ppb" i.e., the clean/unclean ratio relative to P levels is closer to 40%/60% than 90/10.

We, the people, deserve better consideration than has been given us by Florida government managers. The Governor has promised CERP would be based on sound science. This is not that either.

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Collegiality and Courtesy are the magic words to success for this list.

Letter to the editor

Struhs: Senators' strings would tie Everglades plan up in knots

Thursday, August 14, 2003

The Post's editorial "Short Everglades leash" (July 26) is based on a false premise. Despite The Post's reports, Congress is not withholding money from Florida for restoration of the Everglades. Florida never was going to receive a check from the federal government for the project. If Florida's senators attach strings to federal financing, it only will further restrict the participation of the federal government in the historic effort to return a more natural flow of water to the famed "river of grass."

Since 2000, Florida has committed more than \$2 billion, including \$791 million invested and \$1.6 billion in bonds and cash, through the end of the decade. The federal government has contributed 14 percent of that amount, specifically to finance the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan.

When it comes to cleaning up the water entering the Everglades, the story is similar. Florida has invested more than \$600 million to clean up the water.

With 90 percent of the Everglades clean [!!!???] Florida is providing an additional \$650 million over the next decade to finish the job. Florida will meet or beat the requirements of the federal court schedule that governs this progress. The federal government cannot make the same claim.

Florida is keeping its commitment, no strings attached. We hope Florida's senators, who have been strong Everglades advocates in the past, would not now tie our federal partner agencies up in knots.

DAVID B. STRUHS,
Secretary, Department of
Environmental Protection
TALLAHASSEE

www.palmbeachpost.com/opinion/content/auto/epaper/editions/thursday/opinion_f3a38bce1027a0190061.html

From: guitarman@wfeca.net <guitarman@wfeca.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 5:29:56 AM

Subject: Viagra And Aids...This Is Not A Joke!!!

To Whom It May Concern,

Could You Please Tell Me Why This Sort Of Thing Is Happening??

*I'm On Disability, And I Don't Even Qualify For "FULL MEDICAID", I Just Qualify For The "SHARE OF COST" Program. Yet, These People Are Using And Abusing Medicaid. That Might Be Why I Don't Qualify For "FULL MEDICAID." There's Too Much "Using And Abusing" It. I'd Have To Pay Out About \$527.00 Each Month, **"BEFORE"** Medicaid Will Even Pick Up And Pay Anything. And, I Don't Draw But A Little More Than That, Each Month. So, There's A Lot Of Medication That I "DO WITHOUT", Simply Because I Can't Afford It. Like, Right Now, I've Got Two (2) Prescriptions At The Drug Store, That I Should Have Been Using. My Dr. Prescribed Them For Me A Couple Of Days Ago...But, I Can't Afford To Get Them Filled.*

Please Don't "Turn Your Back" On This Matter. The People That Are Using And Abusing Medicaid, Need To Be Stopped!

Or, The Laws Need To Be Changed, One, To Keep These People From Using And Abusing Medicaid In The Future.

Thank You Very Much For Your Time!

May GOD Richly Bless You And Yours!!

Richard Dennis

"We read much in the newspaper and see on TV about Medicaid cuts, the cost of prescriptions drugs, the cancellation of the eye glasses program and people having to choose between drugs and food. Yes, all distressing news! But did you know that Medicaid pays for VIAGRA? This is about \$40 per month for every male on Medicaid who asks his physician for it! How many pairs of eye glasses would that buy? Take it one step further! Men who are HIV positive and men with active AIDS are also getting VIAGRA paid by MEDICAID! So, we taxpayers are paying out of one pocket to treat HIV positive men and women and AIDS patients and the other pocket to help spread AIDS! How do I know this? I am a pharmacist! I dispense these medications! The next time you call your State Senator or Representative about Medicaid cuts remind him/her of this. Or, maybe just pick up the phone and call now to protest this misuse of taxpayer funds!"

From: Jrozekpotter@aol.com <Jrozekpotter@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 2:34:41 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

My name is Jamie Potter and I'm a 36 year old married mother of two girls. I moved to Florida after college in 1990 and have resided in the Bradenton / Sarasota area for 13 years now. I currently stay at home with my children, but prior to having children I taught school in Manatee County for 9 years. I'm proud to say I'm a registered voter who votes, and supports you and President Bush.

I'm writing today because I fully support the State of Florida purchasing all of Cypress Gardens. My first visit to Cypress Gardens was a little over eight years ago. At that time my husband and I were engaged and looking for the perfect place to unite as one. As we passed through the park gates I immediately knew that Cypress Gardens was a place where people cherished God's creations and that it was the place where I was going to marry. We had a fantastic wedding, family and friends from all over the county including Illinois, Wisconsin, Texas and New Mexico, flew in to join us in our celebration. We celebrated for the entire weekend, everyone staying in Winter Haven across the street from Cypress Gardens.

My husband and I were so in love with the park that we named our daughters Cypress and Lily accordingly. Prior to the sudden closing of Cypress Gardens we took our daughters to see, for the last time, their namesake. Our family has very conservative values and we strive to teach our children about family identity. Cypress Gardens is part of our family identity. When the park closed not only did 529 people lose their jobs, but part of our family's identity was also lost. Our hopes of our children marrying in the park now lays in the decision you and the Cabinet will make. Our oldest daughter Cypress has watched the news and cries when she sees the deterioration that has occurred since the closing. She no longer is asking, "What is going to happen to all the flowers?", but now asks, "When will we save Cypress Gardens?" My heart breaks when she asks me that question, and I want so much to say on August 26th, 2003.

Please know our family supports the State of Florida purchasing Cypress Gardens and opening it as a State Park even if it means using the power of eminent domain. It is imperative that we do not allow this part of Florida history to be lost forever as 9-11 has already taken too much. No amount of money can replace the various trees that exceed hundreds of years old, including the Cypress and Banyan trees, growing through the park. We need the wholesomeness this park represents, for us now, our children and their children to come.

Thank you for your time and God Bless,

Jamie Rozek-Potter
Bradenton, FL
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From: [Dinah P <dinahpulver@hotmail.com>](mailto:dinahpulver@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 1:33:36 AM

Subject: Nice work

Congratulations on finally getting an agreement. We sure needed it.

And thanks for the note on the state parks story. That was very kind of you.

Dinah Pulver

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From: Jamiel39@aol.com <Jamiel39@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 1:41:44 AM

Subject: Character Education and FCAT

Jeb:

Please figure out a way to be the first state to put Character Education on the state exams. We are in deep trouble down here in the tri-county area. One of the mildest indicators would be that the computer graphics teacher on our campus asked me for 25 headsets because students stole all of his. The language on campuses is horrible. I could go on and on but I'll stop.

Sincerely,

Jamie Logsdon
Palm Beach County School District
Forest Hill High School
Safe Schools Coordinator

From: [Bill and Ida Thompson <b.thompson4@comcast.net>](mailto:b.thompson4@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 1:30:46 AM

Subject: Rally for Malpractice Insurance Caps

Thank you for organizing the Rally in July for the promotion of your proposed \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages for Malpractice claims. We appreciate you being a friend of medicine and appreciate all the publicity you generated statewide to try to educate the general public about the Medical Crisis in our state. Unfortunately, until people have to go to other states for medical care, they/the public will never really know or understand the crisis the insurance companies have created for medical doctors.

My husband, Dr. William Thompson, is an orthopaedic surgeon. He went to Univ of Miami Medical School, Trained at UM/ Jackson Memorial Hospital for 5 years and did a sports medicine fellowship in Los Angeles with the founders of sports medicine, Kerlan/Jobe Sports Medicine Clinic. As he said, "we aren't grown on trees and it has taken me 10 years past of post-graduate work to become an orthopaedic surgeon." The general public sees doctors as wealthy. They do not see the years of training, sweat tears and compassion that they give to their patients. Doctors do not become doctors anymore to become rich. They want to take care of people - complete strangers.

I know I'm preaching to the choir. I wanted you to know that we, the Medical community and my husband and I appreciate your unwavering support. Senator Jim King is a disgrace of a politician and reminds one of the days of "Good old boys in office who only listen to powerful lobbyist." You, on the other hand are a pragmatic businessperson and I admire your approach to the governorship.

Please put us on your fundraising mail list. We'd love to support anything you do in regard to your political career.

Gratefully,

Dr & Mrs. William H. Thompson IV

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written by Ida Mattia Thompson.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [FASANO.MIKE.S11](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 1:25:50 AM

Subject: RE: Utility customers may get larger refund - St. Petersburg Times

[good work Mike.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: FASANO.MIKE.S11 [mailto:FASANO.MIKE.S11@fisenate.gov]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 11:17 AM

To: FASANO.MIKE.S11

Subject: Utility customers may get larger refund - St. Petersburg Times

Utility customers may get larger refund

The sum would amount to reimbursement for more than 10,000 Seven Springs customers, who could expect far less until something caught Mike Fasano's eye.

By STEVE THOMPSON
(c) St. Petersburg Times
published August 14, 2003

Water users in Seven Springs now stand to get a considerable chunk of nearly half a million dollars sitting in an Aloha Utility Inc. escrow account.

What appeared to be about a \$140,000 refund is looking more like a \$420,000 refund for Aloha's more than 10,000 Seven Springs customers.

Aloha collected about \$473,620 from its customers in Seven Springs in the form of about a 15 percent rate increase that began in November 2001.

The interim increase was designed to hold Aloha over while its request for a 55 percent increase found its way through regulatory channels.

The request was denied, so in May an appeals court ordered Aloha to refund much of what it had collected. The refund is to be split among customers in Seven Springs according to their water usage during the interim rate period.

It was state Sen. Mike Fasano, himself an Aloha customer, who noticed the discrepancy as he was looking at a notice from Public Service Commission staffers.

The notice indicated that the staffers were recommending that only about \$140,000 in the escrow account be refunded to customers. Aloha would keep the remainder, about \$333,000.

"There was nothing in the order that we saw that would allow them to keep such a huge amount of money," said Greg Giordano, a spokesman for Fasano.

"I mean, they lost their case," he said Fasano mused. "Why are they getting money?"

Fasano's office called Public Service Commission staffers, who looked into it and let them know last week that there had been an error.

"I read the staff recommendation and said that doesn't cut it," said Harold McLean, general counsel for Florida's Public Service Commission. "I think it was a simple mistake."

McLean said the Public Service Commission staff will not make its official recommendation until early September, but he expects the commission to recommend that Aloha return about \$420,000 held in escrow.

"They should not get any part of the interim (rate increase) after they filed the appeal since they lost the appeal," he said.

"That's the direction I believe the staff recommendation will take."

He said Florida law might permit Aloha to keep about \$50,000, the portion of the interim rate increase collected before the appeal process began.

But Giordano said Fasano will travel to a Public Service Commission staff hearing to fight the utility company's claim on even that amount.

"He doesn't feel that Aloha is entitled to anything," Giordano said.

McLean said the commission will hear staffers' recommendation and make its decision on Sept. 16.

From: [R.A.L. <LoveCsU@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:LoveCsU@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 1:09:33 AM

Subject: Congratulations

Dear Governor Bush:

Congratulations on the successful medical malpractice legislation, of which is a credit to your leadership abilities of developing consensus. As a proactive measure, please do not hesitate to engage my leadership abilities in an effort to ensure that Florida is prepared in the event of a similar crisis to that of New York and Canada in a way of a power black out. I am sure that discussions have already taken place to make certain that we are prepared, however I wanted to ensure that I stand ready to assist.

Respectfully

Rod Love

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 12:53:17 AM

Subject: Fw: SunCoast FCC

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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Date: 08/14/2003 08:52:17 PM

Subject: Re: SunCoast FCC

Ann, I am so excited to hear about family members (moms) especially who are clearly making every effort to ensure accountability of public dollars. The monthly billing summaries have proven to be invaluable to both our consumer directed care project and the program redesign. Please let me know how we can support your efforts. We want to do whatever possible to allow individuals and families to direct the supports they receive and ensure fiscal accountability. I applaud your efforts and look forward to any suggestions. I plan to attend the next statewide FCC meeting, but I am also open to meeting with the FCC in the Suncoast Region individually to hear your ideas.

Thank you for your tireless advocacy and commitment! I have never known a more courageous and inspirational group of families and individuals with disabilities.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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Subject: SunCoast FCC

Shelly:

I hope you are able to keep up with things? I cannot imagine.

Personally,

I have shut down this week and read two really good books that have been waiting for me!

We had our monthly FCC Board Committee meeting this afternoon. I wished you

could have been there. We had the best conversation (mothers) on how their individual is managing in the system. I just kept thinking to myself, "this

is what Shelly needs to be hearing." The hottest topic was providers not working the hours indicated on the financial reports families are receiving.

How can families be responsible and impress on the providers the seriousness of honesty?

I'm getting ready to do my annual FCC Bulletin to 4,000 families and the

centerfold is going to be on Stewardship of State Dollars. In this piece we plan to give examples of problems and how to solve them.

Particularly with the ICG being implemented, the individual needs every

quarter hour/hour they are suppose to have. I'm thinking of a sign in/sign out sheet for providers to be checked against the billing received.

I sure wish the statewide FCC had somebody that could help me with this.

Maybe someday! If you have anything, I sure would appreciate it.

From: NDyke@aol.com <NDyke@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 12:39:26 AM

Subject: DJJ

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to you in regards to the Department of Juvenile Justice.

My fifteen year old son was recently arrested at school last school year for something extremely petty and minor....this makes his third arrest in the Leon County School System. He has never been guilty of criminal behavior when arrested, in fact, all three times have been due to his impulsiveness with his disability. Instead of the schools going by the IEP (Individual Education Plan), they find it much easier to just send him to the School Resource Officer to arrest him, resulting in further damage to him after all my hard efforts on building his self esteem. This goes on a great deal in Florida schools and I was made greater aware of this at the Family CAFE in a workshop entitled "I am afraid my child will be arrested" - the room was packed with parents of children with disabilities being arrested. Parents are also being denied of their rights to appeal in a hearing.

On a recent visit to his probation officer which my oldest daughter took him to, the receptionist looked at my grandson (10 months old) and said to my daughter, "I hope he doesn't turn out like him", referring to my son and she said this in my son's presence. Not only was she damning my grandson, but labeling my son and calling him a failure. I raise him in a Christian home and He loves the Lord. He doesn't get into any trouble when he is home alone, at his friends homes or when he was in Christian school....only in the Leon County Public School System. My son has a lot of hope and a bright future but just think of kids in the system who don't have a good home life.....this one comment could put them over the edge. DJJ is not set up to help children and their families, just to hurt them and make things more complex. The State Attorneys Office pays no attention to a child with special needs and neither do the judges. According to laws I researched, the SRO, State Attorneys Office and the Judge should all have a copy of the child's IEP. This is not happening. Many kids in the DJJ system are kids in Special Education and I would like to know why this is not being addressed. There should be a seamless comprehensive plan for these children instead of constant prosecution in which the children have permanent records and a child is punished for his disability. I have also inquired with DJJ about meetings I could attend but was brushed off - I have valuable input I could contribute and want to be a voice for families.

I would like to speak with Mr. Blankhead personally as soon as possible regarding my son's mistreatment at DJJ. My son was also told that he has to pay for being on probation effective July and that "I can thank Jeb Bush". I am only repeating what was told. I thought our tax dollars went to support agencies and the like. My son is too young to be employed anywhere - he really wants a job bad but doesn't meet the age criteria.

I have been holding this in for a long time, but that comment made in front of my son by the receptionist (who is rude to others as well) is a very, very painful one after already having to have a child with special needs and the hardships of going through court, etc.

I also fear putting my son in public school for retaliation with the Leon County Schoolboard and Leon County Sheriffs Dept as I have filed formal complaints. It is obvious that my son and I have been victims of harassment for advocating for his rights under IDEA 1997. I am a homeowner, a taxpayer and my son is entitled to a Free and Appropriate Education in the Least Restrictive Environment.

Thank you very much for your concerns in this matter.

Sincerely,

Nancy A. Dyke

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 12:26:02 AM

Subject: fup

FYI. I had a meeting with the Fl. DD Council this evening to discuss abuse and individuals with developmental disabilities. In addition to training already underway in 5 regions of the state on sexual abuse among individuals with DD, the DD Council recently announced an ITN to address education on growth and sexuality for individuals with DD. The Council is very supportive and interested in working together to find solutions and partner with our program on any needed changes. I plan to meet with executive board members again next week. I will also meet with the provider and support coordination groups again tomorrow to discuss plans further.

Shelly

From: R528altara@aol.com <R528altara@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 12:14:33 AM

Subject: Energy

Governor:

A reporter from the St. Petersburg Times just called, as have others, for my comments regarding the massive power outage in the Northeast. Fortunately, I have been watching the news since 5:30 this afternoon and was comfortable with the subject.

I have emphasized our self-sufficiency in Florida, our 20% reserve, Florida's strong investor-owned and municipal utilities, etc., but also described this experience as a stark reminder that electric power is critical to our social and economic well being and the need for additional plants and transmission facilities.

Most of the reporters are aware of the Study Commission's work, which is why they are calling me, among others, and I do talk about the continuing need for a strategic plan in Florida with a transition over time, but also the complications of changing laws, rules and regulations.

I know to be as positive as possible even while covering difficult subjects.

Please let me know if I can help in any way. Meanwhile, best wishes.

Walter Revell

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Date: 8/15/2003 12:12:37 AM

Subject: New Case Refers to 194.301 F.S.

Jeb Bush -

Taxpayers just won an important Circuit Court decision in Tampa. The case is Tampa Sports Authority, et al v. Rob Turner, Hillsborough County Property appraiser. The case is a consolidation of three suits filed in sequential years, and the opinion is dated 12th August 2003, signed by James M. Barton II. It is "hot off the press".

THIS is the pertinent language:

The 1997 amendment to section 194.301 significantly changed the standard of review applicable to the property appraiser's assessments of value. The amendment expressly and unequivocally eliminates the requirement of the taxpayer to prove that the appraiser's assessment is not supported by any reasonable hypothesis of a legal assessment. (emphasis added)

We have not heard back from your staff regarding the 180 degree change of this law in the Palm Beach VAB 2003 Rules. We have not heard back from DOR. The longer it takes to undo this damage, and to get rid of the instructions to special masters that they cannot make a recommendation, the more intentional it all looks, and the more malicious the intent.

Can you let me know when and if there will be a correction in Palm Beach and some action out of the state to put every local government on notice that neither change in the law will be tolerated? TRIM Notices are going out this week and next.

And, in Palm Beach they have a nasty habit of demanding taxpayers sign for receipt of their Rule booklet when petitions are filed - sort of like an adhesion contract, don't you think? You have to sign, then your signature is used against you if you object later to the abuses of process. If you refuse to sign, they may refuse to accept a petition. And, that's extortion, in my book.

Thanks for your help!.

Sheila Anderson

From: [Bob Lewis <rl Lewis16@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:rl Lewis16@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/15/2003 12:04:27 AM

Subject: Marlene Alva for Circuit Court Judge

Governor:

I made my formal recommendation to your staff, but I wanted to add a personal note to you.

Marlene Alva was perhaps the most gifted jurist in Central Florida in recent memory. She was poised, polished, patient and always very well-prepared. What she wasn't was political; and in her first run for public office - her 1996 campaign for a full term on the circuit court bench - she faced an opponent whose ruthlessness and deceit would earn a formal Supreme Court censure.

Marlene Alva never stood a chance.

I was part of Marlene's team then and the defeat still stings today. But I believe very much that things happen for a reason, and this appointment gives you an opportunity to right a great wrong.

And that does matter.

Sincerely,

Karen Lewis
State Committeewoman
Seminole County

From: [McCain, Diane <Diane.McCain@fldoe.org>](mailto:Diane.McCain@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 11:29:49 PM

Subject: 3rd DCA apptmt. THANKS!

Governor"

While I was at capitol today, got voice mail message from Frank himself saying you you've made an appointment ---Frank Shepherd to 3rd DCA.

This is great news!

I am tickled, overjoyed and thrilled!

No one will wear the robe better! You made a good solid decision!

My dad served on 4th DCA hundreds of years ago...this is great for Frank and his family!

He will do a good job for all of us in Florida!

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From: BA2000@aol.com <BA2000@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 11:14:08 PM

Subject: Sad state of once Beautiful Cypress Gardens

Dear Mr. Bush:

I am concern about the state of Cypress Gardens. The owner are not taking care of it. The only thing they are concern about is how much money they can get out of it. They are still trying to bleed it even more by selling items for nothing. Things that will take a big amount to replace.

The grass is at least knee high if not higher. I have seen what it looks like. It is very sad to see it this way specially when the state takes over or who ever takes over. Something needs to be done until that decision is made.

Someone needs to stop the owner doing anymore damage or taking anything else from the park,

Thank you for your time.

Brenda Kelso

From: [Doreen Rutledge <Doreen_Rutledge@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Doreen_Rutledge@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 8:17:13 PM

Subject: McDonald's-ToysforTots-DCF Proposed Partnership

As a tool to assure that no child in state care is missed during our Holiday Efforts and as a prelude to a campaign to brand DCF client needs with McDonald's and the Marine Corp's Toys for Tots on a statewide basis, I am meeting with a PR firm in Miami to draft a proposal . This proposal for a holiday campaign will be presented at the statewide McDonald's PR meeting in Tampa the week of the 25th of August. Hope it flies!

Doreen

From: [Courtney Cunningham <ccunningham@bcmpartners.com>](mailto:ccunningham@bcmpartners.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 8:02:37 PM

Subject: Joe Neubauer

Joe Neubauer, Chairman and CEO of Aramark is going to try to call you next week. If you have time, PLEASE take his call. His secretary is going to try to arrange it with Betty.

Thanks,

CC

From: [Lynn Lustig <Lynn@tkoapparel.com>](mailto:Lynn@tkoapparel.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 7:33:33 PM

Subject: SANDRA L. WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Thursday, August 14, 2003

Dear Jeb:

I received all of the history concerning the Prepaid College contracts that were purchased by Ms. Sandra L. Whittington for her two daughters, one in 1992 and the other in 1995.

The Prepaid College contracts on these two children were cancelled, first in 1998, because Ms. Whittington was seven months in arrears. When she was contacted, the Board, which has the authority, allowed Ms. Whittington to reinstate those contracts. In 1999, the more recently purchased contract was once again cancelled, because the monthly payments on that contract were again seven months in arrears. Again, at the request of Ms. Whittington, the Board allowed her to reinstate that contract for the second time.

In May 2003, both contracts were once again cancelled for non-payment. This is the latest cancellation that Ms. Whittington spoke with you about, I'm sure without giving you the benefit of her payment (or non-payment) history.

Because of your involvement, and because Ms. Whittington must now feel that she can financially carry these two contracts, we are going to allow Ms. Whittington to bring both contracts to a current basis, pay the \$50.00 reinstatement fee on each, and return the cancellation checks she received when the contracts were cancelled. As far as we know, those checks, which were sent to Ms. Whittington, were not deposited.

You should additionally know that, as of this date, both contracts are eleven months in arrears.

I am having our Executive Director advise Ms. Whittington of the actions of the Board, to allow for the reinstatement of both contracts. She will have to make a payment on one of her daughters contracts (the older contract) in the amount of \$490.33, and on the more recent contract, in the amount of \$578.00

I am glad we were able to resolve this issue in this manner.

Hopefully, Ms. Whittington will understand that if she is in arrears again, she will have foregone the ability to reinstate these contracts any further.

Cordially,

Stanley G. Tate
Chairman
Florida Prepaid College Board

From: [Donna Suzawith <holrosa@earthlink.net>](mailto:Donna.Suzawith@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 7:37:04 PM

Subject: Question

Governor;

I had the experience first hand of the past two days to go on the "Southren Breeze". I was able to see what the Gardens is really like from the boat. I personally feel, after having this experience, that before you and the Cabinet members make a decision, you should take the boat trip and see what we see. I suggest that just you and the Cabinet members take a few hours out of your time and see for yourself the situation there. No news media, no "big whigs", no one to sway you in your decision. An unannounced visit where Espen meets you out front, takes you to the "Southern Breeze", go for the tour, and have him take you back to your vehicle. Just have Espen treat you like he treats any other passenger entering the Gardens to go on the "Southern Breeze" going for a ride. Believe me, it is an experience.

Thank you..

Donna Suzawith



From: baurk@comcast.net <baurk@comcast.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 6:19:02 PM

Subject: Re: for Katie and Carlos

wow, a loaded question. Let me talk to Carlos and we'll have some thoughts for you. Miss you Governor.

> So, we have finished the law making for a while (there may be more clean
> up bills to be passed in October) and I was wondering, if you were
> Governor, what would you be focusing on for the next two or three years.
> What initiatives do you think we should pursue? How do you think that I
> should do it? Inquiring minds want to know.

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> Jeb Bush

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> Most written communications to or from state officials

> regarding state business are public records available to the

> public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications

> may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

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From: [Tait, Tommy <ttait@whitneybank.com>](mailto:ttait@whitneybank.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 6:18:06 PM

Subject:

The Oriskany Reef project is one of the most important initiatives this community has ever undertaken. Creating an artificial reef using the decommissioned US Navy aircraft carrier Oriskany will have extraordinary impact on our tourism efforts and will bring substantial economic impact to the regional economy. Our public and private sectors have joined together to support this effort. Your efforts in bringing the Oriskany to Northwest Florida will demonstrate our unqualified support. Thanks you for your continued support of our area!

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From: [Bill Dundore <wdundore@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:wdundore@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 5:48:19 PM

Subject: Please Save All of Cypress Gardens

The Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor

Subject: Save All of Cypress Gardens

My name is William S. Dundore and my wife, Regina, and I reside at 2415 Winterset Road, Winter Haven, Florida. Our home is about ½ mile from Cypress Gardens, in fact we must travel pass Cypress Gardens in order to get to and from our home. Therefore we see the Cypress Gardens' ground several times a day.

We are annual pass holders to Cypress Gardens and literally went there every week to see the concerts and flowers. When friends and relatives visited from out of town, we took them with pride to Cypress Gardens. When Cypress Gardens closed it was like the death of a relative. Even today there is a sense of emptiness that cannot be filled until Cypress Gardens opens again. Cypress Gardens is part of the heritage of Winter Haven, Polk County, the State of Florida and yes the entire United States. Without it we have lost a sense of our history and more importantly a future inheritance for our children and grandchildren for decades to come. There is no building or development that can replace the intangible benefits that Cypress Gardens brings to the children and people of Florida, the United States and people of other countries. We must Save All of Cypress Gardens to preserve this treasure for Florida.

Some people say save only the original gardens. I believe this to be a serious mistake. I do not say this emotionally but as a business person. Irrespective of who operates the Gardens it must be a viable concern that can support itself minus state or local funds. To do this requires continued patronage, i.e. the paying public. The public will not return week after week or month after month only to see the original 75 acres of gardens...no matter how beautiful they are. Once a year will be adequate for most folks including locals. To have paying patrons week after week and month after month will require variety and diversity in entertainment and programs for the public. That is why All of Cypress Gardens must be preserved to provide the capability for a diverse and entertaining program.

The current condition of Cypress Gardens is deplorable. It is sickening to see the beauty of this jewel faded by weeds, brush, trash and overall deterioration due to neglect. That is why I am urging the Governor and other State Officials to take prompt action to prevent further deterioration of Cypress Gardens and the selling of needed assets for future operation. I respectfully request that my state of Florida and it's elected officials purchase All of Cypress Gardens for the citizens of Florida and return it to it's former glory.....in fact working together we can make it better for everyone. I would be happy to volunteer my time, services and commercial mower to help restore Cypress Gardens.

William S. and Regina J.M. Dundore

From: [Jack Moran <jmoran@gulf.net>](mailto:Jack.Moran@gulf.net)

To: [Rhonda M. Medows](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 5:43:33 PM

Subject: Notice to State of Florida Employees regarding Healthplan

Attachments: 03-08-14 Letter to Florida State Employees.doc

Dear Dr. Medows,

Please find attached a copy of our letter sent to the employees of the Florida State Prison in Escambia County indicating that we are not taking one of the key health insurance plans (we cannot define which one by direction of our legal council) if we offer any explanation as to "why". The "why", as explained in the attached letter is the "recovery" and "off-set" clauses in the contract, and the fact that they will NOT negotiate on mediation, arbitration, or even allow jury trials on damages caused by their acts.

This year, the Governor wisely signed SB-1428 to limit AHCA in the application of what has now become known as "recovery" and "off-set". We would like AHCA and Governor Bush to submit to the Legislature and support a similar bill (to SB-1428) to control the intimidating, counter-productive, price & trade controlling acts of the HMO's in the State of Florida.

This "recovery" and "off-set" concept is a real and present threat to the confidence and credit that is the corner-stone of our entire medical electronic claims adjudication system. If trust in that system is shattered by these outrageous "recovery" and "off-set" contracts, we will find healthcare in complete chaos. As a physician, I think you can remember how it was before electronic claims, and why we cannot go back to that system.

As an independent business owner and a pharmacist, if I cannot rely on the contracted price, and the adjudicated price to be the final price, then I am giving up any and all control of my business and economic destiny. My alternative is to loose my competitive ability, and for members of the healthplan (many of them 3rd and 4th generation customers of Century Pharmacy) to be forced to drive to Pensacola (45 miles away) for their Rx care.

We feel that their actions have gone far beyond a private business transaction, and have crossed the line into areas that may prove to be sufficiently and grievously onerous to competition, fair trade, and the public interest to merit the attention of the Governor and the State Attorney General.

I have filed a complaint with the Office of The State Insurance Commissioner (Denise Prather), and I am looking into my legal options.

Respectfully,

Julie Moran

P.S. If your Internet security removes the attached letter, you may contact me at (850) 256-3472 to receive a copy by fax.

From: Jack Moran <jmoran@gulf.net>

To: Rhonda M. Medows

Date: 8/14/2003 5:44:44 PM

Subject: Notice to State Employees (No Attachment)

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From: [Matthew Gomez <MGomez@collegis.com>](mailto:MGomez@collegis.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: 'Commissioner@fldoe.org'
'judy.wilson@fldoe.org'

Date: 8/14/2003 5:35:32 PM

Subject: Collegis news / South Florida higher ed contracts

Gov. Bush:

You've already heard about our news regarding St. Thomas University, but Collegis is happy to announce a contract extension with Edison College as well (see press release link below).

Collegis renews and extends technology contracts with two higher education clients in South Florida
<http://www.collegis.com/pages/13.asp?prID=153>

Also, I've taken your suggestion and have arranged for a Sept. 9 meeting with Commissioner Horne and Debra Austin regarding Collegis and our prospects of working to "do more with less" among other colleges and universities throughout the state. We now have seven Florida clients among our client list of more than 100 higher education institutions, and would be happy to discuss more efficient and effective means of improving teaching and learning with the help of technology-related services throughout the State of Florida.

Best regards,

Matt Gomez

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From: DONALD GROMAN <slalomstud52@msn.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 4:35:13 PM

Subject: preserving cypress gardens

dear govenor bush: I realize that you are being swamped with e mails regarding the gardens purchase by the state. I greatly appreciate all that you have done and are doing for this great state. I urege you to preserve cypress gardens in its entirety. the present owners had one intent and one intent only. destroy it, ard raise condos and expensive single family homes, and take the money and run. once this serene piece of heaven on earth is gone, and homes are built in its place, it will never be able to return. this entire piece of real estate should be place on the historic preservation register and preserved for all future generations. there is more to life than money and real estate and our state should preserve this for all time.

sincerely yours,

donald w. groman
supv. united states postal service

From: MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com <MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 3:21:08 PM

Subject: RE: Jimmy vs Jeb

Just saw this. Was out yesterday. Wouldn't be a real pregnancy without at least one middle-of-the-night rush to the hospital. Wife Laurie (25 weeks) got sick and dehydrated, which put fetus/unborn child/impending daughter in some distress.

Do you mind if I excerpt some of this for tomorrow's column. I suppose it's "public record" but I regard e-mails as off-the-record unless they obviously were written as an official response. Or unless they come from Ric Keller. Then they're fair game.

Would probably leave out most of first graff because it's pretty insider. Same with columnists and "good man" material. But I like your points about the press and editorials, and accomplishments...

Let me know.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 8:51 PM

To: Thomas, Michael(ORL)

Subject: RE: Jimmy vs Jeb

Mike, I didn't agree with the thesis of your column. I am sure that is not a surprise for you. Getting along is important. Doing what is right is important as well. I compromised on the med mal issue to about where you proposed and that was in the works for several weeks. Without the public posture (with caveats to be willing to compromise as I did over and over again), the compromise wouldn't have occurred. Trust me, without the threat of consequences, there would be no bill at all. It was important to get this done and if it needs improvement, then we will go to work again.

I can assure you I am not aloof or arrogant regarding my relationship with the legislature. Sometimes, we disagree. So what? Isn't that part of living in a democracy? I respect those who don't agree with me but that does not mean I will bend to the point of abandoning principle.

I have noticed an interesting dynamic in the politics up here. The political press is exclusively focused on the horse race aspects of life in the bubble. They don't write what they hear said if it doesn't fit their template. Then this is read by the editorial page writers who don't do much more, it seems to me, than to read their own paper to validate their already established views which for but one paper is slanted to the left.

I count on the handful of columnists who actually seem to get information from more than one source to have a chance to get my side of the issue out. You are one of those and I really appreciate your openness to hear the other side. I only hope you keep challenging the conventional wisdom of the opinion leadership that fits the cycle that I described above to be a contrarian from time to time.

During my tenure as Governor, had I not reached further than the conventional, the A plus plan would have been watered down and the achievement results we have achieved would not have occurred. We would not have eliminated race as a criteria of admissions to universities and procurement and would have had the stagnant results that symbolized the past. Instead, we have increases in opportunities in both areas. We would not have eliminated the ugly aspects of career civil service and not moved to a system where public employees are obliged to serve and they are rewarded for doing so. We would not have sucked out some of the excesses of government largess. there are scores of examples never reported in this regard. We wouldn't have cut taxes for the first time in a generation to improve our business climate and keep government from growing faster than folks ability to pay for it. There wouldn't have been a better selection process for Governors to select judges. ETC. ETC. ETC.

You get my drift? I don't expect you to agree with all of my actions but I hope you respect my desire to change the things that I have believed needed to be changed and without my leadership, even though it might have been

perceived to ruffle feathers, it wouldn't have happened. If I had run the two times that I got elected saying something different than I have acted as Governor, then I think I should meet the wrath of Kahn. I think I have been pretty true to my pledges as a candidate.

You are a good man and I appreciate your interest in what I am striving to do.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com [mailto:MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 11:15 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Jimmy vs Jeb

Thot I'd pass this on...

There aren't many fans of Jimmy and Jeb.

-----Original Message-----

From: Randy Lewis [mailto:randy@fitzlew.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 11:05 AM

To: Thomas, Michael(ORL)

Subject: Jimmy vs Jeb

Mike:

I enjoyed today's column but need to give you one correction and an observation.

For the record, I was raised in Orlando and graduated from Oak Ridge High School. I worked for Jimmy Carter for almost six years, including 4 years in the White House Press Office. I was the youngest person ever to hold a White House staff appointment. I was also press secretary for Florida House Speaker T.K. Wetherell and played an external public relations role supporting Jeb Bush in the creation of Florida's various voucher programs. I now own my own public relations consulting firm in Atlanta.

The correction: Jimmy Carter did serve in a legislative capacity. He was a Georgia state senator. His winning that seat involved a very complicated legal case where he took on a powerful political machine that initially stole the election from him. His case went to the Georgia State Supreme Court, where he won. The election, the legal case, and his Senate service is the subject of one of his books, *An Hour Before Dawn*, and explains many of the early influences that shaped his personal history. I highly recommend it.

The observation: Jimmy (and Jeb) is smart and did figure it out. The real issue is that once he did figure it out, he decided that he wouldn't play the game. I believe you are correct in comparing Jeb to Jimmy Carter in this sense. The role of the political outsider is a critically important role and it should be celebrated not ridiculed .

Jimmy Carter didn't get into politics to play the game. He got into the game to achieve his goals. To him, elective office was just a process, a tool, not the end game. When someone with political power doesn't want to play the game, they are called aloof, arrogant

and out of touch. I believe that Carter and Jeb are political loners, blazing a new trail. The political followers, the get along -- go along crowd don't get it. Their problem is that they don't understand someone who is not in it for instant cash or glory.

Carter recognized China diplomatically, negotiated the Egyptian-Israeli Peace Treaty, negotiated the Panama Canal Treaty, secured the Alaskan Lands legislation, and made America a beacon for human rights around the world, all against the conventional political wisdom and against the wishes of his own party. Twenty-five years later we know he was right, they were wrong.

Don't discount the outsider or the difficult political operator. They may be the only person with a vision beyond next week.

Randy Lewis

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From: RRR1930bob@aol.com <RRR1930bob@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 2:57:21 PM

Subject: Beds to DOC instead of CPC?

Dear Jeb:

Since serving on the CPC, I can see the positive results of privatization and I was stunned to see that DOC got the new beds. I thought that we were doing a good job and getting things straightened out and saving the state money. Is this not true? Thanks, Bob

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From: [Rummell, Peter <PRummell@joe.com>](mailto:PRummell@joe.com)

To: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)

[Al Hoffman](#)

[Jim Horne \(E-mail\)](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 2:47:47 PM

Subject: RE: our conversation

Positive article in the local paper this am giving you credit for dealing with the issue. Better than a bad article. We will wait to hear from you.

Peter

-----Original Message-----

From: Kathleen Shanahan [mailto:kathleen@jeb.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 6:42 PM

To: 'Al Hoffman'; Jim Horne (E-mail)

Cc: Rummell, Peter; jeb@jeb.org

Subject: RE: our conversation

you are

we had a mtg today w/ reps of all the scholarship organizations

one suggestion that jim horn is working on is how to set up a subgroup of that group to meet w/cf100 ed leadership

we will be in touch

jim horne when is best time for mtg

thanks al and peter for your interest and support

kathleen

-----Original Message-----

From: Al Hoffman [mailto:AlHoffman@wcicommunities.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 5:40 PM

To: Kathleen Shanahan (Kathleen@jeb.org)

Cc: Peter Rummell (prummell@joe.com)

Subject: our conversation

Just to confirm, we are waiting for your check list and the ops plan so we can respond on how best to help.

Al Hoffman

From: [CHARLES MURRAY <charles@camurraylaw.com>](mailto:charles@camurraylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 2:30:48 PM

Subject: VOTE NO TO MED-MAL BILL

CHARLES MURRAY
1300 THIRD ST SOUTH STE 302B
NAPLES, FL 34102

August 14, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

THIS BILL ONLY HURTS VICTIMS.LOOK AT CALIFORNIA----INSURANCE RATES
HAVE NEVER GONE DOWN !!! DO NOT SELL US OUT TO THE INSURANCE
INDUSTRY.

Sincerely,

CHARLES A MURRAY

From: jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us <jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us>

To: Spirit527@aol.com

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 2:11:03 PM

Subject: Re: Your recent e-mail to Governor Bush

I will have our Central Office folks take another look at this. Thanks for your e-mail.

José Abreu
Secretary
Phone: (850) 414-5205
jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us

Spirit527@aol.com
To: jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us
cc: jeb@jeb.org
08/13/2003 Subject: Re: Your recent e-mail to Governor
09:04 PM Bush

Dear Secretary Abreu:

I appreciate your response to my email to Governor Bush about putting a traffic light at the entrance to Bartow Memorial Hospital. I must admit before July 31, 2003, I agreed with everything you said. However, I now have a different opinion.

This latest crash has changed my mind. I drove by it 7 hours after it happened. Traffic was frozen and was backed up for 2 over miles north of the hospital on 98. The van which had been hit was still on the side of the road as was the semi tractor rig that had hit the van. It was very obvious from looking at the van, that someone had been killed. It is a miracle that there were no more accidents from the traffic snarls following the wreck.

The Chief of Police for the City of Bartow has just publicly announced his

support for a light. Many in the Polk County Sheriff's Department including Colonel Grady Judd, support the placement of the light in this location. They have many years of experience responding to traffic accidents as well as violations such as running red lights. They seem to feel the benefits of the light will outweigh the potential danger of drivers running the light.

I wish you would reconsider your decision. I have included links to the Polk County Democrat and the Lakeland Ledger coverage of this matter. Have you ever visited this location in Polk County? Perhaps if you saw the intersection first hand you might have a different opinion.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Stephens

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From: [Michael Harrell <mph@mpharrell.com>](mailto:mph@mpharrell.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:44:43 PM

Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Rick Lentz [mailto:drilentz@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 6:24 PM

To: Mortham, Sandra; Board of Governors; CMS Executives; CMS Presidents; FLAMPAC Board of Directors; Specialty; Specialty Presidents; Specialty Society Execs; Specialty Society Lobbyists

Subject: RE:

The entire FMA, The patients of Florida and every one else in Florida need to thank you, Dr. Cline and the FMA Staff for the greatest effort I have ever witnessed by an organization. While not perfect I believe there is some good in the final bill and a few years ago we would have thought that we had hung the moon if we had gotten this passed. For you and Dr. Cline we stand and applaud. There will be another day to fix this pig and Jeb has promised not to abandon us and we know that is because of you.

Thanks to you all,

Rick

-----Original Message-----

From: Mortham, Sandra [mailto:smortham@medone.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 5:15 PM

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Sandy

From: [Bill McCormick <bmccormick@usstrategies.com>](mailto:bmccormick@usstrategies.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:43:56 PM

Subject: RE: South Florida Visit fup

Great, just let me know and I'll make myself available if I'm not out of town.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 6:58 PM

To: Bill McCormick

Subject: RE: South Florida Visit fup

Thank you Bill. We will arrange a meeting. It might not be at your company but we will meet.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill McCormick [mailto:bmccormick@usstrategies.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 11:34 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: South Florida Visit

Governor, I hope all is well.

At your convenience, if you could give me a call at 561-804-9414, I would like to meet with you in West Palm Beach at Rx Strategies the next time you are in the South Florida area.

Also, I still would like to take you to lunch as I promised nearly two years ago.

Friend,

William "Bill" McCormick

From: [Michael Harrell <mph@mpharrell.com>](mailto:Michael.Harrell@mpharrell.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:42:05 PM

Subject: FW:

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:35:34 PM

Subject: FW: Legislature passes medical malpractice bill

Mauricio J. Tamargo
Chairman
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Department of Justice
600 E Street, NW, Suite 6002
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(202) 616-6985
(202) 616-6993 Fax
Jeb,

Great news on Frank Shepherd. Good job by you and your administration. Frank will be a great judge.

Congrats on the Tort reform bill. I know you wanted more but still this is great progress. I hope juries do not begin to think that all awards need to reach these levels.

Mauricio

Posted on Wed, Aug. 13, 2003

Legislature passes medical malpractice bill

BRENDAN FARRINGTON
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - The Legislature on Wednesday sent Gov. Jeb Bush a bill it hopes will lower malpractice insurance rates and keep doctors from limiting their practices or moving out of state.

The House passed the bill 87-26 after the Senate earlier voted 32-4 for the measure. The bill addresses a wide range of issues, including highly debated limits on some awards malpractice victims can receive by suing doctors.

Bush is expected to sign the bill (SB 2D), which Republican leaders agreed on last week after months of fighting over where to set caps on noneconomic damages such as pain and suffering.

"I'm confident there will be a reduction in insurance premiums," Bush said. "I'm confident that we'll have a better system to deal with the small number of doctors that commit egregious malpractice."

The measure caps an individual doctor's liability for noneconomic damages in most medical malpractice cases to \$500,000. A medical facility's liability would be limited to \$750,000 in most cases.

Multiple victims - such as a victim, a spouse and their children - could get more money with multiple suits against the doctor and the facility. But no group of victims could win more than \$2.5 million.

Economic damages, such as for lost wages or medical care, wouldn't be capped.

"I know this legislation will serve its intended purpose and bring relief to physicians, keep insurance companies writing policies in our state and protect victims of medical malpractice," said Senate President Jim King.

But people on both sides of the debate were already criticizing the measure.

The doctors whom the bill was intended to help do not support it and insurance companies say it likely won't lower rates.

Sandy Mortham, chief executive officer of the Florida Medical Association, said doctors were disappointed because they wanted a \$250,000 hard cap with no variations.

"There are a lot of different parameters that open that cap up," Mortham said. However, she did praise one part of the bill - a \$150,000 cap on non-economic damages for claims against emergency rooms.

Malpractice victims are also unhappy, saying the bill unfairly limits how much victims can collect. Limits on damages make it less likely lawyers will take expensive cases, meaning access to justice is denied, they say.

Neal Roth, a malpractice attorney and one of the trial bar's chief lobbyist working against caps, said he was disappointed that a decision was reached without data on the number of frivolous lawsuits in the state, whether any emergency rooms have closed down because of high rates and other issues.

"When it got done wasn't as important to us as much as all the data being collected ... so we could get to the truth behind all the issues," Roth said.

Even lawmakers who supported the bill didn't sound completely satisfied.

"Is this the bill that I would like personally to have?" asked Allan Bense, a Panama City Republican and a key negotiator on the issue. "No."

The passage ends months of conflict which resulted in two failed special sessions on the malpractice insurance issue. The issue has split the GOP like few others.

Bush, angry with the Senate's disagreement with him over lawsuit limits, had said donors shouldn't give to Republicans who weren't on the right side. His staff also had discussed working against some GOP senators who were pushing for higher caps than Bush, who initially wanted caps on noneconomic damages of \$250,000 with no exceptions.

"I would hope that whatever wounds that were opened during the debate - because a lot of times it was very, very emotional - will be quick to heal," said King, R-Jacksonville.

Democrats, meanwhile, criticized the bill because it doesn't include a provision forcing insurance companies to automatically reduce premiums. Instead, it freezes rates until January.

"Folks, this is the major crisis, this is the issue - it's the amount of insurance premiums that doctors are paying," said Sen. Skip Campbell, D-Fort Lauderdale, in arguing for a rate rollback.

But Sen. Tom Lee said the rate freeze will help doctors.

"Don't anyone in this chamber think that a rate freeze is something to sneeze at," said Lee, R-Brandon. "Rates have been going up in this state over the last three years at double digit rates - 25 percent or above. A rate freeze is significant. That is a substantial accomplishment for this Legislature."

Rep. Dan Gelber, D-Miami Beach, argued that the freeze is for only a few months.

"We really shouldn't call it a freeze," he said. "Maybe a chill, maybe a breeze, but not a freeze."

The House rejected an amendment filed by Rep. Roger Wishner, D-Sunrise, that would have rolled back doctors' insurance rates 30 percent in two years.

Florida is just one battlefield in a nationwide war over how much should be paid for doctors' mistakes.

In Washington, the U.S. Senate killed legislation that would have limited to \$250,000 the ability of malpractice victims to win some types of damages - a ceiling sought by President Bush, the brother of the Florida governor.

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From: [Robert Wychulis <bob@fahp.net>](mailto:Robert.Wychulis@fahp.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ['Stephen R. MacNamara'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:25:12 PM

Subject: FW: Medical Malpractice Legislation, HMOs, and Villazon Decision

Dear Governor Bush,

I am the President/CEO of the Florida Association of Health Plans. FAHP represents 12 HMOs in the State of Florida. FAHP HMOs have approximately 2.5 Florida members enrolled. As you may know, I work closely with Steve MacNamara.

First, I want to thank you for your vigilance, perseverance and hard work in getting the Medical Malpractice legislation passed. A job well done.

I want to especially thank you for your efforts and the efforts of your staff (Kathleen Shanahan, Alan Levine, and others in the Governor's Office) who worked closely with our HMO industry representatives to get the vicarious liability language (Villazon vs Prudential fix) in the bill. It will save our Florida citizens and businesses tens of millions in health insurance premiums over the next 10 years.

I look forward to meeting with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Bob Wychulis
FAHP

From: [Robin Safley <rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com>](mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:01:25 PM

Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

Jeb,

Sorry for the delay in responding, I just got back from Little Palm Island (pretty remote and beautiful). The pedometer is a small device that you place on your belt or waist band. It very simply calculates the number of steps you take by tracking the movement of your hip. You can reset it daily or keep track cumulatively. They are very simple to use and are actually kind of fun. They are a great tool to calculate activity. The science now indicates that individuals who walk 4,000 steps or less a day are deemed inactive. The goal should be 10,000 steps a day. Of course it depends on the length of your stride. I get approximately 8,500 steps in a 5 mile walk. My daughter Caldwell gets 12,000 in that same walk. Thanks for your interest.

Robin

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 4:17 PM

To: Robin Safley

Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

Robin, what does it entail to where a pedometer? I will check to see if I am available on August 27th?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Robin Safley [mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 7:16 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Wellness Initiative

Governor,

When we met in May we discussed two projects that I was working on. The first was my effort with regard to Braille and that is going ok. We have produced hurricane tracking maps in Braille and they should be finalized within the next week. I think it would be a wonderful press opportunity. I will send you a map when they are complete.

The other project was a community initiative that I am working on for Capital Health Plan (CHP) called "Stepping Toward Health, a Community on the Move" and the goal is to get people more active and conscious about their health. The statistics are alarming when you look at how many people are overweight (10 pounds) and how many are obese (30 pounds). Our partners are the Leon County School District, FSU, FAMU, TCC, City of Tallahassee and Leon County. I met with Dr. Agwunobi and he is very excited and is being very supportive. This initiative actually follows along the same lines as many of the Department of Health initiatives. As you may know the latest research shows that an individual must walk 10,000 steps a day to be deemed *active*. We are revolving our initiative around pedometers as a way to calculate the number of steps people are taking. **So I know you are wondering what I want from you.** I would like two things. First, I want you to agree to wear a pedometer and keep track of your steps. Second I would really like you to participate in one of our press conferences. Our initial launch is on Wednesday, August 27 at 9:30 (we are thinking about holding it at either the parks downtown or a school track downtown) and will focus on the K-12 system (Bill Montford) and the Business Community. Dr. Agwunobi is going to attend and wear a pedometer. Now, if that date does not work for you, we are going to role out something new each month. On September 10, John Marks, Mayor and Tony Grippa are going to announce their commitment.

It would be great if we could post the number of steps you are actually walking either on our website or the Department of Health. You could get a little competition going among the agencies. The possibilities are endless and this a lot more fun than medical malpractice. Let me know if you need additional information or if I need to beg.

Robin Safley
228-3312

From: [Janet Conde <janetconde918@yahoo.com>](mailto:janetconde918@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 12:30:26 PM

Subject: Please vote No!

Janet Conde
8100 North University Drive
Tamarac, FL 33321

August 14, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Janet Conde

From: BCline7975@aol.com <BCline7975@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: smortham@medone.org

Date: 8/14/2003 12:24:45 PM

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush, Words cannot express my appreciation for the tremendous effort you put forth in trying to help the physicians of Florida in this dire time of need. You have been superb and we will always be deeply indebted to you for your courageous attack on the trial attorneys. Although I honestly believe the bill will have many positive effects, we are not finished with our task. I now will be moving forward at our annual meeting to promote a constitutional ammendment to cap non economic damages at 250,000 and believe with the public awareness that has resulted from your great efforts that it will pass in 2004.

Furthermore if there is any faltering in RepMacks initiative, I plan to pick up the pieces and possibly modify his proposed amendment and take it to the FMA to move forward in concert with the ammendment to cap damages. In any case you have lauched our agenda to a new level so that now we can build upon this bill to continue to provide access to quality health care for all Floridians. Not only that, Many other states will be grateful for your leadewrship in trying to solve this nationwide crisis. Thank you again so much. Know that we will always be here for you for anything you need that we can provide, Bob Cline

From: [Todd Aitken <todd@ifyousnoozeyoulose.com>](mailto:todd@ifyousnoozeyoulose.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 12:17:15 PM

Subject: Please read this.... from a concerned parent

I would like to know how to pursue this.

I would like to see some kind of law or regulation on this issue.

Parents need written and official public authorization from both parents to travel out of state or out of the country.

The US is the only place I know that does not require any of this.

I am married to a Brazilian and when we travel together or alone we need official documentation from the Brazilian Consulate for us to travel separately.

I believe this would curve the number of kids being taken out of the country for whatever reason.

I must admit this is one of my greatest fear living in this country. Safety of my kids, they seem so vulnerable at all times and I don't see much being done to prevent the cause. Only things being done after kid's are already missing.

I don't know if this will reach you but I sure hope it does, I am sure you are probably not the one to solve this but you could point me in the right direction and the right person to talk to or write.

Thanks for listening.

Sincerely,
Todd Aitken

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'JamInfo@aol.com'

Date: 8/14/2003 12:00:54 PM

Subject: RE: Process of Democracy in Florida Govt?

It was not brought to my attention that anyone wanted to speak. It is my policy to let all folks that want to speak do so.

[Jeb Bush](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: JamInfo@aol.com [mailto:JamInfo@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 6:30 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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Governor, State of Florida

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John Arthur Marshall, President/CEO
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Bush's OK of farm lease angers environmentalists

By Libby Wells
Staff Writer

Palm Beach Post
<http://www.pbpost.com>

Wednesday, August 13, 2003

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The lease allows A. Duda & Sons to farm 5,765 publicly owned acres within the 500,000-acre Everglades Agricultural Area until 2018. The company uses the tract southeast of Lake Okeechobee in Palm Beach County to grow

vegetables, which require more phosphorus than other crops, including sugar cane.

Phosphorus is harmful to wildlife and native plants.

Environmentalists say runoff from the Duda farm contains 200 parts per billion of the pollutant, 20 times more than the 10 parts per billion that scientists say the fragile Everglades can absorb.

"You can farm dirty. You can farm clean," said Audubon of Florida lobbyist Eric Draper, who attended the meeting in Tallahassee. "We want them to farm clean."

Draper was upset the public was not given a chance to comment on the lease. Audubon wanted the state to attach restrictions, such as requiring Duda to rotate crops, use less fertilizer and retain polluted water on the land longer for treatment and storage.

"We're very disappointed with the decision of the governor and Cabinet and also that they shut out the public and didn't give anyone a chance to address the issue," Draper said. "They did nothing to exercise their duties as the trustees who hold the land in public trust."

David Struhs, secretary of the state Department of Environmental Protection, which recommended the lease be extended, said he was to blame for the quick vote that left no time for opponents to voice their objections. He was presenting the agenda to the board members and did not stop to call for public comment.

Bush raced from the meeting room in the Capitol basement, not stopping to answer reporters' questions.

A. Duda & Sons, based in Oviedo, defended its practices, saying the company has "dramatically reduced" the amount of phosphorus runoff from the farm.

"It is in our best interest as farmers to try to do this," Susan Howard, Duda's spokeswoman, said. "Last year, our reduction was 72 percent, but our average (reduction) on that farm is more than twice what is recommended for the Everglades Agricultural Area basin."

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www.ArtMarshall.org

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Steven R. West'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 11:59:12 AM

Subject: RE: The bill

[yes they are and they aren't faking it!](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Steven R. West [mailto:stewest@comcast.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 6:25 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: The bill

Governor: The bill must be better than we think. I hear that the trial bar is furious. Thanks for the help. Steve West

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Trish Walton'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 11:58:39 AM

Subject: RE: Thank You!

Thank you Trish. Your little Angel is pretty remarkable!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Trish Walton [mailto:eittap@juno.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 6:23 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank You!

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your role in leading the legislature to finally come to a compromise to help alleviate the health crisis in our great state! You can only imagine the relief we feel knowing that Angel's future surgeries will not be jeopardized! She is doing well. She's at home and in a head-to-thigh body brace 24/7, but has learned how to get all over the house even with it on. She still has a drain in the wound and IV antibiotics every eight hours, but that doesn't slow her down either. She is an awesome little lady! Again, thank you! You are an awesome Governor, too!

Trish Walton

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From: Mrbuffett@aol.com <Mrbuffett@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 10:35:00 AM

Subject: Gardens....

Please save it if you can

Ric Bond

From: [Ed Mulrenan <edmulrenan@snet.net>](mailto:EdMulrenan@snet.net)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/14/2003 10:33:18 AM
Subject: Terri Schivao

Dear Gov. Busch, Please stop the starvation death of Terry Schivao who may be starved to death by the state of Florida. If you starved to death an animal you would be put in jail and condemned by everyone. Please stop Terry Schivao from a similar cruel death. Respect her status as a human being. EdMulrenan@snet.net

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Draper was upset the public was not given a chance to comment on the lease. Audubon wanted the state to attach restrictions, such as requiring Duda to rotate crops, use less fertilizer and retain polluted water on the land longer for treatment and storage.

"We're very disappointed with the decision of the governor and Cabinet and also that they shut out the public and didn't give anyone a chance to address the issue," Draper said. "They did nothing to exercise their duties as the trustees who hold the land in public trust."

David Struhs, secretary of the state Department of Environmental Protection, which recommended the lease be extended, said he was to blame for the quick vote that left no time for opponents to voice their objections. He was presenting the agenda to the board members and did not stop to call for public comment.

Bush raced from the meeting room in the Capitol basement, not stopping to answer reporters' questions.

A. Duda & Sons, based in Oviedo, defended its practices, saying the company has "dramatically reduced" the amount of phosphorus runoff from the farm.

"It is in our best interest as farmers to try to do this," Susan Howard, Duda's spokeswoman, said. "Last year, our reduction was 72 percent, but our average (reduction) on that farm is more than twice what is recommended for the Everglades Agricultural Area basin."

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www.palmbeachpost.com/localnews/content/auto/epaper/editions/wednesday/local_news_f3935aac158591d6000f.html

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From: [Steven R. West <stewest@comcast.net>](mailto:stewest@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 10:25:20 AM

Subject: The bill

Governor: The bill must be better than we think. I hear that the trial bar is furious. Thanks for the help. Steve West

From: [Trish Walton <eittap@juno.com>](mailto:eittap@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 10:22:41 AM

Subject: Thank You!

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your role in leading the legislature to finally come to a compromise to help alleviate the health crisis in our great state! You can only imagine the relief we feel knowing that Angel's future surgeries will not be jeopardized! She is doing well. She's at home and in a head-to-thigh body brace 24/7, but has learned how to get all over the house even with it on. She still has a drain in the wound and IV antibiotics every eight hours, but that doesn't slow her down either. She is an awesome little lady! Again, thank you! You are an awesome Governor, too!

Trish Walton

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From: [Matthew Carter <pearl@nettally.com>](mailto:pearl@nettally.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 8:32:11 AM

Subject: Letter of Recommendation

Governor Bush,

Thank you for your support as I pursue the position of Public Counsel. I am listing the names of the Members of the Joint Legislative Auditing committee that will be making the appointment. I would sincerely appreciate it if you would send a letter of recommendation to the members on my behalf:

Senator Jeff Atwater, Chairman
Representative Ray Sansom, Alternating Chairman
Senator Charlie Clary Representative Kevin Ambler
Senator Mandy Dawson Representative Bruce Antone
Senator Tony Hill Representative John Stargel
Senator Bill Posey Representative Juan Zapata

I will hand deliver an updated copy of my resume and the application packet to your office (Plaza Level Receptionist's Desk) today for your information.

Thank you very much for your support.

Matt Carter

From: [Joe Major <j_major@bellsouth.net>](mailto:j_major@bellsouth.net)

To: [SMITH.CHRIS](#)

[John Rodstrom](#)

[Alcee L. Hastings/Congressman](#)

[Dr. C. E. Glover/Church](#)

['DAWSON.MANDY.WEB'](#)

[Mandy Dawson](#)

[Jamie Bloodworth](#)

[JamieNick](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 6:30:41 AM

Subject: Re: Jamie Bloodworth Host Committee Georgie's 8.23.03 Invitation

Here, we go again. Now, the Black community are being attacked by gays. The Dolphin Democrats seem to have placed humanitarians concerns and issues on the back burner and join the White racist effort to dog Blacks.

Folk, White racist folk are White racist folk regardless. White racist are in the pulpits, law enforcement, women movement, white collar workers, government, and even in the gay groups. These folk promotions and first mistake was comparing being gay, to Black folk being called niggers (Keeping in mind that they claim to be humanitarians.). It appears that the Broward County, Democratic Executive Club, D.E.C. hold these folk with high esteem yet, the D.E.C continue to give the Black Community their Butts to kiss.

The gay community and the Democratic Party seem to believe that as long as they please Alcee Hastings and the Jackass that he tell them to deal with that they do not have to be accountable to the rest of the Black Community. Now, they appear to have Mandy Dawson, Chris Smith and Carlton Moore in their control (God, Bless them, because they are not getting it from their Churches.)

Ms. Oliphant, worked extremely good with the gay community while working in the public defenders office (C.Moore was there.), at the Broward County, School Board (C. Moore was there also, at least Ms. Oliphant thought so.) and at the Supervisor of Election, office. Now, they are pushing the gays against Ms. Oliphant. How White of them. This only confirms the fact, no matter how good you be to White folk they will always place their own above Blacks.

Folk, when these White racist come into our communities, let's give them the racist treatment they deserve and likewise for the sorry Negroes that support these White racist. Alcee, no more telling us that our concerns are at the local level and you cannot assist us at the local level. Sir, I am here to tell you that you are a liar and the truth is not in you. You do use your influence for the White folk.

White folk are using Gays, Cubans, the N.A.A.C.P., the Broward County, Urban league, the Black Churches, the black officials, and others to further oppress and depress the Black Community. If, we do not stand up for ourselves and bring in outside assistance the Black Panthers, the Nation of Islam and other groups that these racist cannot buy like some of our officials and the N.A.A.C.P. If, these folk want Civil War than, we must defend ourselves.

This election must not be business as usual.

----- Original Message -----

From: [JamieNick](#)

To: [Jamie Bloodworth](#)

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 10:11 PM

Subject: Jamie Bloodworth Host Committee Georgie's 8.23.03 Invitation

Thank you again for agreeing to serve on the host committee for the upcoming event at Georgie's Alibi on Saturday, August 23rd.(See below - minus graphics for speedy delivery. I am also mailing to you a few copies of the flyer for your "computer-free" friends.)

I am pleased to have your support and your help - especially your financial support. A county-wide race is quite costly - we will need to raise more than \$100,000 to fund a viable campaign. Typically, large dollar donors do not contribute to this particular race, so it is critical that we reach a greater number of contributors who will give as much and as often as they can!

My winning this county-wide election will be a victory for our community and will help pave the way for others to follow.... Please pass along the invitation to everyone you know, inviting them to participate in this effort!

And please RSVP so George and Terry will know how many to expect!

See you at Georgie's!

Thanks,
jamie

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Saturday, August 23

5 – 7 p.m.

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or jamienick@msn.com

If you cannot attend, but would like to contribute, please make checks payable to Jamie BLOODWORTH Campaign, and mail to 4220 SW 9 Street, Plantation, FL 33317. Please include name, address, phone, and occupation. State law prohibits contributions in excess of \$500 per individual, corporation, partnership or PAC. Contributions are not tax deductible. A contribution to the campaign fundraiser is a contribution to the campaign of Jamie BLOODWORTH.

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From: Hoosiersnowbird@cs.com <Hoosiersnowbird@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ag@oag.state.fl.us

Gallagher@doi.state.fl.us

commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us

Date: 8/14/2003 3:51:58 AM

Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

To Governor Jeb Bush:

This is to let you know that we have spent many happy hours at beautiful Cypress Gardens and were shocked when the owners abruptly closed the doors and set about trying to get rid of this wonderful theme park which as represented Florida so well for so many years.

When my grandparents were alive (in the 1940's and 1950's) they loved to make their annual trip to Florida and Cypress Gardens was one of the spots they would come home and tell everyone about. As a child, I visited Cypress Gardens with my parents.

I have brought my grandchildren to Cypress Gardens. Cypress Gardens is a tradition for so many people.

SO MANY PEOPLE ASSOCIATE FLORIDA WITH CYPRESS GARDENS AND SILVER SPRINGS. IT WOULD BE A DISGRACE TO LET ONE OF THESE SLIP AWAY, NEVER TO BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AGAIN. PLEASE DON'T LET IT HAPPEN. DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO SAVE CYPRESS GARDENS.

Thank you,
Wanda Clayton and Ron Clayton
103 Cypress Creek Blvd.
Lake Alfred, FL 33850

or:
622 Beringer Drive
Evansville, IN 47711

CC: Hon. Charlie Christ, Atty Gen, Hon. Tom Gallagher, Chief Financial Officer, and Hon. Charles H. Bronson, Commissioner

From: [Chris Barber <mcarber@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:mcarber@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 3:45:12 AM

Subject: Terry Schindler-Schiavo

Dear Governor Bush...

Clearly, there is life and consciousness within the body of Terry Schindler-Schiavo; if you have seen the videos on www.terrisfight.org or if you have seen any of the recent television coverage showing these videos, I'm sure you would agree.

How is it possible that our legal system would allow this conscious women to be put to a slow death by starvation...via the removal of her feeding tube, without the administration of doctor-recommended therapy, for which funds were allocated back in 1992? These funds were awarded to her husband and guardian, Michael Schiavo, via a medical malpractice suit, and were supposed to be allocated for her physical therapy. She has never received the physical therapy!

Despite having not received any therapy, which could have rehabilitated her over the past 10 years, she is conscious and surviving...and she deserves to be surrounded, cared for, and loved by the people who love her...her parents and siblings.

What is keeping the courts from allowing Terri's parents to be able to assume guardianship over her and have the aggressive treatment that is being recommended by several physicians implemented?

Terri's husband Michael Schiavo has fathered a child with another women, with whom he is living. Morally...and I believe legally, does this not qualify him as someone who has relinquished the right of guardianship over his wife, who he would like to let die the slow death of starvation?

If Michael Schiavo would like to move on with his life...marry the woman with whom he is living and with whom he has fathered a child, what is keeping the legal system from turning guardianship over to her parents, who are clearly eager for the chance to give her therapy that could rehabilitate her. Yes, she is disabled...but she is not unconscious, and to stop her feeding, without the administration of aggressive therapy, would be to murder her.

I urge you to consider the facts regarding this case further and intercede on Terri's behalf. Please so do before August 25, 2003, or it may be too late.

Sincere regards,

Christine Barber

From: VFWVENUS@aol.com <VFWVENUS@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 3:33:51 AM

Subject: Important please read

I am sending you a new release regarding my granddaughter Desiree Nelson. We have been fighting this case now for 11 years to no avail. We must go to the media before this monster gets his hand on her again. Right now, we either have to send her back to Va. for visitation to him, or the mother goes to jail. Tell me this is justice. I don't want to see her go back to him, especially since she has finally brought forth this new information to both her psychiatrist and CPS after 4 years. We always had our suspicions however, with all the nightmares and horrific visits she finally came through revealing just what has happened, that caused her to refuse to go back to Va. without her Mother and Stepfather close by. Here is the release from our attorney, in case you think this is a hoax.

Simi Valley resident Linda Nelson may be arrested shortly by the District Attorney of the County of Ventura. She is accused of refusing to send her child for visitation with her former husband in the State of Virginia. According to a Declaration filed by the minor under Penalty of Perjury in Case No. SD 021982 filed in Superior Court in Simi Valley the child declared, "My father, Edward Bongiovanni, would get into the bathtub with me and rub his penis up and down until it grew big. This happened frequently whenever I would visit. Moreover, when I would complain, my father would hit me severely leaving bruises".

On August 1, 2003 the Superior Court was asked to issue an emergency Order keeping the child in the State of California until a psychiatric examination of the child could be done and until the allegations could be further investigated.

On August 5, 2003 the Judge in the Ventura Superior Court elected to give jurisdiction with regard to the matter to a Virginia Court which has already demanded that the mother allow the child to have visits with her father in Virginia and unsupervised by anyone. In other words, the Court in Virginia, the home of the father of the child wants to force a molested child to visit with the person who the child claims to have molested her without any protection for the child.

Although the Superior Court in Simi Valley could have asserted his right to emergency jurisdiction in order to protect the child, it has refused to do so. Similarly, the Human Services Agency refused to step in to assert the jurisdiction of Juvenile Court to protect the child. The mother, Linda Nelson has been placed on notice that if she does not force the child to visit with her alleged molester, the mother will be arrested and jailed.

Verification of this story may be accomplished by reviewing the documents on file in Case SD 021982 in Superior Court in Simi Valley. You may further contact this office at 818-348-3500. The mother may be contacted at 805-581-9428.

We expect that the story will be shortly carried several major newspapers in the Washington, DC and Los Angeles areas. However, your quick action in verifying these facts and reporting this news may make yours the first to carry this story.

Robert M. Levy, Attorney for Linda Nelson
6740 Fallbrook Avenue, West Hills, CA
818-348-3500 law52@Prodigy.net
Sincerely

Yvonne and Bill Lee, Maternal grandparents
5680 Long Rifle Rd., Prescott Valley, Az. 86314 928-772-9188

Tragedy - not Justice - in Virginia
<http://www.directoryoflinks.com/desiree/declaration/html>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Artk37@aol.com'

Date: 8/14/2003 2:40:03 AM

Subject: RE: PAHOKEE, PAHOKEE, PAHOKEE.

I did not get the email but I would love to talk to you about this. Call me.

-----Original Message-----

From: Artk37@aol.com [mailto:Artk37@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 10:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: PAHOKEE, PAHOKEE, PAHOKEE.

I hope you received my email from office this PM. I just cannot get those people I saw and talked with today out of my mind. 80% of girls in Pahokee High school are pregnant.

Can I come to Tallahassee and talk with you or the Lt. Governor?
Please advise. Thanks.

Art

From: Artk37@aol.com <Artk37@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 2:37:18 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Cyndi Lenz'](#)
CC: [Charles Bronson \(commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us\)](mailto:charles.bronson@doacs.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/14/2003 2:33:32 AM
Subject: RE: canker trees

Thank you Cyndi. I am passing this on to Commissioner Bronson who is in charge of this effort.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Cyndi Lenz [mailto:psychrn@gate.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:10 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: canker trees

Just to put a little reality into this situation. One day I came home from work and saw these aggie folks ambling round my neighborhood. I told them I did not have any orange trees but would be happy to walk them into my back yard and show them. They had a list and told me they HAD TO GO IN ORDER OF THEIR LIST. mind you the entire neighborhood was gone to work. The only way to get into my back yard is through my pool area because along the outer paths we have bouganvillea with giant thorns. I was also concerned about people leaving the back gate open and me not knowing and my dogs getting out. Also there are some places where people can fall. So I waited 20 minutes so they could walk up to everyone else's house and ring their doorbells and they came and looked. not to be paranoid-because I have nothing to hide- but these people while they are going around are looking in people's windows and checking them out. I for one think it's a privacy issue -just think-the state sending people around peering into our yards and houses -and also an insurance issue. what if someone gets hurt while in my yard -does that make me responsible for their medical bill? I'm off to Boston THANK GOODNESS cyndi www.tropicaldawg.org <http://goldenrescueofsouthflorida.hypermart.net>

Boca Raton News - Tuesday - 8-12-03

Boca schedules public meeting to update canker issue

Published Tuesday, August 12, 2003

by Aaron Shea

In an attempt to ease the minds of residents who are concerned about the citrus canker eradication program, a public meeting will be held Thursday at the Boca Raton Community Center to discuss the latest developments. "There's a lot of talk the city is doing nothing," said Neil Evangelista, spokesman for the city. "We're doing everything we can legally do." More than a year ago, the Boca joined Dade and Broward counties in their battle to halt the program, headed up by the state Department of Agriculture, in order to stop the spread of the disease that blemishes citrus fruit. State officials claim the disease will damage Florida's substantial citrus industry. "We've been to court nine times over the course of a year," Evangelista said. Thursday's 6:30 p.m. meeting is intended to inform locals of the status of the case against the state and allow concerned residents an opportunity to ask questions. Speaking at the meeting will be Broward County Attorney Andrew Meyers, who has been the lead attorney against the state, and Diana Grub-Frieser, Boca Raton City Attorney. Last week, a Palm Beach County judge granted 335 search warrants to the state Department of Agriculture for the continued cutting of citrus trees in Boca Raton. A Broward County judge halted the destruction of the trees a day later. Following a pattern that has continued throughout the controversial eradication process, Circuit Court Judge Leonard Fleet last Wednesday issued an injunction stopping state crews just hours into cutting trees off Palmetto Park Road--not far from where crews destroyed about 1,000 trees on more than 400 properties last month. The state immediately appealed the decision. Cutting crews were only able to cut 16 trees before the injunction was issued, but crews continue to go from door-to-door in the area seeking consent from property owners to cut citrus trees. "We get quite a few trees each day," said Mark Fagan, spokesman for the eradication program. Agriculture officials are adhering to a policy that says the disease is best contained when healthy citrus trees within 1,900 feet of a canker outbreak are destroyed. In May, 2002, Judge Fleet halted tree cuttings statewide. He ordered a review of the law to ascertain whether the state has the right to cut down a citrus tree on private property within a 1,900-foot radius of a canker-infected tree. Circuit Court Judge Thomas Barkdull III, just as he did last week, gave the state the go ahead to search properties for citrus trees in Boca and continue cutting.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: '[J. ACHURRA](#)'

Date: 8/14/2003 2:31:50 AM

Subject: RE: More on the issue we discussed

Thank you Juan.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: J. ACHURRA [mailto:jachurra@starband.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 3:23 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: More on the issue we discussed

Hello Jeb, I wanted to forward this thread to you to reiterate some of the previous messages I have sent you on the dangers of centralizing technology and of course trying to remotely manage technology leading up to of course the foreign tech worker syndrome-- I am not saying that some remote centralization is all bad but too much may get us into trouble. Below you will see an example where our Postal Service Command Center has been rendered useless and our systems are running sluggish and uncontrolled as the powers to be have been marauded due to a Worm attack. These types of attacks are not uncommon and it is my feeling that "they" are just probing to get a feel of our vulnerabilities of which eventually may endanger the economy as a major Worm or virus attack that invades let's say the Stock Market and key Government computers and Hospitals during a time of chaos of unknown origin might just be the straw that broke the camels back.

As always, just providing my point of view in hopes that some of what I say may look like something with merit that the State and Administration should be looking into.

Best Regards,
Juan

----- Begin Included Message -----

From: "Achurra, Juan R - Pembroke Pines, FL"
<juan.r.achurra@usps.gov>

Sent: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 14:02:10 -0500
To: <jachurra@starband.net>
Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC

-----Original Message-----

From: Goodman, Joan V - Miami, FL
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 2:19 PM
To: Puig, Jose R - Miami, FL; Gonzalez, Daniel A - Miami, FL; Lorenzana, Carlos - Miami, FL; Webster, David L - Fort Lauderdale, FL; Achurra, Juan R - Pembroke Pines, FL; Decicco, Norm J - Miami, FL
Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC
Importance: High

FYI - Status update on the virus that affected many areas within the organization today.

Joan Goodman
I.S. Manager
Information Systems
South Florida District
305-470-0685

-----Original Message-----

From: Keller, Karen F - Jacksonville, FL
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 2:04 PM
To: Wells, Tracey D - Jackson, MS; Coletta, David M - Memphis, TN;
Goodman, Joan V - Miami, FL; Hosecloth, Thomas E - Duluth, GA; Johnston, Ronald L - Central Florida District; Lopresti, Josephine A - Tampa, FL; Mann, Thomas A - Jackson, MS; McClain, Gary - Jacksonville, FL; Orr, Bill C - Nashville, TN; Sharon, Charles E - Atlanta, GA; Soto, Nehemias (Reno) - Jacksonville, FL; Stack, Jim J - Birmingham, AL; Stevenson, Daniel D - Memphis, TN; Vercher, James D - Macon, GA
Cc: Pittman, Barbara J - Jackson, MS

Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC

Importance: High

Here is the official alert message for the virus that has hit the postal service, in case you did not receive. This message was supposed to have been distributed to field IS, but many did not receive it including me.
I got it forwarded.

What I have learned is the following: South Building in Raleigh was hit hard where most everyone is located including the Command Center. They have turned off RPC and another major network port to stop the proliferation. May have problems connecting to things, especially the T drive. Windows 95 users in many districts accessing the T drive cannot and that is most likely from the shutdown of certain network ports. This is also affecting IS trying to add users to groups and access to domain.

6 Districts were hit and we just got hit also. 3 in the field and one here at the district. It has also hit some RIS Servers. They have patched a number of RIS Servers and working on others I believe. Command Center is affected and may be hard to reach.

Message about SMS push that will be out later this afternoon with the fix is appearing on users workstations this afternoon. Some are afraid to open, as they weren't sure what it was.

Karen

-----Original Message-----

From: Allbaugh, Stanley G - Milwaukee, WI
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 12:50 PM
To: Blackthorn, Donna M - Louisville, KY; Keller, Karen F - Jacksonville, FL
Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC

This message?

Stan Allbaugh
Manager, IS
PO Box 5029
Milwaukee WI 53201-5029
Lakeland Performance Cluster

-----Original Message-----

From: AdminE2k
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:43 AM
To: ITCS District IS Mgrs - all
Subject: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC

Attached are the files needed to apply the MS03-026 patch,
the
definition file, and the removal tool.

General Information about the Blaster Worm:

W32.Blaster.Worm
Discovered on: August 11, 2003
Last Updated on: August 12, 2003 01:24:53 AM

Based on the number of submissions received from customers
and based on
information from the Symantec's Deepsight Threat Management
System,
Symantec Security Response has upgraded this threat to a
Category 4 from
a Category 3 threat.

W32.Blaster.Worm is a worm that will exploit the DCOM RPC
vulnerability
(described in Microsoft Security Bulletin MS03-026) using
TCP port 135.

This worm will attempt to download and run the Msblast.exe file.

Block access to TCP port 4444 at the firewall level, and then block the following ports, if they do not use the applications listed:

TCP Port 135, "DCOM RPC"

UDP Port 69, "TFTP"

The worm also attempts to perform a Denial of Service (DoS) on windowsupdate.com. This is an attempt to prevent you from applying a patch on your computer against the DCOM RPC vulnerability.

Click [here](#) for more information on the vulnerability that this worm exploits, and to find out which Symantec products can help mitigate risks from this vulnerability.

NOTE: This threat will be detected by virus definitions having:

Defs Version: 50811s

Sequence Number: 24254

Extended Version: 8/11/2003, rev. 19

Symantec Security Response has developed a removal tool to clean infections of W32.Blaster.Worm.

Also Known As: W32/Lovsan.worm [McAfee]

Type: Worm

Infection Length: 6,176 bytes

Systems Affected: Windows 2000, Windows XP

Systems Not Affected: Linux, Macintosh, OS/2, UNIX

CVE References: CAN-2003-0352

Virus Definitions (Intelligent Updater) *

August 11, 2003

Virus Definitions (LiveUpdate(tm)) **

August 11, 2003

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Intelligent Updater definitions are released daily, but require manual download and installation. [Click here to download manually.](#)

**

LiveUpdate virus definitions are usually released every Wednesday.

[Click here for instructions on using LiveUpdate.](#)

Wild:

Number of infections: More than 1000

Number of sites: More than 10

Geographical distribution: High

Threat containment: Moderate

Removal: Easy

Threat Metrics

Wild:

High

Damage:

Medium

Distribution:

High

Damage

Payload:

Causes system instability: May cause machines to crash.

Compromises security settings: Opens a hidden remote cmd.exe shell.

Distribution

Ports: TCP 135, TCP 4444, UDP 69

Target of infection: Machines with vulnerable DCOM RPC Services running.

When W32.Blaster.Worm is executed, it does the following:

Creates a Mutex named "BILLY." If the mutex exists, the worm will exit.

Adds the value:

"windows auto update"="msblast.exe"

to the registry key:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion
\Run

so that the worm runs when you start Windows.

Calculates the IP address, based on the following algorithm, 40% of the time:

Host IP: A.B.C.D

sets D equal to 0.

if $C > 20$, will subtract a random value less than 20.

Once calculated, the worm will start attempting to exploit the computer based on A.B.C.0, and then count up.

NOTE: This means the Local Subnet will become saturated with port 135 requests prior to exiting the local subnet.

Calculates the IP address, based on many random numbers, 60% of the time:

A.B.C.D

set D equal to 0.

sets A, B, and C to random values between 0 and 255.

Sends data on TCP port 135 that may exploit the DCOM RPC vulnerability to allow the following actions to occur on the vulnerable computer:

Create a hidden Cmd.exe remote shell that will listen on TCP port 4444.

NOTE: Due to the random nature of how the worm constructs the exploit data, it may cause computers to crash if it sends incorrect data.

Listens on UDP port 69. When the worm receives a request, it will return the Msblast.exe binary.

Sends the commands to the remote computer to reconnect to the infected host and to download and run Msblast.exe.

If the current month is after August, or if the current date is after the 15th, the worm will perform a DoS on "windowsupdate.com."

With the current logic, the worm will activate the DoS attack on the 16th of this month, and continue until the end of the year.

The worm contains the following text, which is never displayed:

I just want to say LOVE YOU SAN!!
billy gates why do you make this possible ? Stop making

money and fix
your software!!

Symantec ManHunt

Symantec ManHunt Protocol Anomaly Detection technology
detects the
activity associated with this exploit as "Portscan."

Although ManHunt

can detect activity associated with this exploit with the
Protocol

Anomaly Detection technology, you can use the "Microsoft
DCOM RPC Buffer

Overflow" custom signature, released in Security Update, to
precisely

identify the exploit being sent.

Symantec Security Response encourages all users and
administrators to
adhere to the following basic security "best practices":

Turn off and remove unneeded services. By default, many
operating
systems install auxiliary services that are not critical,
such as an FTP
server, telnet, and a Web server. These services are
avenues of attack.

If they are removed, blended threats have less avenues of
attack and you

have fewer services to maintain through patch updates.

If a blended threat exploits one or more network services,
disable, or

block access to, those services until a patch is applied.

Always keep your patch levels up-to-date, especially on
computers that

host public services and are accessible through the
firewall, such as

HTTP, FTP, mail, and DNS services.

Enforce a password policy. Complex passwords make it
difficult to crack

password files on compromised computers. This helps to
prevent or limit

damage when a computer is compromised.

Configure your email server to block or remove email that contains file attachments that are commonly used to spread viruses, such as .vbs, .bat, .exe, .pif and .scr files.

Isolate infected computers quickly to prevent further compromising your organization. Perform a forensic analysis and restore the computers using trusted media.

Train employees not to open attachments unless they are expecting them.

Also, do not execute software that is downloaded from the Internet unless it has been scanned for viruses. Simply visiting a compromised Web site can cause infection if certain browser vulnerabilities are not patched.

Removal using the Backdoor.Winshell.50 Removal Tool
Symantec Security Response has developed a removal tool to clean infections of W32.Blaster.Worm. This is the easiest way to remove this threat and should be tried first.

Manual Removal

As an alternative to using the removal tool, you can manually remove this threat.

The following instructions pertain to all current and recent Symantec antivirus products, including the Symantec AntiVirus and Norton AntiVirus product lines.

Important Note: W32.Blaster.Worm exploits the DCOM RPC vulnerability.

This is described in Microsoft Security Bulletin MS03-026, and a patch is available there. You must download and install the

patch. In many cases, you will need to do this before you can continue with the removal instructions. If you are not able to remove the infection or prevent re-infection using the following instructions, first download and install the patch.

Disable System Restore (Windows Me/XP).

Update the virus definitions.

Do one of the following:

Windows 95/98/Me: Restart the computer in Safe mode.

Windows NT/2000/XP: End the Trojan process.

Run a full system scan and delete all the files detected as W32.Blaster.Worm.

Reverse the changes that the Trojan made to the registry.

For details on each of these steps, read the following instructions.

1. Disabling System Restore (Windows Me/XP)

If you are running Windows Me or Windows XP, we recommend that you

temporarily turn off System Restore. Windows Me/XP uses this feature,

which is enabled by default, to restore the files on your computer in

case they become damaged. If a virus, worm, or Trojan infects a

computer, System Restore may back up the virus, worm, or Trojan on the computer.

Windows prevents outside programs, including antivirus programs, from modifying System Restore. Therefore, antivirus programs or tools cannot

remove threats in the System Restore folder. As a result, System Restore

has the potential of restoring an infected file on your computer, even

after you have cleaned the infected files from all the other locations.

Also, a virus scan may detect a threat in the System

Restore folder even though you have removed the threat.

For instructions on how to turn off System Restore, read your Windows documentation, or one of the following articles:
"How to disable or enable Windows Me System Restore"
"How to turn off or turn on Windows XP System Restore"

For additional information, and an alternative to disabling Windows Me System Restore, see the Microsoft Knowledge Base article, "Antivirus Tools Cannot Clean Infected Files in the _Restore Folder," Article ID: Q263455.

2. Updating the virus definitions

Symantec Security Response fully tests all the virus definitions for quality assurance before they are posted to our servers. There are two ways to obtain the most recent virus definitions:

Running LiveUpdate, which is the easiest way to obtain virus definitions: These virus definitions are posted to the LiveUpdate servers once each week (usually on Wednesdays), unless there is a major virus outbreak. To determine whether definitions for this threat are available by LiveUpdate, refer to the Virus Definitions (LiveUpdate).

Downloading the definitions using the Intelligent Updater: The Intelligent Updater virus definitions are posted on U.S. business days (Monday through Friday). You should download the definitions from the Symantec Security Response Web site and manually install them. To determine whether definitions for this threat are available by the Intelligent Updater, refer to the Virus Definitions (Intelligent Updater).

The Intelligent Updater virus definitions are available:

Read "How to update virus definition files using the Intelligent Updater" for detailed instructions.

3. Restarting the computer in Safe mode or ending the Worm process

Windows 95/98/Me

Restart the computer in Safe mode. All the Windows 32-bit operating systems, except for Windows NT, can be restarted in Safe mode. For instructions, read the document, "How to start the computer in Safe Mode."

Windows NT/2000/XP

To end the Trojan process:

Press Ctrl+Alt+Delete once.

Click Task Manager.

Click the Processes tab.

Double-click the Image Name column header to alphabetically sort the processes.

Scroll through the list and look for msblast.exe.

If you find the file, click it, and then click End Process.

Exit the Task Manager.

4. Scanning for and deleting the infected files

Start your Symantec antivirus program and make sure that it is configured to scan all the files.

For Norton AntiVirus consumer products: Read the document, "How to configure Norton AntiVirus to scan all files."

For Symantec AntiVirus Enterprise products: Read the document, "How to verify that a Symantec Corporate antivirus product is set to scan all files." Run a full system scan.

If any files are detected as infected with W32.Blaster.Worm, click Delete.

5. Reversing the changes made to the registry

CAUTION: Symantec strongly recommends that you back up the registry before making any changes to it. Incorrect changes to the registry can result in permanent data loss or corrupted files. Modify the specified keys only. Read the document, "How to make a backup of the Windows registry," for instructions.

Click Start, and then click Run. (The Run dialog box appears.)

Type regedit

Then click OK. (The Registry Editor opens.)

Navigate to the key:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion
\Run

In the right pane, delete the value:

"windows auto update"="msblast.exe"

Exit the Registry Editor.

Write-up by: Douglas Knowles

Following is the Information for the Removal Tool:

W32.Blaster.Worm Removal Tool

Discovered on: August 11, 2003

Last Updated on: August 11, 2003 08:01:58 PM PDT

Symantec Security Response has developed a removal tool to clean the W32.Blaster.Worm infections.

What the tool does

The W32.Blaster.Worm Removal Tool does the following:

Terminates the W32.Blaster.Worm viral processes.

Deletes the W32.Blaster.Worm files.

Deletes the dropped files.

Deletes the registry values that the worm added.

Command-line switches available with this tool

Switch

Description

`/HELP, /H, /?`

Displays the help message.

`/NOFIXREG`

Disables the registry repair. (We do not recommend using this switch.)

`/SILENT, /S`

Enables the silent mode.

`/LOG=<path name>`

Creates a log file where <path name> is the location in which to store

the tool's output. By default, this switch creates the log file,

FixBlast.log, within the same folder from which the removal tool was executed.

/MAPPED

Scans the mapped network drives. (We do not recommend using this switch.

Refer to the Notes below.)

/START

Forces the tool to immediately start scanning.

/EXCLUDE=<path>

Excludes the specified <path> from scanning. (We do not recommend using this switch.)

NOTE: Using the /MAPPED switch does not ensure the complete removal of

the virus on the remote computer, because:

Scanning the mapped drives scans the mapped folders only.

This action

may not include all the folders on the remote computer,

leading to

missed detections.

If a viral file is detected on the mapped drive, the

removal will fail

if a program on the remote computer uses this file.

For these reasons, run the tool on every computer.

Obtaining and running the tool

NOTE: You need administrative rights to run this tool on

Windows 2000,

or Windows XP.

Download the FixBlast.exe file from:

<http://securityresponse.symantec.com/avcenter/FixBlast.exe>

Save the file to a convenient location, such as your

downloads folder or

the Windows Desktop (or removable media that is known to be

uninfected,

if possible).

To check the authenticity of the digital signature, refer

to the

section, "Digital signature."

Close all the running programs before running the tool.

If you are running Windows XP, then disable System Restore. Refer to the section, "System Restore option in Windows Me/XP," for additional details.

CAUTION: If you are running Windows XP, we strongly recommend that you do not skip this step. The removal procedure may be unsuccessful if Windows XP System Restore is not disabled, because Windows prevents outside programs from modifying System Restore.

Double-click the FixBlast.exe file to start the removal tool. Click Start to begin the process, and then allow the tool to run.

NOTE: If, when running the tool, you see a message that the tool was not able to remove one or more files, run the tool in Safe mode. Shut down the computer, turn off the power, and wait 30 seconds. Restart the computer in Safe mode and run the tool again. All the Windows 32-bit operating systems, except Windows NT, can be restarted in Safe mode. For instructions, read the document "How to start the computer in Safe Mode."

Restart the computer. Run the removal tool again to ensure that the system is clean. If you are running Windows XP, then re-enable System Restore. Run LiveUpdate to make sure that you are using the most current virus definitions.

When the tool has finished running, you will see a message

indicating whether W32.Blaster.Worm infected the computer. In the case of a worm removal, the program displays the following results:
Total number of the scanned files
Number of deleted files
Number of terminated viral processes
Number of fixed registry entries

Digital signature
FixBlast.exe is digitally signed. Symantec recommends that you only use copies of FixBlast.exe that have been directly downloaded from the Symantec Security Response Web site. To check the authenticity of the digital signature, follow these steps:
Go to <http://www.wmsoftware.com/free.htm>.
Download and save the Chktrust.exe file to the same folder where you saved FixBlast.exe (for example, C:\Downloads).
Depending on your operating system, do one of the following:
Click Start, point to Programs, and then click MS-DOS Prompt.
Click Start, point to Programs, click Accessories, and then click Command Prompt.

Change to the folder where FixBlast.exe and Chktrust.exe are stored, and then type:

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chktrust -i FixBlast.exe
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For example, if you saved the file to the C:\Downloads folder, you would enter the following commands:

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cd\  
cd downloads  
chktrust -i FixBlast.exe
```

Press Enter after typing each command. If the digital signature is

valid, you will see the following:

Do you want to install and run "W32.Blaster.Worm Removal Tool" signed on 8/11/2003 7:14 PM and distributed by Symantec Corporation?

NOTES:

The date and time displayed in this dialog box will be adjusted to your time zone if your computer is not set to the Pacific time zone.

If you are using Daylight Saving time, the displayed time will be exactly one hour earlier.

If this dialog box does not appear, there are two possible reasons:

The tool is not from Symantec. Unless you are sure that the tool is

legitimate and that you downloaded it from the legitimate Symantec Web site, do not run it.

The tool is from Symantec and is legitimate, however, your operating system was previously instructed to always trust content from Symantec.

For information on this and how to view the confirmation dialog again,

read the document "How to restore the Publisher Authenticity confirmation dialog box."

Click Yes to close the dialog box.

Type Exit, and then press Enter. This will close the MS-DOS session.

System Restore option in Windows Me/XP

Users of Windows Me and Windows XP should temporarily turn off System

Restore. Windows Me/XP uses this feature, which is enabled by default,

to restore the files on your computer in case they become damaged. If a

virus, worm, or Trojan infects a computer, System Restore may back up

the virus, worm, or Trojan on the computer.

Windows prevents outside programs, including antivirus programs, from modifying System Restore. Therefore, antivirus programs or tools cannot remove threats in the System Restore folder. As a result, System Restore has the potential of restoring an infected file on your computer, even after you have cleaned the infected files from all the other locations.

Also, in some cases, online scanners may detect a threat in the System Restore folder even though you scanned your computer with an antivirus program and did not find any infected files.

For instructions on how to turn off System Restore, read your Windows documentation, or one of the following articles:
How to disable or enable Windows Me System Restore.
How to turn off or turn on Windows XP System Restore.

For additional information and an alternative to disabling Windows Me System Restore, read the Microsoft Knowledge Base article, "Antivirus Tools Cannot Clean Infected Files in the _Restore Folder (Q263455)."

How to run the tool from a floppy disk
Insert the floppy disk, which contains the FixBlast.exe file, in the floppy disk drive.
Click Start, and then click Run.
Type the following:

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a:\FixBlast.exe
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and then click OK:

NOTES:

There are no spaces in the command, a:\FixBlast.exe.
If you are using Windows Me and System Restore remains enabled, you will

see a warning message. You can choose to run the removal tool with the System Restore option enabled or exit the removal tool.

Click Start to begin the process, and then allow the tool to run.

If you are using Windows Me, then re-enable System Restore.

---- End Included Message ----

J. Achurra, CNE, CCNA, MCP, MS-MIS

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['jachurra@starband.net'](mailto:jachurra@starband.net)

Date: 8/14/2003 2:31:16 AM

Subject: RE: Congratulations

Juan, what specific policies do you advocate. Penalizing companies is not really a policy don't you think?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: J. Achurra [mailto:jachurra@starband.net]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 10:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Congratulations

I thought you would never ask. I will give you the Politically correct answer based on my conversation with other techs and what they most certainly want to hear from you and of course from the President then I will give you a more realistic approach to the problem that should be worked on to correct this paradigm. I know the 2004 election is coming up very quickly and we are running out of time. The President is being blind sided on a few issues, I have been watching the Bush enemies at work trying to break down the wall and to divide and conquer. First on the front of introducing Wesley Clark into the picture. There has been much talk about General Clark if not been the chosen running mate for many of the Democratic candidates. General Clark and his team backed by "the shadows" are daily hammering away second guessing the President on foreign policy and releasing scare tactics about horrible deaths to come in Iraq. To counter this threat the President should not try to engage the General immediately specially if it turns out that he does not become a White House contender instead the President should use Colin Powell to fight this particular war of words in the present. There are just some things that George can not argue about in respect to a General that won a purple star and was shot 4 times in Vietnam but Colin Powell can and many people respect Colin highly. For instance the argument is always used that the President sends the soldiers of America to die since he personally has not fought in a war like Clark. Although I personally agree with the President's actions many other Americans may be brain washed into thinking a "Cowboy" is gun-ho into fighting battles just because. Now, Colin Powell needs to get on the talk shows like Larry King and counter the General assisting George with this. George can not win all the fights by himself and like all good generals, he must look to his "lieutenants" to do some of the fighting. Now, that leave George time to fight the current Economic crisis. What my peers what to hear on National TV is that the President does not approve of American companies sending our tech jobs to other countries. Why? For one, it is a violation of National Security to have foreigners manning Data Centers of American Companies which feed our economy. It is easier for the FBI to investigate a local threat such as a rogue Technologist her in the homeland that for them to try to track one and monitor one in India or other country. The President and yourself must continue to say that you don not approve of the quick fix that American Companies are practicing since in the long run it will drain the natural American brain pool

and morale of the country. This is the same reason NASA raced to get to the moon in the 60s, it was a matter of National pride and shows the strength of the country. Imagine of tech jobs keep disappearing and ultimately so does the skilled American work force, eventually, we will be the students and another country will be the Teacher as hard as that sounds to believe. Every chance the President and yourself get, you should try to boost morale, it is all tied together from the great use of technological weapons used to win the war in Iraq to the local elementary school student being taught for the first time to use a Computer. It is a matter of National pride, National Security, and an economic catalyst. Seriously, do you think sending tech jobs abroad are really helping the companies like HP, it is a quick dirty fix but ultimately will come back and bite the company and the US plus affect morale and National pride. We must continue to strive to be the leaders in technology and not give out all our secrets at once to foreign companies.

Now, apart from all the word acting that you and George can do stressing your disapproval and how it is unpatriotic, I believe for this country to insure dominance in the future it must protect its technology, continue to train its workforce and be vigilant of the technological threats that other countries pose. To do this, American companies should be penalized when sending skilled technological jobs abroad, in addition for the CEOs to also be at least aware that Americans believe this to be unpatriotic and a danger to National Security. I don't believe that with the importance of this issue, American companies should have the luxury of making these damaging decisions and if they do, there should be some sort of penalty that maybe won't make it as appealing as it would otherwise. What these companies need to do is start cutting some of these outrageous salaries and perks that the high level executives are accustomed to. It is the patriotic thing to do and the country needs a morale boosted.

I will be honest, George needs to take this country into the next level and make it feel proud again. After 9/11 morale in may areas is still low. Constant wording in the media and talking about patriotism and the protection is Natural Resources such as the intellectual brain pool will most definitely gain George and yourself points.

Anyway, sorry this was so long but it is very important and I don't want either of you with your guard down. Your enemies are circling and will use any weapon they can to break down and conquer. Please be alert.

Regards, your friend,
Juan Achurra

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 04:38 PM

To: jachurra@starband.net

Subject: RE: Congratulations

Thank you Juan. I appreciate your comments regarding Noelle. I also share your concern about the loss of higher wage jobs to places like India. The question is, how do we respond to it? What should be our policy?

Jeb

From: [Phyllis J. White <pjwhite@CenturyTel.net>](mailto:pjwhite@CenturyTel.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 2:24:31 AM

Subject: Terri

Please allow GOD HIS MIRACLE

pjwhite@centurytel.net

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'pammieg@tampabay.rr.com'

Date: 8/14/2003 2:11:24 AM

Subject: thank you for writing regarding the exploits of Senator Wilson!

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Amber121684@aol.com'](mailto:Amber121684@aol.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:58:37 AM

Subject: RE: Shadow date

Thank you Amber. You are one cool kid. I was really impressed with your presence. Wow. You are going places. If you want to intern with our office one of these days let me know. What did you think of the press? Go on the internet to sayfiereview.com to see how they viewed the day's big event. The Senate President told me that he was going to lecture Senator Wilson on behavior. In any case, it was joy having you hand out.

Now you have to kick butt and do well in school!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Amber121684@aol.com [mailto:Amber121684@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:22 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Shadow date

"Big Bad Governor" Bush,

First of all, I can't thank you enough for allowing me the opportunity to shadow you yesterday. The day was very eventful and exciting. I am so appreciative that you allowed me to partake in such an experience. I am extremely fortunate to have such a personable Governor who truly does care (not to mention one with your great personality). You have inspired me to reach for my dreams as well as make a difference. Seeing that it is possible to be an honest and genuine person in a high political office conveys a positive message for tomorrow's leaders.

I hope that I will be surrounded by people like you when I become heavily involved in the political arena. Meeting your staff today proved that what you said was true. Surrounding yourself with brilliant and wise thinkers, only makes you a stronger person and leader. I learned a tremendous amount of information while shadowing you. I can only hope to be as successful and collected as you have shown to be.

Thank you once again for all you do. I truly enjoyed my time with you and the choir of protesters. My only regret was that there weren't more hours in the day. I hope that our paths continue to cross in many future endeavors. Keep me in mind after you fire all of your employees and need replacements! It would be an honor to work for you, much less, follow in your footsteps any time. I hope to stay in contact with you. Thank you for going out of your way to meet my mother. I know it meant the world to her. Best wishes.

Amber Pass

~We were on the news last night!

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['John Beck'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:48:37 AM

Subject: RE: Invitation to Dove Days in Dooly

I can't make it but I appreciate your kind invite.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: John Beck [mailto:johnbeck@beckbarrios.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:35 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Invitation to Dove Days in Dooly

Dear Governor Bush:

I have been asked to invite you to attend "Dove Days in Dooly." on Saturday, September 6, 2004. This involves a lunch for approximately 300 people including several local politicians, followed by a dove hunt.

Georgia's Governor Perdue has accepted an invitation to attend. Considering the recent activities surrounding the work to reach accord on water issues, we think this a great opportunity for you both to socialize together, too.

A Georgia State Trooper or GBI Officer will be available to transport you from the airport in Cordele, Georgia to and from the event.

Former Governor Zell Miller and other dignitaries have also been invited. The event is sponsored by Sanders Farms.

Please save this date on your calendar. I hope you will be able to attend. I will provide more information as it becomes available.

Kind regards,

Wayne R. Malaney
Beck, Barrios and Malaney

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['David Farrar'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:39:32 AM

Subject: RE: My judicial choice -- Venzer

[thank you David.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: David Farrar [mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 10:29 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: My judicial choice -- Venzer

Governor,

If it is not too late, I once again would highly recommend Judge Ellen Sue Venzer for your 11th Circuit Court appointment. Her qualifications are of record and her commitment to justice is widely known and recognized throughout the legal community.

ex animo

davidfarrar

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Sue Rupe'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:37:45 AM

Subject: RE: WEEKI WACHEE CAMPAIGN

Thank you Sue.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sue Rupe [mailto:SRupe@co.hernando.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 3:21 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fwd: WEEKI WACHEE CAMPAIGN

Jeb, If you can help us with "Save Our Tails" Campagin it would be a great help. Anything at all. During your next press opportunity or a small donation.

Thanks for being such a great supporter of Tourism. We appreciate all that you do.

Sincerely,
Sue

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Taurii Nishiyama'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:31:10 AM

Subject: RE: (Final Resolution): Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

Hurray.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama [mailto:TNishiyama@joc.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 10:56 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: (Final Resolution): Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

Good morning Governor Bush:

This is the last email on this issue, I promise! I just wanted to let you know that we won - the Proposed Rulemaking has been withdrawn. The attached link (Discussion of Comments section) evidences this win may be credited largely to the comments of our Florida clients and the efforts of your staff.

Thank you again for your attention to this issue.

Best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama

(202) 661-3377

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-20567.htm>

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 4:28 PM

To: 'jeb@jeb.org'

Subject: FW: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

Governor Bush:

I apologize for being so late with my expression of appreciation; I did want to send to you a note of thanks for the assistance and guidance we received from Jesse Monzano in Miami and Melissa Freedman in your Washington, D.C. office. Melissa visited with the appropriate staff at U.S. Customs (DHS actually), gave us her feedback and input, and even briefed one of our legal representatives. She somehow found time to explain the issue to me in terms that I could easily grasp and communicate internally. Best of all, she demonstrated by demeanor and communication style how to accomplish exchange and advocacy of ideas in an environment where far greater concerns and priorities drive policy decisioning. Jesse was equally responsive; he can actually be reached by telephone in his office as early as 7:00 a.m.!

The issue remains undetermined, but at least we think that we have offered our very best efforts on behalf of our clients, and have come away with the greatest possible position of comprehension of what we might expect, and the concerns of DHS/Border Transportation and Security in terms of achieving necessary security while continuing to foster an environment conducive to vibrant international trade.

Thank you again for the assistance of your very competent staff; I appreciate it very much.

Best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama

Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2003 4:28 PM

To: 'Jeb Bush'

Subject: RE: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

Governor Bush:

Thank you for your response; I appreciate it. Our president is in Washington the end of this week, and then again the week of March 10. Is there anyone you can recommend he meet with or speak to? Alternatively, is there anyone in Florida he should talk with?

Thank you in advance for any assistance or direction you can offer.

Very best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama

1-800-995-2624, Ext. 107

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Saturday, February 15, 2003 2:18 PM

To: Taurii Nishiyama

Subject: RE: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

I will see if we can help.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama [mailto:TNishiyama@joc.com]

Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2003 4:43 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and Manifest Confidentiality

Importance: High

Governor Bush:

First, please accept my very belated congratulations on your re-election. As you can imagine I was pleased, but never in doubt as to the outcome! We all look forward to the continuing four years and beyond.

You've been so responsive and helpful to me in the past; I wonder if I may come to you for guidance once again. The communication below broadly describes an escalating event that we believe offers significant economic harm to Florida business, specific to international trade. Melissa Freedman has worked very hard to develop a dialog with U.S. Customs; however, the solution they have extended to her is, in our opinion, not a solution at all, and, once deployed, irreversible; the damage to business irreparable. We have also attempted to reach Dr. Dana but understand her office does not work with these issues. Perhaps we do not understand the proper avenue of communication...

Can you please describe to me the most effective and concise method to use to earn your attention on this issue, so that you can then review and determine if it is meritorious enough to earn the resources of your staff?

We are a constituent company with offices in Miami and Tampa; our client base is global, with nomenclature including thousands private and public entities. I am happy to provide whatever information may be of use in determining the merits of our case.

Your comments and questions are encouraged; thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama
1-800-995-2624, Ext. 107

PIERS and Trade, Inc. - Division of Commonwealth Business Media

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama
Sent: Thursday, February 06, 2003 4:47 PM
To: 'freedmm@sso.org'
Cc: Bill Ralph
Subject: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs
24-Hour Rule and Manifest Confidentiality
Importance: High

Hello Melissa:

Thank you for your time this afternoon and especially for your willingness to expedite this matter for us. The attached link to the Federal Register identifies the deadline for public comment as Monday, February 10, 2002. As a constituent business with offices in Tampa and Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, we request advocacy from your office: specifically, submission of a letter in response to the Federal Register notice for public comment. A sample or template of suggested copy is attached for your review and consideration.

Here are the most critical discussion points:

Economic Harm to Florida Business: In addition to severely restricting the marketing, economic development, competitive intelligence and strategic planning activities of Florida business engaged in international trade, the proposed ruling will restrict the decisioning tools of foreign companies who use this data to identify potential Florida business counterparts, or key traffic areas for site selection and plant expansion.

Business interests include but are not limited to manufacturers (chemical, equipment, hardware, textile, etc.), pharmaceutical companies, NVOCCs, banks, railroads, freight forwarders, custom house brokers, trade development agencies, importers and exporters, and law firms; example: the Florida Ports Council uses this data in developing and implementing economic and business development initiatives vital to the growth of international commerce in Florida.

Duplication of an Effective, Existing Law: The proposed ruling duplicates the Trade Act of 1930 that contains an automatic system for protecting the confidentiality of the identities of importers and consignees. See 19 C.F.R. § 103.31(d)(1); 19 U.S.C. § 1431(c)(1)(A). It also contains a procedure to bar publication of manifest data about a particular cargo shipment whenever the Secretary of the Treasury determines that publication may harm national security, or may cause personal injury or property damage. These well-established procedures strike the balance between preserving national

security, facilitating public disclosure of manifest information, and enabling parties interested in doing so to protect their confidentiality.

The current rule for biennial confidentiality

certifications works well, with more than 1,200 exporters and 1,700 importers making use of the biennial confidentiality certification procedure. During the 22 years that the current rule has been in effect, the confidentiality provisions have generated very few complaints from those that file confidentiality certifications, and PIERS is frequently in contact with Customs' Disclosure Law Branch to ensure that shipper confidentiality is maintained.

Undermining of Congressional Policy; No Credible

Contribution to Port Security: This proposal originated in response to comments filed in the rulemaking proceedings for the "24 hour rule" - an initiative designed to increase port and maritime security. Yet, reducing the amount of vessel cargo information released will not increase security. It will, however, seriously harm trade and law enforcement activities that rely extensively upon the availability of this information through PIERS and other information services.

Florida clients who have submitted letters of support

for our position include the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce and the Florida Ports Council.

Your comments and questions are encouraged. For additional information or clarification:

Bill Ralph, President
PIERS
(973) 848-7064 (direct)

For support or business use issues:

Taurii Nishiyama
(202) 661-3377 or 1-800-995-2624, Ext. 107

Melissa, thank you in advance for your assistance. I will follow up with your office later in the day tomorrow.

Best regards,

Taurii

<<congress template to customs.DOC>>

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-363.htm>

From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:28:52 AM

Subject: Traffic Light

Dear Governor Bush:

I heard from the Secretary of the DOT about the traffic light at Bartow Memorial hospital. I have sent you a copy of the reply I sent to him.

Many people in the county are disappointed in his decision to turn down our request for a light in front of the hospital. Perhaps there will be no more accidents until that section of Highway 98 meets the criteria for a light.

Thank you for trying to help in this matter.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Stephens
Polk County Resident

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'miller@trademarkbots.com'
CC: billieneese@msn.com
BCC: [Charlie Crist \(ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com\)](mailto:ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com)
[Charlie Crist \(charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/14/2003 1:29:13 AM
Subject: RE: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

I will pass on to General Crist.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Beckwith B. Miller [mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 11:47 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: billieneese@msn.com
Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

Hello Governor Bush,

Thank you for taking the time to review our Executive Summary.

Updates since my last email:

(1)The national banking regulators yesterday announced a new initiative to tackle id theft. Public comment is invited. We will emphasize the importance of tackling "online corporate identity theft" in addition to the traditional "network hacking identity theft". <http://www.federalreserve.gov/boarddocs/press/bcreg/2003/20030812/attachment.pdf>

(2)The DOJ (Depart of Justice) issued a warning on May, 2003 that "many criminals who want to obtain personal data from people online use a technique known as "spoofing": the creation of e-mails and websites that appear to belong to legitimate businesses, such as financial institutions or online auction sites." (<http://www.usdoj.gov/opa/pr/2003/May/publicadvisory1.pdf>)

(3)We are meeting with Porter Goss' local office tomorrow in Naples to introduce our initiative for Florida's banks and online consumers.

(4)Our new site OnlineCorporateIdentityRisks.com goes live tomorrow.

We think corporations need to be more proactive on this issue as part of a zero tolerance attitude towards online identity theft. Banks, in particular, need to be (1) correcting their own internal brand risks (per our research) that contribute to online corporate identity theft and (2) warning their clients about all forms of online id theft.

Only 5 of 200 major Florida banks now include a warning about Identity Theft on their web sites.

We are revising our Executive Summary in light of today's news from the national banking regulators.

Should we share our latest Executive Summary with Charlie Christ's Office? Ideally, an advisory from the State Attorney General's office warning consumers and encouraging the Florida banks to be more proactive, in regard to protecting their online brands, would help Florida take the lead amongst the states on this timely issue for consumers and banks.

We appreciate your initial interest and just wanted to keep you informed about our next steps. If you think we should contact Charlie Christ's office, please let me know.

Protecting Florida's banks and online consumers is one of our top priorities!

Many thanks and best regards,

Beck Miller
TrademarkBots.com, Inc.
5100 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 105
Naples, Florida 34103
1-239-777-4638

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Kilmer, Charles A'](#)

BCC: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:27:22 AM

Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico fup

I will pass on the link.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kilmer, Charles A [mailto:CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 2:00 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Governor,

Thanks for the compliment. I'm a very small fish in a very large pond. Your words made my day.

O'Reilly on Fox said last night that Grey Davis ran California like a banana republic. This is about right. The circumstances around which they ran up that enormous debt are very similar to the way the Argentines ran up their debt. Basically what happened down in Argentina was that the federales there borrowed from international lenders and then used that money to maintain their power by paying off state and local officials. The people who actually got the money were not the ones responsible for paying it back-- so the money was poorly spent. It didn't increase the tax base--so the federales got no return on their investment ie: tax receipts--that would have funded the loan repayments. Similarly Davis struck a deal with state unions where by to win their support in the elections he had to expand the state payroll and give everyone a huge raise. The extra money spent, of course, didn't expand the tax base. etc (According to O'reilly Davis further weakened the tax base by increasing the insurance that small business were required to maintain.)

When officials think of themselves as the top predators rather than the top farmers then the government and the people are in trouble. The wisest state governments in this regard that I've seen are in Virginia and Colorado. Virginia in the last 10-15 years has made a radical transformation into being a high tech state. There are lots of high tech industries. The reason they are in Virginia--and spread all over Virginia--is because of a conscious state policy to grow high tech business in Virginia--and thereby grow the tax base. What Colorado has done in the last seven years largely is to copy the Virginia model--and add some embellishments.

The reason that I mention all this is not because I think Florida would do well to copy the Virginia model. I don't know much at all about Florida or how the state is run(except that it is much larger and much more diverse than Virginia.)

The reason I mention all this is because I noticed an article in Wired Magazine that mentions a Florida Company that makes artificial or cultured diamonds.

Much like desalination and biomass technologies, this technology has been around for awhile. However, like the other technologies-- cultured diamonds have been way too expensive to scale up in volume. What this new technology does is create real diamonds inexpensively. The significance of the technology is not that women will get finger diamonds on the cheap. Rather the significance of the technology is that it will enable the computer chip industry to make the next quantum leap in processing power. How important is this? Ask any high tech executive on the West Coast and they will tell you that the trend right now is that the center of gravity for high tech is shifting over to Asia.

Cheap, consistent diamonds produced for computer chips would return the future of high tech to the USA.

So how hot does that make this technology? Its hotter than cigarette boats. Its not as hot as the A bomb research in WWII. But it is about on the same level with the human genome project of the late 90's that has made gene splicing technology into a major industry in the USA (and Maryland particularly) and the Semitech Project of the early 90's that restored US leadership in the computer chip making industry-- that was at that time slipping away to Asia. (also I think some Texas companies around Austin benefitted significantly.)

Would it be appropriate for the state of Florida to support the cultured diamond producer in any way possible? I think so. There's more. I do not think that the significance of the long term technological threat from Asia is appreciated in Washington DC. And for that reason the promise of this technology is not properly understood. Perhaps you know some people in DC who would be able to properly act on this technology.

If you have a technology incubator/development dept--it might be appropriate to pass these links on to them.

<http://www.wired.com/wired/archive/11.09/start.html>

<http://science.slashdot.org/science/03/08/12/2112237.shtml?tid=126>

Regards,

Charles Kilmer

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"Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

08/06/03 10:11 PM

To: "Kilmer, Charles A" <CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov>
cc: "David Struhs Secretary (E-mail)" <fl_dep@DEP.state.FI.US>
Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

[thank you sir.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kilmer, Charles A [mailto:CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 9:24 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

GFI MailSecurity's HTML threat engine found HTML scripts in this email and has disabled them.

Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Jeb,

Thanks for passing on the desalination piece to David Strubs, Secretary of the Environmental Protection. His staff had already gone to visit the experimental project in Georgia--cited by the article--in May. So they are keeping up with cutting edge developments in that field.

There are three other states that are actively considering desalination proposals--who are not already in the desalination coalition currently working to bring legislation before congress to fund more desalination R&D. Those states are [Georgia](#), [Texas](#) & [New Hampshire](#). I'm not sure if its appropriate to lobby the water districts in those states to join the coalition. If it is appropriate to do so--then the way to do so would be to suggest to the heads of the Florida water districts--that they call the heads of the water districts in Georgia Texas & New Hampshire who are considering water desalination--to see if they won't join in co-sponsoring legislation coming before congress. The heads of water districts in Georgia, Texas and New Hampshire would be the kinds of people that the heads of water districts in Florida would run into at national conventions for water district officials. Another way-- though perhaps less appropriate--would be for you to call the governors of those states and have them move their water officials to join the coalition.

On a topic unrelated to desalination but related to environmental concerns.... Here's [a piece](#) that discusses a technology that --by way of heat and pressure--turns sewage and trash into oil. Like desalination, the technology has been around for a couple of decades and like desalination... costs have been too high--that is until this technology. They are saying that they can turn raw sewage, municipal garbage, industrial and agricultural waste --into oil for \$15@ barrel ...and with some tweaking & economies of scale they can do it for \$10@ barrel. The implications for government and business of turning all that sewage and trash from cost center to a profit center are pretty eye opening.

According to the article turning " U.S. agricultural waste (alone) into oil and gas would yield the energy equivalent of 4 billion barrels of oil annually. In 2001 the United States imported 4.2 billion barrels of oil."

Judging by the caliber of the government, business and scientific people behind the project--it looks to be legit.

Might be appropriate to pass this one along too.

http://www.discover.com/may_03/gthere.html?article=featoil.html

Regards,

Charles Kilmer
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"Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

07/14/03 08:12 PM

To: "Kilmer, Charles A" <CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov>
cc: "David Struhs Secretary (E-mail)" <fl_dep@dep.state.fl.us>
Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

thank you charles. I am passing this email on to David Struhs, my very able Secretary of Environmental Protection.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: CHARLES.A.KILMER@CUSTOMS.TREAS.GOV [mailto:CHARLES.A.KILMER@CUSTOMS.TREAS.GOV]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2003 11:42 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Jeb,

Below is a recent article about a company that looks like it can cut the cost of water desalination from Tampa bay's record +\$600@acre foot or \$2@1000 gallons to -\$300@acre foot or \$1@1000gallons. The technology can also be used to Augment Tampa's current system to extract the rest of the freshwater from the brine concentrate leaving granular salt--at half the current costs. The company that does this work is called [Aquasonics](http://www.aquasonics.com/tech.html). (http://www.aquasonics.com/tech.html) They're located in Atlanta Georgia.

It might be appropriate to forward this info to state officials responsible for this stuff.

Regards,

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http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2003-07/ns-hms070903.php

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[New Scientist](#)

Hot mist strips salt from the sea

A PROCESS that turns seawater into fresh water at around a third of the cost of conventional desalination is promising a new way of providing clean drinking water, claims one US company.

Called rapid spray evaporation (RSE), it is being developed by AquaSonics International, based in Atlanta, Georgia. The company has produced portable units capable of converting up to 11,000 litres of water a day and is now scaling up the technology for much larger desalination plants.

"Our process attains near 100 per cent efficiency for recovery of feed water," says Henry Lloyd, AquaSonics' chief. This means the process produces virtually no brine, compared with as much as 40 per cent with processes such as reverse osmosis.

Many poor countries struggle to obtain affordable clean water for their burgeoning populations. From Bolivia to South Africa, water has triggered political unrest as poor people are forced to spend an ever-larger slice of their income on this essential commodity.

"There are lots of inland and shoreline communities that are facing the problem of salinity in their water," says Mansur Ali, UNICEF's senior adviser for water, environment and sanitation. This offers a good opportunity to replace the current reverse osmosis method."

Traditional desalination plants simply heat water under a partial vacuum, collecting the vapour that boils off, and condense it, or by a process called reverse osmosis which involves forcing salt water through a fine filter. RSE ejects the salt water through a nozzle into a stream of heated air, forming a mist of droplets which vaporise almost instantly. The minute flakes of solid salt left behind fall to the bottom of the evaporation chamber where they can be collected.

The process was originally conceived by Lloyd Motz and David Secunda at Columbia University, New York, in the 1970s. AquaSonics picked up the idea, patented the process and has spent the past four years developing it into a workable design. The trick lay in developing nozzles that would allow the process to work with hydraulic pressure, says Lloyd, and in designing the separation chamber. However Lloyd refuses to reveal how they solved these problems, saying that it is proprietary information.

Nevertheless, tests on the system carried out by William Turner of Westwater Resources in Albuquerque, New Mexico, confirmed that it can process water containing up to 16 per cent salt, roughly five times the salinity of seawater and three times that which reverse osmosis desalination can handle.

This makes it ideal for use as an add-on to conventional desalination plants. Taking the concentrated brine and waste heat from a reverse osmosis plant, RSE can achieve near-100 per cent salt-to-fresh conversion and greatly reduce operational costs, says Lloyd. In this configuration, the operating costs for RSE are about one-third of the cost of conventional desalination methods alone, producing 1000 litres of

fresh water for between 16 and 27 cents.

RSE can also be used to treat waste water, and Lloyd suggests using it to remove arsenic contamination, which is an acute problem for people living in Bangladesh. (New Scientist, 16 November 2002, p 4).

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Langford.Brandi(EOG)(langfob@eog.state.fl.us))

Date: 8/14/2003 1:23:22 AM

Subject: FW: South Florida Mail Carrier

[here is the info.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: RJSLAMA62@aol.com [mailto:RJSLAMA62@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 11:34 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: GrandmaSlama@aol.com

Subject: Re: South Florida Mail Carrier

Yes, please send it to my father.

This has been a great week. My dad got his award and my wife gave birth to Adam Vincent Slama on 8/08/03 at 8:58 a.m.

He is 9lbs. 12 oz. My first child at age 40. It is as magical as everyone had told me.

Attached is a picture.

Once again, Thanks.

Robert



From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:22:49 AM

Subject: FW: South Florida Mail Carrier

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 7:22 PM

To: 'RJSLAMA62@aol.com'

Cc: Langford, Brandi (EOG) (langfob@eog.state.fl.us)

Subject: RE: South Florida Mail Carrier

[Mr. Slama, of course I will write your dad. should I send it to you?What is his name?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: RJSLAMA62@aol.com [mailto:RJSLAMA62@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush; GrandmaSlama@aol.com; Escaladebabe@aol.com

Subject: South Florida Mail Carrier

Dear Governor,

You might remember me. I am a Jacksonville attorney who worked with the Kessler Mentoring Connection and Holland and Knight to put together a mentoring project. The Lt. Gov. at the time did a PSA for me.

Well my father recently found out that he is the oldest mail carrier in the nation. He received an award and a U.S. Postal Team hat from Lance Armstrong. He was previously a retired New York City police officer. He has worked for the post office for 30 years. He is 79 years old and has not missed a day of work in 30 years. And he has had no accidents either.

Tom Brokaw referred to his generation as the Greatest Generation. He is an example of that generation who stood for something. He is a devout Catholic and a good father.

He has always taught us to work hard, be patriotic and take care of your family.

I was wondering if you might drop him a line or something. Also, I was wondering if your brother and President might drop him a line, too.

My father is like many from that generation--they are quiet heroes. I believe these are the people both you and your brother are trying to enlist.

I would greatly appreciate it. I appreciate all that you are doing for Florida. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

Robert J. Slama, Esquire

My dad's address is as follows:

Mr. Robert P. Slama
809 Eldorado Parkway West
Cape Coral, Florida 33914
Telephone #

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'GCPMdaveturner@aol.com'

Date: 8/14/2003 1:20:10 AM

Subject: RE: Bible College #12

[as you should be! Thank you Dave.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: GCPMdaveturner@aol.com [mailto:GCPMdaveturner@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 11:10 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Bible College #12

Dear Governor Bush,

Gulf Coast Prison Ministries started prison Bible College number 12 in Ottercreek Correctional Facility in Wheelwright, Kentucky, last week. We now offer the Bible school free to the chaplains as well as to the inmates. I expect business to pick-up. The repeat offender rate for our prison Bible graduates is still "0". We are thankful to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Dave

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Sayfie, Justin \(sayfie@aol.com\)](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:16:28 AM

Subject: FW:

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Jeb

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From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:00 PM

To: Sayfie, Justin (sayfie@aol.com)

Subject:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Brian Yablonski \(brian@pmbconsulting.com\)](mailto:brian@pmbconsulting.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:16:11 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jim Magill \(teammagill@aol.com\)](mailto:teammagill@aol.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:15:03 AM

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From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:02 PM

To: Jim Magill (teammagill@aol.com)

Subject:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Donna Arduin \(Arduindonna@aol.com\)](mailto:Donna.Arduin@arjuna.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:14:48 AM

Subject: FW:

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Jeb

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From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:03 PM

To: Donna Arduin (Arduindonna@aol.com)

Subject:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Tilley Cory \(Tilley, Cory\)](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:14:32 AM

Subject: FW:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Rancourt David \(rancourt@sostrategy.com\)](mailto:rancourt@sostrategy.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:14:01 AM

Subject: FW:

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Jeb

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Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:04 PM

To: Rancourt David (rancourt@sostrategy.com)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Carol Licko \(calicko@hhlaw.com\)](mailto:calicko@hhlaw.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:13:30 AM

Subject: FW:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Plante Ken \(ken@plante-adams.com\)](mailto:ken@plante-adams.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:13:15 AM

Subject: FW:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Brown David \(dbrown@broadandcassel.com\)](mailto:dbrown@broadandcassel.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:12:43 AM

Subject: FW:

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From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:06 PM

To: Brown David (dbrown@broadandcassel.com)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Katie Muniz \(baurk@comcast.net\)](mailto:baurk@comcast.net)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:12:28 AM

Subject: FW: for Katie and Carlos

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From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:07 PM

To: Katie Muniz (baurk@comcast.net)

Subject: for Katie and Carlos

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Martinez, Bob \(bmart@carltonfields.com\)](mailto:bmart@carltonfields.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:11:52 AM

Subject: FW: Governor, what do you think?

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From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:09 PM

To: Martinez, Bob (bmart@carltonfields.com)

Subject: Governor, what do you think?

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Martinez, Bob \(bmart@carltonfields.com\)](mailto:bmart@carltonfields.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:09:25 AM

Subject: Governor, what do you think?

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Katie Muniz \(baurk@comcast.net\)](mailto:baurk@comcast.net)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:07:03 AM

Subject: for Katie and Carlos

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Date: 8/14/2003 1:06:03 AM

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To: [Plante Ken \(ken@plante-adams.com\)](mailto:ken@plante-adams.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:05:27 AM

Subject:

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From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:04:29 AM

Subject: Re: Your recent e-mail to Governor Bush

Dear Secretary Abreu:

I appreciate your response to my email to Governor Bush about putting a traffic light at the entrance to Bartow Memorial Hospital. I must admit before July 31, 2003, I agreed with everything you said. However, I now have a different opinion.

This latest crash has changed my mind. I drove by it 7 hours after it happened. Traffic was frozen and was backed up for 2 over miles north of the hospital on 98. The van which had been hit was still on the side of the road as was the semi tractor rig that had hit the van. It was very obvious from looking at the van, that someone had been killed. It is a miracle that there were no more accidents from the traffic snarls following the wreck.

The Chief of Police for the City of Bartow has just publicly announced his support for a light. Many in the Polk County Sheriff's Department including Colonel Grady Judd, support the placement of the light in this location. They have many years of experience responding to traffic accidents as well as violations such as running red lights. They seem to feel the benefits of the light will outweigh the potential danger of drivers running the light.

I wish you would reconsider your decision. I have included links to the Polk County Democrat and the Lakeland Ledger coverage of this matter. Have you ever visited this location in Polk County? Perhaps if you saw the intersection first hand you might have a different opinion.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Stephens <http://www.polkcountym democrat.com/articles/2003/08/08/opinion/editorials/01edtentrance.txt>

<http://www.polkcountym democrat.com/articles/2003/08/05/news/02thursdayscrash.txt>

<http://www.polkcountym democrat.com/articles/2003/08/08/news/01bmhlight.txt>

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Carol Licko \(calicko@hhlaw.com\)](mailto:calicko@hhlaw.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:04:51 AM

Subject:

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To: [Rancourt David \(rancourt@sostrategy.com\)](mailto:rancourt@sostrategy.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:03:32 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Tilley Cory \(Tilley, Cory\)](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:02:49 AM

Subject:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Donna Arduin \(Arduindonna@aol.com\)](mailto:Donna.Arduin@arjuna.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:02:32 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jim Magill \(teammagill@aol.com\)](mailto:teammagill@aol.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:02:13 AM

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From: [charlotte burr <seeka@charter.net>](mailto:charlotte_burr@seeka@charter.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:07:22 AM

Subject: Terri's fight

Dear Gov Bush,

I am from Nebraska but have heard of the plight for Terri's life to be spared. In watching the videos of Terri's responsiveness, there is no way one could say she is a total vegetable. This must not go on. We can not play GOD in a human's right to life.

One and a half years ago, I literally watched my father starve to death as he was only given morphine to ease his panic of not being able to breathe. What a horrifying experience. No one should be put through that. I pray that you will intervene and allow for Terri to be continually fed with a stomach tube and rehab started immediately. I know rehab will not make her a whole person again but there is still a spirit and will there. Only our good Lord has the right to call us home in his own perfect time.

Thank you and blessings from the "Heartland"

Charlotte Burr
Gibbon, NE

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Brian Yablonski \(brian@pmbconsulting.com\)](mailto:brian@pmbconsulting.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:00:38 AM

Subject:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Sayfie, Justin \(sayfie@aol.com\)](mailto:sayfie@aol.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 1:00:15 AM

Subject:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['AnnFonfa@aol.com'](mailto:AnnFonfa@aol.com)

Date: 8/14/2003 12:52:41 AM

Subject: RE: Please Give clemency to Lionel Tate

[thank you for writing. His request is in the process and I will watch it carefully.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: AnnFonfa@aol.com [mailto:AnnFonfa@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 8:28 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Please Give clemency to Lionel Tate

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing in support of clemency for Lionel Tate.

Please use your powers to arrange for this.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ann Fonfa

245 Canterbury Circle
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418
(561)626-3768

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Darius Mosun'](#)

Date: 8/14/2003 12:51:27 AM

Subject: RE: Tallahassee Visit Dates fup

[the schedulers will be in touch. I want to meet with you all.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Darius Mosun [mailto:dmosun@soheilmosun.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 3:57 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: 'mmencia@eflorida.com'; 'lmarch@floridatradeexchange.com'

Subject: Tallahassee Visit Dates

Dear Governor Bush: Thank you for your kind note of July 9, 2003. I just received it in the mail yesterday. I had sent out a letter on August 7th, 2003 by FedEx to you (soft copy attached). Cyrus and I are keen on seeing you in September. Please let me know of times that you are available to receive us in Tallahassee. We have made a special gift in our workshop, which we would like to present to you. I look forward to seeing you again. Kind Regards, DARIUS.

Darius F. Mosun
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From: [Sue Rupe <SRupe@co.hernando.fl.us>](mailto:SRupe@co.hernando.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 7:21:25 PM

Subject: Fwd: WEEKI WACHEE CAMPAIGN

Attachments: WEEKI WACHEE CAMPAIGN

Jeb, If you can help us with "Save Our Tails" Campagin it would be a great help. Anything at all. During your next press opportunity or a small donation.

Thanks for being such a great supporter of Tourism. We appreciate all that you do.

Sincerely,
Sue

Susan Rupe, Director
Hernnado County Tourism
26 South Brooksville Avenue-Suite B
Brooksville, Florida 34602
352-540-4323
srupe@co.hernando.fl.us
www.co.hernando.fl.us/visit

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From: [Vince Vanni <vassoc@bellsouth.net>](mailto:vassoc@bellsouth.net)

To: [SCOTT WYNN](#)

[Randy Woodruff](#)

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[Steve Wolf](#)

[Bonnie Willette](#)

[Betty, Commissioner Whitehouse](#)

[WEEKEND MAG](#)

[Kathie Watson](#)

[Nancy Waclawek](#)

[Will Van Sant](#)

[Scott Twyman](#)

[Len Tria](#)

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[Shelly, Olivia, Hannah Terlep](#)

[Michael Tellone](#)

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[Dave Hramika](#)
[John Athanason](#)
[Robyn Weiss Anderson](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 5:32:07 PM

Subject: WEEKI WACHEE CAMPAIGN

NEWS RELEASE!
CONTACT VINCE VANNI AT 352-797-9199

WEEKI WACHEE ANNOUNCES "SAVE OUR TAILS" CAMPAIGN

Weeki Wachee Springs and the City of Weeki Wachee announce its "Save Our Tails" campaign. Now that ownership of Weeki Wachee Springs LLC has been donated to the City of Weeki Wachee, the mayor, Robyn Anderson, and the staff are asking for help from any and all friends to save our mermaids and return our attraction to its former condition. Contributions of as little as one dollar (\$1.00) are now being accepted. Please make your contribution payable to the City of Weeki Wachee and mail it to the "Save Our Tails Campaign", Attention Mayor Robyn Anderson, 6131 Commercial Way, Weeki Wachee, Florida 34606. Contributions will be used solely for the purpose of renovating the Weeki Wachee Springs Park and Attraction. " We are also asking all our friends to call the Southwest Florida Water Management District at 352-796-7211 and tell them that you want to "Save Our Tails."

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['mdoar@bellsouth.net'](mailto:mdoar@bellsouth.net)

Date: 8/13/2003 11:25:47 PM

Subject: RE: FCAT testing

[thank you Jim.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: mdoar@bellsouth.net [mailto:mdoar@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:11 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FCAT testing

Governor Bush:

I want to take the opportunity to express my thanks in this email for standing by the FCAT. Whatever the opponents claim, the FCAT is a necessary means to measure reading performance. Florida has too long been at the bottom of the country in terms of public education, and I think it is fantastic that you are making a stand and doing what is necessary to change it, even though it may be unpopular. Thank you again and continue to do the right thing.

Jim Doar

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Dan Richey'](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 11:14:17 PM

Subject: RE:

[thank you Dan.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Dan Richey [mailto:danr@riverfrontgroves.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 9:34 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Governor Jeb,

As a member of your Florida Citrus Commission and immediate past Chairman I want to thank you on behalf of all of us for your compassionate statement on the passing of Walt Brewer. I have lost a good friend and the industry has lost a valued leader.

On a more pleasant note, I look forward to seeing you and Columba in Orlando tomorrow (Thurs)

Dan Richey

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Bill McCormick'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 10:58:16 PM

Subject: RE: South Florida Visit fup

Thank you Bill. We will arrange a meeting. It might not be at your company but we will meet.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill McCormick [mailto:bmccormick@usstrategies.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 11:34 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: South Florida Visit

Governor, I hope all is well.

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Also, I still would like to take you to lunch as I promised nearly two years ago.

Friend,

William "Bill" McCormick

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Connie Mack'](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 10:52:59 PM

Subject: RE: RTA

Thanks you Connie.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Connie Mack [mailto:connie@conniemack.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 2:24 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RTA

Governor Bush,

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Thank you,

Connie

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Bettyrbattle@aol.com'](mailto:Bettyrbattle@aol.com)

Date: 8/13/2003 10:51:32 PM

Subject: RE: State's Attorney's Email address

charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us

-----Original Message-----

From: Bettyrbattle@aol.com [mailto:Bettyrbattle@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 4:50 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: State's Attorney's Email address

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Yes, Sir that is what I meant--not too bright when it comes to proper titles.

God's Love and Mine,

Becky

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: '8773422541@archwireless.net'

Date: 8/13/2003 10:47:45 PM

Subject: RE: Wireless Message

Thanks for your help on both.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net [mailto:8773422541@archwireless.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 5:23 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Wireless Message

Congratulations on both Med Mal and DOC.

God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\)'](#)

BCC: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 10:46:22 PM

Subject: RE: Visit from the Governor of El Valle del Cauca, Columbia

thank you Pepe. I will pass on to the schedulers.

-----Original Message-----

From: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) [mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 5:36 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Visit from the Governor of El Valle del Cauca, Columbia

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Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Commissioner District 12

8345 NW 12th Street
Miami, Florida 33126
305-599-1200(Ph)
305-470-1791(Fax)

111 NW First Street , Suite 320
Miami, FL 33128
305-375-4343(Ph)
305-372-6109(Fax)

From: [Beatrice <beatrice1@kvcom.net>](mailto:beatrice1@kvcom.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 10:06:42 PM

Subject: ESE Transportation without assistant

Dear Jeb,

One of my girlfriend who is a parent of a child with developmental disabilities asked me if I could write a note to you about a transportation problem that she has.

Melanie (child with mental disabilities) doesn't have an assistant in her ESE school bus. When her mom called about this safety issue, the Orange school district transportation Director said that their budget was cut and that was the reason.

Melanie's mom and myself are concerned about Melanie safety, anything could happen during the travel from school to her home and vice-versa. Melanie needs constant supervision, I know that for a fact.

What can we do? To whom should we speak or write?
Could you please help, Thank you.

Sincerely,

Beatrice

From: [Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>](mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 9:35:34 PM

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From: [Sam Wood <swood3@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:swood3@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

[Charlie Crist](#)

[Tom Gallagher](#)

CC: [Burma Davis Posey](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 9:30:11 PM

Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

Gentlemen:

Like many other Florida residents, we are appealing to you to exercise your authority to determine the future of Cypress Gardens.

Words cannot relate our concern over the future of Cypress Gardens and the potential destruction, unless you men elect to purchase the full acreage of the Park.

We have been full time residents in Towerwood MHP (Lake Wales, FL) for more than 18 years and at our current age, the beauty and activities of Cypress Gardens has been our main source of entertainment and pleasure. We and all our immediate Winter neighbors have had annual tickets for many years.

I want to thank you for all you have done for Florida and pray that you will make the right decision. Since we are three of your supporters, we will honor what ever decision you all make.

PLEASE DO NOT LET CYPRESS GARDENS BECOME ANOTHER HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL GAIN OF UNCARING OWNERS.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sam J. and Dorothy H. Wood (Married 60 years as of 6/26/03)

Vanetta Lea Wood (Daughter)

568 Martinique Dr.

Lake Wales, FL 33859-6870

863-676-5647

swood3@tampabay.rr.com

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net <8773422541@archwireless.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 9:23:04 PM

Subject: Wireless Message

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God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: Bettyrbattle@aol.com <Bettyrbattle@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Bettyrbattle@aol.com'](mailto:Bettyrbattle@aol.com)

Date: 8/13/2003 8:41:28 PM

Subject: RE: State's Attorney's Email address

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Becky

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Doreen Rutledge'](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 8:30:01 PM

Subject: RE: You are doing a wonderful job.

Thank you Doreen.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Doreen Rutledge [mailto:Doreen_Rutledge@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 10:06 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: You are doing a wonderful job.

It is a shame that 3rd grade parents can't recognize the favor the FCAT is doing for their children. If I could give them my 25 year old and the experience that comes with her perhaps they too would realize that it is a tough world out there where their children will stand on their own and compete side by side with children who have passed the tests. They need to take the time to sit down with their children, read the comprehension books they bought at the reading resource store and accept responsibility for their part of their children's upbringing. rather than complaining when their government has to do it for them. Anyway, I think you are continuing to do an A+ job. Keep it up.
Doreen

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Haferre@aol.com'](mailto:Haferre@aol.com)

Date: 8/13/2003 8:10:36 PM

Subject: RE: Respectful request

[thank you Helen.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Haferre@aol.com [mailto:Haferre@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 3:36 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Respectful request

August 13th, 2003

Dear Governor Bush,

At the inauguration of Miami Dade College's ETCOTA building during which you graciously addressed us about the importance of education and technology, you referenced a study that indicated that the most democratic of all institutions in the United States was our community college system.

Higher education is a prerequisite for getting a good job and providing our state with a healthy economy. Unfortunately, the difficult economic situation is hurting our chances of helping educate students and the rising cost of tuition will bring more to Miami Dade College. We look to meet this challenge with trepidation as we are being squeezed from the budget from the K-12 and university pressures and programs.

We know the community college system is the backbone of our economy. Nearly one million students are attending community colleges throughout the great state of Florida. I ask you to please consider making Community College Funding one of your top educational issues. It is both timely and fair.

I understand the difficulty that lies ahead for our budget and all the competing issues for our relatively short amount of funds. But you asked me to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees of the best community college in the United States, Miami Dade College and this mission is difficult without the reasonable funding to maintain an open door policy for all students who apply. It is the most democratic of institutions and it is peculiar to our great American Way. For this reason, I ask you to please consider this request.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Aguirre Ferre
Trustee
Miami Dade College

From: [Peter England <peter@camillus.org>](mailto:peter@camillus.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 7:45:03 PM

Subject: Camillus House Relocation

Attachments: August 13 Governor Bush.doc

Dear Governor Bush-

Would you please review the attached correspondence on the subject. Thank you for your time.

Peter England
Director-Government Relations

From: Haferre@aol.com <Haferre@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 7:35:54 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['John Rivera'](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 7:32:56 PM

Subject: RE:

[thank you Juanito.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: John Rivera [mailto:john@dcpba.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 2:37 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Wanted to say Hi and wish you and your family the very best. Also, to ask you to think "John" (Schlesinger). You'll be making a choice on Circuit Judgeship for the 11th and when you do just think John.

Thanks

John

From: [Mark Weinstein <mlwlaw@bellsouth.net>](mailto:mlwlaw@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 7:25:40 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

Mark Weinstein
2212 Alford Way
Wellington, FL 33414

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senator, please vote no on the alleged malpractice reform bill. You have shown great courage to this point. This is not reform. It does not solve any of the real problems.

Sincerely,

Mark L Weinstein

From: [Beckwith B. Miller <tmbots@earthlink.net>](mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: billieneese@msn.com

Date: 8/13/2003 3:46:44 PM

Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

Hello Governor Bush,

Thank you for taking the time to review our Executive Summary.

Updates since my last email:

(1)The national banking regulators yesterday announced a new initiative to tackle id theft. Public comment is invited. We will emphasize the importance of tackling "online corporate identity theft" in addition to the traditional "network hacking identity theft".

<http://www.federalreserve.gov/boarddocs/press/bcreg/2003/20030812/attachment.pdf>

(2)The DOJ (Depart of Justice) issued a warning on May, 2003 that "many criminals who want to obtain personal data from people online use a technique known as "spoofing": the creation of e-mails and websites that appear to belong to legitimate businesses, such as financial institutions or online auction sites." (<http://www.usdoj.gov/opa/pr/2003/May/publicadvisory1.pdf>)

(3)We are meeting with Porter Goss' local office tomorrow in Naples to introduce our initiative for Florida's banks and online consumers.

(4)Our new site OnlineCorporateldentityRisks.com goes live tomorrow.

We think corporations need to be more proactive on this issue as part of a zero tolerance attitude towards online identity theft. Banks, in particular, need to be (1) correcting their own internal brand risks (per our research) that contribute to online corporate identity theft and (2) warning their clients about all forms of online id theft.

Only 5 of 200 major Florida banks now include a warning about Identity Theft on their web sites.

We are revising our Executive Summary in light of today's news from the national banking regulators.

Should we share our latest Executive Summary with Charlie Christ's Office? Ideally, an advisory from the State Attorney General's office warning consumers and encouraging the Florida banks to be more proactive, in regard to protecting their online brands, would help Florida take the lead amongst the states on this timely issue for consumers and banks.

We appreciate your initial interest and just wanted to keep you informed about our next steps. If you think we should contact Charlie Christ's office, please let me know.

Protecting Florida's banks and online consumers is one of our top priorities!

Many thanks and best regards,

Beck Miller

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5100 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 105

Naples, Florida 34103

1-239-777-4638

From: [John Rivera <john@dcpba.org>](mailto:john@dcpba.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 6:36:58 PM

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From: [Connie Mack <connie@conniemack.com>](mailto:connie@conniemack.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 6:23:53 PM

Subject: RTA

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Connie

From: [Henry Dean <hdean@sfwmd.gov>](mailto:hdean@sfwmd.gov)

To: [Stutler, Denver](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
[Struhs, David](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 6:23:14 PM

Subject: Re: Response to the Sun-Sentinel

Attachments: hdean.vcf

Good idea. We'll make it two people.-

"Stutler, Denver" wrote:

- > Thanks Henry
- > Will they print two from you?
- > If not, how about Pamela brooks-Thomas?
- >
- > -----Original Message-----
- > From: Henry Dean [mailto:hdean@sfwmd.gov]
- > Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 12:28 PM
- > To: Bush, Jeb
- > Cc: Stutler, Denver; Struhs, David
- > Subject: Response to the Sun-Sentinel
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- > Responses to the Sun-Sentinel's recent articles are attached.
- >
- > Henry

From: [Rodney Barreto <rbarreto@bcmpartners.com>](mailto:rbarreto@bcmpartners.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 6:10:05 PM

Subject: Medicaid, Food Stamps and TANF

Jeb, on August 5th I sent you an e-mail concerning a possible meeting with you and Roger Carlton and other folks from ACS relative to the outsourcing issue for eligibility determination for Medicaid, Food Stamps and TANF. I believe the issue at hand is that AHCA and DCF are not attacking the waiver issue in a concerted and mutually supportive manner. We know you are committed to improving service to the recipients while saving money in the eligibility process. We would like to meet as soon after Labor Day as possible. Would only need about an hour.

From: [Cindy Haller <cynhaller@earthlink.net>](mailto:cynhaller@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 8:48:50 PM

Subject: Re: State Dept. issue regarding our foreign exchange student

Hi Governor,

Perhaps some folks in Tallahassee can help out since I learned today that the paperwork regarding Rujina Sajjayakorn is going to FHSAA. That is some office in Tallahassee.

I did E-mail back Raquel and called Christa. It'd be nice if she could try out for swim team.

Appreciate you getting back to me so soon.

Thanks,

Cindy

Cindy, I don't know how we can expedite but we will try.

jeb

From: [Henry Dean <hdean@sfwmd.gov>](mailto:hdean@sfwmd.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Stutler, Denver](#)
[Struhs, David](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 4:27:55 PM

Subject: Response to the Sun-Sentinel

Attachments: KissRiverForSunSentinel 081303.doc
C-139BasinForSunSentinel 081303.doc
hdean.vcf

Responses to the Sun-Sentinel's recent articles are attached.

Henry

From: RJSLAMA62@aol.com <RJSLAMA62@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: GrandmaSlama@aol.com

Date: 8/13/2003 3:34:13 PM

Subject: Re: South Florida Mail Carrier

Yes, please send it to my father.

This has been a great week. My dad got his award and my wife gave birth to Adam Vincent Slama on 8/08/03 at 8:58 a.m.

He is 9lbs. 12 oz. My first child at age 40. It is as magical as everyone had told me.

Attached is a picture.

Once again, Thanks.

Robert



From: [Bill McCormick <bmccormick@usstrategies.com>](mailto:bmccormick@usstrategies.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 3:34:05 PM

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William "Bill" McCormick

From: [Megan Gardner <Mugs2sj@hotmail.com>](mailto:Mugs2sj@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 3:22:14 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Cap

Megan Gardner
3320 W Rogers Avenue
Tampa, FL 33611

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I would like to urge you to VOTE NO on the Governor's medical malpractice bill. Please keep in mind the rights of the people of the state of Florida and do not bend to the pressure of insurance companies. Thank you for VOTING NO TO THE GOVERNOR'S MEDICAL MALPRACTICE BILL.

Sincerely,

Megan Gardner

From: GCPMdaveturner@aol.com <GCPMdaveturner@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 3:10:08 PM

Subject: Bible College #12

Dear Governor Bush,

Gulf Coast Prison Ministries started prison Bible College number 12 in Ottercreek Correctional Facility in Wheelwright, Kentucky, last week. We now offer the Bible school free to the chaplains as well as to the inmates. I expect business to pick-up. The repeat offender rate for our prison Bible graduates is still "0". We are thankful to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Dave

From: RJSLAMA62@aol.com <RJSLAMA62@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:56:58 PM

Subject: Re: South Florida Mail Carrier

In a message dated 8/12/2003 7:22:10 PM Eastern Daylight Time, jeb@jeb.org writes:

Mr. Robert P. Slama
809 Eldorado Parkway West
Cape Coral, Florida 33914
Telephone #
239-945-2894.

From: [Taurii Nishiyama <TNishiyama@joc.com>](mailto:TNishiyama@joc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:55:48 PM

Subject: (Final Resolution): Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

Good morning Governor Bush:

This is the last email on this issue, I promise! I just wanted to let you know that we won - the Proposed Rulemaking has been withdrawn. The attached link (Discussion of Comments section) evidences this win may be credited largely to the comments of our Florida clients and the efforts of your staff.

Thank you again for your attention to this issue.

Best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama
(202) 661-3377

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-20567.htm>

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 4:28 PM

To: 'jeb@jeb.org'

Subject: FW: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

Governor Bush:

I apologize for being so late with my expression of appreciation; I did want to send to you a note of thanks for the assistance and guidance we received from Jesse Monzano in Miami and Melissa Freedman in your Washington, D.C. office. Melissa visited with the appropriate staff at U.S. Customs (DHS actually), gave us her feedback and input, and even briefed one of our legal representatives. She somehow found time to explain the issue to me in terms that I could easily grasp and communicate internally. Best of all, she demonstrated by demeanor and communication style how to accomplish exchange and advocacy of ideas in an environment where far greater concerns and priorities drive policy decisioning. Jesse was equally responsive; he can actually be reached by telephone in his office as early as 7:00 a.m.!

The issue remains undetermined, but at least we think that we have offered our very best efforts on

behalf of our clients, and have come away with the greatest possible position of comprehension of what we might expect, and the concerns of DHS/Border Transportation and Security in terms of achieving necessary security while continuing to foster an environment conducive to vibrant international trade.

Thank you again for the assistance of your very competent staff; I appreciate it very much.

Best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama

Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2003 4:28 PM

To: 'Jeb Bush'

Subject: RE: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

Governor Bush:

Thank you for your response; I appreciate it. Our president is in Washington the end of this week, and then again the week of March 10. Is there anyone you can recommend he meet with or speak to? Alternatively, is there anyone in Florida he should talk with?

Thank you in advance for any assistance or direction you can offer.

Very best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama

1-800-995-2624, Ext. 107

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Saturday, February 15, 2003 2:18 PM

To: Taurii Nishiyama

Subject: RE: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and ManifestConfidentiality

I will see if we can help.

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the

public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama [mailto:TNishiyama@joc.com]

Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2003 4:43 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs 24-Hour Rule and Manifest Confidentiality

Importance: High

Governor Bush:

First, please accept my very belated congratulations on your re-election. As you can imagine I was pleased, but never in doubt as to the outcome! We all look forward to the continuing four years and beyond.

You've been so responsive and helpful to me in the past; I wonder if I may come to you for guidance once again. The communication below broadly describes an escalating event that we believe offers significant economic harm to Florida business, specific to international trade. Melissa Freedman has worked very hard to develop a dialog with U.S. Customs; however, the solution they have extended to her is, in our opinion, not a solution at all, and, once deployed, irreversible; the damage to business irreparable. We have also attempted to reach Dr. Dana but understand her office does not work with these issues. Perhaps we do not understand the proper avenue of communication...

Can you please describe to me the most effective and concise method to use to earn your attention on this issue, so that you can then review and determine if it is meritorious enough to earn the resources of your staff?

We are a constituent company with offices in Miami and Tampa; our client base is global, with nomenclature including thousands private and public entities. I am happy to provide whatever information may be of use in determining the merits of our case.

Your comments and questions are encouraged; thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best regards,

Taurii Nishiyama
1-800-995-2624, Ext. 107

PIERS and Trade, Inc. - Division of Commonwealth Business Media

-----Original Message-----

From: Taurii Nishiyama
Sent: Thursday, February 06, 2003 4:47 PM
To: 'freedmm@sso.org'
Cc: Bill Ralph
Subject: Florida Business Concern: U.S. Customs
24-Hour Rule and Manifest Confidentiality
Importance: High

Hello Melissa:

Thank you for your time this afternoon and especially for your willingness to expedite this matter for us. The attached link to the Federal Register identifies the deadline for public comment as Monday, February 10, 2002. As a constituent business with offices in Tampa and Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, we request advocacy from your office: specifically, submission of a letter in response to the Federal Register notice for public comment. A sample or template of suggested copy is attached for your review and consideration.

Here are the most critical discussion points:

Economic Harm to Florida Business: In addition to severely restricting the marketing, economic development, competitive intelligence and strategic planning activities of Florida business engaged in international trade, the proposed ruling will restrict the decisioning tools of foreign companies who use this data to identify potential Florida business counterparts, or key traffic areas for site selection and plant expansion.

Business interests include but are not limited to manufacturers (chemical, equipment, hardware, textile, etc.), pharmaceutical companies, NVOCCs, banks, railroads, freight forwarders, custom house brokers, trade development agencies, importers and exporters, and law firms; example: the Florida Ports Council uses this data in developing and implementing economic and business development initiatives vital to the growth of international commerce in Florida.

Duplication of an Effective, Existing Law: The proposed

ruling duplicates the Trade Act of 1930 that contains an automatic system for protecting the confidentiality of the identities of importers and consignees. See 19 C.F.R. § 103.31(d)(1); 19 U.S.C. § 1431(c)(1)(A). It also contains a procedure to bar publication of manifest data about a particular cargo shipment whenever the Secretary of the Treasury determines that publication may harm national security, or may cause personal injury or property damage. These well-established procedures strike the balance between preserving national security, facilitating public disclosure of manifest information, and enabling parties interested in doing so to protect their confidentiality.

The current rule for biennial confidentiality certifications works well, with more than 1,200 exporters and 1,700 importers making use of the biennial confidentiality certification procedure. During the 22 years that the current rule has been in effect, the confidentiality provisions have generated very few complaints from those that file confidentiality certifications, and PIERS is frequently in contact with Customs' Disclosure Law Branch to ensure that shipper confidentiality is maintained.

Undermining of Congressional Policy; No Credible

Contribution to Port Security: This proposal originated in response to comments filed in the rulemaking proceedings for the "24 hour rule" - an initiative designed to increase port and maritime security. Yet, reducing the amount of vessel cargo information released will not increase security. It will, however, seriously harm trade and law enforcement activities that rely extensively upon the availability of this information through PIERS and other information services.

Florida clients who have submitted letters of support for our position include the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce and the Florida Ports Council.

Your comments and questions are encouraged. For additional information or clarification:

Bill Ralph, President
PIERS
(973) 848-7064 (direct)

For support or business use issues:

Taurii Nishiyama
(202) 661-3377 or 1-800-995-2624, Ext. 107

Melissa, thank you in advance for your assistance. I will follow up with your office later in the day tomorrow.

Best regards,

Taurii

<<congress template to customs.DOC>>

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-363.htm>

From: RJSLAMA62@aol.com <RJSLAMA62@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:54:45 PM

Subject: Re: South Florida Mail Carrier

Hi,

Thanks for the response. His name is Robert Paul Slama.

He retired from the New York City Police Department as a Detective in 1971.

He began in the Post Office in 1973--present.

From: [Doreen Rutledge <Doreen_Rutledge@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Doreen_Rutledge@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:05:36 PM

Subject: You are doing a wonderful job.

It is a shame that 3rd grade parents can't recognize the favor the FCAT is doing for their children. If I could give them my 25 year old and the experience that comes with her perhaps they too would realize that it is a tough world out their where their children will stand on their own and compete side by side with children who have passed the tests. They need to take the time to sit down with their children, read the comprehension books they bought at the reading resource store and accept responsibility for their part of their children's upbringing. rather than complaining when their government has to do it for them. Anyway, I think you are continuing to do an A+ job. Keep it up.

Doreen

From: [Jeffrey Adelman <adelmanj@aol.com>](mailto:adelmanj@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:46:27 PM

Subject: Proposed Med Mal bill sells out patients

Jeffrey Adelman
113 SW 168 Terrace
Pembroke Pines, FLORIDA 33027

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The insurance industry will be the only entity to benefit from this proposed bill. This bill is an absolute disgrace after insurance company executives have already provided sworn testimony that doctors' premiums will not be reduced. This was the main reason the doctors were fighting for these reforms in the first place. A 'yes' vote to this legislation is nothing more than a slap in the face to the citizens of Florida and a green light for the insurance industry to take advantage of Florida citizens with future legislation. Show Florida citizens including doctors that the legislature is looking out for their best interests, and is not going to sell out to the insurance industry. Vote 'no' on this fraudulent bill.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Adelman

From: [Jamie Miller <JMiller@rpof.org>](mailto:JMiller@rpof.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:41:57 PM

Subject: Volusia Update

Governor,

We received the letters that were sent to you concerning the Volusia County GOP. There was a Volusia board meeting this week where these issues were discussed. Due to the county chairman's leadership, the board has resolved their issues by addressing each issue individually.

I'd be happy to brief you more if needed.

Thanks,
Jamie Miller

From: [David Farrar <farrardm@bellsouth.net>](mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:28:41 PM

Subject: My judicial choice -- Venzer

Governor,

If it is not too late, I once again would highly recommend Judge Ellen Sue Venzer for your 11th Circuit Court appointment. Her qualifications are of record and her commitment to justice is widely known and recognized throughout the legal community.

ex animo

davidfarrar

From: [Billie Neese <billieneese@msn.com>](mailto:billieneese@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: miller@trademarkbots.com

Date: 8/13/2003 2:14:09 PM

Subject:

Hi Jeb,

Thank you for taking time to review the research from Beck Miller. Their research exposes a tremendous threat to consumers like me who regularly use the internet for financial transactions. Florida should take the lead in consumer protection on this issue.

Thanks for all you do,

Billie

Protect your PC - [Click here](#) for McAfee.com VirusScan Online

From: Gatorpmac@aol.com <Gatorpmac@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:24:01 PM

Subject: Fwd: Response/To Bishop Lynch's statement from Cecelia Martin

Attachments: Response

Dear Governor Bush, WHEN YOU GET 5 MINUTES OF UNINTERRUPTED TIME,(EVEN IF IT'S LATE TONIGHT) PLEASE READ THIS VERY ARTICULATE AND THOUGHT PROVOKING RESPONSE OF THE TRUTH WRITTEN BY CECILA MARTIN FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE. GOD BLESS YOU.

From: [fiat <info@missionsun.org>](mailto:info@missionsun.org)

To: [Nancy McGowan](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:01:26 PM

Subject: Response

Attachments: Martin to Lynch.doc

Attached: Martin to Lynch

From: MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com <MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 2:16:01 PM

Subject: RE: Check out this story

[We've got plans to follow up on the issue.](#)

[Take care.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:54 PM

To: Griffin, Mike

Subject: RE: Check out this story

[thanks Mike. I have been surprised that your paper after leading the charge in pointing out the ill effects of social promotion, has not encouraged us to stay the course to solve this problem. this was a fine article.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com [mailto:MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 5:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Check out this story

This is running in the Sentinel....

The interesting thing about this reading program is that it has been proven successful with kids who have been held back because they could not pass the FCAT. Doesn't seem like it's busting their self-esteem too badly....

Take care,

Mike Griffin....

Lori Horvitz

DAYTONA BEACH - After watching their son struggle to read for three years, Mason McCoy's parents found an unlikely savior: The school with the worst reputation in town.

When Bonner Elementary posted a D on the state grades in 2002, Volusia County district administrators hired a private tutoring company to help Mason and 32 other Bonner students who were in danger of having to repeat third grade.

It was drastic, but many of the children made dramatic improvements. Of the 23 students tutored most of the year, 18 scored high enough on the state's standardized reading test to advance to fourth grade.

Mason was among them.

"It was a blessing," Susan McCoy said, almost in a whisper. "His teacher at Bonner realized immediately he was having a hard time."

Mason's experience is increasingly common around Florida and the nation. More and more, local school districts are using private tutoring programs to help the children they've been unable to help by themselves.

The federal No Child Left Behind Act is accelerating the trend. It requires schools that fail to meet standards for three straight years to give low-income students the option of outside help.

Even before the federal law came along, many public schools nationwide - from Brooklyn to Baltimore to San Bernardino, Calif. - were using private tutoring companies to work with students. School officials said regular teachers often don't have time to do the job and are overwhelmed with other responsibilities.

"The teachers can get burnt out," said Margie Murray, Seminole County district administrator. Most Central Florida elementary schools put students in small groups to help address individual needs. Many schools also pull out struggling readers to work with specialists, but that can be expensive.

Bonner does all of this stuff, but it was not enough. Bonner principal Bonnie Gyarfás said the school has extensive tutoring programs for students like Mason, but that the number of children who need extra help exceeds the supply of teachers.

"We're not able to tutor all of the children who need tutoring," Gyarfás said.

The school, which draws from Daytona Beach's poorest neighborhoods, has struggled in the state's annual grades. In recent years, Bonner went from an F to a C, then kept it there for a second year before sliding to a D in 2002.

The school had so many poor-performing students like Mason that state and county officials threw extra money and resources into the fight.

With \$50,000 from a federal grant, the district signed a contract with the Port Orange franchise of Sylvan Learning Center, a nationwide tutoring company. Sylvan charged \$25 an hour for each child instead of its usual \$44 an hour. All but 10 of Bonner's 33 third-graders received 60 hours of instruction from August 2002 until late May.

The results pleased district administrators, but they say it's too soon to draw conclusions. They first want to see how the Sylvan children's gains compared to those of other students. Bonner students as a whole made substantial strides this year on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test, which raised the school's D to an A.

Gyarfás thinks that a combination of things helped the children who went to Sylvan. The tutoring improved their reading skills, while a program challenging students to increase the time they spent reading independently developed their stamina to tackle long passages, the principal said.

They were expected to read 15 minutes during the school day and 15 minutes a night. Students who read for at least 25 received medallions. Mason was among them.

"Those two things together really seemed to be paying off," the principal said.

Volusia has renewed its contract for another year, again for 33 students. The group will include

third-, fourth- and fifth-graders, and some will attend three times a week.

Mason came home excited after learning he had been selected to attend Sylvan, his mom recalled.

"There were a lot of kids there who needed help, and they chose me," Mason said, flashing a toothy grin.

To determine what kind of help the students needed, Sylvan teachers gave each child an oral reading test to assess their skills in phonics, vocabulary and reading comprehension. They also studied the children's scores on school tests.

Each child had an individual plan of action. Most were at least one to two years behind, and some had to repeat grades in the past. Some needed help deciphering vowel sounds, while others could read the words but had little or no grasp of the plot and characters.

Mason, who already had repeated kindergarten at Holly Hill Elementary, struggled with everything. At Bonner, after starting third grade, Mason was tested and diagnosed with learning disabilities. Bonner gave him one-on-one instruction in reading and math during the school day, and sent him to Sylvan in the afternoons.

The teachers, each assigned three students at a time, would work with Mason on a skill until he mastered it. When Mason made progress, he was rewarded with tokens he could exchange for trinkets.

Scattered throughout his pale yellow home in Daytona Beach were some of the treasures of his success: an image of an angel stuck to the refrigerator, a small picture frame in the living room and a wind-up car stashed in his bedroom. Most of the time, Mason chose things he could give his mom as gifts.

From a file folder, parents Susan and Dean McCoy showed off Mason's report cards and progress reports with A's and B's. They also have his FCAT results, which show he is reading on grade level.

They said Mason's time in third grade was a year they will never forget, including the first meeting they had with Sylvan officials to talk about his progress. Never before had the McCoy's received such a glowing report about Mason.

"There were tears in my eyes, and I had goose bumps," said Susan McCoy, who works as a waitress when she can find work. "We're just so proud of him."

But the most significant trophies of Mason's achievement spill from the shelves of his bookcase: hundreds of books that he said he reads for pure pleasure.

Mason is a confident, energetic child who earns money sweeping floors and selling stuff that he finds and repairs.

"The best thing is knowing that I can just pick up a book, and that I can read it," Mason said. "No matter what anyone says, I can read."

Lori Horvitz can be reached at lhovitz@orlandosentinel.com or 407-322-7669.

Michael Griffin

Orlando Sentinel Region and State Editor
407-420-6229

From: [Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>](mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:56:31 PM

Subject: Re: Meetin Sept. 6 fup

Thank you,

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>

Sent: Tue Aug 12 19:57:25 2003

Subject: RE: Meetin Sept. 6 fup

I will check, Don Pepe.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) [mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 2:05 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Meetin Sept. 6

My Governor,

We moved the Intergovernment Meeting meeting from Aug. 5 to the 6 of Sept. in hopes that you can be our "Keynote Speaker". The only problem is that I need to get the invitation out and I really need to know Sir if you are coming. I am sorry for being such a pain, but as you know this is real important!

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

From: [Weiler, John <jweiler@harris.com>](mailto:jweiler@harris.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:20:23 PM

Subject: RE: Capital Update

Hello Governor,

Thanks for your reply. If the "system" isn't working what can we as individuals do to help you make it work or get the system updated, revised, etc. Time is of the essence in easing the pain of the victims, and publicizing the consequences of such crimes.....which in turn will reduce this category of crime. This should not be "rocket science", but unfortunately the opponents and advocates have made it so.

Thankyou again for the great job you are doing as Governor....please continue to standup for whats right and not whats politically correct.

Best Regards,

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 7:36 PM

To: Weiler, John

Cc: BergerW@eog.state.fl.us; charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us

Subject: RE: Capital Update

John, I share your frustrations. I don't think it is a problem of the AG's office. The only death warrants that I sign these days are for "volunteers". The system is not working and it breaks my heart. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Weiler, John [mailto:jweiler@harris.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:04 PM

To: 'Wendy Hallowell'

Cc: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Capital Update

Hi Wendy,

Thank you for the update I am sure all the victims appreciate your hard work. Yes my case was concluded, with the execution of Tiny Davis, and yes it did help me and every member of my family....it was a blessed relief to know that we had done our duty to our departed relatives to assure justice was served.

For many many families there are still hundreds of people on death row who should have had the sentence of execution carried out long ago so they can enjoy the relief they deserve. I am very happy that governor Bush continues to sign death warrants, I am not happy that the attorney General and staff is not assuring more warrants get on his desk. It is not unreasonable to expect 50 warrants to get to his desk and 12 result in execution in the next 12 months.

What can we the victims do to help reach this goal? It appears the only resort left is to make a media focus of the failure to promptly process these criminals through the system. What say you?

Best Regards.....John

-----Original Message-----

From: Wendy Hallowell [mailto:Wendy_Hallowell@oag.state.fl.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 4:49 PM

To: Wendy Hallowell

Subject: Capital Update

Hello everyone,

I hope this email finds you all well. It has been a while since I've given you an update so I thought I'd give you a brief overview of what's happening in our office.

So far this year, there have been two executions, Amos King (2/26/03) and Newton Slawson (5/16/03). King brutally raped and killed an elderly lady in her Tarpon Springs home which he then set on fire. He then viciously stabbed a corrections officer who did survive the attack. Slawson killed an entire Tampa family, mother, father and two toddlers. The mother was 8 months pregnant at the time and the unborn baby was also killed.

There is an execution set for Paul Hill who planned and carried out the killing of a doctor and his escort at a Pensacola women's center. The doctor's escort's wife was also shot but survived. His execution is set for Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003. In the last executions the defense used

the tactic of claiming (at the "eleventh hour") their clients are incompetent to be executed. By current Florida law, if such a claim is made, the Governor MUST issue a temporary stay of execution and reset the execution time. Three doctors are assigned to examine the inmate and, assuming he is ruled to be competent, the execution can be reset immediately following the competency evaluation results.

The ruling handed down from the United States Supreme Court (Ring) has not adversely impacted our cases. Even though the media fanned the fire, it has not caused much more than a slight delay and more money the State has to pay to litigate the issue. Because the issue has not presented an impact to our cases, we have not done notification. The issues have been raised, heard and ruled upon fairly quickly.

That's about it for now, I also want to let you know that I will be on vacation from August 13 through August 22. I am visiting Jackson Hole, Wyoming and plan to do some hiking (the hiking was not my idea) and visiting Yellowstone National Park. I am just hoping that I don't come face to face with a grizzly!

If you have any questions about this email or your particular case, just let me know and I will research it and respond when I return.

Take care and God Bless,
Wendy

Please note that Florida has a broad public records law, and that all correspondence to me via email may be subject to disclosure.

From: [John Beck <johnbeck@beckbarrios.com>](mailto:johnbeck@beckbarrios.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:34:53 PM

Subject: Invitation to Dove Days in Dooly

Dear Governor Bush:

I have been asked to invite you to attend "Dove Days in Dooly." on Saturday, September 6, 2004. This involves a lunch for approximately 300 people including several local politicians, followed by a dove hunt. Georgia's Governor Perdue has accepted an invitation to attend. Considering the recent activities surrounding the work to reach accord on water issues, we think this a great opportunity for you both to socialize together, too.

A Georgia State Trooper or GBI Officer will be available to transport you from the airport in Cordele, Georgia to and from the event.

Former Governor Zell Miller and other dignitaries have also been invited. The event is sponsored by Sanders Farms.

Please save this date on your calendar. I hope you will be able to attend. I will provide more information as it becomes available.

Kind regards,

Wayne R. Malaney
Beck, Barrios and Malaney

From: [Dan Richey <danr@riverfrontgroves.com>](mailto:danr@riverfrontgroves.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:34:19 PM

Subject:

Dear Governor Jeb,

As a member of your Florida Citrus Commission and immediate past Chairman I want to thank you on behalf of all of us for your compassionate statement on the passing of Walt Brewer. I have lost a good friend and the industry has lost a valued leader.

On a more pleasant note, I look forward to seeing you and Columba in Orlando tomorrow (Thurs)

Dan Richey

From: Amber121684@aol.com <Amber121684@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:22:01 PM

Subject: RE: Shadow date

"Big Bad Governor" Bush,

First of all, I can't thank you enough for allowing me the opportunity to shadow you yesterday. The day was very eventful and exciting. I am so appreciative that you allowed me to partake in such an experience. I am extremely fortunate to have such a personable Governor who truly does care (not to mention one with your great personality). You have inspired me to reach for my dreams as well as make a difference. Seeing that it is possible to be an honest and genuine person in a high political office conveys a positive message for tomorrow's leaders.

I hope that I will be surrounded by people like you when I become heavily involved in the political arena. Meeting your staff today proved that what you said was true. Surrounding yourself with brilliant and wise thinkers, only makes you a stronger person and leader. I learned a tremendous amount of information while shadowing you. I can only hope to be as successful and collected as you have shown to be.

Thank you once again for all you do. I truly enjoyed my time with you and the choir of protesters. My only regret was that there weren't more hours in the day. I hope that our paths continue to cross in many future endeavors. Keep me in mind after you fire all of your employees and need replacements! It would be an honor to work for you, much less, follow in your footsteps any time. I hope to stay in contact with you. Thank you for going out of your way to meet my mother. I know it meant the world to her. Best wishes.

Amber Pass

~We were on the news last night!

From: [robert brewster <brewst2@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:robert.brewster@worldnet.att.net)

To: [bj](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:24:47 PM

Subject:

Which Comes First The Teacher Or High Pay?

A teacher graduates looks for a job. The only opening is k-3 in the inner city. The pay is low the job demanding and the hours long. They learn mid term that a 20 year teacher, in the same district, is teaching an honors class with 18 students in a good urban school that provides better equipment, all the supplies you can use, no hall duty or cafeteria duty and short hours. At the end of the year FCAT awards the inner-city school a "D" and the urban school an "A" with a \$10,000 check that is divided equally between the staff.

UNION negotiations start and the district give the UNION 3% base and 2.49 fringe. The UNION gives the 1-3 year teacher \$375-\$525. The 19-20 year teacher is nearing retirement so the UNION gives them a \$4,130 increase. The 1-3 year teacher looks for another job in another professions. Only the dedicated stick it out. The data are public record and published. Next term another crop of students graduate and head for college. The top 50% of the class select engineering, physics, medical, computers, and other high skilled fields. The bottom takes the easy way and goes into teaching repeating the cycle.

Suggest colleges increase their strength of teaching certificates. Teachers that qualify for a teaching degree in science with a 3.0 or better get recognized and a grantee that they will start at level 7 or 8. This will stop the practice of schools hiring a Physical Education major for a science teaching position because they come cheap.

Now the UNION wants complete control of FCAT money, (See Attachment)
The UNION has been doing the unequal distribution thing for years in Florida. That's why we rank 38 th in the nation.

teacher union approves

Union, From 1B

last year after the school district changed to a form of negotiations known as collective bargaining. A panel of negotiators met and discussed each issue, coming to an agreement last month.

By comparison, the 2002-03 contracts weren't finished until March of this year as the teacher union representatives fought hard for higher raises and to keep teachers from having to pay for their health insurance.

In the end, the district simply did not have the money for higher raises and required teachers and non-instructional staff to pay \$260 a year for their health insurance.

"Last year, as we all know, was an extremely difficult year," Superintendent Richard DiPatri told the School Board on Tuesday night. "You could've taken the anger directed at you and turned it around. I really believe you provided great leadership."

School Board Member Rich Wilson applauded the efforts of the new president of the Brevard Federation of Teachers, Anne Spencer, and the district's director of human resources and labor relations, Joy Salamone.

"Both sides were dedicated to not only solving problems, but healing the wounds of the past," Wilson said.

There are still some thorny issues, however.

Spencer told the board that incorrect information was given to new teachers about their health insurance. The district's website reads that new teachers' health insurance will become effective on their first day of employment, but in fact they have to wait 45 days.

"If the employees expected to get coverage their first day of employment, I think the onus is on us," Board Member Bea Fowler said.

"And that's what we have to look at — what the expectations were," DiPatri said.

Also, teachers complained to the union they are being left out of the decision at their schools as to how the A-plus plan bonus money is being used. Schools that earn high marks on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment test receive a bonus.

Under Florida law, a school advisory council and staff must come to an agreement about how the money is spent, which can be as

School Board approves teacher union contracts

By Kimberly C. Moore
FLORIDA TODAY

VIERA — The Brevard County School Board voted unanimously Tuesday night to accept the contracts approved last week by the teacher and non-instructional staff unions.

The workers will receive an average 3 percent raise.

A starting teacher working for 10 months will earn \$30,375, and a 21-year veteran working 12 months can earn a minimum of \$65,814.

There are bonuses for educational levels and certifications: \$2,385 for a master's degree; \$3,590 for a specialist's degree; \$4,810 for a doctorate; and \$3,900 for National Board Certified, which is paid by the state.

The non-instructional staff union represents everyone from cafeteria workers to school bus drivers to custodians. Their salaries range from \$8.03 an hour for entry-level cafeteria workers to \$64,760 a year for a facilities planner with more than 21 years of experience.

The agreements were reached quickly compared to



— Richard DiPatri, Brevard County Schools superintendent

"Last year, as we all know, was an extremely difficult year."

See Unit 6B

From: [Cyndi Lenz <psychrn@gate.net>](mailto:psychrn@gate.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:09:39 PM

Subject: canker trees

Just to put a little reality into this situation. One day I came home from work and saw these aggie folks ambling round my neighborhood. I told them I did not have any orange trees but would be happy to walk them into my back yard and show them.

They had a list and told me they HAD TO GO IN ORDER OF THEIR LIST. mind you the entire neighborhood was gone to work.

The only way to get into my back yard is through my pool area because along the outer paths we have bouganvilla with giant thorns. I was also concerned about people leaving the back gate open and me not knowing and my dogs getting out. Also there are some places where people can fall.

So I waited 20 minutes so they could walk up to everyone else's house and ring their doorbells and they came and looked.

not to be paranoid-because I have nothing to hide- but these people while they are going around are looking in people's windows and checking them out.

I for one think it's a privacy issue -just think-the state sending people around

peering into our yards and houses -and also an insurance issue. what if someone gets hurt while in my yard -does that make me responsible for their medical bill?

I'm off to Boston THANK GOODNESS

cyndi

www.tropicaldawg.org

<http://goldenrescueofsouthflorida.hypermart.net>

Boca Raton News - Tuesday - 8-12-03

Boca schedules public meeting to update canker issue

Published Tuesday, August 12, 2003

by Aaron Shea

In an attempt to ease the minds of residents who are concerned about the citrus canker eradication program, a public meeting will be held Thursday at the Boca Raton Community Center to discuss the latest developments.

"There's a lot of talk the city is doing nothing," said Neil Evangelista, spokesman for the city. "We're doing everything we can legally do."

More than a year ago, the Boca joined Dade and Broward counties in their battle to halt the program, headed up by the state Department of Agriculture, in order to stop the spread of the disease that blemishes

citrus fruit. State officials claim the disease will damage Florida's substantial citrus industry.

"We've been to court nine times over the course of a year," Evangelista said.

Thursday's 6:30 p.m. meeting is intended to inform locals of the status of the case against the state and allow concerned residents an opportunity to ask questions.

Speaking at the meeting will be Broward County Attorney Andrew Meyers, who has been the lead attorney against the state, and Diana Grub-Frieser, Boca Raton City Attorney.

Last week, a Palm Beach County judge granted 335 search warrants to the state Department of Agriculture for the continued cutting of citrus trees in Boca Raton. A Broward County judge halted the destruction of the trees a day later.

Following a pattern that has continued throughout the controversial eradication process, Circuit Court Judge Leonard Fleet last Wednesday issued an injunction stopping state crews just hours into cutting trees off Palmetto Park Road--not far from where crews destroyed about 1,000 trees on more than 400 properties last month.

The state immediately appealed the decision.

Cutting crews were only able to cut 16 trees before the injunction was issued, but crews continue to go from door-to-door in the area seeking consent from property owners to cut citrus trees.

"We get quite a few trees each day," said Mark Fagan, spokesman for the eradication program.

Agriculture officials are adhering to a policy that says the disease is best contained when healthy citrus trees within 1,900 feet of a canker outbreak are destroyed.

In May, 2002, Judge Fleet halted tree cuttings statewide. He ordered a review of the law to ascertain whether the state has the right to cut down a citrus tree on private property within a 1,900-foot radius of a canker-infected tree. Circuit Court Judge Thomas Barkdull III, just as he did last week, gave the state the go ahead to search properties for citrus trees in Boca and continue cutting.

From: [Dan Cytryn <dancytryn@myacc.net>](mailto:dancytryn@myacc.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 12:54:47 PM

Subject: medical malpractice caps are unfair

Dan Cytryn
12170 NW 9th Place
Coral Springs, FL 33071

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Still can't believe the senate will pass this bill when there's no evidence of frivolous lawsuits, and no evidence that insurance carriers will lower their rates!

It's an outrage to cap injured and maimed persons right to sue.

Sincerely,

Dan Cytryn

From: [McLaughlin, Daryl <DarylMcLaughlin@fdle.state.fl.us>](mailto:DarylMcLaughlin@fdle.state.fl.us)

To: [Kathleen M. Shanahan \(E-mail\)](mailto:Kathleen.M.Shanahan@fdle.state.fl.us)
[Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@fdle.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:13:47 PM

Subject: St. Pete Times article

We are going through the standard process for entering into a sole source agreement with any vendor. We have posted the notice of intent to award a sole source for the required period of seven days. During that time any company that believes they can offer the same service has an opportunity to prove it. Then we decide whether we should move forward after reviewing the other vendors claims. Working with DMS, we then award the contract to the company we believe can offer the service. We then must post the award another three days during which a vendor not selected may notice an intent to protest. If a vendor protests then we deal with the protest. This process, though cumbersome, is required by statute and would have occurred regardless of the Asher background concerns. It is standard operating procedure.

On the background issues, Seisint's CEO Paul Cameron, Board member and founder Hank Asher, and several employees of the company are cooperating fully with our review and we should have the results well in advance of our seeking DMS authorization to go forward with Seisint if in fact they are the only vendor that can provide the service.

The headline sounds a little more ominous than the situation really is. We are simply following the law.
Will keep you posted.

Daryl

Troubled business may lose contract with state
Amid concerns about the company founder, the state will consider bids from competitors.
By LUCY MORGAN, Times Tallahassee Bureau Chief
© St. Petersburg Times
published August 13, 2003

TALLAHASSEE - A South Florida technology company founded by a former drug smuggler no longer has a lock on a \$1.6-million contract to develop an antiterrorism network.

Three other technology companies want the business and have submitted proposals to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

On Aug. 1 FDLE indicated it was entering into a \$1.6-million no-bid deal with Seisint Inc., a Boca Raton company that has been given access to the state law enforcement agency to develop Matrix, a multistate network. Additional federal money is expected to take the cost of the system to more than \$8-million.

New proposals have come from Knowledge Computing Corp., Tucson, Ariz., EWA Government Services Inc., Chantilly, Va.; and Logic Pros, LLC, Sarasota. Two of the companies have extensive contracts with other government agencies.

Meanwhile, officials at FDLE are investigating the background of Hank Asher, founder of Seisint and other technology companies. Asher was identified as a pilot and former smuggler in several drug smuggling cases prosecuted in the mid-1980s.

In one federal case brought against 17 men in Florida, court records filed in 1987 list Asher as an unindicted co-conspirator in a group responsible for bringing more than \$150-million worth of cocaine into Florida in a single year. Asher was never charged with drug smuggling but became an informant for state and federal authorities.

Labeled a technology genius by his friends and business associates, Asher, now a wealthy Boca Raton businessman, established a close friendship with former FDLE director James T. "Tim" Moore, who retired at the end of July to enter private business.

Asher was the only non-law enforcement official on the agenda for Moore's retirement party last month. The event included a presentation of a framed picture of Bat Masterson and Wyatt Earp with pictures of Asher and Moore substituted for the heads of Masterson and Earp.

That appearance sparked a series of letters to Gov. Jeb Bush from FDLE agents who complained about the Asher-Moore relationship.

Daryl McLaughlin, interim director at FDLE, ordered the expansive background check. The agency did a less extensive review of Asher's background in 1993 when it began doing business with one of his companies. But it did not do the same sort of background check it usually does before entering into the new agreement.

After the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, Asher approached FDLE officials to offer help identifying terrorists. He has been working with the agency since then to develop the new system, which will give law enforcement

agencies speedy access to millions of records on individuals.

Critics say the system would allow too much personal information, including things like credit reports, to get into the hands of law enforcement agencies. FDLE officials say the system gives them unparalleled access to information that could lead to the arrest of terrorists.

Asher's drug smuggling past surfaced in 1998 when DBT Online Inc., a publicly traded company that Asher founded as Data Base Technologies in 1992, forced him to sell his shares in the company. The action came after officials at the FBI and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration canceled contracts with DBT citing Asher's prior involvement in drug smuggling.

A lawsuit pending in Palm Beach County Circuit Court accuses Asher and his new company, Seisint, of illegally taking his former company's technology to create a competing product.

Asher also violated a clause in agreements he signed pledging to keep the company's technology confidential, the suit filed by Choicepoint Inc. alleges.

Seisint's product, Accurint, has features similar to Auto Track, which has been produced by DBT, a company which now operates as Choicepoint, the suit alleges.

Choicepoint contends Asher and Seisint are using confidential business information they developed and costing Choicepoint sales and profits. The lawsuit seeks unspecified damages and attorney's fees.

Jennie Khoen
FDLE Public Information Officer
850-410-7021

From: mdoar@bellsouth.net <mdoar@bellsouth.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:10:43 PM

Subject: FCAT testing

Governor Bush:

I want to take the opportunity to express my thanks in this email for standing by the FCAT. Whatever the opponents claim, the FCAT is a necessary means to measure reading performance. Florida has too long been at the bottom of the country in terms of public education, and I think it is fantastic that you are making a stand and doing what is necessary to change it, even though it may be unpopular. Thank you again and continue to do the right thing.

Jim Doar

From: [Maureen Martinez-Schwab <Maureen@rec-law.com>](mailto:Maureen@rec-law.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:07:51 PM

Subject: Medical malpractice

Maureen Martinez-Schwab
P.O. Box 21349
West Palm Beach, FL 33460

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO. The proposal does nothing to help doctors with premiums and strips Floridians of their rights. This proposal only helps the insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Maureen Martinez-Schwab

From: [Michael Wilson <mikew12@yahoo.com>](mailto:mikew12@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:05:10 PM

Subject: Damages caps for medical malpractice

Michael Wilson
2465 N.W. 79th Terrace
Margate, FL 33063

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This horrible proposal is dangerous for victims, doctors and patient safety! The bill does nothing that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Please stay strong, do the right thing, and do not back down on this issue. PLEASE do not let this bill pass, or the consequences could be devastating! Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,

Melissa Kohl Wilson

From: [Melissa Wilson <mkwilson2003@yahoo.com>](mailto:mkwilson2003@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:04:29 PM

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2465 N.W. 79th Terrace
Margate, FL 33063

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Sincerely,

Melissa Kohl Wilson

From: [Adams, John <Ctjuja1@ocnjcc.org>](mailto:Ctjuja1@ocnjcc.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 12:49:57 PM

Subject: Prison Funding

Did you know that D.O.C. re-entry drug courts could accommodate 1800 felons ready for release for less than \$5.4 million.

Why not fund drug courts in every circuit? Spend 1/2 of the rest of the \$60 million for education, cut taxes and be a hero.

God bless. You're doing a good job.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Thomas A. Waits'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 11:59:53 AM

Subject: RE: Courtesy Visit

I will check, Tommy.

-----Original Message-----

From: Thomas A. Waits [mailto:tawaits@mindspring.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2003 6:58 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Courtesy Visit

Jeb.....Michael Sansbury, Regional VP Loews Hotels will be in town on Friday morning. He will become our FH&MA Chair of the Board in October. Would you possibly have time for a 5 minute courtesy call sometime during the morning? Know you're busy, but nothing ventured nothing gained.....Tommy

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 11:29:36 AM

Subject: Med mal Caps - NO!!!!

Gracie Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote "NO" on any type of med mal caps.

Please vote "NO" on any type of reduction in "bad faith" consequences for insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Gracie Conde, RN

From: [Claudio Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 11:26:07 AM

Subject: Med mal Caps - NO!!!!

Claudio Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 13, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote "NO" on any type of med mal caps.

Please vote "NO" on any type of reduction in "bad faith" consequences for insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Claudio Conde, RT

From: [Thomas A. Waits <tawait@mindspring.com>](mailto:tawait@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 10:58:08 AM

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From: liza@volunteerflorida.org <liza@volunteerflorida.org>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/13/2003 8:53:07 AM

Subject: RE: Product to Donate

Perhaps tie in with school recognition tour. Since Jeff and Karen got involved with us to support family literacy perhaps also donate a portion to support those programs. I'll get with Kathleen and Al and coordinate. THANKS ...Also, thanks for calling on the Boy Scouts - I think it will be a good project and would love to see them even do a "patch" for mentoring if this takes off....At some point need to talk with you and Kathleen about Vol FI Foundation and some of the start-up issues as well as some of the potential opportunities with change of leadership. P.S. Doctor put the entire family on antibiotics...hope Janie (the baby) was not as distracting to you as she was to me while we were talking! LIZA

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Tue 8/12/2003 7:39 PM

To: McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us

Cc:

Subject: FW: Product to Donate

Any thoughts? Coordinate with Kathleen and Al.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Al Cardenas [<mailto:ac@tewlaw.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:40 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Kathleen Shanahan

Subject: Fw: Product to Donate

Re attached, please advise if there are any worthwhile charities, causes that we can have as recipients. Thanks. Regards

-----Original Message-----

From: "Karen Saull" <karensaull@saull.net>

Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 17:27:55

To: <ac@tewlaw.com>

Subject: Product to Donate

We have about 8-10,000 Binders that normally retail between \$10-\$15 that are very trendy and made for school kids. They are in our California Warehouse and we would love to donate them on the Governors behalf, any place he wants us to send them to. Or of course, if you have any charities. It is the perfect time of the year to give this product away. Please let us know. Of course we will pay shipping/freight costs. Thanks, Jeff

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Horne, Jim'](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 3:18:14 AM

Subject: RE: Peter Jacobsen

The team will be in touch pronto.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Horne, Jim [mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:29 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Peter Jacobsen

I had dinner with my brother Bill and he told me they worked out everything with the PGA for the senior tournament. They have agreed on second week of February. We have a lot to do. They want to confirm your participation. They will put the request in writing. I am convinced this will be a huge success and give us great attention to not only one of Florida's best industries (golf) but focus on your number one issue - Reading.....

Jim

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

[Liza McFadden \(McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 3:18:00 AM

Subject: FW: Peter Jacobsen

Let us discuss.

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From: [Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:28:56 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Phil Smith'

CC: [Charlie Clary](#)
[Allan Bense](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:27:06 AM

Subject: RE: Viagra & AIDS

this is not an optional program it is required. By the way, we have not solved the problem with OxyContin. I will continue to strive to pass the OxyContin bill.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Phil Smith [mailto:phsmithrph1@comcast.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:23 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Charlie Clary; Allan Bense

Subject: Re: Viagra & AIDS

Yes, I know it is a federally *subsidized* program, but you and the Florida Legislature restored the medically needy program! You are not totally helpless to do anything! Why not have it require a "physician's prior authorization" to pay like the one implemented on OxyContin? This stopped some abuse of that medication expense.

Sincerely,

Phil Smith
4442 Ashland Rd
Panama City, FL
850 7841178

From: [Phil Smith <phsmithrph1@comcast.net>](mailto:phsmithrph1@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Charlie Clary](#)
[Allan Bense](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:22:59 AM

Subject: Re: Viagra & AIDS

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From: MGHANKINS@aol.com <MGHANKINS@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:13:26 AM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

I have just learned of the movement to save the Gardens and turn it into a park.

Hallelujah!!!!

My Dad was a Floridian from boyhood who moved to Ohio when he married my Mom after WWII. When he retired, they moved back to Lakeland and Cypress Gardens became their (and on vacations) second home.

We have been to weddings, births, parties with the water skiers who were so kind to my parents while they lived down there. When I would have to leave to go back to the frigid north the skiers made sure my Mom was never alone the rest of the day to dwell on my being gone.

I think saving the park is a necessity. If we allow such a treasure to disappear for housing and commerce, what will be next, Silver Springs? Gatorland?

It is very important to preserve the heritage of Florida and the vision of Dick and Julie Pope.

Thank you for listening -- and God bless you, the President (another fine man) and especially your Mother and Father. When we look at you and the rest of your family, it is plainly obvious what fine parents they have been and still are.

Melinda & Scott Hankins
Euclid, Ohio

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['melanie may'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:11:16 AM

Subject: RE: BHAG

sure.

-----Original Message-----

From: melanie may [mailto:mgmjrk@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:09 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: BHAG

Dear Governor Bush:

Jim McDonough and I have been discussing some ideas concerning drug courts and the drug court model and how they may be expanded to more cost-effectively deal with persons otherwise incarcerated. I have always believed that the best way to fund drug courts is to reallocate monies that they save in dealing with non-violent substance abusers outside the prison/jail system.

Having read of the request for additional monies to fund more prison beds in today's newspaper, it seems like the time is right to discuss the concept with you in more detail. Would it be possible for Jim and I to discuss the issue with you in person some time soon?

It is a BHAG, but I think it has some real potential.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Melanie May

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['michelle jacobs'](#)
Date: 8/13/2003 1:10:37 AM
Subject: RE:

thank you Michelle. What a shame these children and parents were misled regarding the facts.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: michelle jacobs [mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 8:58 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Re:

You handled yourself very appropriate and you gave them the information that they were given before they left Miami. The young lady over the new parent committee explained to all the parents that they principal, teacher and she said the superintendent as well can make the decision to promote the third graders if that child have achieved and met the standards. However, I was told by one of the principals that they are not going to promote these children because a lot of them cannot comprehend. The Senator work for the school system and that is the problem. But it is easier to continue to blame you for our own failures.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

Thanks for the heads up.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: michelle jacobs
To: Jeb Bush
Sent: Mon Aug 11 17:37:08 2003

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not know why our leaders are playing games with our children, however a bus of parents and children will be leaving Miami tonight to come to Tallahassee tomorrow. This is crazy.

Do you Yahoo!?

The New Yahoo! Search - Faster. Easier. Bingo.

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[The New Yahoo! Search](#) - Faster. Easier. Bingo.

From: [melanie may <mgmrijk@bellsouth.net>](mailto:melanie_may@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:09:05 AM

Subject: BHAG

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Melanie May

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Struhs Secretary \(fl_dep@dep.state.fl.us\)](mailto:fl_dep@dep.state.fl.us)
[David Struhs Secretary \(fl_dep@dep.state.fl.us\)](mailto:fl_dep@dep.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:08:40 AM

Subject: FW: 7 Million Gallons Ammonia Dumped

All yours.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Sally McKirgan [mailto:sallym@conservancy.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:50 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: 7 Million Gallons Ammonia Dumped

Dear Governor Bush!

That our protector, The Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection, would allow a toxic batch of fertilizer, the very thing Red Tide loves, be dumped into the Gulf of Mexico is a travesty. Seven million gallons worth of phosphate ammonia laden water in order to prevent an environmental catastrophe in Tampa Bay means environmental catastrophe for all the rest of Southwest Florida's coastal communities and beaches. This must be stopped! We cannot continue to dump our industrial waste into the Gulf of Mexico. We know that there is already a "dead zone" in the Northern Gulf where neither fish nor fisherman dare to go and that the mighty polluted Mississippi contributes to the unhealthy condition of the Gulf. What do you think other states dump and how about Mexico? The Gulf of Mexico will become a mix of Toxic Soup like the lovely Mediterranean! Let's find another way to get rid of this by product! Please STOP Florida DEP Today!

Sally McKirgan

Volunteer Program Manager

Conservancy of Southwest Florida

1450 Merrihue Drive,

Naples, FL 94102

(239) 403-4212

e-mail: sallym@conservancy.org

Visit www.conservancy.org

"Preserving Southwest Florida's natural environment...now and forever."

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Charles Anderson'](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:07:35 AM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Dr. Anderson. I wish we could have done better, I really do. However, I think this bill will improve our serious situation.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Charles Anderson [mailto:cander1400@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:39 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush:

As a Florida Physician I thank you for your great efforts in getting a Malpractice Reform Bill passed.

We certainly would have preferred a lower Cap, but I am very pleased that we were able to lift this issue to the forefront of debate in our State. The Florida public now realizes that the Tort system has a huge impact on Health Care and Tort reform can help to improve access to care.

Hopefully we will be able to

bring insurers back into the Florida market. Thanks again and I hope to be able to shake your hand at the FMA convention later this month. Charles Anderson MD Naples FL

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['mail@guzzettacorp.com'](mailto:mail@guzzettacorp.com)

Date: 8/13/2003 1:04:24 AM

Subject: RE: United States Distric Judge

I am not in charge of the federal process but I respect Rex.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mark Guzzetta [mailto:mail@guzzettacorp.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 4:36 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: United States Distric Judge

Jeb,

Apparently there is an opening for a federal judge in the southern district of Florida for a United States District Judge (Northern Division). Judge Rex Ford is seeking the position. Rex said you may recall that he was appointed by your father as an immigration judge in Miami. I do not know the nominating process for this stuff, but if you get to nominate someone outside of the JNC, please consider Rex.

Thanks.

Best Regards,
Mark

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['jpatchin@pcs-inc.net'](mailto:jpatchin@pcs-inc.net)
BCC: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)
Date: 8/13/2003 1:03:10 AM
Subject: RE: PCS, Inc. fup

Thank you Jan. I will pass on your email to Frank who seems to be doing very, very well. I will also pass on your interest to meet with our homeland defense folks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jan Patchin [mailto:jpatchin@www.pcs-inc.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 8:06 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: PCS, Inc.

Jeb,

Hope that all is fine in Tallahassee with you & your family. Heard anything from Frank Brogan & how he is adjusting back to 'college life' ? If you speak to him, let him know that we hope that he and the children are doing okay !

As I have always tweaked you in regards to school issues, I have never brought up what I do exactly - kept business seperated from 'school issues', but I believe that it is time.

I am a woman owned small business that is incorporated in the state of Florida that is involved with DoD contracts. Attached is the company brochure that is an overview of it all.

Would like to get together with either yourself & staff to see what it is that we may be able to assist the state in addressing the 'Homeland Security'. Look forward - as always - to hearing back from you & hope that I haven't shocked you too badly letting you see what it is that I actually do for a living.

Jan Patchin

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Open WebMail Project (<http://openwebmail.org>)
Debian Project (<http://www.debian.org>)

From: [michelle jacobs <mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>](mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/13/2003 12:58:20 AM
Subject: Re:

You handled yourself very appropriate and you gave them the information that they were given before they left Miami. The young lady over the new parent committee explained to all the parents that they principal, teacher and she said the superintendent as well can make the decision to promote the third graders if that child have achieved and met the standards. However, I was told by one of the principals that they are not going to promote these children because a lot of them cannot comprehend. The Senator work for the school system and that is the problem. But it is easier to continue to blame you for our own failures.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

Thanks for the heads up.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: michelle jacobs
To: Jeb Bush
Sent: Mon Aug 11 17:37:08 2003

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not know why our leaders are playing games with our children, however a bus of parents and children will be leaving Miami tonigh to come to Tallahassee tomorrow. This is crazy.

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[The New Yahoo! Search](#) - Faster. Easier. Bingo.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Poblete, Yleem2'

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 12:53:16 AM

Subject: RE: Date changed for event of "The Lions for the Children of Jerusalem" project. fup

I didn't know that I had committed to the first date but I will check regarding the second date.

-----Original Message-----

From: Poblete, Yleem2 [mailto:yleem2.poblete@mail.house.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 11:35 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Date changed for event of "The Lions for the Children of Jerusalem" project.

Governor,

Ms. Ros-Lehtinen asked me to forward the following information to you as you will also be participating in the gala event of "The Lions for the Children of Jerusalem" project.

Below, please find the e-mail I received from the Director General of the New Jerusalem Foundation about a change in date from December 4th to December 11th..

Regards,
Yleem.

Ms. Yleem D.S. Poblete, Staff Director
Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia
Committee on International Relations
and Senior Foreign Policy Advisor
Hon. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Chair
257 Ford House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515
(202) 225-3345
(202) 225-0432 (fax)

Dear Yleem,

I'm hasting to inform you that because of local considerations we were forced to move the gala event of "The Lions for the Children of Jerusalem" project to December 11th instead of December 4th. Please make note of it in your personal agenda as we would very much appreciate having you as one of our guests of honor. I would also appreciate if you would inform Governor Bush of the change of date in the hope that he will be able to honor us with his presence.

Very Best Personal Regards to Dexter and yourself.

Zvi Raviv Director General The New Jerusalem Foundation

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Donaldson, Patrick'](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 12:21:53 AM

Subject: RE: Interview

thank you Patrick. I am sorry to say that treasurer Gallagher deferred the decision since he hasn't interviewed all of the candidates.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Donaldson, Patrick [mailto:donaldson.patrick@mail.dc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:56 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Interview

I waited until the cabinet was in session and the decision made before sending this because I didn't want to influence whatever decision may have been made.

Meeting with you yesterday was a very positive experience. Your sincere concern for the state and for the status of the corrections budget made a very positive statement about your vision for the welfare of all.

I thought about your question about efficiencies for the parole process on my drive home yesterday. If the process could be modeled after the electronic purchasing system, it could be near paperless. Using active server pages, a request for parole could be initiated when an inmate was eligible. A notice could be sent to persons for input (classification officer, work supervisor, psychologists, victim, etc.) They could answer questionnaires on a secure server. The examiner could input the inmates statements and release plans. The final input would be the vote of the commissioners. A letter could then be generated informing the inmate of the decision.

I have found that rather than creating something from scratch, often there is a similar process that can be modeled to accomplish most data gathering activities.

Thanks for the interview. I look forward to further service in whatever capacity may come my way

Patrick L. Donaldson, Ed.D.

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From: Hial1211@aol.com <Hial1211@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/13/2003 12:09:18 AM

Subject: good job

Hi...saw the news tonight and your interview in Tallahassee, regarding the FCAT....you did good...the look on those parents faces when you told them about what is available to them...was worth a million dollars, and Sen.Wilson, looked as dumb as her hats..lol...just had to share that with you...have a great week...Carmen

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Carr, Diane'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:58:05 PM

Subject: RE: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

This is a good answer!

-----Original Message-----

From: Carr, Diane [mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 2:05 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Governor, I spoke with Peter Johnson yesterday and explained in detail the differences between DBPR's jurisdiction and that of the professional boards re: unlicensed activity. I was able to determine in advance of our conversation that in a case like the one he described, the Construction Industry Licensing Board could require that a contractor pay a fine for identified incidents of unlicensed activity leading up to licensure as a condition precedent to issuing a license. Some boards already do this, but not the CILB. I and others at DBPR are in the process of strongly recommending to the CILB that they exercise their discretion in this way. Peter very much appreciated our response and recommendation to the CILB. Thanks, Diane

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 8:10 PM

To: Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us

Subject: FW: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Can we discuss this?

-----Original Message-----

From: PeterLJohnson@aol.com [mailto:PeterLJohnson@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 3:26 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Jeb,

Congrats on the Agreement on the malpractice issue.

As you may recall, back in April I emailed you about the former employees of Tropic-Kool Engineering who started their own mechanical contracting company and operated without a mechanical contractors license for a number of years after my partner had reported them to the Florida Department of Professional

Regulation last December. Well, Diane and her team were very responsive to you and did a thorough investigation and Diane Carr called me with her decision to drop the case because the offending parties had decided to get licensed.

Recently I was provided a copy of their investigation and it is quite obvious that the offending parties were guilty of operating without a license, so I called Diane's office and inquired about that. She had the woman in charge (I can't remember her name) call me back last week who told me that it was the oversight's board who decides these matters and they typically choose to not prosecute unlicensed activity. If that is the case with many of your oversight boards it may explain why we have some insurance problems. Can you imagine what auto insurance rates would be if all that happened to a person found driving a car without a license is they were told to go get one! My wife serves on State of Florida, Board of Medicine - Dietetics and Nutrition Practice Council and assures me they are aggressively prosecuting violators, but you may want to check the other boards attitudes on these types of issues and see how they handle regulation of their professions. They may need some guidance from you on how to handle violators.

I'm just finishing up a business plan for a Leadership Institute that I would like to affiliate with UF (if the administration sees the value). I'd love to have your opinion if you have time and interest to read it I'll attach it in an email (its 24 pages long).

Keep Smiling,

Peter

PS the following got me to smile.

Subject: Another Golf Outing

A guy out on the golf course takes a high speed ball right in the crotch. Writhing in agony, he falls to the ground. He finally gets himself to the doctor. He says, "How bad is it doc? I'm going on my honeymoon next week and my fiancée is still a virgin." The doc said, "I'll have to put your penis in a splint to let it heal and keep it straight. It should be okay next week." So he took four tongue depressors and formed a neat little 4-sided splint, held together with surgical wire. It was an impressive work of art. The guy mentions none of this to his girlfriend. They marry and on their honeymoon night in the motel room, she rips open her blouse to reveal a gorgeous set of breasts. This was the first time he ever saw them. She says, "You are the first, no one has ever touched these breasts." He pulls down his pants, whips out his splinted cock and says, "Look at this beauty, it's still in the CRATE!"

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\)'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:57:25 PM

Subject: RE: Meetin Sept. 6 fup

I will check, Don Pepe.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) [mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 2:05 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Meetin Sept. 6

My Governor,

We moved the Intergovernment Meeting meeting from Aug. 5 to the 6 of Sept. in hopes that you can be our "Keynote Speaker". The only problem is that I need to get the invitation out and I really need to know Sir if you are coming. I am sorry for being such a pain, but as you know this is real important!

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Langford.Brandi(EOG)(langfob@eog.state.fl.us))

Date: 8/12/2003 11:55:59 PM

Subject: FW: [Fwd: Nomination of Ron Book for 2004 Broward Community Partnership for the Homeless Award]

Attachments: RONBOOKNOMINATIONNARRATIVEFINAL.doc

-----Original Message-----

From: Tam English [mailto:tenglish@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 3:10 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: [Fwd: Nomination of Ron Book for 2004 Broward Community Partnership for the Homeless Award]

----- Original Message -----

Subject:Nomination of Ron Book for 2004 Broward Community Partnership for the Homeless Award

Date:Sat, 09 Aug 2003 13:40:12 -0400

From:Tam English <tenglish@bellsouth.net>

To:jeb@jeb.org

Dear Governor Bush,

I am preparing the application for the nomination of Ron Book for the 2004 Broward Community Partnership for the Homeless Award. The name of the award is the James J. Blosser Community Trusteeship Award, and is given to an individual who exhibits the following:

- Be an advocate for the homeless and other needy people in our community.
- Have made a significant contribution to the quality of life in Broward County.
- Build teams, bringing different people together to tackle the community's challenges.
- Is not always in the spotlight, but is a key contributor to making our community a better place.
- Has honored others in the past.

I am asking for your support of this nomination with a letter of support and commendation for Ron's nomination. As you may be aware, Ron has been deeply involved with homeless issues for many years, and has devoted and donated countless hours of time and resources to resolving the issues of the homeless in both Dade and Broward County. I am attaching the narrative portion of the application for your use in writing your letter of support. The letter should be addressed to the following:

Salute to Leadership James J. Blosser Community Trusteeship Award
Broward Partnership for the Homeless
920 Northwest 7th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

Final Due Date of the application and letters of support is August 15, 2003.

Thank you in advance for your time and support. If you or your staff have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (954)355-4874 or (954) 661-2262.

Most sincerely,

Kim W. English
1017 S.E. 13th Terrace
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Pat Maier'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:51:16 PM

Subject: RE: SPT article on North Florida water being taken by Central and South Florida FYI

i have not agreed to anything the Council of 100 has proposed. I have stated that there should be a debate regarding a huge issue in our state.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Pat Maier [mailto:mvtinc@gtcom.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 5:33 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: SPT article on North Florida water being taken by Central and South Florida FYI

Are you doing everything in your power to FORCE me to vote democratic next election?

Please distribute widely!

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Craig Pittman and Julie Hauserman

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North has it, South wants it

Florida water flows bountifully far from its thirstiest corners. Business leaders would see it rerouted, for cash.

Some of Florida's most influential business leaders have spent the past year meeting behind closed doors to divvy up the state's water supply.

Developers, agriculture executives and sugar growers - all with their own interests to protect - have been meeting at the behest of the governor's chief fundraiser to craft new water policies for Florida.

They have come up with a potentially controversial idea: to upend state law and redirect Florida's most precious resource from water- rich and slow-growing North Florida to thirsty, booming Central and South Florida, according to documents obtained by the St. Petersburg Times.

"Water-poor areas and water-rich areas have a lot to offer each other," said Lee Arnold, the Clearwater developer spearheading the water task force of the statewide business group, the Council of 100. Arnold pitched the recommendations to Gov. Jeb Bush on July 29, and the governor "has no objections to any of what we have proposed," according to a Council of 100 memo. Arnold promised to unveil the recommendations next month.

Experts Arnold has relied on contend that the state's water managers are too focused on protecting the environment, and not doing enough to find new water supplies for the state's booming population. This new approach would ensure an abundant supply of water so the pace of growth in South Florida could continue unabated.

But critics warn that quenching the thirst of one region with water from another could spark a statewide version of the Tampa Bay water wars of the 1980s and '90s.

Back then, cities and counties battled one another for water with lawsuits that cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars. The environmental costs may have been even higher.

"We had swamps that had been there for centuries that were dying," said Roy Harrell, who was chairman of the Southwest Florida Water Management District when it put an end to the wars. "Is that what we want?"

Instead of building pipelines carrying water across Florida, Harrell said, "We need to really bear down on what this growth is doing to our state."

Although his recommendations would require legislative action and public money, Arnold refused to discuss in detail what he presented to the governor. Still, he acknowledged the task force favors transferring water from more rural areas north of Interstate 4 to fast-growing areas south of that Central Florida dividing line.

"Do we have enough water in the state and it happens to be in the wrong spot?" Arnold asked. "Some counties are rich. Eighty percent of the consumption is south of I-4. Eighty percent of available supplies are north of I-4."

But the growth isn't. Naples, for example, is the second-fastest growing metropolitan market in the country. Collier County grew from 160,000 residents in 1990 to more than 275,000 in 2002. The population is projected to grow to nearly 550,000 by 2030.

In recent speeches, Arnold singled out the Suwanee River region as a

potential water source for growing South and Central Florida.

"They're sitting in the Saudi Arabia of water," Arnold said in one speech. In return for their water, he suggested, they could get money for improving their schools.

But the sheiks of the Suwannee have no interest in cutting any deals for their water supply.

If the council pushes the idea, "I'm sure there would be an uproar," said Suwannee River Water Management District director Jerry Scarborough.

"We have no water to give away, and we're not interested in selling any," said Suwannee County Commissioner Douglas Udell.

Nevertheless, he figures Central and South Florida will come take it. Some compensation for the struggling county - it has a population of 37,000, a per capita income of \$14,000 and 800 miles of unpaved roads - would take the sting out of it, Udell said.

Still, the commissioner said, "If you pump us dry, then what?"

There has been talk for at least 30 years of piping water from the Suwannee to quench thirsty lawns and residents elsewhere. During the Tampa Bay water wars, as Pinellas County and St. Petersburg drained the lakes and swamps of Pasco and Hillsborough counties, one Pinellas commissioner announced: "Keep the Suwannee River cold, because we're coming for it."

Pinellas officials were driven to take water from other counties by political pressure from developers eager to keep building, according to a new book, *Water Wars: A Story of People, Politics and Power*, by Honey Rand, the spokeswoman for the Southwest Florida Water Management District then.

Rand's book quotes another former Pinellas commissioner, Steve Seibert: "When Lee Arnold comes into my office and says, 'Where's my water?' I have to give him an answer."

Arnold, 53, is founder, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the Arnold Companies, a powerhouse in commercial real estate and a developer of residential projects in Pasco and Hillsborough counties.

He is not some deskbound paper-pusher. A licensed commercial pilot, Arnold flies his company plane. In 1996 he climbed to Mount Everest's base camp. He

was reached for comment last week during a scuba trip in the Bahamas.

Arnold has developed political clout by donating thousands of dollars to Republican candidates and the Republican National Committee.

For years he has been a member of the Council of 100, a group of business leaders that has advised Florida governors since 1961. Bush has enlisted the council's help selling controversial overhauls of the education and civil service systems.

Each member is approved by the governor, pays \$3,000 in annual dues and covers the cost of a staff and a suite in a riverfront office building in Tampa.

The council's chairman is Al Hoffman, an avid polo player and developer from Fort Myers. His company, WCI Communities, is the largest master-planned community builder in Florida. He also enjoys enormous influence as national finance chairman for the Republican National Committee, and chief fundraiser for Jeb Bush's 1998 and 2002 campaigns.

According to council documents, Hoffman established the water task force in May 2002 after he had "had several conversations with members of the Council of 100 about the water supply and distribution issues facing Florida."

After Bush approved that as a topic for study, Hoffman says he picked Arnold to head the 30-member task force, which Arnold describes as "made up of every walk of life."

The members include Fred Bullard, developer of Feather Sound in mid-Pinellas; Gary Morse, developer of a retirement community south of Ocala called the Villages; and Llywd Ecclestone, developer of PGA National Resorts in Palm Beach.

Other prominent members include citrus magnate Ben Hill Griffin III; sugar mogul Alfy Fanjul, chairman of Florida Crystals; former Florida Attorney General Jim Smith; the publishers of the Lakeland Ledger and Jacksonville's Florida Times-Union; and Andrew Barnes, chairman and chief executive officer of the St. Petersburg Times.

Barnes said last week he did not know what Arnold presented to the governor. Task force members have not had discussions since the full Council of 100 gathered in May at the \$200-a-night beachfront WaterColor Inn in the Panhandle.

During a two-hour task force meeting there, Arnold presented a series of

proposals for approval but did not ask for a formal vote.

"It was more like, 'Here's what we've got, here's where we're going, if you've got problems with it, speak up,' " Barnes said.

The most far-reaching proposal, Barnes said, "was to trade North Florida water for mid Florida money."

Out West, water is a commodity to be bought and sold like oil. Property owners can pump as much as they like. California moves water all over the state - even from other states - to high-growth areas.

But Florida law says water belongs to the public. Utilities can charge for the cost of delivering water to your tap, but the government protects the resource by regulating how much can be pumped.

Barnes said Arnold suggested a way around that: "You can't sell water, but you can pay people for providing transportation of water."

Paying a poor county a water transportation fee would likely cost a booming county less than building desalination plants or cutting growth, Barnes said.

The money "could be a huge boon for an unpopulated area," Barnes said. "Assuming you can persuade people to sit still for that."

Florida is not the only place where moving water around could make a lot of money.

In Texas, oil man T. Boone Pickens wants to pump water out of the rural countryside and pipe it to Dallas. But Rep. Nick Lampson, D- Texas, said the fear that water could be taken from his district to supply Dallas "moves the emotions of people to the point that they say they're going to get their guns and protect their water."

Making money off America's insatiable thirst has attracted foreign entrepreneurs. The three country's largest private water companies - USFilter, United Water and American Water Works - are owned by French and German conglomerates Vivendi, Suez and RWE.

Until recently a fourth big player was Azurix, a subsidiary of scandal-plagued Enron Corp. Azurix attempted to gain a foothold in Florida, offering to take over the \$8-billion restoration of the Everglades in

exchange for the right to sell the water it recovered. State officials rejected the idea.

Lobbying for the Azurix plan were two former South Florida Water Management District officials, Jim Garner and Cathy Vogel. Both lobby for Hoffman's WCI and the Association of Florida Community Developers, and are listed as advisers to Arnold's task force.

In 1997 Vogel wrote a paper for Bush's private think tank, the Foundation for Florida's Future, in which she argued the state should allow booming coastal counties to pay rural inland counties for their water. Such an arrangement would be mutually beneficial, she wrote.

Instead of taking Vogel's advice to let the market control Florida's water, in 1998 the Legislature passed a law mandating "local sources first." That means cities and counties must exhaust all reasonable possibilities for water within their borders before attempting to get it elsewhere.

The law was an attempt to ensure nothing like Tampa Bay's water wars ever occurred again.

In June, Vogel moderated as several "water experts" met with Arnold. They were Jake Varn and Eric Olson, lobbyists for the Florida Home Builders Association; Seibert, the former Pinellas commissioner and former head of the state's planning agency; Doug Manson, a lawyer who has represented utilities and bottled water companies; Tom MacVicar, a consultant for sugar growers; and Pete Dunbar, who lobbies for the state's largest wholesale water utility, Tampa Bay Water.

A report on the meeting says, "there was unanimous agreement that 'local sources first' is a bad idea . . . (but) it was agreed that any effort to repeal it would be political suicide."

But there could be a way around it.

For 30 years, Florida's water has been governed by its five water management districts whose boundaries are drawn to follow the state's hydrological features. The districts control who pumps water out of the ground and how much can be pumped. The Southwest Florida Water Management District oversees water for the Tampa Bay area.

Arnold's experts complained that the water management districts were not doing enough to find new sources of water because they were too concerned with protecting the environment.

"In essence, the evolution of environmentalism has seriously detracted from our focus and responsibility to ensure adequate water supply," a report on the June meeting said.

The task force recommended a statewide board to "put water supply on an equal footing with environmental protection and restoration." Such a board would oversee the local districts and, the experts said, redefine local sources first, pushing for "regional water supply solutions and the transport of water from water-rich areas to water-poor areas."

The task force had approved such a recommendation, and Arnold even mentioned establishing a state water authority in recent speeches. But last week he said that wasn't in his pitch to Bush.

"The concept of a state water authority is different from where we landed," said Arnold. He would not explain what he meant "because I don't have to at this point."

Hoffman, who has also discussed the water problem with Bush, promised the plan will not reignite the water wars.

"You only have water wars when water is scarce," he said. "Water in Florida is not scarce. We don't have a water shortage problem in Florida. We might have a water distribution problem."

- Times researchers Kitty Bennett and John Martin contributed to this report, which also includes information from the Fort Myers News-Press, Washington Post and Florida Today.

WATER RICH: Fishermen enjoy the Suwannee River in North Florida. A group of influential state business leaders say rivers like the Suwannee could provide water for South Florida, in exchange for money for northern schools.

EXPLOSIVE GROWTH: Developments like this one in Collier County, the second-fastest growing metro area in the United States, are straining the already limited water resources in South Florida.

The water divide

Florida has the highest concentration of major springs on Earth. Of 75 major springs in the United States, Florida has 33, almost all north of I-4. Ninety-five percent of the state's drinking water comes from below-ground sources, the highest percentage in the nation.

Major springs (First-magnitude springs): Output greater than or equal to 64.6-million gallons per day.

Minor springs (Second- or third- magnitude springs): Output between 1-million and 64.6-million gallons per day.

Neither surface nor groundwater crosses the hydrologic divide. North Florida receives water from outside the state, while South Florida depends on rainfall and groundwater stored in aquifers for freshwater.

Sources: Florida Geological Survey, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, USGS, South Florida Information Access

Who manages the water we use?

Florida has five water management districts, which loosely correspond to the five river basins: Northwest Florida, Suwannee, Southwest, St. Johns River and the Kissimmee-Everglades (South Florida) basins. The districts are responsible for developing water management plans for times of drought, and acquiring and managing lands for water management.

Source: Water Resources Atlas of Florida, 1998.

Southern counties use most surface, groundwater

SURFACE WATER: Includes water from sources such as lakes, streams, rivers and canals. The primary users of surface water are irrigators and power producers.

Palm Beach, Hendry and St. Lucie counties withdrew the most surface water in 1995.

GROUNDWATER: Florida was ranked fifth in the nation in groundwater withdrawals, and 93 percent of Floridians relied on groundwater for their drinking water in 1995.

About 92 percent of groundwater was used for public water supply.

Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Polk and Orange counties withdrew the most groundwater in 1995.

The 1998 Water Resources Atlas of Florida contains the most up- to-date information available.

Key players

LEE ARNOLD: Clearwater developer picked to spearhead the Council of 100's water task force.

AL HOFFMAN: Developer and Republican Party fundraiser who heads the Council of 100.

BEN HILL GRIFFIN III: Central Florida citrus magnate, serves on the water task force.

JAMES GARNER: Former chairman of the South Florida Water Management District, lobbied for an Enron subsidiary that sought to privatize water in Florida.

CATHY VOGEL: A former South Florida Water Management District employee, has advocated allowing coastal counties to pay rural counties for their water.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Weiler, John'](#)

CC: ['BergerW@eog.state.fl.us'](#)
['charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:40:10 PM

Subject: RE: Capital Update

John, I share your frustrations. I don't think it is a problem of the AG's office. The only death warrants that I sign these days are for "volunteers". The system is not working and it breaks my heart. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Weiler, John [mailto:jweiler@harris.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:04 PM

To: 'Wendy Hallowell'

Cc: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Capital Update

Hi Wendy,

Thank you for the update I am sure all the victims appreciate your hard work. Yes my case was concluded, with the execution of Tiny Davis, and yes it did help me and every member of my family....it was a blessed relief to know that we had done our duty to our departed relatives to assure justice was served.

For many many families there are still hundreds of people on death row who should have had the sentence of execution carried out long ago so they can enjoy the relief they deserve. I am very happy that governor Bush contiues to sign death warrants, I am not happy that the attorney General and staff is not assuring more warrents get on his desk. It is not unreasonable to expect 50 warrants to get to his desk and 12 result in execution in the next 12 months.

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Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 4:49 PM

To: Wendy Hallowell

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Take care and God Bless,
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Liza McFadden \(McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:39:41 PM

Subject: FW: Product to Donate

Any thoughts? Coordinate with Kathleen and Al.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Al Cardenas [mailto:ac@teqlaw.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:40 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Kathleen Shanahan

Subject: Fw: Product to Donate

Re attached, please advise if there are any worthwhile charities, causes that we can have as recipients. Thanks. Regards

-----Original Message-----

From: "Karen Saull" <karensaull@saull.net>

Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 17:27:55

To: <ac@teqlaw.com>

Subject: Product to Donate

We have about 8-10,000 Binders that normally retail between \$10-\$15 that are very trendy and made for school kids. They are in our California Warehouse and we would love to donate them on the Governor's behalf, any place he wants us to send them to. Or of course, if you have any charities. It is the perfect time of the year to give this product away. Please let us know. Of course we will pay shipping/freight costs. Thanks, Jeff

Sent via BlackBerry

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Weiler, John'](#)

CC: [Wendy Berger \(BergerW@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)
[Charlie Crist \(charlie_crist@aog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:35:51 PM

Subject: RE: Capital Update

John, I share your frustrations. I don't think it is a problem of the AG's office. The only death warrants that I sign these days are for "volunteers". The system is not working and it breaks my heart. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Weiler, John [mailto:jweiler@harris.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:04 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['RJSLAMA62@aol.com'](mailto:RJSLAMA62@aol.com)

CC: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:langfob@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:22:20 PM

Subject: RE: South Florida Mail Carrier

[Mr. Slama](#), of course I will write your dad. should I send it to you?What is his name?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: RJSLAMA62@aol.com [mailto:RJSLAMA62@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 6:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush; GrandmaSlama@aol.com; Escaladebabe@aol.com

Subject: South Florida Mail Carrier

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I would greatly appreciate it. I appreciate all that you are doing for Florida. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

Robert J. Slama, Esquire

My dad's address is as follows:

Mr. Robert P. Slama
809 Eldorado Parkway West
Cape Coral, Florida 33914
Telephone #
239-945-2894.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lewis, Celeste \(State\)'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:17:40 PM

Subject: FW: Medical Malpractice

-----Original Message-----

From: Pamela Viarengo [mailto:Paknjam@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 7:09 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Pamela Viarengo
440 Bay Point Drive
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com'](mailto:MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:54:19 PM

Subject: RE: Check out this story

thanks Mike. I have been surprised that your paper after leading the charge in pointing out the ill effects of social promotion, has not encouraged us to stay the course to solve this problem. this was a fine article.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com [mailto:MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 5:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Check out this story

This is running in the Sentinel....

The interesting thing about this reading program is that it has been proven successful with kids who have been held back because they could not pass the FCAT. Doesn't seem like it's busting their self-esteem too badly....

Take care,

Mike Griffin....

Lori Horvitz

DAYTONA BEACH - After watching their son struggle to read for three years, Mason McCoy's parents found an unlikely savior: The school with the worst reputation in town.

When Bonner Elementary posted a D on the state grades in 2002, Volusia County district administrators hired a private tutoring company to help Mason and 32 other Bonner students who were in danger of having to repeat third grade.

It was drastic, but many of the children made dramatic improvements. Of the 23 students tutored most of the year, 18 scored high enough on the state's standardized reading test to advance to fourth grade.

Mason was among them.

"It was a blessing," Susan McCoy said, almost in a whisper. "His teacher at Bonner realized immediately he was having a hard time."

Mason's experience is increasingly common around Florida and the nation. More and more, local school districts are using private tutoring programs to help the children they've been unable to help by themselves.

The federal No Child Left Behind Act is accelerating the trend. It requires schools that fail to meet standards for three straight years to give low-income students the option of outside help.

Even before the federal law came along, many public schools nationwide - from Brooklyn to Baltimore to San Bernardino, Calif. - were using private tutoring companies to work with students. School officials said regular teachers often don't have time to do the job and are overwhelmed with other responsibilities.

"The teachers can get burnt out," said Margie Murray, Seminole County district administrator. Most Central Florida elementary schools put students in small groups to help address individual needs. Many schools also pull out struggling readers to work with specialists, but that can be expensive.

Bonner does all of this stuff, but it was not enough. Bonner principal Bonnie Gyarfas said the school has extensive tutoring programs for students like Mason, but that the number of children who need extra help exceeds the supply of teachers.

"We're not able to tutor all of the children who need tutoring," Gyarfas said.

The school, which draws from Daytona Beach's poorest neighborhoods, has struggled in the state's annual grades. In recent years, Bonner went from an F to a C, then kept it there for a second year before sliding to a D in 2002.

The school had so many poor-performing students like Mason that state and county officials threw extra money and resources into the fight.

With \$50,000 from a federal grant, the district signed a contract with the Port Orange franchise of Sylvan Learning Center, a nationwide tutoring company. Sylvan charged \$25 an hour for each child instead of its usual \$44 an hour. All but 10 of Bonner's 33 third-graders received 60 hours of instruction from August 2002 until late May.

The results pleased district administrators, but they say it's too soon to draw conclusions. They first want to see how the Sylvan children's gains compared to those of other students. Bonner students as a whole made substantial strides this year on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test, which raised the school's D to an A.

Gyarfas thinks that a combination of things helped the children who went to Sylvan. The tutoring improved their reading skills, while a program challenging students to increase the time they spent reading independently developed their stamina to tackle long passages, the principal said.

They were expected to read 15 minutes during the school day and 15 minutes a night. Students who read for at least 25 received medallions. Mason was among them.

"Those two things together really seemed to be paying off," the principal said.

Volusia has renewed its contract for another year, again for 33 students. The group will include third-, fourth- and fifth-graders, and some will attend three times a week.

Mason came home excited after learning he had been selected to attend Sylvan, his mom recalled.

"There were a lot of kids there who needed help, and they chose me," Mason said, flashing a toothy grin. To determine what kind of help the students needed, Sylvan teachers gave each child an oral reading test to assess their skills in phonics, vocabulary and reading comprehension. They also studied the children's scores on school tests.

Each child had an individual plan of action. Most were at least one to two years behind, and some had to repeat grades in the past. Some needed help deciphering vowel sounds, while others could read the words but had little or no grasp of the plot and characters.

Mason, who already had repeated kindergarten at Holly Hill Elementary, struggled with everything. At

Bonner, after starting third grade, Mason was tested and diagnosed with learning disabilities. Bonner gave him one-on-one instruction in reading and math during the school day, and sent him to Sylvan in the afternoons.

The teachers, each assigned three students at a time, would work with Mason on a skill until he mastered it. When Mason made progress, he was rewarded with tokens he could exchange for trinkets.

Scattered throughout his pale yellow home in Daytona Beach were some of the treasures of his success: an image of an angel stuck to the refrigerator, a small picture frame in the living room and a wind-up car stashed in his bedroom. Most of the time, Mason chose things he could give his mom as gifts.

From a file folder, parents Susan and Dean McCoy showed off Mason's report cards and progress reports with A's and B's. They also have his FCAT results, which show he is reading on grade level.

They said Mason's time in third grade was a year they will never forget, including the first meeting they had with Sylvan officials to talk about his progress. Never before had the McCoy's received such a glowing report about Mason.

"There were tears in my eyes, and I had goose bumps," said Susan McCoy, who works as a waitress when she can find work. "We're just so proud of him."

But the most significant trophies of Mason's achievement spill from the shelves of his bookcase: hundreds of books that he said he reads for pure pleasure.

Mason is a confident, energetic child who earns money sweeping floors and selling stuff that he finds and repairs.

"The best thing is knowing that I can just pick up a book, and that I can read it," Mason said. "No matter what anyone says, I can read."

Lori Horvitz can be reached at lhovitz@orlandosentinel.com or 407-322-7669.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lewis, Celeste \(State'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:48:54 PM

Subject: FW: Please remember Florida's citizens

-----Original Message-----

From: Dale Appell [mailto:dalesappell@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 4:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Please remember Florida's citizens

Dale Appell

3001 North Rocky Point Dr, Suite 200

Tampa, FL 33607

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

and remember the truth that you recently discovered during sworn testimony. Please use the truth to do what's right for doctors and florida's citizens. dale

Sincerely,

Dale Appell

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Colson, Dean'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:48:40 PM

Subject: RE:

thank you Dean. I am sorry that we couldn't get the UM language into the bill. Believe me, our office was a lone voice on this. I think we will need to create a coalition of other impacted institutions. I am disappointed that the Dade delegation didn't lead the charge in the legislature.

Jennifer is first rate. She gave an excellent interview.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Colson, Dean [mailto:Dean@colson.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 4:33 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Congratulations on the malpractice bill. I hope you got enough of what you thought was important to make a big difference. I believe it will help the UM even though we did not get our language in the bill.

I know you have some interesting candidates that you interviewed for the 3rd DCA. I want to put a plug in for Jennifer Bailey. She is a great lady that has been involved in the community and is a very hardworking, dedicated judge that has paid her dues on the bench. I know there are other candidates that will make fine judges, but there is a lot to be said for someone with her experience and temperament.

I hope you can enjoy your summer now that the special sessions are over. Let me know when we can play some golf.

From: RJSLAMA62@aol.com <RJSLAMA62@aol.com>

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [James Crosby \(Crosby.James@mail.dc.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Crosby.James@mail.dc.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:45:38 PM

Subject: FW: Kevin's Release Money

-----Original Message-----

From: WillardJnc@aol.com [mailto:WillardJnc@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 4:33 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Kevin's Release Money

Thank you Jeb I knew I could count on you as always. If it weren't for the fact of the medical bills and I was out of work for three weeks I wouldn't have worried about it but fair is fair. I just wonder how many other inmates didn't get their release money either. As I said Jimmy Crosby is doing a great job this is yet another fine mess Michael Moore made of DOC for him to have to fix. But you already know how I detested Michael Moore I wrote you enough e-mails about him huh! Thanks again

Janice Smith

From: [Jay Wheeler <jwheeler@kua.net>](mailto:jwheeler@kua.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:39:18 PM

Subject: Public School Funding

When will Osceola Schools get final figures on capital funding for current school yr. ? We are in the process of planning for our growth and can not move on any new project without that data. Regards, Jay Wheeler/Osceola County School Board-District One

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lewis, Celeste \(State'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:39:15 PM

Subject:

Attachments: The rebirth of Cypress Gardens...
Medical liability legislation
BAD BAD MEDICINE FOR ALL FLORIDIANS
medical malpractice
Please Save Cypress Gardens
Med Mal Caps
Doctors oppose this medical malpractice bill
Medical Malpractice Legislation
Doctors oppose this medical malpractice bill (1)
Med Mal
Please stop the bill - medical malpractice
NO MED MAL LEGISLATION
Please don't sell your people out - VOTE NO
Vote No on cap - save our Citizens' Rights, not protect Insurance Carriers' premiums
NO TO MED MAL LAW
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Victims of Medical Malpractice
Cypress Gardens
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Fwd: Save Cypress Gardens
Don't railroad the citizens of Florida to make money for insurance companies
Malpractice Reform
needed insurance reform
NO TO CAPS - KEEP BAD FAITH
Med mal bill
NO TO MED MAL LAW (2)
Med Mal Caps - Vote "NO"
Med Mal Caps - Vote "NO" (1)
Cypress Gardens (1)
TORT REFORM
Your will lose my vote

From: [John P. Schumacher <schumacherabds@msn.com>](mailto:schumacherabds@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:25:06 PM

Subject: The rebirth of Cypress Gardens...

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a former resident of the state of Indiana and now a resident of the state of Arizona. However, I maintain a great interest in your state of Florida. I have lived my life (to date) being involved in the amusement/attractions business. I am a member of I.A.A.P.A. (International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions) and do some consulting work (at this point in my life) under the name of Schumacher Amusement Business Development Services.

My interest in this business derives from my first visit to the state of Florida in the year 1955. It was then that I first visited Cypress Gardens...which was, to my mind, the signature attraction for your great state. I was enthralled by its beauty and enjoyed seeing Mr. Dick Pope, sr., the originator of the attraction. I later learned that a professional photographer from my home town of Mishawaka, Indiana (Mr. Walter Stickler) provided the idea to Mr. Pope for the famous "photographer's pier" that enabled anyone with a camera to have an advantageous position for the water show and the many exciting 'shots' that it naturally provided.

These pictures, when shown on slide projectors of the 1950's and '60's were a form of "word of mouth" marketing for the whole state of Florida as the winter place to visit, stay and/or retire.

At that time there were other hallmark attractions in your state. They included: Weeki-Wachee, Homasassa Springs, Silver Springs, Rainbow Springs, Parrot Jungle and a few others. All put together, they comprised a terrific tour of the state of Florida. But, the crowning glory of all of them was Cypress Gardens.

Later, as you know, with the introduction of DisneyWorld and the multitude of complex attractions that have grown to surround the Disneyplex, tourist visits to the 'lesser' attractions diminished and, along with that, their ability to survive. Yet, it is my firm belief that Cypress Gardens, restored to its 1950's and 1960's magnificence, beauty and simplicity can find a marketing 'niche' to bring people to its site at Lake Louise once again. It can rightfully be the quiet and beautiful interlude that would follow a visit to the bustling, sense-challenging exhaustion of the Disneyesque attractions. It can be an enjoyable 'look-back' at that gentle, warm Florida of the mid-twentieth century complete with the beautiful 'belles of the south' that accented natures' beauty as presented in the surrounding plantings, trees and waterways. In fact, a historical, interactive museum built upon today's presentation technology would fit right into that philosophy for the re-created attraction.

As an interested lifelong fan (I visited Cypress at least six times back then) I implore that you not let this wonderful property be lost to development as has happened at Rainbow Springs. There is a window of opportunity that exists right now to bring back something that riveted the image of a flower-laden and sun-blest Florida in the minds of many some forty to fifty years ago. It can again be that image and, with today's grander marketing tools, knowledge of Cypress Gardens can be newly "broadcast" across the whole world via the internet and special television promotional shows. There's a way to do it and, from what I've read about the movement to preserve it, there's a lot of support for any action that you can help promote to enable its salvation.

Thanking you in advance for your help,

I remain



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From: [Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD <drdux@bellsouth.net>](mailto:drdux@bellsouth.net)

To: ['Jennifer Carroll'](#)

CC: [Johnnie Byrd](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

[Sandra Mortham](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:06:16 PM

Subject: Medical liability legislation

Jennifer,

I just wanted to drop you a note to thank you for your support and hard work on behalf of the patients and physicians of the State. As a member of the FMA Executive Committee I would like to extend our appreciation for your efforts in trying to ensure that the intended goal of the legislation, assuring the timely and appropriate provision of quality care to our patients, is accomplished.

While I realize that the final legislation is still being crafted the broad provisions have been circulated and reviewed. This is the first of many steps which will be required to effect a long-lasting and meaningful solution to the exponential increase in medical liability premiums. It is far from a perfect bill with the most onerous portion being the exceptions to the \$500,000 cap. I would commend you, the House, the Speaker and the Governor for your steadfastness and tireless work in this process. We will continue to work with you on this work in progress.

Again Thank you so much for your efforts during these special sessions – how's that for getting thrown into the fire? As we would say in the Navy "Congratulations on a job well done"

Pat

From: [Thomas Greiwe <Trustplann@aol.com>](mailto:Trustplann@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:55:45 PM

Subject: BAD BAD MEDICINE FOR ALL FLORIDIANS

Thomas Greiwe
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August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Greiwe

From: [Rossman Steve <rossman@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:rossman@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:52:32 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

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August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed bill is a victory for the insurance industry. The bill does not help doctors or their patients. It should be defeated. Caps are fundamentally arbitrary and unfair. They discriminate against children, stay at home mothers and the elderly. To relieve HMO's from liability is outrageous. They now have tremendous control over our healthcare and derive a huge financial reward as a result. At the very least they should share in the responsibility for medical negligence. To allow them to escape without any responsibility is irresponsible. Please vote against this windfall to the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Steve Rossman

From: [Ardith C. Rupp <arupp@lanl.gov>](mailto:arupp@lanl.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:02:16 PM

Subject: Please Save Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

May I add my name to the countless numbers of people who so fondly remember Cypress Gardens as a beautiful landmark in Central Florida. I can hardly believe what has happened to the lovely gardens that I remember, since they are no longer cared for.

I ask that you do all in your power to restore these gardens to the way they were. I have such wonderful memories of the ski shows and the Southern Belles in their beautiful dresses.

Please do all in your power to restore Cypress Gardens to the way it was. It should remain a treasured landmark!

Thank you!

Mrs. Ardith C. Rupp
417 Grand Canyon Dr.
Los Alamos, NM 87544

From: [Susan Testa <stesta@wilkinslaw.com>](mailto:stesta@wilkinslaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:23:53 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Susan Testa
5120 Collingswood Blvd
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not vote to make a cap on med mal.

I have a granddaughter born 3 mos premature and had to have surgery on her PDA valve. The doctor has done damage to her vocal cords and she may not be able to talk or eat normal. She was only 9 days old when this happen and we were not told of the risks outside of death. Now she has to see Speech Therapist and Occupational Therapist for quite sometime. All this because of a doctor having a bad day or not paying attention to what he was doing.

With a cap on Med Mal people like my granddaughter may not be able to get the care they really need.

Sincerely,

Susan W. Testa

From: [Christine Clark <christineclark@comcast.net>](mailto:christineclark@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:21:44 PM

Subject: Doctors oppose this medical malpractice bill

Christine Clark
5386 Tulane Ave.
Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Christine A. Clark

From: [James Keeter <james_keeter@hotmail.com>](mailto:james_keeter@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:20:10 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Legislation

James Keeter
115 View Point Place
Winter Springs, FL 32708

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The current Senate proposal would punish the innocent victims of medical malpractice and provide no rate relief to Florida's physicians.

The proposed caps on noneconomic damages would unfairly limit the recoveries for those victims with minimal economic losses - such as children, nonworking spouses, the elderly.

There are no effective provisions to reduce malpractice insurance rates for physicians or to improve patient care. Only the insurers - one of whom has acknowledged record profits in Florida - would benefit from this legislation.

Also, the proposed changes to Fla's "bad faith" law will be catastrophic to victims and insureds. Victims will be forced to try cases that should have been settled and insurers will have essentially no liability for excess judgments. Insureds - such as physicians - will be left to contend with excess judgments on claims that should have been settled before trial.

There is no rational basis for this special interest legislation. It is not in the best interest of Floridians - only in the best interest of insurers. What a shame if our elected representatives succumb to such a naked legislative power grab by the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Jim Keeter

From: [Christine Clark <christineclark@comcast.net>](mailto:christineclark@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:38:10 PM

Subject: Doctors oppose this medical malpractice bill

Christine Clark
5386 Tulane Ave.
Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I met with a trauma surgeon this morning who agreed that the proposed compromise bill is worthless to doctors because it won't change their premiums. The bill is a pure windfall for the insurance companies.

VOTE NO TO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE GIVEAWAYS TO THE INSURANCE COMPANIES

Sincerely,

Christine A. Clark

From: [Jeannette Solis Ramirez <jnksolis@bellsouth.net>](mailto:jnksolis@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:14:58 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Jeannette Solis Ramirez
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West Palm Beach, FL 33415

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

When will the people has a say so in what the insurance companies do. Why do we the consumers have to suffer because of politics. I am an HMO receipient and do not agree that I should have no recourse should a doctor perform malpractice on either myself or love ones. Please thinks of us the people and put yourselves in the place of a victim. I don't think you would like it to much if someone cutoff your good leg or left something in while in surgery to cause you more harm. Tell Bush NO to Med Mal caps.

We do not live in a communist community we do have a say so thanks to the consitution!!!

Sincerely,

Jeannette Solis Ramirez

From: [susan ramsey <sramsey@algxmail.com>](mailto:susan_ramsey@algxmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:05:14 PM

Subject: Please stop the bill - medical malpractice

susan ramsey
6062 mullin street
jupiter, FL 33458

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed bill regarding medical malpractice will cause floridians new harm. It does nothing to stop the poor medical treatment they recieve. Moreover, it will strip them of thier rights to receive adequate compensation for thier losses. Please stop this attempt to protect big business and let's start really protecting Floridians!

Sincerely,

Susan B. Ramsey

From: [David Neblett <dneblett@gaebemullen.com>](mailto:dneblett@gaebemullen.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:04:17 PM

Subject: NO MED MAL LEGISLATION

David Neblett
221 collins ave apt 10
miami beach, FL 33139

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Sincerely,

David Neblett

From: [Theodore Deckert <tdeckert@bellsouth.net>](mailto:tdeckert@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:00:23 PM

Subject: Please don't sell your people out - VOTE NO

Theodore Deckert
1164 Jason Way
west palm beach, FL 33406

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please don't join the Governor and his political supporters in selling out me and the people of Florida to the insurance companies. The governor's "compromise" bill is a political sell out of the worst kind to benefit only the governor, his brother's presidential agenda and their political supporters. Even the insurance companies acknowledge that it does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates. The so-called legislative "findings" are based on now proven lies and contradict the objective evidence and sworn senate testimony. In fact, the proposed bill will strip patients and doctors of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the HMO's and insurance industry to continue to rip off doctors and patients, solely for the benefit of the Insurance companies and HMO's. It does nothing to give the doctors the insurance rate relief they need and it does nothing to reduce the occurrence of malpractice that has killed and injured thousands of Floridians and cost our economy billions of dollars. The bad faith and damage limitation provisions simply shift the burden of malpractice to the victims so the insurance companies can assure their shareholders and executives big profits.

THIS BILL IS THE EPITOME OF WHAT HAS GONE WRONG WITH OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM AND IT IS SIMPLE WRONG.

PLEASE DON'T SELL ME OUT ALSO. VOTE NO!

Sincerely,

Theodore A. Deckert

From: [Brian Connelly <bconnelly@gouldcooksey.com>](mailto:bconnelly@gouldcooksey.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:00:00 PM

Subject: Vote No on cap - save our Citizens' Rights, not protect Insurance Carriers' premiums

Brian Connelly
979 Beachland Blvd
Vero Beach, FL 32963

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote No on the proposed Bill being ramrodded down the throats of our citizens by Governor Bush. The sworn testimony of the insurance leadership undeniably demonstrates that there is no crisis in our State, that there is no mass exodus of physicians fleeing from Florida and that the cap will in no manner facilitate a reduction of insurance rates for the doctors in this State.

Voting in this bill undermines our constitution and destroys the rights of the injured through the malpractice of physicians.

Further the proposed measure eliminates the duty of the insurance carriers to negotiate a claim in good faith and will result in further delay and injury to those seeking fair compensation and justice.

Sincerely,

Brian J. Connelly

From: [Jennifer Salinas <jenniferslms@yahoo.com>](mailto:jenniferslms@yahoo.com)

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Subject: NO TO MED MAL LAW

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From: [Ruth D. Romero <rdromero@gte.net>](mailto:rdromero@gte.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 7:26:38 PM

Subject: Victims of Medical Malpractice

Ruth D. Romero
408 Mahogany Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO!

Thank you for hearing my voice.

Sincerely,

Ruth D. Romero

From: ANGELEENO@aol.com <ANGELEENO@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 7:07:02 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Please save ALL of Cypress Gardens. It is such a beautiful place and I worked there for almost 10 yrs. as a waterskiier and would love to work there another 20 yrs. so my children and grandchildren can see what a wonderful place it is.

Thanks for you time,

See you again on the 26th (I am the Southern Belle in the green dress that came to see you in May)

Angela Yauchler

From: [Jim Wilkerson <wilker@bellsouth.net>](mailto:wilker@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 7:00:20 PM

Subject: Please vote no on Caps not supported by facts

Jim Wilkerson
10201 Glenmoor Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There is no overwhelming public crisis that justifies caps as a solution to the high cost of medical malpractice insurance. Even the insurance lobby has indicated that this will not bring about rate reduction. The fact is that other possible solutions need to be studied. The legislature should not pass legislation that does not solve the rate problem and severely restricts the rights of Floridians.

Sincerely,

Jim wilkerson

From: [Americo Rizzo <joerizz@webtv.net>](mailto:joerizz@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:59:31 PM

Subject: Fwd: Save Cypress Gardens

Attachments: Save Cypress Gardens

The message below was sent to your big brother who as you know lives in another part of this great country. I would like you to know that the people who are trying to save this national treasure have very long memories and would consider it a significant and wonderfully emotional event for this dream of saving Cypress Gardens from the developers to come to fruition.

It used to be said that a bird in hand is worth two in the Bush but I believe that a bird with two Bush's support could be invaluable in achieving the preservation goals.

Thanks for taking the time to read this message.

Mr. and Mrs. Rizzo

From: [Americo Rizzo <joerizz@webtv.net>](mailto:joerizz@webtv.net)

To: President@WhiteHouse.gov

Date: 8/12/2003 6:33:18 PM

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens

I am writing to you today to express my family's strong feeling for the saving of an historical landmark of significant importance to all people and not just the local population of central Florida. I know that you have been criticized on your environmental views but I do know that you have been very fair and open-minded in your decision making process.

Cypress Gardens must be saved for the next generations of Americans (Not Just Us Floridians). The enjoyment of its natural beauty must remain for posterity and not be destroyed by some local real estate developers aided by a tax hungry local government ready to annex the Cypress Garden land into their local tax authority.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message and please help preserve this national treasure.

Mr. & Mrs. Americo F. Rizzo
555 Montego Bay Drive
Lake Wales, Fl. 33859

From: [Deborah J. Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:39:55 PM

Subject: Don't railroad the citizens of Florida to make money for insurance companies

Deborah J. Gander
2343 SW 27th Terrace
Miami, FL 33133

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

We deserve better.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Thomas Roman <roman-roman-law@mindspring.com>](mailto:roman-roman-law@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:35:42 PM

Subject: Malpractice Reform

Thomas Roman
2196 Main Street, Suite L
Dunedin, FL 34698

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not vote in favor of the current proposed workout between the House and Senate leaders on medical malpractice reform. You have heard the sworn testimony given at the Senate hearings which indicates that this is only an insurance rate crisis, not a medical malpractice crisis. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors. Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice;
- * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs;"
- * Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago;
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback; and
- * NO effective quality of care measures.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Roman, Esq.

From: [John Piccin <jp Piccin@pglawyers.com>](mailto:jp Piccin@pglawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:35:00 PM

Subject: needed insurance reform

John Piccin
320 NW 3rd Av.
ocala, FL 34475

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against the "agreement reached
" between the house, senate and governor. What the people need are
accurate findings of fact, not insurance industry lies, and real insurance
reform.

Doing tje bidding of the insurance industry is not going to help anyone
but it!

Sincerely,

John H. Piccin

From: [Gerald Green <ggccg@bellsouth.net>](mailto:ggccg@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:31:38 PM

Subject: NO TO CAPS - KEEP BAD FAITH

Gerald Green
913 Majorca Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote AGAINST CAPS.

Vote AGAINST Eliminating Bad Faith.

You know the truth! It came out in sworn testimony:

There is no health care crisis in Florida. Doctors are not leaving the state. Emergency Rooms are not closing down. And the medical malpractice insurers are making nearly obscene profits at the expense of doctors and injured citizens.

Capping non-economic damages will not bring down insurance rates for doctors. They will only hurt the most economically disadvantaged who are unfortunate enough to be maimed for life by a careless or incompetent physician. Would \$500,000 be adequate compensation if YOU had to suffer debilitating pain for the rest of your life?

Eliminating Bad Faith will only encourage insurers to NEVER honor their contractual obligations to defend their insureds. They will never again offer a settlement, even in the most egregious of circumstances.

Stop watching out for the financial interests of the most economically advantaged and start paying attention to the needs of the regular, everyday people of the state of Florida!

Sincerely,

Gerald Green

From: [Melanie Homer <mrhomer0@netscape.net>](mailto:mrhomer0@netscape.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:29:30 PM

Subject: Med mal bill

Melanie Homer
4555 Birkenhead Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32210

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO on this bill. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors.

Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
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Sincerely,

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Subject: NO TO MED MAL LAW

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From: [Claudio Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:27:12 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps - Vote "NO"

Claudio Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO against any medical malpractice caps.
Please vote NO against allowing insurance carriers to get out of their
"Bad Faith" obligations.

Sincerely,

Claudio Conde, RT

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:24:42 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps - Vote "NO"

Gracie Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO against any medical malpractice caps.
Please vote NO against allowing insurance carriers to get out of their
"Bad Faith" obligations.

Sincerely,

Gracie F. Conde, RN

From: [GARY GREEN <GGreen@sha.state.md.us>](mailto:GGreen@sha.state.md.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:20:28 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Mr. Bush:

After giving the situation much thought, I decided that I needed to sent you a message about how I feel of the Cypress Gardens Closure and the possibility of it being sold.

My wife, daughter, and myself always visit your wonderful state every year and last year, we had the chance to come down in November. We decided to see Cypress Gardens. I remember my daughters look of surprise when she saw the Gardens lighted at night with Christmans lights. It will be sad to see a wonderful area that had many nice people go and become part of a commercial/residential area that happens so many times to our cultural heritage.

I want to thank you for your time and for what you can do to help save this park.

Sincerely,

Gary Green
6111Oakland Mills Road
Sykesville MD 21784

From: [RHONDA MYERS <ram@searcylaw.com>](mailto:ram@searcylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:48:59 PM

Subject: TORT REFORM

RHONDA MYERS
13843 TEMPLE BLVD.
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA 33412

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I CAN'T BELIEVE THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY HAS CONVINCED THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEADERS OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE TO MEET ALMOST ALL OF ITS LEGISLATIVE DEMANDS.

A \$500,000 CAP ON NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES IS RIDICULOUS!!! VICTIMS NEED TO BE FAIRLY COMPENSATED FOR THEIR PAIN AND SUFFERING CAUSED BY A DOCTOR WHO HAS LITERALLY CHANGED THE REST OF THEIR LIFE, WHICH COULD BE ANYWHERE FROM 70-80 YEARS, OR LONGER, AND A CAP ON NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES IS RIDICULOUS!

I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING THE TIME TO REALLY SIT DOWN AND THINK ABOUT IT IN A WAY THAT, WHAT IF IT WERE ONE OF YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS OR LOVED ONES THAT HAD TO LIVE THE REST OF THEIR LIVES, PERHAPS THE NEXT 70-80 YEARS IN A VEGETATIVE STATE DUE TO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE? WOULD \$500,000 BE ENOUGH COMPENSATION? IF YOU ANSWER THAT QUESTION WITH A "YES," I QUESTION YOUR REASONING AND WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE A "TRUE WRITTEN RESPONSE," AND NOT A FORM LETTER, EXPLAINING TO ME THE REASONS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. I HAVE FAITH THAT THE JUSTICE SYSTEM WILL WORK.

AND, BY THE WAY, I AM VERY FORTUNATE TO SAY THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE IN MY FAMILY, AND I THANK GOD FOR THAT, BUT WHO'S TO SAY THAT IN THE FUTURE MY FAMILY IS NOT SO FORTUNATE? THAT'S WHY I WANT TO VOICE MY OPINION AND STAND UP FOR THOSE WHO HAVEN'T BEEN SO FORTUNATE OR WHO WON'T BE SO FORTUNATE IN THE FUTURE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. HAVE A GOOD DAY!

Sincerely,

Rhonda Myers

From: [Sharla Horne <mhorne1@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:mhorne1@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:47:40 PM

Subject: Your will lose my vote

Sharla Horne
7004 Summerbridge Dr.
Tampa, FLORIDA 33634

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

If you pass a bill changing bad faith and a cap on medical malpractice claims you will lose my vote in the next election along with everyone I know. WE NEED INSURANCE REFORM!!!! Only insurance reform will solve EVERYONE'S problems. Insurance companies claim to lose money, but it is individuals who pay continued increase in premiums. Automobile insurance is almost unaffordable and many insurance companies have quit writing home policies in Florida. PLEASE DO SOMETHING. INSURANCE REFORM IS THE ONLY ANSWER.

Sincerely,

Sharla Horne

From: [John P. Schumacher <schumacherabds@msn.com>](mailto:schumacherabds@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:25:06 PM

Subject: The rebirth of Cypress Gardens...

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a former resident of the state of Indiana and now a resident of the state of Arizona. However, I maintain a great interest in your state of Florida. I have lived my life (to date) being involved in the amusement/attractions business. I am a member of I.A.A.P.A. (International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions) and do some consulting work (at this point in my life) under the name of Schumacher Amusement Business Development Services.

My interest in this business derives from my first visit to the state of Florida in the year 1955. It was then that I first visited Cypress Gardens...which was, to my mind, the signature attraction for your great state. I was enthralled by its beauty and enjoyed seeing Mr. Dick Pope, sr., the originator of the attraction. I later learned that a professional photographer from my home town of Mishawaka, Indiana (Mr. Walter Stickler) provided the idea to Mr. Pope for the famous "photographer's pier" that enabled anyone with a camera to have an advantageous position for the water show and the many exciting 'shots' that it naturally provided.

These pictures, when shown on slide projectors of the 1950's and '60's were a form of "word of mouth" marketing for the whole state of Florida as the winter place to visit, stay and/or retire.

At that time there were other hallmark attractions in your state. They included: Weeki-Wachee, Homasassa Springs, Silver Springs, Rainbow Springs, Parrot Jungle and a few others. All put together, they comprised a terrific tour of the state of Florida. But, the crowning glory of all of them was Cypress Gardens.

Later, as you know, with the introduction of DisneyWorld and the multitude of complex attractions that have grown to surround the Disneyplex, tourist visits to the 'lesser' attractions diminished and, along with that, their ability to survive. Yet, it is my firm belief that Cypress Gardens, restored to its 1950's and 1960's magnificence, beauty and simplicity can find a marketing 'niche' to bring people to its site at Lake Louise once again. It can rightfully be the quiet and beautiful interlude that would follow a visit to the bustling, sense-challenging exhaustion of the Disneyesque attractions. It can be an enjoyable 'look-back' at that gentle, warm Florida of the mid-twentieth century complete with the beautiful 'belles of the south' that accented natures' beauty as presented in the surrounding plantings, trees and waterways. In fact, a historical, interactive museum built upon today's presentation technology would fit right into that philosophy for the re-created attraction.

As an interested lifelong fan (I visited Cypress at least six times back then) I implore that you not let this wonderful property be lost to development as has happened at Rainbow Springs. There is a window of opportunity that exists right now to bring back something that riveted the image of a flower-laden and sun-blest Florida in the minds of many some forty to fifty years ago. It can again be that image and, with today's grander marketing tools, knowledge of Cypress Gardens can be newly "broadcast" across the whole world via the internet and special television promotional shows. There's a way to do it and, from what I've read about the movement to preserve it, there's a lot of support for any action that you can help promote to enable its salvation.

Thanking you in advance for your help,

I remain



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From: [Weiler, John <jweiler@harris.com>](mailto:jweiler@harris.com)

To: ['Wendy Hallowell'](mailto:Wendy_Hallowell@oag.state.fl.us)

CC: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jweil@harris.com)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:03:53 PM

Subject: RE: Capital Update

Hi Wendy,

Thank you for the update I am sure all the victims appreciate your hard work. Yes my case was concluded, with the execution of Tiny Davis, and yes it did help me and every member of my family....it was a blessed relief to know that we had done our duty to our departed relatives to assure justice was served.

For many many families there are still hundreds of people on death row who should have had the sentence of execution carried out long ago so they can enjoy the relief they deserve. I am very happy that governor Bush continues to sign death warrants, I am not happy that the attorney General and staff is not assuring more warrants get on his desk. It is not unreasonable to expect 50 warrants to get to his desk and 12 result in execution in the next 12 months.

What can we the victims do to help reach this goal? It appears the only resort left is to make a media focus of the failure to promptly process these criminals through the system. What say you?

Best Regards.....John

-----Original Message-----

From: Wendy Hallowell [mailto:Wendy_Hallowell@oag.state.fl.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 4:49 PM

To: Wendy Hallowell

Subject: Capital Update

Hello everyone,

I hope this email finds you all well. It has been a while since I've given you an update so I thought I'd give you a brief overview of what's happening in our office.

So far this year, there have been two executions, Amos King (2/26/03) and Newton Slawson (5/16/03). King brutally raped and killed an elderly lady in her Tarpon Springs home which he then set on fire. He then viciously stabbed a corrections officer who did survive the attack. Slawson killed an entire Tampa family, mother, father and two toddlers. The mother was 8 months pregnant at the time and the unborn baby was also killed.

There is an execution set for Paul Hill who planned and carried out the killing of a doctor and his escort at a Pensacola women's center. The doctor's escort's wife was also shot but survived. His execution is set for Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003. In the last executions the defense used the tactic of claiming (at the "eleventh hour") their clients are incompetent to be executed. By current Florida law, if such a claim is made, the Governor MUST issue a temporary stay of execution and reset the execution time. Three doctors are assigned to examine the inmate and, assuming he is ruled to be competent, the execution can be reset immediately following the competency evaluation results.

The ruling handed down from the United States Supreme Court (Ring) has not adversely impacted our cases. Even though the media fanned the fire, it has not caused much more than a slight delay and more money the State has to pay to litigate the issue. Because the issue has not presented an impact to our cases, we have not done notification. The issues have been raised, heard and ruled upon fairly quickly.

That's about it for now, I also want to let you know that I will be on vacation from August 13 through August 22. I am visiting Jackson Hole, Wyoming and plan to do some hiking (the hiking was not my idea) and visiting Yellowstone National Park. I am just hoping that I don't come face to face with a grizzly!

If you have any questions about this email or your particular case, just let me know and I will research it and respond when I return.

Take care and God Bless,
Wendy

Please note that Florida has a broad public records law, and that all correspondence to me via email may be subject to disclosure.

From: [Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD <drdux@bellsouth.net>](mailto:drdux@bellsouth.net)

To: ['Jennifer Carroll'](#)

CC: [Johnnie Byrd](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

[Sandra Mortham](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:06:16 PM

Subject: Medical liability legislation

Jennifer,

I just wanted to drop you a note to thank you for your support and hard work on behalf of the patients and physicians of the State. As a member of the FMA Executive Committee I would like to extend our appreciation for your efforts in trying to ensure that the intended goal of the legislation, assuring the timely and appropriate provision of quality care to our patients, is accomplished.

While I realize that the final legislation is still being crafted the broad provisions have been circulated and reviewed. This is the first of many steps which will be required to effect a long-lasting and meaningful solution to the exponential increase in medical liability premiums. It is far from a perfect bill with the most onerous portion being the exceptions to the \$500,000 cap. I would commend you, the House, the Speaker and the Governor for your steadfastness and tireless work in this process. We will continue to work with you on this work in progress.

Again Thank you so much for your efforts during these special sessions – how's that for getting thrown into the fire? As we would say in the Navy "Congratulations on a job well done"

Pat

From: [Thomas Greiwe <Trustplann@aol.com>](mailto:Trustplann@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:55:45 PM

Subject: BAD BAD MEDICINE FOR ALL FLORIDIANS

Thomas Greiwe
4622 W. Lowell Ave
Tampa, FL 33629

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Greiwe

From: [Rossman Steve <rossman@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:rossman@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:52:32 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

Rossman Steve
44 West Flagler St, 23d Floor
Miami, FL 33130

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed bill is a victory for the insurance industry. The bill does not help doctors or their patients. It should be defeated. Caps are fundamentally arbitrary and unfair. They discriminate against children, stay at home mothers and the elderly. To relieve HMO's from liability is outrageous. They now have tremendous control over our healthcare and derive a huge financial reward as a result. At the very least they should share in the responsibility for medical negligence. To allow them to escape without any responsibility is irresponsible. Please vote against this windfall to the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Steve Rossman

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Sharon Gallops](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
[Jim Zingale](#)
[Bill Monroe](#)
[Jim Dwyer](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:39:29 PM

Subject: Re: Value Adjustment Board Rules

Sharon -

1 - I spoke to Ann Richards in Broward County. They are selecting special masters next week, and said she would send you their list once it is finalized. Two people may not qualify under the new law, and two people may have a conflict of interest. I asked her to send you whatever names she knows are not in question before next week if its possible. You may want to follow up with her by the 21st or 22nd if you have not received any information before then.

2 - I do NOT need Miami-Dade, and already have Palm Beach. Please send me a copy of the Rules of all the others. In return, at no charge to the state for our professional services, I will read all copies, will offer the same opportunity to others including FAPTP, identify questions, and furnish back to you any statements that raise red flags, such as the several egregious problems we discovered in Palm Beach.

Among the questions raised in the Rules we've reviewed from prior years are all the many ways statutory language in 194.301 F.S. is changed from one county to the next. A word here, another there, and soon the law is revised. We are most interested in how many ways special masters are instructed not to rule independently or objectively, suggesting most VABs in the state are subject to manipulation. It's shocking!

Sheila M. Anderson

----- Original Message -----

From: "Sharon Gallops " <GallopsS@dor.state.fl.us>

To: <cps1@flash.net>

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 5:10 PM

Subject: Re: Value Adjustment Board Rules

> Mrs. Anderson, I did find that the Department had requested that value
> adjustment boards submit copies of their procedures. We do have
> available the materials from 27 counties, including Miami-Dade, Duval,

> and Palm Beach Counties, and these are available to be mailed. These
> are the counties mentioned in e-mails received by or forwarded to me so
> if there are other counties, please let me know.

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> >>> "cps" <cps1@flash.net> 08/12/03 11:15AM >>>

> Sharon - I do NOT want the list of special masters mailed to me. I want
> it posted on line so the DOR is presenting a complete list, and is NOT
> promoting anyone at the expense of anyone else. The idea is for you to
> do the job properly, rather than politically.

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> What I do WANT MAILED to me are the VAB Rules for 2003 from the
> counties previously mentioned.

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> Palm Beach County 2003 Rules state the taxpayer shall have the burden
> of proving the "property appraiser's assessment is not supported by any
> reasonable hypothesis of a legal assessment". That's NOT what the
> language says in 193.401 F.S.

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> And yes, I am well aware of a Second District opinion, "out there",
> with old language which was upheld by a Supreme Court's decision in
> Wal-Mart litigation. HOWEVER, Wal-Mart contested its 1997 assessments,
> which are dated on January 1 while 194.301 F.S. was adopted on May 23,
> 1997 and was not retroactive, so the Wal-Mart case litigation was in a
> prior legal environment. After May 23, 1997, the law changed, and your
> agency should be embarrassed as well as concerned that Palm Beach, under
> DOR supervision, is NOT applying current law and thus is abusing
> taxpayers' rights.

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> In addition, in Palm Beach County, there are years of statements in the
> Rules stating "A Special Master shall not pick a compromise value . . ."
> Where is that supported in the law, or in USPAP, or in any DOR rule or
> regulation?! When you find an answer to this question, please let me
> know! Otherwise, I'd like to suggest you contact Palm Beach and read the
> riot act about telling the master how to rule and setting up a kangaroo
> court.

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> Sheila Anderson

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Sharon Gallops " <GallopsS@dor.state.fl.us>

> To: <cps1@flash.net>

> Cc: <billmonroe@aud.state.fl.us>; <JIMDWYER@aud.state.fl.us>; "Jim

> Zingale" <ZINGALEJ@dor.state.fl.us>; <jeb@jeb.org>

> Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 10:05 AM

> Subject: Re: Value Adjustment Boards

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> > In response to your public records request, the list of special
> masters
> > the Department has compiled based on current information received
> from
> > value adjustment boards is being mailed to you today, August 12,
> 2003.
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> >
> > >>> "cps" <cps1@flash.net> 08/08/03 08:24PM >>>
> > Ms. Gallops - why does it take ten to fifteen days to update the
> > special
> > master list? Is that to prevent counties from finding those omitted
> > people
> > in time to hire them for 2003 VAB Hearings? I think the currently
> > published
> > list should be removed from DOR pages until the list is complete.
> AND,
> > a
> > disclaimer should be added, that numerous masters on the list in
> > counties
> > along and above the I-4 corridor allegedly have never ruled for any
> > taxpayers, and thus create an impression of a corrupt system.
> > Otherwise, DOR
> > looks like an accessory to the scandalous practices involved! In
> fact,
> > DOR
> > looks like an accessory when you can't add to the list on the same
> day
> > you
> > receive the names. It looks so suspect, send me the information
> within
> > 24
> > hours - I am making this a public records act request pursuant to
> > Chapter
> > 119 - and I'll do it for you, at no charge! S M Anderson
> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Sharon Gallops " <GallopsS@dor.state.fl.us>
> > To: <cps1@flash.net>
> > Cc: "Jim Zingale" <ZINGALEJ@dor.state.fl.us>
> > Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 4:58 PM
> > Subject: Value Adjustment Boards
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> > > Mrs. Anderson. In response to your July 29, 2003 e-mail to Dr.

> > Zingale
> > > below, the Department is currently in the process of updating the
> > > special master list with recent information provided by the value
> > > adjustment boards. We anticipate that this update will be
> completed
> > in
> > > ten to fifteen days.
> > >
> > > In response to your survey request, the Department does not
> receive
> > > information from value adjustment boards, property appraisers, or
> > any
> > > other source that identifies petition filing deadlines. These
> dates
> > are
> > > not required to be reported in any documentation that is
> statutorily
> > > required to be provided to the Department. The Department does
> not
> > have
> > > sufficient staff to dedicate to conducting the survey you
> requested.
> > > This information is provided to the individual taxpayer by the
> > property
> > > appraiser through the notice of proposed property taxes (truth in
> > > millage or TRIM notice) each year.
> > >
> > > If we can be of further assistance, feel free to contact us.
> > >
> > > >>> Jim Zingale 07/29/03 11:26AM >>>
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> > > >>> "cps1" <cps1@flash.net> 07/29/03 10:00AM >>>
> > > 1. No one has responded and the special master list is not
> > > complete.
> > > 2. Would you please survey all the counties and immediately
> send
> > > back to me the Value Adjustment Board petition filing deadlines
> from
> > > each county? Please send as many deadlines as you can determine as
> > they
> > > are received by your agency, then update and add as often as
> > possible.
> > > 3. It would be a public service if DOR published those dates on
> > its
> > > web site, and cited the statute wherein taxpayers may engage an

> > attorney

> > > or an agent in this historic constitutional process.

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> > > Thank you! Sheila Anderson

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From: [Pat Maier <mvtinc@gtcom.net>](mailto:mvtinc@gtcom.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:32:37 PM

Subject: SPT article on North Florida water being taken by Central and South Florida FYI

Are you doing everything in your power to FORCE me to vote democratic next election?

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North has it, South wants it

Florida water flows bountifully far from its thirstiest corners. Business leaders would see it rerouted, for cash.

Some of Florida's most influential business leaders have spent the past year meeting behind closed doors to divvy up the state's water supply.

Developers, agriculture executives and sugar growers - all with their own interests to protect - have been meeting at the behest of the governor's chief fundraiser to craft new water policies for Florida.

They have come up with a potentially controversial idea: to upend state law and redirect Florida's most precious resource from water- rich and slow-growing North Florida to thirsty, booming Central and South Florida, according to documents obtained by the St. Petersburg Times.

"Water-poor areas and water-rich areas have a lot to offer each other," said Lee Arnold, the Clearwater developer spearheading the water task force of the statewide business group, the Council of 100. Arnold pitched the recommendations to Gov. Jeb Bush on July 29, and the governor "has no objections to any of what we have proposed," according to a Council of 100 memo. Arnold promised to unveil the recommendations next month.

Experts Arnold has relied on contend that the state's water managers are too

focused on protecting the environment, and not doing enough to find new water supplies for the state's booming population. This new approach would ensure an abundant supply of water so the pace of growth in South Florida could continue unabated.

But critics warn that quenching the thirst of one region with water from another could spark a statewide version of the Tampa Bay water wars of the 1980s and '90s.

Back then, cities and counties battled one another for water with lawsuits that cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars. The environmental costs may have been even higher.

"We had swamps that had been there for centuries that were dying," said Roy Harrell, who was chairman of the Southwest Florida Water Management District when it put an end to the wars. "Is that what we want?"

Instead of building pipelines carrying water across Florida, Harrell said, "We need to really bear down on what this growth is doing to our state."

Although his recommendations would require legislative action and public money, Arnold refused to discuss in detail what he presented to the governor. Still, he acknowledged the task force favors transferring water from more rural areas north of Interstate 4 to fast-growing areas south of that Central Florida dividing line.

"Do we have enough water in the state and it happens to be in the wrong spot?" Arnold asked. "Some counties are rich. Eighty percent of the consumption is south of I-4. Eighty percent of available supplies are north of I-4."

But the growth isn't. Naples, for example, is the second-fastest growing metropolitan market in the country. Collier County grew from 160,000 residents in 1990 to more than 275,000 in 2002. The population is projected to grow to nearly 550,000 by 2030.

In recent speeches, Arnold singled out the Suwannee River region as a potential water source for growing South and Central Florida.

"They're sitting in the Saudi Arabia of water," Arnold said in one speech. In return for their water, he suggested, they could get money for improving their schools.

But the sheiks of the Suwannee have no interest in cutting any deals for their water supply.

If the council pushes the idea, "I'm sure there would be an uproar," said Suwannee River Water Management District director Jerry Scarborough.

"We have no water to give away, and we're not interested in selling any," said Suwannee County Commissioner Douglas Udell.

Nevertheless, he figures Central and South Florida will come take it. Some compensation for the struggling county - it has a population of 37,000, a per capita income of \$14,000 and 800 miles of unpaved roads - would take the sting out of it, Udell said.

Still, the commissioner said, "If you pump us dry, then what?"

There has been talk for at least 30 years of piping water from the Suwannee to quench thirsty lawns and residents elsewhere. During the Tampa Bay water wars, as Pinellas County and St. Petersburg drained the lakes and swamps of Pasco and Hillsborough counties, one Pinellas commissioner announced: "Keep the Suwannee River cold, because we're coming for it."

Pinellas officials were driven to take water from other counties by political pressure from developers eager to keep building, according to a new book, *Water Wars: A Story of People, Politics and Power*, by Honey Rand, the spokeswoman for the Southwest Florida Water Management District then.

Rand's book quotes another former Pinellas commissioner, Steve Seibert: "When Lee Arnold comes into my office and says, 'Where's my water?' I have to give him an answer."

Arnold, 53, is founder, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the Arnold Companies, a powerhouse in commercial real estate and a developer of residential projects in Pasco and Hillsborough counties.

He is not some deskbound paper-pusher. A licensed commercial pilot, Arnold flies his company plane. In 1996 he climbed to Mount Everest's base camp. He was reached for comment last week during a scuba trip in the Bahamas.

Arnold has developed political clout by donating thousands of dollars to Republican candidates and the Republican National Committee.

For years he has been a member of the Council of 100, a group of business leaders that has advised Florida governors since 1961. Bush has enlisted the council's help selling controversial overhauls of the education and civil

service systems.

Each member is approved by the governor, pays \$3,000 in annual dues and covers the cost of a staff and a suite in a riverfront office building in Tampa.

The council's chairman is Al Hoffman, an avid polo player and developer from Fort Myers. His company, WCI Communities, is the largest master-planned community builder in Florida. He also enjoys enormous influence as national finance chairman for the Republican National Committee, and chief fundraiser for Jeb Bush's 1998 and 2002 campaigns.

According to council documents, Hoffman established the water task force in May 2002 after he had "had several conversations with members of the Council of 100 about the water supply and distribution issues facing Florida."

After Bush approved that as a topic for study, Hoffman says he picked Arnold to head the 30-member task force, which Arnold describes as "made up of every walk of life."

The members include Fred Bullard, developer of Feather Sound in mid-Pinellas; Gary Morse, developer of a retirement community south of Ocala called the Villages; and Llywd Ecclestone, developer of PGA National Resorts in Palm Beach.

Other prominent members include citrus magnate Ben Hill Griffin III; sugar mogul Alfy Fanjul, chairman of Florida Crystals; former Florida Attorney General Jim Smith; the publishers of the Lakeland Ledger and Jacksonville's Florida Times-Union; and Andrew Barnes, chairman and chief executive officer of the St. Petersburg Times.

Barnes said last week he did not know what Arnold presented to the governor. Task force members have not had discussions since the full Council of 100 gathered in May at the \$200-a-night beachfront WaterColor Inn in the Panhandle.

During a two-hour task force meeting there, Arnold presented a series of proposals for approval but did not ask for a formal vote.

"It was more like, 'Here's what we've got, here's where we're going, if you've got problems with it, speak up,' " Barnes said.

The most far-reaching proposal, Barnes said, "was to trade North Florida water for mid Florida money."

Out West, water is a commodity to be bought and sold like oil. Property owners can pump as much as they like. California moves water all over the state - even from other states - to high-growth areas.

But Florida law says water belongs to the public. Utilities can charge for the cost of delivering water to your tap, but the government protects the resource by regulating how much can be pumped.

Barnes said Arnold suggested a way around that: "You can't sell water, but you can pay people for providing transportation of water."

Paying a poor county a water transportation fee would likely cost a booming county less than building desalination plants or cutting growth, Barnes said.

The money "could be a huge boon for an unpopulated area," Barnes said. "Assuming you can persuade people to sit still for that."

Florida is not the only place where moving water around could make a lot of money.

In Texas, oil man T. Boone Pickens wants to pump water out of the rural countryside and pipe it to Dallas. But Rep. Nick Lampson, D- Texas, said the fear that water could be taken from his district to supply Dallas "moves the emotions of people to the point that they say they're going to get their guns and protect their water."

Making money off America's insatiable thirst has attracted foreign entrepreneurs. The three country's largest private water companies - USFilter, United Water and American Water Works - are owned by French and German conglomerates Vivendi, Suez and RWE.

Until recently a fourth big player was Azurix, a subsidiary of scandal-plagued Enron Corp. Azurix attempted to gain a foothold in Florida, offering to take over the \$8-billion restoration of the Everglades in exchange for the right to sell the water it recovered. State officials rejected the idea.

Lobbying for the Azurix plan were two former South Florida Water Management District officials, Jim Garner and Cathy Vogel. Both lobby for Hoffman's WCI and the Association of Florida Community Developers, and are listed as advisers to Arnold's task force.

In 1997 Vogel wrote a paper for Bush's private think tank, the Foundation for Florida's Future, in which she argued the state should allow booming coastal counties to pay rural inland counties for their water. Such an arrangement would be mutually beneficial, she wrote.

Instead of taking Vogel's advice to let the market control Florida's water, in 1998 the Legislature passed a law mandating "local sources first." That means cities and counties must exhaust all reasonable possibilities for water within their borders before attempting to get it elsewhere.

The law was an attempt to ensure nothing like Tampa Bay's water wars ever occurred again.

In June, Vogel moderated as several "water experts" met with Arnold. They were Jake Varn and Eric Olson, lobbyists for the Florida Home Builders Association; Seibert, the former Pinellas commissioner and former head of the state's planning agency; Doug Manson, a lawyer who has represented utilities and bottled water companies; Tom MacVicar, a consultant for sugar growers; and Pete Dunbar, who lobbies for the state's largest wholesale water utility, Tampa Bay Water.

A report on the meeting says, "there was unanimous agreement that 'local sources first' is a bad idea . . . (but) it was agreed that any effort to repeal it would be political suicide."

But there could be a way around it.

For 30 years, Florida's water has been governed by its five water management districts whose boundaries are drawn to follow the state's hydrological features. The districts control who pumps water out of the ground and how much can be pumped. The Southwest Florida Water Management District oversees water for the Tampa Bay area.

Arnold's experts complained that the water management districts were not doing enough to find new sources of water because they were too concerned with protecting the environment.

"In essence, the evolution of environmentalism has seriously detracted from our focus and responsibility to ensure adequate water supply," a report on the June meeting said.

The task force recommended a statewide board to "put water supply on an equal footing with environmental protection and restoration." Such a board would oversee the local districts and, the experts said, redefine local sources first, pushing for "regional water supply solutions and the transport of water from water-rich areas to water-poor areas."

The task force had approved such a recommendation, and Arnold even mentioned establishing a state water authority in recent speeches. But last week he said that wasn't in his pitch to Bush.

"The concept of a state water authority is different from where we landed," said Arnold. He would not explain what he meant "because I don't have to at this point."

Hoffman, who has also discussed the water problem with Bush, promised the plan will not reignite the water wars.

"You only have water wars when water is scarce," he said. "Water in Florida is not scarce. We don't have a water shortage problem in Florida. We might have a water distribution problem."

- Times researchers Kitty Bennett and John Martin contributed to this report, which also includes information from the Fort Myers News-Press, Washington Post and Florida Today.

WATER RICH: Fishermen enjoy the Suwannee River in North Florida. A group of influential state business leaders say rivers like the Suwannee could provide water for South Florida, in exchange for money for northern schools.

EXPLOSIVE GROWTH: Developments like this one in Collier County, the second-fastest growing metro area in the United States, are straining the already limited water resources in South Florida.

The water divide

Florida has the highest concentration of major springs on Earth. Of 75 major springs in the United States, Florida has 33, almost all north of I-4. Ninety-five percent of the state's drinking water comes from below-ground sources, the highest percentage in the nation.

Major springs (First-magnitude springs): Output greater than or equal to 64.6-million gallons per day.

Minor springs (Second- or third- magnitude springs): Output between 1-million and 64.6-million gallons per day.

Neither surface nor groundwater crosses the hydrologic divide. North Florida

receives water from outside the state, while South Florida depends on rainfall and groundwater stored in aquifers for freshwater.

Sources: Florida Geological Survey, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, USGS, South Florida Information Access

Who manages the water we use?

Florida has five water management districts, which loosely correspond to the five river basins: Northwest Florida, Suwannee, Southwest, St. Johns River and the Kissimmee-Everglades (South Florida) basins. The districts are responsible for developing water management plans for times of drought, and acquiring and managing lands for water management.

Source: Water Resources Atlas of Florida, 1998.

Southern counties use most surface, groundwater

SURFACE WATER: Includes water from sources such as lakes, streams, rivers and canals. The primary users of surface water are irrigators and power producers.

Palm Beach, Hendry and St. Lucie counties withdrew the most surface water in 1995.

GROUNDWATER: Florida was ranked fifth in the nation in groundwater withdrawals, and 93 percent of Floridians relied on groundwater for their drinking water in 1995.

About 92 percent of groundwater was used for public water supply.

Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Polk and Orange counties withdrew the most groundwater in 1995.

The 1998 Water Resources Atlas of Florida contains the most up- to-date information available.

Key players

LEE ARNOLD: Clearwater developer picked to spearhead the Council of 100's water task force.

AL HOFFMAN: Developer and Republican Party fundraiser who heads the Council of 100.

BEN HILL GRIFFIN III: Central Florida citrus magnate, serves on the water task force.

JAMES GARNER: Former chairman of the South Florida Water Management District, lobbied for an Enron subsidiary that sought to privatize water in Florida.

CATHY VOGEL: A former South Florida Water Management District employee, has advocated allowing coastal counties to pay rural counties for their water.

From: Dmaaevans@cs.com <Dmaaevans@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:15:55 PM

Subject: Fwd: Daughter's School Dismal

Attachments: Daughter's School Dismal



From: Dmaaevans@cs.com <Dmaaevans@cs.com>

To: jeb.bush@myflorida.com

Date: 8/11/2003 11:00:50 PM

Subject: Daughter's School Dismal

I sincerely do appreciate the quick response from Patricia Levesque regarding my daughters dismal from Davenport School of the Arts. Unfortunately for my daughter this is not the answer in which I was looking for. My daughter was not on the retention list and was not going to be retained but because of a test in which the state decided these 8 and 9 year old children had to pass in order to go into the 4th grade. She was retained. Her whole world has been turned upside down and I can't do anything about it. I honestly feel that you should have had some been able to do something for my child since it was the state that decided that these babies had to pass this test. My child is not the only child in which this affected I know of several. I can only tell you how I feel. My daughter is a very strong and upbeat person. But this has caused her to be very intraverted and very emotional. She is not adjusting to having to go to a different school. Today is only the fourth day of school and she is already not wanting to go to school. This is not what is best for my child. If we could have went by her report card she would have past into the 4th grade and so would alot of other children. She is not a A,B student. She is an A,B,C student and was doing just fine. This was considered passing when I was in school. Now she thinks that because she could not get back into her school. She is not smart enough to go back to Davenport School of the Arts. There should be something that you should be able to do as Governor. I hope that this year she is able to pass the FCAT so she is not retained again. My daughter loves to read and can read very well. Her problem is that she does not always retain what she has read. I have had her tutored since first grade and since this summer she is strictly learned how to read and take a test. I have sat in on some of her tutoring sessions and some of the stories that she has read she has no clue what she has even read and nor did I. I am very thankful that so far she still loves to read and I hope this continues. I think it is very unfortunate for her to be double punished and the governor could not even help.

I am trying to be positive for her and I keep telling her that once she gets through this she is going to be able to conquer anything. I think it is harder on her because I have to take my son to school every morning and she is not able to get out of the car. She has a constant reminder that she can not go to the school that she dearly loves and they dearly love her. What is happening to my child is very wrong and I am powerless to stop it. So I am still asking you to please help me to figure out a way to help my daughter.

Sincerely,
Marsha Evans

From: MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com <MGriffin@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 9:03:23 PM

Subject: Check out this story

This is running in the Sentinel....

The interesting thing about this reading program is that it has been proven successful with kids who have been held back because they could not pass the FCAT. Doesn't seem like it's busting their self-esteem too badly....

Take care,

Mike Griffin....

Lori Horvitz

DAYTONA BEACH - After watching their son struggle to read for three years, Mason McCoy's parents found an unlikely savior: The school with the worst reputation in town.

When Bonner Elementary posted a D on the state grades in 2002, Volusia County district administrators hired a private tutoring company to help Mason and 32 other Bonner students who were in danger of having to repeat third grade.

It was drastic, but many of the children made dramatic improvements. Of the 23 students tutored most of the year, 18 scored high enough on the state's standardized reading test to advance to fourth grade.

Mason was among them.

"It was a blessing," Susan McCoy said, almost in a whisper. "His teacher at Bonner realized immediately he was having a hard time."

Mason's experience is increasingly common around Florida and the nation. More and more, local school districts are using private tutoring programs to help the children they've been unable to help by themselves.

The federal No Child Left Behind Act is accelerating the trend. It requires schools that fail to meet standards for three straight years to give low-income students the option of outside help.

Even before the federal law came along, many public schools nationwide - from Brooklyn to Baltimore to San Bernardino, Calif. - were using private tutoring companies to work with students. School officials said regular teachers often don't have time to do the job and are overwhelmed with other responsibilities.

"The teachers can get burnt out," said Margie Murray, Seminole County district administrator.

Most Central Florida elementary schools put students in small groups to help address individual needs. Many schools also pull out struggling readers to work with specialists, but that can be expensive.

Bonner does all of this stuff, but it was not enough. Bonner principal Bonnie Gyarfas said the school has extensive tutoring programs for students like Mason, but that the number of children who need extra help exceeds the supply of teachers.

"We're not able to tutor all of the children who need tutoring," Gyarfas said.

The school, which draws from Daytona Beach's poorest neighborhoods, has struggled in the state's annual grades. In recent years, Bonner went from an F to a C, then kept it there for a second year before sliding to a D in 2002.

The school had so many poor-performing students like Mason that state and county officials threw extra money and resources into the fight.

With \$50,000 from a federal grant, the district signed a contract with the Port Orange franchise of Sylvan Learning Center, a nationwide tutoring company. Sylvan charged \$25 an hour for each child instead of its usual \$44 an hour. All but 10 of Bonner's 33 third-graders received 60 hours of instruction from August 2002 until late May.

The results pleased district administrators, but they say it's too soon to draw conclusions. They first want to see how the Sylvan children's gains compared to those of other students. Bonner students as a whole made substantial strides this year on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test, which raised the school's D to an A.

Gyarfas thinks that a combination of things helped the children who went to Sylvan. The tutoring improved their reading skills, while a program challenging students to increase the time they spent reading independently developed their stamina to tackle long passages, the principal said.

They were expected to read 15 minutes during the school day and 15 minutes a night. Students who read for at least 25 received medallions. Mason was among them.

"Those two things together really seemed to be paying off," the principal said.

Volusia has renewed its contract for another year, again for 33 students. The group will include third-, fourth- and fifth-graders, and some will attend three times a week.

Mason came home excited after learning he had been selected to attend Sylvan, his mom recalled.

"There were a lot of kids there who needed help, and they chose me," Mason said, flashing a toothy grin. To determine what kind of help the students needed, Sylvan teachers gave each child an oral reading test to assess their skills in phonics, vocabulary and reading comprehension. They also studied the children's scores on school tests.

Each child had an individual plan of action. Most were at least one to two years behind, and some had to repeat grades in the past. Some needed help deciphering vowel sounds, while others could read the words but had little or no grasp of the plot and characters.

Mason, who already had repeated kindergarten at Holly Hill Elementary, struggled with everything. At Bonner, after starting third grade, Mason was tested and diagnosed with learning disabilities. Bonner gave him one-on-one instruction in reading and math during the school day, and sent him to Sylvan in the afternoons.

The teachers, each assigned three students at a time, would work with Mason on a skill until he mastered it. When Mason made progress, he was rewarded with tokens he could exchange for trinkets.

Scattered throughout his pale yellow home in Daytona Beach were some of the treasures of his success: an image of an angel stuck to the refrigerator, a small picture frame in the living room and a wind-up car stashed in his bedroom. Most of the time, Mason chose things he could give his mom as gifts.

From a file folder, parents Susan and Dean McCoy showed off Mason's report cards and progress reports with A's and B's. They also have his FCAT results, which show he is reading on grade level.

They said Mason's time in third grade was a year they will never forget, including the first meeting they had with Sylvan officials to talk about his progress. Never before had the McCoys received such a glowing report about Mason.

"There were tears in my eyes, and I had goose bumps," said Susan McCoy, who works as a waitress when she can find work. "We're just so proud of him."

But the most significant trophies of Mason's achievement spill from the shelves of his bookcase: hundreds of books that he said he reads for pure pleasure.

Mason is a confident, energetic child who earns money sweeping floors and selling stuff that he finds and repairs.

"The best thing is knowing that I can just pick up a book, and that I can read it," Mason said. "No matter what anyone says, I can read."

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Orlando Sentinel Region and State Editor

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From: [Dale Appell <dalesappell@yahoo.com>](mailto:dalesappell@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:38:40 PM

Subject: Please remember Florida's citizens

Dale Appell
3001 North Rocky Point Dr, Suite 200
Tampa, FL 33607

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

and remember the truth that you recently discovered during sworn testimony. Please use the truth to do what's right for doctors and florida's citizens. dale

Sincerely,

Dale Appell

From: [Christine Clark <christineclark@comcast.net>](mailto:christineclark@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:38:10 PM

Subject: Doctors oppose this medical malpractice bill

Christine Clark
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Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I met with a trauma surgeon this morning who agreed that the proposed compromise bill is worthless to doctors because it won't change their premiums. The bill is a pure windfall for the insurance companies.

VOTE NO TO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE GIVEAWAYS TO THE INSURANCE COMPANIES

Sincerely,

Christine A. Clark

From: WillardJnc@aol.com <WillardJnc@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:32:49 PM

Subject: Re: Kevin's Release Money

Thank you Jeb I knew I could count on you as always. If it weren't for the fact of the medical bills and I was out of work for three weeks I wouldn't have worried about it but fair is fair. I just wonder how many other inmates didn't get their release money either. As I said Jimmy Crosby is doing a great job this is yet another fine mess Michael Moore made of DOC for him to have to fix. But you already know how I detested Michael Moore I wrote you enough e-mails about him huh! Thanks again

Janice Smith

From: [Susan Testa <stesta@wilkinslaw.com>](mailto:stesta@wilkinslaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:23:53 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Susan Testa
5120 Collingswood Blvd
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not vote to make a cap on med mal.

I have a granddaughter born 3 mos premature and had to have surgery on her PDA valve. The doctor has done damage to her vocal cords and she may not be able to talk or eat normal. She was only 9 days old when this happen and we were not told of the risks outside of death. Now she has to see Speech Therapist and Occupational Therapist for quite sometime. All this because of a doctor having a bad day or not paying attention to what he was doing.

With a cap on Med Mal people like my granddaughter may not be able to get the care they really need.

Sincerely,

Susan W. Testa

From: [Christine Clark <christineclark@comcast.net>](mailto:christineclark@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:21:44 PM

Subject: Doctors oppose this medical malpractice bill

Christine Clark
5386 Tulane Ave.
Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Christine A. Clark

From: [James Keeter <james_keeter@hotmail.com>](mailto:james_keeter@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:20:10 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Legislation

James Keeter
115 View Point Place
Winter Springs, FL 32708

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The current Senate proposal would punish the innocent victims of medical malpractice and provide no rate relief to Florida's physicians.

The proposed caps on noneconomic damages would unfairly limit the recoveries for those victims with minimal economic losses - such as children, nonworking spouses, the elderly.

There are no effective provisions to reduce malpractice insurance rates for physicians or to improve patient care. Only the insurers - one of whom has acknowledged record profits in Florida - would benefit from this legislation.

Also, the proposed changes to Fla's "bad faith" law will be catastrophic to victims and insureds. Victims will be forced to try cases that should have been settled and insurers will have essentially no liability for excess judgments. Insureds - such as physicians - will be left to contend with excess judgments on claims that should have been settled before trial.

There is no rational basis for this special interest legislation. It is not in the best interest of Floridians - only in the best interest of insurers. What a shame if our elected representatives succumb to such a naked legislative power grab by the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Jim Keeter

From: [Jeannette Solis Ramirez <jnksolis@bellsouth.net>](mailto:jnksolis@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:14:58 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Jeannette Solis Ramirez
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West Palm Beach, FL 33415

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

When will the people has a say so in what the insurance companies do. Why do we the consumers have to suffer because of politics. I am an HMO receipient and do not agree that I should have no recourse should a doctor perform malpractice on either myself or love ones. Please thinks of us the people and put yourselves in the place of a victim. I don't think you would like it to much if someone cutoff your good leg or left something in while in surgery to cause you more harm. Tell Bush NO to Med Mal caps.

We do not live in a communist community we do have a say so thanks to the consitution!!!

Sincerely,

Jeannette Solis Ramirez

From: [Belynda Shadoan <ShadoanB@dfs.state.fl.us>](mailto:ShadoanB@dfs.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:10:47 PM

Subject: from the Office of Insurance Regulation...Please save this date.



TO: Governor Bush
via email: jeb@jeb.org

PLEASE SAVE THIS DATE...

The Office of Insurance Regulation and the Department of Financial Services are pleased to bring you the Florida Health Insurance Symposium to be held at the Biltmore Hotel, in Coral Gables, Florida, on September 22 and 23, 2003.

This symposium will address issues of health insurance accessibility and affordability and the need for new strategies and solutions to address these issues. The symposium will bring together a group of national speakers, elected officials, industry participants and experts on health insurance policy. There will be breakout sessions to discuss and propose solutions and strategies to address the health insurance crisis.

We hope that you will be able to attend and participate in this timely symposium. Formal invitations will be sent out in the next two weeks. Please contact Audrey Sumrall at (850) 413-2552 or by email at SumrallA@dfs.state.fl.us with any questions.

Respectfully,

Kevin McCarty, Director
Office of Insurance Regulation
J. Edwin Larson Building
200 East Gaines Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0326

From: [Cindy Haller <cynhaller@earthlink.net>](mailto:cynhaller@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:14:25 PM

Subject: State Dept. issue regarding our foreign exchange student

Governor Jeb,

Hi, I was hoping that you could help us out. Our foreign exchange student, Nina Sajjayakorn, came over from Thailand for a year to study at Lake Mary High in Seminole County. She wants to try out for the swim team and the school is in the process of sending out forms with her visa, etc. to the State Dept. She came here through an organization called Face the World. She's in 11th grade and is a good student. Lake Mary High's number is 407-320-9550. Tryouts were yesterday and she wasn't able to because they said that they don't have papers from the State Dept. and they have to wait. I am planning on calling the school daily to find out the status. I have talked with their athletic secretary twice.

Please tell me where I can go to get this expedited.

Thanks. I really appreciate it.

Cindy Haller

From: [susan ramsey <sramsey@algxmail.com>](mailto:susan_ramsey@algxmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:05:14 PM

Subject: Please stop the bill - medical malpractice

susan ramsey
6062 mullin street
jupiter, FL 33458

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed bill regarding medical malpractice will cause floridians new harm. It does nothing to stop the poor medical treatment they recieve. Moreover, it will strip them of thier rights to receive adequate compensation for thier losses. Please stop this attempt to protect big business and let's start really protecting Floridians!

Sincerely,

Susan B. Ramsey

From: [David Neblett <dneblett@gaebemullen.com>](mailto:dneblett@gaebemullen.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:04:17 PM

Subject: NO MED MAL LEGISLATION

David Neblett
221 collins ave apt 10
miami beach, FL 33139

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Sincerely,

David Neblett

From: [Theodore Deckert <tdeckert@bellsouth.net>](mailto:tdeckert@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:00:23 PM

Subject: Please don't sell your people out - VOTE NO

Theodore Deckert
1164 Jason Way
west palm beach, FL 33406

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please don't join the Governor and his political supporters in selling out me and the people of Florida to the insurance companies. The governor's "compromise" bill is a political sell out of the worst kind to benefit only the governor, his brother's presidential agenda and their political supporters. Even the insurance companies acknowledge that it does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates. The so-called legislative "findings" are based on now proven lies and contradict the objective evidence and sworn senate testimony. In fact, the proposed bill will strip patients and doctors of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the HMO's and insurance industry to continue to rip off doctors and patients, solely for the benefit of the Insurance companies and HMO's. It does nothing to give the doctors the insurance rate relief they need and it does nothing to reduce the occurrence of malpractice that has killed and injured thousands of Floridians and cost our economy billions of dollars. The bad faith and damage limitation provisions simply shift the burden of malpractice to the victims so the insurance companies can assure their shareholders and executives big profits.

THIS BILL IS THE EPITOME OF WHAT HAS GONE WRONG WITH OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM AND IT IS SIMPLE WRONG.

PLEASE DON'T SELL ME OUT ALSO. VOTE NO!

Sincerely,

Theodore A. Deckert

From: [Brian Connelly <bconnelly@gouldcooksey.com>](mailto:bconnelly@gouldcooksey.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 8:00:00 PM

Subject: Vote No on cap - save our Citizens' Rights, not protect Insurance Carriers' premiums

Brian Connelly
979 Beachland Blvd
Vero Beach, FL 32963

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote No on the proposed Bill being ramrodded down the throats of our citizens by Governor Bush. The sworn testimony of the insurance leadership undeniably demonstrates that there is no crisis in our State, that there is no mass exodus of physicians fleeing from Florida and that the cap will in no manner facilitate a reduction of insurance rates for the doctors in this State.

Voting in this bill undermines our constitution and destroys the rights of the injured through the malpractice of physicians.

Further the proposed measure eliminates the duty of the insurance carriers to negotiate a claim in good faith and will result in further delay and injury to those seeking fair compensation and justice.

Sincerely,

Brian J. Connelly

From: [Darius Mosun <dmosun@soheilmosun.com>](mailto:dmosun@soheilmosun.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: 'mmencia@eflorida.com'
'lmarch@floridatradeexchange.com'

Date: 8/12/2003 7:56:40 PM

Subject: Tallahassee Visit Dates

Attachments: Governor Jeb Bush - July 21 2003.doc

Dear Governor Bush: Thank you for your kind note of July 9, 2003. I just received it in the mail yesterday. I had sent out a letter on August 7th, 2003 by FedEx to you (soft copy attached). Cyrus and I are keen on seeing you in September. Please let me know of times that you are available to receive us in Tallahassee. We have made a special gift in our workshop, which we would like to present to you. I look forward to seeing you again. Kind Regards, DARIUS.

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From: [Ruth D. Romero <rdromero@gte.net>](mailto:rdromero@gte.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 7:26:38 PM

Subject: Victims of Medical Malpractice

Ruth D. Romero
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Seffner, FL 33584

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO!

Thank you for hearing my voice.

Sincerely,

Ruth D. Romero

From: [J. ACHURRA <jachurra@starband.net>](mailto:J.ACHURRA@starband.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 7:23:28 PM

Subject: More on the issue we discussed

Hello Jeb, I wanted to forward this thread to you to reiterate some of the previous messages I have sent you on the dangers of centralizing technology and of course trying to remotely manage technology leading up to of course the foreign tech worker syndrome-- I am not saying that some remote centralization is all bad but too much may get us into trouble. Below you will see an example where our Postal Service Command Center has been rendered useless and our systems are running sluggish and uncontrolled as the powers to be have been marauded due to a Worm attack. These types of attacks are not uncommon and it is my feeling that "they" are just probing to get a feel of our vulnerabilities of which eventually may endanger the economy as a major Worm or virus attack that invades let's say the Stock Market and key Government computers and Hospitals during a time of chaos of unknown origin might just be the straw that broke the camels back.

As always, just providing my point of view in hopes that some of what I say may look like something with merit that the State and Administration should be looking into.

Best Regards,
Juan

---- Begin Included Message ----

From: "Achurra, Juan R - Pembroke Pines, FL"
<juan.r.achurra@usps.gov>
Sent: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 14:02:10 -0500
To: <jachurra@starband.net>
Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC

-----Original Message-----

From: Goodman, Joan V - Miami, FL
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 2:19 PM
To: Puig, Jose R - Miami, FL; Gonzalez, Daniel A - Miami,

FL; Lorenzana,
Carlos - Miami, FL; Webster, David L - Fort Lauderdale, FL;
Achurra,
Juan R - Pembroke Pines, FL; Decicco, Norm J - Miami, FL
Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC
Importance: High

FYI - Status update on the virus that affected many areas
within the
organization today.

Joan Goodman
I.S. Manager
Information Systems
South Florida District
305-470-0685

-----Original Message-----

From: Keller, Karen F - Jacksonville, FL
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 2:04 PM
To: Wells, Tracey D - Jackson, MS; Coletta, David M -
Memphis, TN;
Goodman, Joan V - Miami, FL; Hosecloth, Thomas E - Duluth,
GA; Johnston,
Ronald L - Central Florida District; Lopresti, Josephine A -
Tampa, FL;
Mann, Thomas A - Jackson, MS; McClain, Gary - Jacksonville,
FL; Orr,
Bill C - Nashville, TN; Sharon, Charles E - Atlanta, GA;
Soto, Nehemias
(Reno) - Jacksonville, FL; Stack, Jim J - Birmingham, AL;
Stevenson,
Daniel D - Memphis, TN; Vercher, James D - Macon, GA
Cc: Pittman, Barbara J - Jackson, MS
Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC
Importance: High

Here is the official alert message for the virus that has
hit the postal
service, in case you did not receive. This message was
supposed to have
been distributed to field IS, but many did not receive it
including me.

I got it forwarded.

What I have learned is the following: South Building in Raleigh was hit hard where most everyone is located including the Command Center. They have turned off RPC and another major network port to stop the proliferation. May have problems connecting to things, especially the T drive. Windows 95 users in many districts accessing the T drive cannot and that is most likely from the shutdown of certain network ports. This is also affecting IS trying to add users to groups and access to domain.

6 Districts were hit and we just got hit also. 3 in the field and one here at the district. It has also hit some RIS Servers. They have patched a number of RIS Servers and working on others I believe. Command Center is affected and may be hard to reach.

Message about SMS push that will be out later this afternoon with the fix is appearing on users workstations this afternoon. Some are afraid to open, as they weren't sure what it was.

Karen

-----Original Message-----

From: Allbaugh, Stanley G - Milwaukee, WI
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 12:50 PM
To: Blackthorn, Donna M - Louisville, KY; Keller, Karen F - Jacksonville, FL
Subject: FW: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC

This message?

Stan Allbaugh
Manager, IS

PO Box 5029
Milwaukee WI 53201-5029
Lakeland Performance Cluster

-----Original Message-----

From: AdminE2k
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 9:43 AM
To: ITCS District IS Mgrs - all
Subject: Blaster Worm Information from HP OMC

Attached are the files needed to apply the MS03-026 patch,
the
definition file, and the removal tool.

General Information about the Blaster Worm:

W32.Blaster.Worm
Discovered on: August 11, 2003
Last Updated on: August 12, 2003 01:24:53 AM

Based on the number of submissions received from customers
and based on
information from the Symantec's Deepsight Threat Management
System,
Symantec Security Response has upgraded this threat to a
Category 4 from
a Category 3 threat.

W32.Blaster.Worm is a worm that will exploit the DCOM RPC
vulnerability
(described in Microsoft Security Bulletin MS03-026) using
TCP port 135.
This worm will attempt to download and run the Msblast.exe
file.

Block access to TCP port 4444 at the firewall level, and
then block the
following ports, if they do not use the applications listed:

TCP Port 135, "DCOM RPC"

UDP Port 69, "TFTP"

The worm also attempts to perform a Denial of Service (DoS) on windowsupdate.com. This is an attempt to prevent you from applying a patch on your computer against the DCOM RPC vulnerability.

[Click here](#) for more information on the vulnerability that this worm exploits, and to find out which Symantec products can help mitigate risks from this vulnerability.

NOTE: This threat will be detected by virus definitions having:

Defs Version: 50811s

Sequence Number: 24254

Extended Version: 8/11/2003, rev. 19

Symantec Security Response has developed a removal tool to clean infections of W32.Blaster.Worm.

Also Known As: W32/Lovsan.worm [McAfee]

Type: Worm

Infection Length: 6,176 bytes

Systems Affected: Windows 2000, Windows XP

Systems Not Affected: Linux, Macintosh, OS/2, UNIX

CVE References: CAN-2003-0352

Virus Definitions (Intelligent Updater) *

August 11, 2003

Virus Definitions (LiveUpdate(tm)) **

August 11, 2003

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Intelligent Updater definitions are released daily, but

require manual
download and installation. [Click here to download manually.](#)

**

LiveUpdate virus definitions are usually released every
Wednesday.

[Click here for instructions on using LiveUpdate.](#)

Wild:

Number of infections: More than 1000

Number of sites: More than 10

Geographical distribution: High

Threat containment: Moderate

Removal: Easy

Threat Metrics

Wild:

High

Damage:

Medium

Distribution:

High

Damage

Payload:

Causes system instability: May cause machines to crash.

Compromises security settings: Opens a hidden remote
cmd.exe shell.

Distribution

Ports: TCP 135, TCP 4444, UDP 69

Target of infection: Machines with vulnerable DCOM RPC
Services running.

When W32.Blaster.Worm is executed, it does the following:

Creates a Mutex named "BILLY." If the mutex exists, the

worm will exit.

Adds the value:

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"windows auto update"="msblast.exe"
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to the registry key:

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HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion  
\Run
```

so that the worm runs when you start Windows.

Calculates the IP address, based on the following algorithm, 40% of the time:

Host IP: A.B.C.D

sets D equal to 0.

if $C > 20$, will subtract a random value less than 20.

Once calculated, the worm will start attempting to exploit the computer based on A.B.C.0, and then count up.

NOTE: This means the Local Subnet will become saturated with port 135 requests prior to exiting the local subnet.

Calculates the IP address, based on many random numbers, 60% of the time:

A.B.C.D

set D equal to 0.

sets A, B, and C to random values between 0 and 255.

Sends data on TCP port 135 that may exploit the DCOM RPC

vulnerability

to allow the following actions to occur on the vulnerable computer:

Create a hidden Cmd.exe remote shell that will listen on TCP port 4444.

NOTE: Due to the random nature of how the worm constructs the exploit data, it may cause computers to crash if it sends incorrect data.

Listens on UDP port 69. When the worm receives a request, it will return the Msblast.exe binary.

Sends the commands to the remote computer to reconnect to the infected host and to download and run Msblast.exe.

If the current month is after August, or if the current date is after the 15th, the worm will perform a DoS on "windowsupdate.com."

With the current logic, the worm will activate the DoS attack on the 16th of this month, and continue until the end of the year.

The worm contains the following text, which is never displayed:

I just want to say LOVE YOU SAN!!
billy gates why do you make this possible ? Stop making money and fix your software!!

Symantec ManHunt
Symantec ManHunt Protocol Anomaly Detection technology detects the activity associated with this exploit as "Portscan."
Although ManHunt can detect activity associated with this exploit with the

Protocol

Anomaly Detection technology, you can use the "Microsoft DCOM RPC Buffer Overflow" custom signature, released in Security Update, to precisely identify the exploit being sent.

Symantec Security Response encourages all users and administrators to adhere to the following basic security "best practices":

Turn off and remove unneeded services. By default, many operating systems install auxiliary services that are not critical, such as an FTP server, telnet, and a Web server. These services are avenues of attack.

If they are removed, blended threats have less avenues of attack and you

have fewer services to maintain through patch updates.

If a blended threat exploits one or more network services, disable, or

block access to, those services until a patch is applied.

Always keep your patch levels up-to-date, especially on computers that

host public services and are accessible through the firewall, such as

HTTP, FTP, mail, and DNS services.

Enforce a password policy. Complex passwords make it difficult to crack

password files on compromised computers. This helps to prevent or limit

damage when a computer is compromised.

Configure your email server to block or remove email that contains file

attachments that are commonly used to spread viruses, such as .vbs,

.bat, .exe, .pif and .scr files.

Isolate infected computers quickly to prevent further compromising your

organization. Perform a forensic analysis and restore the

computers

using trusted media.

Train employees not to open attachments unless they are expecting them.

Also, do not execute software that is downloaded from the Internet

unless it has been scanned for viruses. Simply visiting a compromised

Web site can cause infection if certain browser vulnerabilities are not patched.

Removal using the Backdoor.Winshell.50 Removal Tool

Symantec Security Response has developed a removal tool to clean

infections of W32.Blaster.Worm. This is the easiest way to remove this

threat and should be tried first.

Manual Removal

As an alternative to using the removal tool, you can manually remove this threat.

The following instructions pertain to all current and recent Symantec

antivirus products, including the Symantec AntiVirus and Norton

AntiVirus product lines.

Important Note: W32.Blaster.Worm exploits the DCOM RPC vulnerability.

This is described in Microsoft Security Bulletin MS03-026, and a patch

is available there. You must download and install the patch. In many

cases, you will need to do this before you can continue with the removal

instructions. If you are not able to remove the infection or prevent

re-infection using the following instructions, first download and

install the patch.

Disable System Restore (Windows Me/XP).

Update the virus definitions.

Do one of the following:

Windows 95/98/Me: Restart the computer in Safe mode.

Windows NT/2000/XP: End the Trojan process.

Run a full system scan and delete all the files detected as W32.Blaster.Worm.

Reverse the changes that the Trojan made to the registry.

For details on each of these steps, read the following instructions.

1. Disabling System Restore (Windows Me/XP)

If you are running Windows Me or Windows XP, we recommend that you

temporarily turn off System Restore. Windows Me/XP uses this feature,

which is enabled by default, to restore the files on your computer in

case they become damaged. If a virus, worm, or Trojan infects a

computer, System Restore may back up the virus, worm, or Trojan on the computer.

Windows prevents outside programs, including antivirus programs, from modifying System Restore. Therefore, antivirus programs or tools cannot

remove threats in the System Restore folder. As a result, System Restore

has the potential of restoring an infected file on your computer, even

after you have cleaned the infected files from all the other locations.

Also, a virus scan may detect a threat in the System Restore folder even though you have removed the threat.

For instructions on how to turn off System Restore, read your Windows documentation, or one of the following articles:

"How to disable or enable Windows Me System Restore"

"How to turn off or turn on Windows XP System Restore"

For additional information, and an alternative to disabling Windows Me System Restore, see the Microsoft Knowledge Base article, "Antivirus Tools Cannot Clean Infected Files in the _Restore Folder," Article ID: Q263455.

2. Updating the virus definitions

Symantec Security Response fully tests all the virus definitions for quality assurance before they are posted to our servers. There are two ways to obtain the most recent virus definitions:

Running LiveUpdate, which is the easiest way to obtain virus definitions: These virus definitions are posted to the LiveUpdate servers once each week (usually on Wednesdays), unless there is a major virus outbreak. To determine whether definitions for this threat are available by LiveUpdate, refer to the Virus Definitions (LiveUpdate).

Downloading the definitions using the Intelligent Updater: The Intelligent Updater virus definitions are posted on U.S. business days (Monday through Friday). You should download the definitions from the Symantec Security Response Web site and manually install them. To determine whether definitions for this threat are available by the Intelligent Updater, refer to the Virus Definitions (Intelligent Updater).

The Intelligent Updater virus definitions are available: Read "How to update virus definition files using the Intelligent Updater" for detailed instructions.

3. Restarting the computer in Safe mode or ending the Worm process

Windows 95/98/Me

Restart the computer in Safe mode. All the Windows 32-bit operating systems, except for Windows NT, can be restarted in Safe mode. For instructions, read the document, "How to start the computer in Safe Mode."

Windows NT/2000/XP

To end the Trojan process:

Press Ctrl+Alt+Delete once.

Click Task Manager.

Click the Processes tab.

Double-click the Image Name column header to alphabetically sort the processes.

Scroll through the list and look for msblast.exe.

If you find the file, click it, and then click End Process.

Exit the Task Manager.

4. Scanning for and deleting the infected files

Start your Symantec antivirus program and make sure that it is

configured to scan all the files.

For Norton AntiVirus consumer products: Read the document, "How to configure Norton AntiVirus to scan all files."

For Symantec AntiVirus Enterprise products: Read the document, "How to verify that a Symantec Corporate antivirus product is set to scan all files." Run a full system scan.

If any files are detected as infected with

W32.Blaster.Worm, click

Delete.

5. Reversing the changes made to the registry

CAUTION: Symantec strongly recommends that you back up the registry

before making any changes to it. Incorrect changes to the registry can

result in permanent data loss or corrupted files. Modify the specified

keys only. Read the document, "How to make a backup of the

Windows
registry," for instructions.

Click Start, and then click Run. (The Run dialog box
appears.)

Type regedit

Then click OK. (The Registry Editor opens.)

Navigate to the key:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion
\Run

In the right pane, delete the value:

"windows auto update"="msblast.exe"

Exit the Registry Editor.

Write-up by: Douglas Knowles

Following is the Information for the Removal Tool:

W32.Blaster.Worm Removal Tool

Discovered on: August 11, 2003

Last Updated on: August 11, 2003 08:01:58 PM PDT

Symantec Security Response has developed a removal tool to

clean the
W32.Blaster.Worm infections.

What the tool does

The W32.Blaster.Worm Removal Tool does the following:

Terminates the W32.Blaster.Worm viral processes.

Deletes the W32.Blaster.Worm files.

Deletes the dropped files.

Deletes the registry values that the worm added.

Command-line switches available with this tool

Switch

Description

`/HELP, /H, /?`

Displays the help message.

`/NOFIXREG`

Disables the registry repair. (We do not recommend using this switch.)

`/SILENT, /S`

Enables the silent mode.

`/LOG=<path name>`

Creates a log file where <path name> is the location in which to store

the tool's output. By default, this switch creates the log file,

FixBlast.log, within the same folder from which the removal tool was executed.

`/MAPPED`

Scans the mapped network drives. (We do not recommend using this switch.

Refer to the Notes below.)

`/START`

Forces the tool to immediately start scanning.

/EXCLUDE=<path>

Excludes the specified <path> from scanning. (We do not recommend using this switch.)

NOTE: Using the /MAPPED switch does not ensure the complete removal of

the virus on the remote computer, because:

Scanning the mapped drives scans the mapped folders only.

This action

may not include all the folders on the remote computer, leading to

missed detections.

If a viral file is detected on the mapped drive, the removal will fail

if a program on the remote computer uses this file.

For these reasons, run the tool on every computer.

Obtaining and running the tool

NOTE: You need administrative rights to run this tool on Windows 2000, or Windows XP.

Download the FixBlast.exe file from:

<http://securityresponse.symantec.com/avcenter/FixBlast.exe>

Save the file to a convenient location, such as your downloads folder or the Windows Desktop (or removable media that is known to be uninfected, if possible).

To check the authenticity of the digital signature, refer to the

section, "Digital signature."

Close all the running programs before running the tool.

If you are running Windows XP, then disable System Restore.

Refer to the

section, "System Restore option in Windows Me/XP," for additional

details.

CAUTION: If you are running Windows XP, we strongly recommend that you

do not skip this step. The removal procedure may be unsuccessful if Windows XP System Restore is not disabled, because Windows prevents outside programs from modifying System Restore.

Double-click the FixBlast.exe file to start the removal tool.
Click Start to begin the process, and then allow the tool to run.

NOTE: If, when running the tool, you see a message that the tool was not able to remove one or more files, run the tool in Safe mode. Shut down the computer, turn off the power, and wait 30 seconds. Restart the computer in Safe mode and run the tool again. All the Windows 32-bit operating systems, except Windows NT, can be restarted in Safe mode. For instructions, read the document "How to start the computer in Safe Mode."

Restart the computer.
Run the removal tool again to ensure that the system is clean.
If you are running Windows XP, then re-enable System Restore.
Run LiveUpdate to make sure that you are using the most current virus definitions.

When the tool has finished running, you will see a message indicating whether W32.Blaster.Worm infected the computer. In the case of a worm removal, the program displays the following results:
Total number of the scanned files
Number of deleted files
Number of terminated viral processes
Number of fixed registry entries

Digital signature

FixBlast.exe is digitally signed. Symantec recommends that you only use copies of FixBlast.exe that have been directly downloaded from the

Symantec Security Response Web site. To check the authenticity of the digital signature, follow these steps:

Go to <http://www.wmsoftware.com/free.htm>.

Download and save the Chktrust.exe file to the same folder where you

saved FixBlast.exe (for example, C:\Downloads).

Depending on your operating system, do one of the following:

Click Start, point to Programs, and then click MS-DOS Prompt.

Click Start, point to Programs, click Accessories, and then click

Command Prompt.

Change to the folder where FixBlast.exe and Chktrust.exe are stored, and then type:

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chktrust -i FixBlast.exe
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For example, if you saved the file to the C:\Downloads folder, you would enter the following commands:

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cd\  
cd downloads  
chktrust -i FixBlast.exe
```

Press Enter after typing each command. If the digital signature is valid, you will see the following:

Do you want to install and run "W32.Blaster.Worm Removal Tool" signed on 8/11/2003 7:14 PM and distributed by Symantec Corporation?

NOTES:

The date and time displayed in this dialog box will be

adjusted to your time zone if your computer is not set to the Pacific time zone.

If you are using Daylight Saving time, the displayed time will be

exactly one hour earlier.

If this dialog box does not appear, there are two possible reasons:

The tool is not from Symantec. Unless you are sure that the tool is

legitimate and that you downloaded it from the legitimate Symantec Web

site, do not run it.

The tool is from Symantec and is legitimate, however, your operating

system was previously instructed to always trust content from Symantec.

For information on this and how to view the confirmation dialog again,

read the document "How to restore the Publisher Authenticity confirmation dialog box."

Click Yes to close the dialog box.

Type Exit, and then press Enter. This will close the MS-DOS session.

System Restore option in Windows Me/XP

Users of Windows Me and Windows XP should temporarily turn off System

Restore. Windows Me/XP uses this feature, which is enabled by default,

to restore the files on your computer in case they become damaged. If a

virus, worm, or Trojan infects a computer, System Restore may back up

the virus, worm, or Trojan on the computer.

Windows prevents outside programs, including antivirus programs, from

modifying System Restore. Therefore, antivirus programs or tools cannot

remove threats in the System Restore folder. As a result, System Restore

has the potential of restoring an infected file on your computer, even after you have cleaned the infected files from all the other locations.

Also, in some cases, online scanners may detect a threat in the System Restore folder even though you scanned your computer with an antivirus program and did not find any infected files.

For instructions on how to turn off System Restore, read your Windows documentation, or one of the following articles:
How to disable or enable Windows Me System Restore.
How to turn off or turn on Windows XP System Restore.

For additional information and an alternative to disabling Windows Me System Restore, read the Microsoft Knowledge Base article, "Antivirus Tools Cannot Clean Infected Files in the _Restore Folder (Q263455)."

How to run the tool from a floppy disk
Insert the floppy disk, which contains the FixBlast.exe file, in the floppy disk drive.
Click Start, and then click Run.
Type the following:

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a:\FixBlast.exe
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and then click OK:

NOTES:

There are no spaces in the command, a:\FixBlast.exe.
If you are using Windows Me and System Restore remains enabled, you will see a warning message. You can choose to run the removal tool with the System Restore option enabled or exit the removal tool.

Click Start to begin the process, and then allow the tool to run.

If you are using Windows Me, then re-enable System Restore.

---- End Included Message ----

J. Achurra, CNE, CCNA, MCP, MS-MIS

From: ANGELEENO@aol.com <ANGELEENO@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 7:07:02 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Please save ALL of Cypress Gardens. It is such a beautiful place and I worked there for almost 10 yrs. as a waterskiier and would love to work there another 20 yrs. so my children and grandchildren can see what a wonderful place it is.

Thanks for you time,

See you again on the 26th (I am the Southern Belle in the green dress that came to see you in May)

Angela Yauchler

From: [Jim Wilkerson <wilker@bellsouth.net>](mailto:wilker@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 7:00:20 PM

Subject: Please vote no on Caps not supported by facts

Jim Wilkerson
10201 Glenmoor Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There is no overwhelming public crisis that justifies caps as a solution to the high cost of medical malpractice insurance. Even the insurance lobby has indicated that this will not bring about rate reduction. The fact is that other possible solutions need to be studied. The legislature should not pass legislation that does not solve the rate problem and severely restricts the rights of Floridians.

Sincerely,

Jim wilkerson

From: [Americo Rizzo <joerizz@webtv.net>](mailto:joerizz@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:59:31 PM

Subject: Fwd: Save Cypress Gardens

Attachments: Save Cypress Gardens

The message below was sent to your big brother who as you know lives in another part of this great country. I would like you to know that the people who are trying to save this national treasure have very long memories and would consider it a significant and wonderfully emotional event for this dream of saving Cypress Gardens from the developers to come to fruition.

It used to be said that a bird in hand is worth two in the Bush but I believe that a bird with two Bush's support could be invaluable in achieving the preservation goals.

Thanks for taking the time to read this message.

Mr. and Mrs. Rizzo

From: [Americo Rizzo <joerizz@webtv.net>](mailto:joerizz@webtv.net)

To: President@WhiteHouse.gov

Date: 8/12/2003 6:33:18 PM

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens

I am writing to you today to express my family's strong feeling for the saving of an historical landmark of significant importance to all people and not just the local population of central Florida. I know that you have been criticized on your environmental views but I do know that you have been very fair and open-minded in your decision making process.

Cypress Gardens must be saved for the next generations of Americans (Not Just Us Floridians). The enjoyment of its natural beauty must remain for posterity and not be destroyed by some local real estate developers aided by a tax hungry local government ready to annex the Cypress Garden land into their local tax authority.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message and please help preserve this national treasure.

Mr. & Mrs. Americo F. Rizzo
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Lake Wales, Fl. 33859

From: [E. T. York <york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu>](mailto:york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:55:02 PM

Subject: GAINESVILLE SUN EDITORIAL

The following is forwarded to you for your information.

E. T. York

THE GAINESVILLE SUN

Article published Aug 12, 2003

The sleeping giant

The Board of Governors is covering Gov. Bush when it should be listening to universities and allowing caps.

The sleeping giant finally roused itself last week.

The new Board of Governors made its much-anticipated debut; nine months after Floridians voted overwhelmingly to create that state-level governing board for Florida's public universities, and months after Gov. Jeb Bush finally got around to appointing its members.

What finally brought the new board out of its self-induced coma? Why, to do damage control for Gov. Bush, most likely.

It's likely that the board would have happily and faithfully kept to its "hands off" policy - allowing the university system to slowly disintegrate while Bush and the Legislature put public higher education on a starvation budget in order to finance their tax cuts. But the presidents of the universities wouldn't cooperate - which is to say, they refused to sit by silently and pretend that their institutions were capable of absorbing \$40 million in budget cuts and taking on an additional 22,000 unfunded students without negatively impacting the quality of their educational offerings.

So the presidents began talking about freezing enrollments. And you can't blame them. It's simply not reasonable to expect universities to continue, year after year, to accept thousands of new students while the Legislature stubbornly refuses to provide additional funding for them.

In the next decade, university system enrollment is expected to increase from 292,000 students to nearly 400,000. But if the Legislature sticks to its pattern, per-student funding will continue to fall dramatically even as enrollments increase drastically. That's a prescription for higher education mediocrity, and the presidents have been saying so.

And the presidents are correct: If the Legislature refuses to fund enrollment growth, then admissions caps are the only reasonable alternative. But to impose caps would be to fly in the face of the official fiction in Bush's Tallahassee - that there is no fiscal crisis and that the universities are doing just fine, thank you.

Hence the sleeping giant awakens.

"There will be no enrollment cap without review by this board," proclaimed member Steve Uhlfelder

last week. Chimed in board chair Carolyn Roberts, "This is a very important moment for our outstanding board. We are going to be advocates for our universities, but we are going to hold them accountable."

Roberts, it will be remembered, is the Bush loyalist who headed up the effort to convince Florida voters that they really didn't need a new statewide university governing board. Floridians thought otherwise, and now - to show that irony isn't dead in Jeb's Florida - Roberts is running the very board she deemed superfluous.

Although we have argued long and hard that Florida does indeed require a strong statewide coordinating board for its state universities, we're not sure that the question of enrollment caps ought to be settled in Tallahassee.

It would seem to us that it is at the campus level that funding cuts are felt most severely. And it is officials at the campus level who are in the best position to judge whether or not their institutions can continue to educate more and more students for less and less money.

No, university presidents should not have the power to cap enrollments. But aren't the individual university governing boards in the best position to decide at what point enrollment growth will overwhelm the ability of their institutions to put out a quality education product?

Yes, it is encouraging that the new governing board will ask the Legislature for an additional \$157.8 million, or an 8.2 percent budget increase next year. But there's no guarantee that lawmakers will grant that request. And even if they do, the board's recommended increase won't even be enough to cover freshman enrollment growth at the University of Florida - UF will still be expected to do more with less money.

So why shouldn't UF's board of trustees be able to determine, at some point, that they must close the gates lest Florida's flagship university succumb to fiscally induced mediocrity?

If Florida really expects its university system to accommodate nearly 110,000 new students over the next decade, the Legislature must be willing to fully and fairly fund that enrollment growth. If it does not do so, and if the statewide governing board refuses to do its job, the trustees at individual universities should be able to decide locally whether or not they can continue to educate more students with fewer dollars.

As for the sleeping giant, the Board of Governors must decide whether its mission is to protect Gov. Bush or the state universities. Enrollment caps would certainly help protect the universities - even if they would play havoc with the governor's "everything's just peachy in Florida under my watch" mantra.

From: [Deborah J. Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:39:55 PM

Subject: Don't railroad the citizens of Florida to make money for insurance companies

Deborah J. Gander
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Miami, FL 33133

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

We deserve better.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Thomas Roman <roman-roman-law@mindspring.com>](mailto:roman-roman-law@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:35:42 PM

Subject: Malpractice Reform

Thomas Roman
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August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not vote in favor of the current proposed workout between the House and Senate leaders on medical malpractice reform. You have heard the sworn testimony given at the Senate hearings which indicates that this is only an insurance rate crisis, not a medical malpractice crisis. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors. Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice;
- * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs;"
- * Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago;
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback; and
- * NO effective quality of care measures.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Roman, Esq.

From: [John Piccin <jpiccin@pglawyers.com>](mailto:John.Piccin@pglawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:35:00 PM

Subject: needed insurance reform

John Piccin
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ocala, FL 34475

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against the "agreement reached
" between the house, senate and governor. What the people need are
accurate findings of fact, not insurance industry lies, and real insurance
reform.

Doing tje bidding of the insurance industry is not going to help anyone
but it!

Sincerely,

John H. Piccin

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Date: 8/12/2003 6:34:00 PM

Subject: Re: Your wheelchair

I have an Invacare Ranger X electric wheelchair which is only less than eighteen months old. In the last month, it required over \$2,000 in repairs. Medicare and Vocational Rehabilitation paid over \$8,600 for the chair. I just got my joystick back yesterday from Custom Mobility which took a month to get it repaired from the Invacare factory in Ohio. My old electric wheelchair is also an Invacare, and it is over seven years old, and it never required this much repairs. This new wheelchair is supposed to be a heavy duty chair. Invacare has no customer relations because my father call their factory in November about my other motor problem, and they told him "that Invacare only deals with venders concerning problems with their wheelchairs." Some of these problems with my situation are due to lack of wheelchair transportation in the Tampa Bay area. Custom Mobility in Largo does excellent work if you can get the chair over to them. My parents were in Ohio for the month, and I had no way to get to their shop.

I have been receiving services under the Florida Home and Community Based Services program since 1998. The quality of my own services have been quite poor. Most of the problems that I have to endure are from the lack of support services such as: transportation, lack of accessible and affordable housing for the handicapped, employment opprotunities and etc. I am extremely active with the program as a client and now as a provider of services with my own agency called Been There, Inc. I am also a graduate student here at the University of South Florida where I only need seven more classes to earn my master's degree in rehabilitation counseling. This Home and Community Based Services program is an excellent concept and theory to allow individuals with developmental disabilities to live in their own communities. The current system is not working for the vast majority of the consumers receiving services, and I have seen no indication that the system redesign will improve the system either. Right now, the state and Mercer have slash the rate structure by nearly one-third which would hinder the program from acquiring excellent staff to work with

this difficult population.

We need people in Tallahassee that totally comprehend and understand the true plight of individuals with developmental disabilities. I would bet money that the Delvarma Foundation, Mercer or Maximus all involved with cutting services for this population has nobody on the payroll with a severe physical or developmental disability working for them. Meanwhile, they have no knowledge about the true needs of this population. I will continue to speak out on the issues that concern me and tens of thousands of other individuals with developmental disabilities. This huge federal and state program is costing us vast financial resources. I have been expressing my concerns to the state since 1999. Nobody seems to know how to solve the difficulties that we are facing inside the program. Slashing provider rates by nearly one-third will only hinder the program from enhancing the lives for individuals with developmental disabilities.

These new rates may be unconstitutional. Back in the early 1970's, President Nixon and Ford wanted to fix wages and prices at a certain level; however, the United State Supreme Court said, "it was unconstitutional." These new rates especially being so low could be challenged by providers. Delvarma Foundation, Mercer, and Maximus all need to be booted out of the state because their jobs are to slash and burn services for individuals with developmental disabilities. The state needs to re-examine their work. We need a better vision that works for all individuals receiving services through the Florida Home and Community Based Services program.

Sincerely,
Scott Barrish
Been There, Inc.

From: [Gerald Green <ggccg@bellsouth.net>](mailto:ggccg@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:31:38 PM

Subject: NO TO CAPS - KEEP BAD FAITH

Gerald Green
913 Majorca Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote AGAINST CAPS.

Vote AGAINST Eliminating Bad Faith.

You know the truth! It came out in sworn testimony:

There is no health care crisis in Florida. Doctors are not leaving the state. Emergency Rooms are not closing down. And the medical malpractice insurers are making nearly obscene profits at the expense of doctors and injured citizens.

Capping non-economic damages will not bring down insurance rates for doctors. They will only hurt the most economically disadvantaged who are unfortunate enough to be maimed for life by a careless or incompetent physician. Would \$500,000 be adequate compensation if YOU had to suffer debilitating pain for the rest of your life?

Eliminating Bad Faith will only encourage insurers to NEVER honor their contractual obligations to defend their insureds. They will never again offer a settlement, even in the most egregious of circumstances.

Stop watching out for the financial interests of the most economically advantaged and start paying attention to the needs of the regular, everyday people of the state of Florida!

Sincerely,

Gerald Green

From: [Melanie Homer <mrhomer0@netscape.net>](mailto:mrhomer0@netscape.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:29:30 PM

Subject: Med mal bill

Melanie Homer
4555 Birkenhead Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32210

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO on this bill. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors.

Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice
- * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs"
- * Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback
- * NO effective quality of care measures

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Sincerely,

From: [Claudio Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:27:12 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps - Vote "NO"

Claudio Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO against any medical malpractice caps.
Please vote NO against allowing insurance carriers to get out of their
"Bad Faith" obligations.

Sincerely,

Claudio Conde, RT

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:24:42 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps - Vote "NO"

Gracie Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO against any medical malpractice caps.
Please vote NO against allowing insurance carriers to get out of their
"Bad Faith" obligations.

Sincerely,

Gracie F. Conde, RN

From: [GARY GREEN <GGreen@sha.state.md.us>](mailto:GGreen@sha.state.md.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:20:28 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Mr. Bush:

After giving the situation much thought, I decided that I needed to sent you a message about how I feel of the Cypress Gardens Closure and the possibility of it being sold.

My wife, daughter, and myself always visit your wonderful state every year and last year, we had the chance to come down in November. We decided to see Cypress Gardens. I remember my daughters look of surprise when she saw the Gardens lighted at night with Christmans lights. It will be sad to see a wonderful area that had many nice people go and become part of a commercial/residential area that happens so many times to our cultural heritage.

I want to thank you for your time and for what you can do to help save this park.

Sincerely,

Gary Green
6111Oakland Mills Road
Sykesville MD 21784

From: [Carr, Diane <Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us>](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:05:09 PM

Subject: RE: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Governor, I spoke with Peter Johnson yesterday and explained in detail the differences between DBPR's jurisdiction and that of the professional boards re: unlicensed activity. I was able to determine in advance of our conversation that in a case like the one he described, the Construction Industry Licensing Board could require that a contractor pay a fine for identified incidents of unlicensed activity leading up to licensure as a condition precedent to issuing a license. Some boards already do this, but not the CILB. I and others at DBPR are in the process of strongly recommending to the CILB that they exercise their discretion in this way. Peter very much appreciated our response and recommendation to the CILB. Thanks, Diane

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 8:10 PM

To: Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us

Subject: FW: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Can we discuss this?

-----Original Message-----

From: PeterLJohnson@aol.com [mailto:PeterLJohnson@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 3:26 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Jeb,

Congrats on the Agreement on the malpractice issue.

As you may recall, back in April I emailed you about the former employees of

Tropic-Kool Engineering who started their own mechanical contracting company

and operated without a mechanical contractors license for a number of years

after my partner had reported them to the Florida Department of Professional

Regulation last December. Well, Diane and her team were very responsive to you

and did a thorough investigation and Diane Carr called me with her decision to drop the case because the offending parties had decided to get licensed.

Recently I was provided a copy of their investigation and it is quite obvious that the offending parties were guilty of operating without a license, so I called Diane's office and inquired about that. She had the woman in charge (I can't remember her name) call me back last week who told me that it was the oversight's board who decides these matters and they typically choose to not prosecute unlicensed activity. If that is the case with many of your oversight boards it may explain why we have some insurance problems. Can you imagine what auto insurance rates would be if all that happened to a person found driving a car without a license is they were told to go get one! My wife serves on State of Florida, Board of Medicine - Dietetics and Nutrition Practice Council and assures me they are aggressively prosecuting violators, but you may want to check the other boards attitudes on these types of issues and see how they handle regulation of their professions. They may need some guidance from you on how to handle violators.

I'm just finishing up a business plan for a Leadership Institute that I would like to affiliate with UF (if the administration sees the value). I'd love to have your opinion if you have time and interest to read it I'll attach it in an email (its 24 pages long).
Keep Smiling,
Peter
PS the following got me to smile.

Subject: Another Golf Outing

A guy out on the golf course takes a high speed ball right in the crotch. Writhing in agony, he falls to the ground. He finally gets himself to the doctor. He says, "How bad is it doc? I'm going on my honeymoon next week and my fiancée is still a virgin." The doc said, "I'll have to put your penis in a splint to let it heal and keep it straight. It should be okay next week." So he took four tongue depressors and formed a neat little 4-sided splint, held together with surgical wire. It was an impressive work of art. The guy mentions none of this to his girlfriend. They marry and on their honeymoon night in the motel room, she rips open her blouse to reveal a gorgeous set of breasts. This was the first time he ever saw them. She says, "You are the first, no one has ever touched these breasts." He pulls down his pants, whips out his splinted cock and says, "Look at this beauty, it's still in the CRATE!"

From: [Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>](mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 6:05:15 PM

Subject: Meetin Sept. 6

My Governor,

We moved the Intergovernment Meeting meeting from Aug. 5 to the 6 of Sept. in hopes that you can be our "Keynote Speaker". The only problem is that I need to get the invitation out and I really need to know Sir if you are coming. I am sorry for being such a pain, but as you know this is real important!

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

From: [RHONDA MYERS <ram@searcylaw.com>](mailto:ram@searcylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:48:59 PM

Subject: TORT REFORM

RHONDA MYERS
13843 TEMPLE BLVD.
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA 33412

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I CAN'T BELIEVE THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY HAS CONVINCED THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEADERS OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE TO MEET ALMOST ALL OF ITS LEGISLATIVE DEMANDS.

A \$500,000 CAP ON NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES IS RIDICULOUS!!! VICTIMS NEED TO BE FAIRLY COMPENSATED FOR THEIR PAIN AND SUFFERING CAUSED BY A DOCTOR WHO HAS LITERALLY CHANGED THE REST OF THEIR LIFE, WHICH COULD BE ANYWHERE FROM 70-80 YEARS, OR LONGER, AND A CAP ON NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES IS RIDICULOUS!

I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING THE TIME TO REALLY SIT DOWN AND THINK ABOUT IT IN A WAY THAT, WHAT IF IT WERE ONE OF YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS OR LOVED ONES THAT HAD TO LIVE THE REST OF THEIR LIVES, PERHAPS THE NEXT 70-80 YEARS IN A VEGETATIVE STATE DUE TO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE? WOULD \$500,000 BE ENOUGH COMPENSATION? IF YOU ANSWER THAT QUESTION WITH A "YES," I QUESTION YOUR REASONING AND WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE A "TRUE WRITTEN RESPONSE," AND NOT A FORM LETTER, EXPLAINING TO ME THE REASONS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. I HAVE FAITH THAT THE JUSTICE SYSTEM WILL WORK.

AND, BY THE WAY, I AM VERY FORTUNATE TO SAY THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE IN MY FAMILY, AND I THANK GOD FOR THAT, BUT WHO'S TO SAY THAT IN THE FUTURE MY FAMILY IS NOT SO FORTUNATE? THAT'S WHY I WANT TO VOICE MY OPINION AND STAND UP FOR THOSE WHO HAVEN'T BEEN SO FORTUNATE OR WHO WON'T BE SO FORTUNATE IN THE FUTURE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. HAVE A GOOD DAY!

Sincerely,

Rhonda Myers

From: [Sharla Horne <mhorne1@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:mhorne1@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:47:40 PM

Subject: Your will lose my vote

Sharla Horne
7004 Summerbridge Dr.
Tampa, FLORIDA 33634

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

If you pass a bill changing bad faith and a cap on medical malpractice claims you will lose my vote in the next election along with everyone I know. WE NEED INSURANCE REFORM!!!! Only insurance reform will solve EVERYONE'S problems. Insurance companies claim to lose money, but it is individuals who pay continued increase in premiums. Automobile insurance is almost unaffordable and many insurance companies have quit writing home policies in Florida. PLEASE DO SOMETHING. INSURANCE REFORM IS THE ONLY ANSWER.

Sincerely,

Sharla Horne

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lewis, Celeste \(State\)'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:43:07 PM

Subject:

Attachments: Stop protecting insurance companies
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From: [Andrew Ellenberg <aellenberg@ngepa.com>](mailto:aellenberg@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:37:44 PM

Subject: Stop protecting insurance companies

Andrew Ellenberg
1401 Brickell Ave
Miami, FL 33131

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

to the detriment of everyone else. Mr. Bush has acknowledged that this bad legislation is 'political payback' - is that how you want to legislate for your friends and neighbors.

Do not pass the "reform" bill that is before you now.

Sincerely,

Andrew Ellenberg

From: [Michele Guerrero <mguerrero@zpklaw.com>](mailto:mguerrero@zpklaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:23:47 PM

Subject: No deal on med mal caps!!!!

Michele Guerrero
2231 SW 131 Avenue
Miramar, FL 33027

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Michele Guerrero

From: [david gulden <dhgulden@hotmail.com>](mailto:dhgulden@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:10:48 PM

Subject: malpractice bill

david gulden
243 west park ave
winter park , FL 32789

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not pass this bonus for the insurance companies. The patients and doctors sacrifice, but the insurance companies just make more profit. Didn't anyone listen to the testimony Se. King got from these people??

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Carlos Perez <carlos@rejuvederm.com>](mailto:carlos@rejuvederm.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:44:32 PM

Subject: Copy of Interviews sent

Dear Jeb:

I have sent you via UPS a VHS copy of a program aired 8/10 on Medical Malpractice and a cassette of my radio show on 8/9 regarding the "Cuban Situation". I realize you have a very busy agenda but try to view them when you have a moment.

Sincerely,

Carlos Perez

From: [Michele Guerrero <mguerrero@zpklaw.com>](mailto:mguerrero@zpklaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 5:23:47 PM

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From: [Rebecca Kohl <BK1950@webtv.net>](mailto:Rebecca.Kohl@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 4:40:06 PM

Subject: Please vote NO on medical malpractice caps!!!!

Rebecca Kohl
1816 NW 69 Ave
Margate, FLORIDA 33063

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please don't strip Floridians of their rights by placing caps on medical malpractice.

If one of your loved ones were in a serious or fatal medical situation due to the negligence of their doctors, wouldn't you want those doctors to pay?????

Put the blame where the blame lies. Make the bad apples pay "higher insurance rates" so that there'll be less chances of negligence on their parts.

Also....Insurance companies CAN and SHOULD come down in their rates...especially to those doctors who have good clean records.

PLEASE be strong and FIGHT for us Floridians.....

Thanks so much..

Sincerely,

Rebecca Kohl

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Bob Costa'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 4:23:38 PM

Subject: RE: Update

[thank you Bob. the Commission and Sheriff agreed to a compromise today.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Costa [mailto:bob@bobcosta.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 12:08 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Update

I know everyone is beating on you lately (What else is new, right?) . As I periodically tell you, you are STILL doing a great job !!! And even though I disagreed with your position on medical malpractice, at least you got something done (I think). :-))

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From: [Richard Reinhart <richard_reinhart@hotmail.com>](mailto:richard_reinhart@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 4:20:27 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

Richard Reinhart
1638 Via Tuscany
Winter Park, FL 32789

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote AGAINST the "compromise" bill discussed in the news on the medical malpractice issues.

It is unfair to severely injured patients to reduce their recoveries arbitrarily; it is very unfair to shift the loss from the negligent parties to the injured families and the government when the families cannot cope with the results of catastrophic injuries or death; and it is ridiculous to let the insurance companies that are price gouging to keep on hammering the doctors.

It is also grotesque to allow the insurers to treat their doctors in bad faith, but the FMA is too much in the pocket of FPIC to understand the ramifications of giving up the good faith obligations insurers presently owe to doctors. No honest person would ask to be relieved of a contractual or legal obligation to act in good faith, and no reasonable person would agree to give up that protection.

This whole law is bad for consumers and the State of Florida.

Best wishes,

Richard Reinhart

From: [Robert Joyce <joycelaw@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:joycelaw@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 4:20:29 PM

Subject: NO to Caps and elimination of bad faith

Robert Joyce
16312 millan de avila
Tampa, FL 33613

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Bob Joyce

From: [Bob Costa <bob@bobcosta.com>](mailto:Bob.Costa@bobcosta.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 4:08:05 PM

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From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Sharon Gallops](#)

CC: [Jim Dwyer](#)
[Bill Monroe](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 4:05:18 PM

Subject: Duval County VAB

Attachments: Tax Law Library.url

Sharon - in 2002 Duval County rules, it states on Page 18, a. "Original Value - Special masters do not have the ability to fix the original valuation of any property for assessment purposes. Fla. Admin. Code R 12D-10.003(1)"

That seems rather obvious, and besides the point, since "original" values are not fixed by special masters or by VABs, rather the final values are recommended by special masters to the VABs who have the authority to approve them.

Thus, where in that portion of the Code is there any instruction, law, rule, or regulation that says special masters may not make a determination of value based upon the evidence presented at a hearing?

I want to know why there are special masters in Duval County who have NEVER ruled for a taxpayer on a value matter, and I have three years worth of decisions from one master, who is on your published list. When the instructions given to the masters are not supported by constitutional principles and state law, taxpayers are being cheated.

SO, I WANT YOU TO MAIL TO ME THE 2003 Rules from the various counties which I requested, and be prepared to tell me why a special master cannot determine and recommend a "final value"! What is the point of having special masters and a VAB process?!!! Sheila Anderson

http://taxlaw.state.fl.us/pta_out_fc.asp?r=12D%2D10%2E003+

12D-10.003 Powers, Authority, Duties and Functions of Value

Adjustment Board.

(1) The board has no power to fix the **original** valuation of property for ad valorem tax purposes or to grant an exemption **not authorized by law and the board is bound by the same standards as the county property appraiser in determining values** and the granting of exemptions. The board has no power to grant relief either by adjustment of the value of a property or by the granting of an exemption on the basis of hardship of a particular taxpayer. **The board, in determining the valuation of**

a specific property, shall not consider the ultimate amount of
tax required. (emphasis added)

From: [Sandra Day <dazeinn7@yahoo.com>](mailto:dazeinn7@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:55:49 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Sandra Day
4360 Hartville
Cocoa, FLORIDA 32926

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

If this bill is passed, what guarantees do doctors and hospitals have that insurance rates will decrease or stay at affordable rates. I believe very strongly that this bill is putting patients in jeopardy and is only allowing the insurance industry to recoup their losses from poor investments. PLEASE DO NOT PASS THIS BILL!!!!

Sincerely,

Sandra Day

From: [Sally Gross <sagross@alltel.net>](mailto:sagross@alltel.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:52:27 PM

Subject: Med Malp Bill

Sally Gross
1401 Brickell Avenue, Suite 90
Miami, FL 33131

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The elimination of Bad Faith and protection for HMO's is APPALLING.
Please do not fold under insurer's pressure. They are faking and Bush is
feeling the heat. Perhaps you are too? Resist. This is not fair for the
people of Florida.

Sincerely,

Sally Gross

From: [Tom Pennekamp <tpenne007@bellsouth.net>](mailto:tpenne007@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:43:56 PM

Subject: Don't Do It!

Tom Pennekamp
1227 Alfonso Ave
Coral Gables, FL 33146

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This is a terrible move. This law will hurt doctors if they cannot hold insurers accountabvle for their bad faith conduct in handling claims.

Caps will not fix the problem with the cost and availability of insurance. The evidence and testimony YOU HAVE HEARD says so. Even the insurance industry agrees. Why are you going to do something to hurt victims of malpractice that will not even give doctors relief from rates?

Why is my homeowners insurance out of control? My auto? My health care? Maybe it is the industry! Do something to fix the problem do not punish victims.

SHAME ON YOU IF YOU VOTE FOR THESE THINGS!

Sincerely,

Tom Pennekamp Jr.

From: [Todd Stewart <Todd@TrialCounselor.com>](mailto:Todd@TrialCounselor.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:42:08 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Reform

Todd Stewart
6127 Wood Lake Road
JUPITER, FL 33458

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Senator,
Please vote against this horrible bill.

We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform.

We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Sincerely,

Todd Stewart

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:41:49 PM

Subject: no cap on med mal

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Dana Hoffman <dhoffman67@hotmail.com>](mailto:dhoffman67@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:40:13 PM

Subject: Medical Mapractice "Reform"

Dana Hoffman
9950 5th Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33702

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please, please, please, vote NO on this bad bill!!!! It does nothing but enrich insurance companies at the expenses of their insured doctors and victims of malpractice. These provisions, the arbitrary caps in particular, WILL NOT reduce insurance rates. Only INSURANCE REFORM will do that. This is what in took in California after rates soared for years even after caps were put in place.

Sincerely,

Dana P. Hoffman

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

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Date: 8/12/2003 3:40:17 PM

Subject:

the taxpayer shall have the burden of proving the "property appraiser's assessment is not supported by any reasonable hypothesis of a legal assessment". *That's NOT what the language says in 193.401 F.S.*

should refer to s. 194.301 F.S.

I apologize for the typographical error. The point remains the same.

I does not take a lawyer to know Palm Beach language does NOT comply with this statute!

SA

From: [Poblete, Yleem2 <yleem2.poblete@mail.house.gov>](mailto:yleem2.poblete@mail.house.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:35:09 PM

Subject: Date changed for event of "The Lions for the Children of Jerusalem" project.

Governor,

Ms. Ros-Lehtinen asked me to forward the following information to you as you will also be participating in the gala event of "The Lions for the Children of Jerusalem" project.

Below, please find the e-mail I received from the Director General of the New Jerusalem Foundation about a change in date from December 4th to December 11th..

Regards,

Yleem.

**Ms. Yleem D.S. Poblete, Staff Director
Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia
Committee on International Relations
and Senior Foreign Policy Advisor
Hon. Ilana Ros-Lehtinen, Chair
257 Ford House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515
(202) 225-3345
(202) 225-0432 (fax)**

Dear Yleem,

I'm hasting to inform you that because of local considerations we were forced to move the gala event of "The Lions for the Children of Jerusalem" project to December 11th instead of December 4th. Please make note of it in your personal agenda as we would very much appreciate having you as one of our guests of honor. I would also appreciate if you would inform Governor Bush of the change of date in the hope that he will be able to honor us with his presence.

Very Best Personal Regards to Dexter and yourself.

Zvi Raviv Director General The New Jerusalem Foundation

From: [Margarita H. Barnard <mbarnard@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:mbarnard@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:33:03 PM

Subject: PLEASE, DO NOT PASS THE Insurance / HMO Immunity Bill!!

Margarita H. Barnard
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33609

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors.

Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice
- * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs"
- * Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback
- * NO effective quality of care measures

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Sincerely,

Margarita H. Barnard

From: [Freddy Rhoads <Fredlaw2003@aol.com>](mailto:FreddyRhoads@Fredlaw2003@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:33:17 PM

Subject: Special Session

Freddy Rhoads
209 South Olive Ave.
West Palm Beach, FLORIDA 33401

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider your possible agreement for a cap on medical malpractice damages and changing bad faith law. The insurance industry has already admitted that it is unlikely that this cap will do anything in the short term if anything at all in the long term. Thus, why are we pushing this as the savior of our "alleged" problems. There is no good that can come out of this or any cap. Further, changing the bad faith law gives the insurance industry a way out and actually allows them to act in bad faith without any dire consequences. Bad Faith is the only thing keeping the insurance industry on the straight path because they know there are consequences for their actions. Most doctors and insureds do not know why bad faith is necessary until it is too late.

Please do not change current bad faith laws or place a cap on Floridians Constitutional rights. By doing this you are hamstringing the rights of your own people who have elected you. Become the voice of justice and the voice for those who you gave an oath to protect.

Sincerely,

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From: [DAWN PITTS <DAWNEPIT@AOL.COM>](mailto:DAWNEPIT@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:31:25 PM

Subject: VOTE NO ON TORT REFORM

DAWN PITTS
134D WEYBRIDGE CIRCLE
ROYAL PALM BEACH, FL 33411

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

DON'T LET THE INSURANCE COMPANIES WIN. THEY ARE THE ONLY WINNERS IF YOU PASS THIS BILL. STAND UP TO JEB AND THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY VOTE NO ON THIS BILL. STAND BEHIND THE CITIZENS OF THIS STATE THAT ELECTED YOU. SAY NO AND MEAN IT.

Sincerely,

DAWN PITTS

From: [DAWN PITTS <DAWNEPIT@AOL.COM>](mailto:DAWNEPIT@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:32:03 PM

Subject: VOTE NO ON TORT REFORM

DAWN PITTS
134D WEYBRIDGE CIRCLE
ROYAL PALM BEACH, FL 33411

August 12, 2003

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Sincerely,

DAWN PITTS

From: Bernard & Carla Weiss <idunit@myway.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:30:19 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice!

Bernard & Carla Weiss
P.O.Box 160094
Miami, FLORIDA 33116

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

I urge you to please stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Bernard and Carla Weiss

From: [Susan Rosenblatt <Dooddybug@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:Dooddybug@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:28:05 PM

Subject: Special Session on Medical Malpractice

Susan Rosenblatt
14126 Trouville Drive
Tampa, FL 33624

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote AGAINST the Insurance/HMO Immunity Bill scheduled for the Special Session on August 12, 2003.

It does not protect the rights of the patients and only serves to protect insurance companies and HMO's. Please stand up for the rights of the injured patients instead of insurance executives.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Rosenblatt

From: [Charlene Heger <hegercharlene@hotmail.com>](mailto:hegercharlene@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:25:29 PM

Subject: No Med Mal Reform

Charlene Heger
4419 Winding River Dr
Valrico, FL 33594

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There should be NO limitations on people's rights.

What proof and documentation have you received from the insurance companies that they will "reduce" their rates for the doctors... none. However, are you willing to give people's rights up based on "empty promises"?

Please think of the people whose lives will be so affected.

Sincerely,

Charlene Heger

From: [Carmen Sanchez <csanchez@ngepa.com>](mailto:csanchez@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:25:28 PM

Subject: Tort reform

Carmen Sanchez
11313 SW 109th Rd. #B
Miami, FL 33176

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Carmen A. Sanchez

From: [P Endsley <Patsy153@hotmail.com>](mailto:Patsy153@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:24:38 PM

Subject: please vote No to caps

P Endsley
55 Bering
Tampa, FL 33606

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

P Endsley

From: [P Endsley <Patsy153@hotmail.com>](mailto:Patsy153@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:24:00 PM

Subject: Please vote no To caps

P Endsley
55 Bering Street
Tampa, FL 33606

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Patty Endsley

From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:23:45 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote No

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [Deanna Kimbrough <dmk@grossmanandroth.P.A>](mailto:dmk@grossmanandroth.P.A)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:22:15 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

Deanna Kimbrough
2254 SW 131 Avenue
Miramar, FLORIDA 33027

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Now that the Governor and the Legislature have found a way to hurt victims of medical malpractice, where is the insurance rate reform act? Looks like insurance companies got exactly what they wanted without having any reform themselves. Let us see a year from now if insurance rates have dropped due to this so called "reform".

At the cost of innocent victims rights to recover, please keep big business from winning again.

Sincerely,

Deanna Kimbrough

From: [William Meador <wsm@esclaw.com>](mailto:wsm@esclaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:22:54 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Bill

William Meador
30 South Spring Street
Pensacola, FL 32501

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote "NO" on the proposed medical malpractice bill. The proposal does nothing to regulate the current problem of the entire malpractice system, which is the insurance companies charging outrageous rates. The insurance companies have not provided any correlation of medical malpractice judgments to the rising costs of malpractice insurance. By enacting this bill you will limit the amounts they have to pay out without regulating the amounts they are able to charge. The only effect of the bill will be to strip the rights of the Floridians, the same people who elected you to protect their rights. Please vote "NO" on the proposed bill because it is the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

William S. Meador, EMMANUEL, SHEPPARD & CONDON

From: [Donna Howey <dmj@searcylaw.com>](mailto:dmj@searcylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:22:24 PM

Subject: Vote NO on Caps!

Donna Howey
12321 Acapulco Ave
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It is proven that placing caps on damages will NOT lower insurance rates.
Please consider insurance reform. Protect Florida citizens not insurance
companies!

Sincerely,

Donna Howey

From: [Suzanne Valentage <suzval@bellsouth.net>](mailto:suzval@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:21:04 PM

Subject: VOTE NO: Insurance / HMO Immunity Bill

Suzanne Valentage
632-A2 Sea Pine Way
West Palm Beach, FL 33415

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

After consistently lying to the public and lawmakers for the past year, the insurance industry has convinced the Governor and the leaders of the House and Senate to meet most of its legislative demands.

I urge you to stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives and protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Please VOTE NO on this unfair legislation.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Valentage

From: [Zora Mravkova <zmravkova@yahoo.com>](mailto:zmravkova@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:20:07 PM

Subject: caps on medical malpractice cases

Zora Mravkova
2939 Bough Ave. Apt. B
Clearwater, FL 33760

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please stop the harmful process of imposing caps on pain and suffering in medical malpractice cases. Stand up for the right of the people.

Sincerely,

Zora Mravkova

From: [Catherine Christman <cxc@palmbeachmedical.com>](mailto:cxc@palmbeachmedical.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:21:14 PM

Subject: NO CAPS!!!

Catherine Christman
717 U.S. 1 #212
Jupiter, FL 33477

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Why are you letting Mr. Bush dictate what you do? Please do not let any caps pass in any bill!

Sincerely,

Catherine Christman

From: [Belinda Nazario <0407hctib@hotmail.com>](mailto:0407hctib@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:19:45 PM

Subject: Please Vote Against Med Mal Caps

Belinda Nazario
2906 French Ave.
Lake Worth , FL 33461

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Belinda Nazario

From: [Maria Delange <MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM>](mailto:MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:18:22 PM

Subject: NO MED MAL CAPS.....

Maria Delange
15025 S.W. 53 Terr.
Miami, FL 33185

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

FOR ONCE.....WOULD GOVERNMENT PLEASE HELP THE MIDDLE CLASS....NO MED MAL CAPS....

Sincerely,

Maria E. Delange

From: [Martinez, Roberto <Bob@colson.com>](mailto:Bob@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:17:10 PM

Subject: RE:

JEB

Thanks for forwarding this message. I'm flattered, but my priority is to serve the Bush from Florida, as Chair of the Federal JNC and as Chair of the Board of Trustees of Miami-Dade College.

By the way, I called yesterday and told Kathleen that Marcos Jimenez should be considered by the White House for this position.

Bobby

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:04 PM

To: Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov

Subject: RE:

Thank you Guy.

-----Original Message-----

From: Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov [mailto:Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:43 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Governor, hope all is well. Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Larry Thompson is announcing he is stepping down. It's the number 2 position in the Department of Justice. the DAG has generally been a former US Attorney. I don't know if he'd be interested but Bob Martinez would be an extraordinary person for the position. Hope you and yours are well. Guy

From: [Marcia Dodson <MYDodson@aol.com>](mailto:MYDodson@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:17:56 PM

Subject: Protect Patients- Not Insurance Companies

Marcia Dodson
1016 Country Club Dr.
N Palm Beach, FL 33408

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Marcia Dodson

From: Barbara Mathews <stfd531@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:16:36 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Bill

Barbara Mathews
18181 Adams Circle
Fort Myers, FL 33912

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senator,

Please say NO to the Malpractice Bill today because:

§ Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith

§ HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice

§ A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs"

§ Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago

§ NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback

§ NO effective quality of care measures

Thanks for your steadfastness in not giving in to the Insurance Industry.

Sincerely,

Barbara Mathews

From: [Marc Tannen <mjt@abramsanton.com>](mailto:mjt@abramsanton.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:15:37 PM

Subject: don't sell us out!

Marc Tannen
2021 Tyler Street
Hollywood, FL 33020

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There should be no misunderstanding about the deal cut by Gov. Jeb Bush and the Legislature that was announced Friday:

They sold out the people of Florida, put millions into the pockets of the insurance industry and did nothing to guarantee a drop in medical malpractice insurance rates.

The House and Bush had been on one ill-advised page on this issue since March, arguing for a \$250,000 cap on pain-and-suffering awards in malpractice cases.

Shamefully, the Senate, which until now has fought the caps, folded because of Bush's threats and agreed to a \$500,000 limit.

That's bad for patients, whose legal rights were sacrificed. It's bad for doctors, who got no guarantee of the rate decreases they need. And it's bad for the Senate itself.

Until mid-week, senators had fought hard for citizens' rights, and in July even required insurance executives to testify under oath -- testimony that proved their claims about the necessity for the caps were baseless.

As a study by Florida Today had previously shown, the executives agreed there is no frivolous lawsuit problem, no doctor shortage and no problem with soaring jury awards.

Moreover, the executives testified they didn't need the caps, the profits of their companies were rising and that Florida was their most profitable state.

That should have ended the issue, but it didn't. Bush continued demanding

the caps, which will add tens of million of dollars each year to insurance-company profits.

Then, when tough talk from the governor's mansion failed to make the Senate kowtow, Bush hauled out the big guns.

A leaked e-mail from a hospital lobbyist to supporters said Bush wanted Republicans to choke off 2004 campaign contributions for GOP senators opposing him, and that he intended to use "all the muscle" of his office to get what he wanted.

That did it. The caps are going through with a vote as soon as Tuesday, despite having been declared unconstitutional in certain circumstances in Florida and several other states.

Beyond the sellout of the people, the issue leaves questions about Bush's honesty.

After repeated threats to call lawmakers back all year until he got the \$250,000 cap he demanded, he became flexible fast when polls this week showed his popularity dropping, following reports of the impasse.

And the \$250,000 limit Bush and the House insisted on for so long? That's the amount the California Legislature passed as a pain and suffering cap on malpractice cases in 1975.

Conveniently, supporters never mentioned that California's caps failed, and it took tough insurance industry regulation and required rate reductions to cut costs, neither of which are part of the current legislation.

Also, they never admitted that \$250,000 in 1975 would be equal to \$877,000 today.

Floridians have been betrayed by these caps.

You can still do the right thing and not sell out the citizens of this state. Stand firm and vote no to caps!

>>>> We want to hear from you <<<<

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Sincerely,

Marc Tannen

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)
To: Sharon Gallops
CC: billmonroe@aud.state.fl.us
JIMDWYER@aud.state.fl.us
Jim Zingale
Jeb Bush
Date: 8/12/2003 3:15:00 PM
Subject: Re: Value Adjustment Boards

Sharon - I do NOT want the list of special masters mailed to me. I want it posted on line so the DOR is presenting a complete list, and is NOT promoting anyone at the expense of anyone else. The idea is for you to do the job properly, rather than politically.

What I do WANT MAILED to me are the VAB Rules for 2003 from the counties previously mentioned.

Palm Beach County 2003 Rules state the taxpayer shall have the burden of proving the "property appraiser's assessment is not supported by any reasonable hypothesis of a legal assessment". That's NOT what the language says in 193.401 F.S.

And yes, I am well aware of a Second District opinion, "out there", with old language which was upheld by a Supreme Court's decision in Wal-Mart litigation. HOWEVER, Wal-Mart contested its 1997 assessments, which are dated on January 1 while 194.301 F.S. was adopted on May 23, 1997 and was not retroactive, so the Wal-Mart case litigation was in a prior legal environment. After May 23, 1997, the law changed, and your agency should be embarrassed as well as concerned that Palm Beach, under DOR supervision, is NOT applying current law and thus is abusing taxpayers' rights.

In addition, in Palm Beach County, there are years of statements in the Rules stating "A Special Master shall not pick a compromise value . . ." Where is that supported in the law, or in USPAP, or in any DOR rule or regulation?! When you find an answer to this question, please let me know! Otherwise, I'd like to suggest you contact Palm Beach and read the riot act about telling the master how to rule and setting up a kangaroo court.

Sheila Anderson

----- Original Message -----

From: "Sharon Gallops " <GallopsS@dor.state.fl.us>
To: <cps1@flash.net>
Cc: <billmonroe@aud.state.fl.us>; <JIMDWYER@aud.state.fl.us>; "Jim Zingale" <ZINGALEJ@dor.state.fl.us>; <jeb@jeb.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 10:05 AM
Subject: Re: Value Adjustment Boards

> In response to your public records request, the list of special masters
> the Department has compiled based on current information received from

> value adjustment boards is being mailed to you today, August 12, 2003.

>

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> >>> "cps" <cps1@flash.net> 08/08/03 08:24PM >>>

> Ms. Gallops - why does it take ten to fifteen days to update the

> special

> master list? Is that to prevent counties from finding those omitted

> people

> in time to hire them for 2003 VAB Hearings? I think the currently

> published

> list should be removed from DOR pages until the list is complete. AND,

> a

> disclaimer should be added, that numerous masters on the list in

> counties

> along and above the I-4 corridor allegedly have never ruled for any

> taxpayers, and thus create an impression of a corrupt system.

> Otherwise, DOR

> looks like an accessory to the scandalous practices involved! In fact,

> DOR

> looks like an accessory when you can't add to the list on the same day

> you

> receive the names. It looks so suspect, send me the information within

> 24

> hours - I am making this a public records act request pursuant to

> Chapter

> 119 - and I'll do it for you, at no charge! S M Anderson

>

> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Sharon Gallops " <GallopsS@dor.state.fl.us>

> To: <cps1@flash.net>

> Cc: "Jim Zingale" <ZINGALEJ@dor.state.fl.us>

> Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 4:58 PM

> Subject: Value Adjustment Boards

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>

> > Mrs. Anderson. In response to your July 29, 2003 e-mail to Dr.

> > Zingale

> > below, the Department is currently in the process of updating the

> > special master list with recent information provided by the value

> > adjustment boards. We anticipate that this update will be completed

> > in

> > ten to fifteen days.

> >

> > In response to your survey request, the Department does not receive

> > information from value adjustment boards, property appraisers, or

> > any

> > other source that identifies petition filing deadlines. These dates
> are
> > not required to be reported in any documentation that is statutorily
> > required to be provided to the Department. The Department does not
> have
> > sufficient staff to dedicate to conducting the survey you requested.
> > This information is provided to the individual taxpayer by the
> property
> > appraiser through the notice of proposed property taxes (truth in
> > millage or TRIM notice) each year.
> >
> > If we can be of further assistance, feel free to contact us.
> >
> > >> Jim Zingale 07/29/03 11:26AM >>>
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> >
> > >> "cps1" <cps1@flash.net> 07/29/03 10:00AM >>>
> > 1. No one has responded and the special master list is not
> > complete.
> > 2. Would you please survey all the counties and immediately send
> > back to me the Value Adjustment Board petition filing deadlines from
> > each county? Please send as many deadlines as you can determine as
> they
> > are received by your agency, then update and add as often as
> possible.
> > 3. It would be a public service if DOR published those dates on
> its
> > web site, and cited the statute wherein taxpayers may engage an
> attorney
> > or an agent in this historic constitutional process.
> >
> > Thank you! Sheila Anderson
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From: [Roy Glass <lroyglas@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:lroyglas@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:03:32 PM

Subject: MEDMAL DEFORM

Roy Glass
5501 Central Avenue
St. Petersburg, FL 33710

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

One thing this whole fiasco has accomplished is to splinter the Florida Republican Party. You can bet that this trial attorney and many others will not forget the Republicans that refused to compromise, refused intimidation, refused to listen to insurance industry lies and misrepresentations, and stood up for the citizens and their rights against special interests. Now, is not the time to accede to compromise. Vote "NO" and relish in the fact that you now have former traditional democratic supporters crossing over to your support. Thank you for your courage and resolve.

Sincerely,

Roy L. Glass

From: [C.J. Czaia <cj@czaiaandgallagher.com>](mailto:cj@czaiaandgallagher.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:02:32 PM

Subject: Med Mal Legislation

C.J. Czaia
1513 43rd Ave Drive West
Palmetto, FLORIDA 34221

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

For the sake of all Floridians "Do not support this agreement on Med Mal."
It serves no one! You represent people. Hopefully you don't represent
special interest.

This agreement serves no one but the insurance industry.

The jury system is part of our history. Born out of the distrust of
government. It has made us a unique nation in this world. Do not tamper
with it. The problem is real. But this alleged compromise does nothing
to resolve the problem.

Sincerely,

C.J. Czaia

From: [Jacque Watson <watsonjacqueline@hotmail.com>](mailto:watsonjacqueline@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:57:39 PM

Subject: Please don't compromise now!

Jacque Watson
1614 Sequoia Dr.
Tallahassee, FL 32301

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I have been very impressed with your stance against Gov. Bush's bullying tactics. Don't give him an inch!

Sincerely,

Jacque Watson

From: [Beth-Helen Wolfe <bethwolfe@hotmail.com>](mailto:bethwolfe@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:53:28 PM

Subject: Special session re: Med Mal and Bad Faith

Beth-Helen Wolfe
2525 North State Road 7
Hollywood, FL 33021

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The fact that the governor is wasting time and effort to continue forth with trying to eliminate people's rights, is unfair.

Medical Malpractice should not be capped when there are cases with children that will suffer a lifetime of pain and suffering due to someone's negligence.

Please think about the lady who had the wrong breast removed or the child who suffered brain damage due to malpractice.

Yes, eliminate the fraud cases or those with even a semblance of fraud. However, don't make a blanket cap. It is unfair and wrong. These people that have suffered have no other recourse.

Regarding malpractice, it is the only monitoring system that we have. Please don't eliminate the only way we have to stop the insurance companies from taking advantage of the people of this state.

Sincerely,

Beth-Helen Wolfe

From: [Jose Negroni <topo1@bellsouth.net>](mailto:topo1@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:49:35 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Jose Negroni
3800 S Ocean Dr. #1803
Hollywood, FL 33019

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not put the interests of the insurance companies over the interests of the people of Florida. Greed should not be rewarded. Vote against this horrible bill forced by Gov. Bush upon the legislators.

Sincerely,

Jose A. Negroni

From: [Mark Hanna <hanna.mark@att.net>](mailto:hanna.mark@att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:45:52 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Deal

Mark Hanna
49 Oceanview Dr
Ocean Ridge, FL 33435

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

How can you possibly agree to this compromise bill after being lied to by the insurance industry. Everyone hates it. Stand up for yourself and against the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Mark Hanna

From: [jeff fenster <puffey@prodigy.net>](mailto:jeff.fenster@prodigy.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:42:38 PM

Subject: med mal

jeff fenster
810 pennsylvania ave
plantation, FL 33324

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dont destroy our rights your family is at risk as ours is ..stop this train

Sincerely,

J Fenster

From: [Jeffrey Sexton <jbspa@aol.com>](mailto:jbspa@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:42:36 PM

Subject: STOP HELPING INSURANCE COMPANIES

Jeffrey Sexton
32 North Kirkman Road
Orlando, FLORIDA 32811

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Jeffrey B. Sexton

From: [Curry Pajcic <curry@pajcic.com>](mailto:curry@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:39:57 PM

Subject: Vote NO to med-mal "insurance welfare" proposal

Curry Pajcic
1900 Independent SQ.
Jacksonville, FL 32202

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please stop the bad med mal proposal and vote NO. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors.

Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are: (1) Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith; (2) HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice; and (3) an outrageous price tag on the value of someone's life at \$500,000 (cap on non-economic damages) that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs".

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

VOTE NO.

Sincerely,

Curry Pajcic

From: [Maritza Rodriguez <maritza@bestandanderson.com>](mailto:maritza@bestandanderson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:40:26 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Maritza Rodriguez
609 N. Eola Drive #5
Orlando, FL 32803

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith

§ HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice

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Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Maritza Rodriguez

From: [Martha Ortega <mortega@ngepa.com>](mailto:mortega@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:37:44 PM

Subject: VOTE NO ON CAPS!

Martha Ortega
24300 SW 167 Avenue
Homestead, FL 33031

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Please stand up for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Protect patients - not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Martha C. Ortega

From: [George Anderson <gandersoniii@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:gandersoniii@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:36:26 PM

Subject: medical malpractice special session

George Anderson
19 W. Harvard Street
Orlando, FL 32804

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote no on this insurance benefits bill! It will do nothing to lower premiums!

Sincerely,

George Anderson

From: [Carlos Diez-Arguelles <mmdtlaw@hotmail.com>](mailto:mmdtlaw@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:35:16 PM

Subject: Please do the right thing on medmal bill

Carlos Diez-Arguelles
540 N. Semoran Blvd.
Orlando, FL 32807

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The bill and the findings on the bill do not reflect the truth. The truth came out during the sworn testimony. Please stand up for all Floridians. Make sure the truth stands out in the bill and that the system is not perverted.

Sincerely,

Carlos R. Diez-Arguelles

From: [cheryl roberson <car@bslmr.com>](mailto:cheryl.roberson@bslmr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:29:50 PM

Subject: protect patients

cheryl roberson
1301 riverplace blvd #1818
jacksonville, FL 32207

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

insurance is organized crime. it robs everyone calling it protection.
don't be fooled!! vote in favor of patients, not profits for big insurance
companies.

Sincerely,

cheryl roberson

From: [Amy Lorraine <an@haggardparks.com>](mailto:an@haggardparks.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:28:57 PM

Subject: med mal bill

Amy Lorraine
330 Alhambra Circle
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not pass the med mal bill.

Sincerely,

Amy Lorraine

From: [Barbara Green <bg@caselawupdate.com>](mailto:bg@caselawupdate.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:26:12 PM

Subject: Vote NO on the bad med mal bill

Barbara Green
913 Majorca Ave
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote no on the bad med mal bill. It will not help doctors or patients. It will only help insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Barbara Green

From: [Michael Wilson <mikew12@bellsouth.net>](mailto:mikew12@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:22:02 PM

Subject: Proposal on damage caps for med mal claims

Michael Wilson
2465 N.W. 79th Terrace
Margate, FL 33063

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This new proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors. With this new bill, the following will occur: * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs" * There will be NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback * There will be NO effective quality of care measures

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THIS HORRIBLE AND UNFAIR BILL TO PASS! PLEASE DO ANYTHING THAT YOU CAN TO STAND UP FOR FLORIDIANS AND PROTECT US!

Sincerely,

Melissa Kohl Wilson

From: [Melissa Wilson <mkwilson2003@yahoo.com>](mailto:mkwilson2003@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:22:56 PM

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Melissa Wilson
2465 N.W. 79th Terrace
Margate, FL 33063

August 12, 2003

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Sincerely,

Melissa Kohl Wilson

From: [Margarita H. Barnard <mbarnard@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:mbarnard@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:22:35 PM

Subject: PLEASE, DO NOT PASS THE INSURANCE/HMO IMMUNITY BILL

Margarita H. Barnard
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33609

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors.

Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice
- * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs"
- * Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback
- * NO effective quality of care measures

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Sincerely,

Margarita H. Barnard

From: [Dawn Bernardo <wesca@earthlink.net>](mailto:wesca@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:21:21 PM

Subject: Vote NO for Caps

Dawn Bernardo
4742 Santa Del Rae
Fort Myers, FL 33901

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am by no means an expert, however, I have made somewhat of an effort to stay abreast of this situation and am absolutely dumbfounded that the legislation that you are thinking of passing contains absolutely nothing to protect the victim. This legislation should be about restricting the insurance industry not the injured. Not one state that has had caps has shown a reduction in their insurance premiums - you are allowing the insurance industry to blackmail doctors into siding with them for fear that the insurance industry will abandon them. No insurance company is going to leave a state where they are making a profit. Why don't we focus on the insurance companies here and what their motives are (profit-greed) and stop trying to destroy what our constitution allows which is trial by jury. I haven't read our constitution or the amendments for some time, but I am fairly certain that nowhere does it say "trial by insurance company"

Sincerely,

Dawn Bernardo

From: [Christen Adolfi <cnadolfi@hotmail.com>](mailto:cnadolfi@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:03:22 PM

Subject: terri

I would like to personally request that you stop the decision to remove Terri's feeding tube and have this case is thoroughly investigated. This case reeks of a money grubbing abuser. Who would seal medical records if there's nothing to hide? And why doesn't he just give her up to the care of people who WANT to provide for her unless he wants that money? This is disgusting that daughter who is loved is scheduled to die because a husband wants it! Please do something about this.
Sincerely, Christen Adolfi, Fulton, NY

From: [Marcia Dodson <MYDodson@aol.com>](mailto:MYDodson@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:11:06 PM

Subject: Protect Patients' Rights

Marcia Dodson
1016 Country Club Dr.
N Palm Beach, FL 33408

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Marcia Dodson

From: [barbara hernandez <bardazzle@yahoo.com>](mailto:barbara_hernandez@bardazzle@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:06:58 PM

Subject: Terri's case

I must say how can you just sit back let this happen. If you have a daughter think about her. How would you like to be in this same situation with your daughter. Knowing deep down inside that her husband wants her dead so he can collect the money and you as a parent seem to have no right to say anything. You need to step in and demand some changes. Her parents have more rights, they gave her life what makes Michael the one to decide when and how she should die. Stop for one minute and take a long look at all the evidence. Would you leave your wife if this was her, not if you really loved her. But Michael doesn't. I believe there is more to this story than we know but the only one that holds that truth is Terri. If she dies we will never know. One thing I do know is that only God gives life and only God takes it away. If God wanted her to die He would of already taken her. There is a reason why she is still alive and the only way to find out is to stop the judge's decision to remove her feeding tube. Come on, what kind of people are we when we will allow a judge to decide to let someone starve to death. It's okay for a judge to do that to someone's life but if someone did it to there child or grandparent we would go to jail. Where are our morals. Give this woman the opportunity to recover. Give her the appropriate treatment she deserves. That is what all that money was for but so far hasn't been used for that. May God bring a clear revelation to you so you would see what is going to happen is so wrong and you would have the guts to stand up and overturn the judges decision.

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From: [Sandra Mason <smason@gbclaw.com>](mailto:smason@gbclaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:06:15 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Bill

Sandra Mason
899 iris Drive
N. Ft. Myers, FL 33903

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I urge you to vote NO on the Medical Malpractice bill that is now before you. It does not protect the people, it does not bring insurance rates down and it takes individual rights away. We cannot go on chipping away the quality of life of the people. Thank you. Sandy Mason, N. Ft. Myers, FL 33903

Sincerely,

Sandra Mason

From: [Bonnie Landrigan <bonlen96@bellsouth.net>](mailto:bonlen96@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:02:32 PM

Subject: Medical malpractice

Bonnie Landrigan
3451 Jog Park Drive
Greenacres, FL 33467

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against the proposed cap on damages. The insurance industry has said very clearly that the cap will NOT cause premiums to go down. Then why would we want to limit patients' rights when a medical mistake causes them injury? I thought the whole problem being addressed was the outrageous insurance premiums--have we lost sight of that with all the lobbying and politics involved here? Please do not pass this proposed "fix." Thank you for your consideration. P.S. I greatly admire the way the legislators have stood firm against the governor's pressure. Please don't buckle now!

Sincerely,

Bonnie Landrigan

From: [Dan Cytryn <dancytryn@myacc.net>](mailto:dancytryn@myacc.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:01:11 PM

Subject: med mal caps and HMO immunity is ridiculous

Dan Cytryn
12170 NW 9th Place
Coral Springs, FL 33071

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

In light of sworn senate testimony of no evidence of frivolous lawsuits and Main med mal insurance carrier doing great in Florida. Please vote against this horrific bill!

Sincerely,

Dan Cytryn

From: [Donaldson, Patrick <donaldson.patrick@mail.dc.state.fl.us>](mailto:donaldson.patrick@mail.dc.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:55:54 PM

Subject: Interview

I waited until the cabinet was in session and the decision made before sending this because I didn't want to influence whatever decision may have been made.

Meeting with you yesterday was a very positive experience. Your sincere concern for the state and for the status of the corrections budget made a very positive statement about your vision for the welfare of all.

I thought about your question about efficiencies for the parole process on my drive home yesterday. If the process could be modeled after the electronic purchasing system, it could be near paperless. Using active server pages, a request for parole could be initiated when an inmate was eligible. A notice could be sent to persons for input (classification officer, work supervisor, psychologists, victim, etc.) They could answer questionnaires on a secure server. The examiner could input the inmates statements and release plans. The final input would be the vote of the commissioners. A letter could then be generated informing the inmate of the decision.

I have found that rather than creating something from scratch, often there is a similar process that can be modeled to accomplish most data gathering activities.

Thanks for the interview. I look forward to further service in whatever capacity may come my way

Patrick L. Donaldson, Ed.D.

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From: [Jeffrey Albert <woodynjwa@netscape.net>](mailto:woodynjwa@netscape.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:49:47 PM

Subject: med mal vote

Jeffrey Albert
709 Cedar Forest Circle
Orlando, FL 32828

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

vote no on med mal caps

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Albert

From: [Sally McKirgan <sallym@conservancy.org>](mailto:sallym@conservancy.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:50:15 PM

Subject: 7 Million Gallons Ammonia Dumped

Dear Governor Bush!

That our protector, The Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection, would allow a toxic batch of fertilizer, the very thing Red Tide loves, be dumped into the Gulf of Mexico is a travesty. Seven million gallons worth of phosphate ammonia laden water in order to prevent an environmental catastrophe in Tampa Bay means environmental catastrophe for all the rest of Southwest Florida's coastal communities and beaches. This must be stopped! We cannot continue to dump our industrial waste into the Gulf of Mexico. We know that there is already a "dead zone" in the Northern Gulf where neither fish nor fisherman dare to go and that the mighty polluted Mississippi contributes to the unhealthy condition of the Gulf. What do you think other states dump and how about Mexico? The Gulf of Mexico will become a mix of Toxic Soup like the lovely Mediterranean! Let's find another way to get rid of this by product! Please STOP Florida DEP Today!

Sally McKirgan

Volunteer Program Manager

Conservancy of Southwest Florida

1450 Merrihue Drive,

Naples, FL 94102

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From: nancy la vista <markoschwartzani@hotmail.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:39:46 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

nancy la vista
800 ocean drive #201
juno beach, FL 33408

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I went on vacation and returned to Florida only to see that the Senate sold out to big insurance. It is a sad day for Floridians when insurance companies rule their lives. It was established that there is no medical malpractice crisis created by frivolous lawsuits , by big verdicts and it was established that damage caps would do nothing. So why in the world would you reward an insurance company for raping the doctors with premiums for their bad management and overpayment to their administration. I just don't understand. You take away their accountability with the bad faith changes, limit thier liability with caps and do nothing to help the doctors but rather offer the victims up on a silver platter to be thoroughly destroyed. I am not proud of my government.

Sincerely,

nancy la vista

From: [Scott Borders <stborders@mcgfirm.com>](mailto:stborders@mcgfirm.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:35:58 PM

Subject: Don't pass medical malpractice bill

Scott Borders
101 E Kennedy Blvd #1790
Tampa, FL 33618

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It's disappointing to see that you are considering this "sell out" bill that does NOTHING for the citizens of Florida, and everything for the insurance industry.

In passing this bill, you would be ignoring the facts for your own personal political gain.

The system is not broke, the economy is.

Sincerely,

Scott Borders

From: [matthew cardillo <matt@nhalc.com>](mailto:matt@nhalc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:30:54 PM

Subject: Please vote no!!

matthew cardillo
2804 w. marlin
tampa, FL 33611

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

With the testimony that was garnered under oath several weeks back, how can we go forward with this bill.

There's no need for caps. The verdicts are not out of hand.

The bad faith changes only help the insurance companies who have NOT promised reductions.

There's been no real investigation into the insurance companies and their premiums and that reasons for the escalations.

Vote no. Please...for the citizens of Fla.

Sincerely,

Matthew Cardillo

From: [Bob Shea <shea@Mckeeverlaw.com>](mailto:shea@Mckeeverlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:27:28 PM

Subject: Insurance/HMO Imunity/Med Malpractice Bill

Bob Shea
2709 W. Fairbanks Ave, Ste 200
Winter Park, FLORIDA 32789

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It is urged that you not vote in favor of the medical malpractice bill which, as proposed, will place a cap on recovery of non-economic damages, etc. Legislation of facts not yet revealed is wrong and unconstitutional.

Sincerely,

Bob Shea

From: [Karla Torpy <ktorpy@gmttlaw.com>](mailto:ktorpy@gmttlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:17:45 PM

Subject: VOTE NO TO MED MAL "DEAL"

Karla Torpy
1337 Pineapple Ave.
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Karla T. Torpy

From: [Mark Barth <Mdbjag@gdi.net>](mailto:Mdbjag@gdi.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:16:57 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Bill

Mark Barth
P.O. Box 590182
Orlando, FL 32859

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against the proposed malpractice bill, as it undermines all faith in the legal system. It in no way benefits the residents of the State of Florida. It only protects insurance companies and HMO's. You were elected by the people of the State of Florida, please vote against this proposed bill and protect the people of Florida.

Sincerely,

Mark D. Barth

From: [C ZELE <CBZELE@YAHOO.COM>](mailto:CBZELE@YAHOO.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:05:25 PM

Subject: Malpractice caps

C ZELE
10635 nNE 32ND PL
GAINESVILLE, FL 32606

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT THIS WILL LOWER INSURANCE PREMIUMS?

Sincerely,

CBZELE

From: [Paula Roman <roman-roman-law@mindspring.com>](mailto:roman-roman-law@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:56:26 PM

Subject: horrible med mal bill

Paula Roman
2196 Main Street, Suite L
Dunedin, FL 34698

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This disasterous piece of legislation will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors. It looks like the powerful and rich insurance industry has won, to the detriment of the citizens of Florida.

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

To vote in favor of this bill is to do a grave injustice to the citizens of Florida.

Sincerely,

Paula C. Roman

From: [Arthur Niergarth <awnjrpa@aol.com>](mailto:awnjrpa@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:48:59 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Caps

Arthur Niergarth
2285 West Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FLORIDA 32935

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PROTECT PATIENTS
NOT INSURANCE COMPANIES PROFIT

Sincerely,

Arthur W. Niergarth, Jr., P.A.

From: [David Caldevilla <dcaldevilla@dgfirm.com>](mailto:dcaldevilla@dgfirm.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:47:59 PM

Subject: Proposed Medical Malpractice Legislation

David Caldevilla
9734 N. Armenia Ave.
Tampa, FL 33612

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a registered voter living in Tampa, Florida. I request that you vote against the proposed Medical Malpractice Legislation. The proposed caps on pain and suffering are unfair, and appear to violate due process. If a physician harms me or a person in my family, that physician should be held accountable to the same extent that anyone else that causes harm to another person. If physicians deserve lower insurance premiums, legislation should be directed at the insurance companies who are overcharging for premiums, consistently underpaying benefits, and reaping unconscionable profits. Another way to address this issue is to prevent physicians from making the type of mistakes that lead to the lawsuits. Such prevention can be accomplished by requiring more continuing education and imposing stricter administrative disciplinary action against physicians who commit malpractice. This will weed out the bad physicians that are hurting patients instead of helping them.

Sincerely,

David M. Caldevilla

From: [Lisa Cowart <niergarthlaw@aol.com>](mailto:niergarthlaw@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:48:03 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractic Caps

Lisa Cowart
2285 West Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FLORIDA 32935

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PROTECT PATIENTS
NOT INSURANCE COMPANIES PROFIT

Sincerely,

Lisa L. Cowart

From: Cbunny0525@aol.com <Cbunny0525@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:47:11 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Govenor Bush,

I am a former 14 year employee of Cypress Gardens. To say the Gardens was home and the Employees like family is an understatement. I have attended retirement parties, bridal showers, weddings, baby showers, and funerals of employees. My daughter was married there with many of the employees, passholders, and guests in attendance. The last day Cypress Gardens was open was heartbreaking for all of us. Many of the passholders on fixed incomes chose to make Cypress Gardens the only entertainmant in their lives. Many were there everyday. I have been fortunate to find a job with Siegel's River Ranch . (So many of CG employees are still unemployed). I have been informed that if the state gets Cypress Gardens (all of it), and Mr. Seigel leases it, I can transfer back to my "home". Please don't let the Cypress Gardens owners win (they seem to have no respect for the employees, the Gardens, or the State.)

Sincerely,

Cherie Hare

From: [Mark Guzzetta <mail@guzzettacorp.com>](mailto:Mark.Guzzetta@guzzettacorp.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:36:03 PM

Subject: United States Distric Judge

Jeb,

Apparently there is an opening for a federal judge in the southern district of Florida for a United States District Judge (Northern Division). Judge Rex Ford is seeking the position. Rex said you may recall that he was appointed by your father as an immigration judge in Miami. I do not know the nominating process for this stuff, but if you get to nominate someone outside of the JNC, please consider Rex.

Thanks.

Best Regards,
Mark

From: Janet Conde <jconde918@yahoo.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:28:43 PM

Subject: Please vote NO!

Janet Conde
8100 N University Drive
Tamarac, FL 33321

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Janet Conde

From: [michael fontaine <mfontaine1@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:mfontaine1@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:29:38 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Governor Bush and Cabinet: I moved to Winter Haven from Lakeland 15 years ago SPECIFICALLY because of Cypress Gardens and the Chain of Lakes. These 2 icons of this area are the foundation of Eastern Polk County. Both work together as one to make this area UNFORGETTABLE. You must come through on this one. Homes and commercial real estate are the outgrowth of an areas desirable interests, Cypress Gardens is what put us on the map and grew the area, to take it away from us would be financially irresponsible. Please understand THIS AREA OF EASTERN POLK COUNTY DEPEND ON CYPRESS GARDENS IN MORE WAYS THEN YOU CAN EVER IMAGINE. Michael Fontaine

From: [Paul Ryan <pryan@gbclaw.com>](mailto:pryan@gbclaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:16:33 PM

Subject: rates

Paul Ryan
8690 Wesleyan Drive
Ft Myers , FL 33919

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Aside from the bill being unconstitutional, I'm curious to see that happens in 6 months when the med mal premiums stay the same or continue to grow. This is no answer, never was. Reality is that there is more of a need to police the doctors and insurance carriers than to take away the rights of people. In failing to recognize this, the politicians have made their motivations clear. It will be up to the people to correct it by voting the current politicians into alternative jobs... like insurance executives. Then the carriers will be stuck with them. This is a major sell out, with lack of reason or merit whose folly will become abundantly clear as time moves on. Big jury verdicts only happen when the insurance company sticks its head in the sand. The winners, big insurance whose "deny everything" philosophy is the culprit, not the people this insurance was supposedly in existence to protect.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Ryan

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:17:07 PM

Subject: FW: Malparctice Ins.

-----Original Message-----

From: JLRttag@cs.com [mailto:JLRttag@cs.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 7:36 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Malparctice Ins.

I was glad to see a resolution to the legislature gridlock on this issue. I appreciate your strong leadership on this as most Floridians do. However, I have been worried lately because the Senate establishment and most of the lobby firms with ties to King have been bad mouthing you behind the scenes. Some issues you just can't win.

Thanks

Jose Luis

From: [Charles Telfair <cwtelfair@lutzwebb.com>](mailto:cwtelfair@lutzwebb.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:10:08 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice tort reform - PLEASE VOTE NO.

Charles Telfair
2 North Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34236

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The tort reform legislation currently on the table is a bad piece of legislation at best. It will do nothing to ease the so-called insurance crisis (created by the insurance industry and its poor investment choices) while further eroding the rights of your constituents. PLEASE VOTE NO.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Telfair

From: [Jan Patchin <jpatchin@www.pcs-inc.net>](mailto:jpatchin@www.pcs-inc.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 12:05:54 PM

Subject: PCS, Inc.

Attachments: CorporateBrochure.pdf

Jeb,

Hope that all is fine in Tallahassee with you & your family. Heard anything from Frank Brogan & how he is adjusting back to 'college life' ? If you speak to him, let him know that we hope that he and the children are doing okay !

As I have always tweaked you in regards to school issues, I have never brought up what I do exactly - kept business seperated from 'school issues', but I believe that it is time.

I am a woman owned small business that is incorporated in the state of Florida that is involved with DoD contracts. Attached is the company brochure that is an overview of it all.

Would like to get together with either yourself & staff to see what it is that we may be able to assist the state in addressing the 'Homeland Security'.

Look forward - as always - to hearing back from you & hope that I haven't shocked you too badly letting you see what it is that I actually do for a living.

Jan Patchin

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Open WebMail Project (<http://openwebmail.org>)

Debian Project (<http://www.debian.org>)

From: JLRttag@cs.com <JLRttag@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:35:33 AM

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Thanks

Jose Luis

From: Bobbysgirl61@cs.com <Bobbysgirl61@cs.com>

To: Jeb@Jeb.org.

Date: 8/12/2003 11:19:48 AM

Subject: Getting paid on time.

Dear Mr. Bush.

My name is Evelyn Pederson and I take care of a patient named Dianne Menchion.

Dianne has a revolving fund which pays me. I have been taking care of her for 13³/₄ years now. For the 1st eleven years I was paid every other Monday without fail, then you switched where I was paid from to Tampa office. Judy Amison was in charge and after a year and one half she was doing a good job of getting me paid on time. Now you have switched it to Tallahassee and my pay is over a week late. It is pretty bad when I work for a living and can't depend on getting paid on time and have no idea when I might receive it. I would be most happy if you could do something about this. You can't tell your creditors they will receive their money if and when you receive yours. Thanks very much. Evelyn

From: [Dawn Vallejos-Nichols <dvallejos-nichols@avera.com>](mailto:dvallejos-nichols@avera.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 11:08:39 AM

Subject: Please Vote No or "Take a Walk"

Dawn Vallejos-Nichols
6928 NW 49th Street
Gainesville, FL 32653

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

After a summer of hard fighting, please do not give in now. Vote NO or TAKE A WALK when the med mal bill comes up for vote. This bill does not lower premiums, it does not protect the injured public. What this bill does is continue to protect the insurance companies and insure that they are the only ones that profit. If you pass this bill, no one will be satisfied and everyone will be back next year clamoring for me. VOTE NO, TAKE A WALK IF YOU MUST, but DO NOT LET THIS BILL PASS.

Sincerely,

Dawn M. Vallejos-Nichols

From: [GAYLE bouffard <gbouf@aol.com>](mailto:gbouf@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 10:44:00 AM

Subject: MED MAL CAPS ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL

GAYLE bouffard
3100 n course lane
pompano beach, FL 33069

August 12, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

GAYLE bouffard

From: WillardJnc@aol.com <WillardJnc@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:51:27 AM

Subject: Kevin's Release Money

Dear Jeb:

I am sorry I have to bother you about this but unfortunately I am getting no where with Janice Mortimer Mr. Crosby's assistant. When Kevin was released he was told he wasn't entitled to his release money or the money in his inmate account. My son spent the night after his release in the emergency room of Shane's hospital from the medical neglect, malnutrition, and has stomach ulcers at twenty-two from his treatment while in prison. We were told Kevin would have died within a month if he had not been released from complications from Gastric Reflex disease from prison. You know Kevin was not a murder, rapist just like your child he got hooked on prescription drugs and got into trouble. He did not deserve the treatment he received and has to have Nexium that costs a hundred and thirty-one dollars for one month's supply. He can't get assistance because he isn't married and doesn't have any children as far as Medicaid. We have all these medical bills besides glasses from his eyes being damaged from the unnecessary gassings he had to endure as well. Is the DOC in such bad shape its putting inmates out without even release money to help them. Suppose Kevin wouldn't have had a family to help him. That's why inmates return because to survive they have to go back to their crimes to exist. I was told Kevin had money back in January in his account is why is isn't eligible for this money. I had to send that money to him because he was being taking to emergency medical so much from his illness and they keep deducting money from his account. Kevin is not the only inmate that has been released recently with health problems in fact a huge class action suit is about to hit DOC and the state because of this inhumane treatment of inmates. And as for Mr. Crosby's suggestion I have hired an attorney as well since I want to make sure no more inmates have to endure this deliberate mistreatment of inmates by Correctional staff. Kevin needs that money to pay his medial bills and he just started a job today and needs that money for gas and necessities for work. And Ms. Mortimer will say if an inmate has a hundred dollars in their account a hundred and twenty days before release he's not eligible but that was January Kevin was released July 15th. that's six months. So if you could please intervene for me this one more time I'd appreciate it. Thank You

Sincerely: Janice Smith

From: [Barbara Gothard-Thompson <bgothard_thompson@hotmail.com>](mailto:bgothard_thompson@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:41:31 AM

Subject: Recommendation

Hi Jeb,

As I mentioned in my previous message I have some time right now and am interested in working on the on the Schwarenegger campaign.

Gary Moody referred me to Mitch Mulanix and I spoke with Mitch today about my interest. Since I am new to LA I thought it would be helpful if you could give Mitch a call on my behalf. If this is appropriate for you to do, Mitch's telephone number is 310-664-9002. If it is not, I understand.

If you have any questions or need additional information you can reach me at 310-985-4665.

Best regards,

Barbara

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From: BVyas10240@aol.com <BVyas10240@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:01:25 AM

Subject: FLORIDA MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CRISIS

Governor Jeb Bush
PL 05 The Capitol
400 South Manroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Honorable Jeb Bush,

Please find the attached coment and suggestion on Health & Medical Malpractice

The problem does not lie in modern technology and advances in medicine. In my opinion, the problem liea from the start and has a domino affect the end. Basically, the starting point is the provider becoming participating with the insurance companies for reimbursement. Typically this agreement is for 1-3 years roughly. Some agreements are automatic renewals upon receiving updated state licence, DEA, and malpractice insurance. However, in my recent experience I have come to witness that changes are occuring based on automatic decredentialing of provider participation. Therefore, in midstream of patient care, the provider is somewhat blocked from providing medical care and being reimbursed likewise. Referrals to specialist (HMO setting) are denied and/or delayed forcing patients to transfer medical care to another participating provider in addition, pharmaceutical orders are being compromised because a physician may write a prescription for a certian medication and in turn the pharmacy must follow formulary guidlines that insurance driven. this untimately delays the patient from recieving appropriate medical care because either the process of transfer must be done and/or changes in prescribed medication from brand name to generic is occuring. The patient most often prefers the brand name medication and being blocked from recieving it. Additionally in my opinion, this leaves all parties open to risk from the patient standpoint to the physicians/ pharmacy standpoint and to the insurance standpoint. All parties involved ultimately suffer because potential problems can occur.

We must reconize that we are all human and TO ERR IS HUMAN (a known fact). With this in mind, our body goes through continual changes which is unpredictable. patient seek medical advice, and place a whole lot of trust in their medical doctors. Unfortunately, we forget that there are no ultimate gurantees in life. Especially when we are living proof searching for new technology and learning constantly from our mistakes. We, as patients, are in control of who we seek medical care from. Patients also have control of care they recieve. However , not all the patient are keen to this knowledge no matter how educated or information is provided to them. But the obstacles are placed in the way of recieving medical treatment from doctors, then we will continue to address this problem over and over again. Something needs to change in the contractual language of the initial agreements. I also belive it goes deeper to regulating the process of Credentailing and Verifications across the board for all insurance companies. This could also be applied to Hospital bylaws for Physicians privilages.

Suggested Implemetations to work on include:

- Streamline Credentialing and verification process
- Rebuild good faith between all parties (communication)
- Regulate by capping pay outs.
 - Tighten limit increase in premiums
 - Develop and monitor system the way pharmacy and Hospital are charging.
 - Patient should buy their prescription provided by the Doctor own choice,
- Ultimate responsibility is to put onto another party in order to break monopoly

Sincerely

Bhailal Vyas
Commissiner TDA

From: [David Farrar <farrardm@bellsouth.net>](mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 3:00:05 AM

Subject: Re: Med/Mal and the Party

In my humble opinion, Governor, you were dumped big time by the Party. Heads should roll and careers shortened.
david

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Farrar](#)

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:30 PM

Subject: RE: Med/Mal and the Party

[You make a good point and I will be discussing it with the party leadership.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: David Farrar [mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 5:49 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Med/Mal and the Party

Dear Governor,

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ex animo
davidfarrar

From: [David Westergren <bet2dav8@msn.com>](mailto:bet2dav8@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:55:49 AM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens for all and forever/

Dear Governor Bush:

Please support saving Cypress Gardens for the enjoyment of all of us "snowbirds" it's loss would be terrible. Most Respectfully:

A Minnesota-Florida "bird"

From: [edward slaughter <res19sro@hotmail.com>](mailto:edward.slaughter@res19sro@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 2:54:50 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens/Winter Haven,FI 33884

Gov. Bush,

Thank you for the time you have spent in your considerations for Cypress Gardens. Thank you and thank your staff for all your good work in reference to the efforts to save part of "Old Florida." We don't have that much left and as one who appreciates our heiratage, thank you again for all you have done.

We here in Winter Haven want you to know that Cypress gardens is much more than a potential condo site or another golf course; Cypress Gardens represents a lasting and important part of our history. It is also more than just 550 job's in an already economically depressed area. Cypress Gardens represents what a person can do, build and dream when the odd's say it can't be done. There is a tremendous amount of beauty that will be lost and irretreiveable to the people of this State if these efforts to save a landmark fail. Our elderly citizens have come to feel that Cypress Gardens is a haven for reflection and rememberences of better day's and better times. In a world where construction has claimed landmark after landmark it is so refreshing to see a leader of your quality and understanding lend the support and display the leadership required to stand up for something that has so much meaning and is dear to the hearts of so many.

Please add my name to the long and growing list of Floridians that reconize you efforts to save our rapidly depleating landmarks and that join me in saying THANK YOU for all that you have done and will do for Florida.

Kindest personal regards,

Edward Slaughter

Winter Haven, FI.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Jim Dolan'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:46:03 AM

Subject: RE: THANK YOU

Dr. Dolan, I have grown to appreciate Florida's doctors even more than I did before through all of this. We will continue to work hard to support access to care and your noble profession.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Dolan [mailto:drjimdolan@mac.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:21 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: THANK YOU

Governor Bush,

I have refrained for a long time in adding my e-mails to your voluminous number, but want to break silence at this time to thank you for your valiant efforts on behalf of the doctors of Florida and their patients. I will also share with you how proud I am of Speaker Byrd and the House. Unfortunately, I can not say the same of my very old friend Jim King.

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For the time being however, thank you from the bottom of my heart. I personally don't need to wait for history's opinion to recognize you as one of the greatest governors this state has ever had.

Dr. Jim Dolan

From: [Pareigis, Susan <Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us>](mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Shanahan, Kathleen](#)
['barbara.griffin@awi.state.fl.us'](mailto:barbara.griffin@awi.state.fl.us)
[May, Warren C.](#)
[Clendenning, Tom](#)
[Finch, James](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:36:01 AM

Subject: RE: FLA TODAY ARTICLE fup

I will copy you on our response.

Thank you,

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:13 PM
To: Pareigis, Susan; Zingale, James
Cc: lacilu079@msn.com; Kathleen Shanahan
Subject: FW: FLA TODAY ARTICLE fup

whoever is in charge, please respond to Senator Posey and his constituent and me.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Rockledger@aol.com [mailto:Rockledger@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 11:31 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fwd: FLA TODAY ARTICLE

In a message dated 8/11/03 8:19:37 AM Pacific Daylight Time, ilenedavis@megabits.net writes:

Subj: **FLA TODAY ARTICLE**
Date: 8/11/03 8:19:37 AM Pacific Daylight Time
From: ilenedavis@megabits.net (Ilene Davis)
To: rockledger@aol.com
CC: pgonzalez@islandsys.net

Bill:

Talk about TIMING> The company I told you about that was having problems with state unemployment personnel wanting to defraud the company by authorizing unemployment compensation where the applicant wasn't eligible the company was just featured in Florida Today regarding Hispanic firms gaining clout (florida Today, 8/10/03, pg C1).

The company is Island Systems and Design. You can read all about their customer base and the confidence they have from a lot of high profile customers. And those clients are all over the country, and world. They do not have to be in Florida. If the state of florida will allow state employees to authorize unemployment compensation when an applicant IS NOT ELIGIBLE, as Pam said, they can easily relocate their business, and jobs, to another state that doesn't believe they should be inappropriately charged with unemployment problems because a state workers is abusing their position.

Seems to me if the state is serious about new jobs, they should fire that state unemployment worker, and be very public about why it was done.

Ilene Davis
321/631-1127

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['David Farrar'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:30:15 AM

Subject: RE: Med/Mal and the Party

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Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 5:49 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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ex animo
davidfarrar

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Henry Dean'](#)

CC: [Stutler, Denver](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:28:51 AM

Subject: RE: Response to Sun Scentinel Article

Thank you Henry. I assume you will respond to the article.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Henry Dean [mailto:hdean@sfwmd.gov]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 5:13 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Stutler, Denver

Subject: Response to Sun Scentinel Article

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Revbjs@aol.com'

BCC: [Liza McFadden \(McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:25:49 AM

Subject: RE: New Seminary for Florida

Thank you Dr. Steier. I am not aware of any funding sources for this but I will send to the team. I wish you all the best.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Revbjs@aol.com [mailto:Revbjs@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 5:09 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: New Seminary for Florida

Dear Jeb, September 10th, I will be hosting a meeting in Orlando to explore the possibility of establishing a new seminary campus in central Florida. This effort would be a cooperative one, drawing upon faculty from Lexington Theological Seminary in Kentucky and Seminario Evangelico de Puerto Rico in San Juan, both approved institutions by ATS (Association of Theological Seminaries); other partnerships will be explored. Classes could be made available in English, Spanish, possibly French for the Haitian population, and other languages as needs arise, to equip pastors for serving our diverse communities. This could truly become a faith-based educational opportunity with international reaches.

In addition to sharing this with you and your staff involved in faith-based initiatives, I also wanted to inquire to see if there might be any source of funding, land, or other resources to help launch such an exciting new undertaking.

Blessings,

Rev. Dr. Betsy Steier

Associate Regional Minister, Christian Church in Florida (Disciples of Christ)

(and Christy's Mom) "hi" :)

PS--congratulations on your daughter's completion and graduation of her program. A few years ago, we had a woman come into my church through NA. She was called into ministry, graduated second in her college class, just finished seminary--Magna Cum Laude, and now has a church of her own. God can do powerful things in healing the broken places of our lives! Continued prayers for Noelle and a bright future.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Peter Warrick'](#)

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:24:17 AM

Subject: RE: F.D.L.E

thank you Peter. I look forward to interviewing Peter soon. I appreciate your input. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Peter Warrick [mailto:p_warrick@sepub.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 4:25 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: F.D.L.E

Hi Gov, how are you doing? You're doing great stuff! Speaking of that, you know I don't contact you to get your attention, only to suggest some law enforcement issue that I think is important, or if you ask for my opinion. I have not asked to be on any commission or for an appointment to anything, however, I do have an issue I think you should consider.

F.D.L.E. since Tim Moore has retired; my thoughts are that a professional law enforcement executive would be a good choice for the commissioner's post. I do not feel that a county sheriff would fit into this post, because they are elected constitutional positions, report to no one, and have their own way about things. They run their own bureaucracy, not work within one. A professional law enforcement Chief that has worked through years of police department promotions, programs, and community issues; is structured, disciplined, well educated, has not received political appointments, rather has earned their way to the top, then deals with political management and learns the finesse and methods on working for a city manager, a city council, and a mayor. I have a suggestion of just such a person.

Chief of Police, Bill Burger, of the City of North Miami Beach

Bill has a long history of professionalism with the City of Miami and the City of North Miami Beach, as well as a degree in Police Science and Criminology; has worked in every division of law enforcement, from road patrol, undercover detective work, and traffic, as well as graduated from FBI National Academy, Southern Police Institute Executive Law Enforcement Management. He recently completed his degree in Law school and has recently sat for the Bar exam. Bill also has participated in the Dade County Chiefs of Police Association, where he held various offices, including that of president. He has also been a long standing member of the Florida Chiefs of Police Association as well as the International Association of Chiefs of Police, where he held the prestigious office of president of both organizations. Bill is not a personal friend of mine, however, I know of his achievements and his career, and highly recommend him for the job of Commissioner of F.D.L.E. I know he will do a professional, loyal and diligent job for you and the state, and he is objective in his initiatives. I also think South Florida should be represented somewhere in a Tallahassee post of a professional position understanding our multi-cultural state and issues of law enforcement.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Peter Warrick



From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'FOOTYSWD@aol.com'

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:22:23 AM

Subject: RE: Substance Abuse Mental Health Board fup

thank you Footy. I will check to see the status of the appointments. I hope you are doing well.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: FOOTYSWD@aol.com [mailto:FOOTYSWD@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 4:11 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Substance Abuse Mental Health Board

Dear Jeb,

We have submitted the name of Mary Riedel to be considered for the Substance Abuse Mental Health Corporation Board, through District 11. Mary is the Community Affairs Manager and Publisher of the Society Section for the Sun-Sentinel. As Community Affairs Manager, Mary directs the Sun-Sentinel Children's Fund which helps support over one hundred nonprofit organizations. Her devotion to community service is unsurpassed. She has no affiliation with any particular agency. I have spoken with her and she would be delighted to serve on the board, she is willing make her schedule available for all required meetings. In closing Mary is a very special individual who is well respected in South Florida. I have attached her bio for your review.

Contact Information for
Mary Riedel
954-356-4340
200 East Las Olas
Suite 1200
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301
MRiedel@sun-sentinel.com

Sincerely,

Footy

From: [Jim Dolan <drjimdolan@mac.com>](mailto:drjimdolan@mac.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:21:22 AM

Subject: RE: THANK YOU

Attachments: ATT31626.htm

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Dr. Jim Dolan

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'FULLER.BARBARA.S05'
BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
Date: 8/12/2003 1:20:29 AM
Subject: RE: Request from Senator Wise

thank you Barbara. I will pass on to the scheduling team.

-----Original Message-----

From: FULLER.BARBARA.S05 [mailto:FULLER.BARBARA.S05@flsenate.gov]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 3:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Request from Senator Wise

Governor,

Senator Wise is out of town and asked me to email you regarding this request. The St. Johns Country Day School, in Orange Park, will be celebrating the grand opening of its new library Sept. 29 - Oct. 9. They were wondering if there would be a possibility you could be present one of the days during that time frame? (your choice)

Thanks for your consideration,

Barbara

Barbara Fuller

Legislative Assistant

Senator Stephen R. Wise, District 5

413 Senate Office Building

404 South Monroe Street

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

850-487-5027

District: 904-573-4900

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Marian Johnson'](#)
BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
Date: 8/12/2003 1:19:53 AM
Subject: RE: Invitation to speak

thanks for the invite. I will pass on to the scheduling team. Outside state events are hard for me even if they are twenty miles away but we will see what we can do.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Marian Johnson [mailto:MarianJohnson@flchamber.com]
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 2:48 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Invitation to speak

Governor,

I did not know to whom I should address this so I am sending to you.

I have been asked by my very good friend, Nealie McCormick who is the Police Chief in Pelham, Georgia to assist him in getting you to address the Southwest Georgia Intelligence Unit. It seems that you are very popular with this group. The name of the group is somewhat deceiving because many law enforcement officials from North Florida are also members of this group. Here are the particulars as I know them:

Date: December 5, 2003 (First Friday in December)
Time: 8:00 am
Place: The Plaza Restaurant, Thomasville, Georgia
Subject: Suggestion is "anything on security" but they said whatever you choose
Speech time: About 20-30 minutes
Attendance: Varies between 125-175
Audience: Law enforcement officials from GA and FL, GA state senators and representatives, GA & FL sheriffs, highway patrols, Superior Judges, District Attorneys etc

This group is extremely interested in having you as a speaker. Please have your scheduler contact me so that we can discuss this further. And Governor, thanks for the tremendous job you are doing as our Governor. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you. Take care,

Marian

*Marian P. Johnson
Executive Director
Florida Chamber Political Institute
136 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301*

*Ph (850) 521-1241
Fax (850) 521-1247*

From: [PAULETTE ARES <PEARES@GTE.NET>](mailto:PEARES@GTE.NET)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:18:05 AM

Subject: MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

PAULETTE ARES
2824 Finch Drive
HOLIDAY, FL 34690

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

IT'S ABOUT TIME WE SAW THE REAL TRUTH AND START TO MAKE THE INSURANCE COMPANY'S ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE PREDICAMENT WE ARE IN. THEY SHOULD BE MADE TO LOWER THE RATES THEY CHARGE THE DOCTORS AND DOCTORS SHOULD BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY PROCEDURE THEY PERFORM ON ANY OF THEIR PATIENTS. THE INSURANCE COMPANY'S BOTTOM LINE IS PROFIT! THE ATTORNEY'S ARE TRYING TO GET JUSTICE FOR THEIR CLIENTS. I WANT INSURANCE REFORM, QUALITY OF CARE MEASURES. PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THIS BILL!!

Sincerely,

PAULETTE ARES

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Jackson, Richard \(UO\)'](#)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:17:57 AM

Subject: RE: fup

Thank you Richard. I will pass on your proposed invite to the scheduling team and they will be in touch.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Richard (UO) [mailto:Richard.Jackson@universalorlando.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 2:12 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Governor Bush,

It was indeed a pleasure speaking with you at the recent Governor's Conference on Tourism in Jacksonville. Thank you for all that you do to promote this terrific vacation destination. We very much appreciate your leadership and vision in moving our industry to new heights.

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Best personal regards,

Richard M. Jackson

Vice President Domestic & International Sales

Universal Orlando

P: 407-224-6560

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richard.jackson@universalorlando.com

www.universalorlando.com

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jackson, Richard \(UO\)](#)

BCC: [Scheduling Team](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:17:39 AM

Subject: RE: fup

Thank you Richard. I will pass on your proposed invite to the scheduling team and they will be in touch.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Richard (UO) [mailto:Richard.Jackson@universalorlando.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 2:12 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

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From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:09:24 AM

Subject: Partnering schools in the UK

Attachments: Partnering schools in the UK.url

<http://www.astrazeneca.com/communityproject/132.aspx>

AZ evolved from its origins in ICI, then Zeneca, then the merger with Astra - guided by someone I know well enough to know where these activities originated - corporations encouraging education could be a program initiated in Florida by Florida companies. Encouraging children, early, to learn the sciences and technology, because they know they will have a future, is a way to interest among parents too.

Sheila Anderson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Susan Pareigis \(Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Susan.Pareigis@awi.state.fl.us)
[Jim Zingale \(zingalej@dor.state.fl.us\)](mailto:zingalej@dor.state.fl.us)

CC: [Lucy Hadi \(lacilu079@msn.com\)](mailto:LucyHadi@msn.com)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:13:25 AM

Subject: FW: FLA TODAY ARTICLE fup

Attachments: FLA TODAY ARTICLE

[whoever is in charge, please respond to Senator Posey and his constituent and me.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Rockledger@aol.com [<mailto:Rockledger@aol.com>]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 11:31 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fwd: FLA TODAY ARTICLE

In a message dated 8/11/03 8:19:37 AM Pacific Daylight Time, ilenedavis@megabits.net writes:

Subj: **FLA TODAY ARTICLE**

Date: 8/11/03 8:19:37 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: ilenedavis@megabits.net (*Ilene Davis*)

To: rockledger@aol.com

CC: pgonzalez@islandsys.net

Bill:

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Ilene Davis
321/631-1127

From: [Ilene Davis <ilenedavis@megabits.net>](mailto:ilenedavis@megabits.net)

To: rockledger@aol.com

CC: pgonzalez@islandsys.net

Date: 8/11/2003 3:18:02 PM

Subject: FLA TODAY ARTICLE

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321/631-1127

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['CYa2000@aol.com'](mailto:CYa2000@aol.com)
Date: 8/12/2003 1:12:08 AM
Subject: RE: Viagra & AIDS --- THIS IS NOT A JOKE!!!

it is true and it is a federal requirement. I oppose this use of taxpayer money.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: CYa2000@aol.com [mailto:CYa2000@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 11:22 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fwd: Viagra & AIDS --- THIS IS NOT A JOKE!!!

Have we just lost all our common sense? Is there no hope at all?

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Dr Ira Schlesinger'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:09:02 AM

Subject: RE: Florida Board of Medicine

Thank you for your recommendation. I appreciate your advice.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Dr Ira Schlesinger [mailto:iraschlesinger@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 10:39 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Florida Board of Medicine

Please read Attachment

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<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/junkmail>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Benji Brumberg'](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:06:28 AM

Subject: RE: Sierra Award

Benji, I trust you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Benji Brumberg [mailto:benjibrumberg@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 10:21 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Sierra Award

Dear Jeb,

I have just been informed that I have received the national "Distinguished Service Award" for 2003 from Sierra Club for "environmental accomplishments under the Jeb Bush administration in Florida". The award will be presented at the California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco on September 18th.

Since leaving government, I have received a number of smaller awards and recognitions that I have accepted quietly and without fanfare. It is my understanding that for this Sierra Award, however, there will be a national press release. I want to make sure that my acceptance statements reflect in a most positive way on the Governor and the Secretary. I was wondering, therefore, if I may send my statement up to Tally for editing help?

I thank you again for the privilege of having had the opportunity to better serve the citizens of Florida.

Sincerely yours,

Benji

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<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/junkmail>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'TeriGAshley@aol.com'

Date: 8/12/2003 1:05:47 AM

Subject: RE: Friend

[thanks for the invite. We will see what happens tomorrow.](#)

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: TeriGAshley@aol.com [mailto:TeriGAshley@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 10:13 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Friend

Governor Bush,

Having just realized that tomorrow is the day you will be hearing from Charlotte County Sheriff Bill Clement and the Board of County Commissioners regarding the continual budget debate, I wanted to make you aware of something. I have a sneaky suspicion that Charlotte County's dubious recognition as the county with the worst juvenile substance abuse problem will be bandied about. While I hate to see this used as a bargaining tool, as you are aware, it is a fact.

Someone might mention an upcoming "Emergency Action Session" being planned to define and, hopefully, SOLVE the problem. (Please see the attached draft letter that will be sent out shortly.) Commissioner Sara Devos is one of those actively involved with the planning of this unique event, along with my boss, Dr. Jerry Ross, and the director of the Charlotte Alliance for a Safe and Drug Free Community, Ms. Amity Chandler. It will be unique in that it will NOT be yet another 'let's-get-together-and-vision" workshop.

Anyway, please take a look at the letter and know that both you and Mrs. Bush are now officially invited to attend this October 9 "Emergency Action Session" to offer a keynote address ... or all-out, all-day participation.

I'm sorry that this is not a proper invitation, but now you can at least tuck this away for your upcoming meetings. It is our number one problem, something needs to be done, and we are going to do it.

Thanks-

Teri

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov'](mailto:Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov)

BCC: [Martinez Bob \(Martinez, Bob\)](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/12/2003 1:04:27 AM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Guy.

-----Original Message-----

From: Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov [mailto:Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:43 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Governor, hope all is well. Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Larry Thompson is announcing he is stepping down. It's the number 2 position in the Department of Justice. the DAG has generally been a former US Attorney. I don't know if he'd be interested but Bob Martinez would be an extraordinary person for the position. Hope you and yours are well. Guy

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['greg smith'](#)
Date: 8/12/2003 1:02:08 AM
Subject: RE: Important Appoints DBCC

[thank you Greg.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: greg smith [mailto:gsmith@aipdaytona.com]
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:09 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fw: Important Appoints DBCC

----- Original Message -----

From: [greg smith](#)
To: [jeb@jeb.com](#)
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 8:17 PM
Subject: Important Appoints DBCC

Jeb: Some new information on applicants for Volusia and Flagler DBCC board. I will contact Todd Richardson Monday morning to discuss this info. Hope all is well & GO CANES 2003 - Greg Smith

From: [Rita Moreau <rita@clubredington.com>](mailto:rita@clubredington.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:52:10 PM

Subject: Special Session on Med Mal August 12

Rita Moreau
17408 Gulf Blvd.
Redington Shores, FL 33708

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

After consistently lying to the public and lawmakers for the past year, the insurance industry has convinced the Governor and the leaders of the House and Senate to meet most of its legislative demands.

At a press conference in the Capitol last week, Governor Jeb Bush, Senate President Jim King and House Speaker Johnnie Byrd announced that an agreement had been reached on medical malpractice. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors.

Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice
- * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs"
- * Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback
- * NO effective quality of care measures

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

This is it - it is the last shot and the last chance to derail this disastrous piece of legislation. We urge you to vote against this horrible

bill. THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO YOU AND ALL OF THE PATIENTS IN THIS STATE!!

We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

With a lot of hard work and a lot of luck, we may succeed.

Sincerely,

Rita R. Moreau

From: CAROLM469@aol.com <CAROLM469@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:45:56 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

I want to add my name to the list of many who want you to do whatever you can to save ALL of Cypress Gardens. My granddaughter was just here visiting me and so wanted to be a Belle for the day. I had been planning and waiting for her to be old enough and now all is lost.

I'm sick about what is happening to the Gardens. Larry Maxwell has been allowed to get away with environmental destruction too many times. Slaps on the wrist of a few thousand dollars mean nothing to him.

Thank you for the support you've shown so far...and please continue to support Cypress Gardens.

Carol T. McCarthy
1539 Aberdeen Lane
Winter Haven, FL 33881

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)
To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb_Bush)
Date: 8/11/2003 11:42:59 PM
Subject: Re: fup- for discussion purposes only

FYI. I was able to gather additional info from Disability Services ASAP and it appears that most of the nationally recognized training materials are fairly inexpensive. I think we can order @ 100 kits within existing resources and begin training at the local levels. We already have training for the new assessment tool this month, but plan to arrange a training on this in September with licensure/monitoring staff. We will also be working on proposed changes to the rule which may also help.
Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: <jeb@jeb.org>
To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF
Cc:
Date: 08/10/2003 05:30:33 PM
Subject: RE: fup- for discussion purposes only

thank you Shelly. I will read the doc tomorrow.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 7:15 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: fup- for discussion purposes only

Governor,

In response to our recent discussion, please find an attached summary of suggestions to prevent and reduce sexual assaults. I tried to build on existing resources, but there will be some additional costs associated with the need for training and education. It is important for everyone to recognize that domestic and sexual violence against individuals with disabilities, like individuals without disabilities is a national social issue. Domestic and sexual violence does not discriminate across race, ethnicity, social class or living situations.

Prior to recently publicized assaults, I tried to begin forming partnerships with the Florida DD Council, Domestic and Sexual Violence Centers as well as advocacy groups to increase awareness and prevention efforts on this issue. I plan to continue these efforts, but unfortunately some groups would rather point the finger than be part of the solution. I met with leadership of our larger provider organizations on Friday to discuss this issue as well as others. They seem very receptive to assisting with this effort as it benefits everyone, most especially the people we serve. "Juntos Podemos"

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss these ideas further.
Shelly

From: [A. Clark Cone <ACC515@CONCENTRIC.NET>](mailto:ACC515@CONCENTRIC.NET)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:25:44 PM

Subject: WHY CAUSE HARM TO DO NO GOOD! VOTE NO TO MED MAL BILL

A. Clark Cone
801 Spencer Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

WHY CAUSE HARM TO DO NO GOOD!

THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE MAY HIT AN ALL TIME LOW. THE PROPOSED MED MAL BILL IS PURE POLITICS AND HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SOLVING THE PROBLEM. YOU KNOW THIS. EVERYONE KNOWS THIS.

PLEASE DON'T PASS A MED MAL BILL THAT WILL LIMIT HORRIBLY INJURED PATIENTS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF RECOVERY, WILL NOT REDUCE MED MAL INS. PREMIUMS, AND WILL NOT PROTECT DOCTORS FROM THEIR OWN INS. COMPANY'S BAD FAITH.

THERE IS ONE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DOCTORS, LAWYERS, PATIENTS & INS. COMPANIES. THE PROPOSED MED MAL BILL WILL NOT LOWER MED MAL INSURANCE PREMIUMS. WHEN EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS AGREES THIS BILL WILL NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM THEN:

WHY CAUSE HARM TO DO NO GOOD!

WHY, WHY, WHY, WOULD YOU WANT TO HURT DOCTORS, HURT LAWYERS, HURT PATIENTS, AND HELP INS. COMPANIES. THE INS. COMPANIES CAUSED THE CRISIS, HOODWINKED THE DOCTORS UNTIL RECENTLY WHEN DOCTORS BEGAN LEARNING WHAT LIMITING OR ELIMINATING BAD FAITH MEANT, AND INSTEAD OF THE INSURANCE COMPANIES GETTING WHAT IT DESERVES, INSURANCE REFORM, THE VICTIMS (DOCTORS, LAWYERS, PATIENTS) ALL GET HARMED.

INSURANCE REFORM WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM. THE MED MAL BILL DOES NOT PASS ANY INSURANCE REFORM. WHAT HAPPENED?

THERE COMES A POINT IN TIME WHEN YOU HAVE TO STAND UP TO WHAT YOU KNOW IS RIGHT AND NOT SUCUMB TO THE DARK SIDE OF POLITICS.

VOTE NO, YOU WILL FEEL GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF BECAUSE YOU WILL KNOW YOU DID THE RIGHT THING.

Sincerely,

A. Clark Cone

From: [John Piccin <jp Piccin@pglawyers.com>](mailto:jp Piccin@pglawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:22:59 PM

Subject: needed insurance reform

John Piccin
320 NW 3rd Av.
ocala, FL 34475

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The agreement between the senate, the house and the governor will be terrible for Floridians. It will hurt the already injured, it will not help the doctors, and it will let the insurance industry continue to do whatever it wants to do. If you are not an insurance company, this law will not help you in life or in politics. Please start with factual findings, not insurance industry party line. Caps and inhibiting bad faith are not the right things to do.

Sincerely,

John H. Piccin

From: mkitch@tampabay.rr.com <mkitch@tampabay.rr.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:23:48 PM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

My husband and I came to Florida four years ago, George (my husband) had a severe stroke 11 years ago, he is right side paralyzed, doesn't speak and have severe brain damage. There are a lot of things he does enjoy and can do. Last year we stumbled upon a 3 wheel emcumbent bike, never expecting that he could ride it, he now rides down the Pinellis Trail from Tampa Road to Main St. in Dunedin. Also last year we bought a 2-year pass to Cypress Gardens. This was another favorite of his, being an advade water skier himself, he loved the water shows. It was also a nice place for us to go, as disabled and 65+ was not over run with kids.

Thank you again for all your are doing to save the "entire" Cypress Gardens.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Kitch
Sherwood Forest RV Park

mkitch@tampabay.rr.com

From: [John Piccin <jp Piccin@pglawyers.com>](mailto:jp Piccin@pglawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:16:22 PM

Subject: needed insurance reform

John Piccin
320 NW 3rd Av.
ocala, FL 34475

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

John H. Piccin

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'jhitt@mail.ucf.edu'

Date: 8/11/2003 10:35:36 PM

Subject: Re: Congratulations and thanks

Thank john for all of your hard work regarding this most complex subject.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Hitt <jhitt@mail.ucf.edu>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Mon Aug 11 16:05:18 2003

Subject: Congratulations and thanks

Governor:

Congratulations on your victory on medical malpractice insurance reform and thanks for your leadership on this vital issue. Martha and I are vacationing at our condo in Ft. Myers and have been out of touch with news. So it was a great and good surprise to read of the compromise in the Florida Chamber's electronic newsletter. I hope the compromise holds together and that the Florida Supreme Court upholds the legislation. This is a big win fore the people of our state. Congratulations again.

John

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'mmwjacobs@yahoo.com'

Date: 8/11/2003 10:33:35 PM

Subject: Re:

Thanks for the heads up.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: michelle jacobs <mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Mon Aug 11 17:37:08 2003

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not know why our leaders are playing games with our children, however a bus of parents and children will be leaving Miami tonight to come to Tallahassee tomorrow. This is crazy.

Do you Yahoo!?

The New Yahoo! Search <http://us.rd.yahoo.com/search/mailed/*http://search.yahoo.com> - Faster. Easier. Bingo.

From: [Dawn Ikerd <dawn.ikerd@prodigy.net>](mailto:dawn.ikerd@prodigy.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 10:25:48 PM

Subject: Med Mal Bill- Please Vote NO!

Dawn Ikerd
4571 Kawilla Crest Place
Winter Park, FL 32792

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This bill would be very harmful to the citizens of the state of Florida.
The bill will not reduce the premiums as was demonstrated by the testimony
before the Senate. Please vote No. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dawn Ikerd

From: [Tammy Wallace <bdeacy@bellsouth.net>](mailto:bdeacy@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 10:24:01 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

Tammy Wallace
744 Claremore Drive
West Palm Beach, FLORIDA 33401

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PLEASE, PLEASE STAND UP FOR THE RIGHTS OF FLORIDA'S CITIZENS AND VOTE NO TO TORT REFORM. WE NEED ACCURATE FINDINGS THAT REFLECT THE TRUTH AND REAL INSURANCE REFORM, NOT CAPS ON DAMAGES. IF THIS BILL PASSES, YOU BETTER PRAY THAT NEITHER YOU OR ANY OF YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS EVER GET SICK!!

Sincerely,

Tammy M. Wallace

From: [David Farrar <farrardm@bellsouth.net>](mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:48:50 PM

Subject: Med/Mal and the Party

Dear Governor,

I am glade you have reached an agreement on the Med/Mal issue, if you are. But I can't help but wonder whether or not our Party failed to use its full scope and effort to support your Med/Mal reforms. I know from my perspective, we at no time heard anything at all from our local Party leadership on this subject. There was at least the May and July meeting where this issue could have been raised, but wasn't.

When I finally raised the issue after receiving your July 7, 2003, email letter, Mary-Ellen dismissed it as..."Oh, that? That was some e-mail message they sent out"...

I, of course, don't know why this issue wasn't brought up and your legislation wasn't actively supported through the Party structure. But I want to find out. If you can add anything to this dilemma that would help me address my concerns in this regard, I would appreciate it very much.

ex animo
davidfarrar

From: Moochiell@aol.com <Moochiell@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 10:10:15 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush: Please help save Cypress Gardens for future generations. I remember as a kid in the 50's, my family coming via a car transport ferry from Cuba and visiting this wonderful Florida attraction. I have vivid memories of these visits, especially the aquatic shows and the the young girls beautifully costumed. My father was a physician in Cuba, and he also practiced in the United States years later but his true love was gardening. Every time we came to the USA, before we visited an uncle in New York city, my sisters and I knew the first stop would be beautiful Cypress Gardens! I truly appreciate now, more than ever, our many visits to this "jewel" in the middle of Central Florida.

Our best wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely,

The Sotolongo family

From: [Shelly Mansson <info@gbclaw.com>](mailto:info@gbclaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:46:24 PM

Subject: Medical Mal-Practice

Shelly Mansson
1504 S.W. 56th Terrace
Cape Coral, FLORIDA 33914

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this bill.

We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Please stand up for the right of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Please protect the patient, not insurance company profit!!!

Sincerely,

Shelly Mansson

From: [Robert Joyce <joycelaw@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:joycelaw@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:40:08 PM

Subject: NO Caps

Robert Joyce
16312 millan de avila
Tampa, FL 33613

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not support the backroom deal with arbitrary caps of \$500,000.00

Also, the bad faith issue is nothing but a political payoff to the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Bob Joyce

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Teitelbaum, Arthur N](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:40:43 PM

Subject: RE: Daryl McLaughlin

thank you Art for your recommendation.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Teitelbaum, Arthur N [mailto:ATEitelbaum@adl.org]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 11:30 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Daryl McLaughlin

Dear Governor Bush:

Jeb...I am writing on my own initiative to commend to you Daryl McLaughlin's appointment as Commissioner of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. I have known Daryl for many years through my work as a special advisor to FDLE on hate crimes and through agency-to-agency work between ADL and FDLE.

Daryl has always impressed me as a fine law enforcement professional who has the administrative skills to effectively manage such a large organization and, importantly, the vision and temperament to achieve both public and legislative support for FDLE's critically important mission.

Stated simply, I believe Daryl would be a find choice to lead FDLE.

With best wishes and thanks for consideration of my views on this matter...

Cordially,

Art

Arthur N. Teitelbaum
Southern Area Director
Anti-Defamation League
(305) 373-6306

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From: [michelle jacobs <mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>](mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:39:12 PM

Subject: FYI

I did not put a subject on the first e-mail, however I just wanted to let you know that a bus of people are on the way to Tallahassee. I do not know if they are all parents or what.

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From: [michelle jacobs <mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>](mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:37:08 PM

Subject:

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not know why our leaders are playing games with our children, however a bus of parents and children will be leaving Miami tonight to come to Tallahassee tomorrow. This is crazy.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Ray Valdes](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:37:01 PM

Subject: RE: Judicial Appointments

Thank you Ray for bringing this to my attention.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Ray Valdes [mailto:republicanray@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 12:56 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Judicial Appointments

Governor Bush

It appears the Judges in our Courthouse, most of whom are registered members of the Democrat Party, and the knowledgeable Orlando Sentinel newspaper are now forecasting your judicial appointments. (8/10 article attached)

Ray Valdes

Do you Yahoo!?

Yahoo! SiteBuilder - Free, easy-to-use web site design software <http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com>

From: [Dale Appell <dalesappell@yahoo.com>](mailto:dalesappell@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:27:01 PM

Subject: Last chance to do what's right: no caps/protect bad faith

Dale Appell
3001 North Rocky Point Dr, Suite 200
Tampa, FL 33607

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Dale Appell

From: [Henry Dean <hdean@sfwmd.gov>](mailto:hdean@sfwmd.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Stutler, Denver](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:13:16 PM

Subject: Response to Sun Scentinel Article

Attachments: Kissimmee.doc
hdean.vcf



From: [Orman Kimbrough <okimbrough@whkpa.com>](mailto:okimbrough@whkpa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:11:10 PM

Subject: Medical Negligence matters

Orman Kimbrough
236 South Lucerne Circle
Orlando, FL 32801

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I write urging you to vote "no" on the proposed bill. It takes away rights of people without assurances of solving the insurance premium doctors have to pay. As a Republican from Winter Park, I urge you to reject this bill.

Sincerely,

Orman L. Kimbrough, Jr.

From: Revbjs@aol.com <Revbjs@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 9:08:49 PM

Subject: New Seminary for Florida

Dear Jeb, September 10th, I will be hosting a meeting in Orlando to explore the possibility of establishing a new seminary campus in central Florida. This effort would be a cooperative one, drawing upon faculty from Lexington Theological Seminary in Kentucky and Seminario Evangelico de Puerto Rico in San Juan, both approved institutions by ATS (Association of Theological Seminaries); other partnerships will be explored. Classes could be made available in English, Spanish, possibly French for the Haitian population, and other languages as needs arise, to equip pastors for serving our diverse communities. This could truly become a faith-based educational opportunity with international reaches.

In addition to sharing this with you and your staff involved in faith-based initiatives, I also wanted to inquire to see if there might be any source of funding, land, or other resources to help launch such an exciting new undertaking.

Blessings,

Rev. Dr. Betsy Steier

Associate Regional Minister, Christian Church in Florida (Disciples of Christ)

(and Christy's Mom) "hi" :)

PS--congratulations on your daughter's completion and graduation of her program. A few years ago, we had a woman come into my church through NA. She was called into ministry, graduated second in her college class, just finished seminary--Magna Cum Laude, and now has a church of her own. God can do powerful things in healing the broken places of our lives! Continued prayers for Noelle and a bright future.

From: [Brad Fuller <Brad@FFANDT.com>](mailto:Brad@FFANDT.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Burma Davis Posey \(E-mail\)](#)
[Susan Albershardt \(E-mail\)](#)
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dmaflorida@cfl.rr.com

Date: 8/11/2003 9:11:41 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens and the film industry

Dear Governor Bush:

I know there are big decisions to make regarding the future of Cypress Gardens, and it looks like Burma and the gang are doing a good job of keeping the issue at the forefront.

My two cents worth adds the consideration of the film industry and what the Gardens has meant to us over the years. Having come from "Photorama" at the Gardens, where I worked as a cinematographer and film editor in the 70's, I can comfortably say that Cypress Gardens is the root of the television commercial industry in Florida. Because so many advertisers shot at the Gardens over the years, Winter Haven became (and still is) a production center of significant value to both the industry and the citizens of Florida. Additionally, movies and television specials came often to Florida because of Cypress Gardens, boosting both our image and our bank accounts. Many of those folks, like director Dick Matt, migrated back to Winter Haven over the years.

My company, Florida Film & Tape, has used the Gardens for a unique location for a variety of filming projects, my most recent experience for Honda Power Products in February of this year. I can't speak officially for the film and television industry (the people who can be recipients of this correspondence), but I'm sure there would be no argument when I say we, as a whole, support and encourage the continuation of this historical and economically important institution.

David Siegel's approach makes a ton of sense for us all, and I'm sure he will do all the right things by a number of interests. Thank you for your continued interest in both this matter and the film and television industry in Florida.

Sincerely,

Brad Fuller
President, Creative Director
Florida Film & Tape
3417 Lake Breeze Road
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Cc: Susan Albershardt, Governor's Film Office
Mike Conrad, FMPTA
Susan Janis-Mashayekhi, WIFT-T
Ken Zook, MCA-1
Jud French, DMA-F
Burma Davis Posey, Friends of Cypress Gardens

From: [Council Wooten <cwooten@whkpa.com>](mailto:cwooten@whkpa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:54:12 PM

Subject: Patient's Rights

Council Wooten
250 Virginia Dr
Winter Park, FL 32789

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not approve the proposed plan which does not protect the consumer while giving the Insurance Industry all it has been aiming for. AT LEAST, if you must vote for it, insist that it sunset in 4 or 5 years. Thank you for your courage and statesmanship--

Sincerely,

Butch Wooten

From: [Cort Frohlich, Esq. <www.cfrohlich@wilkinslaw.com>](mailto:Cort.Frohlich@wilkinslaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:50:24 PM

Subject: Med Malpractice

Cort Frohlich, Esq.
6500 Riverside Drive
Punta Gorda, FL 33982

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Apparently an additional special session of Medical Malpractice reform begins in Tallahassee tomorrow. On behalf of the many injured clients I represent, I would strongly urge you to vote against the "compromised bill" which is being proposed. Please don't forget the sworn testimony elicited just two weeks ago establishing there is absolutely no basis for the proposed damage caps, and that the only real crisis is that malpractice insurance companies are bleeding the doctors dry, with no justification except their unmitigated greed. What is proposed will do nothing to effectively lower doctors' insurance rates, in fact, directly harm doctors by eliminating many of the protections they currently enjoy from insurance company bad faith. Please continue to be courageous and oppose this legislation which will unnecessarily penalize injured Floridans, will not benefit the medical profession, and will insulate insurance companies from damages they should pay, those damages attendant to their bad faith. Thank you for your consideration of my thoughts as regards this horrible legislation.

Sincerely,

W. Cort Frohlich

From: [Dawn Vallejos-Nichols <dvallejos-nichols@avera.com>](mailto:dvallejos-nichols@avera.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:49:31 PM

Subject: Vote No on the Med Mal "deal"

Dawn Vallejos-Nichols
6928 NW 49th Street
Gainesville, FL 32653

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senators,

I am appalled, after a stellar summer of refusing to cave to the Governor and the House over the issue of caps, that we have now this horrendous bill in front of us that you seem to be ready to sign off on. Let me just tell you that this bill will do NOTHING to lower insurance premiums; therefore, this issue will come back next year, and the next, and the next, with the doctors still screaming that they have no insurance relief and that lawsuits (and lawyers) are the culprit. The problem is that this bill has no insurance reform in it! How can that be? It also has other negatives, which are just as bad:

- insurance company immunity from bad faith claims, which will leave the doctors high and dry.
- HMO's are insulated from accountability for malpractice.
- \$500,000 cap will actually be much lower due to the available set-offs;
- the legislative findings in this proposed bill directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate subcommittee just a couple of weeks ago!!! How can you let this happen?
- finally, no insurance reform or rate rollback.

This is not justice. This is horrendous. Please do not allow this bill to pass. Please do not now, after a summer of standing strong, cave to the pressure being placed upon you by the Governor and the Republican party.

I beg you, VOTE NO.

Sincerely,

Dawn M. Vallejos-Nichols

From: [Lisa Brown <lbrown@gbclaw.com>](mailto:lbrown@gbclaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:46:33 PM

Subject: special session medical malpractice

Lisa Brown
2852 Tamiami Trail, Ste. One
Port Charlotte, FL 33952

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors

Sincerely,

Lisa Brown

From: [ELAINE FESTA <ElaineFesta454@hotmail.com>](mailto:ElaineFesta454@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:43:11 PM

Subject: MEDICAL MALPRACTICE LEGISLATION

ELAINE FESTA
406 N.E. 15TH PLACE
CAPE CORAL, FL 33909

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THIS NEW MEL MAL LEGISLATION TO PASS...THIS WILL NOT
BENEFIT THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA.....

Sincerely,

ELAINE S. FESTA

From: [Raemona Carter <rcarter@wilkinslaw.com>](mailto:rcarter@wilkinslaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:31:08 PM

Subject: Med Mal caps and bad faith reform

Raemona Carter
18501 Murdock Circle, 6th floo
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please oppose the med mal caps and bad faith reform. Do not forget the sworn testimony elicited two weeks ago which established there is NO basis for damage caps and there is no litigation crisis. Its the insurance companies who are bleeding the doctors dry without justification. Please stand firm on this issue. Thank you

Sincerely,

R. Carter

From: [Jerryann Mills <jmills3369@aol.com>](mailto:jmills3369@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:29:03 PM

Subject: MedMal Cap

Jerryann Mills
1221 S.W. 23rd Street
Miami, FL 33145

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against any and all bills that come before the House and/or Senate that limit the cap on MedMal claims. There seem to be so many errors of one kind or another occurring these days. I'm sure part of the increase is just more attention and the spotlight being cast on malpractice issues, but it seems ridiculous that people whose lives are truly and tragically ruined should not have available the largest remedy possible just to save money. Couldn't there be some sort of "safe doctor/surgeon" program like that of the safe driver in which the premiums are lower because you do a good job. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jerryann Mills

From: [Peter Warrick <p_warrick@sepub.com>](mailto:p_warrick@sepub.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:25:09 PM

Subject: F.D.L.E

Hi Gov, how are you doing? You're doing great stuff! Speaking of that, you know I don't contact you to get your attention, only to suggest some law enforcement issue that I think is important, or if you ask for my opinion. I have not asked to be on any commission or for an appointment to anything, however, I do have an issue I think you should consider.

F.D.L.E. since Tim Moore has retired; my thoughts are that a professional law enforcement executive would be a good choice for the commissioner's post. I do not feel that a county sheriff would fit into this post, because they are elected constitutional positions, report to no one, and have their own way about things. They run their own bureaucracy, not work within one. A professional law enforcement Chief that has worked through years of police department promotions, programs, and community issues; is structured, disciplined, well educated, has not received political appointments, rather has earned their way to the top, then deals with political management and learns the finesse and methods on working for a city manager, a city council, and a mayor. I have a suggestion of just such a person.

Chief of Police, Bill Burger, of the City of North Miami Beach

Bill has a long history of professionalism with the City of Miami and the City of North Miami Beach, as well as a degree in Police Science and Criminology; has worked in every division of law enforcement, from road patrol, undercover detective work, and traffic, as well as graduated from FBI National Academy, Southern Police Institute Executive Law Enforcement Management. He recently completed his degree in Law school and has recently sat for the Bar exam. Bill also has participated in the Dade County Chiefs of Police Association, where he held various offices, including that of president. He has also been a long standing member of the Florida Chiefs of Police Association as well as the International Association of Chiefs of Police, where he held the prestigious office of president of both organizations. Bill is not a personal friend of mine, however, I know of his achievements and his career, and highly recommend him for the job of Commissioner of F.D.L.E. I know he will do a professional, loyal and diligent job for you and the state, and he is objective in his initiatives. I also think South Florida should be represented somewhere in a Tallahassee post of a professional position understanding our multi-cultural state and issues of law enforcement.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Peter Warrick



From: [John Elias <johnelias@ij.net>](mailto:johnelias@ij.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:15:12 PM

Subject: medical malpractice bill

John Elias
611 Druid Rd. E.
Clearwater, FLORIDA 33516

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

John M. Elias

From: [John Hitt <jhitt@mail.ucf.edu>](mailto:jhitt@mail.ucf.edu)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:05:18 PM

Subject: Congratulations and thanks

Governor:

Congratulations on your victory on medical malpractice insurance reform and thanks for your leadership on this vital issue. Martha and I are vacationing at our condo in Ft. Myers and have been out of touch with news. So it was a great and good surprise to read of the compromise in the Florida Chamber's electronic newsletter. I hope the compromise holds together and that the Florida Supreme Court upholds the legislation. This is a big win fore the people of our state. Congratulations again.

John

From: [Michelle Niemeyer <mniemeyer@paymyclaim.com>](mailto:mniemeyer@paymyclaim.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:12:04 PM

Subject: Malpractice "Compromise"

Michelle Niemeyer
3053 Day Avenue
Coconut Grove, FL 33133

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against the medical malpractice "compromise" which is up for vote tomorrow in the special session. This agreement compromises everyone except the Governor's office and the insurance companies. Why is it that HMOs, whose cost-saving decisions are often the real cause of medical malpractice lawsuits, are being protected through this "compromise" gutting Villazon? Why should they not pay toward the malpractice results they often cause. Also, why is it that our representatives and the Governor seem so unable to recognize that changes to the bad faith laws may save insurance companies money -- but only at the expense of both their insureds. In states where there are weak bad faith laws insurance companies may pay less money out in claims because they refuse to pay more legitimate claims because there's little danger in doing so.

Please consider the interests of your constituents, both doctors and patients, and reject this "compromise" which only benefits insurance companies' financial statements.

Sincerely,

Michelle Niemeyer

From: [Yvonne Gomez <Yvonne@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:Yvonne@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:11:03 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Yvonne Gomez
29 Santillane
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am completely against any law that restricts the rights of a claimant with regard to medical malpractice claims. Please vote against any such law.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Gomez

From: [Sandra Carrizo <smiley_chuy@yahoo.com>](mailto:smiley_chuy@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:09:08 PM

Subject: No Med Mal Caps!

Sandra Carrizo
10887 N. Kendall Drive, #430
Miami, FL 33176

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Sandra Carrizo

From: [Lincoln Connolly <lincoln@bellsouth.net>](mailto:lincoln@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:07:00 PM

Subject: Stop Med Mal Giveaway to Insurers

Lincoln Connolly
2756 Day Avenue
Miami, FL 33133

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

As I understand it, the proposed legislation to be considered at the next special session caps patients' rights to recover damages for pain and suffering, no matter how egregious, and notwithstanding that insurers have admitted that caps won't affect rates; immunizes HMOs from their rightful liability for their doctors' malpractice, and immunizes liability insurers for their bad faith in delaying settlement of meritorious cases. There is no rollback of liability insurance rates, the whole reason for the proposed reforms! This bill should be stopped. It does nothing good for patients, the living, breathing people that elected you, offers no promise of rate reduction for doctors, those claiming the crisis, and simply is a profit giveaway to liability insurers and HMOs. It is unnecessary and shameful. Please study your conscience, Governor Bush, and stop this awful legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lincoln Connolly

From: [Claudio Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:04:02 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Claudio Conde
313 NW 14th street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I don't want my rights restricted by med mal caps.
NO to med mal caps of any kind!!!!

Sincerely,

Claudio Conde

From: [Beverly Myers-Hull <genebev@msn.com>](mailto:genebev@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:05:02 PM

Subject: Patients' Rights

Beverly Myers-Hull
9801 South Indian River Drive
Fort Pierce, FL 34982

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Another session is being called 8/12. This is your last chance to stand up for patients' rights. That is the right thing to do. Med Mal caps will cause severe disadvantages for the elderly, children specifically. Please vote against any caps.

Sincerely,

Beverly J. Myers-Hull

From: [James terrell <jtt@bthemy.com>](mailto:jtt@bthemy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:01:30 PM

Subject: The "compromise" is a sellout to the ins companies!!

James terrell
233 E Bay St
Jax, FL 32202

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against it. It will not lower rates!!!

Sincerely,

James Terrell

From: [Gracie F. Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 8:01:11 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Gracie F. Conde
313 NW 14th street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I don't want my rights restricted by med mal caps.

Sincerely,

Gracie F. Conde

From: [Susie Hampson <www.shampson@wilkinslaw.com>](mailto:www.shampson@wilkinslaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:58:33 PM

Subject: med mal

Susie Hampson
1701 Gale Street
Englewood, FL 34223

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am against a med mal cap of \$500,000. It isn't going to resolve the insurance issue. The insurance companies need to be regulated. The spot light needs to be put on them, and removed from the doctors and lawyers on this alleged crisis.

Sincerely,

Susie Hampson

From: [Jodi Shaw <beatls1@aol.com>](mailto:beatls1@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:42:28 PM

Subject: Caps on Medical Malpractice

Jodi Shaw
416 SE 11th Ct
Cape Coral, FL 33990

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There is something I find very confusing about the proposed caps on awards. Just which insurance companies are our politicians working for? That is the only explanation I can find for everyone to be jumping through hoops to give insurance companies what they want without any concern for the voters! Don't you think it makes sense to operate from both sides of the issue? I might lean more towards agreeing with a cap on damages if the insurance companies agreed to reducing premiums charged to physicians. Then we would actually be doing what they claim "MIGHT" happen! It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out that SOMEBODY must be getting a hefty paycheck from the big insurance companies to turn over our rights to them. It's something I will certainly think about come election time!

Sincerely,

Jodi Shaw

From: [Marc Tannen <mjt@abramsanton.com>](mailto:mjt@abramsanton.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:42:55 PM

Subject: caps are not the answer

Marc Tannen
2021 Tyler Street
Hollywood, FL 33020

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Marc Tannen

From: [Tammy Parlin <jtparlin@juno.com>](mailto:Tammy.Parlin@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:39:03 PM

Subject: Say NO to med mal caps and bad faith reform

Tammy Parlin
4123 Lancaster Drive
Sarasota, FL 34241

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Senators be courageous and do not forget the sworn testimony elicited just two weeks ago that established that there is no basis for damage caps and that there is no litigation crisis. The only crisis is that the insurance companies are bleeding the doctors dry with no justification, except unmitigated GREED.

Sincerely,

Tammy Parlin

From: [Rita Merhi <RitaMerhi@msn.com>](mailto:RitaMerhi@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:36:12 PM

Subject: Vote Against Med Mal

Rita Merhi
2383 River Tree Circle
Sanford, FL 32771

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against Med Mal bill

I urge you to protect patients, not insurance company profits.

Sincerely,

Rita Merhi

From: [Jennifer Dismore <jdismore@legalaid.org>](mailto:jdismore@legalaid.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: sun-sentinel.com.bbennett@herald.com, justbrowardtimes@aol.com, elginjones@yahoo.com, chardy@broward.org.

Date: 8/11/2003 7:20:35 PM

Subject: Mismanagement of Primary Health Care Program in Broward County

Attachments: Letr. to Mayor Wasserman re Invite to Meeting to discuss health care provision8.wpd
NBHD Petition for Dec Statement without Exhibits.wpd

It is such a shame that people cannot just do what they are supposed to do under the law. See Attached, self explanatory. Sharon Bourassa, Director of Special Projects

P.S. You are all invited to attend.

From: [Sarah Martin <sncastel71@aol.com>](mailto:sncastel71@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:29:47 PM

Subject: NO against cap on damages

Sarah Martin
657 Glades Circle #205
Altamonte Springs, FLORIDA 32714

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Sarah Martin

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Sarah Martin

From: [CAROLYN GIDUSKO <CGIDUSKO@YAHOO.COM>](mailto:CAROLYN.GIDUSKO@YAHOO.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:29:14 PM

Subject: MED MAL CAP

CAROLYN GIDUSKO
7144 BROOKSIDE TRAIL
WINTER PARK, FLORIDA 32792

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. Tell We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Please stand up for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Please protect patients, not insurance company profits!

thank you!

Sincerely,

CAROLYN

From: [Bill McAfee <bmcafee@mcafeeandrusso.com>](mailto:bmcafee@mcafeeandrusso.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:30:12 PM

Subject: medical malpractice/bad faith

Bill McAfee
701 Northpoint Pkwy Ste 415
W.P.B., FL 33407

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not change the bad faith and HMO laws. Do you realize that I just had a client in here today that was diagnosed with lung cancer over a year ago and her HMO has yet to authorize actual treatment. She will most likely die. There is no excuse for this type of behavior. Please do not make it harder for people to make others do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Bill McAfee

From: [Deborah Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:25:30 PM

Subject: Don't sell out to insurance!! Protect Floridians

Deborah Gander
2343 SW 27th Terrace
Miami, FL 33133

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Deborah Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

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Date: 8/11/2003 7:25:30 PM

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August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Karen M Brill <karen.m.brill@db.com>](mailto:karen.m.brill@db.com)

To: jim.horne@fldoe.org

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:15:34 PM

Subject: A disconnect

Jim,

The media quotes you stating that No Child Left Behind and the Governor's A+ Plan "work in tandem."

I beg to differ. Advocates have been complaining to FLDOE and Governor Bush for years that ESE and ESOL students' scores on the FCAT do not count and that the result has been schools refusing to remediate our children. It is regrettable that no one has listened to us.

Karen

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From: [JAMES E. WILLIAMS <brwfsu@aol.com>](mailto:brwfsu@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:09:26 PM

Subject: MED MAL CAPS

JAMES E. WILLIAMS
788 WEST PATRICK CIRCLE
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33406

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

WHY REWARD THE INSURANCE COMPANYS WITH CAPS WHEN THE SWORN TESTIMONY
PROVED THEY WERE NOT TRUTHFULL?

PLEASE STOP THIS HORRIBLE BILL ,WE NEED TRUTH AND HOLD THE INSURANCE
COMPANYS ACCOUNTABLE ,PLEASE PROTECT THE PATIENTS,PLEASE DO THE RIGHT
THING AND VOTE AGAINST THIS HORRIBLE BILL

Sincerely,

JAMES E. WILLIAMS

From: [FULLER.BARBARA.S05 <FULLER.BARBARA.S05@flsenate.gov>](mailto:FULLER.BARBARA.S05@flsenate.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 7:01:11 PM

Subject: Request from Senator Wise

Governor,

Senator Wise is out of town and asked me to email you regarding this request. The St. Johns Country Day School, in Orange Park, will be celebrating the grand opening of its new library Sept. 29 - Oct. 9. They were wondering if there would be a possibility you could be present one of the days during that time frame? (your choice)

Thanks for your consideration,

Barbara

Barbara Fuller

Legislative Assistant

Senator Stephen R. Wise, District 5

413 Senate Office Building

404 South Monroe Street

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

850-487-5027

District: 904-573-4900

From: [David Fussell <Nole56@aol.com>](mailto:Nole56@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:56:29 PM

Subject: Med Mal confusion

David Fussell
17 E. Pine Street
Orlando, FLORIDA 32801

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against the horrible Med Mal reform bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

by voting against the bill you will be standing up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. You will be taking action to protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

David Fussell

From: [Anna Rossi <annabrossi@yahoo.com>](mailto:annabrossi@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:55:59 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens, Gone With The Wind AND Delta Burke

Dear Governor Bush,

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for saving Cypress Gardens.

As a young bride, my husband first brought me to Cypress Gardens many years ago. We have revisited the Gardens many times over the years and look forward to returning to the park, especially to see the Gone With The Wind exhibit!

Thank you for saving the park.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anna B. Rossi

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From: [Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Kathleen Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:47:13 PM

Subject: FW: NCLB Teacher Email

this is from one of our wonderful classroom teachers responding to a welcome back message and information about NCLB & AYP.

-----Original Message-----

From: Greg Manley [mailto:greg.manley@sdhc.k12.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 8:49 AM

To: Commissioner Horne

Subject: Re: NCLB Teacher Email

We do not believe any of your political hype and Bull Shit! DO NOT WRITE ME OR SEND ME YOUR LIES ANY MORE! If you care about children and education give up your office to someone who will really work for us and not the evil political,power machine you call goverment.We all see through your lies and your buddies lies,you are wasting your time and tax payers money-we work hard for our money.STOP wasting my time,energy and money trying making yourself look legit! You are only fooling yourself.DO NOT WRITE ME AGAIN!!!!

From: [Marian Johnson <MarianJohnson@flchamber.com>](mailto:MarianJohnson@flchamber.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:48:13 PM

Subject: Invitation to speak

Governor,

I did not know to whom I should address this so I am sending to you.

I have been asked by my very good friend, Nealie McCormick who is the Police Chief in Pelham, Georgia to assist him in getting you to address the Southwest Georgia Intelligence Unit. It seems that you are very popular with this group. The name of the group is somewhat deceiving because many law enforcement officials from North Florida are also members of this group. Here are the particulars as I know them:

Date: December 5, 2003 (First Friday in December)

Time: 8:00 am

Place: The Plaza Restaurant, Thomasville, Georgia

Subject: Suggestion is "anything on security" but they said whatever you choose

Speech time: About 20-30 minutes

Attendance: Varies between 125-175

Audience: Law enforcement officials from GA and FL, GA state senators and representatives, GA & FL sheriffs, highway patrols, Superior Judges, District Attorneys etc

This group is extremely interested in having you as a speaker. Please have your scheduler contact me so that we can discuss this further. And Governor, thanks for the tremendous job you are doing as our Governor. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you. Take care,

Marian

Marian P. Johnson

Executive Director

Florida Chamber Political Institute

136 South Bronough Street

Tallahassee, FL 32301

Ph (850) 521-1241

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E-mail: marianjohnson@flchamber.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: micheal.e.brady@navy.mil

Date: 8/11/2003 6:43:04 PM

Subject:

Captain Brady,

I am told that tomorrow will be your last day serving as the PAO for the US Atlantic Fleet. As you set off for your next assignment, please accept my sincerest thanks for all of that you have done over past 2+ years to assist Florida in best supporting the Navy--in part through effective and coordinated communications. I congratulate you and wish you well on your future with the Navy.

Jeb Bush

From: [James Wardell <jwardell@jawlaw.net>](mailto:jwardell@jawlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:38:35 PM

Subject: Med mal compromise

James Wardell
719 S. Delaware Ave
Tampa, FL 33606

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am shocked to hear of a purported compromise on medical malpractice reform that is completely opposite of the facts deduced by the Senate through sworn testimony at the prior hearings. The report of the "agreement" is basically all of the most important points Governor Bush has been forcing down everyone's throats. It appears as if the legislation was drawn by the insurance industry themselves.

After doing such a wonderful job bringing out the truth about this insurance industry created crisis, why would you now fold to the pressure from the Governor.

Please do not approve this legislation. Based upon the facts you now know how can you possibly justify approval of this legislation.

Sincerely,

James A. Wardell

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Lynn Lustig](#)

BCC: kathleen@jeb.org

Date: 8/11/2003 6:38:25 PM

Subject: RE: SANDRA WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Thank you Stan.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Lynn Lustig [mailto:Lynn@tkoapparel.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 12:19 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: SANDRA WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Monday, August 11, 2003

Dear Jeb:

I do not know what the situation was concerning Sandra Whittington, in regard to the cancellation of the contracts on her two daughters on the part of the Florida Prepaid College Program.

You can be assured I will check this out, and find out what the problem is, if any. I will additionally do whatever is necessary to have these contracts reinstated, if at all possible.

Your comments to Ms. Whittington were right on target, and I will keep you informed on what I find out, and what I can do to correct the situation.

Cordially,

Stanley G. Tate

From: Raymond Ravis <ray@andersonandhowell.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:37:21 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice "Reform"

Raymond Ravis
2029 Third Street North
jacksonville beach, FLORIDA 32250

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a plaintiffs' trial attorney practicing in Jacksonville Florida. I have been following the recent "reform" efforts in the House and Senate, as well as nationally.

Prior to representing plaintiffs, I spent several years as a defense attorney, specifically medical malpractice defense. I do not recall a single instance where I was asked to defend a "frivolous" lawsuit.

As a professional, I certainly feel sympathy for physicians. I know what a difficult job they have, and anyone can certainly see the significant amount of pressure they are under given the responsibility their actions and decisions carry. They are human and will make mistakes regardless of the financial consequences.

The consequences of their mistakes for the patients can be severe. Why then are the victims of a medical mistake not entitled to recover the full value of their damages? What is the rational basis for allowing a car accident victim to be compensated fully but denying a medical accident victim full compensation? Are the auto insurers in line for the next legislative favor?

The only argument that makes any sense in this scheme of "reform" involves those in favor of limiting insurance company exposure trying to scare the public into believing that all the good doctors will leave Florida because they are afraid of being sued. WHY IS THERE NO LEGISLATION TO TRY TO PREVENT MALPRACTICE FROM HAPPENING RATHER THAN PREVENTING THE VICTIMS FROM OBTAINING FULL RECOVERY?

Can you help me to better understand this issue? While I openly admit I am biased in favor of allowing people who are hurt because of someone

else's error to be compensated, I do not routinely handle medical malpractice claims because the law already makes it nearly impossible without significant risk and expense. Can you please answer the following:

1. Have insurance companies lost money because of frivolous lawsuits or actual malpractice?

2. If insurers are still making a profit, why do the victims of malpractice have to subsidize a greater profit?

3. Is there a "guarantee" that doctors will benefit from the legislation that is about to pass?

4. Why would anyone sworn to protect the public trust support a measure that completely immunizes an insurer from acting in bad faith? How can anyone make an argument that passes the "red face test" in favor of allowing insurers to act in BAD faith?

5. How can this legislation be permitted without disregarding the Constitution?

6. How will this legislation benefit Florida citizens?

Thank you for your time. I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Raymond M. Ravis

From: LYNDA BRUCE <jembruce@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:32:19 PM

Subject: MED MAL LEGISLATION

LYNDA BRUCE
462 VALLEY VIEW DRIVE
WINTER GARDEN, FLORIDA 34787

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I write to urge you to vote against the currently proposed med mal legislative changes.

It has been proved in recent weeks that there is absolutely NO argument for capping and/or restricting victims' rights to fair compensation and redress. It has also been admitted that the insurance industry will NOT be reducing the malpractice premiums imposed on doctors even if the legislative changes are made.

PLEASE support the people of Florida, not the big insurance companies. We are all potential victims of malpractice and victims should not be further disadvantaged.

Yours sincerely,

LYNDA J. BRUCE

From: [Nancy Long <nlongco@aol.com>](mailto:nlongco@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:30:17 PM

Subject: Med Mal legislation

Nancy Long
1359 Silver Moon Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE do the right thing here and PROTECT PATIENTS RIGHTS! We don't need bad faith changes or Caps on damages. We do NEED complete health care/insurance reform!

The current proposed legislation does not protect doctors or patients. It also contradicts sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago: No insurance rate reform or rate rollback No effective quality of care measures

Insurance companies are the only winners.

PLEASE VOTE NO ON THIS OUTRAGEOUS BILL.

Sincerely,

Nancy Long

From: [Melanie Homer <mrhomer0@netscape.net>](mailto:mrhomer0@netscape.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:13:33 PM

Subject: Med mal bill

Melanie Homer
4555 Birkenhead Rd
Jacksonville, FLORIDA 32210

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Despite the pre-arranged agreement, I urge you to vote NO on the proposed med mal bill. Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice
- * A \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs"
- * Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback
- * NO effective quality of care measures

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Sincerely,

Melanie Homer

From: [Jackson, Richard \(UO\) <Richard.Jackson@universalorlando.com>](mailto:Richard.Jackson@universalorlando.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:12:13 PM

Subject:

Governor Bush,

It was indeed a pleasure speaking with you at the recent Governor's Conference on Tourism in Jacksonville. Thank you for all that you do to promote this terrific vacation destination. We very much appreciate your leadership and vision in moving our industry to new heights.

As you may recall... I mentioned that I was one of your latest appointees to the Florida Commission on Tourism and I am honored to serve. Also I asked you if you would be interested in serving as this years Grand Marshall of the Progress Energy Super Holiday Parade?... (which is organized by Florida Citrus Sports ...of which I am serving as this years President)

You mentioned you would like to receive the information on this..so as a heads ups... a formal request with all the details is being sent out to you from our community leaders.

Best personal regards,

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Vice President Domestic & International Sales
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From: [Janice Allen <janice@pajcic.com>](mailto:janice@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:09:08 PM

Subject: Medical Mal-Practice Caps

Janice Allen
7412 Hernando Road
Jacksonville, FL 32217

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Well, the insurance companies are winning again. Putting caps on medical mal-practice claims gives the insurance companies all the advantages. Same old premiums to the doctors and don't have to pay out as much money on the few medical mal-practice cases that ever comes to trial or are pursued.

Don't let this happen!! You are elected to represent the people of this state, not the insurance companies!

Do not pass any sort of cap on medical mal-practice claims!!

Sincerely,

Janice Allen

From: [Megan Redman <megan@pajcic.com>](mailto:megan@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:04:46 PM

Subject: Special Session

Megan Redman
17550 Montessa Terrace
Jacksonville, FL 32226

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible piece of legislation which will solve nothing and strip consumers of their rights to redress through the courts. Don't do this!

Sincerely,

Megan Redman

From: [Dana Hoffman <dhoffman67@hotmail.com>](mailto:dhoffman67@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:01:59 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice "Reform"

Dana Hoffman
9950 5th Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33702

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO!!! on this horrible legislation. It benefits no one but insurance companies while hurting doctors and their patients. Provisions like caps and bad faith immunity particularly allow these greedy companies to roll the dice with doctors' lives and avoid ever paying fair settlements to severely injured patients.

We don't need these measures. Firstly, medical malpractice liability is not the reason for soaring insurance rates. Even the industry's own executives have admitted this. If you want to address this, pass insurance reform. Secondly, juries should be trusted to do the fair and equitable thing in these cases. They almost always arrive at fair results few could question. To pass the proposed provisions tells the Florida public that we don't trust them and severely damages our system of justice. Vote NO.

Sincerely,

Dana P. Hoffman

From: [Gracie Piacentini, <grapiacentini@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:grapiacentini@worldnet.att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:00:02 PM

Subject: PLEASE VOTE AGAINST CAPS ON MEDMAL AWARDS

Gracie Piacentini,
3915 So. Flagler Dr.
West Palm Beach, FL 33405

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not join the Governor in siding with the insurance companies against the individuals who he has an obligation to protect.

Please stand strong to defend people who have no other defense.

PLEASE VOTE AGAINST CAPS ON MEDMAL AWARDS

Sincerely,

Gracie Piacentini

From: [Sharon Andersen <sharon.andersen@comcast.net>](mailto:sharon.andersen@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:59:23 PM

Subject: Protection of patients rights

Sharon Andersen
9638 Trendle Lane
Jacksonville, FL 32257

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

We do not need caps on med mal claims or changes to bad faith claims.
Vote NO to them, please.

Sincerely,

Sharon Andersen

From: [Steven Earle <earlesteven@hotmail.com>](mailto:earlesteven@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:52:01 PM

Subject: Deal on Med Mal

Steven Earle
515 Raehn Street
Orlando, FL 32806

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I like many other Floridians, watched the Senate hearings (under oath) where insurance company execs, and FMA all agreed that there were more doctors coming to practice in Florida than leaving or retiring, that caps would not reduce insurance rates, and that FPIC makes more money in Florida than any other state and would continue to do so without caps. I find it extremely disturbing that the insurance companies can manufacture a "crisis" nationwide and lobby our legislatures, flood the airwaves with false and misleading advertisements, and then under oath state that none of what they have repeatedly stated in public is actually happening. Why in the face of such testimony does the senate compromise bill find that there is a crisis with healthcare in Florida? And even more disturbing, why are we enacting limits on victims rights when all parties agree that these caps will not reduce insurance premiums?

Sincerely,

Steven Earle

From: [Julie Littky-Rubin <jlittkyrubin@palmbeachlaw.com>](mailto:jlittkyrubin@palmbeachlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:52:57 PM

Subject: VOTE NO ON MEDMAL BILL

Julie Littky-Rubin
203 Bent Tree Drive
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senators:

Please Vote no on the med mal bill. How will anyone but insurance companies, the governor and the president possibly benefit from this? Doctors need a bill with insurance rate rollback and protections against bad faith. This bill needs to be voted against. I sincerely appreciate your taking the time to listen.

Sincerely,

Julie Littky-Rubin

From: [Marc Tannen <mjt@abramsanton.com>](mailto:mjt@abramsanton.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:51:13 PM

Subject: don't sell us out!

Marc Tannen
2021 Tyler Street
Hollywood, FL 33020

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Didn't you hear the testimony? Caps are not the answer. You are taking rights from the people and giving profit to the insurance industry. Where are you to protect us? Do your job and don't cave to special interests. Vote no on caps and yes to a self insured plan that gives the profit back to the doctors in rate rollbacks!

Sincerely,

Marc Tannen

From: [Angelo Marino <amjrpa@aol.com>](mailto:amjrpa@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:52:24 PM

Subject: HMO bill

Angelo Marino
2500 Riverland road
ft lauderdale, FL 33312

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senator:

Please vote against the HMO welfare bill that gives immunity to HMOs.

Every day the HMOs get richer and the docs and citizens of this state get the shaft.

The evidence from the Senate hearings does not support this!!!!!!!

Sincerely,

Angelo Marino

From: [J. Rodriguez <jelly459@msn.com>](mailto:jelly459@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:43:51 PM

Subject: VOTE NO!

J. Rodriguez
Post Office Box 261381
Tampa, FLORIDA 33685

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this. It's time to stop making it all about the money! It's time to put priorities in order. Making money is not the number one priority! VOTE NO!

Sincerely,

Rodriguez

From: [Jonathan Friedland <jon@lawfriedland.com>](mailto:jon@lawfriedland.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:44:18 PM

Subject: VOTE NO ON THE PRPOSED MED MAL BILL

Jonathan Friedland
9130 S Dadeland Blvd
Miami, FL 33156

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

please do not enact the med mal legislation that is being proposed by the Governor, Speaker of the House and Senate President. It will only hurt Florida's families and people who are injured as a result of medical malpractice. Please stand strong and let the voices of Floridians be heard

Sincerely,

Jonathan R. Friedland

From: [James E. Cook <jim_cook53@yahoo.com>](mailto:jim_cook53@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:35:54 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Agreement

James E. Cook
453 San Fernando Dr.
Palm Springs , FLORIDA 33461

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The agreement reached between the Governor, Jim King and Johnnie Byrd is basically a cop out serving none of the parties except the big Insurance Company profit pictures. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights and places patients in even greater danger of malpractice. Doctors will be left holding the bag as Insurance companies will be immune from any threat of bad faith handling. Please stick to your guns on these issues for the sake of the people of Florida. Listen to what was told to you in the hearings just recently held where under oath you heard the real truth. Please vote against this terrible bill. We do not need Bad Faith changes or caps. We Need constructive Insurance reform. Thank you for reading this. I know you will cast your vote for the people of Florida.

Sincerely,

James E. Cook

From: [E. T. York <york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu>](mailto:york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:20:30 PM

Subject: [Fwd: Amendment 11 and other education issues]

Dear Governor Bush:

The following message may be a duplicate. The message was originally sent to you Friday afternoon, but we were experiencing computer system problems and are unsure whether the message got through to you.

E. T. York

----- Original Message -----

Subject: Amendment 11 and other education issues

Date: Fri, 08 Aug 2003 15:59:56 -0400

From: "E. T. York" <york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu>

To: Governor Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you for your August 6 e-mail.

With all due respect, I don't yearn for the "good old days." When I met with you in early October 2001, I presented a governance plan for the universities that was quite different from the old Board of Regents structure, because it included local Boards of Trustees. You said you "liked" it at the time and left me with the impression that my recommendation might be favorably received.

Moreover, I'm not the only one who wants something other than the governance plan you approved. How can you ignore the fact that last November over 60 percent of Florida voters chose the Amendment 11 plan over the governance plan your administration had installed? Furthermore, every major newspaper in the state has either been critical of your wholly inadequate (and some would say "highly destructive") governance plan or your failure to implement the governance structure called for by the people of this state--or both.

Governor, with the adoption of the amendment, Florida has been given the opportunity to install a governance system similar to the one adopted by North Carolina and other states with great university systems. The problem to date is that your appointees to the Board of Governors have apparently followed your lead by refusing to implement the system outlined in Amendment 11.

Of course the governance issue is only a part of the problem I wrote you about. Many of us are distressed by the appalling failure of your administration to support even minimum funding for our universities. As I have pointed out, the universities' share of the state budget has fallen three percent in the last three years, which means that the institutions have lost tens of millions of dollars--a loss that is compounded by the fact that the state budget has completely ignored enrollment growth.

Governor, you still have more than three years in office--adequate time to steer our universities in a more positive direction. Many of us want to see you succeed and would be willing to help in any way possible. Unless, however, your current course is changed substantially, I fear that history will judge your efforts very poorly as an education governor.

With every good wish,

E. T.

From: [Sondra Fryrear <sfryrear@dgfirm.com>](mailto:sfryrear@dgfirm.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:10:23 PM

Subject: Please vote against proposed med mal bill

Sondra Fryrear
6229 Frost Drive
Tampa, FL 33625

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Sondra Fryrear

From: [Catherine Douglas <borcdouglas@comcast.net>](mailto:borcdouglas@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:03:16 PM

Subject: RE: Proposed Medmal Legislation

Catherine Douglas
109 Castile Street
Venice, FL 34285

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this bill.

This bill will:

- make insurance companies immune from bad faith claims by physicians
- insulate HMOs from accountability
- include setoffs that in effect reduce the non-economic cap
- include legislative findings that contradict sworn testimony
- include NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback
- DO NOTHING to address quality of care issues

Sincerely,

Catherine M. Douglas

From: [Deborah Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:56:02 PM

Subject: INSURANCE REFORM, NOT TORT DEFORM!

Deborah Gander
2343 SW 27th Terrace
Miami, FL 33133

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not strip Floridians of their constitutional rights. Reign in the insurance industry; that's the solution.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Ray Valdes <republicanray@yahoo.com>](mailto:republicanray@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:56:12 PM

Subject: Judicial Appointments

Governor Bush

It appears the Judges in our Courthouse, most of whom are registered members of the Democrat Party, and the knowledgeable Orlando Sentinel newspaper are now forecasting your judicial appointments. (8/10 article attached)

Ray Valdes

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From: [Hubert Childress, Jr. <bert@brevardlawyer.com>](mailto:bert@brevardlawyer.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:54:08 PM

Subject: Med. Malp. Legislation

Hubert Childress, Jr.
2285 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The special session on medical malpractice legislation begins tomorrow and you must do the right thing for the citizens of Florida, not those with a special interest in the issue or an "ax" to grind. This proposal will strip the citizens of Florida of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow insurance companies to continue gouging doctors. Big insurance is clearly the winner here. This proposal does nothing to bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It does nothing to stop the epidemic of medical negligence that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars each year. Please vote against this horrible bill. We do not need caps on damages or changes to the bad faith laws.

Sincerely,

Hubert C. Childress, Jr.

From: [Terry John <hohterry@yahoo.com>](mailto:hohterry@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:49:03 PM

Subject: House of Hope

Governor Bush,

Sara has just returned from Oklahoma City and I gave her the message. He was thrilled to know you would help. We will continue to pray for you and your administraton. Keep on doing the right thing and God is blessing you.

Terri

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From: [Richard Gilbert <rgilbert@dgfirm.com>](mailto:rgilbert@dgfirm.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:32:58 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Richard Gilbert
3317 Granada St.
Tampa, FL 33629

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote "NO" on the proposed Med Mal bill. This bill is unfair and attempts to cure the insurance premium crisis on the backs of innocent victims of medical malpractice. * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors fairly. * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice. * The \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages is in reality much lower because of "setoffs". * There are proposed Legislative findings that directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago. * There is NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback. * There is NO effective quality of care measures.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Gilbert

From: [Lynn Lustig <Lynn@tkoapparel.com>](mailto:Lynn.Lustig@tkoapparel.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:18:58 PM

Subject: SANDRA WHITTINGTON - FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE PROGRAM

Monday, August 11, 2003

Dear Jeb:

I do not know what the situation was concerning Sandra Whittington, in regard to the cancellation of the contracts on her two daughters on the part of the Florida Prepaid College Program.

You can be assured I will check this out, and find out what the problem is, if any. I will additionally do whatever is necessary to have these contracts reinstated, if at all possible.

Your comments to Ms. Whittington were right on target, and I will keep you informed on what I find out, and what I can do to correct the situation.

Cordially,

Stanley G. Tate

From: [Charles Telfair <cwtelfair@lutzwebb.com>](mailto:cwtelfair@lutzwebb.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:16:07 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice tort reform - PLEASE VOTE NO.

Charles Telfair
2 North Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34236

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen -

The most recent version of the tort reform legislation proposed by the governor will further erode the rights of victims of malpractice in the state of Florida. Contrary to the popular myth, trial lawyers are not taking (much less winning) frivolous lawsuits against physicians. Rather medical malpractice lawsuits with merit are turned away every day by attorneys due to the restrictions currently in place. A vote for the latest reform effort is a vote against your constituents and their patient rights.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Telfair

From: [Maria Bracale <carmita@msn.com>](mailto:carmita@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:14:24 PM

Subject: Med Mal Cap

Maria Bracale
7420 S.W. 32nd Street
Miami, FLORIDA 33155

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Maria Bracale

From: [Joseph Vaccaro <Lone_Wolfe@prodigy.net>](mailto:Lone_Wolfe@prodigy.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:14:04 PM

Subject: malpractice /insurance bill

Joseph Vaccaro
364 Westwood Circle W.
West Palm Beach, FLORIDA 33411

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I've just had the opportunity to review the proposed bill regarding malpractice reform and the elimination of Insurance company responsibility to their insured's (i.e. bad faith dealings. I find it particularly unconscionable to eliminate the responsibility of insurance companies to deal fairly and in good faith with the people they insure. When you purchase an insurance policy it is with the idea that your insurance company is going to deal in a manner that places the insured's best interest's before their own in seeing to it that you are protected. When they fail to do that and as a result you are left "holding the bag" they need to be held accountable!!! That is the whole purpose of the laws of bad faith which have taken decades to develop. To do away with these laws with the stroke of a pen to to absolute detriment of Florida citizens is an outrage! All you would be doing is taking away the checks and balance people have and giving Insurance companies a license to steal and deny benefits that their policies are supposed to pay for. Please vote against this unconscionable bill and do not leave Floridians completely at the mercy of Insurance companies!!!

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Vaccaro

From: [Stewart Greenberg <Stewart@sgglaw.com>](mailto:Stewart@sgglaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:11:22 PM

Subject: No Caps on Damages

Stewart Greenberg
12118 NW 9 Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33071

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Stewart Greenberg

From: [Ed Ratiner <ratinerlaw@aol.com>](mailto:Ed.Ratinerlaw@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:10:13 PM

Subject: Insurance industry protectionism - MED. MAL.

Ed Ratiner
6800 SW Gaines Av.
Stuart, FL 34997

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed Medical Malpractice bill is a blatant attempt to protect insurance industry profits at the expense of doctors and patients. You are now providing total immunity for insurance companies and insulating them against any liability for "bad faith" actions. Deleting the ONLY method available to doctors for keeping the insurers honest and responsive to their insureds, gives the insurance companies permission to completely disregard the rights of their policy holders. PLEASE RECONSIDER !

Sincerely,

Ed Ratiner

From: [Julie Justen <juliejusten@yahoo.com>](mailto:juliejusten@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:08:45 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Julie Justen
4610 N. Armenia Ave. #931
Tampa, FL 33603

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There should be no agreement unless and until the insurance companies are legally bound to lower premiums for Florida doctors---and the consequences for not doing so are severe and spelled out in exact terms. We the people are tired of our lives being run by the insurance industry!

Sincerely,

Julie Justen

From: [Tere Delgado <erniejr@bellsouth.net>](mailto:erniejr@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:06:35 PM

Subject: Med Mal Reform

Tere Delgado
6980 W 5th Ave.
Hialeah, FL 33014

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I need true findings not the onces given to me by insurance companies trying to take away our rights. Please DO NOT VOTE for the medical malpractice reform

Sincerely,

Tere Delgado

From: [Flor Diaz <fld@haggardparks.com>](mailto:fld@haggardparks.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 4:00:23 PM

Subject: med mal

Flor Diaz
330 Alhambra Circle
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senator:

Please vote against this horrible bill. Tell them we need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Please stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Tell them to protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Flor Diaz

From: [Jene Williams <jwilliams@liggiolaw.com>](mailto:jwilliams@liggiolaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:59:41 PM

Subject: Note NO on new Governor's Bill

Jene Williams
1915 Hartford Court
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The new agreement reached on the med mal issue again does not guarantee that premiums rates will not increase so why add any caps? Caps are against the constitution.

Sincerely,

Jene Williams

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:58:33 PM

Subject: no cap on med mal

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Deborah Fleming-Gomez <dfleming-gomez@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:dfleming-gomez@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:56:48 PM

Subject: PLEASE VOTE NO TO CAPS

Deborah Fleming-Gomez
17 S. Cirrus Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33765

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Just a note to thank you for fighting hard for the citizens of Florida and their families. Please keep up the fight and tell the Governor no to caps on medmal damages. Caps on damages will do nothing to fix the problem of insurance companies raising their premiums. They have admitted this fact already. Please also tell him not to wipe out insurance bad faith as someone has to make the insurance companies accountable. As we have all seen in the past, they will put their profits above all else.

Thanks again for fighting for us "Little Guys" and keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Deborah Fleming-Gomez

From: [Douglas Dykes <ddykes@syfrett-dykes.com>](mailto:ddykes@syfrett-dykes.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:55:35 PM

Subject: BAD BILLS MAKE BAD LAW

Douglas Dykes
8106 Heritage Woods Lane
Panama City, FL 32404

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote no on the proposed "med mal" bill. It is a bad bill. It is bad for the people of Florida. Insurance companies eat their young everyday. Passing this bill is only sacrifices the rights of every Floridian to placate a VERY powerful few. Doctors aren't going to leave the State - its a scare tactic plan and simple. If and when juries award substantial verdicts it is because the facts warrant it. There are no runaway juries and the testimony taken by the Senate proved that.

Vote NO because this is a BAD bill and BAD bills make BAD laws.

Sincerely,

Douglas Dykes

From: [dawn_pitts <dawnepit@aol.com>](mailto:dawn_pitts@dawnepit@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:52:21 PM

Subject: insurance reform

dawn pitts
134d weybridge circle
royal palm beach, FL 33411

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

please vote no on any tort reform. the only winners here are the insurance companies. please vote no on the new agreement that is supposedly on the table. it hurts the citizens of our state. thank you in advance

Sincerely,

dawn pitts

From: [Edward Lyons <mlattys@ij.net>](mailto:mlattys@ij.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:51:25 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Reform

Edward Lyons
29605 U.S. Hwy 19 North
Clearwater, FLORIDA 33761

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO on the proposed changes regarding medical malpractice lawsuits. As is clear, the only sworn testimony in this matter is in direct contradiction to the legislative findings which you are going to be asked to approve.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Lyons

From: [dawn_pitts <dawnepit@aol.com>](mailto:dawn_pitts@dawnepit@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:50:48 PM

Subject: insurance reform

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134d weybridge circle
royal palm beach, FL 33411

August 11, 2003

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From: [Martin Sperry <mosperry@ssklawgroup.capwiz.com>](mailto:mosperry@ssklawgroup.capwiz.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:50:37 PM

Subject: Med Mal Legislation

Martin Sperry
1776 N Pine Island Rd #324
Plantation, FL 33322

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not allow the proposed legislation pass as proposed. Seriously injured people need protection far more than insurance companies, but contribute less. The proposal also does nothing to help doctors with rate relief or with bad faith. Please do not let this pass. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martin Sperry

From: [Matthew Kobren <mdkobren@aol.com>](mailto:mdkobren@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:50:28 PM

Subject: Vote No!!!

Matthew Kobren
321 E. Sheridan Street Apt 303
Dania, FL 33004

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Do not help the insurance companies by virtually eliminating bad faith.

Sincerely,

Matthew Kobren

From: [David Neblett <dneblett@gaebemullen.com>](mailto:dneblett@gaebemullen.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:45:16 PM

Subject: NO MED MAL LEGISLATION

David Neblett
221 collins ave apt 10
miami beach, FL 33139

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed bill does not help Floridians. It only help insurance companies and does not remedy the stituation.

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Sincerely,

David Neblett

From: [Michael Beam <mebeam@doranbeam.com>](mailto:mebeam@doranbeam.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:45:01 PM

Subject: Med Mal agreement shameful

Michael Beam
6401 Thoroughbred Loop
Odessa, FL 33556

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am shocked and saddened to know that, despite the numerous lies that were finally exposed on this issue (only through sworn testimony), the safety of Florida's families - your constituents - are still to be sold out to the interests of the insurance industry. The only thing protected by capping damage awards at any level is insurance profiteering. The compromise bill does nothing to keep insurance companies in check, and in fact the bad faith "safe harbor" provision only encourages insurance companies to abandon or endanger the doctors they are supposed to protect. For over twenty years, I've been a registered Republican. I'm deeply disappointed in my party, and am now reconsidering my affiliation. When sworn testimony is ignored in favor of baseless propoganda, putting my family members in danger of losing their constitutional right of access to courts, I have to question our leadership. Repupicans used to be the party of "less government." Obviously, that has changed, and not for the better. The right to have damages decided by a jury of one's peers is being supplanted by a narrow, "one size fits all" formula that will deny thousands of current and future Floridians justice for their losses. Respectfully, I urge you to vote "no" on the compromise medical malpractice bill.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Beam

From: [Donna Howey <dmj@searcylaw.com>](mailto:dmj@searcylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:44:23 PM

Subject: Vote No on Caps

Donna Howey
12321 Acapulco Ave
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Caps will not help lower insurance rates. Please consider insurance reform and protect Florida's citizens and patients.

Respectfully

Donna Howey

From: [Cheryl Kloeckner <supermom21359@aol.com>](mailto:supermom21359@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:44:13 PM

Subject: WHY ARE INSURANCE COMPANIES WINNING!!!

Cheryl Kloeckner
4209 Centurian Circle
Greenacres, FL 33463

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I have called and written several e-mails and letters because I feel so strongly against the med mal caps - - still the government doesn't listen!!! Florida State government officials who actively support the insurance companies are only hurting Florida citizens in the long run. BELIEVE me if the caps continue on and are made law - - ALL citizens of Florida - - housewives, children AND elected officials will only be hurt. VOTE NO ON CAPS!!!!!!

Very truly yours,

Cheryl Kloeckner

From: [Marie Abbosso <abbosso@cs.com>](mailto:abbosso@cs.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:43:32 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Caps

Marie Abbosso
4230 D'Este Court, #103
Lake Worth, FL 33467

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against the bill that is now before you as it is not protecting the citizens who put you in office. It is protecting the insurance companies. This bill is a disaster. The insurance industry is the big winner with this bill. What we need is insurance reform not a cap on damages.

Sincerely,

Marie Abbosso

From: [Amy DeFau <AimlessWPB@hotmail.com>](mailto:AimlessWPB@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:43:11 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

Amy DeFau
1733 Shoreside Circle
Wellington, FL 33414

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages. PLEASE stand up to
for the rights of injured patients. PLEASE protect the patients. PLEASE
VOTE AGAINST THIS BILL!!

Sincerely,

Amy DeFau

From: [Dianne Mackoy <dmackoy@faiella.com>](mailto:dmackoy@faiella.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:41:49 PM

Subject: Please vote against the horrible bill

Dianne Mackoy
509 Heritage Blvd.
Winter Park, FL 32792

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

I Urge you to stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Please protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Dianne Mackoy

From: [Manuel Morales <mm@moraleslaw.com>](mailto:mm@moraleslaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:42:25 PM

Subject: Do the Right Thing for Floridians

Manuel Morales
19 W. Flalger St. Suite 711
Miami, FL 33130

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The reason for the proposed legislation is to make malpractice insurance affordable to doctors. Without a guaranteed rate rollback on Malpractice insurance premiums, you will accomplish nothing for your constituents by succumbing to the governor's strong arm tactics and passing the proposed legislation stripping Floridians of their rights. Please reconsider and vote No on this anti-constituent legislation.

Sincerely,

Manny Morales

From: [Catherine Christman <chri4217@bellsouth.com>](mailto:chri4217@bellsouth.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:41:28 PM

Subject: NO CAPS!!!

Catherine Christman
717 U.S. 1 #212
Jupiter, FL 33477

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I really wish you would stop letting Gov. Bush push you around. Please protect the victims of malpractice and the victims of insurance companies by devising a solution to this crises, other than placing caps on what innocent citizens should receive when mistakes are made effecting their lives permanently.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Catherine Christman

From: [Christian Zinn <zinn1031@yahoo.com>](mailto:zinn1031@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:41:21 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Cap

Christian Zinn
9270 SW 136 St
Miami, FL 33176

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The recent law that was passed on Capping Medical Malpractice is wrong. It does nothing to help those who need it the most, Floridians. All it does is make Big insurance the big winner. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

Please do all you can to remove this terrible legislation from Florida's records

Sincerely,

Christian Zinn

From: [Charles Baumberger <baumberger@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:baumberger@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:40:46 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Charles Baumberger
5755 Suncrest Dr.
Pinecrest, FLORIDA 33156

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senator: I have read with astonishment that the Legislative Leadership has agreed to a medical malpractice bill which flies in the face of the sworn testimony taken by the Senate a couple or weeks or so ago. The bill rewards insurance companies without giving premium relief to physicians. It also harms patients. PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THIS HORRIBLE BILL!

Sincerely,

Charles H. Baumberger

From: [Walter Blenner <waltblenner@glennbergblenner.com>](mailto:waltblenner@glennbergblenner.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:37:10 PM

Subject: Vote NO on Med Mal Bill

Walter Blenner
2708 Alt. 19 No., Suite 701
Palm Harbor, FL 34683

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

While I understand politics means compromise, this med mal bill is bad for patients. There still has not been a demonstrated need for reform. Doctors will not get ins. premium relief. Please vote NO.

Sincerely,

Walt Blenner

From: [Mary McCann <mem@searcylaw.com>](mailto:mem@searcylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:37:48 PM

Subject: Proposed Bill regarding medical malpractice issue

Mary McCann
1779 SW Dyer Point Road
Palm City, FL 34990

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors. Please do the right thing. Please vote against this horrible Bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages. Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Mary McCann

From: Esbogie2@aol.com <Esbogie2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:37:20 PM

Subject: Re: A brief clarification

Jeb:

Thank you so much for your prompt response. Let me clarify a couple of issues: First, I do not disagree with your assessment with respect to Barry Scheck's project in NY, but NSU independently started the FIP in 1999 and has been diligently working on cases. NSU's operation is an independent pro bono organization that has processed almost 800 requests for assistance. This is a fluid ongoing process, and, there are limits to what we can humanly accomplish, but that should not be held against the prisoners. FSU's branch is part of Barry Scheck's project. NSU communicated to Barry from the beginning that they were limited as to how many cases they could handle. Realizing that NSU alone could not handle all of Florida's cases, Barry solicited FSU's help, calling that project the "Florida Innocence Project," further confusing the issue. That unfortunately, made it look like we waited until January to begin working on files. That is not the case. Same name - consistent mission, but different effort.

Second, because each Innocence Project was originally inspired by Barry's work, we share information, but that is it. The prison population was not sent a memo and their knowledge that a DNA challenge was available is still making its way through the system. We receive many pro se motions with requests for help, and it is apparent that these prisoners cannot effectively represent themselves. Many motions are denied only because they are poorly constructed. Independently, we knew that an extension was necessary, but did not have the resources to pursue a change. That is where Barry Scheck entered the picture.

NSU was told that Barry's organization was working in Tallahassee to extend the deadline and "had things under control." They respected his right to pursue this extension and needed his assistance, and did not interfere. Barry kept his eye on the big picture, while NSU continued to crank out the work. It is a necessary partnership. Our class was told about the work in Tallahassee in January of 2003. I volunteered, and at my professor's request, I did some independent investigation and found that things were not moving along, and at that time (around March of 2003) we injected ourselves into the process, unfortunately a bit late.

So, that is why we are in this position today! Sorry for the long winded emails, but I want you to understand the full picture. There has been a great deal of misinformation, and because NSU's project is independent, we have had little input and control over NY's efforts. This is not about Barry Scheck's project, but about completing what NSU's FIP began several years ago, and making sure that every Florida prisoner who has a legitimate claim has a chance to be heard.

I hope I have clarified some of the issues and again, I appreciate your consideration and look forward to your response. Good luck this week.

Ellyn

In a message dated 8/10/2003 5:26:10 PM Eastern Daylight Time, jeb@jeb.org writes:

Ellyn, thank you for writing. I will look into this issue. However, I believe that had the work started when it should have, the work could have gotten done.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Esbogie2@aol.com [<mailto:Esbogie2@aol.com>]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 7:14 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Hi again, it's Ellyn Bogdanoff

Hi Jeb:

I will try to be as brief as possible...

I have done my homework and I am now writing to you for your support and guidance. There has been a great deal of publicity about the looming DNA deadline for convicted felons. Those convicted prior to 2001 will no longer have the opportunity to challenge their conviction with new DNA technology. As a recent graduate of NSU Law School, I had the opportunity to work with the Florida Innocence Project (FIP). I signed up to gain practical legal experience. For the most part, our system works, but we do make errors. However, when science and law merge we have a greater chance of getting it right.

With that said, your office was recently quoted in the Miami Herald as stating that the 2 year statute of limitations under Fla. Stat. 925.11 was sufficient. For recent cases, I do not challenge that statement, but I respectfully disagree with respect to those convicted when DNA was more of a mystery than reality. FIP is a non profit organization working with volunteers to locate and scan through thousands of files. I know first hand the length of time it takes to locate old files and evidence and review them. Some of these cases are 15-20 years old. Most reach a dead end, but there are those few that have the potential to unlock the truth through DNA. The folks at NSU are not looking for technical loopholes, but only seeking to file those cases where DNA could exonerate someone who was wrongly convicted.

I understand the need for finality, but never at the risk of incarcerating the innocent. Children and education issues remain my passion, but I had a great opportunity to peek into a world that was foreign to me. I respect and understand their quest and hope you will provide the dedicated NSU professors an opportunity to be heard. FSU has recently joined the team to help with the Florida backlog, but time is the enemy and many cases will be left untouched if the extension is not granted. The AG's office awaits your support. We can extend the time by one year through a budget amendment. We attempted to work through the legislature this past session, but as you know, this was a difficult year.

I realize you are faced with many critical issues, but I ask that you consider supporting the extension. I volunteered to reach out to you because I not only admire my Professor's dedication, but I was also deeply concerned about this potential miscarriage of justice. It is unnecessary and easily fixed. My professor came to FIP with a unique perspective as a former prosecutor, and is simply committed to making the system better. It may sound corny, but it is true. Without your support, many who choose to challenge their convictions with new DNA technology will soon reach the end of the road. If you need more information, I would love to have the opportunity to discuss it with you further. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

By the way, congratulations on settling the malpractice issue! Hope all is well.

Ellyn

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From: [Jeffrey Dickstein <jwdlaw@bellsouth.net>](mailto:jwdlaw@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:36:27 PM

Subject: malpractice reform

Jeffrey Dickstein
200 S. Biscayne Blvd.
Miami, FL 33131

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

the proposed bill is not reform, it's a political sell-out to the insurance companies. vote NO!

Sincerely,

Jeffrey W. Dickstein

From: Frark@aol.com <Frark@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:36:09 PM

Subject: Messersmith: FYI from MCI

Dear Gov. Bush:

One of our longtime clients is MCI (formerly WorldCom/MCI). We have worked with them in one form or another for over 12 years. In that regard, I am including for you some comments gleaned from an information memo sent to its employees last week. Since Florida is a very important client to the company, I thought this information would be interesting and hopefully a confirmation of the continuing good service and participation the state can expect from MCI.

Frank Messersmith
205-9000

As you know, the General Services Administration (GSA) has been reviewing MCI's status as a federal contractor and the following is an update for you regarding these issues.

Today, the General Services Administration (GSA) announced that it is restricting MCI from pursuing new federal contracts until MCI's internal financial reporting controls are in place and our ethics programs are broader and more robust.

While MCI wishes this were not the case, the Company definitely knows there is more work to do. Rebuilding the finance and internal controls of the organization, making the push to emerge from Chapter 11, and aspiring to create a model for corporate governance are not overnight endeavors. All of them take time.

While today's news is regrettable in the short-term, it is important to note that it does not affect the more than 1,000 state and federal government current contracts managed by the MCI Government Markets division nor does it reflect on the service quality. On the contrary, GSA officials have made it clear that MCI service and performance levels continue to meet or exceed all government standards. MCI will continue to fully support all of their government customers with the very best service, support and product development in the industry.

Because MCI has been in communications with the GSA regarding the government contracts for some time, the company completely understands and respects this decision. MCI has been working diligently to implement all of the internal

controls and recommendations as proposed in an extensive review by KPMG. It's important to note that the KPMG report did not include the company's customer transaction systems. MCI will continue to provide their customers with the best network performance and the lowest FCC outages in the industry for all of their customers. Once the internal controls efforts are completed, MCI expects GSA to lift its limitations on their ability to seek new government business.

There is no doubt that some of this is really tough stuff. As far as MCI knows, no one in history has ever had to reconstruct three years of financial history for a company of this magnitude. MCI has lost a significant number of finance personnel over the past year but have since hired 400 new financial and accounting professionals over the last six months. The auditors, KPMG, completed an internal controls review of the company and MCI has retained Deloitte & Touche to assist the company in implementing those recommendations. People literally are working around the clock.

In fact, MCI has accomplished a great deal in the past six months. The company has:

- Launched a 100 day plan and filed a plan of reorganization
- Fully cooperated with two independent investigations
- Hired key members of management, including a CFO and head of internal finance controls
- Conducted an extensive review of internal controls
- And are now in the process of implementing internal controls recommendations

And while MCI is absolutely committed to doing the right things, the company knows there is much more to do. It will be aggressive about resolving some of the GSA's concerns about expanding their ethics programs. So far, MCI has been focused on rebuilding the Board and the management team, setting the tone at the top, establishing a companywide zero-tolerance policy, introducing a set of MCI guiding principles to work by, developing broad-based employee ethics training, and educating executives and finance staff about business ethics and Sarbanes-Oxley. This is just a start. There will be much more to come.

It is also important to note that these comments are not related to this week's Justice Department inquiry. But just to update you, 24 hours after meeting with the U.S. Attorney's Office on Monday, MCI hired the law firm of Gibson,

Dunn & Crutcher LLP to undertake a complete review of the accusations related to access charges and call routing. MCI hopes to have a complete set of facts with respect to their current practices very soon. The investigation will be thorough and, in the end, the facts will speak for themselves.

Lastly, MCI believes that neither the GSA decision nor the U.S. Attorney's Office inquiry will impact the timing of the company's emergence from Chapter 11 this fall. Also, late today, Judge Gonzales announced a brief delay to the MCI confirmation hearing by two weeks, from August 25th to September 8th, enough time for creditors to receive adequate information.

If you have any questions or I can provide you with additional information, please contact me at your convenience.

Frank Messersmith

From: [Stuart Ratzan <stuart@ralawyers.com>](mailto:stuart@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:33:27 PM

Subject: No to Caps; No to HMO Immunity; No to Insurance Welfare

Stuart Ratzan
200 S. Biscayne Blvd.
Miami, FL 33131

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please oppose the malpractice legislation. This is corporate welfare for the insurance industry, at the expense of catastrophically injured victims and patient safety. It also hurts doctors because it lets insurers carelessly handle claims without regard for the financial consequences to the physicians.

Please insist on meaningful insurance reform, not handouts to the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Stuart Ratzan

From: [susan ramsey <sramsey@algxmail.com>](mailto:susan_ramsey@algxmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:34:02 PM

Subject: Proposed medical malpractice bill

susan ramsey
6062 mullin street
jupiter, FL 33458

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This latest version of "medical malpractice reform" strips Floridians of their constitutional rights! It also will not effect the real problem, health care providers who repeatedly cause the most errors.

It's not a compromise, it's selling injured floridans out to the insurance industry. I only hope that those close to you never have to suffer the indignity of being told... "you're pain and suffering isn't worth much"...

Please consider the victims!

Sincerely,

Susan B. Ramsey

From: [Joni Baker <jbnfl@bellsouth.net>](mailto:jbnfl@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:33:48 PM

Subject: Please protect Me and my Family, Not the Insurance Company

Joni Baker
1315 Wood Row Way
Wellington, FL 33414

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do the right thing. Do not vote for the Insurance company. They Lie!!

Sincerely,

Joni Baker

From: [Rosemarie Hernandez <rherna3@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:rherna3@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:32:19 PM

Subject: Med. Malpractice

Rosemarie Hernandez
2612 Green Valley Street
Valrico, FLORIDA 33594

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages. Stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Rosemarie Hernandez

From: Rockledger@aol.com <Rockledger@aol.com>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/11/2003 3:30:39 PM

Subject: Fwd: FLA TODAY ARTICLE

Attachments: FLA TODAY ARTICLE

In a message dated 8/11/03 8:19:37 AM Pacific Daylight Time, ilenedavis@megabits.net writes:

Subj: **FLA TODAY ARTICLE**

Date: 8/11/03 8:19:37 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: ilenedavis@megabits.net (*Ilene Davis*)

To: rockledger@aol.com

CC: pgonzalez@islandsys.net

Bill:

Talk about TIMING> The company I told you about that was having problems with state unemployment personnel wanting to defraud the company by authorizing unemployment compensation where the applicant wasn't eligible the company was just featured in Florida Today regarding Hispanic firms gaining clout (Florida Today, 8/10/03, pg C1).

The company is Island Systems and Design. You can read all about their customer base and the confidence they have from a lot of high profile customers. And those clients are all over the country, and world. They do not have to be in Florida. If the state of Florida will allow state employees to authorize unemployment compensation when an applicant IS NOT ELIGIBLE, as Pam said, they can easily relocate their business, and jobs, to another state that doesn't believe they should be inappropriately charged with unemployment problems because a state worker is abusing their position.

Seems to me if the state is serious about new jobs, they should fire that state unemployment worker, and be very public about why it was done.

Ilene Davis
321/631-1127

From: [Ilene Davis <ilenedavis@megabits.net>](mailto:ilenedavis@megabits.net)

To: rockledger@aol.com

CC: pgonzalez@islandsys.net

Date: 8/11/2003 3:18:02 PM

Subject: FLA TODAY ARTICLE

Bill:

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Ilene Davis

321/631-1127

From: [Teitelbaum, Arthur N <ATeitelbaum@adl.org>](mailto:ATeitelbaum@adl.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:29:33 PM

Subject: Daryl McLaughlin

Dear Governor Bush:

Jeb...I am writing on my own initiative to commend to you Daryl McLaughlin's appointment as Commissioner of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. I have known Daryl for many years through my work as a special advisor to FDLE on hate crimes and through agency-to-agency work between ADL and FDLE.

Daryl has always impressed me as a fine law enforcement professional who has the administrative skills to effectively manage such a large organization and, importantly, the vision and temperament to achieve both public and legislative support for FDLE's critically important mission.

Stated simply, I believe Daryl would be a find choice to lead FDLE.

With best wishes and thanks for consideration of my views on this matter...

Cordially,

Art

Arthur N. Teitelbaum
Southern Area Director
Anti-Defamation League
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From: [Robert Fiore <robert@fiorelawoffice.com>](mailto:robert@fiorelawoffice.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:29:25 PM

Subject: Med mal legislation-BAD for all EXCEPT BIG INS.

Robert Fiore
28 West Flagler Street, 11th Floor
Miami, FL 33130

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am asking you each of you to do what is right for your constituents, even in the face of unprecedented pressure from all sides. As you must know, this legislation does not accomplish the task of easing rates for doctors. At the same time, it takes away rights of doctors, and all Floridians. PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THIS BAD LEGISLATION. THANK YOU.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Fiore

From: [Lori Alperstein <lori.alperstein@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:lori.alperstein@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:30:04 PM

Subject: Special Session - Vote No

Lori Alperstein
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33609

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Lori Alperstein

From: [Marie Giardina <mgiardina@balesweinstein.com>](mailto:mgiardina@balesweinstein.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:29:55 PM

Subject: Medical malpractice bill

Marie Giardina
701 W. Swann Ave., #4
Tampa, FLORIDA 33606

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senators:

Please vote against this horrible medical malpractice bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

I urge you to stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Please protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Marie Giardina

From: [Faye Morgan <frmorgan@earthlink.net>](mailto:frmorgan@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:28:27 PM

Subject: Bill is not for the people

Faye Morgan
2820 Elizabeth Avenue
Orlando, FL 32804

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

RE: Legislature Reaches Agreement on Medical Malpractice

This is a horrible bill and it deprives victims of their rights without any progress towards controlling premium hikes when the economy is sluggish. My husband, and sons, and parents(all voting age) adamantly oppose this sell out to the insurance industry which hurts the weakest people in our state while helping the rich stay ricj. Shame on you!! Elizabeth Faiella

Sincerely,

Faye Morgan

From: [Melissa Sosa <msosa2@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:msosa2@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:24:45 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Melissa Sosa
624 Cape Cod Circle
Valrico, FL 33594

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Sir or Madam:

This e-mail is a last ditch effort to urge you to oppose any legislation on medical malpractice. Failure to oppose this horrible legislation will result in my voting for your opponent in the next election. Anyone who votes for this legislation is voting against me, and I will return the favor at the voting booth.

Sincerely,

Melissa D. Sosa, Esq.

From: [Andrew Ellenberg <aellenberg@ngepa.com>](mailto:aellenberg@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:23:30 PM

Subject: The 'compromise' bill is an illusion -

Andrew Ellenberg
1401 Brickell Ave
Miami, FL 33131

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Insurance companies win, victims lose. There is no 'compromise' or fairness in this proposed solution.

Sincerely,

Andrew Ellenberg

From: [Maritza Rodriguez <maritza@bestandanderson.com>](mailto:maritza@bestandanderson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:23:12 PM

Subject: Med mal

Maritza Rodriguez
609 N. Eola Drive #5
Orlando, FL 32803

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Say no to caps.

Sincerely,

Maritza Rodriguez

From: [Peter Kaufman <pkaufman@levinlaw.com>](mailto:pkaufman@levinlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:19:31 PM

Subject: DON'T SELL OUT FLORIDIANS!!!!!!!

Peter Kaufman
316 S. Baylen St.
Pensacola, FL 32501

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

WHAT IS THIS LUNACY? THIS LEGISLATION ISN'T GOING TO MAKE MEDICAL CARE MORE AVAILABLE AND IT ISN'T GOING TO SAVE DOCTORS A PENNY IN INSURANCE PREMIUMS!! WHAT IT WILL DO IS SHORT CHANGE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN INJURED BECAUSE OF THE NEGLIGENCE OF DOCTORS!! DO YOU HONESTLY THINK THE VOTERS WON'T FIGURE THIS OUT AND HOLD YOU ACCOUNTABLE? WAKE UP!!

Sincerely,

Pete Kaufman

From: [Sonya Hukill <SonyaHukill@luhrsen.com>](mailto:SonyaHukill@luhrsen.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:14:55 PM

Subject: MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

Sonya Hukill
2402 S Radcliffe Place
Bradenton, FL 34207

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PLEASE HELP THE VICTIMS THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE SUFFERING AND LOOSING OUT

THANK YOU

Sincerely,

Sonya Hukill

From: [Brad Kelsky <bkelsky@ngepa.com>](mailto:bkelsky@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:12:06 PM

Subject: Do Not support the "med mal" compromise!

Brad Kelsky
258 Egret Way
Weston, FL 33327

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The purported med mal compromise is anything but fair. The only thing that is compromised are the rights of innocent victims of malpractice. The compromise also cow-tows to big insurance at the expense of the voting public.

Please vote against caps. Please do not change "bad faith." The constituents of this state deserve to be protected!

Take heed of the sworn testimony before the Senate about the ins. co profits being made in Florida, about the fact that there are no frivolous lawsuits, about the fact that lawsuits are not increasing, and about the fact that jury awards are likewise not increasing.

THE SENATE'S CREDIBILITY IS ON THE LINE. Do not bow to the wishes of the bully-governor and his puppets, the House!

Vote No on the med mal bill!
Your constituents deserve to be treated fairly.

Sincerely,

Brad Kelsky

From: [Charles Billingslea <charlesf1@aol.com>](mailto:charlesf1@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:13:17 PM

Subject: VOTE NO to Med/Mal bill which protects Insurance Companies

Charles Billingslea
1800 Aspen Lane
Weston , FLORIDA 33427

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Charles Billingslea

From: [stephan le clainche <sleclainche@babbitt-johnson.com>](mailto:sleclainche@babbitt-johnson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:10:31 PM

Subject: Medical malpractice reform

stephan le clainche
1450 centrepark blvd.,#200
west palm beach, FLORIDA 33401

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed senate compromise represents a capitulation to the interests of the insurance industry and not only fails to afford any relief to the physicians who cannot afford malpractice ins. premiums, but adds to the victimization of those who are the victims of malpractice. Insulating the ins. co's. from bad faith virtually assures that they will be able to place their business interests above those of their insureds and, in the process, eliminate the prospect of settlement of meritorious cases. Inevitably this will have system wide repercussions, notably the increased logjam of cases in an already overburdened and underfunded judicial system.

Sincerely,

Stephan Le Clainche

From: [Cynthia Mazzuto <captainmothboy@hotmail.com>](mailto:captainmothboy@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:11:44 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Tort Reform

Cynthia Mazzuto
1136 Town Center Drive, Apt. 1
Jupiter, FL 33458

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Shame on you! Please explain to the public how you can in good conscience pass a Bill that will reward the insurance industry after they blatantly lied to you.

It is a true shame that you only represent big business and people with wealth and influence. It's a greater dis-service to your elected position that you failed to stand up for the common people that are the majority of this State and this country.

Sincerely,

Cynthia L. Mazzuto

From: [RoxAnn Billingslea <roxannfl1@aol.com>](mailto:roxannfl1@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:09:52 PM

Subject: Stop protecting the Big Insurance Industry.

RoxAnn Billingslea
4147 Fox Trace
Boynton Beach, FLORIDA 33436

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote no on the latest med/mal bill which will protect HMO and do noting to roll back insurance rates

Sincerely,

RoxAnn Billingslea

From: [Christine Clark <christineclark@comcast.net>](mailto:christineclark@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:08:12 PM

Subject: Vote NO on the malpractice bill

Christine Clark
5386 Tulane Ave.
Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO on the medical malpractice bill. The draconian compromise will only benefit the insurance companies who have not promised any roll-back of premiums in exchange for all the benefits. In addition, the bill eliminates the requirement for insurance companies to act in GOOD FAITH. This bill strips away protection from everyone EXCEPT the insurance companies.

Please vote NO.

Sincerely,

Christine A. Clark

From: [Jack Ross <jrosslaw@aol.com>](mailto:Jack.Ross@jrosslaw@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:06:45 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Jack Ross
P.O. Drawer 1168
Gainesville, FL 32602

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please, oppose the "reform" of medical malpractice contained in the "compromise" bill. It will do nothing to aid patients or lower premiums. It is a welfare bill for insurance companies. Stand up for the citizens.

Sincerely,

Jack M. Ross

From: [Curry Pajcic <curry@pajcic.com>](mailto:Curry.Pajcic@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:05:28 PM

Subject: Vote NO on med mal bill

Curry Pajcic
1900 Independent SQ.
Jacksonville, FL 32202

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote not on the proposed med mal/insurance "reform" bill. This proposal will strip Floridians of their constitutional rights, place patients in greater danger of malpractice and allow the insurance industry to continue gouging doctors.

Some of the most outrageous aspects of this proposal are:

- * Insurance companies will be virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in Bad Faith
- * HMOs are insulated from accountability for malpractice
- * The \$500,000 cap on non-economic damages that in reality will be much lower because of "setoffs"
- * The Legislative "findings" directly contradict sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee just two weeks ago
- * NO insurance rate reform or rate rollback
- * NO effective quality of care measures

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

PLEASE do the right thing, derail this disastrous piece of legislation. THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO YOU AND ALL OF THE PATIENTS IN THIS STATE!! Vote NO on this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages. Stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Curry Pajcic

From: [MARTY KERNER <MBKPI@AOL.COM>](mailto:MBKPI@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:05:20 PM

Subject: MED MAL TORT REFORM

MARTY KERNER
311 FAIRWAY COURT
ATLANTIS, FL 33462

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

DON'T PASS THIS MED MAL REFORM. THE INSURANCE PEOPLE LIED TO YOU AND YOU ARE STILL PAYING THEM BACK.....YOU WERE ELECTED TO PROTECT US NOT SELL US OUT. IF YOU CAN'T STAND UP TO THE GOVERNOR YOU NEED TO RESIGN.

PLEASE HELP US...RETIRED IN PALM BEACH COUNTY

Sincerely,

MARTY KERNER

From: [Ursula Deljanin <Deljanin@sheftalltorres.com>](mailto:Deljanin@sheftalltorres.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:04:36 PM

Subject: Please vote NO to medical malpractice caps!!!

Ursula Deljanin
5055 Collins Avenue, S-2
Miami Beach, FL 33140

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please protect patients and not insurance industry profits!!!!

The insurance companies don't need insurance reform, they need corporate reform. Don't let corporate greed abandon patient's rights.

Sincerely,

Ursula Deljanin

From: [Michael Feiler <mbfn@aol.com>](mailto:mbfn@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 3:02:08 PM

Subject: The compromise bill is bad for everyone

Michael Feiler
901 Ponce de Leon Blvd. #PH
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The insurance companies are the ONLY ones that will benefit from this horrible bill. Patients will lose thier rights and doctors will get abised by carriers who will raise rates.

Take a stand!!

Sincerely,

Michael Feiler

From: [Matthew E. Noyes Noyes <matt@usalaw.com>](mailto:matt@usalaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:59:18 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Matthew E. Noyes Noyes
7030 Nicole Lane
Largo, FL 33771

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Don't be pressured to agree to the medical malpractice proposal!

The testimony supports there is no need for a cap, even a compromised one!

Vote against it! The PEOPLE of Florida demand it!

Thanks!

Sincerely,

Matthew E. Noyes

From: [Andrew Needle <ANeedle@ngepa.com>](mailto:ANeedle@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:58:35 PM

Subject: Please Do Not Vote For a Bill the ENRICHES ONLY INSURANCE COMPANIES

Andrew Needle
10300 Sabal Palm Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33156

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Big insurance is clearly the big winner here. The proposal does NOTHING that will bring down doctors insurance rates and, in fact, harms doctors by eliminating many of the protections from insurance company bad faith. It also does nothing to stop the epidemic of malpractice that is killing and injuring thousands of Floridians and costs our economy billions of dollars every year.

By the time set offs are taken, from the verdict, the injured patient will be left with far less than even the cap. The SWORN testimony clearly refutes what is about to become law hurting Floridians and enriching insurance companies for years to come. It is just plain intellectually dishonest to put a finding into a bill, that you know is untrue based on the SWORN testimony. Please do the right thing for hte people and not the indurance industry. Vote against this bad bill!

Sincerely,

Andrew Needle

From: [Barbara Green <bg@caselawupdate.com>](mailto:bg@caselawupdate.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:59:15 PM

Subject: medical malpractice insurance

Barbara Green
913 Majorca Ave
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The press is reporting an agreement by the house and the senate on a medical malpractice insurance bill. The proposal is bad. It hurts patients and doctors. It only helps the insurance companies. Please vote NO.

Sincerely,

Barbara Green

From: [Janie Litt <jlitt@stfblaw.com>](mailto:jlitt@stfblaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:56:02 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Janie Litt
7430 SW 59th Ct., A5
So. Miami, FL 33143

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please Do NOT cap

Sincerely,

Janie Litt

From: [Janie Litt <jlitt@stfblaw.com>](mailto:jlitt@stfblaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:54:43 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Janie Litt
7430 SW 59th Ct., A5
So. Miami, FL 33143

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please Do NOT cap

Sincerely,

Janie Litt

From: [Jonathan Pavsner <jmp@grossmanandroth.com>](mailto:jmp@grossmanandroth.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:55:46 PM

Subject: NO to Med Mal Bill

Jonathan Pavsner
7176 NW 65th Terr
Parkland, FL 33067

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote no to this insurance company welfare bill. This plan hurts every floridian - victim and doctor - only to line the pockets of out-of-state insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Pavsner

From: [MITZI PLUNKETT <MITZI@REC-LAW.COM>](mailto:MITZI@REC-LAW.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:55:24 PM

Subject: MED MAL CAPS

MITZI PLUNKETT
4430 LACEY OAK DR
PALM BCH GDNS, FL 33410

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

UNBELIEVABLE! THAT IS WHAT THE GOVERNOR IS AND ANYONE WHO JOINS HIM IN CAPS THAT ARE IN ESSENCE...AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE! DON'T THINK OF THIS AS A SOLUTION...IT IS SELLING THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE OFF! THE PEOPLE WHO NEED YOU THE MOST ARE THE ONE'S THAT WILL BE AFFECTED BY THIS DECISION! REMEMBER WHO THE VOTERS ARE....ALL OF YOU THAT VOTE AGAINST THE PEOPLE WILL BE REMEMBERED BY THE PEOPLE NEXT ELECTION! YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELVES IN LETTING THIS GOVERNOR PUSH YOU AGAINST THE STATE YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO BE "WORKING FOR!"

Sincerely,

MITZI PLUNKETT

From: [Carl Ohall <cohall@alfonsoandohall.com>](mailto:cohall@alfonsoandohall.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:54:13 PM

Subject: MED MAL - VOTE NO

Carl Ohall
309 W MLK Blvd
Tampa, FL 33603

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposal does nothing to reduce premiums - it only helps insurance companies increase profits. How can this ever be good for the citizens of the State of Florida?

I urge you to vote NO.

Sincerely,

Carl Ohall

From: [Ruth D. Romero <rdromero@gte.net>](mailto:rdromero@gte.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:51:23 PM

Subject: Victims of Medical Malpractice

Ruth D. Romero
408 Mahogany Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not accept this. Please vote no.

Thank you for hearing me.

Sincerely,

Ruth D. Romero

From: [Charles Patrick <charlespatrick@bellsouth.net>](mailto:charlespatrick@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:26:02 PM

Subject: Protect Florid Citizens and Not the HMO and Insurance Industries

Charles Patrick
1648 South Bayshore Drive
Miami, FL 33133

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed legislative compromises on insurance "bad faith" and HMO liability for incompetent medical care should be rejected since they sacrifice the rights of Florida voters to increase the profitability of the HMO and insurance industries.

HMO's should not be protected from liability since they control the quantity and quality of medical care provided to Floridians. The medical community must labor under the financial constraints placed on them by the HMO industry that sacrifices medical care for corporate profitability.

Jeb Bush is simply paying back the HMO industry for its financial support throughout the years. He used to work for Miguel Recary and International Medical Centers, HMO that defrauded the Federal Government out of millions of dollars. Why let him continue in his efforts to protect these pirates?

Vote "NO" on the proposed medical malpractice, insurance and HMO reform legislation.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Patrick

From: [Benji Brumberg <benjibrumberg@hotmail.com>](mailto:benjibrumberg@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:20:51 PM

Subject: Sierra Award

Dear Jeb,

I have just been informed that I have received the national "Distinguished Service Award" for 2003 from Sierra Club for "environmental accomplishments under the Jeb Bush administration in Florida". The award will be presented at the California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco on September 18th.

Since leaving government, I have received a number of smaller awards and recognitions that I have accepted quietly and without fanfare. It is my understanding that for this Sierra Award, however, there will be a national press release. I want to make sure that my acceptance statements reflect in a most positive way on the Governor and the Secretary. I was wondering, therefore, if I may send my statement up to Tally for editing help?

I thank you again for the privilege of having had the opportunity to better serve the citizens of Florida.

Sincerely yours,

Benji

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From: [Angelo Marino <amjrpa@aol.com>](mailto:amjrpa@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:18:22 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Angelo Marino
2500 Riverland Rd
Ft Lauderdale, FL 33312

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It is an outrage that our government is controlled by big business and the people of this state must suffer! There is no evidence to support that limits on awards will reduce the premiums on malpractice. This compromise is state welfare for the insurance companies. Please do the right thing and fight against this compromise.

Sincerely,

Angelo Marino

From: TeriGAshley@aol.com <TeriGAshley@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:13:24 PM

Subject: Friend

Attachments: EAS word.doc

Governor Bush,

Having just realized that tomorrow is the day you will be hearing from Charlotte County Sheriff Bill Clement and the Board of County Commissioners regarding the continual budget debate, I wanted to make you aware of something. I have a sneaky suspicion that Charlotte County's dubious recognition as the county with the worst juvenile substance abuse problem will be bandied about. While I hate to see this used as a bargaining tool, as you are aware, it is a fact.

Someone might mention an upcoming "Emergency Action Session" being planned to define and, hopefully, SOLVE the problem. (Please see the attached draft letter that will be sent out shortly.) Commissioner Sara Devos is one of those actively involved with the planning of this unique event, along with my boss, Dr. Jerry Ross, and the director of the Charlotte Alliance for a Safe and Drug Free Community, Ms. Amity Chandler. It will be unique in that it will NOT be yet another "let's-get-together-and-vision" workshop.

Anyway, please take a look at the letter and know that both you and Mrs. Bush are now officially invited to attend this October 9 "Emergency Action Session" to offer a keynote address ... or all-out, all-day participation.

I'm sorry that this is not a proper invitation, but now you can at least tuck this away for your upcoming meetings. It is our number one problem, something needs to be done, and we are going to do it.

Thanks-

Teri

From: [Michele Guerrero <mguerrero@zpklaw.com>](mailto:mguerrero@zpklaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:07:38 PM

Subject: Protective Patients/Not Insurance Co - No Deal

Michele Guerrero
2231 SW 131 Avenue
Miramar, FL 33027

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

No Deal on Med Mal!!!

Sincerely,

Michele Guerrero

From: [Jim Wilkerson <wilker@bellsouth.net>](mailto:wilker@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:02:38 PM

Subject: Med Mal Bill Contrary to Legislative Findings

Jim Wilkerson
10201 Glenmoor Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The current compromise proposal containing caps, HMO immunity, No guaranteed insurance rate rollbacks and legislative findings of a crisis in medical malpractice is contrary to the Senate Testimony and strips Floridians of Important Constitutional Rights. Please vote no on this proposal.

Sincerely,

Jim wilkerson

From: [Bill McAfee <bmcafee@mcafeeandrusso.com>](mailto:bmcafee@mcafeeandrusso.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:52:38 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Bill McAfee
701 Northpoint PKWY ste 415
W.P.B, FL 33407

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not pass the med mal and bad faith bill. The bad faith bill will only hurt doctors, drive up the cost of litigation and give the insurance companies less incentive to settle.

Sincerely, Bill McAfee

Bill McAfee

From: [Mary Masferrer <mfrasferrer@stfblaw.com>](mailto:mfrasferrer@stfblaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:47:59 PM

Subject: Med Mal Tort Reform

Mary Masferrer
5701 Collins Avenue #810
Miami Beach, FL 33140

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The only winner here are the insurance companies. Please do not vote for this bill.

Sincerely,

Mary Masferrer

From: Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov <Guy.Lewis@usdoj.gov>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:42:57 PM

Subject:

Governor, hope all is well. Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Larry Thompson is announcing he is stepping down. It's the number 2 position in the Department of Justice. the DAG has generally been a former US Attorney. I don't know if he'd be interested but Bob Martinez would be an extraordinary person for the position. Hope you and yours are well. Guy

From: [Lori Velazquez <lorivelazquez@msn.com>](mailto:lorivelazquez@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:39:22 PM

Subject: medical malpractice caps

Lori Velazquez
14301 Cairnwood Court
Orlando, FL 32837

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote no on malpractice caps. We need real insurance reform and not a reward to the insurance company by capping damages.

Sincerely,

Lori A. Velazquez

From: [Louis Battista <louieb@attbi.com>](mailto:louieb@attbi.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:36:51 PM

Subject: Med & Bad Faith Mal Bill

Louis Battista
10940 NW 10th Street
Plantation, FL 33322

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Louis Battista

From: [Elouise Brooks <Elouise@ManuelThompson.Com>](mailto:Elouise@ManuelThompson.Com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:33:53 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Elouise Brooks
416 Detroit Avenue
Panama City, FLORIDA 32401

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The "Deal" you worked out with the Governor is nothing but wrong. You have screwed the people of Florida again!!! Please vote NO on any caps on medical malpractice. Also the fact that the insurance companies will not defend the doctors against bad faith is wrong. You have caved in to the pressure received from the Governor and the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Elouise Brooks

From: [Zora Mravkova <zmravkova@yahoo.com>](mailto:zmravkova@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:29:00 PM

Subject: Medical malpractice caps

Zora Mravkova
2939 Bough Ave. Apt. B
Clearwater, FL 33760

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

A \$500,000 caps on pain and suffering in medical malpractice cases is not the solution on the healthcare crisis. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform.

Sincerely,

Zora Mravkova

From: [Annette Ritter <aritter@harrellandjohnson.com>](mailto:aritter@harrellandjohnson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:23:05 PM

Subject: Vote no on proposed medmal bill

Annette Ritter
2597 Scott Mill Lane
Jacksonville, FL 32223

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This proposed bill does nothing to save the citizens of Florida from the epidemic of malpractice in this state. It does not reduce the physician's malpractice premiums. This would be a win for the insurance companies even though they testified in front of the Senate that it would not relieve any premium increases. Do your job, protect Floridians, not big insurance!!!

Sincerely,

Annette J. Ritter, RN

From: [Mayra Saavedra <CUCUCITA3@AOL.COM>](mailto:Mayra.Saavedra@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:18:12 PM

Subject: VOTE NO

Mayra Saavedra
20501 S.W. 167th Avenue
Miami, FL 33187

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Pleas vote no against caps, protect the safety of patients and the rights of injured patients and our senior citizens, we need good quality care and insurance reform. Do not give in to insurance companies BIG PROFITS. PLEASE PROTECT THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS. THANK YOU.

Sincerely,

Mayra Saavedra

From: [Margarita H. Barnard <mbarnard@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:mbarnard@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:18:38 PM

Subject: STAY STRONG and VOTE AGAINST ALL CAPS:

Margarita H. Barnard
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33609

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

* Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts) * States with caps actually have higher premiums. * Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children

WE NEED REAL INSURANCE REFORM:

* The only thing that brought down rates in California was real insurance reform (Prop. 103) * We need a real rate rollback to bring rates down to an appropriate level. * We need real rate regulation to keep insurance companies from gouging doctors in the future.

VOTE FOR REAL QUALITY OF CARE REFORM:

* 5% of doctors cause over 50% of all malpractice (these doctors should not be allowed to practice medicine) * We need a "3 strikes, you're out" policy - doctors who are repeat offenders should have their licenses revoked. * We need immediate public disclosure of doctors who have committed malpractice and/or been disciplined by the Board of Medicine.

Sincerely,

Margarita H. Barnard

From: [GAYLE bouffard <gbouf@aol.com>](mailto:GBouffard@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:11:57 PM

Subject: CAPS ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL

GAYLE bouffard
3100 n course lane
pompano beach, FL 33069

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Insurance executives have testified that rates will not go down!!
Fight for the rights of the people!

Sincerely,

GAYLE bouffard

From: [Diana Hunt <dhunt@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:dhunt@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:11:21 PM

Subject: Please vote NO to caps

Diana Hunt
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd
Tampa, FL 33609

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider the proposals before you to cap the non-economic damages and to give all the power to the insurance industry who will be the true winners in this fight if they are not stopped. Please protect the citizens of your State by opposing this legislation.

Sincerely,

Diana N. Hunt

From: [Todd Rosen <tdr@florida-attorneys.com>](mailto:tdr@florida-attorneys.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:09:17 PM

Subject: Medical malpractice

Todd Rosen
1508 Bay Road Apt. #637
Miami Beach, FLORIDA 33139

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Todd Rosen

From: [greg smith <gsmith@aipdaytona.com>](mailto:gsmith@aipdaytona.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:08:44 PM

Subject: Fw: Important Appoints DBCC

----- Original Message -----

From: [greg smith](#)

To: jeb@jeb.com

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 8:17 PM

Subject: Important Appoints DBCC

Jeb: Some new information on applicants for Volusia and Flagler DBCC board. I will contact Todd Richardson Monday morning to discuss this info. Hope all is well & GO CANES 2003 - Greg Smith

From: [Mary Andress <maryandress@yahoo.com>](mailto:maryandress@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:05:20 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Mary Andress
4015 Bayshore Blvd. #5E
Tampa , FL 33611

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senators:

Please continue with your efforts to ban med mal caps of any kind. We appreciate your efforts.

Sincerely,

Mary Andress

From: [P Endsley <Patsy153@hotmail.com>](mailto:Patsy153@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:51:12 PM

Subject: Please vote no on Med Mal Caps

P Endsley
55 Bering
Tampa, FL 33606

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Patty Endsly

From: [Robert Geltner <robert@vilesandellis.com>](mailto:robert@vilesandellis.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:32:42 PM

Subject: Med Mal-Vote as if Your Son or Daughter were the Victim

Robert Geltner
13696 Bald Cypress Circle
Fort Myers, FL 33907

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The medical malpractice bill being proposed does nothing to provide the rate relief doctors need and nothing to reduce the malpractice being performed by the few bad doctors.

The bill makes it worse for doctors in removing bad faith provisions needed to protect them from the insurers.

The caps have been found unconstitutional in the past and will ne found to be unconstitutional again.

The bill ignores the testimony heard during Senate hearings and more testimony is needed to find out what the insurers are really doing.

Please don't vote for this bill- it just isn't right!

Sincerely,

Robert Geltner

From: WJohnso@aol.com <WJohnso@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:27:38 PM

Subject: Re: Two items for your attention

Jeb, Thank you very much for your generosity and for your time. Yes, I am well, but our city is very ill and in turmoil. Some are trying to recall the entire council, some just the mayor. You may have your hands full with Cape Coral someday real soon. They are totally out of control. And they want to be a county!?! They need our prayers for sure.

Thank you, again, Jeb.

From: [Charlene Heger <hegercharlene@hotmail.com>](mailto:hegercharlene@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:25:13 PM

Subject: Med Mal Reform

Charlene Heger
4419 Winding River Dr
Valrico, FL 33594

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The reform agreed upon is disappointing.

The reform does nothing to protect the doctors from increases in their insurance premiums!

The people of Florida have been sold short. To say the least, I am very disappointed in how this situation was handled, and how the Governor "bullied" this through.

Sincerely,

Charlene Heger

From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:23:05 PM

Subject: Med Mal Cap

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do the right thing and vote NO on this horrible bill

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:37:30 AM

Subject: no med mal cap

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['liza@volunteerflorida.org'](mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org)
Date: 8/11/2003 11:10:00 AM
Subject: RE: update on Women's Day award to Amy

it has not been returned.

-----Original Message-----

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org [mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org]
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 2:17 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: update on Women's Day award to Amy

and it worked right? sorry!

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Sun 8/10/2003 4:21 PM
To: liza mcfadden
Cc:
Subject: RE: update on Women's Day award to Amy

that addresss is not correct but I dropped the space between boundless and playgrounds.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org [mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org]
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:48 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: FW: update on Women's Day award to Amy

Governor:

Amy Jaffe Barzach of Boundless Playgrounds is going to be names one of the four Woman of the Year by Women's Day magazine...WOW. Thought you would want to send a note of congratulations, Liza

send to: ajbarzach@boundless_playgrounds.org

Amy, your energy, enthusiasm and can-do efforts are obviously having great impact nationally. It's tremendous that Women's Day is recognizing your work. More importantly I hope this honor helps you move your important vision forward. Congratulations, JEB

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/11/2003 11:09:05 AM

Subject: FW: RE: Status: Marianna Distribution Center

Attachments: RE: Status: Marianna Distribution Center

[should I do so? let me know asap.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Bev Kilmer [mailto:bevkilmer@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 1:14 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fwd: RE: Status: Marianna Distribution Center

Governor, I believe you have been asked to make a call to Family Dollar president in an effort to recruit them to Marianna Florida. I have attached a request I received from one of the key negotiators for the project. Recruiting this distribution Center will mean 500 jobs to Jackson County. The jobs will average \$11.00 per hour. Florida is neck to neck with a Georgia location. I strongly believe the company wants to locate in Florida. Please let me know if you are comfortable with Mr. Melvin's request.

Thank you for the strong stand you have taken over the past years to show our state as a strong pro-business state. It is resonating across the country and we are seeing the results of our efforts. Thanks for your assistance in this matter. Bev Kilmer

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: [David Melvin <DavidMelvin@melvineng.com>](mailto:DavidMelvin@melvineng.com)

To: [Bev Kilmer](#)

CC: [Bill Nobles](#)
[Bill Stanton](#)
[Brandon Bruner](#)
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citymgr@cityofmarianna.com
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cddir@jacksoncountyfl.com
rmiller@floridabusiness.com
[Roy Baker](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:25:50 PM

Subject: RE: Status: Marianna Distribution Center

Bev;

A critical item with which we may need some help:

The financial/legal counsel for the Distribution Center has a major concern that Florida's State Enterprise Zone legislation is scheduled for "sunset" review in 2005/2006. There are several \$ millions in benefits to the company based upon the enterprise incentives remaining in force beyond the 2005/2006 sunset review. They realize the legislature could terminate the program at any time or simply choose not to reenact it during the sunset review.

We have assured them that during the 20+ year history, the enterprise zone legislation has been only been strengthened each time he has been reviewed. But, they would like a statement from the Governor and Speaker and Senate President of their commitment to keep the Enterprise Zone legislation in place.

This may be a key comment for the Governor to address in his phone call. Thanks.

David H. Melvin, P.E., President
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4428 Lafayette Street
Marianna, FL 32446
Phone: 850-482-3045
Fax: 850-482-3957
email: davidmelvin@melvineng.com

From: [Charlie Crist <ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:ccristjr@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 10:52:38 AM

Subject: Congrats!

Dear Governor,

Sounds like the MedMal issue is coming in for a landing. Congratulations on your hard work!! Your Friend, Charlie Crist

From: [Dawn Vallejos-Nichols <dvallejos-nichols@avera.com>](mailto:dvallejos-nichols@avera.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 10:39:55 AM

Subject: HMO immunity? Caps? No way!

Dawn Vallejos-Nichols
6928 NW 49th Street
Gainesville, FL 32653

August 11, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The insurance companies and the HMO's always win at the expense of the innocent victim. What is going on here? Excuse me, but didn't the PEOPLE vote for you, and NOT the HMO's or the insurance companies? Maybe they are just paying for you.

VOTE NO ON HMO IMMUNITY AND CAPS ON MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE CLAIMS. Real reform means insurance rollbacks. Get it together!

Sincerely,

Dawn M. Vallejos-Nichols

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org <liza@volunteerflorida.org>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 6:16:38 AM

Subject: RE: update on Women's Day award to Amy

and it worked right? sorry!

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Sun 8/10/2003 4:21 PM

To: liza mcfadden

Cc:

Subject: RE: update on Women's Day award to Amy

[that addresss is not correct but I dropped the space between boundless and playgrounds.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org [mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:48 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: update on Women's Day award to Amy

Governor:

[Amy Jaffe Barzach of Boundless Playgrounds is going to be names one of the four Woman of the Year by Women's Day magazine...WOW. Thought you would want to send a note of congratulations, Liza](#)

send to: ajbarzach@boundless_playgrounds.org

[Amy, your energy, enthusiasm and can-do efforts are obviously having great impact nationally. It's tremendous that Women's Day is recognizing your work. More importantly I hope this honor helps you move your important vision forward. Congratulations, JEB](#)

From: [Bev Kilmer <bevkilmer@yahoo.com>](mailto:bevkilmer@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 5:13:47 AM

Subject: Fwd: RE: Status: Marianna Distribution Center

Attachments: RE: Status: Marianna Distribution Center

Governor, I believe you have been asked to make a call to Family Dollar president in an effort to recruit them to Marianna Florida. I have attached a request I received from one of the key negotiators for the project. Recruiting this distribution Center will mean 500 jobs to Jackson County. The jobs will average \$11.00 per hour. Florida is neck to neck with a Georgia location. I strongly believe the company wants to locate in Florida. Please let me know if you are comfortable with Mr. Melvin's request.

Thank you for the strong stand you have taken over the past years to show our state as a strong pro-business state. It is resonating across the country and we are seeing the results of our efforts. Thanks for your assistance in this matter. Bev Kilmer

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: [David Melvin <DavidMelvin@melvineng.com>](mailto:DavidMelvin@melvineng.com)

To: [Bev Kilmer](#)

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rmiller@floridabusiness.com
[Roy Baker](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:25:50 PM

Subject: RE: Status: Marianna Distribution Center

Bev;

A critical item with which we may need some help:

The financial/legal counsel for the Distribution Center has a major concern that Florida's State Enterprise Zone legislation is scheduled for "sunset" review in 2005/2006. There are several \$ millions in benefits to the company based upon the enterprise incentives remaining in force beyond the 2005/2006 sunset review. They realize the legislature could terminate the program at any time or simply choose not to reenact it during the sunset review.

We have assured them that during the 20+ year history, the enterprise zone legislation has been only been strengthened each time he has been reviewed. But, they would like a statement from the Governor and Speaker and Senate President of their commitment to keep the Enterprise Zone legislation in place.

This may be a key comment for the Governor to address in his phone call. Thanks.

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From: [J. Achurra <jachurra@starband.net>](mailto:jachurra@starband.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 2:44:59 AM

Subject: RE: Congratulations

I thought you would never ask. I will give you the Politically correct answer based on my conversation with other techs and what they most certainly want to hear from you and of course from the President then I will give you a more realistic approach to the problem that should be worked on to correct this paradigm. I know the 2004 election is coming up very quickly and we are running out of time. The President is being blind sided on a few issues, I have been watching the Bush enemies at work trying to break down the wall and to divide and conquer. First on the front of introducing Wesley Clark into the picture. There has been much talk about General Clark if not been the chosen running mate for many of the Democratic candidates. General Clark and his team backed by "the shadows" are daily hammering away second guessing the President on foreign policy and releasing scare tactics about horrible deaths to come in Iraq. To counter this threat the President should not try to engage the General immediately specially if it turns out that he does not become a White House contender instead the President should use Colin Powell to fight this particular war of words in the present. There are just some things that George can not argue about in respect to a General that won a purple star and was shot 4 times in Vietnam but Colin Powell can and many people respect Colin highly. For instance the argument is always used that the President sends the soldiers of America to die since he personally has not fought in a war like Clark. Although I personally agree with the President's actions many other Americans may be brain washed into thinking a "Cowboy" is gun-ho into fighting battles just because. Now, Colin Powell needs to get on the talk shows like Larry King and counter the General assisting George with this. George can not win all the fights by himself and like all good generals, he must look to his "lieutenants" to do some of the fighting. Now, that leave George time to fight the current Economic crisis. What my peers what to hear on National TV is that the President does not approve of American companies sending our tech jobs to other countries. Why? For one, it is a violation of National Security to have foreigners manning Data Centers of American Companies which feed our economy. It is easier for the FBI to investigate a local threat such as a rogue Technologist her in the homeland that for them to try to track one and monitor one in India or other country. The President and yourself must continue to say that you don not approve of the quick fix that American Companies are practicing since in the long run it will drain the natural American brain pool and morale of the country. This is the same reason NASA raced to get to the moon in the 60s, it was a matter of National pride and

shows the strength of the country. Imagine of tech jobs keep disappearing and ultimately so does the skilled American work force, eventually, we will be the students and another country will be the Teacher as hard as that sounds to believe. Every chance the President and yourself get, you should try to boost morale, it is all tied together from the great use of technological weapons used to win the war in Iraq to the local elementary school student being taught for the first time to use a Computer. It is a matter of National pride, National Security, and an economic catalyst. Seriously, do you think sending tech jobs abroad are really helping the companies like HP, it is a quick dirty fix but ultimately will come back and bite the company and the US plus affect morale and National pride. We must continue to strive to be the leaders in technology and not give out all our secrets at once to foreign companies.

Now, apart from all the word acting that you and George can do stressing your disapproval and how it is unpatriotic, I believe for this country to insure dominance in the future it must protect its technology, continue to train its workforce and be vigilant of the technological threats that other countries pose. To do this, American companies should be penalized when sending skilled technological jobs abroad, in addition for the CEOs to also be at least aware that Americans believe this to be unpatriotic and a danger to National Security. I don't believe that with the importance of this issue, American companies should have the luxury of making these damaging decisions and if they do, there should be some sort of penalty that maybe won't make it as appealing as it would otherwise. What these companies need to do is start cutting some of these outrageous salaries and perks that the high level executives are accustomed to. It is the patriotic thing to do and the country needs a morale boosted.

I will be honest, George needs to take this country into the next level and make it feel proud again. After 9/11 morale in may areas is still low. Constant wording in the media and talking about patriotism and the protection is Natural Resources such as the intellectual brain pool will most definitely gain George and yourself points.

Anyway, sorry this was so long but it is very important and I don't want either of you with your guard down. Your enemies are circling and will use any weapon they can to break down and conquer. Please be alert.

Regards, your friend,
Juan Achurra

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 04:38 PM

To: jachurra@starband.net

Subject: RE: Congratulations

Thank you Juan. I appreciate your comments regarding Noelle. I also share your concern about the loss of higher wage jobs to places like India. The question is, how do we respond to it? What should be our policy?

Jeb

From: Jadecam272@aol.com <Jadecam272@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:43:00 AM

Subject: (no subject)

DEAR MR BUSH,

I HAVE A GRANDSON WHO HAS JUVENILE DIABETICES.HIS MOTHER HAS CUSTODY OF HIM NOW.SHE HAS APPLIED TO CHILDREN AND FAMILY FOR HELP TO NO AVIEIL.YOUR OFFICE IS MY LAST RESOURCE.WHERE DOES A MOM WITH FOUR CHILDREN GET HELP?SHE HAS A PART TIME JOB AND STILL CAN" T GET HELP.HER SON NEEDS THE MEDICINE NOW.!WE ARE RETIRED AND I AM DISABLE I HAVE RSD AND I CAN" T GET SOCIAL SECURITY FOR MY DIEASE HOW IS A MOM TO GET HELP?I THINK THAT THE NEEDS OF LOW INCOME FAMILIES NEED TO BE LOOKED AT MORE CAREFUL.IF SHE DOESN" T GET HELP THEN THE STATE COMES IN AND REMOVES YOUR CHILDREN,WHERE DOES IT END? HOW DO YOU GET THE HELP YOU NEED?WITHOUT ASKING HIGHER UPS.I CAN" T EVEN HELP.OUR MONEY HAS TO GO FOR INSURANCE THAT DOESN" T COVER MY SICKENESS.I HAVE APPLIED TO SOCIAL SECURITY TWICE AND WAS TOLD MY HUSBAND MAKES TO MUCH MONEY.YES HE DOES TO PAY FOR THE INSURANCE THAT COVERS SOME THINGS.,FOR ME.I GUESS YOU NEED TO FIGHT THE SYSTEM WITH A LAWYER TO GET WHAT YOU NEED IN LIFE.I AM NEVER GOING TO WORK AGAIN.IT ALL WAS FROM A BROKEN WRIST AND NOW I CAN" T GET THE HELP I NEED.I DON" T HAVE THE MONEY FOR SPEICALIST I NEED, THE SAME GOES FOR MY GRANDSON.HOPE THERE IS SOMETHING YOU CAN DO FOR ME AND MY GRANDSONS NEEDS.

THANK YOU

A CONCERNED GRANDMOTHER

WE ARE IN BREVARD COUNTY-CAROL A MORIN
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BAREFOOT BAY,FLORIDA
32976
772-663-2247

From: [beverley durrett <bdurrett@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:beverley_durrett@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:41:07 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Please save ALL of Cypress Gardens, for ALL the people of Florida, and those visiting us. The Gardens are a national treasure and should be preserved for everyone to enjoy. If the Gardens belong to the State, they can no longer be exploited by criminals such as Maxwell, et al.

Thank you. Dr. Beverley Durrett

From: [melanie may <mgsouth@mgsouth.net>](mailto:melanie_may@mgsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 1:20:05 AM

Subject: Good wishes!

Dear Governor Bush:

Robert and I read with joy of Friday's graduation ceremony. This is a great achievement, but as you know, recovery work is life long. She has passed a milestone and we wish your family courage, strength, and a positive outlook for your future. Our thoughts and prayers remain with you and your family.

Mrs. Bush was a pillar of strength and hope, as she always is, at a Town Hall meeting in Broward recently. I know that you always are, but you would have been especially proud of her on that occasion.

Our best to you and your family. Please let Mrs. Bush know how much we appreciate her dedication and commitment.

Melanie May and Robert Koch

From: [BETTY ADDISON <BJADDISON@MSN.COM>](mailto:BJADDISON@MSN.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:25:00 AM

Subject: MED MALPRACTICE CAPS

BETTY ADDISON
900 SW 62ND BLVD, A-1
GAINESVILLE, FL 32607

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT I JUST READ ON THE NEW DEAL BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR AND THE SENATE. WHAT HAS HAPPENED YOU ALL UP THERE IN TALLY? YOU ALL GONE MAD.

THIS BILL IS THE WORSE YET. IT STILL HARMS THE PATIENTS AND NOW TAKES AWAY SOME OF THE DOCTORS RIGHTS WITH THEIR INSURANCE COMPANY.

WHY ON EARTH WOULD YOU EVER VOTE FOR ANYTHING SO STUPID.

I URGE TO VOTE FOR NO , NO , NO CAPS AND ASK THE GOVERNOR TO COME UP WITH SOME REAL INSURANCE REFORMS. REFORMS THAT DO NOT CONTINUE TO HARM THE PATIENTS. THIS IS CRAZY BILLS AND SHOULD NOT, NOT, NOT BE PASSED.

NO, NO , NO, NO CAPS.

WHEN ARE YOU ALL GONNA START LISTENING TO THE CITIZENS OF FLOIRDA, WHOM YOU ARE SUPPOSE TO BE PROTECTING>>>????????????

WE , THE FLORIDA CITIZENS, WANT NO CAPS, NO CAPS, NO CAPS.

INSURANCE REFORM YES.

NOW IS TIME TO VOTE THIS BILL DOWN. AND TELL THE GOVERNOR TO GET HIS WONDERFUL TASK FORCE STARTED ON REAL REFORMS THAT DON'T CONTINUE TO HARM/ HURT THE ALREADY INJURED PATIENTS.

THANK YOU,
BETTY ADDISON

Sincerely,

BETTY ADDISON

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:15:43 AM

Subject: FW: Request of Privilege for an FNA Nurse fup

Was this done?

-----Original Message-----

From: /O=JEB BUSH/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JEB

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:25 PM

To: PDQFNA@aol.com

Subject: RE: Request of Privilege for an FNA Nurse fup

Dr. Pat, we are on the case.

-----Original Message-----

From: PDQFNA@aol.com [mailto:PDQFNA@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 7:53 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Request of Privilege for an FNA Nurse

Dear Governor Bush,

This is FNA President Pat Quigley writing to you as a Point of Personal Privilege and request in honor of an FNA member, Martha Russell, RN, and her husband, George Russell.

I hope you will allow me this moment.

Governor Bush, Martha Russell and her beloved husband are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 9th. As I reflect on Martha's life, and that of her husband, George, their lives are devoted to community services and shaping the lives of others.

Martha, as myself and so many nurses, hold you in such high regard, and to that point, I wondered if you might be willing to send a special card of celebration to them in honor of this special 50th anniversary celebration.

Your card/thoughts would be a gift of true honor to them, and would generate a memory in their Hall of Remembrance.

Governor Bush, you appointed Martha Russell to your Governor's Gold Seal Panel for Nursing Home Excellence, to which she is so hoping you will issue a reappointment - as her term is soon to come to a close.

She stood up in humble honor when you visited us at our last Health Policy Conference, identifying herself as your appointee to this important panel. You see, Martha's legacy is in Long Term Care, devoted to Nursing Home Care / Administration/ Staffing.

Mr. Russell's community contributions are to such extent that their community named a park after George in Tampa.

I hope you will consider this request on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Russell.

Their address is
Mr. and Mrs. Russell
513 Constitution Dr.
Tampa, FL 33613 -3115

Their home phone is 813-962-0379

Your thoughts and greeting would be of such honor, a gift that I only hope to facilitate.

Thank you for your consideration.

I remain sincerely yours in service,
Dr. Pat Quigley, ARNP, CRRN
President, FNA

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/11/2003 12:13:59 AM

Subject: FW: Commissioner Sherry Campbell fup

We need to discuss asap.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: /O=JEB BUSH/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JEB

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:07 PM

To: Sheriff Charlie Morris

Subject: RE: Commissioner Sherry Campbell fup

Charlie, I will get back to you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sheriff Charlie Morris [mailto:cmorris@sheriff-okaloosa.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 4:27 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Commissioner Sherry Campbell

Governor, I just read a newspaper article from the Pensacola New Journal which stated you freed two appointed Escambia County Commissioners from their agreements not to run for office next year. You appointed Sherry Campbell to replace Commissioner Ransom after she resigned to accept another job in Kuwait. I want to tell you your staff did an outstanding job in selecting her for this Commissioners position. The reason for my email to you is that I hope you will consider allowing her to run for this Commission seat in the next election and release her from the obligation she gave you to not run. Without a doubt she is one of the very best Commissioners we have had in the County for many years and it would be a tremendous mistake to not allow her to run for election in 2004. I hope you will do this for the people of Okaloosa County. They deserve a good Commissioner like her. Thanks, Sheriff Charlie Morris

From: [Steven R. West <stewest@comcast.net>](mailto:stewest@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 11:44:51 PM

Subject: Medical Liability

Governor: While I agree with you the medmal bill is not the best bill in the world, I and the great majority of physicians are very appreciative of the strong & good fight you waged for meaningful tort reform. Hopefully, the new law will help stabilize the insurance rates so that Floridians can get the care they need. Thank you for your help and support on this and many issues that are important to medicine. Do not forget the invitation to speak at the FLAMPAC Good Government Luncheon. We hope that you can make it. Thanks again. Steve West

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/10/2003 11:45:07 PM

Subject: FW: Budget Numbers fup

STATUS REPORT?

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2003 7:26 PM

To: Kathleen Shanahan

Subject: RE: Budget Numbers fup

this is ridiculous. we need to discuss in the morning.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kathleen Shanahan

Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2003 6:33 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: Budget Numbers

fyi

-----Original Message-----

From: Chuck Cobb [mailto:ccobb@cobbpartners.com]

Sent: Friday, July 25, 2003 4:44 PM

To: Ambassador Luis Lauredo; Tony Ojeda

Cc: Joe Arriola; Jorge Arrizurieta; Jackie Bofill; George Burgess; Melissa Cloud; Armando Codina; Pam Dana; Ana Gutierrez; Eric Olafson; Commissioner Pepe Diaz; Shanahan, Kathleen; Susy Torriente

Subject: Fw: Budget Numbers

The purpose of this email is about two subjects - our budget numbers and our timetable for the Ministerial and ABF.

As you can see in the email below, Chris Padilla is quite concerned about a new revised budget from Eric Olafson of Miami Dade County showing a Ministerial and ABF budget of \$19.8 million with a \$3.5 million deficit. I personally have never seen such a budget, and we just had a Board of Directors meeting two days ago and no such budget was presented or mentioned.

I appreciate that several police officers within Miami Dade County and the City of Miami are concerned about potential increased security and police costs, but to have these concerns sent to Washington as a "revised budget" without any input by our Board of Directors, by City of Miami representatives or by me is not very responsible. I can appreciate Chris Padilla's position. Unless I hear in the contrary from either of you or County Manager George Burgess, or Assistant County Manager Susy Torriente, by noon on Monday, July 27, I plan to call or see Chris Padilla in Washington and tell him that I know nothing about a \$19.8 million budget for the Ministerial and ABF with a \$3.5 million deficit. Furthermore, I hope either of you or your colleagues can send me our Board of Directors approved budget that has no deficit in order that I might present it to Chris Padilla on Monday. I am going to be in Washington Monday for a 10 a.m. to noon meeting at the State Department and will try to set up a meeting with him for that afternoon to clarify the budget issues.

As I also mentioned to you regarding the budget, Pam Dana stated at Wednesday's meeting that the State of Florida is going to need additional controls on the \$3 million of budget items that the Board of Directors approved on Wednesday before it can advance its \$1 million. As I mentioned to both of you and County Manager Burgess, I think these additional controls requested by the State of Florida are appropriate and needed, especially on items that should be largely financed through in-kind contributions. Commissioner Diaz and County Manager Burgess are attempting to organize a meeting with State of Florida officials and the three of us whereby we can develop these additional controls.

The second subject is about timelines. As I mentioned to you in the Board meeting, I think you are making good progress in developing a better timeline, but I think it is critical that the timeline be developed into greater detail for each day between now and November 16. In other words, it should be clear on the timeline which items must be completed on a specific day. For example, the timeline should show which items were required to be completed by today, July 25. Everybody in the office on the 10th floor will check that timeline daily and see what was to be completed or advanced on any given day. To quote Kathleen Shanahan, the Governor's Chief of Staff, we need a "countdown . on these specific areas - step by step, minute by minute." I don't think the critical path charts need to be in the detail of minute by minute, but clearly the timelines need the specific countdowns for each day.

I know Luis is in Ecuador and I am in Jamaica, but we need to respond to Chris by Monday.

Unfortunately, my Blackberry email does not work in Jamaica. You can either send an email to my Miami office prior to 6 p.m. tonight or Monday morning (ccobb@cobbpartners.com), or you can send it to my wife's email address over the weekend (cobbsmc@aol.com), or you can call me at the Ambassador's residence at 876-931-2468.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Christopher Padilla" <CPADILLA@ustr.gov>

To: <ccobb@cobbpartners.com>; <llauredo@hunton.com>; "R Federal Record" <r@ustr.gov>

Sent: Friday, July 25, 2003 10:03 AM

Subject: Budget Numbers

> Dear Luis and Chuck:

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> We have a serious issue that I think we need to resolve very quickly.

> Two

days ago I received from Eric Olafson of Miami-Dade County a revised budget for the Ministerial and related events. It says "As Presented for State and Federal Funding Request - Revised July 1, 2003".

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> This budget is considerably different than the one we've seen before.

> It

claims overall expenses of \$19.8 million, including \$15.1 million for security alone. It also suggests that the event overall will run a deficit of more than \$3.5 million.

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> This was very surprising. We had never seen these numbers before, and have no idea what they may include. As I think you know, we have been doing briefings on Capitol Hill for the Florida delegation on the security plan, and have been saying that in our view the request of Miami-Dade for \$7 million is justified by the current budget and security plan. I have also agreed to do several briefings for the private sector on plans for the Ministerial based on our understanding of the budget, which was, the last time we were consulted, somewhere in the neighborhood of \$12.7 million.

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> I am very concerned about this, since we have been placing our

> credibility

on the line with Congress and the private sector with regard to the budget and plans for the event.

Now that budget appears to have changed considerably, without no consultation.

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> Given the confusion over the source and accuracy of the budget

> numbers, I

have no choice but to suspend immediately all our briefings for Members of Congress. We have informed Chairman Young's staff that we have some issues to resolve before we are prepared to comment any further on the request for Federal funding. I also regret that I will have to defer from participating in any private sector briefings until we get this resolved.

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> Please call as soon as you can.

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> Thanks,

> Chris

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> Christopher A. Padilla

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From: Nogfamhealth@aol.com <Nogfamhealth@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 11:40:24 PM

Subject: Re: children's health issue

Thanks for responding.

First for R.R. Moton Elementary (I was previously the clinical director there) the UM school of nursing has pulled out. We are trying to pick that up and I am working with Ms. Hinson the principal to find some \$\$.

Second for Barry - we lost the health foundation of south florida \$300,000 +, and numerous other sources (i.e. allegany foundation, hugoton foundation, Kids Care is no longer a source, and many others).

I have linked an overview of our website for you. I have other detailed information should you desire it. [PCN, Nursing, Barry University](#)

Thank you again for caring!!!
debbie

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Wendy Berger \(BergerW@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Wendy.Berger@eog.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/10/2003 11:03:51 PM
Subject: FW: Triple Child molester gets i year in the county jail, Jacksonville, Fl fup

[any new news on this?](#)

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: /O=JEB BUSH/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JEB
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2003 1:28 PM
To: Gatorpmac@aol.com
Cc: Wendy Berger (E-mail); Raquel Rodriguez (E-mail)
Subject: RE: Triple Child molester gets i year in the county jail, Jacksonville, Fl fup

[I will ask my legal office to look into this case.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Gatorpmac@aol.com [mailto:Gatorpmac@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2003 9:21 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Triple Child molester gets i year in the county jail, Jacksonville, Fl

Dear Governor Bush, I met you years ago in Jax, when you campaigned for your father. **I am writing this morning for you help. It seems we have a mutual friend named Carlos Alfonso, from Tampa.** I am writing to you to look into the case in Jacksonville in which 2 of my sons were molested by the President of the Northeast Builder's Association. He was also a deacon at First Baptist Church, and formerly the R.A. at the Bolles School in the boys dorm. Five boys came forward in this case. The state only charged him with 3. One of the boys they did not charge him with was my nephew from Tampa who had just turned 11. Edmonds only knew him for 3 days.

Last year Steve Edmonds was arrested for molesting 3 boys and charged with 13 felony counts. The state wanted to dispose of this case but the families involved wanted a fair sentencing range. The defendant's wife is related to A. C. Soud and Ginger Soud as well as Tommy Hazouri, a former mayor. Their babysitter was Jim Fuller's daughter. On May 5th, we met in the assistant state attorney's office with Libby Senterfitt and Mr. Shorstein. They discussed the possibility of offering the criminal 0-6 years in a sentencing range. The families involved said no, as it didn't accord proper punishment and was well below the sentencing guidelines set forth by the legislature.

Mr. Shorstein said "I can see why you wouldn't accept that range, I wouldn't either, if they had offered 2-6 I would make you take it." He then said, "we're not going to do anything the victims families don't want us to do" He also stated in that meeting that he had been approached by a judge that remarked "the state was going to har on him". We were dumbfounded.

In early June the 1st district court of appeals unsealed the evidence and the media printed the messages he had sent on the internet, as well as the recorded phone call approved by a judge in which the defendant admitted to the felonies.

Less than 2 days after the news broke the state attorney Libby Senterfitt called on Friday at 4:55p.m., and stated that Mr. Shorstein was considering offering Edmonds 0-6 on the following Monday morning. We objected. They said they were "doing it to spare the children", who were willing to testify to the series of crimes committed against them.

I presented a letter to him Monday, June 9th, reminding him of his words to us in that meeting on May 5th as well as another discussion on May 19th. They gave the judge the range anyway.

On June 12th I was informed by a prominent member of the Jacksonville community that the defendant was bragging about a deal he had cut. He stated "in my plea of guilty, they dropped 10 of the charges, and I, m going to get a year in the county jail at the p-farm on Lanney road"

I was disgusted and told the state, they said that what he was putting out on the street was not true. Please look into this. The police report is shocking. The evidence was overwhelming. Is this sentence a coincidence? I don't think so. What kind of message does this send to child molesters. Sincerely, Mrs. Ted McGowan @gatorpmac@aol.com.

From: [Michael Milton <magmilt@yahoo.com>](mailto:magmilt@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:59:18 PM

Subject: Be responsible -- Vote against Caps and Insurance Indifference

Michael Milton
815 S. Main Street, Suite 200
Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Michael Milton

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us)

[Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:59:13 PM

Subject: FW: I could use some help fup

Any news for Tony?

jeb

> -----Original Message-----

>From: Jeb Bush

>Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2003 10:12 PM

>To: tony suarez

>Cc: Eli Ferrera (EOG) (E-mail)

>Subject: RE: I could use some help fup

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>Tony, you can count on me to find the right commission or board. Eli Ferrara will be in touch with you tomorrow to discuss this. This is unfair.

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>Jeb Bush

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>Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law.

>Most written communications to or from state officials

>regarding state business are public records available to the

>public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications

>may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

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> -----Original Message-----

>From: tony suarez [mailto:suarez@cfl.rr.com]

>Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2003 5:51 AM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Subject: I could use some help

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>dear gov.

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>I rarely write to you for anything personal. I usually write to support some judicial candidate or another is furtherance of enhancing our judicial system. However I am now

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>asking for some help. You may remember that during my campaign for the senate the dems leveled allegations of voter fraud against my campaign. many think that this

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>last minute smear campaign made the difference in our race. recently the state attorney of orange

county closed the investigation that they initiated based on the

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>complaints, because obviously there was nothing to that allegation. however, while one would think this is a vindication of the campaign, one reporter from channel two,

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>news here locally , ran a story that did not clear my campaign entirely , leaving the impression that something was afoot. the slant was so bad that several people called my

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> office to ask me about this story, which I told them was nothing. no other news channel carried it nor did the orlando sentinel. I was prepared to simply ignor the report.

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>However yesterday I was scheduled to be a panel speaker at the convention of LULAC being held here in central florida.and I was called by the organizer that they are asking

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>me not to the appear at the panel discussion because LULAC member had complained that I was indicted or convicted of election fraud and was an embarrasment to the

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>community and LULAC. I threatened to sue LULAC for this is obviously false and very slanderous , that what they have done is listen to political enemies of mine who are

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>democrats and simply donot want me to be a voice of our community. There is nothing that you can do about all this , but you can help by finding an appointment for me on

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>a voluntary commission and making a public event which will show confidence in me. I have only my reputation to live on. I am not rich and I have no big clients, I live on

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>my reputation in the community. my political enemies combined with yellow journalism have conspired to take this away from me. I only seek to serve and give back to

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>our great nation and state all that the Lord has given me. I switched parties and undertook this great campaign precisely because I saw the great danger in some of the ideas

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> posed in the political arena that allowed to come into fruition would harm the principals of individual liberty and personal responsibility, bedrocks of our foundation. now I

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>need some help in restoring my good name. can you help. Thanks tony

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: '[jeffrey walker](#)'

Date: 8/10/2003 10:46:05 PM

Subject: RE: Med Mal

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-----Original Message-----

From: jeffrey walker [mailto:jjwpa@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 6:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Med Mal

jeffrey walker

840 n.e, 20th ave

ft. lauderdale, FLORIDA 33304

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

jeffrey j. walker

From: [jeffrey walker <jjwpa@aol.com>](mailto:jeffrey.walker@jeffreywalker.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:44:32 PM

Subject: Med Mal

jeffrey walker
840 n.e, 20th ave
ft. lauderdale, FLORIDA 33304

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

jeffrey j. walker

From: TTippett2@aol.com <TTippett2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:43:58 PM

Subject: Re: Medical professional liability insurance

Dear Jeb,

Thanks again for going above and beyond the call for all of us. I look forward to working with you for the next three years and beyond.

Troy

From: Bradley Feuer <cruisedoc@pol.net>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/10/2003 10:21:24 PM

Subject: Re: RE:

Thanks, Jeb. If there's anything I may be able to offer your office in terms of Homeland Security, or if your office has any interest in endorsing this new concept as we develop the role of an FHP "Police Surgeon", please let me know.

Best regards,

Brad

----- Reply Separator -----

Originally From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

Subject: RE:

Date: 08/10/2003 04:24pm

Dr. Feuer, thanks for writing. Your participation with FHP is fantastic.

I didn't realize how extensive the job was!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: cruisedoc@pol.net [mailto:cruisedoc@pol.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 10:09 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Jeb,

I understand that the House and Senate have reached a compromise on tort reform. Congratulations and thank you for your tireless work and effort towards making this happen.

On a personal note, I also wanted to thank you for considering me for a gubernatorial appointment. Unfortunately, since the end of my term as

president of the Palm Beach County Medical Society, in working with your appointments office I have not been able to identify a position of particular interest which also fit my backgrounds in medicine and law. In the meantime, I have identified a venue for my interest in volunteer

public service, which involves the state. I have been working with Major

Miquel A. Guzman of Florida Highway Patrol Troop L to volunteer as the Troop's Police Surgeon (I already serve as the police surgeon for the Town of Surfside).

The role of FHP Auxiliary Police Surgeon will encompass a voluntary, community service position (in my case rendered part-time by an individual licensed by the state of Florida both as a physician and attorney-at-law.) The police surgeon would be associated with the Florida Highway Patrol for the purpose of promoting the health of the state trooper and maintaining high standards of health and for reducing

psychological stress and tension on the officers allowing them to better

perform their daily duties. In this capacity, I hope to:

>Act as a consultant to advise FHP management on the medical care rendered to troopers for duty related injuries and illnesses

>Advise FHP management on employee benefits as they relate to health care

>Review and make recommendations on the physical condition of applicants to FHP

>Review records of sick personnel when requested by management Review

>medical records of officers who claim disability and advise management

>Review charges against officers who feign illness or injury to evade duty or whose illness or injury results from improper conduct, intemperance, or habits and advise management

>Be available to testify, in court, on behalf of FHP on matters such as blood alcohol levels

>Provide education and training in health-related areas (e.g., bioterrorism, use of automatic external defibrillators).

>Train and become a member of the Tactical Response Team to provide immediate medical care to team members in case of emergency.

>Assist in educating the community in areas such as occupant protection and child passenger safety.

>Serve in other manners and capacities as may be requested by FHP management.

>As an FHP police surgeon, I might also be able to offer my services

to
your office in the area of Homeland Security appointment.

The first step in obtaining this goal has been to train in order to be sworn in as an auxiliary trooper. I am now close to completion of that training. As Major Guzman and I have discussed, should this concept prove successful, it might be one that would be worthwhile to develop across the state. I'm sure that there are other qualified physicians who would be willing to volunteering in similar fashion. Given the promise of this project, and potential positive public spin, it occurred to me that your office might be interested in endorsing the concept.

If this project is one in which you may have personal interest, please feel free to contact me, via email or phone (cell: 561-801-3387) at your convenience.

Best regards,

Brad

Dr. Bradley S. Feuer, Esq.

From: matt@cfl.rr.com <matt@cfl.rr.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:08:48 PM

Subject: RE: Irony?

Thanks--I know schools are waiting on clarification of exactly what the authors of the 18 credit plan had in mind.

JET Blue--that was it. Yes--keep them coming! Over taxing businesses runs them out of town--State and Country. My poor little home town of Cairo Illinois is run by democrats and they have just run their last major employer out of town because of over taxing...Bungee Corporation. Now a town needing businesses can't see even what they are doing--incredible. That little town is an example of liberal politics at it worst (best?).

Matt

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 4:10 PM

To: matt@cfl.rr.com

Subject: RE: Irony?

I think we need to give counselors enough information regarding the 18 hour credit concept. I will make sure that the DOE works on that.

Jet Blue is hopefully one of many we will continue to secure!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: matt@cfl.rr.com [<mailto:matt@cfl.rr.com>]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 9:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Irony?

Jeb

I think we have successfully lost our title of being the wackiest state in the country to California. I don't think we can top Gary Coleman, Larry Flint and the recall...not to mention Arnold. Not that we want

to. I predict Arnold the victor though.....this will be better than the vote recounts...even better media than the guy in Palm Beach eye balling the ballots :-)

On our new 18 credit career and college options we are starting up for students, do you find a little irony in that we had so many of our conservative cohorts who were upset with that federal School to Work legislation (which sunset in 200) with concerns we were asking and making students make career or college decisions in ninth grade and lock them into it? Which, as we both know never happened in Florida despite those concerns. I also know that students will not be locked into the new 18 credit options and can change to the 24 standard credit at any time. However, I wondered if you have heard the same concerns as loudly as before? In Brevard we had quite a contingency... of about four people... who were very vocal at school board meetings and in the press--Mrs. Shelley Nelson

being one big advocate if you recall. It took me years to convince her what we did with students was a positive thing and nobody was ever forced or locked into anything--she finally agreed. Now after her divorce she has disappeared from radar. I just found some irony in the fact that now the state of Florida created diploma options--partially..just as they feared-- which have more of an appearance of asking a ninth grader to make a choice or decision than we have ever done. Now more than ever our counselors are going to have to do a better job of informing parents and students of the options and opportunities afforded in all graduation plans. I just hope they are up to it and have the means to do it effectively. I guess I am scared parents and kids will miss opportunities if the schools do not communicate the options fully and completely. I'm not certain we have anything in place to ensure that, or for that matter have had anything in place to ensure each student and parent receives the same equal services and information what opportunities and options they have. I think we need to give our guidance departments in schools more resources (both technologically and in staff)--don't you?

Hope all is well otherwise for you. Thanks for your work for Florida and bringing in those California Companies like Sky Blue (was that the right name?) yesterday in Orlando. Get some more in here before Arnold gets them back!...or tries.

Matt Conroy

PS: Robot season has begun--here we go again. My wife will shoot me if I continue the same hours as before--I have been requested to back off some!

From: [Darryn Silverstein <dsilver322@aol.com>](mailto:dsilver322@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 10:01:59 PM

Subject: malpractice and bad faith legislation

Darryn Silverstein
216 Egret Court
Weston, FLORIDA 33327

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this bad legislation for the sake of all victims of bad medical care past and future.

Sincerely,

Darryn Silverstein

From: [Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/10/2003 9:40:57 PM

Subject: Re: Three things

I have a list but it had zero for Florida's graduates. There is I believe some unallocated funds. I will make sure we use some to sustain Florida's graduates. Many others are calling about funding issues as it relates to proviso. We never had time to discuss them. Our staffs worked on it. Another example is the Council on Economic Education which we have funded in the past but zeroed out this time. Zach Zechariah is the incoming chairman and he is calling. There is some unallocated funds and I would love to meet with you and discuss. I have been keeping a list of those who are calling.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>

Sent: Sun Aug 10 17:37:02 2003

Subject: RE: Three things

Don't you have the list of funding? I would have thought this was already done.

-----Original Message-----

From: Horne, Jim [mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 4:57 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Three things

It was my understanding that your staff initially recommended zero and recently you decided to fund it at last years level. Any level is fine with me. the program appears successful. Based on the total funds available we probably would be limited to 500,000. I would like to keep the program moving.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>

Sent: Sun Aug 10 16:52:14 2003

Subject: RE: Three things

I thought you proposed and I agreed to less than that. What was the amount you are giving Jobs?

-----Original Message-----

From: Horne, Jim [mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 4:48 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Three things

Not lately. He met with Ray Monteleone and asked that we fund the program. Says he put 1 mil in budget for program. Let's talk so I can get back to him..

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: jim.horne@fldoe.org <jim.horne@fldoe.org>

Sent: Sun Aug 10 16:47:56 2003

Subject: FW: Three things

please note the comment regarding Jobs for Florida's Graduates. Have you spoken to Steve?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Senator Stephen Wise [mailto:srwise@comcast.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 8:34 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Three things

GFI MailSecurity's HTML threat engine found HTML scripts in this email and has disabled them.

Governor:

1. I saw in the paper that your daughter has graduated from drug rehab... It is a long road but I know she can make it. We will continue to pray for her.

2. The medical malpractice issue ... The session starts Tuesday.. hopefully, everyone is equally disappointed on the compromise.. Do you feel this is the best deal to lower insurance rates? It is our 40th wedding anniversary and I am losing points right and left on attending the special session so we have better have the votes to pass something.

3. Jobs for Florida's Graduates... This is the best performance based program that I have seen and it is really making a difference in the outcomes of students, ie; graduation rates and passing the FCAT for students who were selected by the school because they believed they were a potential drop out. The graduation rate last year was 90%. Having said all that, I need help in obtaining the \$500,000 from DOE in line item 70 of the appropriations act. That was where the proviso language was prior to the Legislature removing all the proviso language in the Appropriations Act. The DOE said they can not do anything unless you tell them to do it. So can you tell them to provide Jobs for Florida's Graduate with a \$500,000 contract? As you will recall it was Commissioner Horne and my Bill that passed many years ago which created the program. If we do not get the \$500,000 soon, we can not assist the students because the school year has already started and we are going to lay off all of our people who have provided the services last year and there will be no follow-up on the students which graduated. Your attention to this matter is really important to me because I am the Treasurer of the program.

Thanks for your help.

Steve

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Don Ladner \(donladner@fdle.state.fl.us\)](mailto:donladner@fdle.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/10/2003 9:39:58 PM

Subject: FW: personal request

[can we discuss this?](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: BBoyer1263@aol.com [mailto:BBoyer1263@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 9:32 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: personal request

SOMEONE WANTS TO KILL ME? I HAVE A 3 DEATH THREATS IN WRITING IN A PAPER NAMED THE DA UNDAGRIND PAPER. ONE IN THE JUNE EDITION 2 IN THE JULY EDITION. SAME IS TRYING TO START A RIOT IN OUT TOWN BETWEEN THE KKK AND MARTIAN LUTHER KING III. PLUS THE CIVIL RIGHTS PEOPLE AND OTHER GROUPS. EVEN MANAGED TO GET REP. JAMES HARPER WRAPPED UP INTO ITS WEB. THIS PAPER ACCUSED THE KKK OF A LYNCHING IT PLANTED THE SEED FOR THE SUICIDE TO BE CALLED A LYNCHING IN WHICH GOT THE TOWN INTO NATIONAL MEDIA ATTENTION. THE PAPER DA UNDERGRIND DID ALL THIS ON PURPOSE. THEY EVEN GOT THE FBI IN WEST PALM BEACH AND THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS OFFICE TO CALL THERE PAPER FREEDOM OF SPEECH. THIS IS HELPING THE PEOPLE THAT WROTE THE PAPER SELL CD "S". BEING THE PAPER CHALLENGED THE KKK AND CALLED THEM MURDERERS THERE COMING TO TOWN NEXT WEEK TO CONFRONT THE MARTIAN LUTHER KING III GROUP AND OTHERS IN A PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION. WE DO NOT KNOW ANY KKK MEMBERS AND DO NOT WANT THEM HERE. WE DO NOT WANT MARTIAN LUTHER III AND NO OTHER OUTSIDE PEOPLE HERE. THERE ALL TRYING TO START TROUBLE. THE PAPER IS THE PROBLEM ALL THE OTHER PEOPLE ARE A VICTIM OF THE PAPER INCLUDING THE GOLDEN FAMILY IN WHICH IT WAS THERE SON WHO HUNG HIMSELF BECAUSE HE WAS DEPRESSED AND IT WAS PROVED SUICIDE IN A PUBLIC INQUIRY. I TOLD REP HARPER ABOUT THE PAPER AND ABOUT MY DEATH THREAT BEFORE THE INQUIRY STARTED. I ALSO REMINDED HIM AGAIN AT A CITY COMMISSION MEETING OF THE PAPER THAT CALLED FOR THE GANGS TO KILL THE BELLE GLADE POLICE AND KILL THE SHERIFF DEPUTIES PLUS I REMINDED HIM OF MY DEATH THREAT AGAIN. ALL HE DID WAS ASK FOR OUR INNOCENT CHIEF OF POLICE TO BE FIRED. HE IS SUPPOSED TO HELP ALL PEOPLE OF THIS DISTRICT HE DID NOT HELP A CITY IN DISTRESS OR HELP ME. I E-MAILED MY CONCERNS TO OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONER. I TALKED TO THE STATE ATTORNEY OFFICE. I E-MAILED THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF MY CONCERNS. I E-MAILED OTHER DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT. I TRIED TO HELP THE LOCAL TERRORISM TASK FORCE AT THE FBI IN PALM BEACH COUNTY AND THEY DID NOT CALL ME BACK. I TRIED TO TALK TO THE FBI IN WEST PALM THEY SAID IF I GET KILLED IT WILL BE A LOCAL PROBLEM. OUR CHIEF OF POLICE IS DOING ALL HE CAN DO. BUT WHEN THE FBI AND THE US ATTORNEYS OFFICE CALLED THE HATE PAPER FREEDOM OF SPEECH WHAT CAN YOU DO. A CAR WAS WATCHING MY HOUSE WITH A TAG OF 401 MY HUSBAND CHASED THEM AND GOT THE TAG NUMBER. WE TURNED IT INTO THE POLICE IT CAME BACK TO A DEAD MAN WITH 40 OTHER NAMES. THEY WERE MUSLIMS. NOW FBI WILL NOT EVEN CALL OUR CHIEF BACK WITH WHAT THERE DOING ABOUT THE CAR. I AM A CITIZEN I HAVE 3 DEATH THREATS AND I WANT THE FBI TO TELL US WHAT THERE DOING ABOUT THAT CAR. I NEED TO KNOW ARE THEY TERRORIST ARE THE JUST NORMAL PEOPLE OR WHAT. I CALLED YOUR SECURITY DETAIL AND TOLD THEM OF THE 401 CAR BECAUSE I WAS GOING TO SEE YOU WHEN YOU WERE AT PALMS WEST AND THAT TAG NUMBER LIVED 2 MINUTES FROM WHERE YOU WERE SPEAKING SO FOR YOUR SAFETY I STAYED AWAY. I TRIED TO TALK TO OUR MAYOR ABOUT THE PAPER AND MY DEATH THREAT ALL HE DID WAS BLEW ME OFF. NOW WE HAVE A SITUATION IN OUR CITY THAT COULD CAUSE A RIOT NEXT WEEK. IT COULD CAUSE ALL THE COPS TO BE KILLED LIKE THE PAPER SAID TO DO. AND THE LAST PAPER SAYS DEATH TO AMERICA. IT WAS PLEASED THAT WASHINGTON GOT BOMBED AND TOLD OF HATE TOWARD THE AMERICAN FLAG. CALLED YOU AND THE PRESIDENT SNAKES AND CALLED YOU THE DEVIL. CALLED ALL BLACK MINISTERS THAT BELIEVED IN GOD BAD. CALLED THE BLACK BUSINESS PEOPLE THAT DID NOT SUPPORT THEM BAD AND THREATENED THEM. NEXT WEEK WE COULD ALL DIE AND THIS RIOT WAS PLANNED IT SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING I HEARD IN A MEETING IN THE YEAR 2000 BY A HATE GROUP CORY JOHNSON THAT WAS IS IN YOUR FDLE INTELLIGENCE AND MATTHEW SEARS OF FDLE WAS THE AGENT YOU ASSIGNED TO INVESTIGATE. THIS AUTHOR OF THE DA UNDAGRIND PAPER WAS ALSO IN THE 2000 MEETING AND IS THE AUTHOR OF THE PAPER THAT HAS STARTED THIS RIOT IN WHICH COULD HAPPEN NEXT WEEK. I WOULD LIKE FEDERAL PROTECTION NEXT WEEK AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU DECLARE MARSHALL LAW IN OUR CITY BECAUSE OUR MAYOR IS NOT PROTECTING OUR CITY AND IS INVOLVED IN THE CONFUSION AND HE FIRED THE AFRO AMERICAN CITY MANAGER BECAUSE HE SUPPORTED OUR CHIEF OF POLICE AND WOULD NOT FIRE AN INNOCENT MAN. OUR CITY IS GOING TO NEED THE NATIONAL GUARD TO HELP KEEP THE PEACE FOR THE EVIL WANT OUR CITY TO BURN DOWN ON CNN SO IT CAN PROVE TO THE WORLD THAT OUR PROBLEMS ARE NOT IN IRAQ OR IRAN OR NORTH KOREA OR WITH BIN LADIN BUT IT IS IN AMERICA AND OUR SITTING PRESIDENT AND THE GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA EYES ARE BLIND. PLEASE HELP ME I AM SCARED FOR AMERICA, SCARED FOR FLORIDA, SCARED FOR MY LIFE AND FOR THE LIFE OF OUR POLICE OFFICERS. CALL ME AND I WILL TELL YOU OR ASK YOU FOR THERE SAME REQUEST IN PERSON. I DID NOT WANT TO HAVE TO FAX OR E-MAIL FBI IN WASHINGTON TO GET HELP IN FLORIDA. I KNOW THAT THEY WILL HELP BECAUSE I DID IT BEFORE TO GET HELP DURING THE MEDLIAN DRUG CARTEL CASE. I WANT HOME LAND SECURITY TO WORK IN FLORIDA AND IN THE UNITED STATES. I AM A CITIZEN ON PATROL THAT RIDES WITH THE POLICE I KNOW HOW WE NEED TO ALL WORK TOGETHER AND SHARE INFORMATION SO ANOTHER 9-11 WILL NOT HAPPEN. AND ANOTHER 9-11 COULD HAPPEN AND IT WAS PLANED TO HAPPEN IN BELLE GLADE AND THE SEED WAS PLANTED BY A LOCAL PAPER THAT WANT STOP PRINTING HATE AND DEATH THREATS. NOW IT HAS SO MANY DIFFERENT GROUPS OF PEOPLE MIXED UP IN IT THERE GOING TO LOOK STUPID OR WEAK IF THEY BACK DOWN. KKK, MARTIAN LUTHER III WHOM I ADMIRE ALL THESE PEOPLE ARE VICTIM'S EVEN OUR MAYOR AND REP HARPER BUT IF THEY BACK DOWN THERE GOING TO LOOK STUPID. SO PLEASE HELP US GOVERNOR BUSH SENT THE NATIONAL GUARD HERE AND DECLARE MARSHALL LAW TILL ALL THIS IS SORTED OUT PLEASE. BETTY BOYER A CONCERNED CITIZEN

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Shelly Brantley'](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 9:30:33 PM

Subject: RE: fup- for discussion purposes only

[thank you Shelly. I will read the doc tomorrow.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 7:15 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: fup- for discussion purposes only

Governor,

In response to our recent discussion, please find an attached summary of suggestions to prevent and reduce sexual assaults. I tried to build on existing resources, but there will be some additional costs associated with the need for training and education. It is important for everyone to recognize that domestic and sexual violence against individuals with disabilities, like individuals without disabilities is a national social issue. Domestic and sexual violence does not discriminate across race, ethnicity, social class or living situations.

Prior to recently publicized assaults, I tried to begin forming partnerships with the Florida DD Council, Domestic and Sexual Violence Centers as well as advocacy groups to increase awareness and prevention efforts on this issue. I plan to continue these efforts, but unfortunately some groups would rather point the finger than be part of the solution. I met with leadership of our larger provider organizations on Friday to discuss this issue as well as others. They seem very receptive to assisting with this effort as it benefits everyone, most especially the people we serve. "Juntos Podemos"

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss these ideas further.

Shelly

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Kimble D. McKay'](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 9:20:55 PM

Subject: RE: Enrollment growth funding

Thank you Kimble for writing.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kimble D. McKay [mailto:kdmck@mail.strato.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 6:06 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Dr Norman Stephens Jr.; Dr Sandy Shugart; Dr Harry Albertson

Subject: Enrollment growth funding

Dear Governor Bush,

As a Trustee of South Florida Community College, Avon Park, I am urging you to provide the appropriate enrollment funding. If we don't have that, our efficiency and productivity goes down as our need for expansion grows. Without forward funding, we're not getting the bang for the buck and will curtail enrollment.

Kimble McKay SFCC. District Board of Trustees

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'KAF'

BCC: [Wendy Berger \(BergerW@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:BergerW@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/10/2003 9:19:36 PM

Subject: RE: Ronals Clark- Death Row Inmate

I don't have control over the judiciary but I will ask my legal office to look into this.

Jeb Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: KAF [mailto:rdarcntact@hotmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 2:30 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Ronals Clark- Death Row Inmate

Dear Governor-

I'm writing to request your intervention in the case of Ronald Clark. The judge on the case is against allowing him to have a new attorney, Harold Brody, represent him. It could mean a life sentence instead of death. Please consider helping because no one but God should be able to give or take a life.

Thank you,

Kelly A. Fives

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/10/2003 9:17:44 PM

Subject: FW: Confidential Question

[can you please handle?](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: ELRRco@aol.com [mailto:ELRRco@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 12:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Confidential Question

Dear Governor Bush:

My name is Phillip Bell, and I am a Florida Republican voter that has contacted you in the past regarding my plans for rail service in the State of Florida and elsewhere. Unfortunately, we were not able to make things work in the past, however I am still interested in rail passenger and freight services to be provided by the private sector.

I would like to know if you have any idea about what people or investment firms that I might approach to finance my plan for a rail system in the Northeast. While I recognize that you are a sitting Governor, I am not looking to use your name in referrals, I am simply in search of leads for venture capital. I am contacting you because I know you were a member of the investment community prior to becoming Governor.

My difficulty is that we must put several railroads and rail lines together to complete my planned system, and while we have a strong plan, the complexity has been a deterrent.

If you could provide me with any information, I would greatly appreciate any direction that you might be able to point me in. I wish you the best of luck in Florida, and truly hope that one day we might be able to establish and expand our brand of strong, safe passenger and freight services to the Sunshine State.

Very truly yours,

Phillip L. Bell, Chairman
Erie Lackawanna Railroad Co. (FL)
E-mail. <ELRRco@AOL.com>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'robert brewster'

Date: 8/10/2003 9:07:36 PM

Subject: FW:

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To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:57:27 PM

Subject: Re: Three things

It was my understanding that your staff initially recommended zero and recently you decided to fund it at last years level. Any level is fine with me. the program appears successful. Based on the total funds available we probably would be limited to 500,000. I would like to keep the program moving.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>

Sent: Sun Aug 10 16:52:14 2003

Subject: RE: Three things

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Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 8:34 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['jachurra@starband.net'](mailto:jachurra@starband.net)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:38:27 PM

Subject: RE: Congratulations

Thank you Juan. I appreciate your comments regarding Noelle. I also share your concern about the loss of higher wage jobs to places like India. The question is, how do we respond to it? What should be our policy?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: J. Achurra [mailto:jachurra@starband.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 10:07 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Congratulations

Jeb, congratulations on the Medical Malpractice Caps that everyone finally agreed on. I know this will help everyone in the state. I know that there is a lot going on for you right now but I wanted to remind you to keep an eye on all the Technology jobs going away to other countries. The managers practicing this technique to save a few dollars now ultimately harm the economy and the intellectual brain pool of the United States. I have already seen many good tech workers having to take jobs at Wal-Mart, etc... And not in their field of study. Not that it is degrading to work at Wal-Mart but if you take the time to think about it, if we in society set rules that are based on accomplishing goals that ultimately lead to rewards it makes a freedom loving society be all it can be. However, if these rules set since before the time of Jesus are ignored, it only brings chaos to the order of things. In other words, if someone follows the rules that our society stresses will get them ahead in life such as getting an education yet once all the goals have been met the person ends up working in a job he or she really did not need an education for then why go through all the suffering and pain to get the education that did not pay off not to mention the debt one might collect to get educated. This goes against the core of our beliefs and society.

If you do a Google search, you will find an example of what I am talking about, for instance, today Hewlett Packard (HP) announced that it was sending it Specialized Server Support jobs to India. It would first go to Canada but ultimately end up in India. They are highly specialized jobs, now I don't work for HP but I am seeing similar situations happen elsewhere. This is an example of draining our brain pool and sending it to other countries. If this continues, and you may laugh at this, it is my belief that someday we will be a third world country and some other country will be Gods favorite. Nothing lasts forever, I'm sure the Romans or Greeks think the way most Americans think now that this prosperity will go on forever. Well it might as long as our leaders pay attention to what is going on, otherwise (Babylon), and it might not happen for a long long time but for the sake of our children's grandchildren's we all have to be ever watching and careful. These are days of judgment and if you dig up my e-mail to you after the Space Shuttle disaster, it might shed some light as to the importance of protecting technology and our National brain pool.

Anyway, hope everything is well, specially with Noelle may God keep her safe specially now that she is with her family again!

Sincerely,
Juan Achurra

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['cruisedoc@pol.net'](mailto:cruisedoc@pol.net)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:24:41 PM

Subject: RE:

Dr. Feuer, thanks for writing. Your participation with FHP is fantastic. I didn't realize how extensive the job was!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: cruisedoc@pol.net [mailto:cruisedoc@pol.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 10:09 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Jeb,

I understand that the House and Senate have reached a compromise on tort reform. Congratulations and thank you for your tireless work and effort towards making this happen.

On a personal note, I also wanted to thank you for considering me for a gubernatorial appointment. Unfortunately, since the end of my term as president of the Palm Beach County Medical Society, in working with your appointments office I have not been able to identify a position of particular interest which also fit my backgrounds in medicine and law. In the meantime, I have identified a venue for my interest in volunteer public service, which involves the state. I have been working with Major Miquel A. Guzman of Florida Highway Patrol Troop L to volunteer as the Troop's Police Surgeon (I already serve as the police surgeon for the Town of Surfside).

The role of FHP Auxiliary Police Surgeon will encompass a voluntary, community service position (in my case rendered part-time by an individual licensed by the state of Florida both as a physician and attorney-at-law.) The police surgeon would be associated with the Florida Highway Patrol for the purpose of promoting the health of the state trooper and maintaining high standards of health and for reducing psychological stress and tension on the officers allowing them to better perform their daily duties. In this capacity, I hope to:

- >Act as a consultant to advise FHP management on the medical care rendered to troopers for duty related injuries and illnesses
- >Advise FHP management on employee benefits as they relate to health care
- >Review and make recommendations on the physical condition of applicants to FHP
- >Review records of sick personnel when requested by management
- >Review medical records of officers who claim disability and advise management

>Review charges against officers who feign illness or injury to evade duty or whose illness or injury results from improper conduct, intemperance, or habits and advise management

>Be available to testify, in court, on behalf of FHP on matters such as blood alcohol levels

>Provide education and training in health-related areas (e.g., bioterrorism, use of automatic external defibrillators).

>Train and become a member of the Tactical Response Team to provide immediate medical care to team members in case of emergency.

>Assist in educating the community in areas such as occupant protection and child passenger safety.

>Serve in other manners and capacities as may be requested by FHP management.

>As an FHP police surgeon, I might also be able to offer my services to your office in the area of Homeland Security appointment.

The first step in obtaining this goal has been to train in order to be sworn in as an auxiliary trooper. I am now close to completion of that training. As Major Guzman and I have discussed, should this concept prove successful, it might be one that would be worthwhile to develop across the state. I'm sure that there are other qualified physicians who would be willing to volunteering in similar fashion. Given the promise of this project, and potential positive public spin, it occurred to me that your office might be interested in endorsing the concept.

If this project is one in which you may have personal interest, please feel free to contact me, via email or phone (cell: 561-801-3387) at your convenience.

Best regards,

Brad

Dr. Bradley S. Feuer, Esq.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['liza@volunteerflorida.org'](mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:21:49 PM

Subject: RE: update on Women's Day award to Amy

that address is not correct but I dropped the space between boundless and playgrounds.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org [mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:48 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: update on Women's Day award to Amy

Governor:

Amy Jaffe Barzach of Boundless Playgrounds is going to be names one of the four Woman of the Year by Women's Day magazine...WOW. Thought you would want to send a note of congratulations, Liza

send to: ajbarzach@boundlessplaygrounds.org

Amy, your energy, enthusiasm and can-do efforts are obviously having great impact nationally. It's tremendous that Women's Day is recognizing your work. More importantly I hope this honor helps you move your important vision forward. Congratulations, JEB

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'ajbarzach@boundlessplaygrounds.org'

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['WJohnso@aol.com'](mailto:WJohnso@aol.com)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:19:53 PM

Subject: RE: Two items for your attention

[Joni](#), I will send the letters to your dad and to Nina. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: WJohnso@aol.com [mailto:WJohnso@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:18 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Two items for your attention

Good morning Jeb. We hope your family is well and hope you are as well.

Another favor for one of Cape Coral's finest supporter of you and our President. Nina Stuermer or 5310 Cobalt Court, Cape Coral, Florida 33914-6511 is turning 70 years old on August 15. She has tirelessly been selling GW's pins and campaigned harder than any one of our Republican Woman for your reelection. Her and her husband had toured the world on a sail boat in their younger years and settled her in Cape Coral. It would be a gracious act if you and The President could show your appreciation to her hard work and dedication by sending her a birthday greeting. She is a die hard supporter of anything you all do and the secretary of our club.

On another note. You met my father, James A. Haddad on a few occasions. He is being honored in Seebring in October for being in the National Association of the Civilian Conservation Corps. He mentioned that you may be going to the convention. I am not sure of the dates, only know it is in October. If this is not on your schedule, could you and the President send him a letter of appreciation? He has been in the Cape Coral paper and in the News Press for his accomplishments. This would be an honor for him to take a letter to you. He enlisted in 1934 when Roosevelt started the program. He lives with us at: 256 SW 39th Terrace, Cape Coral, Florida, 33914. A lot of favors, but I know you are up to the task.

Thank you so much for all you do for us. It is always a good thing to help and support the little guys who don't get recognition when it is well deserved. You and GW always do that for me and I do admire that. Joni Johnson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Robin Safley](#)

BCC: [Scheduling Team](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:16:25 PM

Subject: RE: Wellness Initiative fup

[Robin](#), what does it entail to where a pedometer? I will check to see if I am available on August 27th?

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Robin Safley [mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 7:16 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Wellness Initiative

Governor,

When we met in May we discussed two projects that I was working on. The first was my effort with regard to Braille and that is going ok. We have produced hurricane tracking maps in Braille and they should be finalized within the next week. I think it would be a wonderful press opportunity. I will send you a map when they are complete.

The other project was a community initiative that I am working on for Capital Health Plan (CHP) called "Stepping Toward Health, a Community on the Move" and the goal is to get people more active and conscious about their health. The statistics are alarming when you look at how many people are overweight (10 pounds) and how many are obese (30 pounds). Our partners are the Leon County School District, FSU, FAMU, TCC, City of Tallahassee and Leon County. I met with Dr. Agwunobi and he is very excited and is being very supportive. This initiative actually follows along the same lines as many of the Department of Health initiatives. As you may know the latest research shows that an individual must walk 10,000 steps a day to be deemed *active*. We are revolving our initiative around pedometers as a way to calculate the number of steps people are taking. **So I know you are wondering what I want from you.** I would like two things. First, I want you to agree to wear a pedometer and keep track of your steps. Second I would really like you to participate in one of our press conferences. Our initial launch is on Wednesday, August 27 at 9:30 (we are thinking about holding it at either the parks downtown or a school track downtown) and will focus on the K-12 system (Bill Montford) and the Business Community. Dr. Agwunobi is going to attend and wear a pedometer. Now, if that date does not work for you, we are going to role out something new each month. On September 10, John Marks, Mayor and Tony Grippa are going to announce their commitment.

It would be great if we could post the number of steps you are actually walking either on our website or the Department of Health. You could get a little competition going among the agencies. The possibilities are endless and this a lot more fun than medical malpractice. Let me know if you need additional information or if I need to beg.

Robin Safley
228-3312

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Nogfamhealth@aol.com'](mailto:Nogfamhealth@aol.com)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:14:25 PM

Subject: RE: children's health issue

[Thank you Debbie. What funding sources dried up?](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Nogfamhealth@aol.com [mailto:Nogfamhealth@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 5:59 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: children's health issue

Dear Govenor Bush,

I am one of your appointee's to the Children's Trust of Dade County. Thank you again for that honor, I am truly enjoying the process and the dedication of the other board members at the table.

For this moment, I must wear my nurses cap and speak as Assistant Dean for Student Affairs - Barry University School of Nursing. For the past 10 years we have provided primary care services to some of the poorest children in our county. We have had a nursing center in 5 inner city Catholic schools and 2 Dade County Public Schools. Having reached over 2000 children and their caretakers, teachers, and administrators/staff with health care and education, we were saddened to find out that our funding sources have all decided to invest in projects other than these. We are not alone in the county. The University of Miami (Nursing program) pulled out of their school due to funding issues and so have other groups.

I have shared with you on different occasions that I truly believe that healthy children learn better and will become productive members of society. WE MUST GET NURSES IN SCHOOLS!!!! I invite you to visit our REACH 4 Kids program on one of your upcoming trips to Miami. Sit at the table with our Dean, Sister Jeanne, and others and help us brainstorm ways to continue this vital service. We know that state statute mandates school nurses but legislators don't fund it. These children will be votors some day and we must take care of them- as they will be taking care of us.

Have a great day! Keep up the good work. I hope that you will take me up on this opportunity to make a difference. I can be reached at Barry University School of Nursing 305-899-3095
11300 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami Shores, Florida 33161

Again, thank you for the trust you placed in me for the children of the county. I will continue to work hard for them.

Debbie Nogueras, MSN, ARNP, BC
Assistant Dean for Student Affairs
and Assistant Professor

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['TTippett2@aol.com'](mailto:TTippett2@aol.com)

Date: 8/10/2003 8:13:09 PM

Subject: RE: Medical professional liability insurance

I fought to not have a pierce but to no avail. I understand your concerns. However, there are many fine features in this bill and doing nothing won't help anyone. I appreciate everything the leadership of the FMA has done on this issue.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: TTippett2@aol.com [mailto:TTippett2@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 9:19 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Medical professional liability insurance

Dear Jeb,

Thanks for your continued hard work on behalf of your constituents and our patients. As I am sure you have heard from many we have just completed a conference call regarding the proposed legislation. As we understand the language regarding caps it would be acceptable to us if there were hard caps. However, as I indicated in an email to you earlier and in your office during the last special session the ability to pierce the cap with all or any conditions is an open invitation to yearly expansion of what is pierceable and is talking about patient outcome rather than trying to correct bad medical care in the system. Your task force after hearing reams of testimony made a reasoned decision which we continue to support which is a hard cap. Without a hard cap it is our opinion that we would be doing nothing in the long run to correct this crisis and realizing what this means for everyone we are asking that piercing be eliminated. As much as we want to support a solution, this legislation can not be supported with the piercing language and we implore you not to support a bill with piercing.

Thanks,

Troy

new email TTippett2@aol.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'matt@cfl.rr.com'
Date: 8/10/2003 8:10:18 PM
Subject: RE: Irony?

I think we need to give counselors enough information regarding the 18 hour credit concept. I will make sure that the DOE works on that.

Jet Blue is hopefully one of many we will continue to secure!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: matt@cfl.rr.com [mailto:matt@cfl.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 9:03 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Irony?

Jeb

I think we have successfully lost our title of being the wackiest state in the country to California. I don't think we can top Gary Coleman, Larry Flint and the recall...not to mention Arnold. Not that we want to. I predict Arnold the victor though.....this will be better than the vote recounts...even better media than the guy in Palm Beach eye balling the ballots :-)

On our new 18 credit career and college options we are starting up for students, do you find a little irony in that we had so many of our conservative cohorts who were upset with that federal School to Work legislation (which sunset in 200) with concerns we were asking and making students make career or college decisions in ninth grade and lock them into it? Which, as we both know never happened in Florida despite those concerns. I also know that students will not be locked into the new 18 credit options and can change to the 24 standard credit at any time. However, I wondered if you have heard the same concerns as loudly as before? In Brevard we had quite a contingency... of about four people... who were very vocal at school board meetings and in the press--Mrs. Shelley Nelson being one big advocate if you recall. It took me years to convince her what we did with students was a positive thing and nobody was ever forced or locked into anything--she finally agreed. Now after her divorce she has disappeared from radar. I just found some irony in the fact that now the state of Florida created diploma options--partially..just as they feared-- which have more of an appearance of asking a ninth grader to make a choice or decision than we have ever done. Now more than ever our counselors are going to have to do a better job of informing parents and students of the options and opportunities afforded in all graduation plans. I just hope they are up to it and have the means to do it effectively. I guess I am scared parents and kids will miss opportunities if the schools do not communicate the options fully and completely. I'm not certain we have anything in place to ensure that, or for that matter have had anything in place to ensure each student and parent receives the same equal services and information what opportunities and options they have. I think we need to give our guidance departments in schools more resources (both technologically and in staff)--don't you?

Hope all is well otherwise for you. Thanks for your work for Florida and bringing in those California Companies like Sky Blue (was that the right name?) yesterday in Orlando. Get some more in here before Arnold gets them back!...or tries.

Matt Conroy

PS: Robot season has begun--here we go again. My wife will shoot me if I continue the same hours as before--I have been requested to back off some!

From: HamiltjoaJoA@aol.com <HamiltjoaJoA@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 7:45:49 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

I write this message to tug at the strings of your heart to plea for the preservation of ALL of our beautiful Cypress Gardens. To do anything less would be destroying a cemetery of memories. My grandparents died in the 60's. for forty years they spent the winters in the Winter Haven area to be near the gardens they so dearly loved.

Do not let our memories die, Keep ALL of Cypress Gardens and restore it to its former beauty. If anything is more precious than gold, more beautiful than silver it is Cypress Gardens.

Lets pass the memory down to our children and grandchildren children.

Sincerely

JoAnnHamilton

From: [Christian Payer <PayerLaw@Aol.com>](mailto:PayerLaw@Aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 6:34:59 PM

Subject: Reject Med Mal Insurance Welfare

Christian Payer
206 Torcaso Court
Winter Springs, FL 32708

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reject the medical malpractice deal proposed by Jeb Bush and Johnny Byrd. I represent physicians, not patients and the bill is a damn failure for all but insurance carriers. Insurance companies are now protected from bad faith and are allowed to gamble every case to trial. Insurance companies will now go to trial on every case and exposed my doctors to verdicts in excess of their policy limits. If my doctors go to trial with \$1,000,000.00 in coverage and get hit for a \$2,500,000.00 verdict, they have no right to sue the insurance company for bad faith. This legislation exposes doctors, it does not protect them. Now they are exposed to insurance companies and not injured patients. Please reject this legislation.

Sincerely,

Christian Payer

From: BAREFOOTERPAUL@aol.com <BAREFOOTERPAUL@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 4:56:48 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Governor Bush, I would personally like to thank you for your help in saving cypress gardens. I have lived in winter haven all my life, we as a family always went to the gardens and marveled at the beauty of the trees and flowers, as well as the ski show. Any given weekend there would be 30 to 50 boats watching the show from the lake, it was like a special event for families to be able to view this wonderful show. The owners have said it is easier to pay a fine and than ask for permission. I have seen them destroy and clear cypress trees, knowing it is wrong but do not care. They were finally stopped after a good amount of trees were destroyed next to the gardens. I have a friend who is buying all the golf carts and lawn equipment at a bulk price, I have personally seen this myself. It is as if they dare you to stop them, what a shame to ignore this and care less what you think. Please stop them , they believe they can do what ever they like, no matter what the cost.....THANK you AGAIN PAUL EZELL

From: [Marlene Linders <mlinders79@hotmail.com>](mailto:mlinders79@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 4:32:17 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you for your guidance and assistance in truly some of the most difficult times in America. I appreciate and bless all the leadership you and your brother have provided.

Please continue the excellent work and do PLEASE SAVE FLORIDA'S BELOVED CYPRESS GARDENS.

Regards,
Marlene Linders
(R)
Committee Woman
District 5
Precint 512
Winter Park, Florida
407 222 9713

MSN 8 with e-mail virus protection service: 2 months FREE*
<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/virus>

From: [Terry Griffin <tgriffin@griflaw.com>](mailto:tgriffin@griflaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 4:06:41 PM

Subject: 18th Circuit Judicial Appointment

Governor,

I would like to recommend Marlene Alva to you for appointment to the vacancy on the 18th Judicial Circuit Court in Seminole County. Marlene has served with distinction as a County Judge, and I know she will be an outstanding Circuit Judge. Her previous judicial experience will be invaluable on the Circuit bench.

I look forward to seeing you at the Sister State Governor's reception at EPCOT on Thursday.

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From: [Tedd Webb <twebb003@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:twebb003@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Tedd Webb](mailto:twebb003@tampabay.rr.com)

Date: 8/10/2003 3:12:56 PM

Subject: <http://www.teddwebb.com>

Fall is right around the corner and we have a new edition of inductees into **Where Are They Now?**

Jim Maloy, formerly **WQYK**, **Dan Johnson**, the man who brought progressive rock radio to Tampa Bay, **Brent Alberts**, who used the name **Ted Webb** briefly in 1970, **Joey Jay**, 1969 **WCWR** man who introduced the "**Drake Format**: to Tampa Bay, **Latrell Kielbasa** from **970 WFLA** news, **Lt Al Ford**, your **Sky Patrol**, & **Rodney Justo**, former lead singer for **The Mystics**, **Noah's Ark**, **The Candymen**, and the **Atlanta Rhythm Section** make up the new list.

In the **Tampa Bay Garage Bands** section we introduce **Junior & The Dimensions**, **LaMachin**, **Rodney & The Mystics** and **Buckwheat**, the legendary 3 man band who rocked us at the **Battles of The Bands** in the 1970s.

We are hoping to have some great additions in the next issue, as **Tom Hankerson** has hooked up with us and will bring us **WTMP** greats we have been searching for a long time. **Lance Abair** has also been in touch, we will have some **Continental**s stuff as well as **Mindy Abair**.

Still seeking **Ron Hart** and **Big Daddy Don Owens** photos.

If you have any old photos from DJs, TV personalities or local bands, please email them to tedd@teddwebb.com and we will post them.

Our aim is to establish the repository for Tampa Bay entertainment from the 1950s to the present

Lets stop this rain and bring on some cool weather and football, Go Bucs!

From: [Lori Alperstein <lori.alperstein@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:lori.alperstein@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 2:46:00 PM

Subject: Med Mal Bill - Please vote NO

Lori Alperstein
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33609

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages. Thank you

Sincerely,

Lori Alperstein

From: [Jeffrey Adelman <adelmanlawfl@aol.com>](mailto:adelmanlawfl@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 1:34:47 PM

Subject: Governor not out for Florida Citizens' and Doctors' best interests

Jeffrey Adelman
8020 Wiles Road, Suite 11
Coral Springs, FLORIDA 33067

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This newest proposed medical malpractice legislation does nothing to solve the problems that Governor Bush said he was trying resolve. Insurance premiums will not be decreased and the losers will be the citizens and Florida as well as doctors. Don't let the insurance industry take further advantage of this state. Insurance representatives have already said under oath that this is one the most profitable states for them in the nation. Any type of legislation that proposes this type of cap along with not even guaranteeing that doctor insurance premiums will be substantially decreased is a sham and I hope the legislature can see through this outrageous proposal. Do the right thing and vote it down.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Adelman

From: [Mitchell Lipcon <Lipconlaw@AOL.com>](mailto:Lipconlaw@AOL.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 11:17:21 AM

Subject: Malpractice Legislation

Mitchell Lipcon
9100 South Dadeland Boulevard
Miami, FLORIDA 33156

August 10, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed malpractice legislation does not address the needs of the doctors. Rates will NOT go down. It is a pro insurance company bill. Look at the testimony as to claims made and paid. The people who received large awards deserved them. The bill will not eliminate the so called nuisance claim. Please re-evaluate position.

Sincerely,

Mitchell J. Lipcon

From: [Sally Walter <Sally430@webtv.net>](mailto:Sally430@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/10/2003 3:16:14 AM

Subject: Caps

Sally Walter
506 S.E. 9th Ave
Cape Coral, FLORIDA 33990

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against ALL caps.

Sincerely,

Sally Walter

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 11:14:30 PM

Subject: fup- for discussion purposes only

Attachments: Suggestions to Prevent and Reduce Sexual Violence Against Individuals with Developmental Disabilities.doc

Governor,

In response to our recent discussion, please find an attached summary of suggestions to prevent and reduce sexual assaults. I tried to build on existing resources, but there will be some additional costs associated with the need for training and education. It is important for everyone to recognize that domestic and sexual violence against individuals with disabilities, like individuals without disabilities is a national social issue. Domestic and sexual violence does not discriminate across race, ethnicity, social class or living situations.

Prior to recently publicized assaults, I tried to begin forming partnerships with the Florida DD Council, Domestic and Sexual Violence Centers as well as advocacy groups to increase awareness and prevention efforts on this issue. I plan to continue these efforts, but unfortunately some groups would rather point the finger than be part of the solution. I met with leadership of our larger provider organizations on Friday to discuss this issue as well as others. They seem very receptive to assisting with this effort as it benefits everyone, most especially the people we serve. "Juntos Podemos"

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss these ideas further.
Shelly

From: Moore555@aol.com <Moore555@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 11:50:03 PM

Subject: Re: med-mal and other issues

Just got back from the beach house and I guess I am glad I missed the last week of med-mal. As for FRAG, I'll need more than luck to fund this correctly, but it seems to me that with the enrollment forecasts of D. Austin, that help from the private sector is much needed. Besides, I plan on ICUF doing much more than FRAG!

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From: [David Ogburn <v_tach@bellsouth.net>](mailto:v_tach@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 11:34:38 PM

Subject: liability crisis

David Ogburn
820 Prudential Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you so much for your support of the doctors in Florida. These scum sucking trial attorneys will ruin medicine in the state of Florida. Many doctors have already retired early or have left the state because of their lust for money. Please convince that toad (senator king) to do the right thing for the citizenry and to cap non economic damages at 250,000.

Sincerely,

David Ogburn

From: [Frank Tsamoutales <Frank@yvvalaw-tal.com>](mailto:Frank@yvvalaw-tal.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 11:26:52 PM

Subject: Med-Mal in for landing. Tough I know, but great work. fnt

From: Esbogie2@aol.com <Esbogie2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 11:13:37 PM

Subject: Hi again, it's Ellyn Bogdanoff

Hi Jeb:

I will try to be as brief as possible...

I have done my homework and I am now writing to you for your support and guidance. There has been a great deal of publicity about the looming DNA deadline for convicted felons. Those convicted prior to 2001 will no longer have the opportunity to challenge their conviction with new DNA technology. As a recent graduate of NSU Law School, I had the opportunity to work with the Florida Innocence Project (FIP). I signed up to gain practical legal experience. For the most part, our system works, but we do make errors. However, when science and law merge we have a greater chance of getting it right.

With that said, your office was recently quoted in the Miami Herald as stating that the 2 year statute of limitations under Fla. Stat. 925.11 was sufficient. For recent cases, I do not challenge that statement, but I respectfully disagree with respect to those convicted when DNA was more of a mystery than reality. FIP is a non profit organization working with volunteers to locate and scan through thousands of files. I know first hand the length of time it takes to locate old files and evidence and review them. Some of these cases are 15-20 years old. Most reach a dead end, but there are those few that have the potential to unlock the truth through DNA. The folks at NSU are not looking for technical loopholes, but only seeking to file those cases where DNA could exonerate someone who was wrongly convicted.

I understand the need for finality, but never at the risk of incarcerating the innocent. Children and education issues remain my passion, but I had a great opportunity to peek into a world that was foreign to me. I respect and understand their quest and hope you will provide the dedicated NSU professors an opportunity to be heard. FSU has recently joined the team to help with the Florida backlog, but time is the enemy and many cases will be left untouched if the extension is not granted. The AG's office awaits your support. We can extend the time by one year through a budget amendment. We attempted to work through the legislature this past session, but as you know, this was a difficult year.

I realize you are faced with many critical issues, but I ask that you consider supporting the extension. I volunteered to reach out to you because I not only admire my Professor's dedication, but I was also deeply concerned about this potential miscarriage of justice. It is unnecessary and easily fixed. My professor came to FIP with a unique perspective as a former prosecutor, and is simply committed to making the system better. It may sound corny, but it is true. Without your support, many who choose to challenge their convictions with new DNA technology will soon reach the end of the road. If you need more information, I would love to have the opportunity to discuss it with you further. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

By the way, congratulations on settling the malpractice issue! Hope all is well.

Ellyn

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From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 10:56:06 PM

Subject: PALM BEACH VAB Rules Overturn 194.301 F.S.

Jeb - you helped to get House Bill 445 adopted. Remember Bob Starks, chairman of F&T who was its sponsor. Now, it's 194.301 F.S. There are two egregious problems - one is the master's are being instructed how to rule, and it's against taxpayers. The other problem is the language, emphasized below, specifically contradicts 194.301 F.S. and you don't have to be a lawyer to read it!

If DOR was ethical, and did its job properly, there would be a hue and cry from Tallahassee about these Rules, which do NOT follow the statutes, and which DO violate taxpayers civil rights. I already have two suits filed against this county; maybe we should enlarge to a class action and invite every voter to take back the government they lost during the last national election. I bet there is a lot of pent up rage out there, and something on these lines would enable a lot of people to express their feelings.

I'd like to know if someone contacts Palm Beach and pull the rug out from underneath bureaucratic changes in statutory language. It might be the right thing for the gov to do! Sheila Anderson

Palm Beach Rules for 2003:

"The Special Master's role is to render an impartial recommendation s to whether a Petitioner has overcome the presumption that the Property Appraiser's assessment of the property's market value is correct AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PETITIONER'S ESTIMATE OF MARKET VALUE HAS BEEN SUPPORTED" (emphasis added.)

I can hear one lawyer snarling, BUT TAXPAYER'S ESTIMATES OF MARKET VALUE ARE NOT DETERMINATIVE, AS A MATTER OF LAW!!!

And, then the rules says, "IF THE PRESUMPTION OF CORRECTNESS IS LOST, THE PETITIONER SHALL HAVE THE BURDEN OF PROVING THAT THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S ASSESSMENT IS NOT SUPPORTED BY ANY REASONABLE HYPOTHESIS OF A LEGAL ASSESSMENT. If the Property Appraiser's assessment is determined to be erroneous, the Special Master can recommend an assessment if there exists competent substantial evidence in the record, which cumulatively meets the requirements of Section 193.011 F.S. . . ."

Two pages later it says "A SPECIAL MASTER SHALL NOT PICK A COMPROMISE VALUE . . ."

From: [Scott Pestcoe <spestcoe@sp-law.net>](mailto:spestcoe@sp-law.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 10:35:53 PM

Subject: Don't Deny Your Constituents Their Protections from Injury and Access to the Courts

Scott Pestcoe
2944 Oakbrook Drive
Weston, FL 33332

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed bill is anti-consumer, anti-doctor and anti-common sense.
The only ones served by the proposed legislation is the insurance industry.

Vote no to caps, the elimination of bad faith and safe havens for HMO's
and those whose actions directly result in injury to those to whom they
are to serve...the same people you as legislators are to serve.

This is a bad bill that will do nothing for your constituents...unless
they are insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Scott L. Pestcoe

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Betty Hampton \(hamptob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:hamptob@eog.state.fl.us)
[Alan Florez](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 9:59:39 PM

Subject: FW: St. Pete new web sit/performance measures

Alan, please handle. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mayor [mailto:Mayor@stpete.org]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 3:56 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: St. Pete new web sit/performance measures

I sent two papers highlighting our work here in St. Petersburg to "shine the light on what makes St. Petersburg best" to the following publications. Their names and email addresses are listed below. It would help if you emailed them to encourage their attention to these papers. Any help in "spotlighting" these papers is most appreciated. All the best, Rick

Publications:

BUSINESS JOURNAL(Tampa Bay)

Mack McKerral (editor) mmckerral@bizjournals.com

MANHATTAN INSTITUTE

Henry Olsen - Ex. Dir for Civic Innovation,(urban initiatives at the city level) holsen@manhattaninstitute.org

Myron Magnet - Ex Dir of City Journal magnet@cityjournal.org

Donna Thompson -Dir. Special Events dthompson@mmanhattan-institute.org

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>>> "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> 06/13/03 10:04PM >>>

you are right on! How can I help you spotlight your efforts?

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law.

Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request.

Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mayor [mailto:Mayor@stpete.org]

Sent: Friday, June 13, 2003 11:52 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: St. Pete new web sit/performance measures

If you get a minute, take a look at our new web site (stpete.org); complaints, permits, bill paying, etc now on line. Also, check out my city performance measures (all new) under the quick index. Among others, take a look at sidewalk repair, pothole repair, permit review time, crime stats, FCAT scores, etc. It took a lot to put together, but I now feel I can keep my arms around what is going on, and the citizens can monitor it also.

thanks, rick

From: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@state.fl.us)

To: ['SJohan8841@aol.com'](mailto:SJohan8841@aol.com)

BCC: [Colleen Castille \(colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us\)](mailto:colleen.castille@dca.state.fl.us)
[Craig Fugate Secretary \(craig.fugate@dca.state.fl.us\)](mailto:craig.fugate@dca.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/9/2003 9:57:49 PM

Subject: RE: Hello From STEFAN

stephan, I will make sure our director of emergency management and the Secretary of Community Affairs get this email. It sounds like a very exciting project.

jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: SJohan8841@aol.com [mailto:SJohan8841@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 3:51 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Hello From STEFAN

Hii JEB, I hope this e-mail finds you Cloumba and the Kids all well....It was really nice seeing you at Chris and Heathers Wedding...Although to far in between meeting you... It seems like yesterday.....

I am writing you about my project across from Dadeland Mall "DOWNTOWN DADELAND"

(www.downtowndadeland.com) as you know, and the fantastic progress we have made...and also about a revolutionary opportunity for The State of Florida, FEMA etc to look at what we are sucessfully doing....Imagine storing "SAFELY" +/- 1,000 FEMA/Couty or Emergency Vehicles in a category 4 or 5 Hurricane and a 1000 year flood completely Dry and Safe in a Garage.....Well now **you can** for the first time in Florida's History?? do so....in My Garage in Downtown Dadeland.....In fact JEB, the design and implementation is so unique that our SFLBC (CODE) does not even adress some of the conditions we have implemented.

We have built a "Mini" garage at the site to bee 100% sure everything works..and it has been "BONE DRY" for 3 months now....

I would really Love to get you involved as well as the director of FEMA for The State Of Florida ,to see what we are doing...We have started construction and will complete the project in early 2005 for occupancy. We have 416 Condo Units (SOLD 330 so far with 20% Deposits!!!!) 80%, and we have leased @ 65,000 sq/ft of the retail space.

I believe in my heart that it is a showpiece project not only for us, but Potentially For the entire STATE OF FLORIDA for all future Urban developments...and especially how we deal with 1000 Cars BELOW GRADE in a complete floodproof,Hurricaneproof environment.

Daysi the kids (4) and I are in Telluride right now and will return to MIAMI on Aug 23, Can we meet in Miami sometime when you are there..I would Love to show you the project...I know you will be Proud!!!!

Please call me 970-728-1116 (Telluride) or e-mail me if you can...

All the Best to the whole Family, STEFAN

PS can you contact the director for FEMA and tell him what we are doing...would love to show him as well.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Nelson, Bill'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 9:55:33 PM

Subject: RE: Radio Request

Bill, I am sorry. I just got to this email. My bad.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Nelson, Bill [mailto:BillNelson@Clearchannel.com]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 11:07 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Radio Request

Hi Sir,

Hope all is well with you and yours.

As a reference point: you gave me the thrill of my life when you called into our morning radio show to wish me happy birthday - this past Dec. 12th.

Well tomorrow is Nancy Alexander's birthday and I was wondering if it would be possible for you to call in to wish her a happy birthday. If your schedule does not permit that - you could always call in and leave a birthday greeting on my office voicemail - and then I could pull that off and run it on air during our show.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Keep up the Great Work!

Sincerely,

Bill Nelson

Executive Producer, The Nancy & Mike Show on WMTX-FM, Tampa

Studio Hot Line: 813-832-1525 or 813-832-1440

Office Voice Mail: 813-832-1076

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Katzmom10@aol.com'

Date: 8/9/2003 9:53:57 PM

Subject: RE: Investigation please

This issue has been investigated several times. TAs I understand it, the FDLE is exploring whether to investigate again. I appreciate your writing.

Jeb Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: Katzmom10@aol.com [mailto:Katzmom10@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 8:01 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Investigation please

Dear Governor Bush:

I understand only from the news reports that Feraris ``Ray" Golden, 32, committed suicide in Belle Glade on May 28. This young man, from the reports was hanging by a noose with his hands tied behind his back. As I read the news today his hands were not tied.

I humbly request a more thorough investigation into this situation. The news states that Mr. Golden was dating a white police officer's daughter at the time of his death.

Some of the NAACP men here all have stated to me in the past that it was unheard of for a white woman to give a black man a hug, let alone walk on the same side of the road with each other.

I personally have felt extremely uncomfortable since they found this young man hanging. I don't care how anyone wants to explain it away. I know that part of Palm Beach County. I've been there to aid an NAACP election and now we have a wasted life. I cannot begin to imagine how terrified the young lady now is, that was dating Mr. Golden.

There is a serious lack of respect between cultures here in this state. I see it when I am out with my friends of color and how we all are treated as a group. It appalls me beyond belief that this happened in our great State of Florida.

Would you please have some kind of investigation done into Mr. Golden's death?

Most respectfully yours,

Diane B. Blair
7506 Donlon Road
Fort Pierce Florida 34954-0161
772-466-0405 home
772-834-5592 cell phone

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Cobbsmc@aol.com'](mailto:Cobbsmc@aol.com)

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 9:51:25 PM

Subject: RE: Building Bridges, The Florida/Jamaica Connection fup

Thank you Sue. I will check with the scheduling team to see if I can make it.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Cobbsmc@aol.com [mailto:Cobbsmc@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 7:38 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Building Bridges, The Florida/Jamaica Connection

Governor: I sent a note to Kathleen (and scheduling) to see if you could stop by our house in Tahiti Beach on the evening of October 17th when I will be launching my Building Bridges initiative (of which our FDLE-JCF effort is a component). Kathleen and/or Pam have the FY '03-'04 Building Bridges calendar of events which are designed to facilitate contacts between people with common interests in Florida and Jamaica - all with an economic development motivation (somewhat similar to Amb. Curran's 'Year of Haiti-Florida'). Broward Mayor Diane Wasserman-Rubin (not related to Wassermna-Schultz) has been particularly helpful. I'm sure she will ask you to attend the first ever Mayor's Gala in Ft. Lauderdale on Oct. 18. If you can do either, we'll see that you are properly briefed. I trust you're doing ok. I read the "In the News" newsletter every week to try to keep up on Florida. Best regards as always. Sue

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'swampart@earthlink.net'

Date: 8/9/2003 9:50:11 PM

Subject: RE: formally Resource2H

[thank you Jennifer for the wonderful story.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Jennifer Aubrey [mailto:swampart@earthlink.net]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 12:46 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Shelly Brantley

Subject: formally Resource2H

Dear Governor Jeb,

As Ashlie and I have spent our summer wondering, advocating and learning, there are some wonderful experiences about Florida and it's service system that I would like to share.

In July of this summer Ashlie and I attended our first NDSS (National Down Syndrome Society) National Conference in St. Louis.

In the past I always advocated for all disabilities, however, the lack of vocal parents on the issues of people who experience Down Syndrome is almost non existent. NDSS is a huge organization, yet only three families from Florida were in attendance. I was so proud to be there and share our (Florida's) story.

NDSS.org is a fabulous web site that includes everything from the latest research to stories that will tug at your heart. Here are some interesting pieces of information.

There are 350,000 people (at last count) in the United States with Down Syndrome.

(I fear this number will be adjusted due to prenatal screening and decisions to not continue a pregnancy)

Research is moving so fast now because of genetic research, mapping and understanding the proteins that it is now being predicted that there

will be therapies available in the future for people who experience trisomy 21 (the most common form of Down Syndrome)

Students with Down Syndrome learn to read differently.

This is what I realized about Florida while we were in St. Lois.

St. Louis has an Arch, Florida has everything else.

We were the ONLY people there who had with us a paid employee. In short a PCA.

Ashlie had her own room with her PCA, attended her own workshops designed for young adults with a cognitive disability (workshops in staying safe, utilizing the NDSS web site chat room for people who experience Down Syndrome, dating, self advocacy and even a juggling class.)

I watched my daughter blossom before my very eyes with her independence and self esteem.

All because she was able to interact as a typical young lady.

All because of a PCA.

All because of the progressive service which is available here to the citizens of Florida.

We kept having to explain to people from other states what the waiver and CDC projects have enabled Ashlie to do., . I felt so sorry for people in other states, California, Kentucky, Oklahoma etc.

Their jaws dropped one after another when I described the life giving services my daughter and other citizens could utilize.

Ashlie's PCA, Erika Marulanda also set the example for the very best of employees. She is a young straight A student who is attending Emery College in the fall and will be entering into the field of medicine. She is an articulate, respectful and intelligent person who is in Ashlies age group so as to look more as a peer than a supervisor.

By the second day of the conference, as word had circulated and more and more parents would come up to Ashlie or myself and ask about Florida.

How proud we were. Additionally, we were able to dispel some bad complaints shared by a PTI at a Washington gathering just a few weeks before the St. Louis Conference. We were pleased to enlighten anyone in need

These are the differences having a PCA have made in Ashlie's life

1. She does not have to go EVERYWHERE with her mother.
2. She goes once a week (with her PCA) to the mall to have her nails done.

Perhaps this does not seem like such a huge accomplishment unless you understand that my daughter used to bite her nails so low that there were infections. Some attempted to refer her to have a behaviorist for a behavior modification plan with tracking and follow up

It is more natural just to go and have a manicure. The manicure costs \$8, (which Ashlie is proud to pay for) the PCA costs \$9, (of which \$5 is paid by theFeds

\$4 is paid by the state) Can you imagine what a CBA and a behavioral plan would cost?

3. Ashlie goes to Weight Watcher's with her PCA . Both her PCA and Ashlie learn about weight management and making good choices. She does not require

the service of a nutritionist. Ashlie is proud to pay for her Weight Watchers fee. It does not cost the state anything. Once again, the cost to the state's share is

only \$4 to help keep Ashlie healthy and informed. Could you imagine what a nutritionist would charge?

4. Ashlie belongs to a gym and goes with her PCA three times a week. The PCA makes sure that Ashlie does to put stress on her joints and follows her

doctors instructions. (low impact) The cost of the gym is gladly paid by me. Can you imagine what a physical therapy regiment would cost?

5. Ashlie wanted a summer job. VR has proven itself useless, however, with the cooking skills Ashlie has learned over the years and the volunteer efforts of her PCAs and

informal supports Ashlie transformed our home into a restaurant this summer and sold dinner parties. The cost to the state was 0. Imagine the time

wasted and the expense of a job coach.

6. This year I bought Ashlie her own home. It is conveniently located across the street from my home (just bigger)

We have rehabbed Ashlies home. Ashlie has made all the choices from wallpaper to cabinet fixtures. In Dec. of this year we both moved into Ashlies new house (Ashlie got the master bedroom) and I will stay with her until she is twenty five and ready to live independent from her family.

At that time, I will move back to my old home across the street, Ashlie will rent to a roommate of her choosing and utilize in home supports. It will not cost the state the price of a group home, it will not cost the state res hab. It will cost the state just 40% of in home supports.

It is not just Ashlie who is in transition. When I share with her how crazy I will be when I have to move out, she holds up her hand, shows me five years, tells me I will be fine and I can take the dog.

All of this, brought to us, by the service of a PCA.

Thank you for all you do .

Love

Jennifer and Ashlie

Jennifer Aubrey

swampart@earthlink.net

Why Wait? Move to EarthLink.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Kaaren J. Street'](#)
Date: 8/9/2003 9:44:57 PM
Subject: RE: HELP !! !!

Kaaren, sorry for not responding but I am up to my eyeballs in alligators down here. Kathleen is only providing feedback that she heard. We have gone to bat for you. My instincts about you prevail.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Kaaren J. Street [mailto:kjstreet@prodigy.net]
Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 12:46 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: HELP !! !!

Kathleen did have a discussion with me. I must confess I was stunned that for more than a year your office was receiving negative reports about me. I am grateful for the Kathleen's candor because up until recent months I was unaware of any any concerns. As I playback the tape, I now have some clarity about my situation. Any explanations or denials at this point are not offered, because my credibility has been damaged. I gave the job my best shot and am proud of what I've accomplished, there are many people across the country and inside SBA both political and career that would attest to my hard work and commitment to the President and SBA. I am proud to have had the privilege of serving this great president and had hoped to continue with the Administration. The thing that hurts me most however is that your perception of me has been altered -that's very painful. I hate to admit this, but boy was I naive, all of my actions were motivated by the right things. I do want to let you know I never committed you to any events or anything else for that matter nor did I take advantage of my relationship with you, these are lies. I said I wouldn't go here, but its hard to not defend yourself with people who really matter to you. I only hope your instincts about me as person of high integrity prevails. I am positive about the future, because this experience negative as it is, is what God wanted for me. You learn from experiences such as this, they help you follow the real path that God paved for you. I know I did nothing to deserve the treatment I received, therefore I'm at peace with myself and know that GOD will look after me. I've always felt I could talk honestly with you and value our friendship. I hope this situation does not change our relationship. Thank You for the opportunity to serve President Bush, I deeply regret that my tenure here was cut short. I was pursuing a position with the Department of Commerce, but after finally getting the truth, I will withdraw from that activity.

God Bless,

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

[Kaaren, Kathleen Shanahan will be in touch to discuss this.](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: Kaaren J. Street [mailto:kjstreet@prodigy.net]

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 10:01 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fwd: HELP !! !!

Note: forwarded message attached.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Carey Goodman'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 9:32:39 PM

Subject: RE: Community college funding

[thank you Carey for advocating on behalf of community colleges. I hope you are doing well. Regards to your mom.](#)

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Carey Goodman [mailto:cdg_lgt@mindspring.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 5:27 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Community college funding

Dear Governor Bush,

I send you this as a member of the Florida Keys Community College Board of Trustees (on which I very much enjoy serving). As you are no doubt quite aware, the community college system in Florida makes very significant contributions to the economy of Florida through various vocational and degree-seeking programs and by taking a strong leadership role in training many of the front line defenders such as law enforcement officials, Army Corps members, and some groups of elite military personnel who ensure high standards for homeland security. But as you also know, these programs require substantial funding that must come predominately from the state. Many of Florida's community colleges are in locations that for numerous reasons make it difficult for the schools to obtain as much funding from private sources as those schools might wish. That makes the state's contribution all the more important to ensure the number of full time equivalent students (the gauge the state uses to apportion funds) who are as of now deemed unfunded does not grow to a level that renders the community college system unable to comply with its primary mission: to provide access to affordable post K/12 education.

I realize there are funding confines to the state budget allocations, but as you work with the legislature towards the next fiscal year, please keep in mind the extensive role Florida's community college system.

Sincerely,

Carey Goodman

P.S. Mom and I send our regards to Mrs. Bush. We wish her a very happy birthday next weekend.

From: [Carl Lentz <clentz1@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:clentz1@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/9/2003 9:34:51 PM

Subject: RE: all your good work

Thank you for all your great work not limited to the liability crisis. You know you are still our hero. We will continue to ; look for ways to work with you to make a difference for the people of Florida.

God Bless you,

Rick Lentz

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 8:25 PM

To: Carl Lentz

Subject: RE: all your good work

Rick, I know you are not ungrateful. I wish we could have gotten the Senate to move more. I really tried. This was the best that we can do and I am prepared to propose new legislation later if this bill doesn't work the way we hope it will.

-----Original Message-----

From: Carl Lentz [mailto:clentz1@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 9:23 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Jeb Bush

Subject: all your good work

Gov. Bush,

You have been the champion of the people of Florida and protecting their access to care. You are only to be commended but there is a problem. Not being a physician you may not understand the subtleties of the liability crisis. The bill being constructed is good with the exception of the pierce ability. With the pierce ability the rest of the bill dies for lack of life support. I hope you do not find us ungrateful but more caring about the result this bill will have to seeing to it that doctors are there to take care of patients in need. That is truly why we went to medical school and that is why we care so much. It's about keeping the great network of physicians and other health care providers available to the patients. I believe that the pierce ability of this bill will make this bad problem worse. I know you care so I feel bad about this response. It would be easier to say ok but it would not be the right thing to do.

God Bless,

Rick Lentz

From: Njbbright@aol.com <Njbbright@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 7:30:12 PM

Subject: We need your help and only you can help!

Jeb!! PLEASE don't let this monster kill his wife! Terry Schindler-Schiavo's husband tried to murder her 13 years ago,,, now he is trying to murder her again, only legally this time.... you have to look into this case... the man has NO healthcare directive, and his statements are only of financial benefit to him... this should have never been upheld in a court of law..... PLEASE YOU ARE A GOOD AND GODLY man,,, do not let this happen... You can stop it..... please..... please please.... I'm on bended knee....

God bless

Nancy Bright (DO THE RIGHT THING!!!)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Dsagliano@aol.com'

Date: 8/9/2003 7:21:54 PM

Subject: Re: MED-MAL BILL

Thank you Dennis. Your suggestions are appreciated.

Jeb

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 09 14:32:41 2003

Subject: MED-MAL BILL

DEAR GOV. BUSH:

I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIRELESS EFFORTS TO ENACT A GOOD TORT REFORM BILL. WITHOUT YOUR LEADERSHIP THIS WOULD HAVE GONE NOWHERE WITH ALL OF THE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS. AS YOU KNOW THIS BILL WILL MOST LIKELY BE WINDOW DRESSING AS FAR AS ACCOMPLISHING ITS GOAL OF AFFORDABLE LIABILITY RATES. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THIS BY THE INSURORS SEVERAL TIMES. I BELIEVE THAT IT WILL PROBABLY STABILIZE THE MARKET FOR A SHORT TIME BUT THEN CONTINUE ITS ESCALATION AS BEFORE OR CAUSE ANOTHER EXODUS OF INSURORS. HIGH RISK PHYSICIANS MAY NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD THE STABILIZED RATES AS THEY ARE ALREADY ON THE BRINK. HAVING SAID THAT, AND I HOPE I AM WRONG, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO MAKE IT A HARD CAP THAT IS NOT PIERCEABLE. ALSO THE OUT OF STATE NON FLORIDA LICENSED PHYSICIAN EXPERTS MUST HAVE A CERTIFICATE TO TESTIFY HERE SO THAT THEY MAY BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR FALSE STATEMENTS REGARDING THE STANDARDS OF CARE. WE SHOULD HAVE A THREE PHYSICIAN MEDICAL REVIEW PANEL WHOSE FINDINGS ARE ADMISSABLE IN THE PROCEEDINGS--IT HAS PROVEN EFFECTIVE IN LOUISIANA AND ELSEWHERE. AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE TO KEEP HIGHN QUALITY HEALTH CARE AVAILABLE FOR FLORIDIANS.

DENNIS S. AGLIANO,
M.D.
SECRETARY, FMA

From: [KAF <rdarcntact@hotmail.com>](mailto:KAF<rdarcntact@hotmail.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)


Date: 8/9/2003 6:30:24 PM

Subject: Ronals Clark- Death Row Inmate

Dear Governor-

I'm writing to request your intervention in the case of Ronald Clark. The judge on the case is against allowing him to have a new attorney, Harold Brody, represent him. It could mean a life sentence instead of death. Please consider helping because no one but God should be able to give or take a life.

Thank you,
Kelly A. Fives

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lewis, Celeste \(State'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 6:25:26 PM

Subject: FW: Save Cypress Gardens!

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve Carnes [mailto:scarnes@mho.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 2:18 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens!

Dear Governor Bush,

I just wanted to take the time to thank you for your efforts to help save Cypress Gardens. I just recently relocated to your great state after a 34 year absence. I grew up in Florida in the days before Disney World and I have vivid memories of Cypress Gardens as a kid. To me, Florida will always be Cypress Gardens. Getting rid of Cypress Gardens would be like Washington D.C. tearing down the Washington Monument to make room for Condos or Paris deciding to get rid of the Eiffel Tower. Can you imagine San Francisco tearing down the Golden Gate Bridge? I think it's important to protect our history. Nothing speaks to our great heritage like Cypress Gardens. Thanks again for helping to save this important piece of Florida's heritage.

Steve Carnes

(813) 681-7765

924 Delaney Cir. #106

Brandon, FL 33511

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Langford.Brandi@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/9/2003 6:24:59 PM

Subject: FW: Nomination of Ron Book for 2004 Broward Community Partnership for the Homeless Award

Attachments: RONBOOKNOMINATIONNARRATIVEFINAL.doc

[let us discuss.](#)

[Jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Tam English [mailto:tenglish@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 1:40 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Thank you in advance for your time and support. If you or your staff have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (954)355-4874 or (954) 661-2262.

Most sincerely,

Kim W. English
1017 S.E. 13th Terrace
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lewis, Celeste \(State'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 6:22:32 PM

Subject: FW: MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

-----Original Message-----

From: Virginia Millsap [mailto:gigitoo@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 1:35 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Virginia Millsap
5660 Munson Highway
Milton, FL 32570

August 9, 2003

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Horne, Jim'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 6:04:00 PM

Subject: RE: Losing the Media War on NCLB

Excellent ideas.

-----Original Message-----

From: Horne, Jim [mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 12:04 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Losing the Media War on NCLB

I guess we should tell him "welcome to our world". One thing we can do is to recast all of the results in terms of percentage of benchmarks passed. For example instead of focusing the number of schools not making AYP we can list all schools and the number and percentage of benchmarks passed. So for example if a school only missed one benchmark we could show it passing 98 percent of federal benchmarks. A school that missed five could be shown as passing 89 percent of benchmarks. Over 54 percent of our schools passed 40 out of the 45 benchmarks. And 98 percent of A schools passed at least 40 benchmarks. I could have our shop working on a visual aid if you like that drives this point. As I pointed out but not really reported any comparisons must rely on NAEP which shows Florida improving faster than the rest of the nation and Closing the achievement gap. In fact that should be our simple response to the Democrat attack dogs - just ask them to explain our sudden rise on the NAEP if they believe we are doing so poorly.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Fryer Jr., John <fryerj@educationcentral.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 09 11:30:45 2003

Subject: RE: Losing the Media War on NCLB

John, we will take all of this under consideration. I think the Federal system is well intended but creates the wrong consequences. We will discuss next week.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Fryer Jr., John [mailto:fryerj@educationcentral.org]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 9:05 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Losing the Media War on NCLB

Dear Gov. Bush,

We're losing the media war on NCLB! And it's not because we didn't all try hard to explain it--from the Commissioner's office to the districts. In fact, the Commissioner's office did a superb job of putting together a package to help us and the media. No complaint there. And in our district, I and my School Board stood together to explain NCLB and to support the state A+ system. It didn't matter much. The translations on both TV and the written press were horrible.

The problem is that the combination of NCLB and A+ is too complicated to get across in the "60-second sound bite" mode (and, apparently, even in the written press mode). And follow-up, more detailed analyses are likely to be missed by the majority of our population.

Even though NCLB merely sets goals that are based on each state's system, it is interpreted by the media as an independent, tougher accountability system. And in spite of the fact that we highlighted the differences in states' approaches to NCLB, and made a big point of those who were "gaming" the system, not one press outlet made mention of it. We even handed out all of the press information that the Commissioner's office sent us so they could review it in case they needed more detail. I suspect that most of the media outlets view our comparisons of states' approaches as excuse-making.

What is killing us is the standard for special needs children. While all of us should focus on progress made there, and expect annual improvement, it is absurd to expect that special needs children will progress at the same rate and always to the same standard as children without learning disabilities--or even that we can achieve the same 95% testing rate. And because those who do succeed will be pulled out of the special group as they move up, the remaining numbers will progressively be the ones who have the greatest difficulty in learning. So, the problem will get worse over time, not better.

What bothers me most is that the state accountability system is going to get lost in this maze of confusion. We have an effective system and I have been one of its strongest supporters. But, in spite of the fact that we have pointed to our system as the real compass, I'm afraid that parents are not going to buy into it as long as we have two, almost competing "magnetic norths" to explain.

Though I know you are loath to change anything in our deal with the Feds, I would urge you to look at changing the group size for Florida to align it more with Texas' group size. It would still require us to meet the challenging goals of both A+ and NCLB. You wouldn't have to back down on the test difficulty, as many states have done. Most poverty and minority groups would still be covered--certainly in a large urban district like ours. However, it would filter out the special needs problem and allow us to create whatever separate state focus we wanted on that category. We don't have to throw out the baby with the bath water, but, as it stands, I think the bath water is getting too hot for the baby to survive anyway.

John Fryer
Duval

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From: JJRV@aol.com <JJRV@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 5:06:27 PM

Subject: Re: ACT/ Russian Reseach vist 8-11-03 in Fort Myers

Governor Bush,

I'm sorry, I did not finish the last part due to a phone call I had to take.

To continue, this team will play a major roll in strengthening the physical infrastructure here in Florida. They are some of the most talented engineers in world and have an understanding and focus on the problems of Florida building. The quality of life will be better for the people & families in our state through their efforts. We have been told that they are very excited to come visit Florida first hand to get a clearer picture of what needs to be accomplished in our great state.

Again, Thank You and be safe,

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From: TonyVillamil@aol.com <TonyVillamil@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 5:03:04 PM

Subject: Re: Malpractice insurance/ Thank you!

Lets take it, lets run with it, and then lets keep improving. This is from your "gray hairs" friend and economic advisor who will turn 57 August 23rd! Have a great week-end! Tony.

Tony Villamil

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From: ELRRco@aol.com <ELRRco@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 4:39:08 PM

Subject: Confidential Question

Dear Governor Bush:

My name is Phillip Bell, and I am a Florida Republican voter that has contacted you in the past regarding my plans for rail service in the State of Florida and elsewhere. Unfortunately, we were not able to make things work in the past, however I am still interested in rail passenger and freight services to be provided by the private sector.

I would like to know if you have any idea about what people or investment firms that I might approach to finance my plan for a rail system in the Northeast. While I recognize that you are a sitting Governor, I am not looking to use your name in referrals, I am simply in search of leads for venture capital. I am contacting you because I know you were a member of the investment community prior to becoming Governor.

My difficulty is that we must put several railroads and rail lines together to complete my planned system, and while we have a strong plan, the complexity has been a deterrent.

If you could provide me with any information, I would greatly appreciate any direction that you might be able to point me in. I wish you the best of luck in Florida, and truly hope that one day we might be able to establish and expand our brand of strong, safe passenger and freight services to the Sunshine State.

Very truly yours,

Phillip L. Bell, Chairman
Erie Lackawanna Railroad Co. (FL)
E-mail. <ELRRco@AOL.com>

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'BergerW@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/9/2003 4:34:37 PM

Subject: Fw: Ronald Wayne Clark, Jr

Jeb Bush

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 09 00:50:55 2003

Subject: Ronald Wayne Clark, Jr

Dear Governor Bush,

Please intervene in the case of Ronald Wayne Clark, Jr. He is currently on Florida's death row. Please consider overriding the judge's ruling and allowing attorney Harry Brody to represent him.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Valenzuela
San Diego, CA

From: [Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@jeb.org)

Date: 8/9/2003 4:03:44 PM

Subject: Re: Losing the Media War on NCLB

I guess we should tell him "welcome to our world". One thing we can do is to recast all of the results in terms of percentage of benchmarks passed. For example instead of focusing the number of schools not making AYP we can list all schools and the number and percentage of benchmarks passed. So for example if a school only missed one benchmark we could show it passing 98 percent of federal benchmarks. A school that missed five could be shown as passing 89 percent of benchmarks. Over 54 percent of our schools passed 40 out of the 45 benchmarks. And 98 percent of A schools passed at least 40 benchmarks. I could have our shop working on a visual aid if you like that drives this point. As I pointed out but not really reported any comparisons must rely on NAEP which shows Florida improving faster than the rest of the nation and Closing the achievement gap. In fact that should be our simple response to the Democrat attack dogs - just ask them to explain our sudden rise on the NAEP if they believe we are doing so poorly.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Fryer Jr., John <fryerj@educationcentral.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 09 11:30:45 2003

Subject: RE: Losing the Media War on NCLB

John, we will take all of this under consideration. I think the Federal system is well intended but creates the wrong consequences. We will discuss next week.

Jeb

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From: Fryer Jr., John [<mailto:fryerj@educationcentral.org>]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 9:05 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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John Fryer
Duval

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Morrison, Rich'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 3:42:52 PM

Subject: RE: Medical Liability

Thank you Rich. We got the best we could get. You are correct in that we have hard caps. I would have preferred lower caps for hospitals and doctors. If it doesn't work, we will be at it again.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Morrison, Rich [mailto:Rich.Morrison@FLHOSP.ORG]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 10:41 AM

To: Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'JJRV@aol.com'

Date: 8/9/2003 3:37:05 PM

Subject: RE: ACT/ Russian Reseach vist 8-11-03 in Fort Myers

[did you finish the email?](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: JJRV@aol.com [mailto:JJRV@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 10:59 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: JamesAntonic@msn.com

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Lewis, Celeste \(State'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 3:36:20 PM

Subject: FW: med mal caps

-----Original Message-----

From: Gabrielle D'Alemberte [mailto:dalemberte@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 11:07 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: med mal caps

Gabrielle D'Alemberte
418 Castania Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33146

August 9, 2003

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Sincerely,

Gabrielle Lyn D'Alemberte

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Daryl Levine'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 3:17:12 PM

Subject: RE: Good Job Gov!

[thank you Daryl.](#)

[jeb](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Daryl Levine [mailto:dnolefsu@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 10:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Good Job Gov!

Jeb,

Good job, I know this was a difficult issue, thanks for bringing everyone together on this one!

Daryl

✉ [Daryl Levine](#)

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From: [JohnSipos <jsipos@ij.net>](mailto:JohnSipos<jsipos@ij.net>)

To: JohnSipos

Date: 8/9/2003 3:11:21 PM

Subject: Re: Bishop and Bush

All,

In the, any other ideas, category.

Plan to have a PEACEFUL visit at the school, anyway.

It's fairly easy to spot where activity will be focused at an event such as that. The governor's staff likes to pre-position news crews and reporters, and as long as you are peaceful in intent -- the security people with the governor are decent folks. What they don't like is being blind side surprised. For obvious reasons, that makes staff and security people nervous and defensive.

Very respectfully.

Might I propose. Don't surprise them. Approach them in advance, tell them who you are, and that you are there simply to engage in old fashioned "freedom of expression first amendment political speech" and ask them to HELP POSITION YOU so you will be seen by the governor, the bishop, AND THE MEDIA -- WHILE NOT GETTING IN THE WAY OF THEIR EVENT. The political staff could still try to pull a quick shift on you, but if they did that -- AFTER THE EVENT -- you could preempt the governor and bishop's political photo op agenda by telling the media people, the truth, that you'd been manipulated, misled -- THAT would be as much of a story as the original event.

One local congressman has the management of protesting groups down to a finely tuned science. Call his office, tell them you are coming, stage your march -- AND -- if the congressman is available, he joins (whether he agrees or not) the protesting group, listens, and offers hope for their cause -- TV crews broadcasting the, "What a thoughtful congressman," story.

Really smart, experienced political handlers and politicians, while they prefer you stayed home and consumed only spoon fed controlled news, they understand the game and the more open political people find it better to graciously manage the moment.

The church is a different matter. That's their property. And, the bishop, in his double speak release about Terri, he has tried to come off as pro-life, while not supporting life for this one self-aware, responsive to family and friends and medical experts, able to speak within her limited abilities -- handicapped woman -- and -- who more than likely had been worked over pretty good more than once before that fateful day when she came so close to an unnatural death. I will be talking to a person who is very close to the bishop on another matter this week. No promises.

Meanwhile.

Trust me, boys and girls.

I'm going to communicate with the governor's staff and security people to help avoid unnecessary surprises -- should you decide to stage a peaceful event at that new Catholic high school in Hudson. I will probably be there that day, but NOT in any capacity that helps Terri's cause. My purpose will be strictly to REMAIN ON THE POINT OF THE SCHOOL DEDICATION MESSAGE.

John Sipos

A friend for life.

What we the American people must come to understand, each day the law has less and less to do with higher moral principles -- codified. It's about, expediency of the moment politics, codified in law, driven by pre-determined social agenda and by elite internationalist special interests; law, SELECTIVELY ENFORCED, with a political wink. A judicially ordered homicide of a handicapped woman would have been totally unthinkable in this America, in our Florida -- a couple of years back. Euthanasia. A Florida green cemetery grass growth industry. Who'd ah thunk-it?

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From: ...

Date: Sat, 9 Aug 2003 08:49:45 -0400

To: ...

Subject: Bishop and Bush

FYI - Betty recently saw the new high school where Bush and the bishop will be to dedicate it. She says it would be very hard to make a point there - it is a very confusing, large complex of buildings and it would be easy to be in one place and the gov., etc., would come in to another and we'd never be seen.

Christina

From: [Gabrielle D'Alemberte <dalemberte@bellsouth.net>](mailto:dalemberte@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 3:06:41 PM

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: JamesAntonic@msn.com

Date: 8/9/2003 2:58:31 PM

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From: [Rita Taylor <ritashmita428@aol.com>](mailto:ritashmita428@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 2:06:48 PM

Subject: Medical Insurance

Rita Taylor
4405 Garden Lane
Tampa, FLORIDA 33610

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It would be really great for the United States to take care of their medically ill people by at least making it affordable for those of us who no longer have a job but yet expected to pay COBRA premiums. Now how does that work when you don't have a job (no money) and all of the unemployment goes to pay your monthly insurance premium! Something is wrong here! What are you going to do to turn things around for the people that really need help? The rich just keep getting richer and that's because you have no concept of what the common people truly need!

Sincerely,

Rita Taylor

From: [Carr, Diane <Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us>](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:53:52 PM

Subject: Re: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Governor, I will be glad to discuss at your convenience, though I regret that Peter was misinformed. The prosecution of unlicensed activity is within the purview of DBPR, not the professional boards, except where the function has been privatized. It is a matter we take seriously and one we are looking to beef up, not shirk. I will investigate on Monday to determine specifics behind Peter's recent conversation with DBPR and to correct misimpression, both internally and externally. I will also give you a call this am at the Mansion. Thanks, Diane

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

From: Roblavey@aol.com <Roblavey@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:58:33 PM

Subject: Re: (no subject)

Gov,

You can add in -- too dangerous with the lightening storms .

Change the law -- I want a permanent Jeb Bush in Tally. Thank you also for your wisdom regulating manatee regs.

Have nice weekend.

Doc

From: [Rick Lentz <drleutz@bellsouth.net>](mailto:drleutz@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Sandra Mortham](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:44:28 PM

Subject: Liability Reform

Dear Jeb,

You have been a rock and gone way beyond what any one could even imagine in your efforts to pass meaningful medical liability tort reform. I and all the doctors of Florida and the patients of Florida thank you. If we could just close the pierce ability of the cap I believe we would have a bill that would make a difference. The problem is that those plaintiff attorney are very good and will drive a truck thru the eye of a needle.

When all this settles down I hope that we can get together on other areas of health care reform that will make the cost of health care and health care insurance affordable for business, government and individuals. As you said a few months ago we must find a way to lower the cost. Since doctor's income has been going down for the past seven years, technology when appropriately applied probably reduces cost and hospitals have had decreasing compensation, the most likely place to find the solution to the problem is with the insurance industry.

I look forward to working with you this coming year as president of the FMA and I hope you will honor us with your presence at the up coming FMA meeting in Hollywood at the Diplomat at the end of the month.

God Bless you and your family,

Rick Lentz

From: [Jay Fisher <jaymfisher@earthlink.net>](mailto:jaymfisher@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:35:47 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Bill

Jay Fisher
1501 The Oaks Drive
Maitland, FL 32751

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senator:

Please protect all Floridians and vote "NO" on the proposed Medical Malpractice reform legislation.

Sincerely,

Jay Fisher

From: [James Wardell <jwardell@jawlaw.net>](mailto:jwardell@jawlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:27:20 PM

Subject: Medical malpractice

James Wardell
719 S. Delaware Ave
Tampa, FL 33606

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am shocked to hear the horrid details of the proposed agreement reached behind closed doors regarding medical malpractice reform. This can only be attributed to the Senators and Representatives caving under the Governor's pressure. I cannot understand how this can happen after the Senate did such a wonderful job at bringing out the true facts behind the insurance industry created "crisis". This will now insure that Florida will continue to be the most profitable state for the insurance industry, which it already was, for many years into the future. It will also continue the exploitation of Doctors and subject Florida's citizens to the worst care possible. Additionally, our elder population will now become wards of the state to care for after they have suffered bad care and have no avenue for recovery.

I am appalled at the manner in which this alleged agreement has taken place. However, I am more worried, as a resident of Florida, of what this will mean to me as a Floridian. These insurance companies are going to continue to rape our Doctors, deny claims to our victims, and take our money out of the State.

Anyone who votes in favor of this plan is a sellout and needs to be removed from office. I cannot and will not support anyone who supports this proposal.

Sincerely,

James A. Wardell

From: [MARC HARDESTY <WMHARDESTY@AOL.COM>](mailto:WMHARDESTY@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:15:08 PM

Subject: Med Mal proposal is bad for citizens of Florida

MARC HARDESTY
4004 ATLANTIC BLVD
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This is terrible for the citizens of this state and will result in a tremendous and long lasting negative toll on this state. The insurance industry will stop at nothing over greed and profit on the broken backs of those hurt. This bill is fundamentally unfair and limits compensation for those most injured. Please vote NO.

Sincerely,

MARC HARDESTY

From: [Fryer Jr., John <fryerj@educationcentral.org>](mailto:fryerj@educationcentral.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Robbie Smith <rsmith@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:rsmith@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:00:40 PM

Subject: Med Mal Reform

Robbie Smith
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd
Tampa, FL 33609

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Please stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Tell them to protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Robbie Smith

From: [Margarita H. Barnard <mbarnard@ccmlaw.net>](mailto:mbarnard@ccmlaw.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:58:41 PM

Subject: STAY STRONG and VOTE AGAINST ALL CAPS

Margarita H. Barnard
3407 W. Kennedy Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33609

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

* Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts) * States with caps actually have higher premiums. * Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children

WE NEED REAL INSURANCE REFORM:

* The only thing that brought down rates in California was real insurance reform (Prop. 103) * We need a real rate rollback to bring rates down to an appropriate level. * We need real rate regulation to keep insurance companies from gouging doctors in the future.

VOTE FOR REAL QUALITY OF CARE REFORM:

* 5% of doctors cause over 50% of all malpractice (these doctors should not be allowed to practice medicine) * We need a "3 strikes, you're out" policy - doctors who are repeat offenders should have their licenses revoked. * We need immediate public disclosure of doctors who have committed malpractice and/or been disciplined by the Board of Medicine.

Sincerely,

Margarita H. Barnard

From: [robert brewster <brewst2@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:robert_brewster@worldnet.att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [pam gillespie](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:00:58 PM

Subject:

You never did say what you found with Endeavor in Brevard county. They and 81 other schools in Brevard failed NCLB. Where will they go if these schools fail next year and most will? Will 68,000 kids apply to the 9 schools that passed? Three that passed were charters. Dumping grounds for EX ED students. Three were SOC that don't allow EX ED kids. Will the state loose federal money as have other states? I believe this is another problem caused by the teacher union.

PS: This is what I tried to tell Dr. Weldon years ago Pat. Remember you asked what would happen?

From: [Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>](mailto:Medows.Rhonda.M.D.<medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>)

To: [Levine, Alan](mailto:Levine.Alan)
'j_agwunobi@doh.state.fl.us'
[Bratina, Jill](mailto:Bratina.Jill)

CC: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:52:32 PM

Subject: Fw: FMA's comments on Med Mal Compromise

Fyi

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: Smith, Toni S. <smithts@fdhc.state.fl.us>
To: Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>; Moore, Mary Pat <moorem@fdhc.state.fl.us>
Sent: Fri Aug 08 16:35:52 2003
Subject: FMA's comments on Med Mal Compromise

FYI- This was on lobbytools:

The Florida Medical Association comments on compromise

Statement attributable to Robert E. Cline, M.D., Florida Medical Association President

Tallahassee, Fla. - August 8, 2003 - The Florida Medical Association wants to thank Governor

Bush, the House and the Senate for their diligence and perseverance to come together to work

toward a solution to the crisis facing Florida's patients. There are provisions in this legislation that

will go a long way to solving the problem in hospital emergency rooms and trauma centers.

However, the exceptions to the \$500,000 cap that increases to \$1,000,000 will not provide the

relief necessary to ensure access to high quality care for all Floridians. We remain hopeful that the

Governor, House and Senate will make the necessary changes to the cap language that will allow

physicians to remain in their practices. Unfortunately, until that change is made, the Florida

Medical Association is unable to support the bill.

From: [Catherine Bowers <catheyb46@yahoo.com>](mailto:catheyb46@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:51:29 PM

Subject: MEDICAL MALPRACTISE CAPS

Catherine Bowers
1111 Eastern Way
Orlando, FL 32804

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please remember the people who need you. Insurance Companies will be the ones to reap the benefit of CAPS. Look at their profits!

Sincerely,

Catherine

From: [Senator Stephen Wise <srwise@comcast.net>](mailto:srwise@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:33:38 PM

Subject: Three things

GFI MailSecurity's HTML threat engine found HTML scripts in this email and has disabled them.

Governor:

1. I saw in the paper that your daughter has graduated from drug rehab... It is a long road but I know she can make it. We will continue to pray for her.

2. The medical malpractice issue ... The session starts Tuesday.. hopefully, everyone is equally disappointed on the compromise.. Do you feel this is the best deal to lower insurance rates? It is our 40th wedding anniversary and I am loosing points right and left on attending the special session so we have better have the votes to pass something.

3. Jobs for Florida's Graduates... This is the best performance based program that I have seen and it is really making a difference in the outcomes of students, ie; graduation rates and passing the FCAT for students who were selected by the school because they believed they were a potential drop out. The graduation rate last year was 90%. Having said all that, I need help in obtaining the \$500,000 from DOE in line item 70 of the appropriations act. That was were the proviso language was prior to the Legislature removing all the proviso language in the Appropriations Act. The DOE said they can not do anything unless you tell them to do it. So can you tell them to provide Jobs for Florida's Graduate with a \$500,000 contract? As you will recall it was Commissioner Horne and my Bill that passed many years ago which created the program. If we do not get the \$500,000 soon, we can not assist the students because the school year has already started and we are going to lay off all of our people who have provided the services last year and there will be no follow-up on the students which graduated. Your attention to this matter is really important to me because I am the Treasurer of the program.

Thanks for your help.

Steve

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From: [Beckwith B. Miller <tmbots@earthlink.net>](mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

CC: billieneese@msn.com

Date: 8/9/2003 8:37:24 AM

Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Risks

Attachments: Online Corporate Identity Theft - Global and North American Banks - August 1 2003 - Summary.pdf

Hello Governor Bush,

Thank you for your reply and request. Please find attached as a pdf file our Executive Summary for our initiative.

If you wish, we can also forward our 2 supporting summaries for our research on the Top 50 North American Banks and the Florida banks. These will all be available online at no cost in support of our 3 fee-based reports.

Many thanks and best regards,

Beck

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 8:02 PM

To: miller@trademarkbots.com

Subject: RE: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Theft

Please send me the executive summary.

-----Original Message-----

From: Beckwith B. Miller [mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:12 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: billieneese@msn.com

Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Theft

Hello Governor Bush,

Billie Neese has suggested I contact you.

Our firm specializes in protecting corporate trademarks against online theft and misuse. One of our co-marketing partners is www.Hoovers.com, the eBusiness division of Dun & Bradstreet (NYSE: DNB).

We are just completing 5 months of research work on the banking industry to determine how well the banks are protecting their brands against theft and misuse on the Internet. Our study covers 139 global banks, 50 large North American banks and the 200+ largest banks in Florida. The trend is the same. The banks are not paying attention to the advice given by the FDIC that the theft of corporate brands and subsequent creation of fake web sites is a factor in this whole issue of personal identity theft. Banks need to protect their brands and thus their consumers from online identity theft. Next week, we are planning to issue a press release along with our research on this issue as well as letters to each of the 200+ major Florida Bank CEO's alerting them to this issue and encouraging each CEO to order our research with a private-access code so they may learn about and address their specific brand risks during August.

We also noticed that the Florida Bankers Association's www site is silent on this issue of Online Corporate Identity Theft even though it is featured by the FDIC's www site. Florida Banker's Association:
<http://banksprotectprivacy.com/identitytheft.htm>
FDIC: "Protect your self from fraudulent web sites"
<http://www.fdic.gov/bank/individual/online/safe.html>

We would be pleased to share our executive summary with you if you wish. Our goal is to have the private sector solve this risk so we can all create a safer online banking environment for consumers within the content of the Internet. The Florida Bankers Association is already taking a lead nationally on identity theft arising from network security issues (<http://www.fraud-net.com/>). Ideally, by working together, we could help all Florida parties tackle and address risks associated with the theft and misuse of corporate brands and fake web sites.

Most grateful for your consideration.

Many thanks and best regards,

Beck Miller
<http://trademarkbots.com>
TrademarkBots.com, Inc.
5100 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 105
Naples, Florida 34103
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From: [tim farrow <timfarrow@hotmail.com>](mailto:timfarrow@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 5:10:40 AM

Subject: med mal

tim farrow
4827 sweetmeadow cr
sarasota, FLORIDA 34238

August 9, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

tim farrow

From: [Lisa Valenzuela <sixfives@msn.com>](mailto:sixfives@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 4:50:55 AM

Subject: Ronald Wayne Clark, Jr

Dear Governor Bush,

Please intervene in the case of Ronald Wayne Clark, Jr. He is currently on Florida's death row. Please consider overriding the judge's ruling and allowing attorney Harry Brody to represent him.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Valenzuela
San Diego, CA

From: DYoung4222@aol.com <DYoung4222@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 3:46:54 AM

Subject: Esther Blynn

Hope you and yours are doing well.

Esther is a nominee for a Miami-Dade County Judgeship. She has devoted her professional life to children. She is one of the finest and dedicated children's advocates I have ever seen. She is so bright.

She and her husband (Councilman Michael Blynn from North Miami) have been long time friends and active supporters of mine.

Her passion for Children as well as her passion to do what is right will bode well for her on the County Court.

Regards

From: [Daryl Levine <dnolefsu@hotmail.com>](mailto:dnolefsu@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 2:45:20 AM

Subject: Good Job Gov!

Jeb,

Good job, I know this was a difficult issue, thanks for bringing everyone together on this one!

Daryl

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From: [Linda Alley <lalley815@aol.com>](mailto:lalley815@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 2:12:54 AM

Subject: Insurance companies

Linda Alley
16854 Crestview Lane
Weston, FL 33326

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

How is it that we have government in the "sunshine" in the State of Florida to prohibit the "good ole boys" in our government from making back room deals, but in our state legislature, when the governor can't railroad his personal agenda through the PUBLIC legislative process, the deals are made behind closed doors and the legislature is voted on in public afterwards?????????????

You should be ashamed of yourselves. I hope you don't think of yourselves as statesmen or public servants, you are nothing but a bunch of "bought and paid for" puppets of the insurance industry. Over and over again, the facts have shown that no one is going to win with this legislative deal except the insurance industry. Either you just don't care how your vote looks to the citizens or you are not smart enough to make the right decision. Either way, now you must certainly understand why the citizens of this state voted in term limits. You can't be trusted to do the right thing once you have tasted the aphrodisiac of power. You still have a chance to vote what is right for the people, not the insurance industry. Be proud of your position of power, don't take advantage of it. Think: "What would Patrick Henry do?" not, "How much could King George get away with?" Do the right thing. Protect the rights of citizens.

Sincerely,

Linda A. Alley

From: [J. Achurra <jachurra@starband.net>](mailto:jachurra@starband.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 2:06:36 AM

Subject: Congratulations

Jeb, congratulations on the Medical Malpractice Caps that everyone finally agreed on. I know this will help everyone in the state. I know that there is a lot going on for you right now but I wanted to remind you to keep an eye on all the Technology jobs going away to other countries. The managers practicing this technique to save a few dollars now ultimately harm the economy and the intellectual brain pool of the United States. I have already seen many good tech workers having to take jobs at Wal-Mart, etc... And not in their field of study. Not that it is degrading to work at Wal-Mart but if you take the time to think about it, if we in society set rules that are based on accomplishing goals that ultimately lead to rewards it makes a freedom loving society be all it can be. However, if these rules set since before the time of Jesus are ignored, it only brings chaos to the order of things. In other words, if someone follows the rules that our society stresses will get them ahead in life such as getting an education yet once all the goals have been met the person ends up working in a job he or she really did not need an education for then why go through all the suffering and pain to get the education that did not pay off not to mention the debt one might collect to get educated. This goes against the core of our beliefs and society.

If you do a Google search, you will find an example of what I am talking about, for instance, today Hewlett Packard (HP) announced that it was sending it Specialized Server Support jobs to India. It would first go to Canada but ultimately end up in India. They are highly specialized jobs, now I don't work for HP but I am seeing similar situations happen elsewhere. This is an example of draining our brain pool and sending it to other countries. If this continues, and you may laugh at this, it is my belief that someday we will be a third world country and some other country will be Gods favorite. Nothing lasts forever, I'm sure the Romans or Greeks think the way most Americans think now that this prosperity will go on forever. Well it might as long as our leaders pay attention to what is going on, otherwise (Babylon), and it might not happen for a long long time but for the sake of our children's grandchildren's we all have to be ever watching and careful. These are days of judgment and if you dig up my e-mail to you after the Space Shuttle disaster, it might shed some light as to the importance of protecting technology and our National brain pool.

Anyway, hope everything is well, specially with Noelle may God keep her safe specially now that she is with her family again!

Sincerely,
Juan Achurra

From: [Jeffrey Sexton <jbspa@aol.com>](mailto:jbspa@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:41:56 AM

Subject: Insurance Aid Bill

Jeffrey Sexton
5026 pelleport Avenue
Orlando, FLORIDA 32812

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Don't prop up greedy Insurance inteests. Look out for the citizens you were elected to serve.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey B. Sexton

From: [Bob & Sharon Meyer <hvnsgate@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:hvnsgate@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:30:15 AM

Subject: Medical malpractice agreement

Dear Jeb ,

I have been following your efforts with the health care crisis and medical malpractice limits. I have a question that has been bugging me. For years medical consumers , the average citizen has been told by physicians , hospitals , etc. that the billing for medical care is so high due to the exhorbitant malpractice fees that physicians have to pay. How will your plans affect the patient ? Will this mean the doctors will pass on their savings to us or will they be getting richer ? How about hospital bills to the patient ? Will hospitals be lowering their charges ?

We pay \$1,395.00 per month for health care (BlueCross/Blue Shield) for our family. Sounds extremely high but considering we have a very medically fragile child who is in and out of the hospital , it is worth it. However , having to scrutinize our lengthy hospital bills and fight with physicians and hospitals over exhorbitant fees such as \$5.00 for a simple band-aide is getting ridiculous !

Sorry to take up your time but I really am wondering how this will affect the average cost of medical care...or won't it ?

Sincerely ,
Sharon Meyer
(Joeys' Mom)

From: [Jay Grife <jgrife@footlaw.com>](mailto:jgrife@footlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:52:49 AM

Subject: Malpractice Reform

Jay Grife
2653 Riverport Drive North
Jacksonville, FLORIDA 32241

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

As a former doctor, I am appalled that the insurance industry still controls politics.

Senators, have the spine to just say NO!!

Sincerely,

Jay Grife

From: [Myron Gold <lawgoldfox2@aol.com>](mailto:lawgoldfox2@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 1:07:46 AM

Subject: Medical Mal Practice proposel

Myron Gold
1550 Zuleta Ave
Coral Gables, FL 33146

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I urge you to vote no on the Mal Practice legislation proposed by the Governor. This legislation is most harmful to the people and will not in the long run reduce insurance rates

Sincerely,

Myron M. Gold

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'HAWKFLA@aol.com'

Date: 8/9/2003 12:49:55 AM

Subject: RE: FW: "Thank You" from Joe Smith (testified before Senate on 6/16/03 on M...

thank you Joe for all that you have done to help. Our compromise is not the best bill but it was the best we could achieve. You are a good man!

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: HAWKFLA@aol.com [mailto:HAWKFLA@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 3:07 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fwd: FW: "Thank You" from Joe Smith (testified before Senate on 6/16/03 on M...

Governor Jeb Bush
State of Florida

Dear Governor Bush:

I just wanted to share with you my communication to Dr. Agwunobi following my trip to Tallahassee on 7/16/03 to testify before the Senate regarding your Medical Malpractice legislation on the Florida Medical Association and "Coalition for Healthcare" panel. I also wanted you to know that I personally spoke yesterday with U.S. Congressman Adam Putnam and the fifteen (15) assembled attendees, during a small group breakfast in Sun City Center, in support of your ongoing efforts and courageous stand on behalf of those of us who have supported your Medical Malpractice Reform legislation doctrines. I wanted you to know that even while I have been battling the heart conditions that confronted me during my time in Tallahassee from 7/16 through 7/19, I have stayed in touch with many of the legislators offices that I know personally, as well as having been interviewed for both newspaper and television pieces since my return following my testimony. I hope at some point all parties will recognize the correctness of your position and we will move forward with meaningful agreement that ensures access to quality healthcare for all Floridians in the future.

Thank you again for all of your energy and courage on this critical issue. The children of Florida and their children will thank you!

Joe Smith
Wimucama, Florida

From: [Warford, Jim <Jim.Warford@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Warford@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:46:27 AM

Subject: Re: School Dismissal

I will talk to the district about their policy. But it is spelled out in two places on the application.

From: [RICHARD ABRAMOWITZ <RRABRAM@AOL.COM>](mailto:RRABRAM@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:42:52 AM

Subject: MED MAL PROPOSED LEGISLATION

RICHARD ABRAMOWITZ
3525 WINDMILL RANCH ROAD
WESTON , FLORIDA 33331

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSED MED MAL LEGISLATION. IT IS A DISASTER FOR THOSE SEVERELY INJURED AS A RESULT OF MALPRACTICE AND WILL NOT LOWER RATES.

Sincerely,

RICHARD ABRAMOWITZ

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['GWF320@aol.com'](mailto:GWF320@aol.com)
BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:41:02 AM

Subject: RE: Dec. 4, 2003 fup

thank you for your invite. I think I will be in New York at that time but I will check. regards to gloria and family.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: GWF320@aol.com [mailto:GWF320@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 3:19 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Dec. 4, 2003

Dear Governor:

We have been asked by Jackson Sasser, President of Santa Fe Community College, to encourage your attendance at a joint dinner meeting of the Alachua and Bradford County School Boards as well as the Board of Trustees for the University of Florida and Santa Fe Community College to be held in Gainesville at the Hilton University of Florida Conference Center on December 4, 2003 at 6:30 pm. Hopefully by now, either you or your staff have received your letter of invitation.

In addition, Gloria and I are willing to have a reception at our home for 100-150 of hard working republican supporters and contributors from this area on the same day at 5:00 pm. I know it would mean alot to so many who have supported you to be able to see you.

Please let us know if this is something you can do. As always, we appreciate your efforts on behalf of all of the citizens of Florida.

COTTON FLETCHER

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['DKJOHNS2@aol.com'](mailto:DKJOHNS2@aol.com)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:34:41 AM

Subject: RE: proposed tort bill

thank you Kathy for writing and expressing your view. I believe the bill will help. It is not what we proposed by a long shot but it was the best we could do.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: DKJOHNS2@aol.com [mailto:DKJOHNS2@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 9:10 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: re: proposed tort bill

Dear Governor,

I certainly want to thank you for all your support and work on behalf of the patients and physicians in our state. I have just finished being briefed on the proposed bill tonight and must tell you that I cannot support it with the pierceability provisions in it. There are certainly wonderful parts of it, even the cap might help. However, the pierceability will be of no benefit to either the patients or doctors. I urge you to ask the Senate to reconsider this. I am afraid we will be in a far worse scenario if this passes. Thank you again.

Kathy Johns, R.N., Florida Med.Assoc. Alliance President

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:31:16 AM

Subject: RE: proposed medical liability bill

thank you Dr. Hutton. I will speak to Dr. Cline. You all have done a great job making the case for real reform and we have tried to push the legislature to move more. this was as far as we could get the Senate to move.

-----Original Message-----

From: Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD [mailto:phutton@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 11:04 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: proposed medical liability bill

Dear Gov. Bush,

Thank you, for all your support during this trying legislative battle. As a member of the Florida Medical Association I know the onerous position you have been in and the steadfastness you have displayed in support of the patients and physicians of this state.

The proposed legislation of which I have been privy as a member of the FMA Executive Comm. is in most aspects a bill that will meet the objectives of your academic taskforce however there is one portion that is unacceptable to the doctors of Florida and that is the pierceability of the caps. Essentially this will give the insurance companies the "out" to maintain the unacceptable premium increases which are making medical liability insurance unaffordable to the doctors of this state. This effectively is "no cap" of meaningful significance.

I would ask you to speak with Dr. Cline as soon as possible in order to ameliorate this portion of the bill which renders it pointless to our medical community as it will do little if anything to alleviate the crisis in skyrocketing liability premiums and thus force physicians to curtail their practices, leave the state or retire.

Thank you for your outstanding support of this critical issue.

Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD

Speaker, FMA House of Delegates

From: [David Deehl <david@deehl.com>](mailto:david@deehl.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:25:31 AM

Subject: Unconstitutional laws

David Deehl
1037 Malaga Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Do not approve these unconstitutional laws which will deprive the victims of medical negligence of justice. The big lie has been spread to get you to disregard your oath to protect and defend the constitution. Please do not abandon all responsibility and vote for these bad laws that put insurers' profits and powers ahead of the victims of proven negligence.

Sincerely,

David L Deehl

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Carl Lentz'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:25:17 AM

Subject: RE: all your good work

Rick, I know you are not ungrateful. I wish we could have gotten the Senate to move more. I really tried. This was the best that we can do and I am prepared to propose new legislation later if this bill doesn't work the way we hope it will.

-----Original Message-----

From: Carl Lentz [mailto:clentz1@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 9:23 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Jeb Bush

Subject: all your good work

Gov. Bush,

You have been the champion of the people of Florida and protecting their access to care. You are only to be commended but there is a problem. Not being a physician you may not understand the subtleties of the liability crisis. The bill being constructed is good with the exception of the pierce ability. With the pierce ability the rest of the bill dies for lack of life support. I hope you do not find us ungrateful but more caring about the result this bill will have to seeing to it that doctors are there to take care of patients in need. That is truly why we went to medical school and that is why we care so much. It's about keeping the great network of physicians and other health care providers available to the patients. I believe that the pierce ability of this bill will make this bad problem worse. I know you care so I feel bad about this response. It would be easier to say ok but it would not be the right thing to do.

God Bless,

Rick Lentz

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Sharon Gallops](#)

CC: [Jim Zingale](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

[Jim Dwyer](#)

[Bill Monroe](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:24:03 AM

Subject: Re: Value Adjustment Boards

Ms. Gallops - why does it take ten to fifteen days to update the special master list? Is that to prevent counties from finding those omitted people in time to hire them for 2003 VAB Hearings? I think the currently published list should be removed from DOR pages until the list is complete. AND, a disclaimer should be added, that numerous masters on the list in counties along and above the I-4 corridor allegedly have never ruled for any taxpayers, and thus create an impression of a corrupt system. Otherwise, DOR looks like an accessory to the scandalous practices involved! In fact, DOR looks like an accessory when you can't add to the list on the same day you receive the names. It looks so suspect, send me the information within 24 hours - I am making this a public records act request pursuant to Chapter 119 - and I'll do it for you, at no charge! S M Anderson

----- Original Message -----

From: "Sharon Gallops" <GallopsS@dor.state.fl.us>

To: <cps1@flash.net>

Cc: "Jim Zingale" <ZINGALEJ@dor.state.fl.us>

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 4:58 PM

Subject: Value Adjustment Boards

> Mrs. Anderson. In response to your July 29, 2003 e-mail to Dr. Zingale
> below, the Department is currently in the process of updating the
> special master list with recent information provided by the value
> adjustment boards. We anticipate that this update will be completed in
> ten to fifteen days.

>
> In response to your survey request, the Department does not receive
> information from value adjustment boards, property appraisers, or any
> other source that identifies petition filing deadlines. These dates are
> not required to be reported in any documentation that is statutorily
> required to be provided to the Department. The Department does not have
> sufficient staff to dedicate to conducting the survey you requested.
> This information is provided to the individual taxpayer by the property
> appraiser through the notice of proposed property taxes (truth in
> millage or TRIM notice) each year.

> If we can be of further assistance, feel free to contact us.

> >>> Jim Zingale 07/29/03 11:26AM >>>

> >>> "cps1" <cps1@flash.net> 07/29/03 10:00AM >>>

> 1. No one has responded and the special master list is not
> complete.

> 2. Would you please survey all the counties and immediately send
> back to me the Value Adjustment Board petition filing deadlines from
> each county? Please send as many deadlines as you can determine as they
> are received by your agency, then update and add as often as possible.

> 3. It would be a public service if DOR published those dates on its
> web site, and cited the statute wherein taxpayers may engage an attorney
> or an agent in this historic constitutional process.

> Thank you! Sheila Anderson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'Altenburge@aol.com'
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smortham@medone.org

Date: 8/9/2003 12:22:40 AM

Subject: RE: THANK YOU

Thank you Karl. This is not the best bill in the world. Far from it. However, it is the best we can do and we will go back to work if it doesn't yield the reforms we seek and need. I really appreciate the steadfast support of Florida's doctors for meaningful reform. More importantly, I appreciate the day to day work of doctors to save lives and keep Floridians healthy.

-----Original Message-----

From: Altenburge@aol.com [<mailto:Altenburge@aol.com>]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 11:31 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: BCline7975@aol.com; drlentz@bellsouth.net; Dsagliano@aol.com; TTippett2@aol.com; drjimdolan@mac.com; drdux@bellsouth.net; MEBwmnsgrp@aol.com; stewest@comcast.net; smortham@medone.org

Subject: THANK YOU

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you for standing strong these many months and enduring (on our behalf) the slings and arrows from our adversaries. Most physicians understand that we would not be participants in this contest if it wasn't for your resolution. We hope that insurance rates will soon moderate and even decline so that our patient's access to care will not be in jeopardy.

Thank you again for all you have done and continue to do on behalf of our profession and the our patients.

Warmest regards,

Karl

From: [Amy Norris <ledgerite@earthlink.net>](mailto:ledgerite@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:17:44 AM

Subject: Vote NO

Amy Norris
5523 N.W. 39th Avenue
Coconut Creek, FL 33073

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This is a terrible bill. Please vote NO!

Sincerely,

Amy B. Norris

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['lion1948@earthlink.net'](mailto:lion1948@earthlink.net)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:13:27 AM

Subject: RE: Ryla Wilson Act

excellent

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank Montelione [mailto:lion1948@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 8:09 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: Ryla Wilson Act

He did a great job. He already responded.

Thank You,

Frank

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['horizonmg@kairosprisonministry.org'](mailto:horizonmg@kairosprisonministry.org)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:13:03 AM

Subject: RE: Thank You for the Luncheon

Thank you Mickey for all that you do!

-----Original Message-----

From: Mickey Griffin [mailto:horizonmg@kairosprisonministry.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 5:44 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank You for the Luncheon

Governor Bush,

Thank you so much for including Kairos Horizon at the luncheon gathering yesterday of principal players for Florida's Mentoring Children of Inmates program. It was a beautiful launch for those who have made the program possible and for those who will carry it out, and it looks like an excellent program!

We are extremely grateful that the graduates of the Kairos Horizon's faith-based residential program at Tomoka C.I. will have the opportunity to participate. We will focus our attention on the fatherhood and family issues around having a new person in the family dynamic as a Mentor. The Amachi program in Philadelphia had some difficulties around that, and we believe it is an issue with which we can assist the overall effort.

I met Rev. Wilson Goode last week at the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice conference in St. Louis. He headed up the "Amachi" program for Mentoring the Children of Prisoners in Philadelphia, and their just published report offers some excellent data, obstacles, successes and procedures.

Meeting those at the table Thursday and re-connecting with former colleagues was an unexpected blessing of the luncheon, and I thank you for that opportunity.

Mickey Griffin, D.Min., Dir. of Programming
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130 University Park Dr., S. 170
Winter Park, FL 32792
407-657-1828 office
407-252-3123 mobile

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Susan van Hoek'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:12:41 AM

Subject: RE: Saved Items

Thank you Susan. No plans to change our policy as it relates to state park lands. I look forward to seeing the book. The med mal compromise was the best we could do. I wish we could have gotten more.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan van Hoek [mailto:svanhoek@aug.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 3:46 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Saved Items

Dear Gov. Jeb, I've saved up three items to send at once: 1.) I had lunch with Carla Wright today and she's very concerned that the group wanting the school in Guana Park is now backed by John Thrasher and seems to believe that they can get to the board members then convince you to allow it to happen. If so, I fear that we will be tied up in litigation for years to come. Some PVB people might be happy, but most in the county won't.

2.) I'm reading a book that you and the president might both be interested in, if you haven't read it already. "Lincoln's Virtues," An Ethical Biography, by William Lee Miller. This is an important book, especially in these morally ambivalent times. It traces Lincoln's moral development and moral choices as he grew in power, "...showing that the higher he went and the greater his power, the worthier his conduct became." I love that.

3.) I was sent a copy of a small booklet (pre-publication) to send on to you by the author, J. Woodrow Sayre, who I've spoken to about before. It's titled: "Peace Consciousness." I did the pencil illustrations (though in this early edition they did not come out well). I was supposed to have done this some time ago, but goofed up... Sorry about that. Am sending it to the mansion address. # End of 3 items, but am now adding that while I was writing this, you were all on the news re: Malpractice Insurance. Am disappointed that the cap is so high but glad that something got done. PS

- You are in the news constantly today - just heard that your beloved daughter is going home. That's good news. God Bless! Yours, Susan

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Diane Carr Secretary \(Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/9/2003 12:10:03 AM
Subject: FW: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Can we discuss this?

-----Original Message-----

From: PeterLJohnson@aol.com [mailto:PeterLJohnson@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 3:26 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Greetings from Gainesville and an afternoon smile

Jeb,

Congrats on the Agreement on the malpractice issue.

As you may recall, back in April I emailed you about the former employees of Tropic-Kool Engineering who started their own mechanical contracting company and operated without a mechanical contractors license for a number of years after my partner had reported them to the Florida Department of Professional Regulation last December. Well, Diane and her team were very responsive to you and did a thorough investigation and Diane Carr called me with her decision to drop the case because the offending parties had decided to get licensed. Recently I was provided a copy of their investigation and it is quite obvious that the offending parties were guilty of operating without a license, so I called Diane's office and inquired about that. She had the woman in charge (I can't remember her name) call me back last week who told me that it was the oversight's board who decides these matters and they typically choose to not prosecute unlicensed activity. If that is the case with many of your oversight boards it may explain why we have some insurance problems. Can you imagine what auto insurance rates would be if all that happened to a person found driving a car without a license is they were told to go get one! My wife serves on State of Florida, Board of Medicine - Dietetics and Nutrition Practice Council and assures me they are aggressively prosecuting violators, but you may want to check the other boards attitudes on these types of issues and see how they handle regulation of their professions. They may need some guidance from you on how to handle violators.

I'm just finishing up a business plan for a Leadership Institute that I would like to affiliate with UF (if the administration sees the value). I'd love to have your opinion if you have time and interest to read it I'll attach it in an email (its 24 pages long).

Keep Smiling,
Peter

PS the following got me to smile.

Subject: Another Golf Outing

A guy out on the golf course takes a high speed ball right in the crotch. Writhing in agony, he falls to the ground. He finally gets himself to the doctor. He says, "How bad is it doc? I'm going on my honeymoon next week and my fiancée is still a virgin." The doc said, "I'll have to put your penis in a splint to let it heal and keep it straight. It should be okay next week." So he took four tongue depressors and formed a neat little 4-sided splint, held together with surgical wire. It was an impressive work of art. The guy mentions none of this to his girlfriend. They marry and on their honeymoon night in the motel room, she rips open her blouse to reveal a gorgeous set of breasts. This was the first time he ever saw them. She says, "You are the first, no one has ever touched these breasts." He pulls down his pants, whips out his splinted cock and says, "Look at this beauty, it's still in the CRATE!"

From: [Frank Montelione <lion1948@earthlink.net>](mailto:Frank.Montelione@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:09:14 AM

Subject: RE: Ryla Wilson Act

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Thank You,

Frank

From: [Brendan Farrington <bfarrington@ap.org>](mailto:bfarrington@ap.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:05:29 AM

Subject: Re: Med mal

Thank you, governor, and please enjoy yours as well.

Brendan

Jeb Bush wrote:

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> The answers to your questions in order are

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> No

> No

> No

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> Thanks Brendan. I hope you have a great weekend.

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> Jeb

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> Jeb Bush

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> state business are public records available to the public and

> media upon request. Your e-mail communications may

> therefore be subject to public disclosure.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Brendan Farrington <bfarrington@ap.org>

> To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

> Sent: Fri Aug 08 17:53:44 2003

> Subject: Med mal

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> Dear Gov. Bush,

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> I know you prefer to talk policy, rather than politics, but please

> indulge me. There has been a lot of talk that your decision to move

> closer to the Senate on med mal was pushed along by political concerns,

> that with an election year coming up, continuing to fight on this issue

> would hurt Republicans next year, including your brother and those

> hoping to capture Sen. Graham's seat. Any truth to that talk?

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> Also, do you have any concerns that the bickering among the party has

> caused political damage?

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> And lastly, you have a reputation for being able to get what you want

> from the Legislature, is this compromise any indication that your

> relationship with the Legislature will be different over the next three

> years? Will it be harder to push through your priorities?

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> Brendan Farrington

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'miller@trademarkbots.com'

Date: 8/9/2003 12:01:50 AM

Subject: RE: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Theft

Please send me the executive summary.

-----Original Message-----

From: Beckwith B. Miller [mailto:tmbots@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:12 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: billieneese@msn.com

Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Theft

Hello Governor Bush,

Billie Neese has suggested I contact you.

Our firm specializes in protecting corporate trademarks against online theft and misuse. One of our co-marketing partners is www.Hoovers.com, the eBusiness division of Dun & Bradstreet (NYSE: DNB). <http://www.hoovers.com/global/ecommerce/vendors/index.xhtml#TRADEMARKBOT>

We are just completing 5 months of research work on the banking industry to determine how well the banks are protecting their brands against theft and misuse on the Internet. Our study covers 139 global banks, 50 large North American banks and the 200+ largest banks in Florida. The trend is the same. The banks are not paying attention to the advice given by the FDIC that the theft of corporate brands and subsequent creation of fake web sites is a factor in this whole issue of personal identity theft. Banks need to protect their brands and thus their consumers from online identity theft. Next week, we are planning to issue a press release along with our research on this issue as well as letters to each of the 200+ major Florida Bank CEO's alerting them to this issue and encouraging each CEO to order our research with a private-access code so they may learn about and address their specific brand risks during August.

We also noticed that the Florida Bankers Association's www site is silent on this issue of Online Corporate Identity Theft even though it is featured by the FDIC's www site. Florida Banker's Association: <http://banksprotectprivacy.com/identitytheft.htm>
FDIC: "Protect your self from fraudulent web sites" <http://www.fdic.gov/bank/individual/online/safe.html>

We would be pleased to share our executive summary with you if you wish. Our goal is to have the private sector solve this risk so we can all create a safer online banking environment for consumers within the content of the Internet. The Florida Bankers Association is already taking a lead nationally on identity theft arising from network security issues (<http://www.fraud-net.com/>). Ideally, by working together, we could help all Florida parties tackle and address risks associated with the theft and misuse of corporate brands and fake web sites.

Most grateful for your consideration.

Many thanks and best regards,

Beck Miller

<http://trademarkbots.com>

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1-239-777-4638

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Harry Duncanson'](#)

Date: 8/9/2003 12:00:33 AM

Subject: RE: Dept. of Management Services RFP

I will look into this asap.

-----Original Message-----

From: Harry Duncanson [mailto:HarryD@dynacolor.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 12:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Dept. of Management Services RFP

Governor.....

Attached is a letter our printing association has sent to Robert Hosay at the Department of Management Services. It is self explanatory. The RFP as written, excludes all Florida small & medium sized printers from government printing in the state.

Jeb, I'm not sure how this thing got this far without consulting our industry. Even the people from Accenture at the meeting mentioned that was "probably a mistake"....The bottom line is this whole approach is wrong!..They are trying to put into a state contract, printing, (which is custom per job) the same as commodities, which just doesn't work. No ifs ands about it. It works for pencils, cleaning supplies, computers etc. but not printing.

There are eprocurement systems that do work for printing, but it leaves in the competitive quoting per job, which results in the best price. It also allows the agencies to continue to take advantage of local sources with quick turnaround times, which is currently almost the standard in the industry today.

Our industry stands by ready to help the State develop an e-procurement solution for printing services that would maintain low prices through competition and meet the State's administrative cost saving goals, without disenfranchising Florida's number one manufacturing employer in the State.

I sent your office an email last week on this matter, but to date have not received a response.

Thanks as always for your time.....I hope you can see that this RFP is not in the best interest of the state.

Harry

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'cayc@osceola.org'

Date: 8/8/2003 11:59:22 PM

Subject: thank you Charlie for your recommendation.

Jeb Bush

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From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)
To: [Mary Driskell](mailto:Mary_Driskell)
Date: 8/8/2003 11:59:21 PM
Subject: Re: In home support services
Attachments: Secretary's letter on Rates.pdf
Rate.doc

Dear Ms. Driskell,

Thank you for bringing your concerns relating to in-home support services to our attention. Please accept my most sincere apology for any delays in resolving this matter, but I never received your voice message. We changed to a new phone system over the last month and it's possible that your message may have been not been retrieved and recorded properly the day the new phone was installed.

In response to your letter, the districts were instructed to begin rate implement for Residential Habilitation, Adult Day Training and In-Home Support Services effective July 1, 2003. Providers of these services may begin billing at the new rate once they receive a service authorization from the district. I have contacted the local DD program office staff in your area to carefully review your situation and try to reach a satisfactory resolution. Elena Stewart or myself will be contacting you on Monday to discuss this further.

We greatly appreciate your advocacy and the valuable in-home support services Ms. Thacker has provided for your son, Patrick. Please don't hesitate to contact me or Ed Rouseau of my staff at 850-488-4877 or e-mail Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us if you have any questions or need additional assistance.

Sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director of
Developmental Disabilities Program

"Mary Driskell"
<mdriskell@orcola.com> To: Jerry Regier/D20/DCF@DCF
n.com> cc: "Jeb Bush" <Jeb@jeb.org>
Subject:
08/08/03 02:21 PM

Dear Mr. Regier, attached is a letter from me and a copy of a letter you sent out to the district offices. Will you please review my letter and let me know if there is any way to get assistance with the problem stated in the letter?

Thank you for your time. A hard copy will be mailed, however, in the interest of time, I am emailing you this letter now.

Mary L. Driskell(See attached file: Secretary's letter on Rates.pdf)(See attached file: Rate.doc)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Bob Crawford'](#)

CC: beckrbil@aol.com

BCC: [Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)

[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:54:34 PM

Subject: RE: Dinner in Miami fup

I will check with the scheduling team.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Crawford [mailto:Bcrawford@citrus.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 5:57 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: beckrbil@aol.com

Subject: Dinner in Miami

Governor,

Everything has fallen in place for the follow-up meeting that Bill Becker and I discussed with you during lunch at the Mansion with our friend from down south.

The plan, if it still works for you, is to have dinner with a small group of key people in Miami on a weekend, to be hosted by the Department of Citrus.

The group that we would be meeting with has been contacted and all have agreed to come. The date that has been suggested is Sunday, October 26.

Let me know if all this works for you. It promises to be a productive (and enjoyable) dinner.

Bob

From: [Deborah Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:53:05 PM

Subject: This law is an abomination, and Floridians will

Deborah Gander
2343 SW 27th Terrace
Miami, FL 33133

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

live with your sell out for years to come. How could you do that and consider yourself a representative of the people?

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['brad6820@bellsouth.net'](mailto:brad6820@bellsouth.net)

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:FerrerE@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:52:59 PM

Subject: RE: appointment

Thank you Michael.

-----Original Message-----

From: brad6820@bellsouth.net [mailto:brad6820@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 7:34 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: appointment

Dear Gov. i received an email re: positions open at the RTO/RTA in south florida.

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michael brady - florida black republican council - treasure coast

From: [Bob Crawford <Bcrawford@citrus.state.fl.us>](mailto:Bcrawford@citrus.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: beckrbil@aol.com

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From: [Terri Hallman <thallman@sunline.net>](mailto:thallman@sunline.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 10:47:59 PM

Subject: malpractice crisis

Governor Bush,

Yesterday I made a call to your office, after speaking with your representative, she asked me to e-mail my comments to you.

I would like to give you some comments regarding the malpractice crisis. I was happy to read that a \$500,000 cap on non-economic award maybe a compromise, however other aspects of the crisis need to be addressed.

First a little personal history, I began my career as a medical technologist, Laboratory Manager, raised six children, receive a Masters in Business, and then became a Hospital Administrator. One of my areas of responsibility was risk management. This was in 1980, Michigan also had a malpractice crisis. Our hospital, Crittenton, had an obstetrics unit. We were paying 2 million dollars a year for malpractice insurance. After a particularly disgusting case, were a prestigious law firm and our insurance company forced us into settling a "bad baby" case for \$50,000, I appealed to the Board of Directors to give us permission to begin a self fund. The bad baby case we found our was actually a case of incest, and the law firm knew it, the insurance company must have been suspicious because "bad babies" are always more money. We were forced into settling because they told our Board that we would be liable for anything over \$50 thousand.

We then began a self fund in 1982. We umbrella policied anything over \$2 million. We took the 2 million, put it in the bank, implemented an aggressive risk management and claims management program. We investigated all occurrences, attempted resolution of any problems before suits were filed, settled quickly any clear areas of liability, defended all others.

Our reputation with the plaintiffs lawyers changed, we notice a steep decline in frivolous lawsuits and by the time I retired in May of 1996 we had over \$14,000,000 in the bank.

The point of all this is that our physicians need another alterative to first dollar insurance coverage. We need good risk management services for them. Cap's are good but the insurance industry is also a part of the problem. Plaintiffs lawyers need to suffer some consequence for filing frivolous law suits.

Sincerely,

Theresa T. Hallman

1361 Jacana Ct.

Punta Gorda, FL33950

941-575-1721

From: brad6820@bellsouth.net <brad6820@bellsouth.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:34:07 PM

Subject: appointment

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From: [Bernd Wollschlaeger,M.D. <info@miamihealth.com>](mailto:info@miamihealth.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:13:17 PM

Subject: PLI Crisis

Dear Governor:

I want to thank you for your steadfast and unwavering support in our struggle for meaningful TORT reform.

I do not have access to the complete compromise proposal but apparently the reported compromise reached by the House and Senate is not addressing several important issues (example: Litigation Reform including alternative dispute resolution, expert witness qualifications).

Most importantly the cap compromise represents a "soft" cap and might not stop the increase in insurance premiums.

I know that you understand the issues doctors face in Florida and we count on your continuous support.

Again, thank you for your hard and dedicated work.

Yours truly,

Bernd Wollschlaeger, MD,FAAFP

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'JRfsu@comcast.net'

Date: 8/8/2003 10:55:27 PM

Subject: Re: University News

Thank you JR.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: JR Harding <JRfsu@comcast.net>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 15:45:01 2003

Subject: University News

Governor,

Today's Democrat regarding University news serves as a sobering reminder that things are still just as tough as they were when I helped make decisions in 1996-1998.

Whatever you can do to ensure the maximum amount of kids have access while maintaining quality is essential to Florida's future. We cannot keep adding fees because scholarships, pell grants and the like do not cover those educational expenses. Consequently, students will be taking 5-6 years because they must work rather than taking 14-18 credit hours per semester.

Also, we must always keep the merit/ financial hardship scholarships available. These students are pursuing the American dream and making a better future for themselves and their families.

Please let me know if I can ever help. Maybe I can say a few words at the Federal level when I'm up there regularly.

Your friend and soldier,
JR

<<http://www.tallahassee.com/>>

Posted on Fri, Aug. 08, 2003

Schools search for more money
Universities to ask state for \$225.6 million more in 2004
By Melanie Yeager
DEMOCRAT STAFF WRITER

Despite predictions of another tough fight ahead for money, the Board of Governors will ask lawmakers to pay for an overflow of university students admitted for this fall as well as an expected increase next school year.

"We're talking about people who are trying to better their lives and become educated," Chairwoman Carolyn Roberts said Thursday of the additional 11,689 full-time students that the board hopes the state will fund.

Universities surfaced in May from a hairy legislative session that left them \$40 million short in state money. Considering they faced cuts of more than \$100 million below current levels, school officials were relieved - but adamant that the trend not continue.

A mandated 8.5-percent tuition increase provided schools extra money to bridge the \$40 million gap, but universities received no money for an influx of new students this fall.

And predictions for lawmakers' next shot at a state spending plan are worse. Gov. Jeb Bush and the House continue to oppose any tax increases, leaving many to wonder where new revenue will be found. This year's \$53 billion budget uses more than \$1 billion in nonrecurring money.

In spite of this, the Board of Governors is asking lawmakers to spend \$225.6 million more on

universities next year, an 8.24-percent increase to its \$1.9 billion budget. The board approved its legislative request Thursday at a meeting in Tallahassee.

Board members considered three scenarios presented by Chancellor Debra Austin. One did not take into account any past shortfall in state money, and another would have restored state money lost last school year. They chose the middle option - asking for extra money needed for a student increase this school year and what's projected next year.

"I think it's optimistic," said Steve Uhlfelder, a board member. "But in light of last year, I think it's important to be optimistic, to make up for the nonfunding of enrollment."

Still, university presidents aren't taking any chances. They plan to meet in Orlando next Friday to discuss whether to cap new enrollment for 2004-2005 at this year's levels. Doing so, they said, would block access for an increasing number of high-school students. But they're tired of the possible alternative - fewer dollars to spend per student.

Florida's universities enrolled 292,000 students last school year. They expect that will increase 19 percent over the next five years.

Florida State University President T.K. Wetherell hasn't seen the latest breakdown of the Board of Governors' enrollment spending plan, so he's not convinced it goes far enough in paying for past student increases.

"You're still toting that past enrollment unfunded, and you'll be toting that through the time it takes those students to graduate," Wetherell said.

Uhlfelder said he would hope that the presidents would not cap enrollment without letting the Board of Governors review it. He said he doesn't want to reward universities who enrolled too many students because they didn't plan properly. State officials also should monitor how efficiently universities are operating.

"I think it's essential we continue to grow," Uhlfelder said. "But I also think it's important we look at universities individually."

Commissioner of Education Jim Horne said he's not in support of "a universal freezing of enrollment." He wants to see more of a market-driven system instead of one in which state officials "play God" with how many students each university can take.

He reminded the board that its legislative request is just a recommendation to the governor that will go through lots of discussion and changes before lawmakers hammer out a new state spending plan next spring.

New money for universities won't necessarily come from the state's coffers. Horne said a portion could come from tuition increases.

Contact reporter Melanie Yeager at (850) 599-2306 or myeager@tallahassee.com.

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From: [Catherine Rinaldo <rrpilaw@aol.com>](mailto:rrpilaw@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 10:31:50 PM

Subject: Medical Mal Practice

Catherine Rinaldo
5034 Dickens Ave
Tampa, FL 33629

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Do not vote in favor of this horrible legislation.

Sincerely,

Catherine M. Rinaldo

From: [Rebecca Kohl <BK1950@webtv.net>](mailto:Rebecca.Kohl@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 10:27:02 PM

Subject: PLEASE STAY STRONG AND VOTE AGAINST ALL CAPS

Rebecca Kohl
1816 NW 69 Ave
Margate, FLORIDA 33063

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

By placing caps on medical malpractice you'll be hurting those that are victims of doctors and hospitals negligence.

Please stay STRONG and vote NO.

Make the Insurance Companies bring down their rates. Make the doctors who've had strikes against them pay MORE.

Thank you-----

Sincerely,

Rebecca Kohl

From: [Rossman Steve <rossman@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:rossman@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 10:19:52 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

Rossman Steve
44 West Flagler St, 23d Floor
Miami, FL 33130

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed compromise that will cap malpractice victims damages, encourage doctors insurance companies to act in bad faith, and relieve HMO's of any responsibility for their physicians negligence is outrageous. This bill will only reward insurance companies and penalize patients and doctors. Insurance premiums will not go down. Please vote against this unfair and unjust bill.

Sincerely,

Steve Rossman

From: [Todd Stewart <Todd@TrialCounselor.com>](mailto:Todd@TrialCounselor.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 10:11:29 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Todd Stewart
6127 Wood Lake Road
JUPITER, FL 33458

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Please stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Todd Stewart

From: [Dan Cytryn <dancytryn@myacc.net>](mailto:dancytryn@myacc.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 10:01:43 PM

Subject: Please vote against med mal caps

Dan Cytryn
12170 NW 9th Place
Coral Springs, FL 33071

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

With no evidence of frivolous lawsuits or that a cap will decrease rates,
it is unfathomable that the senate will be passing this bill!

Sincerely,

Dan Cytryn

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['bfarrington@ap.org'](mailto:bfarrington@ap.org)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:57:39 PM

Subject: Re: Med mal

The answers to your questions in order are

No

No

No

Thanks Brendan. I hope you have a great weekend.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Brendan Farrington <bfarrington@ap.org>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 17:53:44 2003

Subject: Med mal

Dear Gov. Bush,

I know you prefer to talk policy, rather than politics, but please indulge me. There has been a lot of talk that your decision to move closer to the Senate on med mal was pushed along by political concerns, that with an election year coming up, continuing to fight on this issue would hurt Republicans next year, including your brother and those hoping to capture Sen. Graham's seat. Any truth to that talk?

Also, do you have any concerns that the bickering among the party has caused political damage?

And lastly, you have a reputation for being able to get what you want from the Legislature, is this compromise any indication that your relationship with the Legislature will be different over the next three years? Will it be harder to push through your priorities?

Brendan Farrington

From: [Bob Allen <boballen2@mac.com>](mailto:boballen2@mac.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:54:32 PM

Subject: Biscayne National Park and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

From: [Brendan Farrington <bfarrington@ap.org>](mailto:bfarrington@ap.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:53:44 PM

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Brendan Farrington

From: [Theodore Babbitt <tbabbitt@babbitt-johnson.com>](mailto:tbabbitt@babbitt-johnson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:51:05 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

Theodore Babbitt
5333 Pennock Point Rd
jupiter, FL 33458

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I do not understand how the Legislature could pass a bill which immunizes insurance companies against bad faith. This will result in virtually every case being tried. It is the worst thing you could do to both the doctors and the victims. It goes against common sense and the sworn testimony the Senate received

Sincerely,

Theodore Babbitt

From: [Cal Warriner` <ccw@searcylaw.com>](mailto:ccw@searcylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:49:46 PM

Subject: Tort deform

Cal Warriner`
Box 3626
West Palm Beach, FLORIDA 33402

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Before casting a yes vote on the latest tort reform proposal, look yourself in the mirror and appreciate for the last time your ability to do so without seeing a someone you know to have compromised your integrity.

At great expense it is now well known that no "malpractice crisis" exists. Case filings are down, verdicts are down, Doctors are actually moving to Florida not out and insurers swore caps would not reduce premiums. Yet Jeb and his tribe special interest flunkies forged ahead, damn the facts and our citizens we have insurance companies to pay back. Caps, Caps, Caps...

What the hell, while were at it, lets eliminate insurance company bad faith law. Talk about a transparent insurance company favor! Any moron knows bad faith law protects doctors from their own insurance companies. No one on earth wants to do away with bad faith law but insurance companies and their legislators. Eliminating bad faith law hurts doctors and is nothing more than a blatant insurance company pay-off. If you don't realize this ask a few questions on the topic of someone other than an insurance company lobbyist before you vote.

If you vote for this bill, you must live with yourself knowing it will hurt families who need your protection the most at the expense of those who can afford to "support" you. Not because its right or necessary but because its no more than a political special interest payback.

Where's the legislation demanding accountability for the quack doctors who continue to hurt people?

Where's the accountability for HMO's who hire these quacks and pay them so poorly to care for their captive insureds who have no choice but to see them? (when's the last time you saw your HMO gatekeeper? Could he speak english?) (Tried to get an MRI ordered by your HMO doc recently?)

Where's the requirement that all practicing physicians carry insurance of a minimum limit? (Do you know how much that would reduce premiums?) Heck, I have to do that to drive but what do I know?

Where's the legislation punishing marginal attorneys who file questionable lawsuits?

Hack lawyers who file frivolous lawsuits don't get big verdicts. They don't represent badly injured victims. Caps won't affect them one bit. They don't give a hoot about caps. They'll keep filing BS lawsuits and costing insurance companies millions.

All caps do is punish those who are terribly injured due to the most egregious malpractice. Since we know caps won't reduce premiums just why are they necessary? Who are Jeb and Johnie really after? Surely such highly principled, right thinking lawmakers wouldn't vote to compromise our citizen's rights to serve their own interests?

So, please don't join the swine who support this pork. I bet it will pass because I know who's supports it, and who put them there. But, do so only at the expense of your conscience and what is right. As Jeb said on TV, "this cap thing, it's just politics".

The fastest way to reform a tort reformer is to have a physician mame his or her ten year old daughter. Next year your constituent's mothers, daughters, sisters and brothers will be malpractice victims. If they are lucky enough to live and are just forced to endure a crippling disability I hope you can look them in the eye and feel good the insurance companies are safe and their five time offender doctor hasn't left the state.

Sincerely,

Cal Warriner, Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer

From: [Christian McCue <cmccue@bellsouth.net>](mailto:cmccue@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:41:49 PM

Subject: Med Mal Reform Tragedy

Christian McCue
6311 NE 22 Ave.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed medmal reform bill which limits a victim's ability to obtain redress for injuries and which protects insurance companies who engage in bad faith is squarely in opposition to our nation's history of justice and fair play. Any politician who supports such a bill is failing to protect our sacred and valuable rights as citizens. Doctors who commit malpractice must be held accountable and their victims must have complete and full access to justice. Once again, it appears that our governmental representatives are nothing more than puppets of powerfully rich special interest groups. How can we deny that doctors continue to flock to this state (as do insurance companies)? This is a historical fact. Their profits are enormous - but they are good at hiding this truth. If this battle is about the price of malpractice insurance, then where are the facts about the insurers' profits? The doctors' profits? Our government needs to examine these questions instead of emasculating those laws which provide us some degree of justice. PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSED MEDMAL REFORM BILL.

Sincerely,

Christian A. McCue

From: [Mickey Griffin <horizonmg@kairosprisonministry.org>](mailto:horizonmg@kairosprisonministry.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:44:15 PM

Subject: Thank You for the Luncheon

Governor Bush,

Thank you so much for including Kairos Horizon at the luncheon gathering yesterday of principal players for Florida's Mentoring Children of Inmates program. It was a beautiful launch for those who have made the program possible and for those who will carry it out, and it looks like an excellent program!

We are extremely grateful that the graduates of the Kairos Horizon's faith-based residential program at Tomoka C.I. will have the opportunity to participate. We will focus our attention on the fatherhood and family issues around having a new person in the family dynamic as a Mentor. The Amachi program in Philadelphia had some difficulties around that, and we believe it is an issue with which we can assist the overall effort.

I met Rev. Wilson Goode last week at the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice conference in St. Louis. He headed up the "Amachi" program for Mentoring the Children of Prisoners in Philadelphia, and their just published report offers some excellent data, obstacles, successes and procedures.

Meeting those at the table Thursday and re-connecting with former colleagues was an unexpected blessing of the luncheon, and I thank you for that opportunity.

Mickey Griffin, D.Min., Dir. of Programming
Kairos Horizon Communities in Prison
130 University Park Dr., S. 170
Winter Park, FL 32792
407-657-1828 office
407-252-3123 mobile

From: [Susan van Hoek <svanhoek@aug.com>](mailto:svanhoek@aug.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:46:21 PM

Subject: Saved Items

Dear Gov. Jeb, I've saved up three items to send at once: 1.) I had lunch with Carla Wright today and she's very concerned that the group wanting the school in Guana Park is now backed by John Thrasher and seems to believe that they can get to the board members then convince you to allow it to happen. If so, I fear that we will be tied up in litigation for years to come. Some PVB people might be happy, but most in the county won't.

2.) I'm reading a book that you and the president might both be interested in, if you haven't read it already. "Lincoln's Virtues," An Ethical Biography, by William Lee Miller. This is an important book, especially in these morally ambivalent times. It traces Lincoln's moral development and moral choices as he grew in power, "...showing that the higher he went and the greater his power, the worthier his conduct became." I love that.

3.) I was sent a copy of a small booklet (pre-publication) to send on to you by the author, J. Woodrow Sayre, who I've spoken to about before. It's titled: "Peace Consciousness." I did the pencil illustrations (though in this early edition they did not come out well). I was supposed to have done this some time ago, but goofed up... Sorry about that. Am sending it to the mansion address. # End of 3 items, but am now adding that while I was writing this, you were all on the news re: Malpractice Insurance. Am disappointed that the cap is so high but glad that something got done. PS - You are in the news constantly today - just heard that your beloved daughter is going home. That's good news. God Bless! Yours, Susan

From: [Bill Williams <mcwms5@comcast.net>](mailto:mcwms5@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:37:10 PM

Subject: Malpractice Insurance

Jeb, way to go on the malpractice legislation. You just hang tight in your beliefs. Hasn't been easy has it, but you walked the path. Proud of ya. It will never happen, but I'd love to work for you, maybe even for free.

Bill Wms

From: [John Piccin <jp Piccin@pglawyers.com>](mailto:jp Piccin@pglawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:31:53 PM

Subject: Insurance Protection Bill

John Piccin
320 NW 3rd Av.
ocala, FL 34475

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth, not insurance industry porpaganda, and real insurance reform. Sworn testimony showed that we do not need bad faith changes or caps on damages. This bill protects insurance company profits, and further hurts injured patients!

Sincerely,

John H. Piccin

From: [Chris Barker <cbarker@barkerrodemsandcook.com>](mailto:cbarker@barkerrodemsandcook.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:29:14 PM

Subject: Proposed med mal bill

Chris Barker
300 West Platt Street, #150
Tampa, FL 33606

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

After hearing the sworn testimony that there is no crisis and that Florida is the most profitable state for insurers, how can you justify supporting this bill?

Please don't punish victims of malpractice by eliminating bad faith and capping damages which can be awarded. Victims of malpractice should be protected before insurance profits. If you give medical professionals and insurance companies the ability to calculate, with absolute certainty, the exact value of each claim, they will have no incentive to pay victims without forcing years of delay and absolutely no incentive to prevent malpractice from occurring. That is exactly why Ford refused to recall the Pinto. Remember?

Think long and hard before you vote on this one. Don't let pressure from the Governor, who has made it very clear that he cannot, and does not care to, understand what it is like to be poor and powerless, and political contributions (or promises of contributions) from EITHER side dictate how you look at this issue. Often, we think of things in a manner of "that will never happen to me", but this is an issue that needs to be viewed as "WHAT IF that happened to me?" Are you prepared to personally take that risk? Some day, God forbid, it could be you or a member of your family who needs help and cannot get it. Try to look past all the rhetoric from BOTH sides and THINK about the long-term ramifications of what you are doing.

If, after that careful reflection, you are willing to take that risk for you and your family and you feel you MUST pass some type of legislation, please make sure it has some SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS that malpractice insurance rates MUST go down in a SPECIFIC amount of time. If you don't have that, the insurance companies are the only winners. They will not lower rates and will never have any risk for not settling claims because of the limitations on bad faith. At least hold them accountable if you are going to give them the gifts of caps and immunity from handling claims in bad faith.

Please think about what you are doing... please, before it is too late. The people of Florida are depending on you to make the right decision.

Thank you for your time and God bless.

Sincerely,

Chris A. Barker

From: [Gordon Blaum <g.blaum@mchsi.com>](mailto:g.blaum@mchsi.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:29:37 PM

Subject: Re: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you for your support of "Saving Cypress Gardens."

*I have been a Florida resident for 65 years and I love the gardens.
I have been a season pass owner for several years.*

Regards,

Gordon Blaum

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'chinkle@flaglerholdings.com'

Date: 8/8/2003 9:27:56 PM

Subject: Fw: Med Mal

A relation?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Janet Hinkle <janet@talstar.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 16:54:14 2003

Subject: Med Mal

Janet Hinkle
2500 Deer Lake Road
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Bush and Byrd have coopted King and I such faith that he wouldn't screw the citizens of Florida. Bush is bought and paid for by the insurance industry. America is headed in the wrong direction and Republicans like Bush and Byrd and leading the way

Sincerely,

Janet Hinkle

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'JackMyers@polk-county.net'

Date: 8/8/2003 9:25:42 PM

Subject: Re: Land use information - Cypress Gardens

Thank you.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: JackMyers@polk-county.net <JackMyers@polk-county.net>

To: [Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

CC: *PUBLICRECORDS*@polk-county.net <*PUBLICRECORDS*@polk-county.net>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 15:17:07 2003

Subject: Land use information - Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

Polk County Commissioner Jack Myers asked me to relay to you that as yet, there have been no applications for land use changes submitted to the County regarding the Cypress Gardens property.

If you have any questions or need further information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Steve Logan,
Executive Assistant to Commissioner Myers

From: [Andrea Lowe <kele@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:kele@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:23:48 PM

Subject: Please vote NO on ALL Medical Malpractice caps

Andrea Lowe
8078 Greenmont Avenue
Tallahassee, FL 32317

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The agreement that was announced today is a horrible plan for all Floridians.

Giving HMO's and insurance companies immunity is only going to make the malpractice problem worse and take away the injured person's rights.

We need a "three strikes and your out" policy to weed out bad doctors and allow good doctors to continue practicing.

We need to roll back insurance rates --- NOT patient rights.

Please do the right thing and VOTE NO ON CAPS.

Sincerely,

Andrea Lowe

From: [Greg Barnhart <FGB@searcylaw.com>](mailto:FGB@searcylaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:23:33 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

Greg Barnhart
236 Miraflores Dr.
Palm Beach, FL 33480

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

By now, you must be sick of this issue but the proposed agreement does nothing to lower insurance rates, is dreadfully unfair to doctors and victims and completely ignores in its findings the sworn testimony before the Senate committee. I strongly urge you to vote Against this terrible sellout to the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Greg Barnhart

From: [Andy Hamilton <andyhamilton@aol.com>](mailto:andyhamilton@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:21:59 PM

Subject: Please reject the med mal bill

Andy Hamilton
10413 Reclinata Lane
Tampa, FL 33618

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

No bad faith protection for doctors. The findings are based on lies.

This bill will result in underinsured physicians losing their personal assets while injured patients lose their rights.

Government should be about more than protecting insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Andy Hamilton

From: [Richard Schuler <rds1615@hotmail.com>](mailto:rds1615@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:21:29 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Richard Schuler
132 Spyglass Lane
Jupiter, FLORIDA 33477

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please don't vote on a cap on damages. It is unconstitutional and there's no rate rollback for insurance companies. The statistics provided by objective sources don't support a crisis and a vote for this legislation is not a vote for the people but simply a vote to protect big business profits and to let them make more at the expense of the injured.

Sincerely,

Richard Schuler

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'deaflaw@earthlink.net'
Date: 8/8/2003 9:19:01 PM
Subject: Re: Malpractice

We have an agreement and the bill will hopefully pass next week.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Stephen J. Hardy, II <deaflaw@earthlink.net>
To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>
Sent: Fri Aug 08 16:22:32 2003
Subject: Malpractice

Dear Governor Bush:

The malpractice situation needs to be taken care of and the both houses are taking too much time also I have heard that doctors are planning to move out of Florida which is because of high rising malpractice fees.

Get both houses together and lock them in a room also get them to stay until they agree on something. They are causing the taxpayers money for something that they cannot agree on.

Your leadership is needed in this now and get them to see the "light."

Keep up the good work and God bless,

Stephen J. Hardy, II
deaflaw@earthlink.net

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"Deafness is not a barrier and it is just a big misunderstanding."

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:17:30 PM

Subject: medical malpractice

michael levine
2453 Poinciana dr
weston, FL 33327

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not compromise with the public's right to compensation. The proposed bill only protects the insurance companies and HMO's, not the Doctors. This bill will not reduce rates!!! We newed to to look after the rights of our citizens not the insurance companies. If anything HMO's should be held more accountable , not less.

Please do not vote for this bill!

Sincerely,

Michael levine

From: [Dennis Diecidue <diecidue@verizon.net>](mailto:diecidue@verizon.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:16:15 PM

Subject: Reject Medical Malpractice Bill

Dennis Diecidue
5836 Mariner St.
Tampa, FL 33609

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

After all of your hard work, including the sworn testimony that you took last month, now is not the time to give up the principles that you know in your heart are right. The proposed compromise robs the patients of their access to the courts, affords the physicians no relief, and profits only the insurance carriers. Worse yet, the bad faith provisions of the compromise allow the insurance carriers a free ride (or a safe harbor) while exposing the unwitting physicians to judgments in excess of their policy limits. If you do nothing else for the physicians, save them from their own self-inflicted folly by retaining the insurers' bad faith liability to their policyholders. Now is not the time to give up the noble cause.

Sincerely,

Dennis G. Diecidue

From: [Jene Williams <jwilliams@liggiolaw.com>](mailto:jwilliams@liggiolaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:14:57 PM

Subject: New agreement with Senate and House on Med Mal

Jene Williams
1915 Hartford Court
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

We strongly oppose the new agreement the Senate House and Governor have reached. It jeopardizes patient rights and does not protect Florida Doctors who are wronged by their insurance companies acting in bad faith.

Sincerely,

Jene Williams

From: [Manuel Dobrinsky <mdobrinsky@freidinbrown.com>](mailto:mdobrinsky@freidinbrown.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:13:28 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Reform

Manuel Dobrinsky
3591 North Prospect Drive
Miami, FLORIDA 33133

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This legislation is terrible for all of Florida's citizens. It only benefits the insurance companies. Injured Floridians will be cheated out of their day in court, and doctors are not going to see any relief with this bill.

As OUR representatives you must put the interests of Florida's citizens before the interests of the well funded and highly profitable insurance companies.

Moreover, the agreement to "legislative findings" which are contradicted by fact is perplexing. Surely the testimony before the Senate cannot simply be swept under the rug as though it never occurred.

When it is time to vote, please remember that you are there representing us, the people. Ask yourselves, if this bill helps any of us, injured plaintiffs or doctors?

Sincerely,

Manuel L. Dobrinsky

From: [James D'Andrea <jdandrea@miltonleach.com>](mailto:jdandrea@miltonleach.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:12:00 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

James D'Andrea
10122 Windward Way North
Jacksonville, FLORIDA 32256

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a registered Republican and a defense lawyer.

This legislation unfairly protects insurance companies from accountability and does nothing to incentivize better self-regulation by doctors.

The Florida Legislature can do better. Draft and pass a law that addresses the real problems -- otherwise you leave medical consumers vulnerable.

Vote against the current bill.

Sincerely,

James L. D'Andrea

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'JUnger@grayharris.com'

Date: 8/8/2003 9:12:28 PM

Subject: Re: Governor:

Thank you Jason.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jason Unger <JUnger@grayharris.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 16:52:41 2003

Subject: Governor:

Governor:

Just a note of thanks for your leadership on medical malpractice reform. It is truly a great victory for your administration, and Neal Roth's disingenuously apocalyptic comments are a great indicator of your success. Had it not been for you and your tireless efforts, nothing would have been accomplished---much to the delight of the greedy trial lawyers.

From: [Dawn Vallejos-Nichols <dvallejos-nichols@avera.com>](mailto:dvallejos-nichols@avera.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:08:30 PM

Subject: Bad Faith & Medical Negligence

Dawn Vallejos-Nichols
6928 NW 49th Street
Gainesville, FL 32653

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

VOTE NO ON THESE BILLS. THE ONLY INSURANCE REFORM I SEE HERE IS IN FAVOR OF THE INSURANCE COMPANIES. THE BAD FAITH CHANGES ARE HORRIFIC FOR DOCTORS. THE MED MAL PACKAGE IS HORRIFIC FOR THOSE INJURED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF OTHERS.

KEEP YOUR CONSCIENCE. VOTE NO.

Sincerely,

Dawn M. Vallejos-Nichols

From: [randolph strauss <randy@flalaws.com>](mailto:randolph.strauss@flalaws.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:06:20 PM

Subject: med mal bill

randolph strauss
2651 n fed highway suite 104
ft. lauderdale , FLORIDA 33306

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The proposed med mal bill is just WRONG!

Please vote against this horrible bill. We need accurate findings that reflect the truth and real insurance reform. We do NOT need Bad Faith changes or caps on damages.

Please stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Please protect patients, not insurance company profits!

Sincerely,

Randolph H. Strauss

From: [Robert Joyce <joycelaw@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:joycelaw@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:02:41 PM

Subject: vote NO on the backroom deal on Med Mal

Robert Joyce
16312 millan de avila
Tampa, FL 33613

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

See above

Sincerely,

Bob Joyce

From: [Josh Whitman <jwhitman@miltonleach.com>](mailto:jwhitman@miltonleach.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:59:52 PM

Subject: MedMal

Josh Whitman
815 S Main St #200
Jacksonville, FL 32207

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The compromise bill is a lose/lose. Patients lost their rights, and doctors will get no relief from the insurance companies.

Do what you can to prevent this from happening.

Sincerely,

Josh Whitman

From: [TAYLOR.PERSEPHONE.S29 <TAYLOR.PERSEPHONE.S29@flsenate.gov>](mailto:TAYLOR.PERSEPHONE.S29@flsenate.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:56:31 PM

Subject: Senator Dawson letter regarding PBC Tornado relief efforts

Attachments: PBC Disaster letter to Gov. Bush.doc

Governor Jeb Bush
Office of the Governor
State of Florida
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Governor Bush:

As I am sure you are aware, the County of Palm Beach and particularly the residents of the area ranging from Palm Beach Gardens to Riviera Beach were the victims of a devastating tornado, which struck the area yesterday evening. The storm caused massive amounts of damage to property owners, prompting Riviera Beach Mayor Michael Brown to declare a state of emergency and invoke a city wide curfew.

Governor Bush, I want to acknowledge and applaud the quick response by the State's emergency management team. However, I am asking that the State take all necessary action to ensure that these displaced residents receive all state and federal relief available to them including immediate eligibility for cash and food assistance. I believe that these measures are warranted given the magnitude of the destruction.

Again, I am sure I speak for the residents of Palm Beach County when I extend my gratitude for the efforts already employed. I am sure that the added provisions will be critical in ensuring the safety of our citizens and the expedient rebuilding of our community.

With kind regards,

M. Mandy Dawson
Florida State Senator
District 29

<<PBC Disaster letter to Gov. Bush.doc>>

From: [Janet Hinkle <janet@talstar.com>](mailto:janet@talstar.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:54:14 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Janet Hinkle
2500 Deer Lake Road
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Bush and Byrd have coopted King and I such faith that he wouldn't screw the citizens of Florida. Bush is bought and paid for by the insurance industry. America is headed in the wrong direction and Republicans like Bush and Byrd and leading the way

Sincerely,

Janet Hinkle

From: [Hubert Childress, Jr. <bert@brevardlawyer.com>](mailto:bert@brevardlawyer.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:54:43 PM

Subject: Med. Malp. Legislation

Hubert Childress, Jr.
2285 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote against this horrible bill that: 1) makes insurance companies virtually immune from treating their insured doctors in bad faith. 2) insulates HMOs from accountability for medical malpractice. 3) caps non economic damages at \$500,000 or lower because of setoffs. 4) incorporates legislative findings that directly contradicts sworn testimony before the senate. 5) fails to have insurance rate reform or rate rollbacks. 6) has no effective quality of care measures. The citizens of Florida do not need bad faith law changes or caps on damzges. They need real insurance reform and accurate findings on these issues that reflects the truth. The citizens of Florida need you to vote against this legislation.

Sincerely,

Hubert C. Childress, Jr.

From: [Carmen Sanchez <csanchez@ngepa.com>](mailto:csanchez@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:52:13 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

Carmen Sanchez
11313 SW 109th Rd.
Miami, FL 33176

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider this!

Sincerely,

Carmen Sanchez

From: [Jason Unger <JUnger@grayharris.com>](mailto:JUnger@grayharris.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:52:41 PM

Subject: Governor:

Governor:

Just a note of thanks for your leadership on medical malpractice reform. It is truly a great victory for your administration, and Neal Roth's disingenuously apocalyptic comments are a great indicator of your success. Had it not been for you and your tireless efforts, nothing would have been accomplished---much to the delight of the greedy trial lawyers.

From: [Staci Ehrenkrantz <sehrens@att.net>](mailto:sehrens@att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:54:49 PM

Subject: heart bill signing

By the way- I enjoyed this bill signing even more as it was an intimate signing and not so crazy. It was cool to be in your office-

Thanks again!

Staci

From: [Doug Eaton <deaton41@aol.com>](mailto:deaton41@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:50:09 PM

Subject: Please Vote against the MEd Mall Bill

Doug Eaton
90 Alton Rd
Miami, FL 33139

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

STAY STRONG and VOTE AGAINST ALL CAPS:

* Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts) * States with caps actually have higher premiums. * Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children

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PLEASE VOTE FOR REAL QUALITY OF CARE REFORM:

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Sincerely,

Douglas Eaton

From: [Curry Pajcic <curry@pajcic.com>](mailto:curry@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:46:40 PM

Subject: Stop the Caps and Insurance Welfare

Curry Pajcic
1900 Independent SQ.
Jacksonville, FL 32202

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

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Sincerely,

Curry Pajcic

From: [Alexander Rodriguez <arodriguez@areceslaw.com>](mailto:arodriguez@areceslaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:40:56 PM

Subject: Med Mal Legislation

Alexander Rodriguez
150 Alhambra Circle, #1270
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Do the right thing. Reject this latest proposal. It's not the solution to any of the previously mentioned problems. Let's keep trying.

Sincerely,

Alexander Rodriguez

From: [Andrew Needle <ANeedle@ngepa.com>](mailto:ANeedle@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:40:26 PM

Subject: Don't Sell Out and Ignore the SWORN Testimony You Took!

Andrew Needle
10300 Sabal Palm Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33156

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please stay strong and vote against this medical malpractice caps and bad faith bill. Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts). States with caps actually have higher premiums. Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children. Please don't sell out and adopt findings that are lies! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Andrew Needle

From: [John Leighton <jelmiami@aol.com>](mailto:John_Leighton@jelmiami@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:28:31 PM

Subject: STOP the cap!

John Leighton
7825 SW 51 Ave.
Miami, FL 33143

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please stop placing a cap on damages! Don't punish people who are innocent victims. And don't add insult to injury by modifying bad faith law.

Sincerely,

John Leighton

From: [Stephen J. Hardy, II <deaflaw@earthlink.net>](mailto:Stephen.J.Hardy.II@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:22:32 PM

Subject: Malpractice

Dear Governor Bush:

The malpractice situation needs to be taken care of and the both houses are taking too much time also I have heard that doctors are planning to move out of Florida which is because of high rising malpractice fees.

Get both houses together and lock them in a room also get them to stay until they agree on something. They are causing the taxpayers money for something that they cannot agree on.

Your leadership is needed in this now and get them to see the "light."

Keep up the good work and God bless,

Stephen J. Hardy, II
deaflaw@earthlink.net

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"Deafness is not a barrier and it is just a big misunderstanding."

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Staci Ehrenkrantz](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:11:32 PM

Subject: RE: Bill signing this morning

You are most welcome Staci. It was good seeing you.

Jeb

-----Original Message-----

From: Staci Ehrenkrantz [mailto:sehrens@att.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 2:08 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Bill signing this morning

Dear Governor Bush:

Once again- I had the privilege to participate in another bill signing with you. What an honor! THANK YOU for taking your time and inviting us in your office. I also want to thank you for giving me the pen you signed with. This was another very special moment in my life and for the Florida Heart Research Foundation. We all thank you!

Staci

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Mortham, Sandra](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 8:08:32 PM

Subject: RE: [Fma-blast] The FMA Comments on Compromise

[Dr. Cline deserves a medal for his full time job. So do you!](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Mortham, Sandra [mailto:smortham@medone.org]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 12:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FW: [Fma-blast] The FMA Comments on Compromise

It is nice to see that someone appreciates the hard work.

Sandy

-----Original Message-----

From: WARENBROWN@aol.com [mailto:WARENBROWN@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 11:50 AM

To: Florida Medical Association

Subject: Re: [Fma-blast] The FMA Comments on Compromise

In a message dated 08/08/2003 10:23:04 AM Eastern Daylight Time, webmaster@medone.org writes:

| The Florida Medical Association comments on compromise

Bob Cline and Gov. Bush...my hats off to both of you for trying and trying and trying...so far the first 6 months I have paid my malpractice premium of \$25,000 and have netted over that time \$3200...can't stay in business like this since I am only working part time, 20 hrs a week. May have to hang it up...sure appreciated your diligence...waiting to see what happens now. warren j. brown md.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [mark flanagan](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:58:36 PM

Subject: RE:

[thank you Mark.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: mark flanagan [mailto:mark.flanagan@att.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 3:07 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Hello Jeb. This just in from Reuters News Service. Thought you would find it interesting copy. Hope you and yours are well.

Always onward!

Mark

Florida Lawmakers Reach Medical Malpractice Deal

Updated 2:11 PM ET August 8, 2003

By Michael Peltier

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (Reuters) - Following months of sometimes acrimonious negotiations, Florida lawmakers and Gov. Jeb Bush said on Friday they have reached agreement on sweeping medical malpractice reform.

State lawmakers were expected to return next week to pass a reform plan that caps most lawsuit damages for pain and suffering at \$500,000 per doctor. The plan calls for an immediate freeze on skyrocketing insurance rates that doctors say are forcing many to limit their practices or go out of business.

Malpractice victims, however, would be able to sue for up to \$2.5 million in the most egregious cases, such as when patients are killed or left in permanent vegetative states. That provision became the major stumbling block in negotiations. Florida currently has no such caps.

"The reforms outlined in this latest proposal will protect access to care for the people of this state, which is our primary goal," Bush said in a prepared statement. "This legislation will create stability in the insurance market and provide relief for doctors."

The compromise was bitterly won. Senate Republicans, especially, were under pressure after rejecting a \$250,000 cap originally favored by Bush, House leaders, health care providers and the insurance industry.

At one point, the Republican governor and other party members urged donors to withhold campaign contributions to Republican holdouts in the Senate and suggested other Republicans could be recruited to run against them if they did not fall in line.

While most doctors would see a \$500,000 cap on pain and suffering awards, the proposal provides greater protection for emergency room physicians, capping noneconomic damages at \$300,000 per doctor.

Shortly after Friday's announcement, the Florida Medical Association issued a statement rejecting the package, saying the caps are too high to provide insurance relief for doctors.

Lawmakers had been unable to reach a deal in three special legislative sessions.

The proposal freezes insurance premiums and requires companies to reset rates on Jan. 1 that reflect the new legal climate.

Senate Republican leaders say the pressure to reduce rates and increase competition now falls squarely on insurance providers.

"If a year from now insurance companies haven't reduced rates and provided some level of certainty for doctors, they will have committed a cruel hoax on the physicians of this state," said Senate Appropriations Chairman Ken Pruitt.

From: [JR Harding <JRfsu@comcast.net>](mailto:JRfsu@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:45:01 PM

Subject: University News

Governor,

Today's Democrat regarding University news serves as a sobering reminder that things are still just as tough as they were when I helped make decisions in 1996-1998.

Whatever you can do to ensure the maximum amount of kids have access while maintaining quality is essential to Florida's future. We cannot keep adding fees because scholarships, pell grants and the like do not cover those educational expenses. Consequently, students will be taking 5-6 years because they must work rather than taking 14-18 credit hours per semester.

Also, we must always keep the merit/ financial hardship scholarships available. These students are pursuing the American dream and making a better future for themselves and their families.

Please let me know if I can ever help. Maybe I can say a few words at the Federal level when I'm up there regularly.

Your friend and soldier,
JR



Posted on Fri, Aug. 08, 2003

Schools search for more money
Universities to ask state for \$225.6 million more in 2004
By Melanie Yeager
DEMOCRAT STAFF WRITER

Despite predictions of another tough fight ahead for money, the Board of Governors will ask lawmakers to pay for an overflow of university students admitted for this fall as well as an expected increase next school year.

"We're talking about people who are trying to better their lives and become educated," Chairwoman Carolyn Roberts said Thursday of the additional 11,689 full-time students that the board hopes the state will fund.

Universities surfaced in May from a hairy legislative session that left them \$40 million short in state money. Considering they faced cuts of more than \$100 million below current levels, school officials were relieved - but adamant that the trend not continue.

A mandated 8.5-percent tuition increase provided schools extra money to bridge the \$40 million gap, but universities received no money for an influx of new students this fall.

And predictions for lawmakers' next shot at a state spending plan are worse. Gov. Jeb Bush and the House continue to oppose any tax increases, leaving many to wonder where new revenue will be found. This year's \$53 billion budget uses more than \$1 billion in nonrecurring money.

In spite of this, the Board of Governors is asking lawmakers to spend \$225.6 million more on universities next year, an 8.24-percent increase to its \$1.9 billion budget. The board approved its legislative request Thursday at a meeting in Tallahassee.

Board members considered three scenarios presented by Chancellor Debra Austin. One did not take into account any past shortfall in state money, and another would have restored state money lost last school year. They chose the middle option - asking for extra money needed for a student increase this school year and what's projected next year.

"I think it's optimistic," said Steve Uhlfelder, a board member. "But in light of last year, I think it's important to be optimistic, to make up for the nonfunding of enrollment."

Still, university presidents aren't taking any chances. They plan to meet in Orlando next Friday to discuss whether to cap new enrollment for 2004-2005 at this year's levels. Doing so, they said, would block access for an increasing number of high-school students. But they're tired of the possible alternative - fewer dollars to spend per student.

Florida's universities enrolled 292,000 students last school year. They expect that will increase 19 percent over the next five years.

Florida State University President T.K. Wetherell hasn't seen the latest breakdown of the Board of Governors' enrollment spending plan, so he's not convinced it goes far enough in paying for past student increases.

"You're still toting that past enrollment unfunded, and you'll be toting that through the time it takes those students to graduate," Wetherell said.

Uhlfelder said he would hope that the presidents would not cap enrollment without letting the Board of Governors review it. He said he doesn't want to reward universities who enrolled too many students because they didn't plan properly. State officials also should monitor how efficiently universities are operating.

"I think it's essential we continue to grow," Uhlfelder said. "But I also think it's important we look at universities individually."

Commissioner of Education Jim Horne said he's not in support of "a universal freezing of enrollment." He wants to see more of a market-driven system instead of one in which state officials "play God" with how many students each university can take.

He reminded the board that its legislative request is just a recommendation to the governor that will go through lots of discussion and changes before lawmakers hammer out a new state spending plan next spring.

New money for universities won't necessarily come from the state's coffers. Horne said a portion could come from tuition increases.

Contact reporter Melanie Yeager at (850) 599-2306 or myeager@tallahassee.com.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: sandra.robinson@cfl.rr.com

Date: 8/8/2003 7:45:06 PM

Subject: RE: appointment

thank you Sandy for your recommendation.

-----Original Message-----

From: sandra.robinson@cfl.rr.com [mailto:sandra.robinson@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 1:12 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: appointment

Dear Governor Bush and

Raquel Rodriguez General Counsel,

Thank you for appointing Clay Simmons to the 18th Circuit Court in May. I was so very pleased you selected him because he was so very deserving of the appointment. That being said a similar request brings me to the reason for this e-mail. Ms. Marlene Alva is equally deserving of your next appointment for Seminole County. I know you have all her background information available to you therefore I would just like to emphasize several points.

Ms. Alva has five years experience already as a judge in Seminole County! During those years she was voted top rated County Judge by the Seminole County Bar Association as well as the highest rated of all County and Circuit Judges on two seperate occasions by the same organization. Personally I believe that speaks volumes for the quality and caliber of individual she is. In addition to her experience on the bench she has had a wide array of very revelant job positions that add to her wealth of experiences. She has been in private practice, has extensive service in the Public Defender's Office at several different levels, as well as being legal advisor to the Department of Law Enforcement. This diverse range of experience seperates her from the rest of the field of candidates. Her experience and qualifications make her the best person to be selected as the next juge in Seminole County.

As a member of the Seminole County School Board our partnerships with other agencies is very critical to the success of our district. I believe Ms. Alva would be an additional assest to a great team that is already in place. Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter for the future of Seminole County.

Respectfully,

Ms. Sandy Robinson, Chairman
Seminole County School District

From: [Jerry Regier <Jerry_Regier@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Jerry_Regier@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Mary Driskell](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:42:15 PM

Subject: Re:

Attachments: Secretary's letter on Rates.pdf
Rate.doc

Thank you for bringing this to my attention, I will look into this immediately.

Secretary Regier

"Mary Driskell"

<mdriskell@orcola.com> To: Jerry Regier/D20/DCF@DCF
n.com> cc: "Jeb Bush" <Jeb@jeb.org>

Subject:

08/08/03 02:21 PM

Dear Mr. Regier, attached is a letter from me and a copy of a letter you sent out to the district offices. Will you please review my letter and let me know if there is any way to get assistance with the problem stated in the letter?

Thank you for your time. A hard copy will be mailed, however, in the interest of time, I am emailing you this letter now.

Mary L. Driskell(See attached file: Secretary's letter on Rates.pdf)(See attached file: Rate.doc)

From: DSCJLC@aol.com <DSCJLC@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:40:57 PM

Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you for all you've done in the past for Florida attractions. They help make our state great!

Please do what you can for Cypress Gardens continuance. We have such fond memories there and we hope generations to come will have the same wonderful opportunity to enjoy its unique appeal.

JoAnne & Don Corrigan

dscjlc@aol.com

From: JackMyers@polk-county.net <JackMyers@polk-county.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: *PUBLICRECORDS*@polk-county.net

Date: 8/8/2003 7:17:07 PM

Subject: Land use information - Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

Polk County Commissioner Jack Myers asked me to relay to you that as yet, there have been no applications for land use changes submitted to the County regarding the Cypress Gardens property.

If you have any questions or need further information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Steve Logan,
Executive Assistant to Commissioner Myers

From: GWF320@aol.com <GWF320@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:19:08 PM

Subject: Dec. 4, 2003

Dear Governor:

We have been asked by Jackson Sasser, President of Santa Fe Community College, to encourage your attendance at a joint dinner meeting of the Alachua and Bradford County School Boards as well as the Board of Trustees for the University of Florida and Santa Fe Community College to be held in Gainesville at the Hilton University of Florida Conference Center on December 4, 2003 at 6:30 pm. Hopefully by now, either you or your staff have received your letter of invitation.

In addition, Gloria and I are willing to have a reception at our home for 100-150 of hard working republican supporters and contributors from this area on the same day at 5:00 pm. I know it would mean alot to so many who have supported you to be able to see you.

Please let us know if this is something you can do. As always, we appreciate your efforts on behalf of all of the citizens of Florida.

COTTON FLETCHER

From: [JebBush](#)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:11:24 PM

Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Carlos Perez [mailto:carlos@rejuvederm.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 12:04 PM

To: JebBush

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush:

This coming Sun 8/10 (9-10pm) on my television program Carlos Perez Pregunta, I will be interviewing Dr. Saul Lanes, Pulmonary doctor who happens to be an expert in Medical Mal Practice. A complete analysis of this situation and your projected law was discussed. I will be sending you a copy of the program. Please keep forth with this needed fight in order for the system not to break down.

Sincerely,

Carlos Perez

From: [JebBush](#)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:10:42 PM

Subject: FW: medmal

-----Original Message-----

From: Annacowin@aol.com [mailto:Annacowin@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 10:12 AM

To: JebBush

Subject: medmal

Gov.

I appreciate the heads up from Jim Magill this am. Thanks.

ac



From: HAWKFLA@aol.com <HAWKFLA@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:07:10 PM

Subject: Fwd: FW: "Thank You" from Joe Smith (testified before Senate on 6/16/03 on M...

Attachments: FW: "Thank You" from Joe Smith (testified before Senate on 6/16/03 on MedMal Cap)

Governor Jeb Bush
State of Florida

Dear Governor Bush:

I just wanted to share with you my communication to Dr. Agwunobi following my trip to Tallahassee on 7/16/03 to testify before the Senate regarding your Medical Malpractice legislation on the Florida Medical Association and "Coalition for Healthcare" panel. I also wanted you to know that I personally spoke yesterday with U.S. Congressman Adam Putnam and the fifteen (15) assembled attendees, during a small group breakfast in Sun City Center, in support of your ongoing efforts and courageous stand on behalf of those of us who have supported your Medical Malpractice Reform legislation doctrines. I wanted you to know that even while I have been battling the heart conditions that confronted me during my time in Tallahassee from 7/16 through 7/19, I have stayed in touch with many of the legislators offices that I know personally, as well as having been interviewed for both newspaper and television pieces since my return following my testimony. I hope at some point all parties will recognize the correctness of your position and we will move forward with meaningful agreement that ensures access to quality healthcare for all Floridians in the future.

Thank you again for all of your energy and courage on this critical issue. The children of Florida and their children will thank you!

Joe Smith
Wimuama, Florida

From: MedicalQualityAssurance@doh.state.fl.us <MedicalQualityAssurance@doh.state.fl.us>

To: HAWKFLA@aol.com

Date: 8/8/2003 6:50:22 PM

Subject: FW: "Thank You" from Joe Smith (testified before Senate on 6/16/03 on MedMal Cap)

Attachments: Smith Thank you.doc

-----Original Message-----

From: HAWKFLA@aol.com [mailto:HAWKFLA@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, July 28, 2003 3:25 PM

To: Health@doh.state.fl.us

Subject: "Thank You" from Joe Smith (testified before Senate on 6/16/03 on MedMal Cap)

Secretary John O. Agwunobi, M.D., M.B.A.
Department of Health
State of Florida

Dear Secretary:

I wanted to express my appreciation, not only for your articulate and compelling remarks during the press conference on the steps of the Old Capitol the steamy morning of June 16, 2003, which signaled the beginning of the Special Session on the Medical Malpractice lawsuit "Cap," but also for your extraordinary kindness and gestures to me of expressing a sincere concern for my health. According to many reports, I was noticeably pale and needed no other report to remind me that I had great difficulty breathing and fighting off the dizziness and fatigue I was experiencing. Once I took a seat in the shade, you and several other physicians took th time to stop and inquire about my well-being. The citizens of Florida are truly blessed to have someone of your character as Secretary of the Department of Health!

To shorten the story of what has been a multi-event journey since I left Tallahassee three days later, following my testimony to the Senate as a member of the four-person Florida Medical Association (FMA) and "Coalition" panel that same afternoon, it was determined by my cardiology team, after a few days of complete exhaustion and bed-rest following my drive home, that I had apparently been suffering from numerous episodes daily for at least several days, and more likely weeks, of Atrial Fibrillation. These attacks, as you well understand, resulted in my heart racing frequently at a rate of 350 to 600 beats per minute. It was also determined that due to two other syndromes I have suffered from for a decade, that a new dual-chambered pacemaker should be installed, which was done a few days ago. While the "A Fib" episodes do not appear to be fully resolved, I am confident that proper medicinal or surgical solutions will be accomplished soon. ***Once again, following my 50+ surgical procedures and lifelong hospitalizations, I have benefited from Florida's vast pool of medical professional talent.***

John (as you suggested I refer to you when I asked which title of honor you most cared for to be addressed by, i.e.; Doctor, Secretary, etc.) I just wanted you to know that since I am now recovering from these bothersome interruptions, I stand ready to once again assist Governor Jeb Bush in any way you or he deem most helpful. I honor you and all those who have continued the campaign to face fully the crisis now at our door. As I testified before the Senate, I fear for the future of my grandchildren and their children if this menacing tirade of greedy legal dispensers of falsehoods and exaggerations should prevail. I am gravely concerned that the distortions being strewn about by the members of the Academy of Trial Lawyers, such as the documents I have monitored throughout the media and in my receipt of "Coalition" responses, will weaken the average Floridian who has limited comprehension of these complex issues.

Dr. Agwunobi, I wanted to again thank you for your expressed concerns regarding my welfare, as well as your kind comments when we visited in the Capitol Dining Room the next day. Also, I wanted to let you know that despite the kind offer from the FMA and Coalition to cover my expenses for the trip to testify before the Senate, I elected not to accept any funding from either in order to confirm my independence of thought.

However, given my challenged financial situation from my lifelong medical costs, my firm, Walbridge Aldinger, a family and closely held company that is a construction and construction management firm for a variety of commercial projects (including

hospitals, ALF's and medical professional complexes) felt so strongly about the Governor's and the Coalition's collective efforts, they fully endorsed and underwrote my time. Walbridge has supported my initiative completely, knowing these issues will negatively impact our employees as well. Walbridge has offered to reimburse me for my expenses, as well as having supported me during this and previous medically challenging events. **Walbridge has also assured me that if I can be of any future assistance to you or Governor Bush, they will likewise support me to join the initiative to support your, the Governor's and the Coalition's efforts.**

I will be contacting all of my legislative acquaintances prior to the upcoming Special Session beginning August 5, 2003. Please let me know should there be anything specific to which I might direct my attention and energy. God Bless you and yours for your courage and steadfastness.

Joe Smith
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From: [Sandra Pino <spino@freidinbrown.com>](mailto:spino@freidinbrown.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 7:00:50 PM

Subject: caps on medical malpractice

Sandra Pino
2150 Sans Souci Blvd., #1401
North Miami, FL 33181

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Sandra Pino

From: [Adam Goldman <agoldman@consultant.com>](mailto:agoldman@consultant.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:48:46 PM

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush,

Rep. John Quinones will be leading a panel discussion at the Strategic Plan meeting next week, on Workforce Education (he serves on the board of WFI). Thank you for your letter, and the Representative sends his greetings,

Adam Goldman

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From: [Maria Delange <MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM>](mailto:MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:47:30 PM

Subject: No Med Mal Caps...please...

Maria Delange
15025 S.W. 53 Terr.
Miami, FL 33185

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Maria E. Delange

From: [Brice Musser <musserod@bright.net>](mailto:musserod@bright.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:51:16 PM

Subject: A concerned American

This is in regards to "Terri's Fight". PLEASE STOP THIS GROSS ERROR IN JUDGEMENT!!!! If you do not stop this murder of an innocent woman, you are not only legalizing domestic violence, but also first degree murder. Your stance is well known around the world in regards to the death penalty, but just what is this woman convicted of? Many innocents have died at your way of justice, and that is in the prison system alone. Now your deadly hand is extended to those that are too unfortunate to have their own voice, so they are going to be inhumanely starved to death! And these are people that should be protected the most! The judicial system has no mercy, even to the innocent, and they have no place in the medical community, maybe you should re-learn the Pledge Of Allegiance, and actually take to heart the final phrase "With Liberty and Justice For All", please reconsider. Sincerely, Beth Maag Kalida, Ohio

From: [Chuck Cobb <ccobb@cobbpartners.com>](mailto:ccobb@cobbpartners.com)

To: [Joe Arriola](#)
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[Jeb Bush](#)
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[Susanne Torriente](#)
[Tony Villamil](#)
[Commissioner Johnny Winton](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:28:36 PM

Subject: Meeting with the Governor August 22, 2003

Governor Bush and his staff have selected Friday, August 22, from 3:25 p.m. – 4:25 p.m. (Biltmore Conference Center of the Americas, Board Room, Third Floor) as the best time for him to receive a briefing on Florida FTAA, the Ministerial and Americas Business Forum.

The Governor recognizes that several of you cannot be in Miami on August 22 because of commitments elsewhere, but this date appears to be the only date in August that he and many of us can arrange together. The Governor also has tentative plans to participate in the FTAA Governmental Affairs Committee meeting being hosted by Commissioner Diaz on Saturday, September 6 in Miami. If the Governor is able to participate, this September meeting might represent another opportunity for those of you that can't make the August 22 briefing to meet with the Governor and articulate your views on the progress of the Ministerial, the Americas Business Forum, or the efforts to bring the Secretariat to the Miami area.

We will be preparing an agenda for the August 22 meeting during the next few days that will provide a forum to fully update the Governor on all critical issues facing the Ministerial, the Americas Business Forum, and the efforts to bring the Secretariat to Miami. We will send that agenda to you several days before the August 22 meeting.

Mary Jo Serrano
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Coral Gables, FL 33134
305-476-7448 / 305-445-5674 fax

From: [Mary Driskell <mdriskell@orcolan.com>](mailto:mdriskell@orcolan.com)

To: [Jerry Regier](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:21:10 PM

Subject:

Attachments: Secretary's letter on Rates.pdf
Rate.doc

Dear Mr. Regier, attached is a letter from me and a copy of a letter you sent out to the district offices. Will you please review my letter and let me know if there is any way to get assistance with the problem stated in the letter?

Thank you for your time. A hard copy will be mailed, however, in the interest of time, I am emailing you this letter now.

Mary L. Driskell

From: [Dupont, Kevin <Dupontk@BUCCANEERS.NFL.com>](mailto:Dupontk@BUCCANEERS.NFL.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:16:46 PM

Subject: RE: direction

Thank you Governor Bush

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:13 PM

To: Dupont, Kevin

Subject: RE: direction

I will pass on to my legal counsel office and they will be in touch.

-----Original Message-----

From: Dupont, Kevin [mailto:Dupontk@BUCCANEERS.NFL.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 10:04 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: direction

Governor Bush:

I apologize for bothering you with this situation, however I was wondering if you could point me in the right direction.

I was evicted from my residence when I was a student between 1996 & 1997. In May of 2003 was the first time that I had ever received information about the case against me (Case No. 1997CC 1247) from a collections law firm six years later. I found out from the firm that my landlord and the courts had been trying to contact me from the only address they had for me until my recent address, which was the address from which I was evicted. Since 1997, the judge overseeing the case has obviously ruled against me for failure to appear. I was failing to appear due to never receiving my court summons over the past six years.

In those six years I have accumulated a large amount of late fees to go along with my settlement and court fees. I am willing to pay my original settlement, however I was wondering if there were some one or an office that I can contact about seeing if I can waive this large amount of late fees. If you know of who or what governing body that could help me in this case, please forward their contact information to me. Thank you.

Kevin Z. DuPont

From: Billmckiel@aol.com <Billmckiel@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@oag.state.fl.us)
ag@oag.state.fl.us
Gallagher@doi.state.fl.us
Commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us

CC: jLozell@yahoo.com

Date: 8/8/2003 6:12:19 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Sir:

As a resident of Winter Haven, the Home of Cypress Gardens, when we moved to Winter Haven over 23 years ago, after retiring from the US Army, with my wife and family. Now with grandchildren and great grandchildren living in the area. We would go out to Cypress Gardens on special occasions until this year, when one of our daughters purchased us an annual pass 1/23/03.

As you might imagine, there is not much for old retired couples to do in Winter Haven, except go out to the gardens, stop and smell the roses as the saying goes and we did that quite often. Each time we went it was hard to find a place to park and Cypress Gardens holds quite a number of busses, RV's, and vehicles.

It appears the owners were looking to make a lot of money quickly by selling the land for commercial development and residential property around the lake area, instead of making smaller amounts each year to keep the gardens open for tomorrow's generations like Dick Pope Sr. did. I could not understand with the number of people visiting Cypress Gardens daily and the selling of tickets and annual passes to residents and to snow birds as well, how they were losing money.

It is hoped that the State of Florida, will purchase the park and lease to David Siegel, who has a plan and the marketing skills that will make the park a success. Turning the property on Cypress Gardens Blvd. to commercial property, would take away bus and RV parking needed to make it economical to come to the Gardens in groups and they usually stay a week instead of a weekend or a day at the park.

We hope and pray that on the 26th, when you make your decision to save Cypress Gardens, Winter Haven will once again be able to say, the Home of Cypress Gardens.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. McKiel Jr. & Family

From: [Louise Palmier <lpalmier@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:lpalmier@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:05:28 PM

Subject: Schools

I heard on the news that you have not given Volusia County the amount of dollars they need for our schools. Now they are laying off counselors, suspending and moving teachers so much there are not enough for any given school to take care of all the students. How can this be? The Lotto was supposed to add to the monies needed for our schools. Who is cheating and what are you going to do about it? I know your brother isn't sending any money toward the schools all the while he's touting(as do you), "no child left behind". Balderdash! I have never seen such disregard for regular people in my life - nevermind children. It's obvious all you guys care about are insurance companies, developers, drug companies and all the other special(rich) interests there are. If I had a million dollars I would start a recall petition to oust you and impeach your brother!

Louise Palmier lpalmier@cfl.rr.com
Port Orange, FL

From: [Staci Ehrenkrantz <sehrens@att.net>](mailto:sehrens@att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 6:07:41 PM

Subject: Bill signing this morning

Dear Governor Bush:

Once again- I had the privilege to participate in another bill signing with you. What an honor! THANK YOU for taking your time and inviting us in your office. I also want to thank you for giving me the pen you signed with. This was another very special moment in my life and for the Florida Heart Research Foundation. We all thank you!

Staci

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Lewis, Celeste \(State](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 5:22:46 PM

Subject: FW: Victims of Medical Malpractice

-----Original Message-----

From: Ruth D. Romero [mailto:rdromero@gte.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 11:56 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Victims of Medical Malpractice

Ruth D. Romero
408 Mahogany Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Hog Wash! Please hear my voice, please vote NO on all caps!

Thank you for your attention in this matter and for hearing my voice.

Sincerely,

Ruth D. Romero

From: [Matt Dean <bsktbalmed@yahoo.com>](mailto:bsktbalmed@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: bsktbalmed@yahoo.com

Date: 8/8/2003 5:20:49 PM

Subject: 18 Credits Legislation

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing for my school paper and i would appreciate it if you would answer some of my questions on the 18 credit legislation.

Don't you feel as though this legislation lowers the education standards of an already struggling Florida education program?

How do you think this legislation can help high school students?

How do you respond to the criticism that this legislation is just a cheap means to lower class sizes?

I thank you for your time and answers. I actually had a chance to meet you this past June at Boys State and I believe that you are doing a great job!

Gratefully,

Matt Dean

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From: sandra.robinson@cfl.rr.com <sandra.robinson@cfl.rr.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 5:11:42 PM

Subject: appointment

Dear Governor Bush and

Raquel Rodriguez General Counsel,

Thank you for appointing Clay Simmons to the 18th Circuit Court in May. I was so very pleased you selected him because he was so very deserving of the appointment. That being said a similar request brings me to the reason for this e-mail. Ms. Marlene Alva is equally deserving of your next appointment for Seminole County. I know you have all her background information available to you therefore I would just like to emphasize several points.

Ms. Alva has five years experience already as a judge in Seminole County! During those years she was voted top rated County Judge by the Seminole County Bar Association as well as the highest rated of all County and Circuit Judges on two separate occasions by the same organization. Personally I believe that speaks volumes for the quality and caliber of individual she is. In addition to her experience on the bench she has had a wide array of very relevant job positions that add to her wealth of experiences. She has been in private practice, has extensive service in the Public Defender's Office at several different levels, as well as being legal advisor to the Department of Law Enforcement. This diverse range of experience separates her from the rest of the field of candidates. Her experience and qualifications make her the best person to be selected as the next judge in Seminole County.

As a member of the Seminole County School Board our partnerships with other agencies is very critical to the success of our district. I believe Ms. Alva would be an additional asset to a great team that is already in place. Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter for the future of Seminole County.

Respectfully,

Ms. Sandy Robinson, Chairman
Seminole County School District

From: [Cathi Anderson <dianecathi@hotmail.com>](mailto:dianecathi@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 4:57:34 PM

Subject: Lies Lies Lies

Cathi Anderson
398 Elm St
Santa Rosa Bch, FL 32459

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

You are rewarding the insurance industry for telling lies by giving them everything they asked for after you busted them for not telling the truth. Why did they even bother to lie to you when you would have given them whatever they wanted anyway? Today I am sad to be a Floridian and even sadder to have ever voted for Jeb Bush.

Sincerely,

Cathi Anderson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'ccunningham@BCMPARTNERS.com'

BCC: 'Crosby.James@mail.dc.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/8/2003 4:58:42 PM

Subject: Re: various

Thanks CC. Jimmy is doing fine work.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: Courtney Cunningham <ccunningham@bcmpartners.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 10:34:31 2003

Subject: various

Jeb—

On Monday, Aramark is putting a proposal on the table to DOC to pay them \$5 million more than they are earning from the Commissary now. We will right the state a check for about \$18 million every year. We can open all the facilities by the end of the year and pay you at least \$2.5 more than you made last year.

By the way, Crosby is a hell of a guy. He's straight, no bs and very easy to deal with. The Aramark guys who are in the facilities all time, tell me that they are much better run and the morale has gone up since Crosby took over. You have a winner in that guy! Good pick! He's a career guy, but he's not a bureaucrat.

Congrats on med mal...I didn't think it would work it this quickly.

CC

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'billieneese@msn.com'

Date: 8/8/2003 4:58:27 PM

Subject: Re:

Thanks Billie. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Billie Neese <billieneese@msn.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

CC: miller@eluxurylifestyle.com <miller@eluxurylifestyle.com>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 11:05:16 2003

Hello Jeb,

A dear friend of mine works in the internet communications industry and has completed some alarming research about risks in the banking industry. He has shared this information with me this morning and I think it is worthy of yours, and perhaps, Charlie Crist's attention. You will hear from him directly - Beck Miller from Naples, Florida. Please review this information and let me know what you think.

Warm regards,

Billie

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From: [Vincent Wolanin, Chairman <vincent.wolanin@privatesky.net>](mailto:vincent.wolanin@privatesky.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 5:00:22 PM

Subject: Re: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

Thank you.

Vincent M. Wolanin- Chairman
PrivateSky® Aviation Services, Inc.
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----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Vincent Wolanin](#)

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:43 AM

Subject: RE: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

we are working on the letter.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vincent Wolanin [<mailto:Vincent.Wolanin@wolanin.com>]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:09 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

[Governor/Jeb](#)

[FYI](#)

The PrivateSky® answer to the C20 RFP is being delivered today to Oklahoma City by our management team. PrivateSky® is the only Florida company qualified to do this work actually submitting a response. A support letter arriving there early next week that would indicate Florida's support would be helpful in bringing this work to Florida.

There are over 100+ new jobs involved plus some real high tech aviation work that will be going on for years at the winning facility.

[Thanks for your support.](#)

Vincent M. Wolanin Chairman
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Vincent Wolanin, Chairman](#)
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:13 PM
Subject: RE: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

thank you Loretta. I will check with our policy folks and we will get back to you asap.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vincent Wolanin, Chairman [mailto:vincent.wolanin@privatesky.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 10:57 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida

To: Governor Jeb Bush

August 5, 2003

Re: RFP F34601-03-R-0205-0002
Department of the Air Force
Director of Contracting and Manufacturing
Tinker AFB, Oklahoma 73145-3020

Governor/Jeb:

The PrivateSky® RFP to the C-20 Contractor Logistics Support is ready to be submitted on August 8, 2003.

PrivateSky® is the only Florida based small business with the FAA certified expertise necessary to support this contract. The other submitters are from non-Florida companies.

Since you are most familiar with PrivateSky® and you actually have been a customer on your trips to Fort Myers we were hoping to have you write a letter to the Contracting Officer below in support of our proposal. From your perspective you are familiar with

our brand new state of the art 100% AIR CONDITIONED HANGAR AND ALL NEW GULFSTREAM SERVICE CENTER facilities having been there when it was just RAW dirt and you have witnessed first hand PrivateSky®'s professional aviation abilities on your visits.

The person who should receive the letter would be :

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Loretta.Williams@tinker.af.mil

Governor, If you need anything else to assist research wise in writing the letter please let me know.

Thank you.

Vincent M. Wolanin- Chairman
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From: NicholasJKalman@aol.com <NicholasJKalman@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 4:50:24 PM

Subject: Thanks

Dear Governor Bush:

Cecilia Rush, with the Dept. of Business and Professional Regulation, contacted me today and is helping me out with my question...thank you for that.

Also, I wanted to congratulate you on reaching an agreement with Med. Mal.

I spoke with Sen. Atwater last week and he told me that at the time, only two companies were still writing insurance in the State.

Thanks again Governor!

Very truly yours,
Nick Kalman

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'TeriGAshley@aol.com'

Date: 8/8/2003 4:48:26 PM

Subject: Re: Friend

Thanks.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: TeriGAshley@aol.com <TeriGAshley@aol.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 08 11:45:46 2003

Subject: Friend

med mal issue = JOB WELL DONE

I truly believe that MAKING them think, work and compromise - even if you had to make them mad in the process - will ultimately be seen as a tremendous strength on your part by the citizens of Florida and the outside nonpartisan world at large. A nice little "hat-hanger," if you will!

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 4:35:26 PM

Subject: Re:more information on provider activity

A little MORE insight and information on this situation... We examined the impact of the new rates upon the seven UCP of NW Florida group homes. Our analysis of the daily and annual rates per person in each of their homes as well as a comparison to their FY 2002-03 rates indicates they will receive a rate increase for every one of their group home residents in all seven of their homes. District 1 staff are trying to set up a meeting with UCP administrators to discuss the current situation regarding their imposition of a 20-day cap on absences from their group homes. I will keep you apprised of any new developments.

Shelly Brantley

To: jeb@jeb.org

08/07/03 07:45 PM cc:

Subject: Re: FW: Disabled Rights

FYI. In case you receive any similar e-mails, I wanted to let you know that apparently some FARF providers have made a recent "business decision" to limit family home visits for individuals living in group homes. The primary purpose of this decision is to ensure that they can bill the DS waiver program for as many days as possible for the residential habilitation services. According to the provider "this is necessary to stay in business."

I plan to discuss this issue with the FARF and ARC provider association leadership in our weekly meeting tomorrow afternoon.

I have also been working some on the other issue we discussed in an effort to prevent any future assaults in group homes. I am still gathering as much information as I can on state and national efforts on this issue, but will plan to share some new ideas/ possible approaches with you this week.

Shelly

----- Forwarded by Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF on 08/07/03 07:22 PM -----

Shelly Brantley

To: c2far@cox.net

08/07/03 07:22 PM cc:

Subject: Re: FW: Disabled Rights(Document link: Shelly Brantley)

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Farrell,

Thank you for writing Lt. Governor Jennings to express your concerns relating to licensed group home policies for individuals with developmental disabilities. The Lt. Governor has asked me to respond on her behalf.

The Developmental Disabilities Program recognizes the value and importance of family togetherness and visitations. We strongly support opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities to participate as valued, contributing citizens of their communities and achieve their personal goals. Please be assured that we have not implemented any policies to require individuals with developmental disabilities living in group facilities to limit family visitations. If we can provide you or your daughter additional assistance with your particular situation, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

We greatly appreciate your advocacy on behalf of your daughter and other individuals with developmental disabilities. Your daughter is so fortunate to have such a supportive and involved family.

Sincerely,

Shelly Brantley, Director of
Developmental Disabilities Program

-----Original Message-----

From: C Farrell [mailto:c2far@cox.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 9:40 AM

To: fl_ltgov@eog.state.fl.us

Subject: Disabled Rights

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We would like to enlist your help in rescinding the decision that required disabled residents living in group facilities to spend 345 days per calendar year at their facilities. We are unable to keep our daughter at home full time, but we try to have her home for weekends, holidays, and special occasions. Many of these residents, our daughter included, enjoy being with their families. We know from experience that these people are going to have a hard time understanding and adjusting to this situation. With all the current interest in family togetherness and visitation rights, we feel that this is a step in the opposite direction where the disabled are concerned. They are being penalized where their disabilities should be penalty enough.

Anything you can do to help correct this situation will be greatly appreciated.

Very Respectfully,

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Farrell

From: Beckwith B. Miller <tmbots@earthlink.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: billieneese@msn.com

Date: 8/8/2003 1:11:58 PM

Subject: Banking: Online Corporate Identity Theft

Hello Governor Bush,

Billie Neese has suggested I contact you.

Our firm specializes in protecting corporate trademarks against online theft and misuse. One of our co-marketing partners is www.Hoovers.com, the eBusiness division of Dun & Bradstreet (NYSE: DNB).
<http://www.hoovers.com/global/ecommerce/vendors/index.xhtml#TRADEMARKBOT>

We are just completing 5 months of research work on the banking industry to determine how well the banks are protecting their brands against theft and misuse on the Internet. Our study covers 139 global banks, 50 large North American banks and the 200+ largest banks in Florida. The trend is the same. The banks are not paying attention to the advice given by the FDIC that the theft of corporate brands and subsequent creation of fake web sites is a factor in this whole issue of personal identity theft. Banks need to protect their brands and thus their consumers from online identity theft. Next week, we are planning to issue a press release along with our research on this issue as well as letters to each of the 200+ major Florida Bank CEO's alerting them to this issue and encouraging each CEO to order our research with a private-access code so they may learn about and address their specific brand risks during August.

We also noticed that the Florida Bankers Association's www site is silent on this issue of Online Corporate Identity Theft even though it is featured by the FDIC's www site.

Florida Banker's Association:

<http://banksprotectprivacy.com/identitytheft.htm>

FDIC: "Protect your self from fraudulent web sites"

<http://www.fdic.gov/bank/individual/online/safe.html>

We would be pleased to share our executive summary with you if you wish. Our goal is to have the private sector solve this risk so we can all create a safer online banking environment for consumers within the content of the Internet. The Florida Bankers Association is already taking a lead nationally on identity theft arising from network security issues (<http://www.fraud-net.com/>). Ideally, by working together, we could help all Florida parties tackle and address risks associated with the theft and misuse of corporate brands and fake web sites.

Most grateful for your consideration.

Many thanks and best regards,

Beck Miller

<http://trademarkbots.com>

TrademarkBots.com, Inc.

5100 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 105

Naples, Florida 34103

1-239-777-4638

From: [Mortham, Sandra <smortham@medone.org>](mailto:smortham@medone.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 4:03:27 PM

Subject: FW: [Fma-blast] The FMA Comments on Compromise

It is nice to see that someone appreciates the hard work.

Sandy

-----Original Message-----

From: WARENBROWN@aol.com [mailto:WARENBROWN@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 11:50 AM

To: Florida Medical Association

Subject: Re: [Fma-blast] The FMA Comments on Compromise

In a message dated 08/08/2003 10:23:04 AM Eastern Daylight Time, webmaster@medone.org writes:

| The Florida Medical Association comments on compromise

Bob Cline and Gov. Bush...my hats off to both of you for trying and trying and trying...so far the first 6 months I have paid my malpractice premium of \$25,000 and have netted over that time \$3200...can't stay in business like this since I am only working part time, 20 hrs a week. May have to hang it up...sure appreciated your diligence...waiting to see what happens now. warren j. brown md.

From: [Harry Duncanson <HarryD@dynacolor.com>](mailto:HarryD@dynacolor.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 4:02:47 PM

Subject: Dept. of Management Services RFP

Attachments: hosayrfpfinal.doc

Governor.....

Attached is a letter our printing association has sent to Robert Hosay at the Department of Management Services. It is self explanatory. The RFP as written, excludes all Florida small & medium sized printers from government printing in the state.

Jeb, I'm not sure how this thing got this far without consulting our industry. Even the people from Accenture at the meeting mentioned that was "probably a mistake"....The bottom line is this whole approach is wrong!..They are trying to put into a state contract, printing, (which is custom per job) the same as commodities, which just doesn't work. No if's ands about it. It works for pencils, cleaning supplies, computers etc. but not printing.

There are eprocurement systems that do work for printing, but it leaves in the competitive quoting per job, which results in the best price. It also allows the agencies to continue to take advantage of local sources with quick turnaround times, which is currently almost the standard in the industry today.

Our industry stands by ready to help the State develop an e-procurement solution for printing services that would maintain low prices through competition and meet the State's administrative cost saving goals, without disenfranchising Florida's number one manufacturing employer in the State.

I sent your office an email last week on this matter, but to date have not received a response.

Thanks as always for your time.....I hope you can see that this RFP is not in the best interest of the state.

Harry

From: [Ruth D. Romero <rdromero@gte.net>](mailto:rdromero@gte.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:56:06 PM

Subject: Victims of Medical Malpractice

Ruth D. Romero
408 Mahogany Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Hog Wash! Please hear my voice, please vote NO on all caps!

Thank you for your attention in this matter and for hearing my voice.

Sincerely,

Ruth D. Romero

From: [GERARD SAWYER <gerard.sawyer@verizon.net>](mailto:gerard.sawyer@verizon.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:48:49 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

The last trip my parents were able to make from Maine to Florida, we spent a whole day enjoying Cypress Gardens for the first time in any of our lives. My children, grandchildren, and siblings from Maine still have not had the pleasure of spending a memorable day there. Please do all that you can to preserve this beautiful creation for my family and many others who have yet to visit and fall in love with this special place of old southern charm.

God bless you as you make your decision this month.

Yours in Christ,
Linda Sawyer

From: TeriGAshley@aol.com <TeriGAshley@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:45:46 PM

Subject: Friend

med mal issue = JOB WELL DONE

I truly believe that MAKING them think, work and compromise - even if you had to make them mad in the process - will ultimately be seen as a tremendous strength on your part by the citizens of Florida and the outside nonpartisan world at large. A nice little "hat-hanger," if you will!

From: Altenburge@aol.com <Altenburge@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: BCline7975@aol.com
drlentz@bellsouth.net
Dsagliano@aol.com
TTippett2@aol.com
drjimdolan@mac.com
drdux@bellsouth.net
MEBwmnsgrp@aol.com
stewest@comcast.net
smortham@medone.org

Date: 8/8/2003 3:31:20 PM

Subject: THANK YOU

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you for standing strong these many months and enduring (on our behalf) the slings and arrows from our adversaries. Most physicians understand that we would not be participants in this contest if it wasn't for your resolution. We hope that insurance rates will soon moderate and even decline so that our patient's access to care will not be in jeopardy.

Thank you again for all you have done and continue to do on behalf of our profession and the our patients.

Warmest regards,

Karl

From: [Billie Neese <billieneese@msn.com>](mailto:billieneese@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: miller@eluxurylifestyle.com

Date: 8/8/2003 3:05:16 PM

Subject:

Hello Jeb,

A dear friend of mine works in the internet communications industry and has completed some alarming research about risks in the banking industry. He has shared this information with me this morning and I think it is worthy of yours, and perhaps, Charlie Crist's attention. You will hear from him directly - Beck Miller from Naples, Florida. Please review this information and let me know what you think.

Warm regards,

Billie

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From: Jimothy33@aol.com <Jimothy33@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:15:14 PM

Subject: Saving The Gardens

Good Morning Govenor Bush,

My name is Jimmy Steele. I am a 23 year old college student from Winter Haven. I wrote a letter to you back in April about the Gardens when we first found out about the terrible news. I wanted to thank you for your efforts to help save our state's treasure. Cypress Gardens has meant so much to me throughout my young life, and I miss it dearly. Not just as a former employee who was given 3 days notice that he lost his job, but as a member of this community who has grown up here with Cypress Gardens being a big part of his life.

I am among the many who is asking you and your Cabinet members to please, please vote to save ALL of the Gardens. I am also a founding member of the Cypress Singers, an a capella singing group who sang Christmas Carols at the Gardens. We are now on our own and will be attending your Cabinet meetings and singing for you. Please, even if it is through eminent domain. I would hate to see any more damage /vandalism done to the Gardens. Thank you so much for you time and for all you have done to listen to the many many people who care so much about this beloved attraction. My prayers are with you, and again, I appreciate your time.

Sincerely,
Jimmy Steele
Winter Haven, FL

From: [Phillip Ellis <ellisloki@hotmail.com>](mailto:ellisloki@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:02:45 PM

Subject: Why give up now?

Phillip Ellis
409 Elm St
Santa Rosa Bch, FL 32459

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

You have stood so strong. Why are you letting the Governor intimidate you now when there is even more proof that caps do not work and insurance companies lie. Do not give in. You are right. The Governor is a bully and you do not have to take his scare tactics. Doctors need insurance reform not tort reform.

Sincerely,

Phillip Ellis

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['jeanne.stephens@polk-fl.net'](mailto:jeanne.stephens@polk-fl.net)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:00:12 PM

Subject: RE: Congratulations!

[Thanks Jeanne.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: jeanne.stephens@polk-fl.net [mailto:jeanne.stephens@polk-fl.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 10:56 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Congratulations!

Dear Governor Bush:

Congratulations on getting the Legislature to agree on the medical malpractice issue.

Hope you have a restful week end.

Jeanne Stephens

Citizen

Polk County

From: jeanne.stephens@polk-fl.net <jeanne.stephens@polk-fl.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:55:38 PM

Subject: Congratulations!

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Citizen

Polk County

From: CROWELLMR@AOL.COM

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

phennessy@onenationtech.com

Date: 8/8/2003 2:31:30 PM

Subject: PETITION TO ISSUE A STAY IN FLORIDA COURT PROCEEDINGS REGARDING THERESA SCHINDLER-SCHIAVO

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
(CROWELLMR@AOL.COM) on Friday, August 8, 2003 at 09:31:29

Petition: PETITION TO ISSUE A STAY IN FLORIDA COURT PROCEEDINGS REGARDING THERESA SCHINDLER-SCHIAVO

DATE: July 12, 2003

TO: Governor Jeb Bush

We are requesting that you investigate, what the Schindler Family believes are severe abuses conducted against their daughter, Terri Schiavo.

We also request that you review the -heavily guarded- Department of Children and Families (DCF) sealed investigation report. It contains the agency's findings in response to a formal complaint filed of alleged abuses Terri suffered at the hands of her husband and guardian, Michael Schiavo.

In addition, we ask you to review Terri's court and medical records:

WHEREAS evidence in Terri Schiavo's medical records and testimony that suggests Terri was possibly strangled. Terri's family believes this crime was committed by her husband and this act was responsible for Terri's mysterious collapse and ensuing heart failure.

WHEREAS evidence in Terri's medical records that show Terri suffered 'Massive Body Trauma,' which consisted of bone fractures in her Ribs, Pelvis, Spine, Ankle and a Broken Right Femur Bone. The Schindler Family believes these injuries contributed to Terri's collapse.

WHEREAS evidence that Terri's husband has recently petitioned the court to have Terri's body cremated immediately following her death. The Schindler Family believes Terri's cremation is a maneuver her husband will utilize to destroy evidence of his criminal acts.

WHEREAS evidence that Terri's \$1.6 million dollar trust fund, awarded to her by a 1992 medical malpractice jury for medical treatment and therapy, is depleted. The Schindler Family believes Court transactions will show the majority of the fund has been used to pay her husband's legal fees in his pursuit of Terri's death.

We, the undersigned, ask that you issue a stay in any further court proceedings until a full investigation can be completed. Terri Schiavo's life is in danger. Her husband has petitioned the court to remove her feeding tube and end her life by way of starvation. We ask that you halt any further action by the courts until the results of a investigation into these allegations against Mr. Schiavo are known.

firstname: MARY

lastname: CROWELL

city: CHESTERFIELD

comments: IT IS UNFAIR FOR THE STATE TO COMPLETE WHAT HER HUSBAND DID NOT ACCOMPLISH. KILLING HER.

B1: Submit

From: [Mary Andress <maryandress@yahoo.com>](mailto:maryandress@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:41:01 PM

Subject: Medical Mal caps

Mary Andress
4015 Bayshore Blvd. #5E
Tampa , FL 33611

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please continue your efforts to eliminate med mal caps. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary Andress

From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:35:56 PM

Subject: MED MAL BILL

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote no. We need to protect the individuals, not the doctors or insurance companies.

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [Charlene Heger <hegercharlene@hotmail.com>](mailto:hegercharlene@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:35:44 PM

Subject: No Caps of Med Mal

Charlene Heger
4419 Winding River Dr
Valrico, FL 33594

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please, a cap on Med Mal awards is not in the best interest of the people of Florida.

We do not need further limitations on our rights.

Limiting awards to those in need is not the answer.

Sincerely,

Charlene Heger

From: [Mike Jaroch <Mike@syccivil.com>](mailto:Mike@syccivil.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:33:00 PM

Subject: Crimes Against Terri Schiavo

Attachments: Terri Schiavo letter to Jeb Bush.doc

Dear Honorable Jeb Bush,

Please deeply consider my attached e-mail regarding a woman named Terri Schiavo and the atrocities that have occurred to her.

I plea with you to take immediate action and investigate her injuries.

Sincerely,

Mike Jaroch

Michael J. Jaroch, P.E.
Project Manager
SYC Civil Engineering, Inc.
104 E. Reynolds Street
Suite 206
Plant City, Florida 33563
(813) 659-4881
(813) 759-6871 Fax
mike@syccivil.com

From: [Courtney Cunningham <ccunningham@bcmpartners.com>](mailto:ccunningham@bcmpartners.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:34:31 PM

Subject: various

Jeb—

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: 8773422541@archwireless.net <8773422541@archwireless.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:13:39 PM

Subject: Re: RE: Wireless Message

Reply from God bless.

Mike Fasano

is

Jeb,

Spoke to a group last week and told them if I vote for a bill that the doc, lawyers and insurance companies are not too happy with, I am probably voting for the right bill.

God bless.

Your Message:

Enjoy New York.

-----Original Message-----

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net [<mailto:8773422541@archwireless.net>]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:18 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Wireless Message

Congratulations!

God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: 8773422541@archwireless.net <8773422541@archwireless.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:07:12 PM

Subject: Re: RE: Wireless Message

Thank You

Your Message:

Enjoy New York.

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:18 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Wireless Message

Congratulations!

God bless.

Mike Fasano

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org <liza@volunteerflorida.org>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:48:13 PM

Subject: FW: update on Women's Day award to Amy

Governor:

Amy Jaffe Barzach of Boundless Playgrounds is going to be names one of the four Woman of the Year by Women's Day magazine...WOW. Thought you would want to send a note of congratulations, Liza

send to: ajbarzach@boundlessplaygrounds.org

Amy, your energy, enthusiasm and can-do efforts are obviously having great impact nationally. It's tremendous that Women's Day is recognizing your work. More importantly I hope this honor helps you move your important vision forward. Congratulations, JEB

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb_Bush)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:47:36 PM

Subject: RE: FW: Disabled Rights

Another little tidbit I forgot to mention is that this is the same provider organization that we discovered likes to "cook the books." When Mercer did a sample review of audited financials of providers @ 6months ago, they discovered that they had 2 sets of books-one for us and one for their national association- one showing profit, one showing a deficit. Apparently they did not realize that Mercer also had a contract with their national association and was privy to both sets ups books.
Interesting approach for a "non profit" provider.

"Jeb Bush"

<jeb@jeb.org> To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

cc:

08/07/03 08:12 PM Subject: RE: FW: Disabled Rights

I appreciate all that you do.

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 7:46 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: FW: Disabled Rights

FYI. In case you receive any similar e-mails, I wanted to let you know

that apparently some FARF providers have made a recent "business decision" to limit family home visits for individuals living in group homes. The primary purpose of this decision is to ensure that they can bill the DS waiver program for as many days as possible for the residential habilitation services. According to the provider "this is necessary to stay in business."

I plan to discuss this issue with the FARF and ARC provider association leadership in our weekly meeting tomorrow afternoon.

I have also been working some on the other issue we discussed in an effort to prevent any future assaults in group homes. I am still gathering as much information as I can on state and national efforts on this issue, but will plan to share some new ideas/ possible approaches with you this week.

Shelly

----- Forwarded by Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF on 08/07/03 07:22 PM -----

Shelly Brantley

To: c2far@cox.net

08/07/03 07:22 PM cc:

Subject: Re: FW: Disabled Rights(Document link: Shelly Brantley)

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Farrell,

Thank you for writing Lt. Governor Jennings to express your concerns relating to licensed group home policies for individuals with developmental disabilities. The Lt. Governor has asked me to respond on her behalf.

The Developmental Disabilities Program recognizes the value and importance of family togetherness and visitations. We strongly support opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities to participate as valued, contributing citizens of their communities and

achieve their personal goals. Please be assured that we have not implemented any policies to require individuals with developmental disabilities living in group facilities to limit family visitations. If we can provide you or your daughter additional assistance with your particular situation, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

We greatly appreciate your advocacy on behalf of your daughter and other individuals with developmental disabilities. Your daughter is so fortunate to have such a supportive and involved family.

Sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director of
Developmental Disabilities Program

-----Original Message-----

From: C Farrell [mailto:c2far@cox.net]
Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 9:40 AM
To: fl_ltgov@eog.state.fl.us
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concerned. They are being penalized where their disabilities should be penalty enough.

Anything you can do to help correct this situation will be greatly appreciated.

Very Respectfully,

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Farrell

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Vincent Wolanin'](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:43:00 PM

Subject: RE: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

we are working on the letter.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vincent Wolanin [mailto:Vincent.Wolanin@wolanin.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 9:09 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

[Governor/Jeb](#)

FYI

The PrivateSky® answer to the C20 RFP is being delivered today to Oklahoma City by our management team. PrivateSky® is the only Florida company qualified to do this work actually submitting a response. A support letter arriving there early next week that would indicate Florida's support would be helpful in bringing this work to Florida.

There are over 100+ new jobs involved plus some real high tech aviation work that will be going on for years at the winning facility.

Thanks for your support.

Vincent M. Wolanin Chairman
PrivateSky® Aviation Services, Inc.
SW Florida International Airport- (RSW)
One PrivateSky Way
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----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Vincent Wolanin, Chairman](#)

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:13 PM

Subject: RE: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

thank you Loretta. I will check with our policy folks and we will get back to you asap.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vincent Wolanin, Chairman [mailto:vincent.wolanin@privatesky.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 10:57 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida

To: Governor Jeb Bush

August 5, 2003

Re: RFP F34601-03-R-0205-0002

Department of the Air Force

Director of Contracting and Manufacturing

Tinker AFB, Oklahoma 73145-3020

Governor/Jeb:

The PrivateSky® RFP to the C-20 Contractor Logistics Support is ready to be submitted on August 8, 2003.

PrivateSky® is the only Florida based small business with the FAA certified expertise necessary to support this contract. The other submitters are from non-Florida companies.

Since you are most familiar with PrivateSky® and you actually have been a customer on your trips to Fort Myers we were hoping to have you write a letter to the Contracting Officer

below in support of our proposal. From your perspective you are familiar with our brand new state of the art 100% AIR CONDITIONED HANGAR AND ALL NEW GULFSTREAM SERVICE CENTER facilities having been there when it was just RAW dirt and you have witnessed first hand PrivateSky®'s professional aviation abilities on your visits.

The person who should receive the letter would be :

Loretta Williams

Contracting Officer

OC-ALC/PSKBB

Bldg 3001 STE 1AG1106A

Tinker AFB Oklahoma 73145-3020

DSN: 339-3884

COM: 405 739 3884

FAX: 405 739 7950

E mail:

Loretta.Williams@tinker.af.mil

Governor, If you need anything else to assist research wise in writing the letter please let me know.

Thank you.

Vincent M. Wolanin- Chairman
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Dec. 13, 2003 www.RockinChristmasParty.com

From: [Cheryl King <cherylking@fuse.net>](mailto:cherylking@fuse.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:32:52 PM

Subject: Terri

Gov. Bush~ Have you seen the video? Have you actually watched it with an open heart and mind? I can't believe you as a Catholic would say this woman has no right to live. Would you starve one of your children to death? This situation could happen to anyone at anytime due to a car accident, a drug overdose, etc. You need to prayerfully think about your decisions. God granted you the privilege of serving others in your position, you need to turn to Him right now and ask for guidance, don't ask the lawyers. PLEASE save Terri's life, you have the power.

Cheryl A. King, C.C.C&L
Chief Cook, Chauffeur, and Launderer
cheryl.king@fuse.net

From: [Michael Wilson <mikew12@bellsouth.net>](mailto:mikew12@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:29:28 PM

Subject: NO CAPS for damages in med mal cases PLEASE!!

Michael Wilson
2465 N.W. 79th Terrace
Margate, FL 33063

August 8, 2003

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We sincerely thank you for your efforts and your consideration of these matters!

Sincerely,

Michael T. Wilson

From: [Melissa Wilson <mkwilson2003@yahoo.com>](mailto:mkwilson2003@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:28:37 PM

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From: [Vincent Wolanin <Vincent.Wolanin@wolanin.com>](mailto:Vincent.Wolanin@wolanin.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:08:57 PM

Subject: Re: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

Governor/Jeb

FYI

The PrivateSky® answer to the C20 RFP is being delivered today to Oklahoma City by our management team. PrivateSky® is the only Florida company qualified to do this work actually submitting a response. A support letter arriving there early next week that would indicate Florida's support would be helpful in bringing this work to Florida.

There are over 100+ new jobs involved plus some real high tech aviation work that will be going on for years at the winning facility.

Thanks for your support.

Vincent M. Wolanin Chairman
PrivateSky® Aviation Services, Inc.
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----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Vincent Wolanin, Chairman](#)

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:13 PM

Subject: RE: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida fup

thank you Loretta. I will check with our policy folks and we will get back to you asap.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vincent Wolanin, Chairman [mailto:vincent.wolanin@privatesky.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 10:57 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida

To: Governor Jeb Bush

August 5, 2003

Re: RFP F34601-03-R-0205-0002
Department of the Air Force
Director of Contracting and Manufacturing
Tinker AFB, Oklahoma 73145-3020

Governor/Jeb:

The PrivateSky® RFP to the C-20 Contractor Logistics Support is ready to be submitted on August 8, 2003.

PrivateSky® is the only Florida based small business with the FAA certified expertise necessary to support this contract. The other submitters are from non-Florida companies.

Since you are most familiar with PrivateSky® and you actually have been a customer on your trips to Fort Myers we were hoping to have you write a letter to the Contracting Officer below in support of our proposal. From your perspective you are familiar with our brand new state of the art 100% AIR CONDITIONED HANGAR AND ALL NEW GULFSTREAM SERVICE CENTER facilities having been there when it was just RAW dirt and you have witnessed first hand PrivateSky®'s professional aviation abilities on your visits.

The person who should receive the letter would be :

Loretta Williams
Contracting Officer
OC-ALC/PSKBB
Bldg 3001 STE 1AG1106A
Tinker AFB Oklahoma 73145-3020

DSN: 339-3884
COM: 405 739 3884
FAX: 405 739 7950

E mail:

Loretta.Williams@tinker.af.mil

Governor, If you need anything else to assist research wise in writing the letter please let me know.

Thank you.

Vincent M. Wolanin- Chairman
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From: [Daisy Torres <dt_27@hotmail.com>](mailto:dt_27@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:17:57 PM

Subject: AGAINST MED MAL CAPS

Daisy Torres
305 NW 125 Street
Miami, FLORIDA 33168

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I don't want Med Mal Caps! It is unfair to the people that suffer the most.

Sincerely,

Daisy Torres

From: WJohnso@aol.com <WJohnso@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:18:19 PM

Subject: Two items for your attention

Good morning Jeb. We hope your family is well and hope you are as well.

Another favor for one of Cape Coral's finest supporter of you and our President. Nina Stuermer or 5310 Cobalt Court, Cape Coral, Florida 33914-6511 is turning 70 years old on August 15. She has tirelessly been selling GW's pins and campaigned harder then any one of our Republican Woman for your reelection. Her and her husband had toured the world on a sail boat in their younger years and settled her in Cape Coral. It would be a gracious act if you and The President could show your appreciation to her hard work and dedication by sending her a birthday greeting. She is a die hard supporter of anything you all do and the secretary of our club.

On another note. You met my father, James A. Haddad on a few occassions. He is being honored in Seebring in October for being in the National Association of the Civilian Conservation Corps. He mentioned that you may be going to the convention. I am not sure of the dates, only know it is in October. If this is not on your schedule, could you and the President send him a letter of appreciation? He has been in the Cape Coral paper and in the News Press for his accomplishments. This would be an honor for him to take a letter to you. He inlisted in 1934 when Roosavelt started the program. He lives with us at: 256 SW 39th Terrace, Cape Coral, Florida, 33914. A lot of favors, but I know you are up to the task.

Thank you so much for all you do for us. It is always a good thing to help and support the little guys who don't get recognition when it is well deserved. You and GW always do that for me and I do admire that. Joni Johnson

From: [Dan Cytryn <dancytryn@myacc.net>](mailto:dancytryn@myacc.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:16:15 PM

Subject: Caps with no evidence of frivolous lawsuits

Dan Cytryn
12170 NW 9th Place
Coral Springs, FL 33071

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It is a disgrace that the Senate took two days of sworn testimony, found out that there is no problem with frivolous lawsuits, no problem with the leading insurance company in this state doing better than in most states, and making a profit, and the Senate is still taking away the rights of the most seriously injured victims.

Sincerely,

Dan Cytryn

From: [John Piccin <jpiccin@pglawyers.com>](mailto:John.Piccin@pglawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:00:25 PM

Subject: insurance reform

John Piccin
320 NW 3rd Av.
ocala, FL 34475

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

We need real insurance reform---mutual insurance companies run for the benefit of the medical community, not for the benefit of insurance executives. Antitrust laws should apply to insurance companies and the governor and his followers should drop the politics. Caps will only hurt the most vulnerable Floridians. Don't kick them while they're down!

Sincerely,

John H. Piccin

From: [Matthew E. Noyes Noyes <matt@usalaw.com>](mailto:matt@usalaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 12:58:49 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Matthew E. Noyes Noyes
7030 Nicole Lane
Largo, FL 33771

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

As a constiuent, I direct you to VOTE AGAINST ALL CAPS because:

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Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children.

You are there to represent the PEOPLE of Florida-not insurance companies!!

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Matthew E. Noyes

From: [Barry Richardson <BUNGALOW@peoplepc.com>](mailto:Barry.Richardson@peoplepc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:33:08 PM

Subject: Teresa Schindler-Schiavo

THIS COMMUNICATION IS EXTREMELY TIME SENSITIVE
AND CONVEYS A LIFE OR DEATH SITUATION

Dear Governor Bush:

We are registered republicans and have supported you throughout your tenure as Florida's finest governor. We are proud of you and the positive changes you have enacted here in the Sunshine State. With this in mind, we want to share with you a very disturbing legal case unfolding here, in the Tampa Bay area.

Specifically, we want to bring to your attention the slow, deliberate and agonizing death of Teresa Schindler-Schiavo. We are sure that you have heard already about Terri because this case has garnered more than local attention; it's now a national concern. What you may not realize is that the popular media has reported limited data based on biased information.

By way of background, Michael Schiavo, husband and guardian of Teresa Schindler-Schiavo, is fighting to remove a feeding tube used to provide nourishment to Terri, and to cause her death by starvation and dehydration. While it may be appropriate in specific situations to "allow" a person to die, all the usual arguments don't apply here. It's important that you understand that Terri is not on any form of "artificial" life support system. She breathes on her own, and her heart beats independently. She is conscious and aware of her surroundings, and, though she has sustained brain damage, she shows signs of brain activity and cognition. By all accounts she is alive, and frankly it's disturbing that the court (Judge Greer) is even listening to Mr. Schiavo's case given the fact that Terri defies the term "persistent vegetative state." However, the court seems to be unduly biased to that of Mr. Schiavo. The court has supported Mr. Schiavo's unsubstantiated claims of her wish to die (with no documentary proof); it has listened to and acknowledged only his doctor (a neurologist who is a "right to die" advocate as opposed to the nearly dozen neurologists provided by the Schindler family); it has ignored evidence which might support the Schindler's claims, it has withheld proper medical and rehabilitative care (for over 10 years); and finally, it has condemned her to die.

Even as recently as last week, a highly respected speech-language pathologist on staff at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago testified by affidavit that Terri is an ideal candidate for rehabilitation therapy because she is not only aware of her surroundings and responsive to her family and friends, she is actually trying to communicate. It's a travesty to think that the courts can sanction her death by starvation; we wouldn't allow starvation as a form of execution of our most hardened criminals. It's cruel and inhuman, yet this is being considered as a viable option for Terri. Frankly, this case sends a frightening message to all disabled Americans, and establishes a legal precedence that puts them at risk (not only losing their rights, but their very lives simply because they are disabled).

The most important revelation has been the discovery of the questionable circumstances surrounding Terri's "collapse." Many doctors feel that Terri was actually a victim of spousal abuse, and her alleged collapse was not caused by a heart attack as initially reported, rather it was caused by traumatic injuries. Recent bone scans have shown numerous "hot spots" revealing old fractures, and the injuries to her throat are indicative of strangulation. Evidence is mounting that Terri was, indeed, severely abused by her husband, and though these issues have been raised, the courts have not allowed further investigation. In fact, Mr. Schiavo continues as Terri's guardian (an incredible conflict of interest if he is responsible for the injuries that led to her collapse).

Governor Bush, only you have the power to grant a stay on her life until such time as a formal investigation can be conducted regarding the questionable circumstances surrounding Terri's collapse. It's not too late to save her life. Understand that there is a real sense of urgency though; Terri's days are numbered. She has been given a 30-day stay (and we are several weeks into that) before the court demands that she be starved to death.

We urge you to visit the Schindler family's website (www.terrisfight.org) to learn the truth about this case. You will see for yourself the compelling evidence that's been presented to justify Terri's right to live. Which leads me to question, when did the burden of proof become necessary to defend a person's right to live rather than on those who would fight to have her die?

Terri and her family desperately need prayer and a strong commitment from Christian advocates who believe in the preservation of life, and we believe you're the one man whom God has entitled to do just that.

Thank you, for your prayerful consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Barry and Kimberly Richardson
Tampa, Florida

From: restorino-hills@amadeus.net <restorino-hills@amadeus.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 12:31:53 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

Thank you for all you have done to save Cypress Gardens. The day is coming near when a decision will be made and I am praying that God will give you the strength and the wisdom to save the gardens.

My first time at Cypress Gardens was back in 1974. My parents and I were visiting family that lived at the time in Winter Haven and three of them worked in the gardens. They took us to Cypress Gardens and I was fascinated with the beauty and the ecological value of this extraordinary place. I have a 4 1/2 year old son and was hoping to be able to take him there one day. It is a place worth saving for our future generations.

In God we trust,

Rosa Estorino-Hills
3131 Anderson Rd
Miami, FL 33134

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 12:30:07 PM

Subject: Protect patients - say no to cap on med mal

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Horne, Jim <Jim.Horne@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Horne@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Monteleone, Raymond](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:47:55 AM

Subject: Office of Student Financial Aid (OSFA)

I spoke with Ray after our meeting and he told me that he will have a business plan for me on Sept 15th. He has a much different view of the value of the operation than that of Mr Lord. I will schedule time with us to go over plan and make a final decision.

jim

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:37:06 AM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Gracie Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 8, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am against medical malpractice caps.

Please stop this nonsense & the frivolous waste of taxpayer dollars by trying to take away the right of an injured patient to be compensated for pain & suffering caused by a healthcare provider's gross negligence. You were elected by the people of the state of Florida to protect the rights & interest of the people, not multimillion dollar insurance companies. Caps don't work!!!! Stop selling out to the insurance industry & protect Bad Faith laws, not insurance company profits. Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith. Real insurance reform is the only way to solve this crisis. There are no frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice - as a nurse, I see these cases daily!!!!!!!!!!!!

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From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

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From: [Robin Safley <rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com>](mailto:rsafley@labelsforliteracy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:16:21 AM

Subject: Wellness Initiative

Governor,

When we met in May we discussed two projects that I was working on. The first was my effort with regard to Braille and that is going ok. We have produced hurricane tracking maps in Braille and they should be finalized within the next week. I think it would be a wonderful press opportunity. I will send you a map when they are complete.

The other project was a community initiative that I am working on for Capital Health Plan (CHP) called "Stepping Toward Health, a Community on the Move" and the goal is to get people more active and conscious about their health. The statistics are alarming when you look at how many people are overweight (10 pounds) and how many are obese (30 pounds). Our partners are the Leon County School District, FSU, FAMU, TCC, City of Tallahassee and Leon County. I met with Dr. Agwunobi and he is very excited and is being very supportive. This initiative actually follows along the same lines as many of the Department of Health initiatives. As you may know the latest research shows that an individual must walk 10,000 steps a day to be deemed *active*. We are revolving our initiative around pedometers as a way to calculate the number of steps people are taking. **So I know you are wondering what I want from you.** I would like two things. First, I want you to agree to wear a pedometer and keep track of your steps. Second I would really like you to participate in one of our press conferences. Our initial launch is on Wednesday, August 27 at 9:30 (we are thinking about holding it at either the parks downtown or a school track downtown) and will focus on the K-12 system (Bill Montford) and the Business Community. Dr. Agwunobi is going to attend and wear a pedometer. Now, if that date does not work for you, we are going to role out something new each month. On September 10, John Marks, Mayor and Tony Grippa are going to announce their commitment.

It would be great if we could post the number of steps you are actually walking either on our website or the Department of Health. You could get a little competition going among the agencies. The possibilities are endless and this a lot more fun than medical malpractice. Let me know if you need additional information or if I need to beg.

Robin Safley
228-3312

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [James Crosby \(Crosby.James@mail.dc.state.fl.us\)](mailto:James.Crosby@mail.dc.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/8/2003 11:04:57 AM

Subject: FW: inmste visitors

[can you please handle?](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Glen Gott [mailto:GGOTT@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2003 12:13 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: inmste visitors

I know the prison system has a policy that victims cannot visit their offenders and I'd like to know why they can't? I can understand the DOC concern for the safety of the inmate from a vengeful victim but what about the Christian victim that wants to forgive her offender? Couldn't they be separated by a cage or glass separator while they visit and talk face to face?

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I know of all your efforts in the prison system and God will bless you for that.

Glen Gott

From: Nogfamhealth@aol.com <Nogfamhealth@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 9:58:32 AM

Subject: children's health issue

Dear Govenor Bush,

I am one of your appointee's to the Children's Trust of Dade County. Thank you again for that honor, I am truly enjoying the process and the dedication of the other board members at the table.

For this moment, I must wear my nurses cap and speak as Assistant Dean for Student Affairs - Barry University School of Nursing. For the past 10 years we have provided primary care services to some of the poorest children in our county. We have had a nursing center in 5 inner city Catholic schools and 2 Dade County Public Schools. Having reached over 2000 children and their caretakers, teachers, and administrators/staff with health care and education, we were saddened to find out that our funding sources have all decided to invest in projects other than these. We are not alone in the county. The University of Miami (Nursing program) pulled out of their school due to funding issues and so have other groups.

I have shared with you on different occasions that I truly believe that healthy children learn better and will become productive members of society. WE MUST GET NURSES IN SCHOOLS!!!! I invite you to visit our REACH 4 Kids program on one of your upcoming trips to Miami. Sit at the table with our Dean, Sister Jeanne, and others and help us brainstorm ways to continue this vital service. We know that state statute mandates school nurses but legislators don't fund it. These children will be voters some day and we must take care of them- as they will be taking care of us.

Have a great day! Keep up the good work. I hope that you will take me up on this opportunity to make a difference. I can be reached at Barry University School of Nursing 305-899-3095
11300 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami Shores, Florida 33161

Again, thank you for the trust you placed in me for the children of the county. I will continue to work hard for them.

Debbie Noguerras, MSN, ARNP, BC
Assistant Dean for Student Affairs
and Assistant Professor

From: [Glen Gott <GGOTT@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:GGOTT@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 4:13:10 AM

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From: [Robert Bendick <rbendick@TNC.ORG>](mailto:rbendick@TNC.ORG)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

CC: [Victoria J. Tschinkel](mailto:Victoria.J.Tschinkel@TNC.ORG)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:42:37 AM

Subject: RE: ACF

Yes, that's right. As we have reviewed the details, it poses many problems in wording and approach that would jeopardize the health of the Apalachicola River and Bay. Thank you for replying so promptly to my email and for your concern about this matter. Vicki Tschinkel and/or I would be happy to stop by and talk to you about this subject if that would be helpful. Let me know.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Thu 8/7/2003 7:05 AM

To: Robert Bendick

Cc:

Subject: RE: ACF

thank you Bob. Are you speaking of Georgia's draft agreement?

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Bendick [mailto:rbendick@TNC.ORG]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 11:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Victoria J. Tschinkel

Subject: ACF

Governor: We are grateful to David Struhs, Teri Donaldson and Heidi Hughes for meeting with stakeholders on Monday to discuss the latest Georgia ACF proposal with us. Our scientists at The Nature Conservancy have analyzed this proposal in some detail and believe that it is a major step backward. It includes a number of new provisions that clearly do not protect Florida's interests. In fact, the proposal could well do significant damage to the Flint and Chattahoochie Rivers within Georgia. We are grateful that your staff was willing to listen to our concerns and that you continue to resist compact proposals that would irrevocably damage the Apalachicola River and Bay. Please do not accept what Georgia has put forward. Perhaps some new approaches discussed at the stakeholders meeting can bridge the gaps among the states. Thanks again for your leadership on this.

From: [Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD <pshutton@bellsouth.net>](mailto:pshutton@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 3:03:45 AM

Subject: proposed medical liability bill

Dear Gov. Bush,

Thank you, for all your support during this trying legislative battle. As a member of the Florida Medical Association I know the onerous position you have been in and the steadfastness you have displayed in support of the patients and physicians of this state.

The proposed legislation of which I have been privy as a member of the FMA Executive Comm. is in most aspects a bill that will meet the objectives of your academic taskforce however there is one portion that is unacceptable to the doctors of Florida and that is the pierceability of the caps. Essentially this will give the insurance companies the "out" to maintain the unacceptable premium increases which are making medical liability insurance unaffordable to the doctors of this state. This effectively is "no cap" of meaningful significance.

I would ask you to speak with Dr. Cline as soon as possible in order to ameliorate this portion of the bill which renders it pointless to our medical community as it will do little if anything to alleviate the crisis in skyrocketing liability premiums and thus force physicians to curtail their practices, leave the state or retire.

Thank you for your outstanding support of this critical issue.

Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD
Speaker, FMA House of Delegates

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Mortham, Sandra'](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:55:24 AM

Subject: RE: Nomination of Governor Bush for Dr. Nathan Davis Awards

thank you sandy for all that you have done. I will speak to bob and others tomorrow.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mortham, Sandra [mailto:smortham@medone.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 9:14 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 1:38 PM

To: Coble, MD, Yank; Wilson, MD, Cecil

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Date: 8/8/2003 2:53:28 AM

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Date:8/7/03 8:27:36 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From:jeb@jeb.org

To:PDQFNA@aol.com

Sent from the Internet

Dr. Pat, we are on the case.

Thank you kindly, on behalf of nurses and the gifts of family and life. Dr. Pat

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['BCline7975@aol.com'](mailto:BCline7975@aol.com)

CC: smortham@medone.org

BCC: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)

[Betty Hampton \(hamptob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:hamptob@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:52:38 AM

Subject: RE: (no subject)

[bob](#), I will call you tomorrow. I appreciate your concerns.

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From: [Lillian Reyes <lrjoyce@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:LillianReyes@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:37:50 AM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Lillian Reyes
16312 Millan de Avila
Tampa, FL 33613

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please review the testimony given under oath- what we need is insurance reform. Do not hurt victims whose lives have already been shattered.

Sincerely,

Lillian Reyes

From: [BETTY ADDISON <BJADDISON@MSN.COM>](mailto:BJADDISON@MSN.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 2:07:22 AM

Subject: MED MAL PRACTICE CAPS

BETTY ADDISON
900 SW 62ND BLVD
GAINESVILLE, FL 32607

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

MY THANKS TO YOU ALL FOR HOLDING STEADY, KEEP ON HOLDING. NO, CAPS.. NO

PLEASE PROTECT OUR CITIZENS.

VOTE NO, NO CAPS.

REMEMBER THE INSURANCE COMPANIES ARE THE ONES THAT HAS MANUFACTURED THIS SITUATION, WITH RISING PREMIUMS. THE DOCTORS AND INSURANCE COMPANIES SHOULD WORK OUT THEIR OWN PROBLEMS WITH SOME REAL INSURANCE REFORM. I HAVE SAID BEFORE, ATTACH HIGHER PREMIUMS TO THE DOCTORS THAT CAUSE THE PROBLEMS.

IT SEEMS FROM THE SWORN TESTIMONY IN JULY, THAT THE GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE DID NOT GET ALL THE FACTS STRAIGHT OR GOVERNOR DID NOT GET ALL THE FACTS. THERE IS NO CONCRETE PROOF THAT CAPS WILL REDUCE PREMIUMS. CAPS WILL ONLY HURT THE INJURED MORE.

HAVING A CAP ON NON ECONOMIC DAMAGES, NON ONLY HURTS THE INJURED BUT ALSO THE WHOLE FAMILY AROUND HIM. A MOTHER OF THREE, CAN'T NO LONGER CARE FOR HERSELF, HOW IS SHE TO CARE TO HER THREE CHILDREN?

REMEMBER, TO PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF FLORIDA. VOTE NO, NO, NO CAPS.

Sincerely,

BETTY ADDISON

From: CHEVYCAMAROMAN01@aol.com <CHEVYCAMAROMAN01@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:52:29 AM

Subject: (no subject)

Governor Bush

My name is Paul MCGHEE and i voted for you your father and your brother you really need to intervene in favor of Terri Shiv this is a wrong that cannot be allowed to happen we treat criminals better than she is being treated if you dot at least address this problem then you can count on me and a lot of others not voting for you again thank you for any help you can give.

Paul MCGHEE

From: Maskinst@aol.com <Maskinst@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:50:30 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Hi,

Thanks so much for what you are doing to save Cypress Gardens.

I live in Orlando and have visited several times. With all the development that is taking place in Florida, careful planning to keep open space is of utmost importance. Thanks again,

Maggie Kinst

From: [Bert Millis <bjcmillis@comcast.net>](mailto:bjcmillis@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:44:59 AM

Subject: No to Caps on Medical Malpractice and No To Limits on Bad Faith

Bert Millis
1428 San Mateo Ave.
Jacksonville, FLORIDA 32207

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and the Florida Medical Association (FMA) have misled the Governor and the legislature and that Caps are NOT necessary (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts). Instead, First Professional Insurance Corp., will make large profits this year off of Florida doctors malpractice premiums.

Caps are bad for the people of the State of Florida, especially children and seniors.

Do not limit bad faith or else insurance companies will NEVER settle lawsuits in good faith.

Sincerely,

Bert and Jennifer Millis

From: Mspbama@aol.com <Mspbama@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:44:16 AM

Subject: Malpractice caps

Hi Governor!

I just wanted to write to you and let you know that the Panama City Federated Republican Women as well as the Florida Federation of Republican Women are doing everything we can to persuade our Senators to vote in favor of the caps on malpractice which you and the House have approved. Let us know any time we can help. We love your bravery in placing your political future on the line for those conservative issues in which you believe. I am Rep. Kilmer's Grassroots Director for her campaign for Congress. I look forward to seeing you at her fundraiser sometime in September.

Mitzi Prater

President, Panama City Federated Republican Women

From: [Jesse R. Ford <jrford@mtco.com>](mailto:Jesse.R.Ford@mtco.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 10:55:57 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Hello Mr Bush

I'm a senior citizen of State of Illinois. Half the year other Half is spent in Florida near Winter Haven.

THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU ARE DOING TO TRY TO SAVE 'OUR '

Gardens and the rest of CYPRESS GARDENS,

We are so grateful for your time spent in this endeavor.

From the bottom of OUR hearts THANJKS

Catherine and Jesse Ford

820 Elm Street

Delavan Illinois 61734

459 Pineapple Avenue

Frostproof Florida 33843

From: BCline7975@aol.com <BCline7975@aol.com>

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ag@oag.state.fl.us

Gallagher@doi.state.fl.us

Commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us

Date: 8/8/2003 1:40:31 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Thank you for all that you have done to help by giving us the hope that Cypress Gardens will not be lost forever. We can only beg of you to continue to stay focused on this and that on Aug. 25th we can scream for joy with the knowledge that ALL of Cypress Gardens will be purchased by the state of FL. My husband and I were in Tallahassee in June with the Friends of Cypress Gardens and we will once again return on the 20th. It is with much regret that we can not come back on the 25th but be certain our hearts and prayers will be with all of you. We came to FL as retirees 6 years ago (are now back in the work force) and so our circle of friends are of retirement age and certainly we love and use Cypress Gardens for our entertainment. Our friends from so very many states to the north have said they can't imagine coming back and not having Cypress Gardens. You see, we are less than 30 minutes away. PLEASE HELP SAVE CYPRESS GARDENS FOR THE WORLD TO ENJOY FORVER. While we don't want to have to resort to it, however, eminent domain would be one way to get it back and at this point, we feel it is urgent to get Cypress Gardens into the hands of those who would promote it to the fullest. It is certainly not a pretty picture these days. Thank You for your help.

Lamar and Jean White
Frostproof, FL 33843
863-635-2128

From: liza@volunteerflorida.org <liza@volunteerflorida.org>

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:29:20 AM

Subject: RE: Meeting to address the Marriage Initiative Project in the Black Community

Will do.

Karen Murphy from DCF is working with us on this issue and is likely the most knowledgeable on topic. I'll see if this works with her schedule but if not will be sure someone from our office attends. Liza

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Sent: Thu 8/7/2003 7:43 PM

To: drhfmcc@att.net

Cc:

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I will strive to get someone there.

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To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Meeting to address the Marriage Initiative Project in the Black Community

Mr. Bush,

We would be honored if you or a representative could attend the workshop

luncheon below. Attached is the agenda of speakers and activities.

The Family Empowerment Institute will host the Capital City Church and Community Coalition meeting to help build capacity of stakeholders and to

introduce its project, "Restoring The Village: An African-American Healthy

Marriage Initiative" on Tuesday, August 12, 2003. The lunch meeting will be

held at the Blue Collar Restaurant, 818 W. Brevard Street in Tallahassee,

from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Special guests will include Ms. Carlis Williams, ACF Southeast Regional Administrator in Atlanta, GA and Dr. Rozario

Slack, Director of Fathering and Urban Initiatives in Chattanooga, TN.

President Bush proposes for the government to spend \$300 million per year on

programs promoting marriage. That includes \$200 million in federal dollars

and \$100 million states would have to spend in matching funds. This initiative addresses marriage promotion and family wellness. The public is

cordially invited to learn more about the African-American Healthy Marriage

Initiative and the partnership opportunities available with the coalition in

developing effective marriage education programs in the Black community.

RSVP is required no later than Friday, August 8, 2003, by calling

841-4334 or

e-mail: rubysbarr@aol.com or nowsuccess4u@yahoo.com.

From: [carrie anderson <short1lady@aol.com>](mailto:carrie.anderson@short1lady@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:28:19 AM

Subject: please no limit on someones injuries or life

carrie anderson
17270 se 165th ave.
weirsdale, FL 32195

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

my name is carrie anderson and i know from experience about med mal and it is no fun especially when you loose the father of your 2 children.please dont let them put a limit on your life for your children.sincerely carrie anderson

Sincerely,

carrie anderson

From: [Amy Norris <ledgerite@earthlink.net>](mailto:ledgerite@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:26:51 AM

Subject: Your Vote

Amy Norris
5523 N.W. 39th Avenue
Coconut Creek, FL 33073

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Amy B. Norris

From: [Bob Higginbotham <higster1@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:higster1@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [B Durrett](#)
[jim smathers](#)
[Dale Crider](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:20:23 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Thank you for considering making the gardens a state monument. I ask you to take the ENTIRE property for the people of our state, and the whole world for that matter.

There are commercial interests that would like to use a national treasure for their own financial gains. That would include the Polk County Commission, who represent those commercial interests and not the public interest.

Nothing has been said about the wildlife sanctuary on the southern borders of the property that is on the shores of Lake Eloise. I have cruised this area for decades and have seen many wild creatures that thrive in this very space. If the private interests gain control, ALL of these animals and plants will be sacrificed!

Please serve the public interests, not the private interests. Thank you, Bob Higginbotham

From: [Carl Lentz <clentz1@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:clentz1@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:23:13 AM

Subject: all your good work

Gov. Bush,

You have been the champion of the people of Florida and protecting their access to care. You are only to be commended but there is a problem. Not being a physician you may not understand the subtleties of the liability crisis. The bill being constructed is good with the exception of the pierce ability. With the pierce ability the rest of the bill dies for lack of life support. I hope you do not find us ungrateful but more caring about the result this bill will have to seeing to it that doctors are there to take care of patients in need. That is truly why we went to medical school and that is why we care so much. It's about keeping the great network of physicians and other health care providers available to the patients. I believe that the pierce ability of this bill will make this bad problem worse. I know you care so I feel bad about this response. It would be easier to say ok but it would not be the right thing to do.

God Bless,

Rick Lentz

From: TTippett2@aol.com <TTippett2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:18:38 AM

Subject: Medical professional liability insurance

Dear Jeb,

Thanks for your continued hard work on behalf of your constituents and our patients. As I am sure you have heard from many we have just completed a conference call regarding the proposed legislation. As we understand the language regarding caps it would be acceptable to us if there were hard caps. However, as I indicated in an email to you earlier and in your office during the last special session the ability to pierce the cap with all or any conditions is an open invitation to yearly expansion of what is pierceable and is talking about patient outcome rather than trying to correct bad medical care in the system. Your task force after hearing reams of testimony made a reasoned decision which we continue to support which is a hard cap. Without a hard cap it is our opinion that we would be doing nothing in the long run to correct this crisis and realizing what this means for everyone we are asking that piercing be eliminated. As much as we want to support a solution, this legislation can not be supported with the piercing language and we implore you not to support a bill with piercing.

Thanks,

Troy

new email TTippett2@aol.com

From: TrammHudson@aol.com <TrammHudson@aol.com>

To: Jegconsultants@cs.com

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:16:13 AM

Subject: Re: Jim Smith

thanks Wendy... I will be very honored to read it at the dinner for Jim Smith in Sarasota. I am impressed you guys got it here so quickly. It arrived today. By copy of this email to the Governor I will let him know that we will make sure it is done right. Thanks again for making this happen. We should all hope that we are still active at age 80 years! Cheers.

Tramm

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From: DKJOHNS2@aol.com <DKJOHNS2@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:09:54 AM

Subject: re: proposed tort bill

Dear Governor,

I certainly want to thank you for all your support and work on behalf of the patients and physicians in our state. I have just finished being briefed on the proposed bill tonight and must tell you that I cannot support it with the pierceability provisions in it. There are certainly wonderful parts of it, even the cap might help. However, the pierceability will be of no benefit to either the patients or doctors. I urge you to ask the Senate to reconsider this. I am afraid we will be in a far worse scenario if this passes. Thank you again.

Kathy Johns, R.N., Florida Med.Assoc. Alliance President

From: matt@cfl.rr.com <matt@cfl.rr.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 1:02:50 AM

Subject: Irony?

Jeb

I think we have successfully lost our title of being the wackiest state in the country to California. I don't think we can top Gary Coleman, Larry Flint and the recall...not to mention Arnold. Not that we want to. I predict Arnold the victor though.....this will be better than the vote recounts...even better media than the guy in Palm Beach eye balling the ballots :-)

On our new 18 credit career and college options we are starting up for students, do you find a little irony in that we had so many of our conservative cohorts who were upset with that federal School to Work legislation (which sunset in 200) with concerns we were asking and making students make career or college decisions in ninth grade and lock them into it? Which, as we both know never happened in Florida despite those concerns. I also know that students will not be locked into the new 18 credit options and can change to the 24 standard credit at any time. However, I wondered if you have heard the same concerns as loudly as before? In Brevard we had quite a contingency... of about four people... who were very vocal at school board meetings and in the press--Mrs. Shelley Nelson being one big advocate if you recall. It took me years to convince her what we did with students was a positive thing and nobody was ever forced or locked into anything--she finally agreed. Now after her divorce she has disappeared from radar. I just found some irony in the fact that now the state of Florida created diploma options--partially..just as they feared--which have more of an appearance of asking a ninth grader to make a choice or decision than we have ever done. Now more than ever our counselors are going to have to do a better job of informing parents and students of the options and opportunities afforded in all graduation plans. I just hope they are up to it and have the means to do it effectively. I guess I am scared parents and kids will miss opportunities if the schools do not communicate the options fully and completely. I'm not certain we have anything in place to ensure that, or for that matter have had anything in place to ensure each student and parent receives the same equal services and information what opportunities and options they have. I think we need to give our guidance departments in schools more resources (both technologically and in staff)--don't you?

Hope all is well otherwise for you. Thanks for your work for Florida and bringing in those California Companies like Sky Blue (was that the right name?) yesterday in Orlando. Get some more in here before Arnold gets them back!...or tries.

Matt Conroy

PS: Robot season has begun--here we go again. My wife will shoot me if I continue the same hours as before--I have been requested to back off some!

From: [Steven R. West <stewest@comcast.net>](mailto:stewest@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 12:58:05 AM

Subject: Re: medical liability reform

Governor: The FMA executive committee Accepts the bill except for the concept or piercing.. Dr Cline wants to talk to you.

----- Original Message -----

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To: [Steven R. West](#)

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 7:55 PM

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 12:36:22 AM

Subject: Re: medical liability reform

Governor: My phone number is 239-768-2672 at home. My cell phone number is 239-851-4896. Work number is 239-433-8888. Currently I am at home on phone conference with the FMA executive committee. I guess you know what the FMA is discussing. They are not happy with the proposed cap. I look forward to hearing from you. I should be off the call around 9:30 PM. Steve West

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: PDQFNA@aol.com
BCC: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(langfob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Langford.Brandi(EOG)(langfob@eog.state.fl.us))
Date: 8/8/2003 12:25:07 AM
Subject: RE: Request of Privilege for an FNA Nurse fup

Dr. Pat, we are on the case.

-----Original Message-----

From: PDQFNA@aol.com [mailto:PDQFNA@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 7:53 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Request of Privilege for an FNA Nurse

Dear Governor Bush,

This is FNA President Pat Quigley writing to you as a Point of Personal Privilege and request in honor of an FNA member, Martha Russell, RN, and her husband, George Russell.

I hope you will allow me this moment.

Governor Bush, Martha Russell and her beloved husband are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 9th. As I reflect on Martha's life, and that of her husband, George, their lives are devoted to community services and shaping the lives of others.

Martha, as myself and so many nurses, hold you in such high regard, and to that point, I wondered if you might be willing to send a special card of celebration to them in honor of this special 50th anniversary celebration.

Your card/thoughts would be a gift of true honor to them, and would generate a memory in their Hall of Remembrance.

Governor Bush, you appointed Martha Russell to your Governor's Gold Seal Panel for Nursing Home Excellence, to which she is so hoping you will issue a reappointment - as her term is soon to come to a close.

She stood up in humble honor when you visited us at our last Health Policy Conference, identifying herself as your appointee to this important panel. You see, Martha's legacy is in Long Term Care, devoted to Nursing Home Care / Administration/ Staffing.

Mr. Russell's community contributions are to such extent that their community named a park after George in Tampa.

I hope you will consider this request on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Russell.

Their address is
Mr. and Mrs. Russell
513 Constitution Dr.
Tampa, FL 33613 -3115

Their home phone is 813-962-0379

Your thoughts and greeting would be of such honor, a gift that I only hope to facilitate.

Thank you for your consideration.

I remain sincerely yours in service,
Dr. Pat Quigley, ARNP, CRRN
President, FNA

From: orangetree2@att.net <orangetree2@att.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/8/2003 12:18:32 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Please have the state save this lovely site. We do not need more houses we need a park like this of nature and beauty. A peaceful quiet park where we can see the beautiful plants, flowers. Dont let this slip through the fingers of the state. Buy this park and save it as is. Thank you.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Shelly Brantley](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:59:45 PM

Subject: RE: FW: Disabled Rights

I appreciate all that you do.

-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 7:46 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: FW: Disabled Rights

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Shelly

----- Forwarded by Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF on 08/07/03 07:22 PM -----

Shelly Brantley

To: c2far@cox.net

08/07/03 07:22 PM cc:

Subject: Re: FW: Disabled Rights(Document link: Shelly Brantley)

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Farrell,

Thank you for writing Lt. Governor Jennings to express your concerns relating to licensed group home policies for individuals with developmental disabilities. The Lt. Governor has asked me to respond on her behalf.

The Developmental Disabilities Program recognizes the value and importance of family togetherness and visitations. We strongly support opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities to participate as valued, contributing citizens of their communities and achieve their personal goals. Please be assured that we have not implemented any policies to require individuals with developmental disabilities living in group facilities to limit family visitations. If we can provide you or your daughter additional assistance with your particular situation, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

We greatly appreciate your advocacy on behalf of your daughter and other individuals with developmental disabilities. Your daughter is so fortunate to have such a supportive and involved family.

Sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director of
Developmental Disabilities Program

-----Original Message-----

From: C Farrell [mailto:c2far@cox.net]
Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 9:40 AM
To: fl_ltgov@eog.state.fl.us
Subject: Disabled Rights

Dear Mr. Brogan,

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Very Respectfully,

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Farrell

From: [louise <lgantt@strato.net>](mailto:lgantt@strato.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:55:43 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

The Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor
Office of Governor
The Capitol
Tallahassee, FL

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you so much for all you have done to save beautiful Cypress Gardens in Winter Haven. Although I live in the small town of Bowling Green, 30 miles away, I was born in Florida and have enjoyed visiting Cypress Gardens all of my life. My husband and I hope that you will do all in your power to save the Gardens, and we will support any decision you and your cabinet make at your upcoming meetings, even if it means you have to invoke eminent domain to save this wonderful treasure of Florida history. If you can manage to save this piece of our heritage, you will certainly be remembered by future generations for this act of preservation.

Sincerely,

Louise L. Gantt
Bowling Green, FL

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Steven R. West](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:50:02 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [John Donovan](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:47:55 PM

Subject: RE: sales tax

[that is all i see as well.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: John Donovan [mailto:johndonovan@surfciti.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 6:05 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: sales tax

Governor

I see article in todays St. PeteTimes , Latvala after a sales tax increase again.

If he would say "we will drop as many items as we add" - or we will make it a "revenue neutral change" , I would consider support.

They claim they are trying to make the system fair.

All I see is a tax increase.

John Donovan
St Petersburg

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:45:30 PM

Subject: Re: FW: Disabled Rights

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Frank Jimenez](#)

jeb@jeb.org

rockyrodriguez@msn.com

kathleen@jeb.org

Date: 8/7/2003 11:43:46 PM

Subject: RE: My two cents on Miami judges

Thank you Frank.

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank Jimenez [mailto:frankrjimenez@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 2:51 PM

To: Jeb Bush; rockyrodriguez@msn.com; Kathleen Shanahan

Subject: My two cents on Miami judges

Third DCA: Frank Shepherd and Angel Cortinas (who works for my brother) are both good.

Circuit court: Cortinas is also up for circuit court and would be very good there too. But I must say that my favorite for the circuit court is Izzy Reyes, a friend since childhood and a great county court judge. John Schlessinger would also be good for the circuit court in Miami.

County court: Eric Hendon, who the Governor has appointed once before. Good man.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Lloyd Brown](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:36:48 PM

Subject: RE: med mal

I think we will have an agreement. Not perfect but the best we can do with whom we are negotiating.

-----Original Message-----

From: Lloyd Brown [mailto:Lloyd.Brown@jacksonville.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 10:30 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: med mal

Gov

Is something happening, or is today's news just more posturing?

Lloyd Brown

Editorial page editor

Florida Times-Union

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Siegel](#)

BCC: [Betty Hampton \(hamptob@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:hamptob@eog.state.fl.us)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:32:59 PM

Subject: RE: (no subject) fup

I am sorry that we haven't been able to meet. I will try again or we will talk over the phone.

-----Original Message-----

From: David Siegel [mailto:david_siegel@wgresorts.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 12:13 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: (no subject)

Dear Jeb,

Please let me know if you will be in the Central Florida area on Aug. 14, 15, 16 and would be available for a brief meeting. If that's not possible, maybe we can schedule a definite time for a short telephone conversation. I can be reached at my office at 407-351-3383 or any time on my cell at 407-256-7700.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

David

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Rockerdoc@aol.com

Date: 8/7/2003 11:31:47 PM

Subject: RE:

Thank you Dr. Cartwright for your input.

-----Original Message-----

From: Rockerdoc@aol.com [mailto:Rockerdoc@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 11:58 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Governor, I am happy that you answer your email. You are the people's person and you have my full support. I have another issue briefly to alert you too. I have been attending Florida Board of Medicine meetings and participating in the office surgery rules for some time. I have come to know the members individually and the board as a whole. We have some significant problems. Dr. Rafael Miguel has obvious personal issues on his agenda and is not functioning as he should in the position he is in. I implore you to replace him with Dr. Gustavo Leon of Miami who has proven to be a nonbiased, fair and diplomatic individual who helps the Board act appropriately to both protect our citizens but not penalize physicians capriciously, maliciously or unfairly. I do not believe that I am the only physician observer who feels this way.

Thank you Mr. Bush. My God continue to help both you and your brother get this country and our state back on track. You have my full support.

PS thanks for your response on the malpr. issue. My father in law Mr. Richard Berndt(a name possibly familiar to you) sends his best wishes.

Mont Cartwright, M.D.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: nsiegel@paramountresidential.com
CC: [Pamella Dana \(danap@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:danap@eog.state.fl.us)
Date: 8/7/2003 11:27:39 PM
Subject: RE: August 22 Meeting

[neddie](#), Pam will sent you info.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ned Siegel [mailto:nsiegel@paramountresidential.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 5:40 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: August 22 Meeting

Dear Jeb:

I am in receipt of , and thank you for, the invitation to the meeting scheduled for Friday evening, August 22, at the Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables. I would have loved to participate in this discussion as the topic is so important to the economic growth of our great state.

Unfortunately, on August 22, I will be in Boston helping my oldest son, Justin, move to Los Angeles. Justin recently graduated from Berklee College of Music and is heading out to L.A. to begin his career in the music business. I will then be moving my middle son, Joshua, to Philadelphia to begin his freshman year at Penn. This is all very exciting, but I am beginning to feel like a moving company.

I would very much like to continue to be involved in the discussions regarding Florida's economic future. Who may I contact to receive materials and/or notes of the meeting to be held on August 22? Please consider me for future discussions.

All the best.

Neddy

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: nsiegel@paramountresidential.com

Date: 8/7/2003 11:27:58 PM

Subject: RE: Judge Appointments

[most excellent.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Ned Siegel [mailto:nsiegel@paramountresidential.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 5:41 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Judge Appointments

Dear Jeb:

Just wanted to pass this on to you - the feedback in the local community is very positive regarding the recent judgeship appointments of Joe Marx and Jeffrey Levenson.

Neddy

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: dudley@sostrategy.com

Date: 8/7/2003 11:22:27 PM

Subject: RE:

[thank you Chris. We should be able to get this done.](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Chris Dudley [mailto:dudley@sostrategy.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 4:49 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

GFI MailSecurity's HTML threat engine found HTML scripts in this email and has disabled them.

Thanks for your time today - sorry it was so painful. We'll get it all back on track next week. No more CEO visits should help. However, let me know how I can help the team - even outsourced I work pretty cheap. I can always use a new Hondo assignment.

Chris Dudley

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Diane Carr Secretary \(Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us\)](mailto:Diane.Carr@dbpr.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:21:10 PM

Subject: FW: Requisite training?

Please get someone to respond. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: NicholasJKalman@aol.com [mailto:NicholasJKalman@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 4:31 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Requisite training?

Dear Governor Bush:

It has been a while since I last wrote, but I trust that everything is well with you.

Well, I had a question and I thought that you may be able to point me in the right direction.

I was recently told that individuals working in the mortgage industry are required to complete "continuing education" as per state law.

I looked up the rule on-line (3D-40.0271) and was not able to discern if this continuing education is actually required.

Do you know of anyone that I might be able to contact to get a definite answer?

Thanks Governor, and I hope this message finds you well.

Very truly yours,
Nick Kalman

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: larmand@bellsouth.net

Date: 8/7/2003 11:12:10 PM

Subject: RE: Dr.Rafael Miguel hijacking the power of the State Board of Medicine

Thank you for writing. I will take your advice seriously.

-----Original Message-----

From: larmand@bellsouth.net [mailto:larmand@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 2:35 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Dr.Rafael Miguel hijacking the power of the State Board of Medicine

Dear Governor

Knowing how much you care for healthcare both patients and physicians,I feel it is important to bring to your attention the fact that Dr.Miguel is misusing the power of the Medical Board for purposes which are felt by many in the medical community to be self-serving to himself and his specialty.For the good of the Institution he is trying to manipulate and for own political reputation it would be highly advisable to replace him on the Board by somebody somewhat more balanced and less"partisan" such as Dr.Gustavo Leon who did such a good job under sometimes difficult circumstances and still has the respect of the doctors.

Lucien Armand M.D. F.A.C.S.
Plantation Florida

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Liza Mcfadden \(liza@volunteerflorida.org\)](mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:11:34 PM

Subject: FW: Meeting to address the Marriage Initiative Project in the Black Community

Attachments: Tallahassee_FL_AAAMI_AGENDA_on_FEI_Letterhead_030731[1].doc

-----Original Message-----

From: drhfmc@att.net [mailto:drhfmc@att.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 2:22 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Meeting to address the Marriage Initiative Project in the Black Community

Mr. Bush,

We would be honored if you or a representative could attend the workshop luncheon below. Attached is the agenda of speakers and activities.

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RSVP is required no later than Friday, August 8, 2003, by calling 841-4334 or e-mail: rubysbarr@aol.com or nowsuccess4u@yahoo.com.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: drhfmc@att.net

BCC: [Liza McFadden \(McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us\)](mailto:McFaddL@eog.state.fl.us)
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pamela Duncan](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:10:06 PM

Subject: RE: FAMU, Private Sector, and Education

[thank you Pam. Tell your son I am proud of his reading exploits!](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Pamela Duncan [mailto:pamela_duncan@fanniemae.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 2:21 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FAMU, Private Sector, and Education

Hello Governor:

I know your busy but just wanted to share a few things with you.

FAMU

Thank you for appointing me to FAMU's Board of Trustees. It is challenging but worth it. (Julia Johnson has been a good ear for me.) As you of all people know, change is so difficult for some. Dr. Corbin is great! Tough....but GREAT!! By the way, I am looking forward to working with Laura again.

Private Sector

I am enjoying the the private sector. The pace is very fast and the work is demanding but exhilarating. After nine months in this new world, I am a believer that public sector employees should definitely take the plunge into the private sector at some pint in their career. Performance goals, results, and corporate governance are very much the mantra. You must continually find ways to bring value to your customers and the company. I am enjoying my public speaking opportunities and the travel is fun!!

Education

Our son, Brooks, will begin second grade in a couple of weeks. We spent the summer reading EVERY day, he was tutored by a second grade teacher once a week in reading and writing, and now we are working with him on math flash cards. I was apprehensive about the SAT 9 testing in first grade, but his results were great; he was above average in all areas. He is becoming a very strong reader and he does a good job in comprehending what he reads. Brooks is most excited about moving to chapter books. (He misses not having as many pictures, but we have explained to him that when there aren't pictures, his imagination takes over.....We think he is beginning to get it.)

Already, Brooks has decided to attend the University of Miami..... we just hope he gets a scholarship. (smile!)

I just want to stay in touch. I hope all is well. Many thanks.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Mortham, Sandra](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 11:07:09 PM
Subject: RE: Nomination of Governor Bush for Dr. Nathan Davis Awards

thank you Sandy. We got the best we could get. I am not completely satisfied but I think the bill will improve a serious situation.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mortham, Sandra [mailto:smortham@medone.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 1:50 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: FW: Nomination of Governor Bush for Dr. Nathan Davis Awards

Just to let you know they love you!

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Russ
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 1:38 PM
To: Coble, MD, Yank; Wilson, MD, Cecil
Cc: Cline, MD, Robert; Lentz, MD, Carl; Mortham, Sandra
Subject: Nomination of Governor Bush for Dr. Nathan Davis Awards

Dear Dr. Coble and Dr. Wilson:

The FMA has nominated Governor Bush for the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service. I spoke with James Carbo today in the office of the Awards Secretariat and faxed to him the nomination forms and will also send him the original with an attached Executive Summary of the Governor's Select Task Force. Item IV below from the nomination form is for your information. Russ

IV. We nominate the above for the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service because:

The Florida Medical Association is pleased to nominate Governor Jeb Bush of Florida for the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service.

Governor Bush has provided strong and exemplary leadership and advocacy on behalf of the medical profession and their patients in the current struggle on the professional liability insurance crisis in Florida.

On August 28, 2002, Governor Bush created the Governor's Select Task Force on Healthcare Professional Liability Insurance by Executive Order to examine Florida's current crisis in the availability and affordability of medical malpractice insurance. This Executive Order also directed the Task Force to make recommendations for "protecting Floridians' access to high-quality and affordable healthcare." The Governor's Select Task Force made sixty (60) recommendations that were submitted by the Governor to the Florida Legislature for its 2003 legislative session. These recommendations included Recommendation 27, which reads: "The Legislature should, in medical malpractice cases, cap non-economic damages at \$250,000 per incident." The Governor's Select Task Force concluded its report with this statement: "The Task Force is of the opinion that, while these comprehensive reforms are important, the centerpiece and the recommendation that will have the greatest long-term impact on healthcare provider liability insurance rates, and thus eliminate the crisis of availability and affordability of healthcare in Florida, is a \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages." The Executive Summary of the Governor's Select Task Force on Healthcare Professional Liability Insurance is attached (Attachment 1).

The Florida House of Representatives incorporated the recommendations of Governor Bush from his Select Task Force, including a cap of \$250,000 per incident on non-economic damages, in a bill the House passed during the regular session of the Florida Legislature. However, the Florida Senate did not pass a bill during the regular session. The Governor has called the Legislature back into two special sessions this summer and will continue to do so until there is agreement between the House and Senate on a bill that will result in meaningful professional liability insurance reform in Florida.

During the debate on this important issue, Governor Bush participated with the Florida Medical Association and our county and specialty societies in a rally of 4,000 physicians on the steps of the Florida Capitol in March of 2003, at which current AMA President Donald J. Palmisano, M.D., also participated with the Governor. At a news conference in June held by Governor Bush in the rotunda of the Capitol on this issue, Dr. Palmisano met with Governor Bush and participated in his news conference representing the AMA.

Governor Bush is Florida's strongest advocate on professional liability insurance reform. He continues to support President Bush's and the AMA's policy at the national level, including a \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages. Governor Bush has worked closely with the Florida Medical Association on numerous other important health care issues, which include his initiatives pertaining to emergency and disaster preparedness and his steadfast support of public health programs provided by the Florida Department of Health. Truly, Governor Bush is deserving of the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service.

From: [Donald Hinkle <don@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:don@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 10:16:41 PM

Subject: Tenate Healthcare -

Donald Hinkle
2500 Deer Lake North
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This is what happens when you have a \$250k cap: Tenet Healthcare Corporation agreed yesterday to resolve government accusations that doctors at a hospital in Northern California conducted unnecessary heart procedures and operations on hundreds of patients. Many of these were by-pass procedures! No punitives. Limits on pain and suffering. Why not? Link to the article:
<http://www.Gainesvillesun.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=2003308070307>

Regards
Don Hinkle
don@hinkleforan.com

Sincerely,

Don Hinkle

From: [Steven R. West <stewest@comcast.net>](mailto:stewest@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 10:12:45 PM

Subject: medical liability reform

Governor: Although my understanding of the details are sketchy, I want to be one of the first to thank you for the reform legislation. Without your leadership and commitment there would have been no reform. I hope you will attend the FLAMPAC Good Government Luncheon so I can thank you in person. Thanks again Steve West

From: [Thomas Chase <tcchasepa@earthlink.net>](mailto:tcchasepa@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 10:08:40 PM

Subject: HOLD THE LINE AGAINST CAPS

Thomas Chase
P.O. Box 1508
Ft. Myers, FL 33902

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PLEASE STAY STRONG AND FIGHT GOVERNOR BUSH'S MINDLESS PUSH FOR CAPS ON MALPRACTICE AWARDS. I DO NOT PRACTICE IN THE FIELD OF MALPRACTICE LITIGATION, BUT I DO KNOW THAT IT IS ALREADY INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT TO BRING A SUCCESSFUL ACTION AGAINST A DOCTOR.

MOST DOCTORS ARE GREAT PHYSICIANS. A VERY SMALL MINORITY OF THEM ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE PROBLEMS.

THE SWORN TESTIMONY FROM THE RECENT HEARINGS COMPLETELY DEVASTATES THE CASE FOR CAPS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Chase

From: [John Donovan <johndonovan@surfciti.com>](mailto:johndonovan@surfciti.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 10:04:47 PM

Subject: sales tax

Governor

I see article in todays St. PeteTimes , Latvala after a sales tax increase again.

If he would say "we will drop as many items as we add" - or we will make it a "revenue neutral change" , I would consider support.

They claim they are trying to make the system fair.

All I see is a tax increase.

John Donovan
St Petersburg

From: [Cheryl McKinney <ssb_45@yahoo.com>](mailto:Cheryl_McKinney@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:43:41 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

Cheryl McKinney
3864 N.W. 2nd Court
Deerfield Beach, FL 33442

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing to urge you to vote against caps on pain and suffering damages in medical malpractice cases. Caps on these damages discriminate against children, stay-at-home moms, indigent people, and senior citizens. This bill devalues the life and health of nonworking people who are killed or maimed by a doctor's mistake. Capping noneconomic damages will allow a handful of bad doctors to escape punishment when they commit medical malpractice against patients who trust them. I am asking you, my legislative representative in Tallahassee, to look out for us and protect patients that are injured or killed by malpractice. For the sake of our health, we need to continue to have a system in place that will punish those doctors that commit medical malpractice while creating a safer environment for their patients. Please vote against caps on noneconomic damages in medical malpractice cases, the elimination of bad faith and sovereign immunity for emergency room doctors and hospitals.

Sincerely,

Cheryl A. McKinney

From: [Rossman Steve <rossman@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:rossman@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:42:01 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Rossman Steve
44 West Flagler St, 23d Floor
Miami, FL 33130

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not give in to the insurance industry. Caps will not reduce insurance premiums. Giving in to the insurance industry on bad faith and HMO liability will not help doctors or patients. To the contrary it will hurt both doctors and their patients. Insurance companies must be held accountable when they expose a doctor unreasonably to a verdict in excess of his or her policy limits. HMO's now dictate the care that patients get and they derive a fortune from the health care industry. They should share in the legal liability for medical negligence.

Sincerely,

Steve Rossman

From: [John Schestag <TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net>](mailto:TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:41:42 PM

Subject: Reader's Digest

Dear Jeb.....

As I have been telling you.....

Now corrupt drunk Judge Cope is being featured in America's most corrupt judge feature by the Reader's Digest.

Florida deserves better.....

Pinellas County is Florida's most corrupt county.....

PLEASE move on this..... "Quickly"

I'll "attempt" to get a draft copy of the article to you to see what is says about you and Jeff Kottkamp.

God bless, Johnny

From: [Ned Siegel <nsiegel@paramountresidential.com>](mailto:nsiegel@paramountresidential.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:40:47 PM

Subject: Judge Appointments

Dear Jeb:

Just wanted to pass this on to you - the feedback in the local community is very positive regarding the recent judgeship appointments of Joe Marx and Jeffrey Levenson.

Neddy

From: [Ned Siegel <nsiegel@paramountresidential.com>](mailto:nsiegel@paramountresidential.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:39:40 PM

Subject: August 22 Meeting

Dear Jeb:

I am in receipt of , and thank you for, the invitation to the meeting scheduled for Friday evening, August 22, at the Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables. I would have loved to participate in this discussion as the topic is so important to the economic growth of our great state.

Unfortunately, on August 22, I will be in Boston helping my oldest son, Justin, move to Los Angeles. Justin recently graduated from Berklee College of Music and is heading out to L.A. to begin his career in the music business. I will then be moving my middle son, Joshua, to Philadelphia to begin his freshman year at Penn. This is all very exciting, but I am beginning to feel like a moving company.

I would very much like to continue to be involved in the discussions regarding Florida's economic future. Who may I contact to receive materials and/or notes of the meeting to be held on August 22? Please consider me for future discussions.

All the best.

Neddy

From: [Martinez, Roberto <Bob@colson.com>](mailto:Bob@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:32:27 PM

Subject: Community Colleges, 3rd DCA Interviews, and Seabiscuit

JEB:

As Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Miami-Dade, a position that I serve at your pleasure, I consider it my responsibility to you, from time to time, to touch base with you on some of our issues and on some of our most urgent needs. I do not like to bug you about our college or community colleges, or unnecessarily to impose upon your time.

I know that you are a fan and supporter of community colleges and that you appreciate the entrepreneurial spirit and creativity of the colleges, as well as our successes. If you ask us to do something, even if we do not have the funds, we will figure out a way to do it. We have learned to become efficient as well as effective. We have tried over the years to deliver on our our obligations, and I believe that we greatly have succeeded and have become a critical player in our state's economic successes. However, now we are truly near the point where we have pushed the envelop as far as it can go to what we can do with the state funds we get, without impacting adversely our Open Door policy.

I have been told that you soon will be reviewing your staff's recommendations for the 2004-2005 Legislative Budget. Please keep in mind, as you embark on this process, the unprecedented increases in enrollment experienced across the state at the community colleges during the past few years.

At Miami-Dade alone there has been an increase of over 49% in FTE's during the last five years; however, the funding from the State has not kept pace with this increase. The FTE unfunded growth at Miami-Dade for the last 5 years (including the estimated figures for '03-'04 reported to the State) is 16,247 FTE. Unfunded growth represents that enrollment growth over the last five years which was not covered by increased State funding. To understand this financial impact to Miami-Dade, if we were to multiply 16,247 by the FTE funding base for Miami-Dade of 5 years ago, that yields \$69,862,100 in unfunded FTE's; or, if we were to use the current statewide FTE average funding rate for all community colleges, that yields \$46,937,583 in unfunded FTE's. Using either computation, the financial impact to Miami-Dade is significant and impacts adversely the provision of educational services to our students.

I thought it was important for me to bring this matter to your personal attention instead of going through your staff. This is a critical time for community colleges to obtain needed help from the state. Please help in whatever way you can to reverse the trend in funding for the community colleges.

Our Board, made up of your friends and appointees, support what you are doing and, needless to say, will be there with you regardless.

Thanks, and, as always, your friend.

Bobby

P.S. Thank you for the opportunity to have taken part in the 3rd DCA interviews. I consider these opportunities a privilege that I greatly cherish. You certainly have grown to enjoy and master this process. I look forward to seeing you sometime soon. And, by the way, read the book "Seabiscuit." As good as the movie is, the book is

even better; truly inspirational reading that you greatly will enjoy.

From: [Aaron Sprague <sprague@comcast.net>](mailto:sprague@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:23:13 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Insurance Reform

Aaron Sprague
2691 University Blvd N. #E111
Jacksonville, FL 32221

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It needs to be clearly stated that the real problems effecting medical care in Florida are negligent Doctors who kill and injure people, and greedy insurance companies. If we want to use California as a model to follow, what we should really do is enact California style insurance reform. Tort reform is not the answer. Also we need to devise some way to keep bad doctors from practicing medicine. I hope that the legilature will do the right thing on this issue

Sincerely,

Aaron Sprague

From: [David Neblett <dneblett@gaebemullen.com>](mailto:dneblett@gaebemullen.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:12:50 PM

Subject: VOTE NO on MED MAL legislation

David Neblett
221 collins ave apt 10
miami beach, FL 33139

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

VOTE AGAINST ALL CAPS:

- Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts)
- States with caps actually have higher premiums.
- Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children

WE NEED REAL INSURANCE REFORM:

- The only thing that brought down rates in California was real insurance reform (Prop. 103)
- We need a real rate rollback to bring rates down to an appropriate level
- We need real rate regulation to keep insurance companies from gouging doctors in the future

VOTE FOR REAL QUALITY OF CARE REFORM:

- 5% of doctors cause over 50% of all malpractice (these doctors should not be allowed to practice medicine)
- We need a "3 strikes, you're out" policy - doctors who are repeat offenders should have their licenses revoked.
- We need immediate public disclosure of doctors who have committed malpractice and/or been disciplined by the Board of Medicine.

Sincerely,

David Neblett

From: [John Thrasher <thrasher@sostrategy.com>](mailto:thrasher@sostrategy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 9:06:14 PM

Subject: HSRA

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Gov I rechecked my notes on Wed High Speed Rail Authority Meeting. The Authority adopted a schedule which includes oral interview from Fluor-Bombardier and Global Rail on Sept 9; EIS public hearings in Tampa, Lakeland, Celebration and Orlando-Sept 22-25; and selection of a vendor and final route at its meeting on Oct 14. JET

John Thrasher

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From: [Sandra Carrizo <sandra@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:sandra@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:53:02 PM

Subject: I DON'T WANT MED MAL CAPS

Sandra Carrizo
44 w. Flagler Street, 23rd Flo
Miami, FL 33130

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Sandra Carrizo

From: [Chris Dudley <dudley@sostrategy.com>](mailto:dudley@sostrategy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:48:44 PM

Subject:

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Thanks for your time today - sorry it was so painful. We'll get it all back on track next week. No more CEO visits should help. However, let me know how I can help the team - even outsourced I work pretty cheap. I can always use a new Hondo assignment.

Chris Dudley

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From: [John Thrasher <thrasher@sostrategy.com>](mailto:thrasher@sostrategy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:45:13 PM

Subject:

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Gov - Do we still have the UM fix in the final deal on med mal? JET

John Thrasher

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From: [Lincoln Connolly <lincoln@bellsouth.net>](mailto:lincoln@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:44:21 PM

Subject: Don't Take Away Our Rights

Lincoln Connolly
2756 Day Avenue
Miami, FL 33133

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

To ordinary citizens, a jury of one's peers is the best and only hope for them when they are harmed by corporate America such as insurance companies; unlike the wealthy, they cannot hire multiple lobbyists to fix problems in their life. Florida's government is now trying to limit that protection of trial by jury, by protecting insurance companies from culpability from their own bad faith and allowing them to settle cases at the last minute (that should have been settled early on) without risk of financial reprisal. The bad faith reforms being considered would allow insurers to hold on to their dollars for as long as possible when they should be paying them out as soon as possible. Just see the story of Nancy Todd published in the Miami Herald (http://www.miami.com/mld/miamiherald/news/local/states/florida/counties/broward_county/6466519.htm) for an example of how us little people can be harmed by insurers acting in bad faith.

Please stand up for those who elected you whom you are duty bound to represent; not the lifeless corporate and special interests who merely donate campaign funds and seek legislation in their limited self interest.

Sincerely,

Lincoln Connolly

From: Turmendi@aol.com <Turmendi@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:40:21 PM

Subject: Please save Cypress Gardens!!!

From: [Yvonne Gomez <Yvonne@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:Yvonne@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:39:30 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Yvonne Gomez
29 Santillane
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I strongly oppose placing a cap on medical malpractice claims.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Gomez

From: [VICKY BLANCO <VICKY@RBRLAW.COM>](mailto:VICKY.BLANCO@RBRLAW.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:34:14 PM

Subject: Med-Mal Caps

VICKY BLANCO
44 WEST FLAGLER STREET
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33160

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I DON'T WANT MED MAL CAPS

Sincerely,

VICKY BLANCO

From: [MITZI PLUNKETT <MITZI@REC-LAW.COM>](mailto:MITZI@REC-LAW.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:29:25 PM

Subject: MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

MITZI PLUNKETT
4430 LACEY OAK DR
PALM BCH GDNS, FL 33410

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA - THE PEOPLE NEED YOU AND ARE LOOKING TO YOU TO PROTECT THEM AND THEIR WELFARE! THIS STATE HAS NO BUSINESS PUTTING A CAP ON MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASES... WE ARE ALL GOING TO BE WATCHING AND REMEMBERING WHO VOTES FOR BIG BUSINESS NEXT ELECTION. PLEASE PROTECT THE PEOPLE YOU WERE ELECTED TO REPRESENT!

Sincerely,

MITZI PLUNKETT

From: [Cheri Hawley <cheri@rbrlaw.com>](mailto:cheri@rbrlaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:24:24 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Cheri Hawley
9732 S.W. 145th Place
Miami, FL 33186

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I don't want med mal caps

Sincerely,

Cheri Hawley

From: [Yvette Cubero <ycube36@hotmail.com>](mailto:ycube36@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:24:53 PM

Subject: Med Mal Cap

Yvette Cubero
7064 SW 161 PI
Miami, FL 33193

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am against the proposed legislation to cap patients' recoveries when they are the victims of medical malpractice.

Sincerely,

Yvette Cubero

From: [Maria Delange <MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM>](mailto:MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:16:11 PM

Subject: No Med Mal Caps...

Maria Delange
15025 S.W. 53 Terr.
Miami, FL 33185

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Maria E. Delange

From: [susan ramsey <sramsey@algxmail.com>](mailto:susan_ramsey@algxmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:06:19 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

susan ramsey
6062 mullin street
jupiter, FL 33458

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The Senate hearings made clear some very important issues; Doctors are not leaving the State, States with caps have higher premiums; the Insurance industry is still making profits and patient care continues to suffer at the hands of a small percentage of very bad doctors.

Real reform means stopping the minority of doctors who commit the majority of medical negligence from practicing. Require the presuit proceed to include mandatory mediation. Clear cut claims will settle sooner and cost everyone a whole lot less money. In cases where there's a significant dispute - include potential penalties for both sides for not being reasonable.

Keep floridians safe!

Sincerely,

Susan B. Ramsey

From: [Steven Wingo <swingo@thebriggslawfirm.com>](mailto:swingo@thebriggslawfirm.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:03:14 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Steven Wingo
2023 S.E. 15th Lane
Ocala, FL 34471

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senators,

Thank you for your efforts to seek the truth and attempt to reach a real solution to medical malpractice problems. The sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts). States with caps actually have higher premiums. Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children.

The only thing that brought down rates in California was real insurance reform (Prop. 103). We need a real rate rollback to bring rates down to an appropriate level and real rate regulation to keep insurance companies from gouging doctors in the future.

Please vote for real quality of care reform. Just 5% of doctors cause over 50% of all malpractice. These few doctors should not be allowed to practice medicine. We need a "3 strikes, you're out" policy - doctors who are repeat offenders should have their licenses revoked. In order to protect the public you should require immediate public disclosure of doctors who have committed malpractice and/or been disciplined by the Board of Medicine. Patients have a right to know which doctors do a poor job!

Your efforts in standing up to the Governor are commendable and have given me renewed faith in our legislative system. Please don't compromise and pass a bad bill after all your good work. You are the true leaders in Tallahassee.

Sincerely,

Steven Wingo

From: [Patrick Tighe, Esq. <Pat@mylawyerpat.com>](mailto:Patrick.Tighe.Esq.<Pat@mylawyerpat.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 8:00:13 PM

Subject: Stay Strong

Patrick Tighe, Esq.
7711 Military Trail North
Palm Beach Gardens, FLORIDA 33410

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Sir/MAdam:

I urge you to STAY STRONG and VOTE AGAINST ALL CAPS:

The Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts)

It is proven that states with caps actually have higher premiums.

Caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children

WE NEED REAL INSURANCE REFORM:

The only thing that brought down rates in California was real insurance reform (Prop. 103)

We need a real rate rollback to bring rates down to an appropriate level

We need real rate regulation to keep insurance companies from gouging doctors in the future

I URGE YOU TO VOTE FOR REAL QUALITY OF CARE REFORM:

It is true that 5% of doctors cause over 50% of all malpractice (these doctors should not be allowed to practice medicine)

We need a "3 strikes, you're out" policy – doctors who are repeat offenders should have their licenses revoked.

We need immediate public disclosure of doctors who have committed malpractice and/or been disciplined by the Board of Medicine.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Tighe

From: [Roy Glass <lroyglas@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:lroyglas@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:58:23 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Deform

Roy Glass
5501 Central Avenue
St. Petersburg, FL 33710

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am especially proud of the Republican Senators who have, so far, stood their ground. Contrary to some accounts I've read, I am most gratified that we are fortunate enough to have a Senate President who has displayed the resolve and leadership necessary to "balance" the proposed, yet unnecessary legislation. I am but one of many Bush demeaned trial attorneys who will be there to support those, Democrat or Republican, who have resisted special interest legislation that takes away from the citizens, gives to the rich and powerful, and provides absolutely nothing worthwhile in return. Sworn Senate testimony and a law school study just released, confirms NO medical premium effects by capping noneconomic damages. So, why a cap at all? Please do not succumb to being bullied by one branch of government, teach our children by example, the constitutional principles of separation of powers and respect for individual rights. Thank you so very much for your continued strength, insight, and resolve.

Sincerely,

Roy L. Glass

From: [Phil Thomas <EPhilT@webtv.net>](mailto:EPhilT@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:57:38 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens!

Please! Please! Please! Help save Cypress Gardens from the developers.

Thanks so much,

Phil Thomas

From: [Andrea Lowe <kele@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:kele@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:54:02 PM

Subject: Please vote NO on all Medical Malpractice caps.

Andrea Lowe
8078 Greenmont Avenue
Tallahassee, FL 32317

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Capping damages will only serve to further harm victims of malpractice. Sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary proved that the insurance industry and FMA misled the Governor and the legislature -- there has been NO increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts. Capping damages will enable doctors who repeatedly commit malpractice to continue harming patients. Bad doctors must be weeded out so good doctors can continue to practice. Please vote NO on caps.

Sincerely,

Andrea Lowe

From: [Michael Eriksen <mike@rec-law.com>](mailto:mike@rec-law.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:53:51 PM

Subject: Med mal

Michael Eriksen
1005 Lake Avenue
Lake Worth, FL 33460

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Has anyone stopped to consider that one of the reason more, as opposed to less, doctors and hospitals get sued may relate to the abrogation of joint and several liability? When we had full joint and several liability, one could simply sue the most culpable party, who would then be liable for all the damages. This was fair, because juries were instructed that the defendant would not be liable at all unless the Plaintiff proved that "but for" that defendant's negligence, none of the damages would have occurred.

Now that joint and several liability has been abrogated, and now that the most culpable defendants can diminish the plaintiff's claim by "pointing the finger" at less culpable parties, plaintiffs lawyers are forced to sue 'em all, or risk legal malpractice.

Therefore, cases that would have one or two defendants before have ten or fifteen defendants now, with as many insurance coverages involved. Each defendant incurs his or her own costs and fees.

Under today's protocol, the risk that a doctor or hospital will be implicated in a claim is greater. The greater the "risk" the more expensive the coverage.

You can geometrically reduce the number of defendants, and their costs, by restoring full joint and several liability, which was the law of this land for over a hundred years prior to 1986.

Sincerely,

Mike Eriksen, USMCR (ret.) and trial lawyer

From: [Dennis Plews <dennis@attorneycpa.com>](mailto:dennis@attorneycpa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:43:59 PM

Subject: Welfare For the Special Interests That Support "JEB"

Dennis Plews
4608 31st Street Circle E
Bradenton, FL 34203

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Recent news reports clearly evidence John Ellis Bush's behind closed doors efforts to intimidate all who believe that the truth matters in everything, including politics. The Senate fulfilled its duty the people of this state to investigate the misleading, mendacious and outright phony claims made by Bush the Younger and his cohorts in collusion, the FMA officers and insurance industry executives, finding that the insurance industry and FMA have misled legislature about a claimed increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts (there is none, that States with caps actually have higher premiums and arbitrary caps on non-economic damages are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children. Should "JEB" continue to press his campaign against lawyers and their clients, the good people of the State of Florida who have been horribly injured due to the callous negligence of over paid incompetents, I hope and ask that you will continue to resist all such efforts and protect all Floridians by enacting effective insurance reforms that will stop corporate criminals from profiting from their own mistakes, and perfidy.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Plews

From: [Lisa Foran <lisa@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:lisa@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:43:03 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Lisa Foran
389 Meadow Ridge Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Senator -

Please stay strong in this fight against unfair tort reform. This is the only chance the victims of medical malpractice have left.

Please remember that sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary in July proves that the insurance industry and FMA have misled the Governor and the legislature (there is no increase in lawsuits or jury verdicts)

States with caps actually have higher premiums and such caps are devastating to everyone, especially seniors and children.

Sincerely,

Lisa Foran

From: [Hubert Childress, Jr. <bert@brevardlawyer.com>](mailto:bert@brevardlawyer.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:33:07 PM

Subject: Med. Malp. Legislation

Hubert Childress, Jr.
2285 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

NO on caps on pain and suffering damages and NO on changes to the bad faith laws.

Sincerely,

Hubert C. Childress, Jr.

From: [Barbara Green <bg@caselawupdate.com>](mailto:bg@caselawupdate.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:31:21 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Insurance

Barbara Green
913 Majorca Ave.
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO on any caps.

Please vote NO on changes to bad faith law.

The sworn testimony presented to the Senate shows that the real problem is the insurance companies, not the injured patients.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Barbara Green

From: [Jeffrey R. Davis <jrdavis@bellsouth.net>](mailto:jrdavis@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 7:16:05 PM

Subject: med mal

Dear Gov.Bush-

Please do not fall for the insurance company shell game-there is no crisis,hard caps and the elimination of bad faith laws hurt everyone in Florida-not just the Trial Lawyers.Please reconsider your stance-I handle these cases-none of them that I file are frivolous.!

Jeffrey R. Davis, P.A.

1980 Coral Way

Miami, FL 33145

(305) 577-3777

From: [Pamela Duncan <pamela_duncan@fanniemae.com>](mailto:pamela_duncan@fanniemae.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 6:21:27 PM

Subject: FAMU, Private Sector, and Education

Attachments: Pamela_Duncan.vcf

Hello Governor:

I know your busy but just wanted to share a few things with you.

FAMU

Thank you for appointing me to FAMU's Board of Trustees. It is challenging but worth it. (Julia Johnson has been a good ear for me.) As you of all people know, change is so difficult for some. Dr. Corbin is great! Tough....but GREAT!! By the way, I am looking forward to working with Laura again.

Private Sector

I am enjoying the the private sector. The pace is very fast and the work is demanding but exhilarating. After nine months in this new world, I am a believer that public sector employees should definitely take the plunge into the private sector at some pint in their career. Performance goals, results, and corporate governance are very much the mantra. You must continually find ways to bring value to your customers and the company. I am enjoying my public speaking opportunities and the travel is fun!!

Education

Our son, Brooks, will begin second grade in a couple of weeks. We spent the summer reading EVERY day, he was tutored by a second grade teacher once a week in reading and writing, and now we are working with him on math flash cards. I was apprehensive about the SAT 9 testing in first grade, but his results were great; he was above average in all areas. He is becoming a very strong reader and he does a good job in comprehending what he reads. Brooks is most excited about moving to chapter books. (He misses not having as many pictures, but we have explained to him that when there aren't pictures, his imagination takes over.....We think he is beginning to get it.)

Already, Brooks has decided to attend the University of Miami..... we just hope he gets a scholarship. (smile!)

I just want to stay in touch. I hope all is well. Many thanks.

From: [Mortham, Sandra <smortham@medone.org>](mailto:smortham@medone.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 5:49:50 PM

Subject: FW: Nomination of Governor Bush for Dr. Nathan Davis Awards

[Just to let you know they love you!](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Russ

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 1:38 PM

To: Coble, MD, Yank; Wilson, MD, Cecil

Cc: Cline, MD, Robert; Lentz, MD, Carl; Mortham, Sandra

Subject: Nomination of Governor Bush for Dr. Nathan Davis Awards

Dear Dr. Coble and Dr. Wilson:

The FMA has nominated Governor Bush for the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service. I spoke with James Carbo today in the office of the Awards Secretariat and faxed to him the nomination forms and will also send him the original with an attached Executive Summary of the Governor's Select Task Force. Item IV below from the nomination form is for your information. Russ

IV. We nominate the above for the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service because:

The Florida Medical Association is pleased to nominate Governor Jeb Bush of Florida for the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service.

Governor Bush has provided strong and exemplary leadership and advocacy on behalf of the medical profession and their patients in the current struggle on the professional liability insurance crisis in Florida.

On August 28, 2002, Governor Bush created the Governor's Select Task Force on Healthcare Professional Liability Insurance by Executive Order to examine Florida's current crisis in the availability and affordability of medical malpractice insurance. This Executive Order also directed the Task Force to make recommendations for "protecting Floridians' access to high-quality and affordable healthcare." The Governor's Select Task Force made sixty (60) recommendations that were submitted by the Governor to the Florida Legislature for its 2003 legislative session. These recommendations included Recommendation 27, which reads: "The Legislature should, in medical malpractice cases, cap non-economic damages at \$250,000 per incident." The Governor's Select Task Force concluded its report with this statement: "The Task Force is of the opinion that, while these comprehensive reforms are important, the centerpiece and the recommendation that will have the greatest long-term impact on healthcare provider liability insurance rates, and thus eliminate the crisis of availability and affordability of healthcare in Florida, is a \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages." The Executive Summary of the Governor's Select Task Force on Healthcare Professional Liability Insurance is attached (Attachment 1).

The Florida House of Representatives incorporated the recommendations of Governor Bush from his Select Task Force, including a cap of \$250,000 per incident on non-economic damages, in a bill the House passed during the regular session of the Florida Legislature. However, the Florida Senate did not pass a bill during the regular session. The Governor has called the Legislature back into two special sessions this summer and will continue to do so until there is agreement between the House and Senate on a bill that will result in meaningful professional liability insurance reform in Florida.

During the debate on this important issue, Governor Bush participated with the Florida Medical Association and our county and specialty societies in a rally of 4,000 physicians on the steps of the Florida Capitol in March of 2003, at which current AMA President Donald J. Palmisano, M.D., also participated with the Governor. At a news conference in June held by Governor Bush in the rotunda of the Capitol on this issue, Dr. Palmisano met with Governor Bush and participated in his news conference representing the AMA.

Governor Bush is Florida's strongest advocate on professional liability insurance reform. He continues to support President Bush's and the AMA's policy at the national level, including a \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages. Governor Bush has worked closely with the Florida Medical Association on numerous other important health care issues, which include his initiatives pertaining to emergency and disaster preparedness and his steadfast support of public health programs provided by the Florida Department of Health. Truly, Governor Bush is deserving of the Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service.

From: MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com <MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/7/2003 4:36:52 PM

Subject: RE:

If King digs in his heels, mention how unhappy you are with the current president of the University of North Florida. :)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 11:21 AM
To: Thomas, Michael(ORL)
Subject: RE:

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Jeb Bush

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Governor, one of your staff stole your Blackberry and is playing tricks on you.

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 8:01 AM
To: Thomas, Michael(ORL)
Subject:

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From: [Sherry Malcomb Gill <smgill@ev1.net>](mailto:smgill@ev1.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 4:16:49 PM

Subject: TERRIS FIGHT

I COULD HARDLY BELIEVE WHAT I WAS READING. THIS MAN IS ASKING THE STATE TO HELP HIM KILL HIS WIFE AND NOTHING IS BEING DONE TO STOP HIM...
YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW ALL THE WOMEN OF YOUR STATE THAT --YOU CARE--.
DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT IS TO LATE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS A GROWING EPIDEMIC IN EVERY STATE AND JUST REMEMBER THAT WOMEN VOTE.

PLEASE DON'T ALLOW THIS MAN TO CONTINUE TO PROFIT FROM THIS.

THANK YOU,

ROBERTA PAGEL

From: [David Siegel <david_siegel@wgresorts.com>](mailto:david_siegel@wgresorts.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 4:12:46 PM

Subject: (no subject)

Dear Jeb,

Please let me know if you will be in the Central Florida area on Aug. 14, 15, 16 and would be available for a brief meeting. If that's not possible, maybe we can schedule a definite time for a short telephone conversation. I can be reached at my office at 407-351-3383 or any time on my cell at 407-256-7700.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

David

From: Floderia Parms <fdp@miamidade.gov>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 4:06:49 PM

Subject: Insurance, Medcial Malpractice.

Floderia Parms
2350 NW 58th Street
Miami,, FL 33142

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Gov. Bush

This is my second letter, I writing because I want you to take my opinion seriously. I have a 98 year old grandmother who was abuse in the care of a nursing Hialeah Vista Hospice Program. I no there was neglegence on there part in not taking care of her and then they charge my grandmother a bill of things that they did not do for her which was fraud. I think that you have been mislead by the insurance companines. I don't feel that on size fit all cap even on children and stay home mothers. Admit the capping damages are political. Gov. Bush you were put in the office to help the people not the insurance companines. Not the profit of insurance industry but the interest of Florida patient not the profit of insurance. So Gov. Bush please take in the consideration of the people.

Thank you,

Floderia Parms.

Sincerely,

Floderia Parms

From: Rockerdoc@aol.com <Rockerdoc@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:58:20 PM

Subject:

Dear Governor, I am happy that you answer your email. You are the people's person and you have my full support. I have another issue briefly to alert you too. I have been attending Florida Board of Medicine meetings and participating in the office surgery rules for some time. I have come to know the members individually and the board as a whole. We have some significant problems. Dr. Rafael Miguel has obvious personal issues on his agenda and is not functioning as he should in the position he is in. I implore you to replace him with Dr. Gustavo Leon of Miami who has proven to be a nonbiased, fair and diplomatic individual who helps the Board act appropriately to both protect our citizens but not penalize physicians capriciously, maliciously or unfairly. I do not believe that I am the only physician observer who feels this way.

Thank you Mr. Bush. My God continue to help both you and your brother get this country and our state back on track. You have my full support.

PS thanks for your response on the malpr. issue. My father in law Mr. Richard Berndt(a name possibly familiar to you) sends his best wishes.

Mont Cartwright, M.D.

From: [Adam Fetterman <lawmanjr@lawteam.com>](mailto:lawmanjr@lawteam.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:44:25 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Deform

Adam Fetterman
648 US Highway 1
North Palm Beach, FL 33408

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Despite the futility of this message, in light of the Governor's attitude surrounding this issue, I want hikm to know that I, my colleagues, and clients continue to oppose his assault on the civil justice system. The industry that is in need of reform is the insurance industry whose poor business practices place them in "crisis," not medical malpractice lawsuit verdicts. The facts have been clealry established - sworn testimony before the state legislature has refuted all of the arugments that frivolous lawsuits and runaway juries are to blame, and the insurance industry has repeatedly admitted that caps on damages will do nothing to ensure a reduction or cap on malpractice premiums. How long can the Governor continue to ignore the facts? It seems to me that he is simply trying to extort a bill from the legislature to meet his own agenda and that of his campaign contributors. It is a downright shame and a disservice to the horribly injured people who will suffer at his hand if these "reforms" go through.

Sincerely,

Adam M. Fetterman

From: [Jim T. Terrell <JTT@bthemy.com>](mailto:JTT@bthemy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:30:13 PM

Subject: RE: Name 3 docs who are leaving the State...

Dear Governor Bush...(or the staff person responding in his behalf). You mentioned a pediatric neurosurgeon from Jacksonville...that could only be one guy...did you know he has been sued 10 times in 14 years!!! Despite that dubious record, he has never been disciplined by the medical community. I am informed he left his position in Jacksonville to take a teaching position in Texas, and to be closer to his children who live there. However, the job offer was withdrawn when his potential employer learned about his medical misadventures.

I do not know who the husband and wife team you mentioned are, or where they are from...but I would wager a steak dinner they have either reached a natural age for retirement, or have more than their share of malpractice claims.

Do you think, the general statement "Doctors can't afford their malpractice insurance premiums" should really be... "Doctors can afford their insurance premiums, but don't want to pay what they consider an outrageous amount"??? I agree their premiums are going up...but not any faster than the general cost of medical care...and largely because the docs who commit malpractice are allowed to keep on practicing!!! The good docs are paying for the bad docs...

Why not consider some kind of insurance plan similar to our automobile "assigned risk" pool??? Let the docs w/ repeated claims go to an assigned risk pool w/ high premiums, and allow the doctors w/o claims be billed based on their performance histories??

...and thanks for responding. Jim Terrell

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 4:03 PM

To: Jim T. Terrell

Subject: RE: Name 3 docs who are leaving the State...

I have met three doctors in the last month that have left because of their med mal insurance premiums. A pediatric neurosurgeon in Jacksonville and a neurosurgeon and ER doctor husband and wife team from Tampa. Thanks for writing.

Jeb Bush

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From: James Terrell [mailto:jtt@bthemy.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 2:44 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Name 3 docs who are leaving the State...

James Terrell
2004 River Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32207

July 31, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

..because they can't pay thrie malpractice premiums !!! You can't,because there aren't any!!!They just want to keep more of the money they make!!! I don't blame them for trying,but DON'T let their greed drive your ambition to curtail the rights of Florida's citizens who have their lives devastated by medical negligence.

Sincerely,

James Terrell

From: Phyllis Hoffman <phoffman@hoffmanmedia.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:26:10 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens, Southern Lady Magazine, and Burman Posey

Dear Governor Bush,

I am the president of Hoffman Media, Inc. in Birmingham, AL and the publisher of Southern Lady magazine—a magazine marketed to women focusing on the wonderful traditions of the south. Through this publication, I have had the wonderful opportunity of working with my dearest friend, Burma Posey. She is truly one of the great assets of the south and Florida.

I support her efforts in saving Cypress Gardens and committed to her a full length article in Southern Lady celebrating the past and future of Cypress Gardens. These wonderful treasures need to be preserved for future generations.

Our publication has been recognized as a leading women's publication and we have been invited to sponsor the Miss America National Press Club luncheon in September.

I don't personally endorse things that I cannot support fully, without reservations. Thank you for considering my comments. I wish your family the best and support the entire Bush family with my prayers and allegiance.

Phyllis Hoffman
Hoffman Media, Inc.
1900 International Park Dr, Suite 50
Birmingham, AL 35243
205-995-8860
FAX:205-995-0837

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com'](mailto:MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Terry White Secretary \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:13:30 PM

Subject: FW: Manatee County Elderly Services Medicaid Waiver Deficit

Attachments: GovBushElderlySvcs.doc

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-----Original Message-----

From: Vera Dragisic [mailto:vera.dragisic@co.manatee.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 10:48 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Manatee County Elderly Services Medicaid Waiver Deficit

Attached please find a letter regarding the above-captioned issue. We would consider it an honor if you could visit with us and experience first hand the ongoing issues we are facing in Manatee County as they relate to the Community Care for the Elderly, Alzheimer's Disease Initiative, Home Care for the Elderly and Home and Community Based Medicaid Waiver Grant Programs.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Ernie Padgett

Manatee County Administrator

From: MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com <MThomas@OrlandoSentinel.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:07:48 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/7/2003 2:58:56 PM

Subject: RE: Road Improvement - Your recent e-mail to Governor Bush

thanks.

Jeb Bush

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From: jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us [mailto:jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 10:08 AM

To: JBridgesJD@aol.com

Cc: Jeb Bush

Subject: Road Improvement - Your recent e-mail to Governor Bush

Per your recent e-mail to the Governor, please see attached response.

(See attached file: Bridges Reponse.doc)

José Abreu

Secretary

Phone: (850) 414-5205

jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us

From: [Lloyd Brown <Lloyd.Brown@jacksonville.com>](mailto:Lloyd.Brown@jacksonville.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:29:58 PM

Subject: med mal

Gov

Is something happening, or is today's news just more posturing?

Lloyd Brown
Editorial page editor
Florida Times-Union

From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:20:47 PM

Subject: MED MAL CAP

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider your position and vote no. We need to protect the injured parties, not the insurance companies or doctors.

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [matthew cardillo <matt@nhalc.com>](mailto:matt@nhalc.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:08:11 PM

Subject: No caps.

matthew cardillo
2804 w. marlin
tampa, FL 33611

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please show me some evidence from the sworn testimony from doctors and
Ins. people that caps will do any good.

If you can't, why are you pushing for them?

Certainly it couldn't be that you are beholden to the insurance industry?
Nah, couldn't be that?

Sincerely,

Matthew Cardillo

From: jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us <jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us>

To: JBridgesJD@aol.com

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:07:54 PM

Subject: Road Improvement - Your recent e-mail to Governor Bush

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Secretary

Phone: (850) 414-5205

jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us

From: [P Endsley <Patsy153@hotmail.com>](mailto:Patsy153@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 1:34:15 PM

Subject: vote no to med mal caps

P Endsley
55 Bering
Tampa, FL 33606

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Patty Endsly

From: [P Endsley <Patsy153@hotmail.com>](mailto:Patsy153@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 1:35:03 PM

Subject: vote no to med mal caps

P Endsley
55 Bering
Tampa, FL 33606

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Patty Endsly

From: [Steve Uhfelder <steve@SULAW.NET>](mailto:steve@SULAW.NET)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 1:13:05 PM

Subject:

I am sorry I am going to miss the luncheon today for the new prison mentoring program. I have a board of governor's meeting.

Steve Uhfelder

Uhfelder and Associates, P.A.

519 East Park Avenue

Tallahassee, FL 32301

Telephone: (850) 201-0888

Mobile: (850) 980-6435

Facsimile: (850) 201-0889

Webpage: <http://sulaw.net>

This e-mail may contain confidential material. If you were not an intended recipient, please notify the sender and delete all copies immediately. Thank you.

From: [Shelby Dew <hsdew2000@yahoo.com>](mailto:hsdew2000@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 12:31:25 PM

Subject: help help help!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Gov. Jeb please assign me someone who will help us get the job done. I have tried to be patient, but my patience is wearing thin. As you know I have people praying over this. I am very fond of you and your family, I hate to give you bad press over your people dragging their feet. I must get on with this! Too much time has gone by already. Charlie has not kept me informed, as to his progress. I don't know if it is because he has a full plate, or what! I just need a yes or no! If I need to go to another State to began this project, please somebody tell me so. Like most people I hate being left hanging. In service for God and Country, Shelby(Please view www.foonh.org and you will see the vastness of what I started in 1991 and how it can help this Great Country! I NEED YOU AND YOUR BROTHERS HELP TO GET THE WORD OUT!

 Shelby

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'mthomas@orlandosentinel.com'

Date: 8/7/2003 12:00:39 PM

Subject:

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From: [Ruth D. Romero <rdromero@gte.net>](mailto:rdromero@gte.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:45:31 AM

Subject: Victims Of Medical Malpractice

Ruth D. Romero
408 Mahogany Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 7, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

You were elected to protect every patient and every Floridian - NOT millionaire friends in the insurance industry. Please, Sir, do the right thing for the people who elected you. Thank you for hearing my voice.

Sincerely,

Ruth D. Romero

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Denver Stutler \(E-mail\)](#)
[Jose Abreu \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:12:49 AM

Subject: FW: Traffic Light

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spirit527@aol.com [mailto: Spirit527@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 6:06 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Re: Traffic Light

Dear Governor Bush:

I wanted to forward more articles to you regarding the need for a traffic light at the entrance to Bartow Memorial Hospital in Polk County. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

<http://www.polkcountym democrat.com/articles/2003/08/05/news/02thursdayscrash.txt>

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School started yesterday in Polk County and everything went smoothly. I am very encouraged about the emphasis on Reading this school year. I am certain we can achieve your goal of every student reading on grade level by the year 2012.

I hope you have a wonderful day!

Sincerely,
Jeanne Stephens
Reading Coach
Lewis Anna Woodbury Elementary
115 South Oak Avenue
Fort Meade, FL 33841

863-285-7104

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Leslie0777@aol.com'

Date: 8/7/2003 11:09:03 AM

Subject: RE: Forgot to mention. . .

Thank you so much for expressing your support for protecting Cypress Gardens.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Leslie0777@aol.com [mailto:Leslie0777@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 12:47 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Forgot to mention. . .

Dear Governor Bush,

Oops, forgot to mention. . . I WOULD GUESS THAT MOST, IF NOT 'ALL' OF THE **WORLDWIDE**, **"FRIENDS OF CYPRESS GARDENS,"** WILL SUPPORT AND BACK A DECISION OF **EMINENT DOMAIN** IF NECESSARY TO DEAL WITH 'Mr.' Maxwell.

I have been a Social Worker for almost 17 years and have some 'experience' and background in dealing with Sociologically challenged behavior and destructive personalities. I worked part-time as a supervisor at the Guest Relations/Annual Pass Office at CG's for, four years before it shut down it's business operations of 67 years. I was there before Mr. Maxwell came, and personally witnessed (along with 500 other former employees of CG's) the sheer and utter damage this person brought into the Park since his entry into an ownership position. The sudden neglect and deterioration of the Park started the instant he came to CG's two years ago. I haven't witnessed him as being a 'Logical' person, 'Protozoan' maybe, but certainly not ethical. Sometimes you have to fight 'Fire with Fire'

Sincerely and Most Respectfully Yours,
Leslie

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Leslie0777@aol.com'](mailto:Leslie0777@aol.com)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:07:32 AM

Subject: RE: Praise and Thanks Report

Thank you Leslie for your very kind email. Wow, what a great way to start the day.

Jeb Bush

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From: Leslie0777@aol.com [mailto:Leslie0777@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 12:04 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Praise and Thanks Report

Dear Governor Bush,

I see more of you on television than I see of my own family at home it seems. I'm completely taken by your difficult challenges and incredible decisions you face each day here in Florida, prepping you for a 'Presidential' position one fine day no doubt. You are by far the MOST active and courageous Governor in our State's history, and have literally taken this State's problems on single handily it seems. Many people in this State don't 'Approve' of your leadership and sweeping changes you've brought about since you've taken your position in office, but I for one, am astonished and AMAZED at your bravery in the face of retribution. Out of your 'Trinity,' YOU, seem to be the one MOST focused on 'Positive' reform and desperately needed changes in our State to enhance the lives of not only ourselves but in the FUTURE of our children as well!

I just wanted to take this opportunity to offer you a 'Personal' and heartfelt 'Thank You' for ALL you do and continue to do for our State as a whole. You remain in our church and family prayers for GOD'S continued grace, guidance, knowledge, wisdom and blessings in both your professional and personal life's challenges. . .

Sincerely and Most Respectfully yours,
Leslie Sakhae, Winter Haven, FL
Polk County, Democrat :-)

P.S. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE SUPPORT, TIME AND ATTENTION IN OUR CYPRESS GARDENS CRISIS HERE AS WELL!

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Robert Bendick'](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 11:05:35 AM

Subject: RE: ACF

thank you Bob. Are you speaking of Georgia's draft agreement?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Bendick [mailto:rbendick@TNC.ORG]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 11:03 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Victoria J. Tschinkel

Subject: ACF

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From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 10:05:56 AM

Subject: Re: Traffic Light

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From: [Pati <pati@pinkpagesdirectory.net>](mailto:pati@pinkpagesdirectory.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 4:25:16 AM

Subject: Florida Tile Artist/Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor, please save this historical part of Florida
Dick Pope brought tourists to Florida ,Walt Disney kept them here and We can
save all the Gardens with David Siegals help. He is willing to work with the
state and keep the gardens as a viable Tourist Attraction. .

My boys and I produced all the hand made clay tiles for the Italian Water
Gardens, then Publix supermarkets found out I was the local tile artist.
They hired me to do Florida scenes on all their beautiful store fronts here
in Florida. I even did the one in Tallahassee and presented your MOM with a
miniature Ceramic Tile art picture when your dad was running for President.

Dick Pope knows the value of the people and I will be in Tallassee speaking
to anyone that will listen
Please save ALL of Beautiful Cypress Gardens.

Your sister in Christ

Pati Mills

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From: [SHELLY VanFleet <shellyvf@sbcglobal.net>](mailto:shellyvf@sbcglobal.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:50:13 AM

Subject: Terri

I am a native Floridian and ashamed of it because of the lack of intervention on behalf of Terri Schievo.

How can you NOT get involved and do what is right ?

I am a health care professional and it is clear to me and anyone else that does a little investigating that Terri was the victim of abuse and quite probably a murder victim survivor. What other matters do you have on your agenda that are more pressing then this case? Oh yeah perhaps the next election hmmm.....

The entire nation is watching and waiting to see what you are going to do.....if anything.

Wake up! Do whats right for Gods sake !

Whats the matter with you? What is taking you so long ? Since when was there a statute of limitations put on an attempted murder? Bring Mr Schievo up for investigation of attempted murder. Don't give him the legal right to finish the job he started years ago.

Regards

Shelly VanFleet

From: Sarahnorthwood@aol.com <Sarahnorthwood@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:42:56 AM

Subject: Terri's fight

Dear Mr. Bush,

Please do something- anything you can to help Terri. You are in a powerful position. May God direct you in your actions since this decision will greatly impact our nation and the world that He has created.

Sincerely,

Sarah Northwood

From: Edrank70@cs.com <Edrank70@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:10:02 AM

Subject: Please save Cypress

The Honorable Jeb Bush,

We want to thank you for all you are doing to save Cypress Gardens.

Cypress has provided many great time and we have made many friends there.

Our annual pass is good until December 21st 2004 and we are hoping that we can continue going there for many years to come.

We will support any decision make, even if he has to invoke eminent domain to save the Gardens.

Our support is for all who help the citizens of Florida,

Thank you so much,

Eugene & Martha Rank
Groveland, FL

From: [Robert Bendick <rbendick@TNC.ORG>](mailto:rbendick@TNC.ORG)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Victoria J. Tschinkel](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 3:03:08 AM

Subject: ACF

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From: Misslersv@aol.com <Misslersv@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:55:21 AM

Subject: friend of terri

PLEASE REVIEW THE FACTS AND SAY A PRAYER AND MAKE A DECISION TO INTERVENE IN TERRI'S
BEHAFE.... THANK YOU ANDY

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'Rockerdoc@aol.com'
Date: 8/7/2003 2:39:16 AM
Subject: RE:

the review board won't work since it can't be the last resort under our laws. Yes, we need insurance reform but we need caps on non economic damages and bad faith insurance reform as well. thank you for writing.

Jeb Bush

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From: Rockerdoc@aol.com [<mailto:Rockerdoc@aol.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 11:42 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject:

Dear Governor Bush, I have been watching the malpractice debate from the sidelines and I wanted to extend to you my opinion for what it is worth. I want to use myself as an example of what is happening in Florida and what I believe to be key to successful reform.

I have been licensed and practicing since 1986. I have had 5 lawsuits filed against me over this time. Three have settled the others were either won in court or thrown out.

Up until October of 2001, my insurability was not in question. Settlements were small and mostly done to get rid of the nuisance(frivolous-type) cases. Obviouly the insurance company saves money by settling for smaller amount rather than take a chance in court(usually) and get hit with a ridiculous amount. As of Oct 2001 standard market insurers will not insure me making if necessary to be exorbitant amounts with nonstandard carriers. For example my rates went from 28K to over 90K iver one night!

I am looked at as high risk though not much has been payed out on my behalf. The suits filed were in fact ridiculous, but the lawyers still made out well for their time.

Here is the only soution I see. All cases into a review board. The merits determined and their decision final. That way no more suing for scars that are a normal course of healing etc. This decision however makes it final and the case can or cannot be filed. Any other solution caps etc I simply do not see solving the problem I have which is common to many physicians. We(Drs) are penalized for situations we cannot control. If cases of no merit are filed, it cost us(Drs reputation because these are all on record), insurance companies pay something, and the risk of trial to high(in today's environment) and rates and Dr insurability will remain in question.

Because these suits are filed, I and others now have to pay more for less because we have done absolutely nothing wrong and have had normal complications occur that do not justify malpractice. Also insurance companies should not be able to simple pick and choose who they insure. This is not helpful either. They need to take some risks too!
Please push this simple notierd sensible plan. Please!

Mont Cartwright

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Tina Ashton'](#)
BCC: [Jim Horne \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 2:34:58 AM
Subject: RE: Campus Security & Autobahn

Thanks, harris. I don't think we will be able to achieve a single point of entry at an University but I will pass on your concerns about security and see the response.

Regarding the audobahn (sp?) concept, where do you suggest we do this?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Tina Ashton [mailto:Tashton@rosenhoteles.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 11:59 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Campus Security & Autobahn

Campus Security

Jeb, about a week ago I drove my son, Jack, up to Gainesville to the University of Florida for a Billy Donovan basketball clinic. Jack had a wonderful time, played a lot of basketball. Jack and I were driving around campus attempting to find the various venues and we discovered that there appears to be a lack of any real concern at the university regarding any possible terrorist activity. I am not suggesting that we create forts or military posts out of college campuses but I do feel that at the very least we should have one entry point on every campus where a security person scrutinizes the occupants of a particular vehicle and where a video camera records the license number of all vehicles entering the campus.

Autobahn

I had a conversation with Dan Webster the other day regarding another crazy idea of mine. While watching a recent program on the history channel regarding the Autobahn in Germany, it occurred to me that we could create an Autobahn right here in the state of Florida which would resolve a number of challenges we currently face. We would create this (no speed limit) super highway where the travelling public would be able to travel at about the same speed as a high-speed rail train, enabling them to remain in their cars which would of course please them to no end. A certain amount of preparatory work would be required to ready the interstate for high-speed travel but I am sure German consultants would be more than pleased to help us with the conversion.

It seems to me that the engineering required to convert the interstate to a super Autobahn highway could be done at a small fraction of the cost of a high-speed rail system. Also, I believe that the super highway would attract tens of thousands of visitors to the state who would look forward to availing themselves of our new super highway system.

Thank you Sir.

Harris Rosen, President
Rosen Hotels & Resorts, Inc.
PH: 407-996-4342
Email: HRosen@Rosenhotels.com

From: [RICHARD ABRAMOWITZ <RRABRAM@AOL.COM>](mailto:RRABRAM@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:29:59 AM

Subject: MED MAL CAPS

RICHARD ABRAMOWITZ
3525 WINDMILL RANCH ROAD
WESTON , FLORIDA 33331

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

MED MAL CAPS ARE UNFAIR TO CHILDREN, AT HOME MOMS AND THR ELDERLY. PLEASE RECONSIDER YOUR POSITION.

Sincerely,

RICHARD ABRAMOWITZ

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'robertschiro@robertschiropractic.com'

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:30:57 AM

Subject: RE: Commission fup

I will take your willingness to serve under consideration. Thank you Edwin.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: robertschiro@robertschiropractic.com [mailto:robertschiro@robertschiropractic.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 12:04 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Commission

Jeb,

It would be an honor to serve another term on the Commission. No Commissioner has the hands on experience with hunting and fishing, both commercial and recreational, then I do. No one has worked any harder then I have. I have been and will continue to be a loyal soldier. Please let me know what your intentions are regarding re-appointment. Do I need to campaign?

Thanks,
Edwin

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['ritavalencia@juno.com'](mailto:ritavalencia@juno.com)
CC: [Raquel Rodriguez \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 2:28:11 AM
Subject: RE: I really need your help

Rocky Rodriguez will be in touch. She is my legal counsel. I am not optimistic about our ability to help but we will try. lamextex@ix.netcom.com

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: ritavalencia@juno.com [mailto:ritavalencia@juno.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 12:36 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: I really need your help

August 5, 2003
Rita S. Valencia
3916 W. Gray Street
Tampa, FL 33609

Dear Governor Bush,

I'm writing you to ask for assistant in a matter of the utmost urgency to me.

I have faith that you could in some way help me resolve this matter that has my life in complete turmoil.

My husband Daniel Valencia Hurtado whom I've been married to for the pass 16 years was born in Columbia and came to this country illegally when he was 18 years old. After several unsuccessful attempts to legalize his situation he is being deported from our country. I am at wits end and am coming to you for your help.

We are members of the Church of Christ At Nebraska Avenue in Tampa and strongly believe in God's supreme power. My husband asked me to write you this letter, because he feels that you will be the one to help us.

I am asking you to please help us.

I know how busy you must be running the state, but If you could find a moment to help a fellow Christian we would be eternally grateful.

When I told my brother I was going to write you, he laughed, but I have faith that some how you'll be able to intercede for us in some way. Maybe talk to your brother's aids or something. I don't know how thing are run in government but you do.

The details are pretty simple in his case. Daniel was deported when we presented ourselves at INS office for an appointment trying to resolve this nightmare back in 1997 Due to our inexperience and all the erroneous advice given us by different attorneys we have yet been able to legalize my husband. His determination for returning to this country is his family, we're all he has in this world.

I guess it all started when Daniel was arrested for possession of less than half gram of cocaine when he was 19 years old, received 2 years probation, which he completed. He was still a kid and had no idea how that one incident would affect us all for the rest of our lives.

He is now 36 years old, a very hard working person, whose matured into a man with high moral character. He now has a lovely American daughter, named Clara who's 5 years old. His only desire is to be able to raise her and watch her grow up in the Lord.

I could tell you a lot more details about our lives, but I stop here for now. I just want you to know that he is a good husband and father and loves this country dearly.

Please help us.

Sincerely,

Rita Valencia

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Joesueh@aol.com'](mailto:Joesueh@aol.com)
BCC: [Scheduling Team](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 2:26:27 AM
Subject: RE: Gift For Teaching fup

sue, God bless you for your efforts. I hope I can highlight what you are doing. The scheduling team will be in touch.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Joesueh@aol.com [mailto:Joesueh@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 12:58 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Gift For Teaching

The mission of A Gift For Teaching is to ensure that students and classrooms in Hillsborough County have the basic tools for learning by transferring, at no cost, the community's surplus supplies and merchandise into the hands of teachers and school children in need.

A Gift for Teaching provides classroom supplies and materials free of charge at a **"FREE STORE" for teachers from 17 identified schools** located throughout Hillsborough County. The targeted schools have an enrollment of at least 90% at-risk children as identified by the free lunch program and have an estimated total enrollment of 8,000 students. Our goal this year is to expand our capacity and **double the number of schools eligible to shop** at our Free Store. The number of students benefiting from our program will increase from 8,000 to 15,000.

The Free Store opened to teachers on 6 October of 2002. We will celebrate our first birthday this October and are planning a party at the store. We only have two paid employees - at very minimal salaries. We are blessed with many volunteers. Our original supplies for the store came from going to corporations, organizations and people and asking for any of their left over supplies. Arthur Andersen was wonderful when they closed up shop here. When I received a call that we were in need of scissors, I called my friends at the Tampa International Airport and asked for their help. We now pick up from Security all of the things taken from people as they check in. We have received MANY scissors.. We are very creative and work on a very lean budget. We have applied for many grants, received some. I have been out visiting with our corporate friends in the community and asking for money. This has been a very difficult year, but we are still open and paying our bills on time.

We would love to have you visit our store when you are in Tampa. It is located at 4440 E. Adamo Dr. Suite 401 in Prologis Park. I can send you a packet of more information about this. As you can see, I am passionate about the program. Joe and I keep talking about when we are going to retire - but - I doubt if it is in the near future.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Sue House

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['avistt'](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:19:00 AM

Subject: RE: Need help...

[thanks for writing. I don't know how I can help. I wish I could.](#)

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From: avistt [mailto:avistt1@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 8:34 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fwd: Need help...

Hi Jeb,

You are always in my prayers! What a tough job you have! I am sending you a letter I received from a young man in my little church. He recently married a young lady of Spanish decent and the goverment red tape is keeping them apart. Maybe you know the strings to pull to reunite these special young people. It would be the answer to a prayer if you can help them.

Hope everyone in your home is well and happy. I have managed to injure my back and am homebound at the present, but my blessing are what I count not my problems.

What is your handsome son doing these days? Gosh I would love to see him run for office.

your friend and intercessor,
granny(Avis Thompson)

Date: Tue, 5 Aug 2003 17:00:53 -0700 (PDT)

From: bret lohbach

Subject: Need help...

To: avistt1@yahoo.com

Dear Mrs. Avis,

How are you doing? We sure have been missing you at church! We have been praying for you and can't wait to have you back once again.

I am writing to see if you could help me with something. As you know, Sara Briceno and I got married earlier this year. She is the young lady who has been staying with pastor Dennis and his family since she came to the states back in September of 2001. She originally felt like the Lord lead her to come to the states to learn to speak English at the English Language Institue at the University of Southern Mississippi. She thought maybe the purpose for this was that English would help her with her physical therapy degree back home in Bogota, Colombia. What she did not expect on was

falling in love. :-)

It has been wonderful getting to know her over the years and it was even more wonderful falling in love with her and marrying her. As you know, the church, especially Dennis and his wife Dara, have really helped us along in our courtship time. They helped keep us accountable and counseled us through our time together here in the states, filling in as her "parents," since hers couldn't be here. A lot of what was shared has come back to bless us since our wedding on May 29, of this year. .

This brings me to the help I was needing. As you know, Sara and I wanted to make a trip down to meet her parents between the school semesters. (She has since finished at the English Language Institute and is currently enrolled at Southeastern Baptist College in Laurel, MS.) We were told that she could get her student visa renewed while we were there and we wouldn't have any problem coming back before school started back on August 18.

Well, the people at the U.S. Embassy have given us the run-a-round and have given us wrong information, and this has caused a huge delay in renewing her visa. Though she has all the legal requirements for her student visa to be renewed, she was asked to get a new I-20 form from Southeastern Baptist College (the old form was suppose to be legal until August 1, but they didn't know that). We went ahead and got the new form, which is computerized now, and we went back to the embassy. They then told us that she needed documentation that she had been in school for the duration of time that she was here, and that she needed proof of the change/continuation in status. Well that information was already in their hands, all they had to do was look at the letters we brought from the schools, and the dates on all her I-20 is proof enough that she had a continuation on her student status. They requested that this continuation in status be notarized by immigration, and everyone I have talked to at USM, who works with international students, everyone has never heard of such a requirement. They really don't know what that means and they don't know how to go about getting it. It just sounded to them like we were being given the run-a-round. The director of Southeastern Baptist College, Dr Parker, said that everything now is online. The reason everything is online is so that all the consulate in Bogota would have to do is double click. He can go online and verify that she is legal.

I went ahead and fed-exed some more transcripts and more letters from the universities to her and she is suppose to go back to the embassy tomorrow. I just feel, though, that no matter how many hoops we jump through, it will never be enough. All the while, time is running out. We already lost the price of her ticket back home, and I had to travel by myself. Boy, was that a hard thing to do! Probably one of the hardest things I have ever had to do!! Leaving the love of my life. .

Also, it is very hard for me to look for a teaching job here, since there might be a chance that I will have to leave before too long. I can't really tell the school that I might be leaving soon and expect them to hire me. That is hard. If Sara doesn't get her student visa renewed then the only other option will be to apply for a spousal visa. We have been hesitant to go that route since the expected time for approval is six to twelve months. If we have to go that route, I feel that it is very important that we are together. I believe that the first year of marriage is the most important time for the family and is a time when you need to devote all that you can to your wife. .

Anyway, that is why we were asking if there was anything you could do to help us. We need help, and we need it yesterday. I have included down below some information that I thought you

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might need. If anything is lacking, please feel free to let me know, and I will be glad to get it to you. Know that we appreciate everything you are doing and for keeping us in your prayers. Sara sends her love, as do I. Hopefully we can get her permission to come home soon and we can start living our lives together as husband and wife!!

Much love,
Bret Lohrbach :-)

Sara Briceno's Colombian Passport number is: AH725479

When she got here on Sept. 19, 2001, she was given this number: 47500258809

She has been here on F1 visas, M entries.

Her control number is 20012347490001

We left for Bogota, Colombia, on June 10, 2003.

A great big heart felt thank you!!!

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From: [Nicks Booher <xxhandlethis09xx@yahoo.com>](mailto:xxhandlethis09xx@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:18:21 AM

Subject: READ THIS NOW!

Dear Jeb,

At the beginning of the school year I was asked to meet with my child's teacher. She was concerned with her grades and lack of interest in school. At the conference she told me, my daughter would not pass this year due to the FCAT TEST.

I thought, "Wow, how could the teacher tell me this before I had got my daughter's first report card?" When I inquired about it, I was told the FCAT was a test to check reading and math skills and that the kids who didn't pass the reading could not go on to fourth grade. No matter what the kids' grades are for the year, if they don't pass the test they do not go on. That doesn't make sense!

The school told me their hands were tied and that YOU JEB were responsible. So that same week you were giving a speech at the American Legion in Port Charlotte so I went there to see you and ask about the FCAT. (Remember me?) You told me the information the school had given me was incorrect. Well it turns out they were correct, my child and 42,999 others are going to be retained.

The school made available an after school program, and I hired a tutor, and I worked with her at home also. I was asked to have another conference to discuss the possibility of her having a reading problem, I figured "great, if we have a problem, let's identify it and fix it." I had no problem with the school officials they were very helpful.

During the next six to eight weeks (the required time) there were a series of tests given to her. After the test results were back we had another meeting. There were several school officials there and a school psychologist.

The ESE teacher left shortly after the meeting began she told me my daughter wasn't even close to being in her class, her test results were to "high" to require ESE. The psychologist explained to me that normally they do six tests, but she decided to do an additional six. She could not find any reason for my daughter's lack of interest other than she is uninterested in school. Great she's bored! Now I have another problem, if she's bored this year, what am I going to do with her next year when she is retained to the same grade level?

By her regular grades she passed, just barely, but she did pass! We worked very hard together. Let Me be responsible for her. If she doesn't pass fourth grade next year at least she would be at fault, not the government.

She's a great kid, she just has to find her strengths and weaknesses out on her own. Not by being retained because of a 2 day timed test!

She may always be the child who has to study twice as hard as everyone else, but let me handle it. Let my family do the job that the politicians are trying to do. I'm her MOM and that is my job!

I think the idea behind the FCAT is a great one but retaining 43,000 third graders is not the answer, nor is holding back 12,000 seniors.

Not every child tests the same, not every child reads fast, not every child is raised the same not everyone had a good day on the test day. There are so many reasons why these children should not be retained. What are we teaching these children when they work hard all year long and still get nowhere? I'm not saying my child did a great job this year, but she worked very hard all year long.

Teachers and administrators all tell me there is nothing they can do. It seems to be up to you! I've talked to hundreds of people that agree that there are all kinds of problems with the FCAT, but no one seems to want to do anything about it. I know there are 43,000 other parents and grandparents that feel the same way. Oh, and the 12,000 seniors that are dealing with this also. Some of those families went from having futures planned for their children must have been.

Graduation is one of the most important days in a young persons life and 12,000 young adults were robbed of that. History in the making? Congradulations!

Teachers should be able to teach math, reading, science, spelling, comprehension, music, sports, art, computers, social studies, etc. in their own individual way. That's what made school more interesting years ago. It seems these days all they do is teach the FCAT. How is it possible for these children to learn anything else, if all they do is study the FCAT material? Just teaching the kids to get by a test makes no sense. No one seems to work on comprehension and other basics. I really have a problem with something I know is wrong. Holding 43,000 kids back, with 12,000 seniors is more then REDICULOUS!

This test seems to hace more to do with money and politics than it has to do with the people who are affected. No one seems to care about the kids. I am an average mom in an average household. I try to raise my children to be good people. I teach them to do their best. That's all i can do as a parent. There has to be another way. As a parent I'm asking you to find one! I can't see how holding all these kids back is going to be helpful to them now or in their futures. If you could clarify it, I'd be willing to listen and i think you could find me if you wanted to.

Respectfully,
Sherri Surrency (A Proud Parent!)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Senator Stephen Wise'](#)
CC: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 2:14:24 AM
Subject: RE: Nursing Shortage

Alan Levine will be in touch.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Senator Stephen Wise [mailto:srwise@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 9:05 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Nursing Shortage

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Governor:

I came across an idea the other day while attending a workforce meeting. A number of years ago in New York a program was created to take police officers and firefighters who were to retire in a few years [like our DROP program] and provide the necessary training to them to become nurses as a second career. The concept came from Mike Nilsson RN who is the 1st Vice President of the Florida Nurses Association and he works for the Dept. of Health. He has been a Nurse for 22 years and was a fireman in NY City for more than 20 years. He participated in the program to obtain is Nursing degree.

This maybe a way to assist with the nursing shortage...Could you have someone on your staff explore the possibilities with me?

Thanks

Steve

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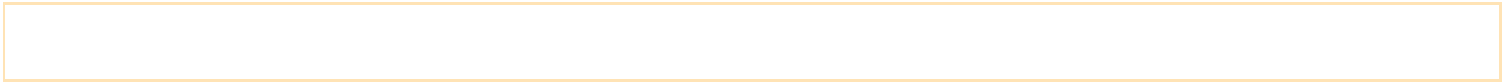
From: [Mark Ball <mfball@sev.org>](mailto:mfball@sev.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:04:13 AM

Subject: Save Terri

Attachments: terri letter.doc
terriletter2.doc



From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Kilmer, Charles A'](#)

CC: [David Struhs Secretary \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:11:20 AM

Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

thank you sir.

Jeb Bush

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From: Kilmer, Charles A [mailto:CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 9:24 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

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Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Jeb,

Thanks for passing on the desalination piece to David Strubs, Secretary of the Environmental Protection. His staff had already gone to visit the experimental project in Georgia--cited by the article--in May. So they are keeping up with cutting edge developments in that field.

There are three other states that are actively considering desalination proposals--who are not already in the desalination coalition currently working to bring legislation before congress to fund more desalination R&D. Those states are [Georgia](#), [Texas](#) & [New Hampshire](#). I'm not sure if its appropriate to lobby the water districts in those states to join the coalition. If it is appropriate to do so--then the way to do so would be to suggest to the heads of the Florida water districts--that they call the heads of the water districts in Georgia Texas & New Hampshire who are considering water desalination--to see if they won't join in co-sponsoring legislation coming before congress. The heads of water districts in Georgia, Texas and New Hampshire would be the kinds of people that the heads of water districts in Florida would run into at national conventions for water district officials. Another way-- though perhaps less appropriate--would be for you to call the governors of those states and have them move their water officials to join the coalition.

On a topic unrelated to desalination but related to environmental concerns.... Here's [a piece](#) that discusses a technology that --by way of heat and pressure--turns sewage and trash into oil. Like desalination, the technology has been around for a couple of decades and like desalination... costs have been too high--that is until this technology. They are saying that they can turn raw sewage, municipal garbage, industrial and agricultural waste --into oil for \$15@ barrel ...and with some tweaking & economies of scale they can do it for \$10@ barrel. The implications for government and business of turning all that sewage and trash from cost center to a profit center are pretty eye opening.

According to the article turning " U.S. agricultural waste (alone) into oil and gas would yield the energy equivalent of 4 billion barrels of oil annually. In 2001 the United States imported 4.2 billion barrels of

oil."

Judging by the caliber of the government, business and scientific people behind the project--it looks to be legit.

Might be appropriate to pass this one along too.

http://www.discover.com/may_03/gthere.html?article=featoil.html

Regards,

Charles Kilmer

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"Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

07/14/03 08:12 PM

To: "Kilmer, Charles A" <CHARLES.Kilmer@associates.dhs.gov>
cc: "David Struhs Secretary (E-mail)" <fl_dep@dep.state.fl.us>
Subject: RE: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

[thank you charles. I am passing this email on to David Struhs, my very able Secretary of Environmental Protection.](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: CHARLES.A.KILMER@CUSTOMS.TREAS.GOV [mailto:CHARLES.A.KILMER@CUSTOMS.TREAS.GOV]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2003 11:42 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: How to create a complete southern border policy with Mexico

Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida

Jeb,

Below is a recent article about a company that looks like it can cut the cost of water desalination from Tampa bay's record +\$600@acre foot or \$2@1000 gallons to -\$300@acre foot or \$1@1000gallons. The technology can also be

used to Augment Tampa's current system to extract the rest of the freshwater from the brine concentrate leaving granular salt--at half the current costs. The company that does this work is called [Aquasonics](http://www.aquasonics.com/tech.html). (http://www.aquasonics.com/tech.html) They're located in Atlanta Georgia.

It might be appropriate to forward this info to state officials responsible for this stuff.

Regards,

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[New Scientist](#)

Hot mist strips salt from the sea

A PROCESS that turns seawater into fresh water at around a third of the cost of conventional desalination is promising a new way of providing clean drinking water, claims one US company.

Called rapid spray evaporation (RSE), it is being developed by AquaSonics International, based in Atlanta, Georgia. The company has produced portable units capable of converting up to 11,000 litres of water a day and is now scaling up the technology for much larger desalination plants.

"Our process attains near 100 per cent efficiency for recovery of feed water," says Henry Lloyd, AquaSonics' chief. This means the process produces virtually no brine, compared with as much as 40 per cent with processes such as reverse osmosis.

Many poor countries struggle to obtain affordable clean water for their burgeoning populations. From Bolivia to South Africa, water has triggered political unrest as poor people are forced to spend an ever-larger slice of their income on this essential commodity.

"There are lots of inland and shoreline communities that are facing the problem of salinity in their water," says Mansur Ali, UNICEF's senior adviser for water, environment and sanitation. This offers a good opportunity to replace the current reverse osmosis method."

Traditional desalination plants simply heat water under a partial vacuum, collecting the vapour that boils off, and condense it, or by a process called reverse osmosis which involves forcing salt water through a fine filter. RSE ejects the salt water through a nozzle into a stream of heated air, forming a mist of droplets which vaporise almost instantly. The minute flakes of solid salt left behind fall to the bottom of the evaporation chamber where they can be collected.

The process was originally conceived by Lloyd Motz and David Secunda at Columbia University, New York, in the 1970s. AquaSonics picked up the idea, patented the process and has spent the past four years

developing it into a workable design. The trick lay in developing nozzles that would allow the process to work with hydraulic pressure, says Lloyd, and in designing the separation chamber. However Lloyd refuses to reveal how they solved these problems, saying that it is proprietary information.

Nevertheless, tests on the system carried out by William Turner of Westwater Resources in Albuquerque, New Mexico, confirmed that it can process water containing up to 16 per cent salt, roughly five times the salinity of seawater and three times that which reverse osmosis desalination can handle.

This makes it ideal for use as an add-on to conventional desalination plants. Taking the concentrated brine and waste heat from a reverse osmosis plant, RSE can achieve near-100 per cent salt-to-fresh conversion and greatly reduce operational costs, says Lloyd. In this configuration, the operating costs for RSE are about one-third of the cost of conventional desalination methods alone, producing 1000 litres of fresh water for between 16 and 27 cents.

RSE can also be used to treat waste water, and Lloyd suggests using it to remove arsenic contamination, which is an acute problem for people living in Bangladesh. (New Scientist, 16 November 2002, p 4).

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From: Dmaaevans@cs.com <Dmaaevans@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:09:13 AM

Subject: Thank you

Marsha L Evans
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Dear Governor Jeb Bush,

Thank you so much for reading and responding to my e-mail in which I sent to you this morning. I also want to thank you for having Patricia Levesque look into the situation regarding my daughter not being able to stay in her school. I was given so information today regarding Charter Schools and I thought I would share a little bit of what I read. It is talking about a public school becoming a charter school and frequently ask question from parents. One of the questions is "Who is eligible to attend a conversion charter school? Any student in Polk County or surrounding counties with which the school board has agreements may attend the charter school. First priority is given to students who are currently enrolled in the school and will be returning to the school. A charter school may also create priorities for a student's brothers and sister, children of a member of the charter school's governing board or children of school employees. Please be aware that charter school, just like traditional public schools, must comply with racial balance requirements."

If I am reading this correctly The Polk County School Board should have created priority for my daughter due to the fact she has a brother in the same school. Not to mention the fact she was already enrolled in the school and has been there for the past three years. Thank you for taking this matter into consideration.

Sincerely,

Marsha Evans

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'john@evergladesadventuresresort.com'
BCC: [Colleen Castille \(E-mail\)](#)
[Kent Perez \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 2:09:37 AM
Subject: RE: workshop fup

I will consider it.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Sprague [mailto:john@evergladesadventuresresort.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 4:40 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: workshop

Good afternoon

Marine Industry Business.

I was wondering if you would entertain the suggestion of the Trustees having another workshop, like the one you did on land purchases; but this time it would be on State lands public policy, affecting water access etc. We feel staff needs direction on some issues for rulemaking. We have had a significant good change in the makeup of the Governor and Cabinet but DEP staff we believe is still operating on prior direction.

If the concept is agreeable with you I would like to start a dialog with some of the stakeholders including the new Office of Boating and Waterways FWCC, Kent, Stephanie and DEP staff to come up with an agenda that they would come to you with. The issues hopefully all sides could agree to needs fixing in rule that are the tougher issues as well as promoting any general policy staff direction changes that are needed.

John Sprague

From: [amy brown <d13ofalb@email.uophx.edu>](mailto:d13ofalb@email.uophx.edu)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:13:07 AM

Subject: SAVE TERRY's LIFE

Save Terry's life. For all the love mankind has to offer

please DO NOT LET her die. STEP- IN do your christian

duty to the people of the U.S.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Jerry Paul'](#)

BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 2:08:12 AM

Subject: RE: fup

[will check with the schedulers, brother Jerry.](#)

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From: Jerry Paul [mailto:jpaul@ewol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 5:05 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject:

Our friend, Dr. Nils Diaz, was appointed Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

First time a Cuban American has served in this post.

Along with fellow nuclear engineer colleagues in industry and academia we are hosting a special forum on nuclear and other energy issues in Gainesville.

Would mean a lot if you could be there even for a quick stop in. V.P.'s of all the top nuclear utilities from around the U.S. will be there and they really want to shake your hand.

Would like to get Secty. Abraham there too.

Tentative dates:

oct. 3
oct. 24
jan. 30

Jerry

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['Barney Bishop'](#)
BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 2:04:54 AM
Subject: RE: Gubernatorial Appointment

thank you barney. I will check with Eli when she gets back from vacation.

Jeb Bush

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From: Barney Bishop [mailto:Barney@thewindsorgroup.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 7:43 PM
To: jeb@jeb.org
Subject: Gubernatorial Appointment

Governor,
A very dear friend of mine has applied for an appointment by you to the newly created Substance Abuse & Mental Health Corporation within DCF. His name is Gordon "Skip" Jolly, and he is the former Police Chief of Sarasota (twice!). Skip has been active for many years at the local and state level with regard to drug prevention. In fact, he was the instigator for the Weed & Seed Program in Sarasota. He also has served on the Board (in the past) of Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. which is one of my non-profit clients in the Sarasota area. Skip has been tireless in giving back to his community. He has served as the Chair of Manasota Community in Schools, the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Sarasota, and he has worked with the United Way on the homeless issue. More importantly, he is a man of integrity, dedicated to helping his fellow man, and a desire to continue to make Florida a better place. Oh, and he's retired - so has lots of time. I highly recommend him to you for this appointment.
Thanks and take care.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Phil Smith'

Date: 8/7/2003 2:02:48 AM

Subject: RE: Viagra & AIDS

Phil, I agree with you. This is a federal policy. I oppose the Viagra benefit.

Jeb Bush

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From: Phil Smith [mailto:phsmithrph1@comcast.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 9:55 PM

To: nhletters@pcnh.com

Cc: Jeb Bush; Charlie Clary; Bev Kilmer; Allan Bense; Jeb Bush

Subject: Viagra & AIDS

We read much in the newspaper and see on the TV about Medicaid cuts, the cost of prescriptions drugs, the cancellation of the eye glasses program and people having to chose between drugs and food. Yes, all distressing news! But did you know that Medicaid pays for VIAGRA? This is about \$40 per month for every male on Medicaid who asks his physician for it! How many pairs of eye glasses would that buy? Take it one step further! Men who are HIV positive and men with active AIDS are also getting VIAGRA paid by MEDICAID! So, we taxpayers are paying out of one pocket to treat HIV positive men and women and AIDS patients and the other pocket to help spread AIDS! How do I know this? I am a pharmacist and I dispense these medications! The next time you call your State Senator or Representative about Medicaid cuts remind him of this. Or, maybe just pick up the phone and call now to protest this misuse of taxpayer funds!

Phil Smith
(850)784-11778
4442 Ashland Rd
Panama City, FL

From: [Phil Smith <phsmithrph1@comcast.net>](mailto:phsmithrph1@comcast.net)

To: nhletters@pcnh.com

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
[Charlie Clary](#)
[Bev Kilmer](#)
[Allan Bense](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 1:54:46 AM

Subject: Viagra & AIDS

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: ['wrevell@hjross.com'](mailto:wrevell@hjross.com)
BCC: [Jose Abreu \(E-mail\)](#)
[Denver Stutler \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/7/2003 1:45:00 AM
Subject: RE: Norman Mansour

thank you Walter. I will see what we can do. I will speak to Earl Durden and the High speed rail folks to see how he has done. There are many that aspire to these positions that can do a good job.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Walter Revell [mailto:WRevell@hjross.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 4:32 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: FW: Norman Mansour

-----Original Message-----

From: Walter Revell [mailto:WRevell@hjross.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 3:25 PM
To: 'flgovernor@eog.state.fl.us'
Subject: Norman Mansour

Governor:

You will be receiving a number of recommendations for re-appointment of Norman Mansour to the Florida Transportation Commission, and mine will be among them.

Virtually everyone in the transportation community who has worked with Norm thinks very highly of him. He is a class guy and has done a fine job on the Transportation Commission and also as a level-headed member of the High Speed Rail Authority.

The St. Joe Company acquired Norm's real estate brokerage and management business three years ago, so he has had the time and the resources to devote to public service, and I admire him for the special commitment he has demonstrated.

I particularly want to dispel the rumor that Norm was too close to John McKay. Norm knows John well, of course, because they live in the same area and Norm has been a strong supporter of Republican candidates and office-holders.

However, from personal experience, I know that Norm is a strong supporter of you and your administration, and I believe he has earned another four years on the Transportation Commission. His organizational work on the recent group trip to Washington regarding federal transportation funding was exemplary.

Thank you, and best wishes.

Walter Revell

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['T Fair'](#)

BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 1:43:21 AM

Subject: RE: Urban League 60th Anniversary fup

[I will see if we can make it. Congrats, Tal.](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: T Fair [mailto:twfair@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 2:40 PM
To: Jeb Bush; bushj@eog.state.fl.us
Subject: Urban League 60th Anniversary

My Friend!

I spoke with Wendy Grant this morning, and asked that she pass on a request to you from me. But I decided that I would follow-up with this e-mail.

On Saturday, November 1, 2003, the Urban League of Greater Miami, Inc., will celebrate its 60th anniversary and my 40th anniversary with the Urban League of Greater Miami. I would like to have you and Columba with me on that evening, to host a reception and to introduce me.

I trust that your schedule will allow you to be with me on that evening. More details will follow.

Thanks in advance.

T. Willard

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From: J0hn Pemberton <stonecoldjp@webtv.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 1:37:01 AM

Subject: Rocky Flash

Dear Govenor Bush

It has been asked of me by mr flash to let you know of his recent incarceration,

he was arrested last fri am at the nascar registration trailer while signing for his brickyard400 credintials.

rocky is being held at the marion co.jail

in indianapolis on 250,000 bond,1 count stalking,2 counts inv.of privacy.

Apparently ms susan holtsclaw is chapped in the rear about the 13th circuit court case in fla and made friendly conversation,had rock to her home used him to get her friends into a recent wwe

wresling show,and into brickyard 400 qualifying,

rocky spotted her car at a local pub,

thats in my parents back yard <virtually>

as he left dinner at my moms.rock e-mailed susan about it,and she is accusing him of stalking,no record of a restraining order ,and peculiar

he getts cuffed in front of nascar and at the arraignment susans

attourney kept trying to get the case in the 13th dist, tossed

and he phoned rocky's council see how rock was enjoying his"new diggs"

also threatened to put rock in ambulance.

I think i got to everything he wanted

no,he needs the address of Mr.Mark Ober

13th circuit ,state attourney.

please send replies to me,i'll read them to him via phone until he gets out,

his hearing is monday i'll keep you posted

Thank you Govenor for your time.

John Pemberton

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Nina Oviedo'](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 1:36:52 AM

Subject: RE: NGA Leadership Update-Summer Meeting

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Jeb Bush

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> Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 8:13 PM

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To: 'mc'

Date: 8/7/2003 1:36:00 AM

Subject: RE:

thank you Michelle. We are doing what we can to help.

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Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 8:23 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush,

I would like to thank you for your commitment to funding the developmentally disabled programs and I would like it if you could add AUTISM INSURANCE to this. I am one of many parents who have a child with autism and I am Chairing Autism events to raise funds that way. I am asking for your help with this devastating cause.

With thanks,

Michelle Cruz

401 Casuarina Concourse

Coral Gables, FL 33143

(305)667-4886

From: [Howard MacCalla <hmaccalla@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:hmaccalla@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 12:58:01 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

First I would like to personally thank you for your effort's to save Cypress Gardens and I wish you all the best in finalizing the purchase of the park from the current irrational owners. I know your a busy man so I'll try not to be too long.

I was a Water Skier at Cypress Gardens for 15 years when it abruptly closed. I have a long family history with the park, my parents were also water skiers. They met there and subsequently had four children. I also met my wife there and we currently have two children. Anyway I hope someday my children have the opportunity to Water Ski at CG and who knows maybe they'll meet their better half at good ol' CYPRESS GARDENS.

My Aunt was also a Cypress Gardens water skier. She met her husband at the park and they have seven children. On a side note the Winter Haven city logo is a picture of my aunt water skiing holding a glass of orange juice. That logo has been around for 50+ years.

I guess my point is that's a lot of children who wouldn't be around if it wasn't for Cypress Gardens. You certainly wouldn't be receiving this e-mail. It never ceases to amaze me how many people have been touched by Cypress Gardens over the years. I have been fortunate enough to travel all over the world representing Florida's Cypress Gardens while performing water ski shows. Amazingly while traveling most people have heard of Walt Disney World (of course) and good ol' CYPRESS GARDENS but most don't know the state of Florida. We keep spreading the word though.

Please help save good ol' Cypress Gardens from what will certainly become lakefront condo's (the owners have already shown us that). Cypress Gardens has been a GREAT representative for the state of Florida for 67 years. Isn't time for the state to step in and help represent Cypress Gardens.

Please forgive me for rambling on, it's not hard to do when you feel so passionate about something. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Howard Mac Calla

Former Cypress Gardens Water Skier

From: [Warford, Jim <Jim.Warford@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Warford@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/7/2003 12:51:46 AM

Subject: Re: Miami-Dade Portfolio Question

Will get you a copy of their guidelines and samples. Mary Laura has also looked at it.

From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@sso.org>](mailto:oviedon@sso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Melissa Freedman](#)
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Date: 8/7/2003 12:13:22 AM

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From: [Betty Lou Hale <mrcatsmama@yahoo.com>](mailto:mrcatsmama@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:42:04 PM

Subject: Terry Schindler-Schiavo

Dear Governor Bush,

My name is Betty Lou A. Hale, and I live in Elyria, Ohio. I have been introduced to the Terry Schindler-Schiavo case through Glenn Beck. From what I have heard, seen and read, I believe that her husband Michael tried to kill her because he has another woman. While having another woman isn't illegal, trying to kill your wife is in any state. I pray to God that you have the same morals as your brother, the President. Please intercede for this woman who lived through a horrible beating and strangulation attempt and is still alive and responding to people and stimuli. Please go to the web site: friendsofterry.org for an up to date look at her case.

Please Mr. Governor, let this woman live! Please get involved! Please, please, please, please, Mr. Governor! I have signed a petition to you to look into this case. This case isn't as newsworthy as the murder of the famous socialite several years back. but if you don't do something, and Terry is left to die, a MURDERER will go free and possibly MURDER again! I know for a fact, Mr. Governor, that you don't want something like this to sully your reputation nor the office of governor. I'm also sure that you wouldn't want the death of Terry Schindler-Schiavo on your conscience if you found, at a later date that Michael really did kill his wife. Women are not chattel, Mr. Governor, and that is how Michael thinks of Terry --he's her husband and he can do anything he wants! Even if it means killing her!!!!

Please Governor Bush, please look into this case and rule in Terry's favor. Believe me, Mr. Governor this can be a political feather in your cap at election time if you let her live. It can also kill you politically if you let her die.

Please get involved, Governor Bush.

Sincerely,

Miss Betty Lou A. Hale
150 South Carolina Avenue
Elyria, Ohio 44035-7817
mrcatsmama@yahoo.com

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From: [Barney Bishop <Barney@thewindsorgroup.net>](mailto:Barney@thewindsorgroup.net)

To: jeb@jeb.org

Date: 8/6/2003 11:43:05 PM

Subject: Gubernatorial Appointment

Governor,

A very dear friend of mine has applied for an appointment by you to the newly created Substance Abuse & Mental Health Corporation within DCF. His name is Gordon "Skip" Jolly, and he is the former Police Chief of Sarasota (twice!). Skip has been active for many years at the local and state level with regard to drug prevention. In fact, he was the instigator for the Weed & Seed Program in Sarasota. He also has served on the Board (in the past) of Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. which is one of my non-profit clients in the Sarasota area. Skip has been tireless in giving back to his community. He has served as the Chair of Manasota Community in Schools, the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Sarasota, and he has worked with the United Way on the homeless issue. More importantly, he is a man of integrity, dedicated to helping his fellow man, and a desire to continue to make Florida a better place. Oh, and he's retired - so has lots of time. I highly recommend him to you for this appointment.

Thanks and take care.

Barney T. Bishop III
President & Chief Executive Officer
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Tallahassee, FL 32308-4906

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Mayor](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:24:51 PM

Subject: RE: FDLE appointment

thanks, Rick.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Mayor [mailto:Mayor@stpete.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 4:30 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FDLE appointment

I understand that Everett Rice has applied for the FDLE opening. I think he has done a great job in Pinellas and, with both law enforcement and legal background, would be a good selection. Best wishes.

Rick

From: [lewsnootral <lewsnootral@netzero.net>](mailto:lewsnootral@netzero.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:19:31 PM

Subject: your re election

I voted for you Jeb, but I , in good faith could never vote for you again for anything if you stand by and let terri Shyvo be murdered. You can order a stay of execution; YOU can order an investigation. I have seen the video. She is ALIVE! If she dies, her blood is on your hands. It is UP TO YOU! Stand in the Gap man.

Gregory T. Malarkey

lewsnootral@netzero.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Tom David](#)

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:09:49 PM

Subject: RE: Miami River Commission Policy Committee

[thank you Tom for your willingness to serve.](#)

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From: Tom David [mailto:tom@tomdavid.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 3:31 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Miami River Commission Policy Committee

Dear Governor Bush:

Attached please find a copy of the cover letter seeking appointment to the Miami River Commission Policy Committee. I know I can be an excellent representative of your interests on the Committee and hope you will appoint me.

You may recall that I most recently worked for Steve Shiver as his Chief of Staff and in 2000 was the Republican nominee for the Florida House in District 119. (Thank you again for your kind endorsement.)

If you have any questions, please let me know.

-Tom

Tom David

tom@tomdavid.com

Phone: (305) 491-1485

Fax: (305) 468-6256

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Tramm Hudson](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:07:12 PM

Subject: RE: Latest Contitutional Amendment

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Jeb Bush

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From: Tramm Hudson [mailto:tramm.hudson@providentbank.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 4:00 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Latest Contitutional Amendment

As you may be aware, the latest proposed amendment is from a campaign by a group called the Florida Hometown Democracy. They want to add language to the constitution that would allow all changes to city and county growth management plans be decided by the voters in referendums. This is a dumb idea. I must have received over 15 calls in the last week on this wanting to know if you are tracking this proposal or if someone in your office is monitoring it. Pls let me know who I should refer these folks to. Thanks.

Sarah and I are looking forward to going out to Crawford this weekend. Hope all is well...

Tramm Hudson

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jan B Brewer](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:04:47 PM

Subject: RE: Thank you

You were not impolite or rude. Don't worry about that at all! I wish you and your kids all of the best.

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From: Jan B Brewer [mailto:jwbrewer@desoto.net]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 2:17 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank you

Dear Sir,

Thank you so much for the phone call you made to my children tonight. It meant so much to them and to me. I sincerely mean you made a huge difference in my husband's life-for that I am also grateful. He

absolutely loved working for the Citrus Commission and was thrilled to be Chairman again and working for another term.


I am very embarrassed at how I answered the phone tonight when you called-I was very abrupt and rude when I said hello. My inlaws are giving me a very hard time and making life difficult(not surprising) my husband was a completely different man from his family. But I sincerely apologize for answering so rudely. My father-in-law had just called and was rude to my mother so I assumed it was him calling again-but you know what they say when you assume.

Thank you again for your kindness-it meant the world. I suppose my cheeks will quite being red now that I have apologized for my phone manners. Thank goodness mom didn't over hear me-you know how mom's are about manners.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart-for me, my boys and Walt.

Sincerely,

Jan Brewer

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [E. T. York](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:55:24 PM

Subject: RE: Amendment 11 and other education issues

thank you for sharing your views. I respect you E.T. but we have a respectful disagreement on the governance issue. You seem to yearn for the "good old days" regarding the universities. Frankly, I don't remember them the same way nor do many others.

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From: E. T. York [mailto:york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 5:21 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Amendment 11 and other education issues

Dear Governor Bush:

I am including with this message recent editorials from the Florida Trend *and the Tampa Tribune highly critical of your administration's treatment of the University System in the last two years.* These are merely two of literally scores of such press articles on this issue. I have yet to see one positive treatment of your university governance plan.

I am also including a recent letter to the editor on the additional administrative cost associated with the new governance system. This is one of many letters and op-ed pieces I have written on this general subject.

As one who voted and provided financial support for your father, your brother George, and twice for you, I am terribly disappointed in your handling of this and related matters. My great hopes for your administration are sadly fading away as a result of the manner in which Amendment 11 has been treated, as well as your administration's dismal record of support for our state universities. In the last three years, the universities' share of the state budget has fallen three percent, representing tens of millions of dollars. Your recommendations for funding of our universities in relation to other state agencies is the poorest of any governor's I can recall

I have been very impressed with and supportive of the President's efforts in Iraq. I received a letter from your father inviting me to the President's Dinner in Washington last spring, written, presumably to loyal Republicans. I am still a committed Republican, and my commitment to the party is the primary reason I am writing you, expressing my concern about some of your actions as Governor.

I regret very much to have to say these things, but I feel very strongly about them.

E. T.

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Education: AWOL?

Is Florida's new university Board of Governors out sick or just late arriving?

By Mary Ellen Klas

The 17-member Board of Governors has had a low profile since voters overwhelmingly approved Amendment 11 last November, which created the board. The board's absence was particularly notable during the tumultuous legislative session in which legislators tackled tuition increases and caps on university president salaries.

Those are decisions that supporters of Amendment 11 envisioned the new Board of Governors would make - shielded, in theory, from the whims of the Legislature. But the board was a no-show and, when it met, its first order of business was to delegate its hiring authority to Jim Horne, commissioner of education.

Amendment supporters are not pleased. U.S. Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., the chief backer, and other supporters are considering suing to force implementation of the amendment as conceived.

"It's as if they never heard the people express themselves in November," says Robin Gibson, the lawyer who drafted the constitutional amendment and is now considering the legal challenge.

Also troubling to the group is the decision by three universities to hire prominent politicians as presidents and then significantly raise their salaries. Amendment proponents are also alarmed by the resignation of Richard Briggs, the faculty representative on the Board of Governors, and the departure of Adam Herbert, the highly regarded former chancellor of the Board of Regents.

Briggs, a nationally recognized professor of radiology, left Florida after more than 15 years to take a teaching position in Texas. He says he was disillusioned with higher education in Florida and the board in particular, which he says has "intentionally tried not to do very much." Herbert left his research institute at the University of North Florida to become president at Indiana University. Many had hoped he would be a candidate for the top job at the University of Florida.

'Timing was unfortunate'

Amendment 11 created a citizen governing board to "operate, regulate and control ... the whole university system." It was designed to resurrect the Board of Regents, which was abolished by the Legislature in 2001, and replace it with a new hybrid system that retains the local Boards of Trustees while buffering the trustees and the BOG from capricious politicians by giving them constitutional status.

Gov. Jeb Bush campaigned against the amendment but dutifully appointed the board when voters approved it, filling it with allies, including Carolyn Roberts, the former Regents chairwoman who led an effort to defeat the amendment.

The board has had five meetings, two of them conference calls, since it came to life Jan. 7. It has three more scheduled for this year. It adopted all of the old Board of Regents rules at its first

meeting, required the trustees to seek board approval for all future programs and delegated the authority to hire staff, including a new chancellor, to Horne, who is also appointed by Bush.

In June, Roberts replaced the board's chairman, Jacksonville businessman Tom Petway, who left to become the co-chairman of President George W. Bush's re-election campaign in Florida. Roberts has no apologies for opposing the amendment. She believes Bush's goal of creating a "seamless" K-20 structure under a single Board of Education "should have been given a chance to work."

Roberts agrees the board could have done more to offset legislative action last session, but "the timing was unfortunate" because the board was so new and didn't have time to organize and respond.

Steve Uhlfelder, the only member of the Board of Governors who has served on both the Board of Regents and its successor on the Bush-appointed Board of Education, believes that "over time, the board will assume more power and more Responsibility," but until they have a structure in place, it is foolish to meddle in legislative affairs. "You just irritate the Legislature," he says.

Gibson is unsympathetic. "They sound like they're building a spaceship to Mars," he says. "This has all been done before. We had a governing structure in place before for 96 years." He says that if the board doesn't have the backbone to tell politicians to stay out of higher education policy as the constitutional amendment contemplated, there are volumes of case law that can show them how.

"It's a question of: Are our universities best governed by political figures or are they best governed by independent citizen boards?" Gibson says. "If you look across the country, the proof is in the independent citizen boards."

THE TAMPA TRIBUNE
July 26, 2003

The Reckless Undermining Of State's University System

University of Central Florida President John Hitt aptly describes the fiscal crisis that is forcing state university presidents to implement an enrollment cap.

"It's a mess," Hitt says.

Much the same could be said of the state university system, thanks largely to Gov. Jeb Bush's haphazard and highly political restructuring and a state House indifferent toward higher education.

So now universities may have to cap enrollment or impose extremely restrictive admission requirements. The other alternative is to severely limit class offerings - and further erode Florida's academic standing.

Attracting And Nurturing Businesses

Nothing may be more important to the state's future prosperity than its higher education system, which develops a productive work force, attracts and nurtures businesses and undertakes research critical to commerce and society.

Characteristically, House Speaker Johnnie Byrd refuses to deal with the consequences of his acts and blithely instructs universities to put funds to better use. Yes, there are always classes and programs that can be eliminated. But the idea that the state should drop all programs that are not overflowing with students is a prescription for mediocrity and failure.

Sometimes it is the arcane disciplines, which attract few students, that may catch the attention of industry, generate the most significant research or bring innovative thinkers to the state. If universities are forced into a numbers game, then some of the brightest students will look elsewhere for educations and careers. And businesses will take note.

State Universities already have had to educate 22,000 unfunded students over the past two years. Next year, thanks to the Legislature's irresponsible budget, there will be that many more.

And the state's 28 community colleges were similarly neglected. They won't receive state funding for more than 150,000 new students this year. The state Senate, to its credit, fought vainly for more funds. Senate President Jim King warned that the House's plan would prove disastrous. But Byrd, who intends to run for the U.S. Senate, wouldn't budge.

Now even former Lt. Gov. Frank Brogan, who left the Bush administration to become president of Florida Atlantic University, warns that Florida is compromising its education system.

"At what point are we running the risk of having to take out of the hide of quality for all our students in order to serve the interest of quantity?" he said of the budget crunch.

But Brogan is not blameless. He participated in the administration's overhaul that left the university system virtually defenseless in Tallahassee.

The governor pushed for the hasty elimination of the state Board of Regents, the 14-member, governor-appointed body that had coordinated higher education policies.

Governor-appointed local boards of trustees were given jurisdiction over each university. The state Board of Education was given ultimate oversight. The seven-member, governor-appointed panel was charged with overseeing all public schools, community colleges and universities - a cumbersome, illogical setup.

Lawmakers also were eager to get rid of the Board of Regents, which had angered Tallahassee heavyweights by occasionally opposing their plans for their favorite universities. The reorganization gave lawmakers more freedom to dictate university policy. It also gave the governor plenty of patronage power. So, with little planning or public debate, the regents were summarily eliminated.

Florida quickly gained a national reputation for a politicized university system and it became more difficult to recruit scholars, even university presidents.

In desperation, opponents of the restructuring proposed Amendment 11. The constitutional amendment called for the restoration of a state university oversight board and 13-member

boards of trustees at each university to monitor most local decisions. The 17-member Board of Governors was to provide overall guidance, making sure there was no wasteful duplication.

This was a solid plan and voters overwhelmingly endorsed it last year. Alas, the governor high-handedly ignored the amendment's intent. He appointed a Board of Governors headed by the woman who led the campaign against Amendment 11. And the board, rather than guiding university policy, has been timid, if not worthless.

The Legislative Fiscal Assault

Department of Education chief Jim Horne handpicked the chancellor without complaint from the board, which should have made the choice. The chancellor and the board did little to guard universities from the fiscal assault during the legislative session.

Does anyone think that the universities would have been treated so contemptuously if the state had a governing board truly dedicated to advancing higher education?

Now university presidents face the prospect of slamming the door in qualified students' faces. And Florida's academic reputation is in shambles.

The universities will muddle along one way or another. But a high price will be paid by Florida's students, whose higher education options are going to be severely curtailed. And the consequences for the state's long-term economic prospects are likely to be negative and substantial.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

For at least a year, horror stories have been circulating about the expected costs of the new financial systems being installed by Florida's public universities, once the universities abandon the State's accounting program.

For example, an article in the current issue of THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION states that the University of Florida "expects to spend about \$25 million above and beyond what it normally spends." THE CHRONICLE article also states that "Florida A&M University has spent \$8.8 million already and has budgeted \$18.8 million more to complete its system project." Based on Florida A&M's estimate, some have suggested that the \$25 million projected for UF is much too low.

The CHRONICLE article also says, "The state Legislature did not appropriate any additional moneys to help pay for new systems."

Significant, also, is the fact that the Legislature appropriated no money to pay for the many additional expenses resulting from the "devolvement" of responsibilities to universities under the new governance system including, for example, the expense associated with having 11 Boards of Trustees, instead of a single Board of Regents.

Obviously, since no additional money was appropriated for these new functions, the universities must invade funds that could have been used for other purposes such as faculty salaries,

student aid, or program support for teaching and research activities.

Given the dramatic under funding of our state universities these past two years and the additional costs of running 11 independent institutions, we are ignoring the economies of scale. To me, that doesn't seem to be a prudent or responsible way to spend tax-payer dollars.

While I have long argued that the universities could benefit from more local control, at the same time common sense demands that some functions can be more efficiently and inexpensively performed on the statewide level. It seems that the Governor, the Legislature, and now the Board of Governors may have ignored this fact.

E. T. York
Chancellor Emeritus
State University System of Florida

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Raquel Rodriguez \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/6/2003 10:51:19 PM
Subject: FW:

please respond.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: ritavalencia@juno.com [mailto:ritavalencia@juno.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 4:15 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject:

August 5, 2003
Rita S. Valencia
3916 W. Gray Street
Tampa, FL 33609

Dear Governor Bush,

I'm writing you to ask for assistance in a matter of the utmost urgency to me.

I have faith that you could in some way help me resolve this matter that has my life in complete turmoil.

My husband Daniel Valencia Hurtado whom I've been married to for the past 16 years was born in Columbia and came to this country illegally when he was 18 years old. After several unsuccessful attempts to legalize his situation he is being deported from our country. I am at wits end and am coming to you for your help.

We are members of the Church of Christ At Nebraska Avenue in Tampa and strongly believe in God's supreme power. My husband asked me to write you this letter, because he feels that you will be the one to help us.

I am asking you to please help us.

I know how busy you must be running the state, but if you could find a moment to help a fellow Christian we would be eternally grateful.

When I told my brother I was going to write you, he laughed, but I have faith that somehow you'll be able to intercede for us in some way.

Maybe talk to your brother's aids or something. I don't know how things are run in government but you do.

The details are pretty simple in his case. Daniel was deported when we presented ourselves at INS office for an appointment trying to resolve this nightmare back in 1997. Due to our inexperience and all the erroneous advice given us by different attorneys we have yet been able to legalize my husband. His determination for returning to this country is his family, we're all he has in this world.

I guess it all started when Daniel was arrested for possession of less than half gram of cocaine when he was 19 years old, received 2 years probation, which he completed. He was still a kid and had no idea how that one incident would affect us all for the rest of our lives.

He is now 36 years old, a very hard working person, whose matured into a man with high moral character. He now has a lovely American daughter, named Clara who's 5 years old. His only desire is to be able to raise her and watch her grow up in the Lord.

I could tell you a lot more details about our lives, but I stop here for now. I just want you to know that he is a good husband and father and loves this country dearly.

Please help us.

Sincerely,

Rita Valencia

From: [Jack Moran <jmoran@gulf.net>](mailto:jmoran@gulf.net)

To: [Schlesinger, Cynthia](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:44:32 PM

Subject: Fw: Medicaid Audit Bill on the Governors Desk (#33511/13034)

My appologies, Please . . .

I believe it is Dr. Medows,

> Dear Dr. Schlesinger,

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> My July 3nd email was sent to encourage the Governor to sign the "Medicaid

> Audit Bill" (SB 1428) that was before him at that time. If it provided

any

> part of that encouragement, I am thrilled.

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> I do appreciate you taking the time to respond. I respect that; however,

I

> must take a firm position on the facts surrounding the issue, and on our

> experiences with the "Agency" over the issues with audits and Heritage.

> Please do not interpret my firmness as an affront to you, or the Agency,

as

> none is intended.

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> The explanation of the sequence of our audit that you recount is generally

> accurate, although somewhat "glossy". (Like, we never got an explanation

> from the Agency, and it took us 18 months to get our audit claim

> "mitigated", and we had to hire legal counsel - at a high cost - to get

that

> done.) No "due process" was offered, or given. We had to assert due

> process - at great length.

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> The fact is that Heritage or "the Agency" used contrived sampling that

> heavily skewed their "most valid tool to learn about large population . .

> .", and that resulted in fraudulent claims by Heritage and the Agency.

That

> is something that I, as a Fraud Examiner can prove, beyond the shadow of a
> doubt, and will be more than happy to share with you in intimate detail if
> you desire. Please, understand we are happy with the outcome (SB 1428),
> and
> would like for the whole mess to go away. I am not looking to raise these
> issues again. We just want to do our job, and help Jeb solve the Medicaid
> budget problem if we can.
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> Although their (Heritage) Methodology was sound, their scheming and
> contrivances of their samplings destroyed their credibility and any the
> statistical value of any determinations they might have made. Their
> underhanded tactics of having pharmacists abdicate their rights to
recourse
> or due process by signing a cleverly worded "Exit Statement" was just
plain
> dirty. The whole affair smelled like ENRON, MCI, and a host of other
recent
> ill-conceived executive-decision events.
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> Thus I think that SB 1428 that passed the 2003 Legislature was sound and
> desperately needed legislation. I do agree that the State Legislature and
> the Governor have worked hard to protect the interest of both the citizens
> and independent pharmacies, and for that we are very, very thankful.
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> I would suggest to you, as a physician, that you consider that the Agency
> might work harder to make the physician a part of the economic solution as
> well as the medical solution. Engage the medical and technological
> communities for solutions. There is a plethora of tools such as
Eprocrates,
> a software that will present the attending physician with the preferred
> formulary of the Agency at the time of diagnosis and prescribing, allowing
> the physician to discuss the Rx options (cost & effectiveness) with the
> patient. That software in the hands of attending physicians has a track
> record of REDUCING Rx costs by 10% to 20% and doing it legitimately. I
> offered, repeatedly, to facilitate a dialog between the Agency and
> Eprocrates, but to no avail.
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> In closing, I do appreciate your taking the time to respond to us, and the

> Governor for requesting it. However, the ploy of "RECOVERY" used by the
> Agency has been learned by, or migrated to other HMO's who are using
similar
> tactics, but much more refined. They are not even sending auditors to the
> pharmacies. They are just SENDING DEMANDS for "recovery", and will
> "off-set" future payments due the pharmacy if such demands are not met.
> They are even REQUIRING pharmacies to agree to such "recoveries on demand"
> and "off-set" payments, or they will disengage their contracts as
providers
> of Rx in rural areas. Mark my words, such tactics will drastically
reduce
> the delivery of healthcare in rural Florida. We are currently being
> "forced" to sign such a contract, or loose as much as 15% of our
revenue -
> which we can ill afford to do. We (independent pharmacies) need a Bill
like
> SB 1428 that will require ALL HMO's to play by fair rules. Our legal
> defense costs are becoming onerous.

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> Again thank you for your time, and my regards to the Governor.

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> Jack & Julie Moran

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Schlesinger, Cynthia" <schlesic@fdhc.state.fl.us>
> To: <jmoran@gulf.net>
> Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 1:54 PM
> Subject: RE: Medicaid Audit Bill on the Governors Desk (#33511/13034)

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> > Dear Mr. Moran:
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> > Governor Bush asked me to look into the concerns you expressed in your
> > July
> > 2 e-mail about the Heritage audit of Century Pharmacy.
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> > I understand that Agency representatives already have met with you and
> > others to explain the audit process and to answer questions from
> > pharmacists. Additional workshops were held to work through these
issues.
> > Input from these meetings resulted in expansion of suggested

documentation

> > set forth in the Agency's preliminary audit letters.

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> > The Agency's auditing processes generally include issuance of these
> > preliminary letters to give providers an opportunity to dispute findings
> > they believe are in error or to submit additional documentation that may
> not

> > have been available during the actual audit. The audit of Century
> Pharmacy

> > followed these processes and resulted in a preliminary audit letter
issued

> > on January 25, 2002, with a total overpayment of \$5,185.58. The
pharmacy

> > supplied additional documentation that mitigated the discrepancies
> assessed

> > in the prescription sample review. This resulted in a final
determination

> > that no overpayment had occurred. The overpayment in the sample, when
> > extended to the population of claims, resulted in our issuing an
education

> > letter on September 12, 2002. Education letters are used to summarize
the

> > issues encountered during an audit to help the pharmacy avoid similar
> issues

> > in the future.

> >

> > The Agency also routinely uses sampling and statistics in its auditing
> > processes. Statistical sampling and estimation techniques are widely
> > accepted as reasonable and are used in both the public and private
> sectors.

> > They are considered to be the most valid tools to learn about a large
> > population without reviewing more than a small subset of it. A random
> > sample was used in the audit of Century Pharmacy, using the statistical
> > sampling and estimation methodology designed specifically by Heritage
> > Information Systems, Inc., to use in reviewing pharmacy claims data. The
> > methodology was designed by statisticians in the Department of

> Epidemiology

> > and Biostatistics at the Case Western Reserve University School of
> Medicine

> > in Cleveland, Ohio, in consultation with Heritage staff. The performance
> of

> > the Heritage methodology has been periodically examined, and its
designers

> > and other statisticians have documented its validity. Under the
> provisions

> > of SB 1428 passed by the 2003 Legislature, we will no longer be using

> > statistical sampling in future pharmacy audits.

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> > I appreciate the opportunity to address your concerns, and I hope you will

> > agree that we have worked hard with industry representatives to resolve

> > these and other issues. We are always interested in ways to improve our

> > processes. It is with cooperation of citizens such as you that we are

> able

> > to continue to champion accessible, quality health care for all

> Floridians.

> >

> > Sincerely,

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> > Rhonda M. Medows, MD

> > Secretary

> > Agency for Health Care Administration

> > 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #1

> > Tallahassee, FL 32308

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> > -----Original Message-----

> > From: Jack Moran [mailto:jmoran@gulf.net]

> > Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2003 12:57 PM

> > To: Charlie Clary; MURZIN.DAVE; PEADEN.DURELL.WEB

> > Subject: Medicaid Audit Bill on the Governors Desk

> > Importance: High

> > Requested Medicaid Audit Information

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> > Our pharmacy was "audited" by ACHA under the pretense of examining for

> > "fraud".

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> > The "auditors" attempted to coerce, extort the pharmacist by setting

> > conditions of audit in direct violation of Florida Statute and Rule.

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> > They did not follow the guidelines of or have authority to audit under

> F.S.

> > 120. Subsequently, they sought such authority from the state legislature
> > the following year
> >
> > Their "basis" for recovery was a surreptitious effort to
> > 1. Ignore ALL electronic documentation
> > 2. Require the pharmacist to abdicate their legal rights to challenge
> > the "audit"
> > 3. Agree extrapolation based on a contrived and illegal sample.
> >
> > As an experienced auditor and fraud examiner (my wife is the pharmacist),
> |
> > * Challenged the "auditors" on all three issues in writing at the time of
of
> > the audit,
> > * Analyzed the statistical probability of the "random sample" basis for
> > their extrapolation, and found the statistical characteristics of their
> > "sample" to be grossly incongruent with the characteristics of the
sample
> > universe! (Meaning the sample was likely contrived and fraudulent).
> > * Video taped the entire audit experience
> > * Kept detail records on all documents & communications involved
> >
> > Heritage denied having received any supportive records we sent by
> certified
> > mail, or other information from either our pharmacy, or our attorney in
> the
> > matter.
> >
> > However, as a result of these precautions and a pro-active posture, our
> > estimated six-figure "recovery or payback" was reduced first to
\$5,185.58,
> > and then to \$27.13. That last amount was ultimately waived after more
> than
> > a year from the time of the audit. Our attorney fees in this matter
were
> > \$1,306.25. Fraud/Auditor Consultant fees, pro bono.
> >
> > Without being an attorney, but reading the law for my own edification I
> > submit my own observations and interpretations on the attached pages in
> > support of this summary statement.
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> >
> > Julie & Jack Moran
> > Century Pharmacy, L.L.C.

> > (850) 256-3472

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> > A question of Fraud and Anti-Trust Violations

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> > At the end of the "audits", the Heritage auditor(s) require that the

> audited

> > pharmacist sign the "exit statement". There are two sentences of

> agreement

> > above that required signature. Those sentences relate to:

> > a) Permission of Heritage/AHCA to "extrapolate" the results of the

> > audit based on the "random" sample of prescriptions audited - thus

> ratifying

> > an agreement between the pharmacist and the auditor that the sample is

in

> > fact "random" as well as agreeing to "allow" extrapolation of the

> sample-set

> > to the Universal-Set of Medicaid prescriptions filled by the Pharmacy.

> This

> > "extrapolation" then becomes an agreed upon multiplier for recovery by

> > Heritage/AHCA.

> > b) An affirmation that all documents or supportive information has been

> > delivered to and reviewed by the Heritage auditor - thus giving up one's

> > right to submit additional information or information that may have been

> > ignored, and in many cases refused by the Heritage auditor.

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> > Obviously, both of these elements have severe legal ramifications and

thus

> > the document should only be signed when noted that it is being signed

> under

> > protest and duress.

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> > With regard to "extrapolation":

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> > (a): We have found that all pharmacy software can print out sufficient

> > information to derive a statistical profile on the "Universal Set" of

> > Medicaid prescriptions filled by the pharmacy during the period being

> > audited. These statistics include percentage of refills, number of

> > prescriptions, average price, etc. When we compare these authenticated

> > statistics to the same statistics of the select-set of audited

> > prescriptions, we find GROSS differences. The lack of congruency

between

> > the characteristics of these two sets, the universal-set and the

> sample-set,

> > we can only allow us to conclude that in the actual cases we have

> examined,
> > the sample-set is not a random sample at all, but a contrived sample
that
> is
> > extremely skewed, ostensibly to maximize the chances of the auditor to
> find
> > the maximum number of discrepancies.
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> > Obviously the maximum number of discrepancies would also result in the
> > maximum recovery for AHCA, and a Quid Pro Quo in renewals to Heritage
from
> > their apparent stellar performance.
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> > We submit that such contrived sampling results in an unjust enrichment
of
> > AHCA/Heritage at the expense of the pharmacist being audited, and thus
so
> is
> > fraudulent. We submit that as such, there may also be a conspiracy to
> > defraud and may even give rise to a question of civil racketeering under
> the
> > Rico Act [1], in that Heritage is a foreign entity doing "audits" in the
> > state of Florida without benefit of either professional regulation, and
> > recommending penalties that are tantamount to fines without basis in
> Florida
> > Statute.
> >
> > b): Florida Statute (465) and Administrative Code (64B & 59G) have been
> > amended many times. A computer search of the statute and code reveal
that
> > these amendments have elevated secure, centralized computer records to a
> > status that enjoys the same credibility as written records and files
[2],
> > and for purposes of audit we must expect them to be examined in total.
> > Heritage has chosen to cite only that older portion of the law and code
> > related to written records out of the context of amendments related to
> > computerized records, and to repeatedly refuse or ignore evidence from
> > computer records. When confronted with that fact the V.P. of Heritage
and
> > his Project Manager stated only that such refusal by their agents is
"not
> > our policy". However, that "policy" of refusal and denial does exist
in
> > writing by Heritage and at least one auditor.
> >
> > When the auditors consistently refuse to consider the computerized

> records,
> > the stunned pharmacist often dutifully endorses the "Exit Statement",
> > thereby testifying that all pertinent information was in fact presented.
> >
> > We submit that quoting the Florida Statute out of context and refusing
or
> > ignoring computerized data is a contrived ruse designed to cause the
> > pharmacist to abdicate their rights to submit computerized files and
> records
> > in their defense after the fact of the audit, again, in an effort to
> > maximize recoveries in the aforesaid manner.
> >
> > The facts stated above begs the question, "Why the two carefully crafted
> > affirmations?" Were they designed and included to protect the
auditor's?
> > Were they designed to advance the recovery? Were they designed to close
> the
> > door on a contrived scheme to entrap an unsuspecting pharmacist and to
> > prevent their "escape"? Considering the entirety of the scheme; Do they
> act
> > in such a manner as to intentionally deny the Civil Rights of the
> endorsing
> > pharmacist?
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> > The written statements referred to, and the statistical evidence
referred
> to
> > have been authenticated, and will stand in evidence.
> >
> > We also submit that should these heinous "recovery" tactics continue,
that
> > they should be examined from the perspective of the Sherman/Clayton
> > Anti-Trust Act(s). It seems that major chain stores were "audited" with
> > significantly less frequency than the small independent pharmacies.
> >
> > These questions raised are regarding incidents and issues that may
> > potentially give rise to charges of criminal wrongdoing and should be
> > examined by legal counsel, and subject to an investigation by the
> > appropriate authorities, both State Attorney and the U.S. Justice
> > Department.
> >
> > Julie & Jack Moran
> > Century Pharmacy, L.L.C.
> > (850) 256-3472
> >
> > _____

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> > [1] The Federal Racketeer-Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO)
> > states that is unlawful "for any person employed by or associated with any
> > enterprise engaged in, or the activities of which affect, interstate or
> > foreign commerce, to conduct or participate ... in the conduct of such
> > enterprise's affairs through a pattern of racketeering activity or
> > collection of unlawful debt." 18 U.S.C. SS 1961-1968.
> > [2] The weight of this reference may be appreciated by performing an
> > electronic search of FS 465 using the words "including or by any
> > electronic
> > means". e.g. 465.026 Filling of certain prescriptions.-Nothing
> > contained
> > in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit a pharmacist licensed in
> > this
> > state from filling or refilling a valid prescription which is on file in
> > a
> > pharmacy located in this state or in another state and has been
> > transferred
> > from one pharmacy to another by any means, including any electronic
> > means,
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From: [GEORGE LAWSON <GBINGO80@msn.com>](mailto:GBINGO80@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:44:38 PM

Subject: CYPRESS GARDENS

FOR A CHANGE DO SOMETHING FOR THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA AND SAVE CYPRESS GARDENS. IT IS MUCH OF FLORIDA HISTOY AS YOU CAN FIND. TO GET MY VOTE DO SOMETHING YOURS GEORGE LAWSON

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Carmine Mainiero](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:40:43 PM

Subject: RE: Federal Spending Out of Control

Carmine, I share your concerns about the growth of government. It should give you some comfort in knowing that state government is growing slower than personal income growth and over the last four and half years, the number of state employees has dropped by 9%.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Carmine Mainiero [mailto:Carmine.Mainiero@unilever.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 9:35 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Federal Spending Out of Control

Good Morning Jeb,

I am a passionate conservative who supports President Bush 100% and I heard you speak a few times and really like your ideas and values. My concern is that the Federal and state and local governments continue to grow and d expand regardless of who is in charge. My fear is one day we'll find ourselves in a communist central planning scenario which is not what makes America great. Do you agree and how do we change this?

Carmine

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: WillardJnc@aol.com

BCC: [James Crosby \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:37:39 PM

Subject: RE: The outstanding job James Crosby is doing

[Thank you Janice for your kind words about Jimmy. I am proud of the job that he is doing.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: WillardJnc@aol.com [mailto:WillardJnc@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 6:31 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: The outstanding job James Crosby is doing

Dear Jeb:

I just wanted to let you know what a great job James Crosby is doing with DOC. There's a one hundred percent turn around in that department now since he has been running it in just the few months he's been secretary. Unlike Michael Moore he always answers his e-mails and you can call and get an appointment and he will actually see you and listen to you. Also he doesn't share the asinine policy of Michael Moore that all inmates are liars, as he said yesterday when I saw him there are bad inmates and good officers and also good inmates and bad officers as well. Kevin is home now but still very ill from Gastric Reflex disease and other health problems from prison. But hopefully now that he is home he can get the medical treatment he needs since we were told if he'd have stayed in prison another month he would have died at twenty-two from complications from this disease and malnutrition. Something does need to be done about that problem but Mr. Crosby I have no doubt will improve that situation as well. I took Kevin with me and he talked to Kevin for about forty-five minutes about prison and why he kept getting into trouble and getting DR's. He was tuff but listen as well to everything Kevin talked to him about. So I just had to let you know that I not only let you know when someone isn't doing a good job but also like to inform you when someone is doing a great one as well.

Sincerely: Janice Smith

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Thomas A. Waits](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:36:06 PM

Subject: RE: Governor's Conference on Tourism

absolutely we should do the research.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Thomas A. Waits [mailto:tawaits@mindspring.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 5:38 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Governor's Conference on Tourism

Many thanks for speaking to our tourism industry folks in Jax on Monday. You were right on target and feedback was great!

Will be following up with you on getting prepared to address the funding need. Know there may be some complications on the rental car tax, but that shouldn't preclude our quietly doing our homework. Main thing is to have DOT Secretary in the loop on research initiative that justifies/supports "increased tourism produces increased gas, etc. taxes" to DOT.as a replacement for increasing rental car tax allocation to tourism promotion trust fund.

Thanks for your continuing leadership.....Tommy

From: [Glen Wieland <Wielandg@aol.com>](mailto:Wielandg@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:06:29 PM

Subject: Protect patient rights, refigure the insurance industry

Glen Wieland
3309 Raeford Road
Orlando, FL 32806

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It is now quite obvious that the problem is with the insurance industry. I hope that you had a chance to read the article by Mike Thomas in the Orlando Sentinel. This was a well researched article and was based upon the facts. Mr. Thomas changed his mind on the issue because his first article on the matter was in favor of caps. Now after the sworn testimony before the Senate and some in depth investigation, Mr. Thomas discovered that the problem is with the insurance industry and the poor regulation by the state. It is time to fix the problem and not the symptom. Take away the licenses of the doctors that cause the most claims and tighten up the regulation of the insurance companies. If it is so profitable to be in Florida, why are the premiums not being reduced. Could it be that the insurance company could care less about the cost of insurance as long as they are making lots of money. Profits keep businesses solid but if a company is finding Florida to be the MOST profitable state to do business, why do they lie that they are losing money to big law suits. The truth came out in the sworn testimony that the number of lawsuits is not up and that the paid claims are not up. Also, the testimony from the state employees was that the doctors are not leaving the state in droves, but new applications are up and we have more doctors in Florida now than we did 5 years ago. You should focus your attention on the source of the problem and that is the insurance industry charging too much for the insurance premium.

Sincerely,

Glen Wieland

From: [Nancy & Craig <krancie@alltel.net>](mailto:krancie@alltel.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:30:16 PM

Subject: Removing Lawyers

Good Job Mr. Governor! You done good! Keep the faith and you will make a difference.

From: [william degonda <wdegonda@mn.rr.com>](mailto:wdegonda@mn.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:26:37 PM

Subject: Beautiful Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush . . .

When the sun is shining on the beautiful green foliage of the Gardens, the millions of colorful flowers and the hundreds of people watching the acrobatic water skiers is NOT my favorite time to be at the Gardens. Let me tell you what is . . .

If you have ever walked through a woods when it is raining, listening to the raindrops falling from the leaves, listening to the birds singing a thankful song for a fresh rain bath and the smell of the fresh, clean air blowing through the trees, you can understand why THIS is my favorite time to be in the Gardens.

I am 77 and live only three miles from the Gardens. The closing has been a great loss to me. Please, please consider saving ALL of our wonderful Gardens adventure for all the people who visit Florida. It is in your hands to do so.

Thank you so much. God bless you.

Very sincerely yours,

William DeGonda

205 Golf Aire Blvd.

Winter Haven, FL

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:12:20 PM

Subject: say no to med mal cap

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:12:03 PM

Subject: say no to med mal cap

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14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

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From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:09:41 PM

Subject: say no to med mal cap

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:10:24 PM

Subject: say no to med mal cap

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Jerry Paul <jpaul@ewol.com>](mailto:jpaul@ewol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:04:48 PM

Subject:

Our friend, Dr. Nils Diaz, was appointed Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

First time a Cuban American has served in this post.

Along with fellow nuclear engineer colleagues in industry and academia we are hosting a special forum on nuclear and other energy issues in Gainesville.

Would mean a lot if you could be there even for a quick stop in. V.P.'s of all the top nuclear utilities from around the U.S. will be there and they really want to shake your hand.

Would like to get Secty. Abraham there too.

Tentative dates:

oct. 3
oct. 24
jan. 30

Jerry

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'a.paul.anderson@earthlink.net'

Date: 8/6/2003 9:00:16 PM

Subject: Re: Update

Thanks Paul for the update! Long time no hear from.I wish you a speedy confirmation.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: a.paul.anderson@earthlink.net <a.paul.anderson@earthlink.net>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 07:58:15 2003

Subject: Update

Hi Jeb, Just a quick update on my status and best wishes in the upcoming med mal negotiations. I am waiting for my senate confirmation hearing which we are hoping will be in September. I am still in Ft. Lauderdale and am waiting to make a housing commitment in DC until after I am confirmed (some of our friends have made the mistake of moving before being confirmed). I have been spending time in Orange County, California helping my childhood friend Mario Rodriguez who you met at the California Republican Party(CRP) fundraiser a few weeks ago. As you know, Mario is Vice Chairman of the CRP, Chairman of the Latino Coalition and the President just named him Western Chairman of the re-elect. Chalk that one down to a small world...who would of thought two poor kids from a small public school working for the greatest President since 41. I am keeping a low profile until confirmation but feel like a caged animal not being able to fundraise or even write a check for ere-elect until after confirmed. I hope you, Columba and the family are doing well and I continue to keep you and the President in my prayers. Wishing you all the best and again, thank you for everything you have done to help me. Warmest personal regards, Paul

A. Paul Anderson

2108 Northeast 18th Avenue

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33305

Phone:954-494-2566

a.paul.anderson@earthlink.net

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Jacilu079@msn.com'

Date: 8/6/2003 8:56:44 PM

Subject: Fw: Senior Citizen Job Fair

Can you please respond?

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Phyllis Silverman <phyllis6283@yahoo.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 10:19:30 2003

Subject: RE: Senior Citizen Job Fair

Dear Governor Bush:

I am sending along the proposal for the Senior Job Fair as you suggested. We are hoping for your assistance in bringing this to fruition. We thank you in advance for your consideration of this proposal.

PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING SENIOR JOB FAIR

The proposal as outlined below is for seed money funding to initiate a job fair for retired professional seniors who are seeking part time employment in Palm Beach County, Florida.

CASE STATEMENT:

The senior citizen population of Palm Beach county has

a great deal to offer to prospective employers. We have the experience to handle any job, we are used to “showing up” for work every day that we are expected and on time. We are no longer looking for careers but for meaningful work instead. We need no expensive health care benefits and we don't look for promotion or overly hefty paychecks. In short, we are the ideal candidates for business.

In today's economy, most seniors would relish the opportunity to increase the bottom line and not have to rely on a continually shrinking fixed income. We are talking about employment that is not just busy work but instead will help the employer achieve financial success and also feed the Florida economy.

STEERING COMMITTEE AND JOB FAIR PARTNERS:

Area Agency on Aging
AARP
United Way
WXEL TV
Clear Channel Communications
Workforce Alliance of Palm Beach County
Fidelity Federal Bank and Trust

JOB FAIR PLANS:

The Job Fair will take place in mid to late April at a local hotel in Palm Beach county. We are considering a hotel close to PBIA with easy access and considerable free parking. We plan to hold the event on a Wednesday from 10 AM until 3 PM. The participating employers will pay a booth fee; however, the senior participants will attend free of charge. In addition, we plan to hold simultaneous training sessions that will address resume writing and skills needed for today's marketplace.

REQUEST:

--- Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:
> Thank you for your email. I await your proposal.
>

> Jeb Bush

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> From: Phyllis Silverman

> [mailto:phyllis6283@yahoo.com]

> Sent: Friday, February 07, 2003 10:48 AM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: Senior Citizen Job Fair

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> Governor Bush:

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> work but instead will help the employer achieve

> financial success and also feed the Florida economy.

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> I am interested in applying for a demonstration
> grant
> for Palm Beach County. I will be working hand in
> hand
> with the Area Agency on Aging, AARP, local chambers
> of
> commerce and Florida Workforce Development.

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> This project will take about nine months to plan and
> execute. If successful as I envision, it could
> easily
> be replicated in other parts of the state.

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> I have many years of experience running large job
> fairs, primarily the Broward County Job Fair for
> nine
> years. We had the great pleasure of being awarded a
> designation as one of the best 100 programs in the
> nation by President Ronald Reagan.

>
> Thank you for your attention to this information. I
> will look forward to hearing from someone in your
> office.

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> Sincerely yours,

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> Phyllis Silverman
> (561)735-3327
> phyllis6283@yahoo.com

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Phyllis Silverman
Director of Volunteer Services
Just Checking

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From: [Manny Mencia <MMencia@floridabusiness.com>](mailto:MMencia@floridabusiness.com)

To: 'KapaluaNui@aol.com'
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:56:05 PM

Subject: RE: Dominican Republic

Randy

Please let me know if EFI can do anything to help you close the deal.

Regards,

Manny

-----Original Message-----

From: KapaluaNui@aol.com [<mailto:KapaluaNui@aol.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 4:29 PM

To: Honorable Jeb Bush

Subject: Dominican Republic

Governor, Aloha from Panama.

I have clients who are close to signing a \$10 Million public/private joint venture with the Dominican Republic. I am trying to make it happen during our Trade Mission in September.

Best Regards, Randy

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'Dmaaevans@cs.com'

Date: 8/6/2003 8:56:11 PM

Subject: Re: School Dismissal fup

Thank you for writing. I am asking Pat Levesque to look into your daughter's situation.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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From: Dmaaevans@cs.com <Dmaaevans@cs.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 09:43:52 2003

Subject: School Dismissal

Marsha L. Evans
310 E. Maple St.
Davenport, Fl. 33837
863-422-0087

Dear Governor Jeb Bush,

I am writing you today in regards to my daughter being dismissed from her school due to the fact that she did not pass the FCAT. She not only was retained but because she is in a school of choice where you have to apply to go to school and since she was retained she lost her spot at Davenport School of the Arts where she has been a student for three years. She also has a brother in second grade that attends Davenport School of the Arts. We did reapply for her to get back into the school however as of right now she is on a waiting list to get back into a school in which she was already a student. I have talked to numerous people at the Polk County School Board and I am being told that we have to wait until her number is moved up. I feel that she is being double punished for not passing the FCAT. We have accepted the fact that she has been retained we are just have alot of difficulty accepting the fact that she was dismissed from her school. We even checked into putting her in a private school and starting her in fourth grade, but she decided that she just wanted to stay in third grade that way she can just get smarter. I am hoping that in some way you can help my daughter get back into Davenport School of the Arts. Thank you for taking this matter into consideration.

Sincerely,
Marsha Evans

From: [Warford, Jim <Jim.Warford@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Warford@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:50:53 PM

Subject: Re: making a difference

I got it done today.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['liza@volunteerflorida.org'](mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:52:49 PM

Subject: Fw: JOSEPH PRATT, MARTHA PRATT'S BROTHER, MARTHA GALLO'S SON

Please respond

Jeb Bush

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From: joseph pratt <josephpratt@homemail.com>

To: PRESIDENT@WHITEHOUSE.GOV <PRESIDENT@WHITEHOUSE.GOV>; Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 10:05:06 2003

Subject: JOSEPH PRATT, MARTHA PRATT'S BROTHER, MARTHA GALLO'S SON

HELLO, MISTER PRESIDENT AND MISTER GOVERNOR, JOSEPH PRATT HERE, I HAVE MOVED BACK TO FLORIDA I WORK FOR DBPR FULL TIME AND FOR NORTHWEST AIRLINES AT TLH PART TIME. I HAVE A MASTERS OF DIVINTY AND A DOCTORATE OF MINISTRY FROM ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY. I KNOW THAT YOU, MISTER PRESIDENT YOU HAVE STARTED THE FAITH-BASED AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVICE PROGRAMS INTIATIVE, NOW DO YOU MISTER GOVERNOR HAVE A SIMILAR PROGRAM AND HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED. I AM NOW VOLUNTEERING AT THE HAVEN OF REST RESCUE AND AT THE SHELTER AT 510 WEST TENNESSEE STREET AND AT 480 WEST TENNESSEE STREET. MY HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (850)222-1083 AND MY OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER (850)414-5645 AND MY CORPORATE E-MAIL IS JOSEPH.PRATT@DBPR.STATE.FL.US. GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU, ALWAYS. DOCTOR REVEREND JOSEPH PRATT.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'KapaluaNui@aol.com'

BCC: 'mmencia@enterprise.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/6/2003 8:48:13 PM

Subject: Re: Dominican Republic

Great news randy.

Jeb

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From: KapaluaNui@aol.com <KapaluaNui@aol.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 16:29:10 2003

Subject: Dominican Republic

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From: [Warford, Jim <Jim.Warford@fldoe.org>](mailto:Jim.Warford@fldoe.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:44:10 PM

Subject: Re: making a difference

Yes.

From: [John Sprague <john@evergladesadventuresresort.com>](mailto:john@evergladesadventuresresort.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:40:25 PM

Subject: workshop

Good afternoon

Marine Industry Business.

I was wondering if you would entertain the suggestion of the Trustees having another workshop, like the one you did on land purchases; but this time it would be on State lands public policy, affecting water access etc. We feel staff needs direction on some issues for rulemaking. We have had a significant good change in the makeup of the Governor and Cabinet but DEP staff we believe is still operating on prior direction.

If the concept is agreeable with you I would like to start a dialog with some of the stakeholders including the new Office of Boating and Waterways FWCC, Kent, Stephanie and DEP staff to come up with an agenda that they would come to you with. The issues hopefully all sides could agree to needs fixing in rule that are the tougher issues as well as promoting any general policy staff direction changes that are needed.

John Sprague
Governmental Affairs/legislative Chair
Marine Industries Association of Florida

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:30:54 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Gracie Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I don't want med mal caps.

I am against the proposed legislation to cap patient's recoveries when they are the victims of medical malpractice & to protect insurers from their own bad faith wrongdoing.

Sincerely,

Gracie F. Conde, RN

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: [Thomas Greiwe <Trustplann@aol.com>](mailto:Trustplann@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:19:36 PM

Subject: CAPS ARE BAD FOR PEOPLE OF FLORIDA

Thomas Greiwe
4622 W. Lowell Ave
Tampa, FL 33629

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Greiwe

From: ritavalencia@juno.com <ritavalencia@juno.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:14:35 PM

Subject:

August 5, 2003
Rita S. Valencia
3916 W. Gray Street
Tampa, FL 33609

Dear Governor Bush,

I'm writing you to ask for assistance in a matter of the utmost urgency to me.

I have faith that you could in some way help me resolve this matter that has my life in complete turmoil.

My husband Daniel Valencia Hurtado whom I've been married to for the past 16 years was born in Columbia and came to this country illegally when he was 18 years old. After several unsuccessful attempts to legalize his situation he is being deported from our country. I am at wits end and am coming to you for your help.

We are members of the Church of Christ At Nebraska Avenue in Tampa and strongly believe in God's supreme power. My husband asked me to write you this letter, because he feels that you will be the one to help us.

I am asking you to please help us.

I know how busy you must be running the state, but if you could find a moment to help a fellow Christian we would be eternally grateful.

When I told my brother I was going to write you, he laughed, but I have faith that somehow you'll be able to intercede for us in some way. Maybe talk to your brother's aids or something. I don't know how things are run in government but you do.

The details are pretty simple in his case. Daniel was deported when we presented ourselves at INS office for an appointment trying to resolve this nightmare back in 1997. Due to our inexperience and all the erroneous advice given us by different attorneys we have yet been able to legalize my husband. His determination for returning to this country is his family, we're all he has in this world.

I guess it all started when Daniel was arrested for possession of less than half gram of cocaine when he was 19 years old, received 2 years probation, which he completed. He was still a kid and had no idea how that one incident would affect us all for the rest of our lives.

He is now 36 years old, a very hard working person, whose matured into a man with high moral character. He now has a lovely American daughter, named Clara who's 5 years old. His only desire is to be able to raise her and watch her grow up in the Lord.

I could tell you a lot more details about our lives, but I stop here for now. I just want you to know that he is a good husband and father and loves this country dearly.

Please help us.

Sincerely,

Rita Valencia

From: [MARTHA BRUCE <carefree837@msn.com>](mailto:carefree837@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 8:14:05 PM

Subject:

Governor Bush,

I am writing to ask you to help us out on the Cypress Gardens issue. Cypress Gardens is a very important part of Florida history and we need to save it.

We retired to Florida in 1994 but bought our property here in 1983 in anticipation of retirement. We live within two miles of what was once a beautiful park. We first visited this place in 1963 and made many trips back before buying our property. I might add that CG was the reason for making Winter Haven our home.

It has been like losing an old friend. What a beautiful place to spend a Sunday afternoon. Our children love to visit and always went to the park. After all our son was only 5 months old back in 1963 when he made his first visit. Our granddaughter has really enjoyed it and when I let her and our daughter up in Mississippi know of the decision to close it they were devastated. We treated our granddaughter to a Southern Belle outing and she has never forgotten how much fun she had. She ask that we buy them some momentoes on the closing day. We went and spent the whole day. Oh how sad for everyone. It hurts so much to drive by the park almost daily and see that Closed sign and all the flower beds out front dead now.

So once more, I would like to enlist your help in whatever you can do to save this landmark. I will support whatever dicision you make but do hope it is to save the park. My birthday is August 20 so this would be the most wonderful birthday yet!

Sincerely,

Waymon & Martha Bruce
9705 Lake Bess RD. Lot 837
Winter Haven, FL.33884

From: [Robin Ronne <RRONNE@tampachamber.com>](mailto:Robin.Ronne@tampachamber.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@jeb.org)

Date: 8/6/2003 7:53:15 PM

Subject: RE: Florida Financial Services Cluster Initiative - Irv Cohen, JPMorgan Treasury Technologies

Governor, thank you! And hope to see you soon!

Kindest regards,

Robin

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [<mailto:jeb@jeb.org>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 3:47 PM

To: RRONNE@tampachamber.com

Subject: Re: Florida Financial Services Cluster Initiative - Irv Cohen, JPMorgan Treasury Technologies

David is the man! Thank you Robin.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Robin Ronne <RRONNE@tampachamber.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 15:21:34 2003

Subject: Florida Financial Services Cluster Initiative - Irv Cohen, JPMorgan Treasury Technologies

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Governor, good afternoon! I have attached a copy of my letter of June 12, 2003 that accompanied other background materials regarding the Florida Financial Services Cluster Initiative, chaired by Irv Cohen, President of JPMorgan Treasury Technologies in Tampa. On a separate but related note, JPMorgan Chase - whose 5,237 Hillsborough County employees ranks second among local private sector employers - was recently honored as the ITFlorida "Excellence in IT Leadership Award" winner for Central Florida.

Under Irv's leadership, the Florida Financial Services Cluster Initiative, formed as a collaborative effort between senior financial service executives, universities, IT companies, utilities, developers and local and statewide economic development executives - including Darrell Kelley of Enterprise Florida - whose primary objective is to "Take Financials Services to the next level in Florida", is off to a tremendous start.

Eight workstreams are focused on key project deliverables, with key direction and overall master planning coming first and foremost from those senior financial service executives vision and strategy for financial services in Florida, on a 3, 5, and 10 year timeframe.

Through the FFSCI leadership, Florida's overall competitive positioning for this major economic development sector is being strengthened to be able to not only attract and expand new Financial Services business units to Florida, but also to mitigate the threat - from overseas and other US regions - to our existing Financial Services clients.

Darrell Kelley has invited Irv Cohen to provide a brief introductory presentation on the FFSCI to the Enterprise Florida Board meeting on August 21st in Naples, with a more in-depth presentation by Irv at the Enterprise Florida Board meeting in November. Along with Enterprise Florida's communications staff, we are in the process of developing appropriate media briefing materials in the next 7 to 10 days to supplement Irv's presentation in Naples.

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Robin

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['kls0885@garnet.acns.fsu.edu'](mailto:kls0885@garnet.acns.fsu.edu)

Date: 8/6/2003 7:51:42 PM

Subject: Re: Thank you so much!

Thank you Kyndra! I will pass on your kind comments regarding Donovan.

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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From: kls0885@garnet.acns.fsu.edu <kls0885@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 15:13:07 2003

Subject: Thank you so much!

Governor Bush-

I don't know if you remember my particular email from before, but I am Kyndra Sullivan from Starlight at Florida State. Today your representative, Donovan, came by to speak and read with the kids. We had such a wonderful time with him. It was so nice for the kids to have an opportunity to learn about you. He also read us a book that the children enjoyed as well. It is such a blessing to have such a down to earth government system that a small center like us could have the opportunity to talk with your representative. I want you to know that I really appreciate what your administration is doing for education. I don't care what the teacher union says, I'm with you all the way. Thank You again. Take Care and God Bless.

PS- Unfortunately I forgot to get Donovan's email address from him. If you could just thank him for me next time you see him I would really appreciate it. He was wonderful with the children and I wanted to give praise where it was due.

Kyndra Sullivan
Director
Starlight Childcare
Florida State University
MC 4168
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4168
850-644-3096

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'RRONNE@tampachamber.com'

Date: 8/6/2003 7:47:20 PM

Subject: Re: Florida Financial Services Cluster Initiative - Irv Cohen, JPMorgan Treasury Technologies

David is the man! Thank you Robin.

Jeb

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From: Robin Ronne <RRONNE@tampachamber.com>

To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Wed Aug 06 15:21:34 2003

Subject: Florida Financial Services Cluster Initiative - Irv Cohen, JPMorgan Treasury Technologies

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From: [Armstrong, Eva <Eva.Armstrong@dep.state.fl.us>](mailto:Eva.Armstrong@dep.state.fl.us)

To: WBLOOM@hklaw.com

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Edward.wood@dep.state.fl.us

fbg2350@aol.com

amittelman@cgplayhouse.com

[Vielhauer, Harold](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 7:39:53 PM

Subject: RE: Coconut Grove Playhouse

Mr. Bloom:

Thank you for your message. As I stated during our conversation, we'll take this to the Trustees at their Sept. 18th Cabinet Meeting.

I'll be in touch early in Sept. to get you copies of the documents.

Eva Armstrong

-----Original Message-----

From: WBLOOM@hklaw.com [mailto:WBLOOM@hklaw.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 7:15 PM

To: Armstrong, Eva

Cc: jeb@jeb.org; Edward.wood@dep.state.fl.us; fbg2350@aol.com; amittelman@cgplayhouse.com

Subject: Coconut Grove Playhouse

Please review the attached letter.

<<Letter to Eva Armstrong - re Coconut Grove Playhouse_v1.DOC>>

From: [Dennis Plews <dennis@attorneycpa.com>](mailto:dennis@attorneycpa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 7:26:58 PM

Subject: Political Thuggery

Dennis Plews
4608 31st Street Circle E
Bradenton, FL 34203

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear John:

I just read about your attempt to get the Sarasota Medical Society to picket the offices of Lisa Carlton and Mike Bennett. Keep it up! It won't be much longer before your approval rating drops into the negative numbers. By the way, pay no attention to those ads showing the facts about the "malpractice insurance crisis" being faked, no one believes them.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Plews

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 7:21:34 PM

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From: [Hubert Childress, Jr. <bert@brevardlawyer.com>](mailto:bert@brevardlawyer.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 6:39:26 PM

Subject: Med. Malp. Legislation

Hubert Childress, Jr.
2285 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The only way to solve the medical liability insurance crisis is through insurance reform. The insurance industry has admitted in sworn testimony that caps on pain and suffering damages and changing bad faith laws will not work. If there's any doubt in that regard, hold additional hearings and take more testimony. The stakes are too high to not do a thorough job or let political considerations play a role in this important issue. There are no frivolous medical malpractice lawsuits and claims against doctors are not increasing. As governor, you were elected to protect every patient, and potential medical negligence victim, not just millionaire insurance executives and well-heeled campaign contributors.

Sincerely,

Hubert C. Childress, Jr.

From: [Jim Kelahe <jkelahe@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:jkelahe@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 6:34:25 PM

Subject: Med Mal Reform

Jim Kelahe
120 Point View Lane
Longwood, FL 32779

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Back down and let the legislature do their job, and you stick to doing your job, which is NOT passing legislation.

Sincerely,

Jim Kelahe

From: [Lois Gerber <lgerber@BradentonAcademy.com>](mailto:lgerber@BradentonAcademy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 7:00:56 PM

Subject: Sharing some thoughts

Jeb:

Last year a little girl going into the seventh grade visited us. She wanted to attend our school on a McKay Scholarship. She tested in the second grade in English and math. Her problem was a severe speech impediment which also caused others to be quite cruel to her. I looked at Murray and started to shake my head "no," when she turned to us and cried. She said that if someone would teach her, she knows that she can learn. Well...welcome to Bradenton Academy! A year later she tests on the Achievement tests in the seventh grade in English and math. If we save one child, we have done our job.

I read with interest the article in the St. Pete. Times regarding the public funding launch of a virtual school for K-8. I did not realize that we were authorizing such funds in a "voucher" type program. This appears to me as if we are funding an alternative school option, but I do not remember seeing the RFP for this.

We have just finished meeting with the top courseware providers in the country to expand our virtual school, which we began last year, and obtained The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation for. All courses are completely supported by our faculty and students have a strong academic program. We are currently approved as an accredited home school option by the DOE and all school districts. We met with Bill Galvano in the beginning of July to discuss our programs and he is visiting the school in September.

We offer a complete fulltime online opportunity for grades 6-12. We are also a Florida based company and would appreciate the opportunity to grow. Our teachers would like the chance to help Florida children. Several of our ESOL teachers are completing an online ESOL program for grades 6-12.

Let me know if there are any further educational opportunities. We are getting ready to meet with the Rural Task Force in Washington D.C. in September to discuss the application of our programs across the country. We would like to help Florida as well.

Keep Up the Good Work!

Lois and Murray

From: [Tramm Hudson <tramm.hudson@providentbank.com>](mailto:tramm.hudson@providentbank.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 6:17:25 PM

Subject: MCC Enrollment Growth

Governor, as your budget team begins budget preparations for next year I ask you to fund the community college system's growth. In Sarasota Manatee counties our enrollment is up at MCC and funding this growth has been one of the biggest challenges our Board of Trustees has had to face. From a state perspective, I think the community college offers greater bang for the state's education dollars and I encourage you to fund the community colleges similarly as you do the four year institutions. Thanks.

Tramm Hudson
Provident Bank in Florida
Telephone: 941-364-5767 ext 214
800/988-2265 ext 214

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From: [Carmen Sanchez <csanchez@ngepa.com>](mailto:csanchez@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 6:16:54 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

Carmen Sanchez
11313 SW 109th Rd. Unit B
Miami, FL 33176

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Tort Reform

From: [Michelle Vazquez <michvazq@bellsouth.net>](mailto:Michelle.Vazquez<michvazq@bellsouth.net>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 6:16:41 PM

Subject: Insurance Companies vs. Hard Working Citizens

Michelle Vazquez
1980 Coral Way
Miami, FL 33145

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

PLEASE READ & TAKE HEED:

Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith.

- The insurance industry admitted that caps and changing bad faith laws won't work.
- Real insurance reform is the only way to solve this crisis.
- Stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.
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- Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.
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- You were elected to protect every patient and every Floridian - NOT your millionaire buddies in the Insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Michelle Vazquez

From: [Patrick Tighe, Esq. <Pat@mylawyerpat.com>](mailto:Patrick.Tighe.Esq.<Pat@mylawyerpat.com>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:56:58 PM

Subject: Scrap the Cap.

Patrick Tighe, Esq.
7711 Military Trail North
Palm Beach Gardens, FLORIDA 33410

August 6, 2003

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From: [susan ramsey <sramsey@algxmail.com>](mailto:susan_ramsey@algxmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:55:14 PM

Subject: medical malpractice - the real issues

susan ramsey
6062 mullin street
jupiter, FL 33458

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

It is clear by now that the so-called "medical malpractice" crisis was created by the insurance industry. They claimed they are losing money, when there has been sworn testimony to the contrary. It is time to look at their books and get those executives who claimed doctors were leaving the state in records numbers, hospitals were closing, runaway verdicts and the like to be questioned.

Let's find the real solution to the real problem.... people are being injured everyday by medical mistakes... let's stop that!

Sincerely,

Susan B. Ramsey

From: [bakerlaw <bakerlaw@networktel.net>](mailto:bakerlaw@networktel.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:51:27 PM

Subject: Med Mal; Bad Faith

Governor,

I am oppsed to med mal caps and opposed to the efforts being exerted to weaken or do away with bad faith insurance laws. Please do not sell out to the insuance industry.

Bad faith laws are some of the only laws that make insurance carriers behave and settle claims that need to be settled promptly.

Sincerely, William C. Baker Jr. in Pensacola, Fl.

From: CHarrisonfam@aol.com <CHarrisonfam@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:42:13 PM

Subject: errischiavo

please governer bush her life is in your hands. do the christian thing-save
her

From: [Diane Pirkl <dap@bthemy.com>](mailto:dap@bthemy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:27:37 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Diane Pirkl
233 East Bay Street, 8th Floor
Jacksonville, FLORIDA 32202

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives.

Stop selling out to the insurance industry - and protect the Bad Faith laws, not insurance company profits!

Thanks

Sincerely,

Diane A. Pirkl

From: [Jose Negroni <topo1@bellsouth.net>](mailto:topo1@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:25:39 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Jose Negroni
3800 S Ocean Dr. #1803
Hollywood, FL 33019

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

A human body is priceless. Please do not attempt to cap the amount an injured person can receive for someone else's mistake. How can \$250k be enough to compensate a person for the rest of their lives, when they've lost a leg to a negligent doctor? It's just not fair, and it will leave a bad taste in the mouth of Florida voters.

Sincerely,

Jose A. Negroni

From: [harry whitcomb <w4afn@planetusa.net>](mailto:harry_whitcomb<w4afn@planetusa.net>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:25:13 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Sir: Please do all you can to save The Gardens for all of us who have had the opportunity to spend time wandering among the beauty there.....As a native Floridian whose roots go back over 150 years in Florida. Please. Harry Whitcomb

From: [Peter Goldman <PGoldman@GGKLAW.COM>](mailto:PGoldman@GGKLAW.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:12:03 PM

Subject: keep your eye on the ball. . .

. . . . and the ball is not a med mal reform but education reform.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['michelle jacobs'](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 5:06:21 PM

Subject: RE: FYI

[thank you for your focus on the right things!](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: michelle jacobs [mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 10:41 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: FYI

Your response those children coming to Tallahassee was just what this community feel.

Thank you for verbalizing it to the people. The show needs to stop. We need to prepare our children. I will forward you the date the parents have planned to attend the school board meeting and demand change. It would be great if you showed up that day as parents put the blame where it belongs. I am black and I am a democrat. I do not always agree with you, but I am not going to judge our children education on you party affiliation. Have a great day and thanks for being so responsive.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

[again, thank you. We will stay the course. More work is doing now to remediate and help struggling readers than ever before. Without consequences, this would not be done.](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: michelle jacobs [mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 6:59 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: RE: FYI

Hello Governor:

I am a parent and I appreciate the FCAT, however MDCPS is not teaching our children. People are going around recruiting parents to come and ask you for a special session, but will not confront MDCPS. MDCPS is where the

problem is. Black children are no different from white children and give the proper education black children can achieve. I hope that you do not become under political pressure and give in to suffering children when quality education is not provided for our children to prepare them for the FCAT. We have forgot that children that want to become lawyers and doctors take test. I am black and I have children and they understand the importance of reading and knowing what they are reading about and if more children read they will do well on the FCAT. Senator Wilson is one person and has no children in MDCPS system.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

Thank you Michelle. Any help that can be given to struggling students that works, should be commended!

Jeb Bush

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From: michelle jacobs [mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, July 07, 2003 3:03 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FYI

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not always agree with you, but I am glad that you are making sure that children do not graduate not knowing how to read and/or write. They cannot complete an application and is sad. I commend you. We may not always agree, but that's okat we are not suppose to agree all the time.

When you have an oppportunity look at that movie lean on me. I thought about you when I watched that movie over the weekend.

All blacks in Miami do not feel the same.

A very young girl here in Miami came up with a solution and she is forming a group of parents to address the problems here in MDCPS Board.

She identified several problems when she provided the FCAT Tutorial program. I am so impress with this young lady, because most people was trying to get her to be angry and a the time she was in court because of her mothers death and she said from the court room she set up tutorial sites for seniors that was preparing for the test. She felt that the school were not preparing them. I know that she is putting together a list of all the problems that was identified in the sites away from the school. All of the sites were in churches.

I am sure you know about this program because it was all over the media. She is to be commended. Some of the legislators were very proud of the project and some was upset because they want our kids to continue suffering.

Michelle

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:57:50 PM

Subject: FW: (no subject)

[all yours.](#)

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-----Original Message-----

From: PalmBeachPainMan@aol.com [mailto:PalmBeachPainMan@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 11:58 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: (no subject)

I am an anesthesiologist and pain management physician in this state for the last 11 years and wish to express my concerns with the way Dr. Miguel is using his position in the Board of Medicine for his own agendas and isn't representing the physicians of this state. He is supposed to be an expert in certain fields of medicine but only express's his opinion and doesn't give any factual based evidence. I believe that he isn't acting in the best interest of the people of this state and needs to be removed.

From: [Martha Baumberger <beegolly@bellsouth.net>](mailto:beegolly@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:47:57 PM

Subject: The Rights of all Floridians

Martha Baumberger
5755 Suncrest Dr.
Miami, FL 33156

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush,
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I urge you to support the rights of all Floridians, not the profits of the insurance industry. Florida needs real insurance reform, not limits on recovery and damages. There is no evidence that these caps will lower insurance premiums. Please stand up for the rights of all the people of Florida. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martha M. Baumberger

From: [Andrew Ellenberg <aellenberg@ngepa.com>](mailto:aellenberg@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:40:48 PM

Subject: Stop politicizing patient safety.

Andrew Ellenberg
1401 Brickell Ave
Miami, FL 33131

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Put the people of Florida ahead of insurance company profits.

Sincerely,

Andrew Ellenberg

From: [Patty .Pearson <pap@bthemy.com>](mailto:pap@bthemy.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:40:25 PM

Subject: Med Mal caps

Patty .Pearson
11230 Mc Cormick Road
Jacksonville, FL 32225

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not place caps on medical malpractice claims. There is no way to place a dollar amount on this type of suffering.

Sincerely,

Patty Pearson

From: [Donald Hinkle <don@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:don@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:32:18 PM

Subject: malpractice

Donald Hinkle
2500 Deer Lake North
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

we need more sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

Sincerely,

Don Hinkle

From: [Andrew Needle <ANeedle@ngepa.com>](mailto:ANeedle@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:27:08 PM

Subject: Med Malpractice Caps must be reasonable

Andrew Needle
10300 Sabal Palm Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33156

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Although the recent Mason-Dixon poll reflects that "some" cap might be acceptable to the public, and such cap must be reasonable. It must be adequate to take into account the most egregious cases, and those involving the death of children, the elderly, non-working moms, and those of lesser economic means. Anything less does not produce justice, especially in light of the sworn testimony that FPIC makes plenty of profit, and here is no evidence of "frivolous" lawsuits being brought.

Sincerely,

Andrew Needle

From: [Andrew Needle <ANeedle@ngepa.com>](mailto:ANeedle@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:24:13 PM

Subject: Med Malpractice Caps must be reasonable

Andrew Needle
10300 Sabal Palm Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33156

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Andrew Needle

From: PalmBeachPainMan@aol.com <PalmBeachPainMan@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 3:58:03 PM

Subject: (no subject)

I am an anesthesiologist and pain management physician in this state for the last 11 years and wish to express my concerns with the way Dr. Miguel is using his position in the Board of Medicine for his own agendas and isn't representing the physicians of this state. He is supposed to be an expert in certain fields of medicine but only express's his opinion and doesn't give any factual based evidence. I believe that he isn't acting in the best interest of the people of this state and needs to be removed.

From: [George Lane <glane@infionline.net>](mailto:glane@infionline.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 3:29:40 PM

Subject: FYI

Attachments: Gracevill Industrial Park

Thought you and your staff folks might want to see this sir. Graceville is a great place --- Florida's own Mayberry RFD, but I'm telling you something that you already know! God bless you Jeb!

George

From: [city_graceville <graceville@wfeca.net>](mailto:city_graceville@wfeca.net)

To: [George Lane, Jr](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:53:56 PM

Subject: Gracevill Industrial Park

The City of **Graceville** is in dire need for **JOBS**. Consideration of a **prison** (State or Private) in our community is needed and would be greatly appreciated.

The advantages our community has for such a facility is as follows:

- 1) A willing, excepting rural community.
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 - a. 200+ acres (in one track) available with board support to donate required acreage
 - b. Requires minimum site preparation
 - c. Infrastructure ready to include:
 - Water well with above ground storage adjacent to site
 - Paved roads with multiple entrance points
 - Sewer
- 3) Excellent relations with DOC due to Work Camp

E. Adams
City Manager

From: [Barney Bishop <Barney@thewindsorgroup.net>](mailto:Barney@thewindsorgroup.net)

To: jeb@jeb.org

Date: 8/6/2003 3:10:41 PM

Subject: FW: Petition to Recall Jeb Bush

Governor,

Just got this a moment ago. I wanted to pass this on so you know about it. I'm against this - I'm not even sure you can recall a Governor. Nevertheless, I won't be a part of this. Let me know what I can do to help. Take care.

Barney C. Bishop III

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-----Original Message-----

From: Suni & Jim [mailto:jhaught1@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 11:04 AM

To: Undisclosed-Recipient;

Subject: Fw: Petition to Recall Jeb Bush

----- Original Message -----

From: [Suni & Jim](#)

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 11:02 AM

Subject: Fw: Petition to Recall Jeb Bush

----- Original Message -----

From: [Magginkat](#)

To: [Kat's Place](#) ; GranniesAgainstGeorge@yahooogroups.com

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2003 1:37 AM

Subject: Petition to Recall Jeb Bush

Please sign this petition to recall Jeb Bush, governor of Florida. When you sign your name would you please add your hometown & state on the line with your name. I accidentally left the official hometown line out when I submitted it.



Jeb Bush - Failure as Governor

Jeb Bush has failed at his job. The state had a huge surplus from Lawton Chiles when Bush took over. He squandered that with tax-cuts to the wealthy. He has misled the public about the severity of the state budget caused by his \$6.6 Billion tax cuts that benefited corporations who own him body & soul. Florida can't afford another three years of Jeb Bush.

Jeb Bush - Cooking the Books to Get Re-Elected

During the last campaign, Jeb Bush knew full well that legitimate voters had been who had illegally purged by him and his Secretary of State, Katherine Harris in 2000 were still off the voter rolls in 2002. Despite promises to restore the voting rights of "those people", the only solution offered by Governor Bush has been a complicated process of re-applying to regain the voting rights that should have never been removed. As it now stands some of them may be back on the rolls in time to vote on unreliable touch screen voting equipment in 2004 where once again their vote can be deleted more easily than ever before. This seems to be #1 in Jeb's devious (racist) plans. (Most of the people who have been purged are Black). Jeb tried to distance himself from all questions about the fraud & purge, saying he had no "direct responsibility" for state elections.

We say that one man's overzealous purge is another man's inauguration.

Jeb Bush - Devious Plans for Florida are abusing Florida's children, the elderly & the helpless.

IT TOOK 15 months for Florida's Department of Children and Families (DCF) to discover that 5-year-old Rilya Wilson was missing from her foster home. It took minutes for Gov. Jeb Bush to blame DCF workers. He has turned crucial state services--from education to adoption--over to be administered by private companies and like his brother did as governor of Texas, Jeb wants to shift the job of providing for the poor to faith-based organizations. He made huge cuts to needed spending programs for everything from education to Medicare, the health care program for the elderly and disabled.

A prime example is illustrated in this letter to the St. Pete Times on 04/15/2003 : "I am just one of the 26,000 who received the letter from the Department of Children and Families last week, informing us that Gov. Jeb Bush and our elected public servants have given me until May 1 to continue my chemo. Then I must prepare to die in half the time I would live with chemo."

Jeb Bush's scheme comes down to four words: Make the poor pay.

Jeb Bush- Deserves to be Recalled

Sen. Kendrick Meek called Bush's proposal to kill the classroom size amendment & threats of more cuts to much needed social services "a premeditated abuse of the highest office in Florida to circumvent the will of the people."

Our governor has gone from doublespeak to outright lies in his descent from Orwellian to Nixonian tactics," Meek said. "We are finally seeing the real Jeb Bush that has lurked behind closed doors," Bob Poe, Florida Democratic Chair said. "Jeb Bush puts on a happy face in public, but when he gets behind closed doors, he reveals his true mean-spirited and deceptive tactics."

That is why a group of concerned citizens and taxpayers joined forces to call for the question - Should Jeb Bush be removed from office?

We think the answer is a resounding YES. Since Jeb Bush arrived in Florida he has been involved in shady business dealings which included in stiffing the citizens of Florida for over \$4 Million in Broward Savings & Loan fiasco and business partners who were later convicted of HUD & Medicare fraud. Jeb Bush has freeloaded off the citizens of Florida for too many years and his job as governor borders on criminal as he has used the power of the state government itself against the citizens of Florida.

Please help to Rescue Florida from the grips of a self-serving governor.

<http://www.petitiononline.com/JebLies/petition.html>

http://www.iammagginkat.com/recall_jeb_bush.htm

Maggie Richards

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From: [Rachel Alters <Rachel@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Rachel@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 3:09:54 PM

Subject: Caps on Damages

It is preposterous to think that caps on damages is a cure-all to malpractice insurance rate increases when there is hard evidence that proves that is not the case. A 250,000.00 cap on non-economic damages will only punish the voting public. It will make no difference to the malpractice rates. There has been testimony from the insurance industry that caps on damages will absolutely not effect insurance rates. The only people it will help are the insurance companies who make billions of dollars each year. There is no real threat to losing physicians in Florida, in fact there are more physicians applying for licenses in Florida this year than ever!!

Punishing the helpless victim is not the answer. We seek help from physicians when we are ill and are in life-threatening situations. We put our lives in their hands and pray that they act in a reasonable and professional manner and provide good care to us. However, there are a minority of physicians practicing medicine who do not use good judgment and commit negligent acts upon their patients who are innocent victims. When medical malpractice is committed, the patient suffers greatly. Sometimes by losing their limbs, losing their breasts, becoming brain damaged and even losing their lives. All because of the negligence of a physician who was supposed to help them not hurt them. By capping damages, you are sending a message to the voting public that their lives and the lives of their loved ones are insignificant and that everyone's injuries, whether it be a lost limb or a lost life are worth only \$250,000.00. This will especially hurt the people who don't work, such as stay at home mothers, the retired, and those who make a meager living.

The people of the state of Florida will suffer greatly if this law is passed. When a person murders another whether it was with intent or whether it was due to negligent behavior, he or she must be punished so he hopefully he or she never murders again. Caps on damages will send a message to physicians that it is not a big deal to commit malpractice on their patients even if they kill them since the punishment will only be \$250,000.00 and their insurance companies will pay. There will be little incentive for a physician to practice the best medicine they can. This will allow for sloppy medicine and will create more medical malpractice than already exists.

Please, think this through, caps are not a solution. Caps will only punish those who least deserve to be punished, the innocent victims. If you want to punish someone, maybe you should take a second look at the insurance industry.

From: WMMCUT1@cs.com <WMMCUT1@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 3:00:25 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush:

I and my wife grew up in Winter Haven and both graduated from Winter Haven High School, she in 1944 and I in 1942. As a Cub Scout in 1936, our Den Mother was the sister of the founder of the Cypress Gardens, Dick Pope'. On Sundays we Cub in our colorful blue and gold uniforms sometimes helped "guard the gardenias" so visitors to the Gardens would not help themselves, while every lady entering the Gardens was freely given a gardenia to wear. I have fond memories of the Gardens all through my pre-adult years.

Though now living in Baton Rouge, we are home in Winter Haven at least once a year for we still have many friends and family there. My wife's father had Melvin's Dairy at Winter Haven up until a few years ago.

So we are much distressed over the "rape of the Florida Cypress Gardens," and hope and pray that you and the State of Florida can help save the Gardens from destruction by greedy and unfeeling promoters.

We are registered Republicans and supporters of your brother, the President.

Regards,

Bill & Louise McCutcheon
5948 Westridge Dr.
Baton Rouge, LA 70817

From: a.paul.anderson@earthlink.net <a.paul.anderson@earthlink.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:58:15 AM

Subject: Update

Hi Jeb, Just a quick update on my status and best wishes in the upcoming med mal negotiations. I am waiting for my senate confirmation hearing which we are hoping will be in September. I am still in Ft. Lauderdale and am waiting to make a housing commitment in DC until after I am confirmed (some of our friends have made the mistake of moving before being confirmed). I have been spending time in Orange County, California helping my childhood friend Mario Rodriguez who you met at the California Republican Party(CRP) fundraiser a few weeks ago. As you know, Mario is Vice Chairman of the CRP, Chairman of the Latino Coalition and the President just named him Western Chairman of the re-elect. Chalk that one down to a small world...who would of thought two poor kids from a small public school working for the greatest President since 41. I am keeping a low profile until confirmation but feel like a caged animal not being able to fundraise or even write a check for re-elect until after confirmed. I hope you, Columba and the family are doing well and I continue to keep you and the President in my prayers. Wishing you all the best and again, thank you for everything you have done to help me. Warmest personal regards, Paul

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From: [Pat <Pholtsbe@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:Pholtsbe@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:44:05 PM

Subject: FOCG

My husband and I are on a limited income and Cypress Gardens in one place we can go and enjoy a walk through the Gardens, the park, and see performers. Our family has been enjoying Cypress Gardens for 5 generations. It would be a terrible shame for Florida to lose such a beautiful place where we can take our children and grandchildren.

Our membership is paid until November and we received no refund. We don't want a refund if we can have our Beautiful Cypress Gardens back. Please help us save Cypress Gardens.

Have a happy day!

Patricia A Holtsberry

From: [michelle.jacobs <mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>](mailto:michelle.jacobs<mmwjacobs@yahoo.com>)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/6/2003 2:40:38 PM
Subject: RE: FYI

Your response those children coming to Tallahassee was just what this community feel.

Thank you for verbalizing it to the people. The show needs to stop. We need to prepare our children. I will forward you the date the parents have planned to attend the school board meeting and demand change. It would be great if you showed up that day as parents put the blame where it belongs. I am black and I am a democrat. I do not always agree with you, but I am not going to judge our children education on you party affiliation. Have a great day and thanks for being so responsive.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

again, thank you. We will stay the course. More work is doing now to remediate and help struggling readers than ever before. Without consequences, this would not be done.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: michelle.jacobs [mailto:michelle.jacobs@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 6:59 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: FYI

Hello Governor:

I am a parent and I appreciate the FCAT, however MDCPS is not teaching our children. People are going around recruiting parents to come and ask you for a special session, but will not confront MDCPS. MDCPS is where the problem is. Black children are no different from white children and give the proper education black children can achieve. I hope that you do not become under political pressure and give in to suffering children when quality education is not provided for our children to prepare them for the FCAT. We have forgot that children that want to become lawyers and doctors take test. I am black and I have children and they understand the importance of reading and knowing what they are reading about and if more children read they will do well on the FCAT. Senator Wilson is one person and has no children in MDCPS system.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

Thank you Michelle. Any help that can be given to struggling students that works, should be commended!

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: michelle jacobs [mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, July 07, 2003 3:03 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: FYI

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not always agree with you, but I am glad that you are making sure that children do not graduate not knowing how to read and/or write. They cannot complete an application and it is sad. I commend you. We may not always agree, but that's ok as we are not supposed to agree all the time.

When you have an opportunity look at that movie lean on me. I thought about you when I watched that movie over the weekend.

All blacks in Miami do not feel the same.

A very young girl here in Miami came up with a solution and she is forming a group of parents to address the problems here in MDCPS Board.

She identified several problems when she provided the FCAT Tutorial program. I am so impressed with this young lady, because most people was trying to get her to be angry and at the time she was in court because of her mothers death and she said from the court room she set up tutorial sites for seniors that was preparing for the test. She felt that the schools were not preparing them. I know that she is putting together a list of all the problems that was identified in the sites away from the school. All of the sites were in churches.

I am sure you know about this program because it was all over the media. She is to be commended. Some of the legislators were very proud of the project and some was upset because they want our kids to continue suffering.

Michelle

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From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@ssso.org>](mailto:oviedon@ssso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Daryl McLaughlin](#)

CC: [Jill Bratina](#)
[Frank Bonner](#)
[Bonnie Rogers](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:22:46 PM

Subject: Front Page---Wash Post---Matrix

Just wanted to make sure you saw it.

U.S. Backs Florida's New Counterterrorism Database

By Robert O'Harrow Jr.

Police in Florida are creating a counterterrorism database designed to give law enforcement agencies around the country a powerful new tool to analyze billions of records about both criminals and ordinary Americans.

Organizers said the system, dubbed Matrix, enables investigators to find patterns and links among people and events faster than ever before, combining police records with commercially available collections of personal information about most American adults. It would let authorities, for instance, instantly find the name and address of every brown-haired owner of a red Ford pickup truck in a 20-mile radius of a suspicious event.

The state-level program, aided by federal funding, is poised to expand across the nation at a time when Congress has been sharply critical of similar data-driven systems on the federal level, such as a Pentagon plan for global surveillance and an air-passenger-screening system.

The Florida system is another example of the ongoing post-Sept. 11 debate about the proper balance between national security and individual privacy.

Yesterday the District and the Department of Homeland Security announced plans to launch a pilot law enforcement data-sharing network that will include Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New York.

Paul S. Cameron, president of Seisint Inc., the Boca Raton, Fla., company that developed the Matrix system and donated it to the state, said: "It is exactly how law enforcement worked yesterday, except it's extraordinarily faster. In this age of risks that appear immediately, you have to be able to respond immediately."

Some civil liberties groups fear Matrix will dramatically lower the threshold for government snooping because other systems don't allow searches of criminal and commercial records with such ease or speed.

"It's going to make fishing expeditions so much more convenient," said Ari Schwartz, associate director of the Center for Democracy and Technology, a nonprofit that monitors privacy issues. "There's going to be a push to use it for many different kinds of purposes."

The Justice Department has provided \$4 million to expand the Matrix program nationally and will provide the computer network for information sharing among the states, according to documents and interviews. The Department of Homeland Security has pledged \$8 million, state officials said.

At least 135 police agencies in the state have signed up for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement database service, which began operation more than a year ago. At least a dozen states—including Pennsylvania, New York and Michigan—said they want to add their records.

In some ways, Matrix resembles other data-driven counterterrorism initiatives started since the 2001 attacks. The Pentagon's controversial Terrorism Information Awareness program also sought to use personal data in new ways, but on a far larger scale. The idea, started by retired admiral John Poindexter, was to create a global data-surveillance system that might find subtle signs of imminent threats. Lawmakers sharply limited the program's funding several months ago, and now some intend to shut it down. A Justice Department document from early this year describes Matrix as an effort "to increase and enhance the exchange of sensitive terrorism and other criminal activity information between local, state and federal law enforcement agencies." Matrix organizers met several times with Sen. Bob Graham (D-Fla.), while he was head of the Senate Intelligence Committee, to discuss the system's development.

Matrix is short for Multistate Anti-Terrorism Information Exchange. The name was chosen somewhat whimsically by a Florida law enforcement officer, an agency official said. Florida officials say the system will be used only by authorized investigators under tight supervision. They said it includes information that has always been available to investigators but brings it together and enables police to access it with extraordinary speed.

Technical challenges include ensuring that data are accurate and that the system can be updated frequently.

"The power of this technology—to take seemingly isolated bits of data and tie them together to get a clear picture in seconds—is vital to strengthening our domestic security," said James "Tim" Moore, who was commissioner of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement until last month. A senior official overseeing the project acknowledged it could be intrusive and pledged to use it with restraint. "It's scary. It could be abused. I mean, I can call up everything about you, your pictures and pictures of your neighbors," said Phil Ramer, special agent in charge of statewide intelligence. "Our biggest problem now is everybody who hears about it wants it."

The Matrix project began soon after the 2001 attacks. Seisint founder Hank Asher, a wealthy data entrepreneur, called Florida police and claimed he could pinpoint the hijackers and others who might pose a risk of terrorist activity. "Asher says, 'I'll develop this for free,' " Ramer said.

Working without a contract or pay, Asher set about creating the system in Florida, Ramer said. "We showed it to the other states, and the other states went nuts." They came up with an idea of a search engine called "Who" that

would be at the core of the "concept as a national intelligence project," he said.

Ramer added that he's never seen so powerful a system in his many years in law enforcement. To replicate it "we'd have to go to 10,000 systems," he said. "It would just take you forever."

In 1999, the Drug Enforcement Administration and the FBI suspended information service contracts with an earlier Asher-run company because of concerns about his past, according to law enforcement sources. The Chicago Tribune reported in 1987 that court documents in a federal drug case said defense lawyer F. Lee Bailey, who identified Asher as a pilot and onetime smuggler, offered him as an informant.

Jennie Khoen, a spokeswoman for the Florida department, said yesterday that the agency knew about Asher's "history with drug smuggling," including his work as an informant. Moore said his department "knew about Mr. Asher's past."

"We were aware of his informant activity," Moore said. "But we were also aware he had never been arrested or charged."

Because of the renewed questions about his past and because the state is entering into a contract for the Matrix services, Khoen said "it is prudent and responsible for us to do a comprehensive review of his background."

The Florida legislature just allocated \$1.6 million to begin paying Seisint for its work.

Asher didn't respond to several requests for interviews.

Seisint's Cameron said people should focus on the value of the technology for fighting terrorism and crime. He said privacy fears are overblown because Matrix relies on the same records that police have always had access to.

Asher has also donated services to the FBI, the Secret Service and other agencies. And authorities credit Seisint with helping to turn up links among the hijackers who slammed planes into the Pentagon and the World Trade Center, and to some of their associates.

The Secret Service, the FBI, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service gave Asher letters of commendation last year. They are prominently displayed as awards on Seisint's Web site. Spokesmen at the FBI and the Secret Service said the letters are routinely given as thank-you notes to hotels and other companies that help their agencies.

Former Secret Service head Brian Stafford recently went to work as a senior executive at Seisint.

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From: [Phyllis Silverman <phyllis6283@yahoo.com>](mailto:phyllis6283@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:19:30 PM

Subject: RE: Senior Citizen Job Fair

Dear Governor Bush:

I am sending along the proposal for the Senior Job Fair as you suggested. We are hoping for your assistance in bringing this to fruition.

We thank you in advance for your consideration of this proposal.

PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING SENIOR JOB FAIR

The proposal as outlined below is for seed money funding to initiate a job fair for retired professional seniors who are seeking part time employment in Palm Beach County, Florida.

CASE STATEMENT:

The senior citizen population of Palm Beach county has a great deal to offer to prospective employers. We have the experience to handle any job, we are used to "showing up" for work every day that we are expected and on time. We are no longer looking for careers buy for meaningful work instead. We need no expensive health care benefits and we don't look for promotion or overly hefty paychecks. In short, we are the ideal candidates for business.

In today's economy, most seniors would relish the opportunity to increase the bottom line and not have to rely on a continually shrinking fixed income. We are talking about employment that is not just busy work but instead will help the employer achieve financial success and also feed the Florida economy.

STEERING COMMITTEE AND JOB FAIR PARTNERS:

Area Agency on Aging

AARP
United Way
WXEL TV
Clear Channel Communications
Workforce Alliance of Palm Beach County
Fidelity Federal Bank and Trust

JOB FAIR PLANS:

The Job Fair will take place in mid to late April at a local hotel in Palm Beach county. We are considering a hotel close to PBIA with easy access and considerable free parking. We plan to hold the event on a Wednesday from 10 AM until 3 PM. The participating employers will pay a booth fee; however, the senior participants will attend free of charge. In addition, we plan to hold simultaneous training sessions that will address resume writing and skills needed for today's marketplace.

REQUEST:

--- Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

> Thank you for your email. I await your proposal.

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> Jeb Bush

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Phyllis Silverman

> [mailto:phyllis6283@yahoo.com]

> Sent: Friday, February 07, 2003 10:48 AM

> To: Jeb Bush
> Subject: Senior Citizen Job Fair
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> Governor Bush:
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> The senior citizen population of Palm Beach County
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> work but instead will help the employer achieve
> financial success and also feed the Florida economy.
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> I am interested in applying for a demonstration
> grant
> for Palm Beach County. I will be working hand in
> hand
> with the Area Agency on Aging, AARP, local chambers
> of
> commerce and Florida Workforce Development.
>
> This project will take about nine months to plan and
> execute. If successful as I envision, it could
> easily
> be replicated in other parts of the state.
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> I have many years of experience running large job
> fairs, primarily the Broward County Job Fair for
> nine
> years. We had the great pleasure of being awarded a
> designation as one of the best 100 programs in the
> nation by President Ronald Reagan.
>

> Thank you for your attention to this information. I
> will look forward to hearing from someone in your
> office.

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> Sincerely yours,
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> Phyllis Silverman
> (561)735-3327
> phyllis6283@yahoo.com

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From: [Christine Smith <psalmone7@yahoo.com>](mailto:psalmone7@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:15:24 PM

Subject: medical malpractice legislation

Christine Smith
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August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush,

THE VICTIMS OF THE WHOLE MEDICAL MALPRACTICE SCAM ARE THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA.....NEITHER THEY NOR THEIR ADVOCATES, THE ATTORNEY, WHO ADVOCATE ON THEIR BEHALF ARE THE ISSUE. AS GOVERNOR, YOUR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA THIS PUSH FOR CAPPING MED MAL AWARDS IS AGAINST THE PEOPLE AND THEIR DUE PROCESS. MY OBSERVATION HAS BEEN THAT OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM WORKS FAIRLY AND JUSTLY IN OUR STATE....DO NOT PREVENT THE PEOPLE FROM OPEN AND FAIR DUE PROCESS....

THE SYSTEM IS BROKEN AND THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA AND THE ATTORNEYS ARE NOT THE ONES WHO BROKE IT OR WHO CONTINUE TO BREAK IT.

TELL THE MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS TO CLEAN UP THEIR ACTS, PROVIDE EXCELLENCE IN ALL MEDICAL CARE

TELL THE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO STOP WITH THE MANAGED HEALTH CARE

TELL THE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO STOP THEIR SCAM ON THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA

Sincerely,

Christine M. Smith

From: Dmaaevans@cs.com <Dmaaevans@cs.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 1:43:52 PM

Subject: School Dismissal

Marsha L. Evans
310 E. Maple St.
Davenport, Fl. 33837
863-422-0087

Dear Governor Jeb Bush,

I am writing you today in regards to my daughter being dismissed from her school due to the fact that she did not pass the FCAT. She not only was retained but because she is in a school of choice where you have to apply to go to school and since she was retained she lost her spot at Davenport School of the Arts where she has been a student for three years. She also has a brother in second grade that attends Davenport School of the Arts. We did reapply for her to get back into the school however as of right now she is on a waiting list to get back into a school in which she was already a student. I have talked to numerous people at the Polk County School Board and I am being told that we have to wait until her number is moved up. I feel that she is being double punished for not passing the FCAT. We have accepted the fact that she has been retained we are just have alot of difficulty accepting the fact that she was dismissed from her school. We even checked into putting her in a private school and starting her in fourth grade, but she decided that she just wanted to stay in third grade that way she can just get smarter. I am hoping that in some way you can help my daughter get back into Davenport School of the Arts. Thank you for taking this matter into consideration.

Sincerely,
Marsha Evans

From: [Carmine Mainiero <Carmine.Mainiero@unilever.com>](mailto:Carmine.Mainiero@unilever.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 1:35:16 PM

Subject: Federal Spending Out of Control

Good Morning Jeb,

I am a passionate conservative who supports President Bush 100% and I heard you speak a few times and really like your ideas and values. My concern is that the Federal and state and local governments continue to grow and d expand regardless of who is in charge. My fear is one day we'll find ourselves in a communist central planning scenario which is not what makes America great. Do you agree and how do we change this?

Carmine

From: [BERTHY DE LA ROSA-APONTE <apontemb@juno.com>](mailto:apontemb@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 1:30:15 PM

Subject: Please call me

Hola Jeb:

If you can, please call me. I will be home by 3:00 p.m. (954-450-9022 & 954-436-4913). You can reach me before in my cell 954-608-8844.

Berthy

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From: Atbx@aol.com <Atbx@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: burma@mindspring.com

Date: 8/6/2003 1:22:45 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Mr. Bush:

This letter is to let you know that I think it is a travesty that one of our Nations most popular & beautiful parks may be going away. As a child growing up and being involved in a local amateur ski club, it was always my dream to be able to ski at the Water Ski Capitol of the WORLD, Cypress Gardens. As a former Cypress Gardens water skier it breaks my heart to think that my children may never be able to see the Gardens or even have the opportunity to dream of skiing there.

Please, please help Friends of Cypress Gardens save all the land for many more generations to enjoy!

THANK YOU,
Jeff Nichols
President
[Aqua Sport Marine, Inc.](#)

From: [Jim Wilkerson <wilker@bellsouth.net>](mailto:wilker@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 1:18:39 PM

Subject: Testimony in Senate shows no cap is necessary

Jim Wilkerson
10201 Glenmoor Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

This issue should be addressed with the insurance industry not caps on damages. How can caps make sense when there is no substantial evidence that caps will cause any significant rate reduction. A hard cap will harm Floridians.

Sincerely,

Jim wilkerson

From: [Michael Rosenberg <mrosenberg@fullersuarez.com>](mailto:mrosenberg@fullersuarez.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 1:09:23 PM

Subject: Caps are no good

Michael Rosenberg
6501 cow pen road
miami lakes, FL 33014

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There are NO frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice.

Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.

There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums!

William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.

FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will continue to make money with or without tort reform.

He was elected to protect every patient and every Floridian – NOT his millionaire buddies in the Insurance industry.

Tell him Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith.

Tell him caps don't work, only real insurance reform does.

Tell him to stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.

Tell him we need sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

Tell him that the time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for honest leadership is now!

Sincerely,

Michael Rosenberg

From: [Senator Stephen Wise <srwise@comcast.net>](mailto:srwise@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 1:05:19 PM

Subject: Nursing Shortage

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Governor:

I came across an idea the other day while attending a workforce meeting. A number of years ago in New York a program was created to take police officers and firefighters who were to retire in a few years [like our DROP program] and provide the necessary training to them to become nurses as a second career. The concept came from Mike Nilsson RN who is the 1st Vice President of the Florida Nurses Association and he works for the Dept. of Health. He has been a Nurse for 22 years and was a fireman in NY City for more than 20 years. He participated in the program to obtain is Nursing degree.

This maybe a way to assist with the nursing shortage...Could you have someone on your staff explore the possibilities with me?

Thanks

Steve

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From: A1934bob@aol.com <A1934bob@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:53:23 PM

Subject: Re: Cypress Garden!

Dear Governor Jeb:

My husband and I have enjoyed going to see the WONDERFUL Cypress Gardens for many years, and we want to give you a BIG THANK YOU for all you can do to HELP us save the gardens for future generations to enjoy! I have enjoyed the beautiful butterflies and even enjoyed the wonderful Ice skating shows and the many other wonderful programs that can be seen there! So hopefully your team can help us SAVE the wonderful Cypress Gardens.

We remain your friends, now living in sunny Florida,
Roberta & Arthur

From: [Candi R. Sellers <candisellers1@juno.com>](mailto:candisellers1@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:38:21 PM

Subject:

Just wondering if you had heard this new stat. They announced it on the local NBC news this morning:

"More people are moving to the state of Florida than any other state in the nation. The trend is expected to continue." I THINK but I am not certain---but, the anchor said over a million new people arrive to FL each yr.

(I changed email accts, hence a new address---but same person).

Blessings, :)

Candi R. Sellers

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From: [avistt <avistt1@yahoo.com>](mailto:avistt1@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:34:17 PM

Subject: Fwd: Need help...

Hi Jeb,

You are always in my prayers! What a tough job you have! I am sending you a letter I received from a young man in my little church. He recently married a young lady of Spanish decent and the government red tape is keeping them apart. Maybe you know the strings to pull to reunite these special young people. It would be the answer to a prayer if you can help them.

Hope everyone in your home is well and happy. I have managed to injure my back and am homebound at the present, but my blessing are what I count not my problems.

What is your handsome son doing these days? Gosh I would love to see him run for office.

your friend and intercessor,

granny(Avis Thompson)

Date: Tue, 5 Aug 2003 17:00:53 -0700 (PDT)

From: bret lohbach

Subject: Need help...

To: avistt1@yahoo.com

Dear Mrs. Avis,

How are you doing? We sure have been missing you at church! We have been praying for you and can't wait to have you back once again.

I am writing to see if you could help me with something. As you know, Sara Briceno and I got married earlier this year. She is the young lady who has been staying with pastor Dennis and his family since she came to the states back in September of 2001. She originally felt like the Lord lead her to come to the states to learn to speak English at the English Language Institue at the University of Southern Mississippi. She thought maybe the purpose for this was that English would help her with her physical therapy degree back home in Bogota, Colombia. What she did not expect on was falling in love. :-)

It has been wonderful getting to know her over the years and it was even more wonderful falling in love with her and marrying her. As you know, the church, especially Dennis and his wife Dara, have really helped us along in our courtship time. They helped keep us accountable and counseled us through our time together here in the states, filling in as her "parents," since hers couldn't be here. A lot of what was shared has come back to bless us since our wedding on May 29, of this year. .

This brings me to the help I was needing. As you know, Sara and I wanted to make a trip down to meet her parents between the school semesters. (She has since finished at the English Language Institute and is currently enrolled at Southeastern Baptist College in Laurel, MS.) We were told that she could get her student visa renewed while we were there and we wouldn't have any problem coming back before school started back on August 18.

Well, the people at the U.S. Embassy have given us the run-a-round and have given us wrong information, and this has caused a huge delay in renewing her visa. Though she has all the legal requirements for her student visa to be renewed, she was asked to get a new I-20 form from Southeastern Baptist College (the old form was supposed to be legal until August 1, but they didn't know that). We went ahead and got the new form, which is computerized now, and we went back to the embassy. They then told us that she needed documentation that she had been in school for the duration of time that she was here, and that she needed proof of the change/continuation in status. Well that information was already in their hands, all they had to do was look at the letters we brought from the schools, and the dates on all her I-20s is proof enough that she had a continuation on her student status. They requested that this continuation in status be notarized by immigration, and everyone I have talked to at USM, who works with international students, everyone has never heard of such a requirement. They really don't know what that means and they don't know how to go about getting it. It just sounded to them like we were being given the run-a-round. The director of Southeastern Baptist College, Dr Parker, said that everything now is online. The reason everything is online is so that all the consulate in Bogota would have to do is double click. He can go online and verify that she is legal.

I went ahead and fed-exed some more transcripts and more letters from the universities to her and she is supposed to go back to the embassy tomorrow. I just feel, though, that no matter how many hoops we jump through, it will never be enough. All the while, time is running out. We already lost the price of her ticket back home, and I had to travel by myself. Boy, was that a hard thing to do! Probably one of the hardest things I have ever had to do!! Leaving the love of my life. .

Also, it is very hard for me to look for a teaching job here, since there might be a chance that I will have to leave before too long. I can't really tell the school that I might be leaving soon and expect them to hire me. That is hard. If Sara doesn't get her student visa renewed then the only other option will be to apply for a spousal visa. We have been hesitant to go that route since the expected time for approval is six to twelve months. If we have to go that route, I feel that it is very important that we are together. I believe that the first year of marriage is the most important time for the family and is a time when you need to devote all that you can to your wife. .

Anyway, that is why we were asking if there was anything you could do to help us. We need help, and we need it yesterday. I have included down below some information that I thought you might need. If anything is lacking, please feel free to let me know, and I will be glad to get it to you. Know that we appreciate everything you are doing and for keeping us in your prayers. Sara sends her love, as do I. Hopefully we can get her permission to come home soon and we can start living our lives together as husband and wife!!

Much love,
Bret Lohrbach :-)

Sara Briceno's Colombian Passport number is: AH725479
When she got here on Sept. 19, 2001, she was given this number: 47500258809
She has been here on F1 visas, M entries.
Her control number is 20012347490001
We left for Bogota, Colombia, on June 10, 2003.

A great big heart felt thank you!!!

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From: [Charlene Heger <hegercharlene@hotmail.com>](mailto:hegercharlene@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:33:35 PM

Subject: No to Med Mal Reform

Charlene Heger
4419 Winding River Dr
Valrico, FL 33594

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Charlene Heger

From: [Julia Nichols <stoptripping@hotmail.com>](mailto:stoptripping@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:33:22 PM

Subject: RE:

And becoming too common - can you imagine all the disabled women and men that this has happened to that we don't know about?

Prison is too good a place for people like this "human" that did this to that young woman.

>From: "Jeb Bush"

>To: "Julia Nichols"

>Subject: RE:

>Date: Tue, 5 Aug 2003 22:42:26 -0400

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>how sad!

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>Jeb Bush

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>From: Julia Nichols [mailto:stoptripping@hotmail.com]

>Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 8:50 AM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Subject:

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>Just read in the Orlando Sentinel that you fired the law firm that was claiming that the developmentally disabled woman named Dorothy's rape and pregnancy was her fault.

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>Thank you!

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From: [Doris Cantrell <LoveLight03@webtv.net>](mailto:LoveLight03@webtv.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:21:14 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Thank you, thank you for saving
our beloved Cypress Gardens!!!

From: [P Endsley <Patsy153@hotmail.com>](mailto:Patsy153@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:19:59 PM

Subject: Please vote No to caps

P Endsley
55 Bering
Tampa, FL 33606

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Patty Endsly

From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 12:15:55 PM

Subject: MED MAL CAP

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 6, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider your position and vote NO

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [Frederick Leonhardt <Fleonhardt@grayharris.com>](mailto:Fleonhardt@grayharris.com)

To: jdkelley@eflorida.com

Date: 8/6/2003 11:43:57 AM

Subject: Fwd: use of "engineer" title

Attachments: use of "engineer" title

Darrell, Guy is a PE and a lawyer all wrapped up into one person.....good feedback here

From: [Guy Haggard <Ghaggard@grayharris.com>](mailto:Ghaggard@grayharris.com)

To: [Frederick Leonhardt](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 9:00:46 PM

Subject: use of "engineer" title

Fred,

I looked over the proposed legislation on the use of "engineer" in one's title.

Currently, the statute prohibits the use of "licensed engineer" or "professional engineer" unless the person is licensed by the State.

The new proposed language greatly expands the type of prohibited titles to include very commonly used titles such as systems engineer, software engineer, electrical engineer, etc. These types of engineers do not need to be licensed, but because of their educational background would be offended not to be able to use "engineer" in their title.

I think a much better approach is to keep the prohibition on "licensed engineer" or "professional engineer" to those that are licensed by the State as PEs, and allow any other use of the word "engineer" in a title by only those persons that have at a minimum a BS degree in an engineering field from an accredited college.

I think this will address the rationale behind the proposed language much better. The problem that the proposed language is trying to address is that many times, persons without even an engineering degree use a title with "engineer". (I know many that work out at the Cape do so, but are really technicians).

I think the above approach would be widely supported by industry and engineers, whereas the current proposed language would be considered insulting and demeaning to many true engineers as they would no longer be considered engineers.

Those are my thoughts.

Thanks,

Guy

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From: MacThai@aol.com <MacThai@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 11:11:21 AM

Subject: Thank you very much!

For all that you have done for Cypress Gardens! It would be a shame if it is lost forever.

Mahalo!
Jim Bryan
Strength & Conditioning
Florida
The Other Paradise



From: WillardJnc@aol.com <WillardJnc@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 10:30:57 AM

Subject: The outstanding job James Crosby is doing

Dear Jeb:

I just wanted to let you know what a great job James Crosby is doing with DOC. There's a one hundred percent turn around in that department now since he has been running it in just the few months he's been secretary. Unlike Michael Moore he always answers his e-mails and you can call and get an appointment and he will actually see you and listen to you. Also he doesn't share the asinine policy of Michael Moore that all inmates are liars, as he said yesterday when I saw him there are bad inmates and good officers and also good inmates and bad officers as well. Kevin is home now but still very ill from Gastric Reflex disease and other health problems from prison. But hopefully now that he is home he can get the medical treatment he needs since we were told if he'd have stayed in prison another month he would have died at twenty-two from complications from this disease and malnutrition. Something does need to be done about that problem but Mr. Crosby I have no doubt will improve that situation as well. I took Kevin with me and he talked to Kevin for about forty-five minutes about prison and why he kept getting into trouble and getting DR's. He was tuff but listen as well to everything Kevin talked to him about. So I just had to let you know that I not only let you know when someone isn't doing a good job but also like to inform you when someone is doing a great one as well.

Sincerely: Janice Smith

From: [Thomas A. Waits <tawait@mindspring.com>](mailto:tawait@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 9:38:07 AM

Subject: Governor's Conference on Tourism

Many thanks for speaking to our tourism industry folks in Jax on Monday. You were right on target and feedback was great!

Will be following up with you on getting prepared to address the funding need. Know there may be some complications on the rental car tax, but that shouldn't preclude our quietly doing our homework. Main thing is to have DOT Secretary in the loop on research initiative that justifies/supports "increased tourism produces increased gas, etc. taxes" to DOT.as a replacement for increasing rental car tax allocation to tourism promotion trust fund.

Thanks for your continuing leadership.....Tommy

From: Page Heather Larissa <HLPAGE@qinetiq.com>

To: Jeb Bush

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'gallagher@doi.state.fl.us'

'commisioner@doacs.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/6/2003 8:52:28 AM

Subject: . Saving Cypress Gardens

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you all, from England, to express my hope that Cypress Gardens is saved so that millions more people are able to visit the beautiful gardens.

I first visited the gardens with my family back in 1988 when I was just 8 years old, based on recommendations from another Cypress Gardens admirer. I have since been back several times, and most recently when I was aged 22, last summer on Independence day. I had never been in the USA on this day before, and what a way I spent it. The whole day was full of unique patriotism with the most magnificent firework display at night. I am sure I would be speaking for everybody else who was there on Independence day when I say that I wouldn't have wanted to spend it anywhere else, and that we hoped we would be able to return again on that same occasion in sunsequent years.

It is so important for Florida state to purchase Cypress Gardens because it is part of Florida's history. I am sure you've had so many letters from people around the world who live in hope that Cypress Gardens will be purchased and preserved to its former glory - we all still have faith in the system. We all believe that Cypress Gardens is not just some temporary, short-lived theme park. If Cypress Gardens is not saved then it will affect so many peoples lives and so many people will have reason to question the way in which society works.

Thank you for taking the time to help save Cypress Gardens and for reading this letter.

Please feel free to e-mail me or update me with the situation.

Yours, in hope,

> Heather Page

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From: [Jan B Brewer <jwbrewer@desoto.net>](mailto:jwbrewer@desoto.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 6:16:31 AM

Subject: Thank you

Dear Sir,

Thank you so much for the phone call you made to my children tonight. It meant so much to them and to me. I sincerely mean you made a huge difference in my husband's life-for that I am also grateful. He absolutely loved working for the Citrus Commission and was thrilled to be Chairman again and working for another term.

I am very embarrassed at how I answered the phone tonight when you called-I was very abrupt and rude when I said hello. My inlaws are giving me a very hard time and making life difficult(not surprising) my husband was a completely different man from his family. But I sincerely apologize for answering so rudely. My father-in-law had just called and was rude to my mother so I assumed it was him calling again-but you know what they say when you assume.

Thank you again for your kindness-it meant the world. I suppose my cheeks will quite being red now that I have apologized for my phone manners. Thank goodness mom didn't over hear me-you know how mom's are about manners.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart-for me, my boys and Walt.

Sincerely,

Jan Brewer

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From: [travis <stumeat1@netzero.net>](mailto:travis_<stumeat1@netzero.net>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:34:20 AM

Subject: Jeb.....

Jeb, please don't let them proceed with letting Mrs. Shiuvo starve to death, I don't believe she is in a coma. I believe that her husband is trying to hurry up and let her die before she gets a chance to un conceal evidence against him regarding her condition. I believe that he is the reason she is in this condition in the first place and he wants her to die so she won't someday be able to testify to that fact.

Governor, please consider the conscience aftermath you will suffer through if she is let to starve to death with you well knowing that you could've done something to prevent it from happening. Please do something to prevent it, I don't want to think that I live in an America that lets our own starve to death intentionally. It's just not a place I would want to live. Thank you.

By the way, I love Florida, it's a beautiful state. I just got back from vacationing there. We were riding our jetskis off the coast around Melbourne at the Sebastian Inlet, I will always want to come back there for vacationing, but I don't want to think about how it will be if everytime I come down there I have to think about how we let that woman starve to death as a country. I mean, I understand that she is under subjection to her husband, but we do have laws that prevent husbands from being able to harm their wives and I think we would be breaking our own laws if we don't intercede on her behalf.

Travis(Oklahoma City)

From: [Chris & Amanda Lawson <CN3N8@planetcomm.net>](mailto:CN3N8@planetcomm.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)


Date: 8/6/2003 4:31:39 AM

Subject: terri

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Mr. Bush:

As a nurse I have to tell you that this situation really disturbs me. The medical definition of "vegetable" is someone whom has no brain waves or function at all. I do not see this happening with Terri. The bone scan has show that she has been abused on several occasions and I think the last one got her. Please step in on this matter so someone is not let go for no reason. I do not believe that she will ever be any better that what she is now but, I also do believe that she is being used for her money. her husband just wants her to die and he has that right I suppose, Her family however is more than willing to take care her. Please look into this matter and do it quickly. She is on borrowed time. Thanks for doing the right thing (i. pray). Terri should have the right to life, freedom, and happiness just because she is entitled to it.

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From: [Ann Henderson <anntalk@comcast.net>](mailto:anntalk@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 4:13:35 AM

Subject: Thank you

Gov. Jeb,

Just a note to thank you for all that you have done to save Cypress Gardens. I proudly wear my red and white tee shirt that says on the front: "Save Cypress Gardens" and on the back reads: "Thank you Jeb." It always solicits a LOT of comments.

I understand that a final decision will be made very soon. I support any action you take to save the gardens, even if it means you must do it through eminent domain.

When I was a wee little girl many moons ago my parents took me to Cypress Gardens. I thought it was a magical garden. Through the years I have continued to go there, and have taken my children and grandchildren. My granddaughter Shannon had to thrill of being a Cypress Garden Belle. What a thrill that was for her. My grandson was more thrilled with the ski show.

Thank you for all that your are doing to make our state the best in the country. When you have a few minutes I would love to hear from you.

You are welcome to call in to my radio show any time, just to say "howdy."

:)

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Ann Henderson
WCCF New/Talk Radio
Punta Gorda, Fl.

From: JACK0827@aol.com <JACK0827@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: burma@mindspring.com

Date: 8/6/2003 3:34:55 AM

Subject: (no subject)

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do whatever you and the great state of Florida can do to save Cypress Gardens. I have for many years been a frequent visitor of this beautiful Florida tourist attraction. I live in Lakeland which is only 12 miles from one of the most beautiful places in the state, and it breaks my heart to think that this place is no longer available for Florida residents and visitors to see. I appreciate everything that you have done to date in an effort to save this theme park, and it is my hope that you will succeed in your endeavors.

Thanks you,

Jack Mulholland
3929 US Hwy 98 South, #125
Lakeland, Florida 33813-4292



From: [Sandi and Dennis Duerr <sliddwd@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:sliddwd@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:59:02 AM

Subject: cypress gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

For years my family met every Easter for sunrise service at Cypress Gardens. We started going to see the beautiful sunrise and found a time of peace and companionship with others who came here to see our slice of beauty. The last year we went we had four generations at the Gardens to see the end of the sunrise services. We had for year had our Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles, Cousins visit this beautiful place as a family. My cousin Janet Harkey was one of the first people to ride the Island in the Sky with her husband and Senator Trask. This was also the last year my Mother got to attend as she passed away from cancer the next year. My daughter was a baby belle one year and I still cherish those shots of her with her Sister Belle. We lost a place that not only has many memories for myself and my family but for so many of the world who loved to come just to see this wonderful Florida Garden. Dick Pope and family spent many hours making this a place for others to visit and enjoy. We went to school with his children and grandchildren and find it reprehensible that the owners who bought this has dumped it and left it to vandels and could care less. They not only dumped the Gardens but the family of staff that worked there. My brother and sister both held positions with the Gardens in their teen years and never would they have expected this tragedy to happen. My dear freind, worked for the Gardens at the end. He had just recieved a raise in position and finances that we had prayed for. He was starting a new family and had the week prior to the closing praised God for this blessing and then that Thursday without warning lost that blessing to mismanagement of a national treasure. The person who owned this place did not appreciate what he had and now has gotten rid of it. Please sir take it for the state and lets give it back to the people of Polk County who love the bit of beauty in a cruel world. Vote to buy it and put it back in function.

Yours

Sandra Lee Crosby Duerr
2615 State Park Rd
Lakeland, Florida
33805

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Julia Nichols'](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:42:26 AM

Subject: RE:

[how sad!](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Julia Nichols [mailto:stoptripping@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 8:50 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Just read in the Orlando Sentinel that you fired the law firm that was claiming that the developmentally disabled woman named Dorothy's rape and pregnancy was her fault.

Thank you!

Add photos to your e-mail with [MSN 8](#). Get 2 months FREE*.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Karl Wickstrom'](#)

CC: [Colleen Castille \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:35:27 AM

Subject: RE: Good Serve fup

Thank you Karl. I will followup.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Karl Wickstrom [mailto:kwickstrom@usa.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 11:03 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Good Serve

Jeb, thanks partly to your good work and that of the FWC, the new federal manatee speed zones were modified to allow more on-plane boat travel. The difference is huge, even though there are some sore points.

Unfortunately, there are big manatee battles ahead. Much of it is due to misunderstandings. A letter from you could do amazing things. You could point out that we all want the best thing for manatees and for boating Floridians.

You could state that the best available evidence clearly indicates that boats operating at minimum planing speeds of about 25 mph or less provide adequate protection for most areas other than high-aggregation points. These Caution 25 zones will foster a continuing stability and growth of the cherished manatee population.

The letter (which would be consistent with your earlier one) would have great value.

As it is, the FWC staff (but not the commission) is still in there pushing for off-plane idle zones over long stretches where manatees are rarely even seen.

Help.

Also, I'd love to take you out on my boat here in Stuart to experience minimum planing speeds, including the area where the FWC staff (not the commission) wants idle zones that would cause huge time delays in getting around.

Yours would be a voice of reason that the public would accept enthusiastically.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Nina Oviedo'](#)

CC: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Tara Wainwright \(E-mail\)](#)
[Charla Sasser \(E-mail\)](#)
[Brandi Langford \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:33:07 AM

Subject: RE: NGA -- Dual Eligible Congressional push

let us get the BRAC date set and we can do other things. Let us get it set asap.

Jeb Bush

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> -----Original Message-----

>From: Nina Oviedo [mailto:oviedon@sso.org]

>Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 10:45 AM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Cc: Kathleen Shanahan; Tara Wainwright (E-mail); Charla Sasser (E-mail); Brandi Langford (E-mail)

>Subject: NGA -- Dual Eligible Congressional push

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>Governor-----Karen and I met w/ NGA and a few directors to discuss strategy on dual eligibles. This issue will move relatively quickly come September. It is our opinion (your DC office) and that of other Directors and NGA that a Governors meeting w/ the conferees early to mid September would be very important to our effort.

>

>NGA and other Directors acknowledge that it is your leadership that brought success on the dual eligible front. Before proposing such a meeting to other Governors, Patton and Kempthorne's Directors have asked whether you would have an interest in leading a few Govs in Hill meetings w/ the Conferees. If you have an interest, they would follow your lead on scheduling.

>

>Recommendation: We would urge you to come up for these meetings. Chairman Thomas is a big champion but he'll need back-up from the Governors especially w/ the Senate (and Administration).

>

>We were making plans for a DC visit on BRAC. We don't have a date yet but maybe we could hit both issues on one visit.

>Are you interested in participating in some Hill visits re dual eligibles? Nina

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Michael Gallo'](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:30:00 AM

Subject: RE:

[thaks Michael.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Gallo [mailto:michael@rbarchitects.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 10:23 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Contrary to the comments of a few, I do like you as our "Education Governor". I firmly believe in the FCAT as a gauge for student advancement.

Hope to see you soon. Again, please keep Sheriff Phil Williams at the top on your list for FDLE Commissioner.

So it took me 9 years to finally lobby you for something.

Michael

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 2:28:04 AM

Subject: FW: Document from ACS for your review

Attachments: Memo for Governor on eligibility.doc

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rodney Barreto [mailto:rbarreto@bcmpartners.com]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 2:54 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Document from ACS for your review

Jeb, this attachment is from Roger Carlton of ACS. He has asked me to forward this attachment to you for your review. Once you have review the attached please let me know if it necessitates for us to meet to discuss, as the client is asking for a meeting. Let me know what your thoughts are.

Thanks, Rodney

From: [MARC HARDESTY <WMHARDESTY@AOL.COM>](mailto:WMHARDESTY@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/6/2003 1:00:30 AM

Subject: Next Gray Davis

MARC HARDESTY
4004 ATLANTIC BLVD
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Maybe its recall time in the sunshine state. Stop trying to load the pockets of the insurance companies with blood money

Sincerely,

MARC HARDESTY

From: [carolyn allen <foxyeyes77@hotmail.com>](mailto:carolyn.allen@foxyeyes77@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 11:43:36 PM

Subject: future chaos in de funiak springs children and families office

dear gov. bush, i have written you in the past. i am a workfare volunteer at the children and families office in de funiak springs, fla. august 30, 2003 will be one year that i have volunteered at this office and still without a job and very little prospects. here is the major concern. there is no front desk receptionist in this office, she is now a interview clerk, since one lady retired. this month, there is one case worker retiring and one secretary retiring. it is my understanding that these jobs will not be filled or posted. i predict extreme case load problems and lots of complaints to tallahassee from people receiving assistance. walton county has a large case load already and further job cuts will only make things worst. it is already difficult for me and about 2-3 other ladies to handle the front desk. i only volunteer 30 hrs. a month. it would be so much nicer, if i got paid to work in this office and more beneficial for the dcf office in de funiak springs also. i have received praises from all district and local supervisors in this office. i get along well with all my co workers. but, i forsee many problems if these jobs are not filled after these people retire. i understand all the many budget problems. but, if the money was there to pay these people before retirement, it has to still be there. what ever happened to state of florida job security? it seems like it no longer exists now. these positions are very important in this office. front desk receptionist, unit secretary to supervisor and case worker. we are already working in this office with 2 case worker positions that havent been filled. this worker retiring will make 3 case worker positions. also, i believe family first section needs their own receptionist to take all their many phone calls and messages. it makes the dcf front desk more burdensome with phone calls and messages. whoever works at the dcf front desk does not know any information about family first employees and doesnt know these people' schedules. they never tell us who is in and who is out. the familys first one and only secretary works 1 hr. every day at the dcf front desk because there is no one that has filled this postion, like i said earlier. she has to answer the switchboard and her cordless familys first phone. this situation can be prevented. you have to do whatever is necessary to make all current workers positons more like is in their job description. there has to be some job replacements in this office. i am more than willing to fill at least one of these positions, and more than qualified after all my volunteer work. i look forward to hearing an answer from you.

sincerely,

carolyn allen

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From: [Joan Mundell <jora6473@earthlink.net>](mailto:jora6473@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 11:21:55 PM

Subject:

Governor Bush:

We have not heard any news about saving Cypress Gardens lately. Something needs to be done soon as the batonical gardens are becoming in bad shape. They need care very soon. You could use your power as governor to make things happen quickly. We hate to see gardens lost.

Thank you

Joan and Ray mundell

From: WBLOOM@hklaw.com <WBLOOM@hklaw.com>

To: Eva.armstrong@dep.state.fl.us

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Edward.wood@dep.state.fl.us

fbg2350@aol.com

amittelman@cgplayhouse.com

Date: 8/5/2003 11:14:56 PM

Subject: Coconut Grove Playhouse

Attachments: Letter to Eva Armstrong - re Coconut Grove Playhouse_v1.DOC

Please review the attached letter.

<<Letter to Eva Armstrong - re Coconut Grove Playhouse_v1.DOC>>

From: [Robert Janauskas <wishfer@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:Robert.Janauskas@worldnet.att.net)

To: [DBPR, Call Center](mailto:DBPR.Call.Center@earthlink.net)
JGWLAW@EARTHLINK.NET

Date: 8/5/2003 10:18:40 PM

Subject: Re: RE: THIS IS NOT A JOKE!...BUT GET READY TO LAUGH! BOILERPLATE

Dear Judy,

Thanks for taking the time to respond to my original question and frustrating follow up comments.

Actually, all you've provided is reference material which is so cumbersome and time consuming to review in .pdf format it really isn't worth the time to open these files to search for the words; "emergency meetings."

Simplistically, all of my folders are in alphabetical order. If I want to open a folder to review the meaning of 'emergency meetings' I'd simply click on the words which start with the letter, "E."

Unfortunately, we are not interested in the statutory definition of a catastrophic event creating an emergency meeting. We are seeking material to define 'emergency meetings' called by HOA boards in an effort to circumvent their fiduciary representation to all members.

Anyhow!

I give up with the the DBPR Call Center because I sincerely believe no one up there can answer a simple question and put the issue on the table in clear and unambiguous language to tell consumers that, indeed; HOA directors have been cited for holding 'emergency meetings' which they attempt to define as;

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Fill in the blanks!

The best to you and yours,
Bob,
Ocala, FL

----- Original Message -----

From: "DBPR, Call Center" <Call.Center@dbpr.state.fl.us>

To: <JGWLAW@EARTHLINK.NET>

Cc: <WISHFER@WORLDNET.ATT.NET>

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 5:02 PM

Subject: RE: RE: THIS IS NOT A JOKE!...BUT GET READY TO LAUGH! BOILERPLATE

> Dear Ms. Winter:

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> Thank you for copying the Department of Business and Professional Regulation

> with your email response to Mr. Janauskas on July 31, 2003, informing him
> that the department probably did not read his email and that the response
> was sent automatically and was most likely a boilerplate. On behalf of
the

> department, the Customer Contact Center appreciates the opportunity to
> assist you and to clarify any misunderstanding that has arisen because of
> the reply that Mr. Janauskas received.

>

> The Customer Contact Center reads each letter and responds accordingly.
We

> can only guide customers to those portions of the statute relevant to
their

> queries and are not permitted to interpret the statute or give opinions,
as

> to the meaning of terminology used in the statute, unless the statute
> defines the words or phrase used.

>

> The phrase "except in an emergency" as used in section 718.112(2)(c),

> Florida Statutes, is not defined in statute. The Division of Land Sales,

> Condominiums, and Mobile Homes, does maintain an index of arbitration
orders

> on the Internet at:

<http://www.state.fl.us/dbpr/lsc/arbitration/index.shtml>

> where you may be able to find a decision that was rendered concerning this
> terminology.

>

> Again, thank you for writing. You may view and obtain a copy of the

> Condominium Act, the condominium administrative rules, and other
educational

> material on-line at:

> <http://www.state.fl.us/dbpr/lsc/condominiums/index.shtml>. If you have any

> additional questions or concerns, please contact the department's Customer

> Contact Center by calling (800) 226-9101 (Florida only) or (850) 488-1122

or

> by e-mail at: <mailto:callcenter@dbpr.state.fl.us>. In addition, you may
write

> to the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes at

> 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1032.

>

> Sincerely,

>

> Judy L. Fleet

> Regulatory Consultant

> Customer Contact Center

> Department of Business and Professional Regulation

>

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 9:56:56 PM

Subject:

Hey Jeb - DOR was asked to gather and publish Value Adjustment Board petition filing deadlines. They never answered. So, I contacted a few counties myself, did not take long and does not take a rocket scientist to do it, got deadlines, and put them on my web site.

It did not take two minutes when a 90-year old public corporation contacted my company for information. Why are you spending so much money on economic development when some pointed public information, published by DOR, would do much more, at no cost, and you would have a way of knowing who s interested in Florida.

Although I'm glad to have the business, without competition too.

Sheila Anderson

From: [E. T. York <york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu>](mailto:york@mail.ifas.ufl.edu)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 9:21:07 PM

Subject: Amendment 11 and other education issues

Dear Governor Bush:

I am including with this message recent editorials from the Florida Trend *and the Tampa Tribune highly critical of your administration's treatment of the University System in the last two years.* These are merely two of literally scores of such press articles on this issue. I have yet to see one positive treatment of your university governance plan.

I am also including a recent letter to the editor on the additional administrative cost associated with the new governance system. This is one of many letters and op-ed pieces I have written on this general subject.

As one who voted and provided financial support for your father, your brother George, and twice for you, I am terribly disappointed in your handling of this and related matters. My great hopes for your administration are sadly fading away as a result of the manner in which Amendment 11 has been treated, as well as your administration's dismal record of support for our state universities. In the last three years, the universities' share of the state budget has fallen three percent, representing tens of millions of dollars. Your recommendations for funding of our universities in relation to other state agencies is the poorest of any governor's I can recall

I have been very impressed with and supportive of the President's efforts in Iraq. I received a letter from your father inviting me to the President's Dinner in Washington last spring, written, presumably to loyal Republicans. I am still a committed Republican, and my commitment to the party is the primary reason I am writing you, expressing my concern about some of your actions as Governor.

I regret very much to have to say these things, but I feel very strongly about them.

E. T.

FLORIDA TREND
AUGUST 2003 ISSUE

Education: AWOL?

Is Florida's new university Board of Governors out sick or just late arriving?

By Mary Ellen Klas

The 17-member Board of Governors has had a low profile since voters overwhelmingly approved Amendment 11 last November, which created the board. The board's absence was particularly notable during the tumultuous legislative session in which legislators tackled tuition increases and caps on university president salaries.

Those are decisions that supporters of Amendment 11 envisioned the new Board of Governors would make — shielded, in theory, from the whims of the Legislature. But the board was a no-show and, when it met, its first order of business was to

delegate its hiring authority to Jim Horne, commissioner of education.

Amendment supporters are not pleased. U.S. Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., the chief backer, and other supporters are considering suing to force implementation of the amendment as conceived.

"It's as if they never heard the people express themselves in November," says Robin Gibson, the lawyer who drafted the constitutional amendment and is now considering the legal challenge.

Also troubling to the group is the decision by three universities to hire prominent politicians as presidents and then significantly raise their salaries. Amendment proponents are also alarmed by the resignation of Richard Briggs, the faculty representative on the Board of Governors, and the departure of Adam Herbert, the highly regarded former chancellor of the Board of Regents.

Briggs, a nationally recognized professor of radiology, left Florida after more than 15 years to take a teaching position in Texas. He says he was disillusioned with higher education in Florida and the board in particular, which he says has "intentionally tried not to do very much." Herbert left his research institute at the University of North Florida to become president at Indiana University. Many had hoped he would be a candidate for the top job at the University of Florida.

'Timing was unfortunate'

Amendment 11 created a citizen governing board to "operate, regulate and control ... the whole university system." It was designed to resurrect the Board of Regents, which was abolished by the Legislature in 2001, and replace it with a new hybrid system that retains the local Boards of Trustees while buffering the trustees and the BOG from capricious politicians by giving them constitutional status.

Gov. Jeb Bush campaigned against the amendment but dutifully appointed the board when voters approved it, filling it with allies, including Carolyn Roberts, the former Regents chairwoman who led an effort to defeat the amendment.

The board has had five meetings, two of them conference calls, since it came to life Jan. 7. It has three more scheduled for this year. It adopted all of the old Board of Regents rules at its first meeting, required the trustees to seek board approval for all future programs and delegated the authority to hire staff, including a new chancellor, to Horne, who is also appointed by Bush.

In June, Roberts replaced the board's chairman, Jacksonville businessman Tom Petway, who left to become the co-chairman of President George W. Bush's re-election campaign in Florida. Roberts has no apologies for opposing the amendment. She believes Bush's goal of creating a "seamless" K-20 structure under a single Board of Education "should have been given a chance to work."

Roberts agrees the board could have done more to offset legislative action last session, but "the timing was unfortunate" because the board was so new and didn't have time to organize and respond.

Steve Uhlfelder, the only member of the Board of Governors who has served on both the Board of Regents and its successor on the Bush-appointed Board of Education, believes that "over time, the board will assume more power and more Responsibility," but until they have a structure in place, it is foolish to meddle in legislative affairs. "You just irritate the Legislature," he says.

Gibson is unsympathetic. "They sound like they're building a spaceship to Mars," he says. "This has all been done before. We had a governing structure in place before for 96 years." He says that if the board doesn't have the backbone to tell politicians to stay out of higher education policy as the constitutional amendment contemplated, there are volumes of case law that can show them how.

"It's a question of: Are our universities best governed by political figures or are they best governed by independent citizen boards?" Gibson says. "If you look across the country, the proof is in the independent citizen boards."

THE TAMPA TRIBUNE

July 26, 2003

The Reckless Undermining Of State's University System

University of Central Florida President John Hitt aptly describes the fiscal crisis that is forcing state university presidents to implement an enrollment cap.

"It's a mess," Hitt says.

Much the same could be said of the state university system, thanks largely to Gov. Jeb Bush's haphazard and highly political restructuring and a state House indifferent toward higher education.

So now universities may have to cap enrollment or impose extremely restrictive admission requirements. The other alternative is to severely limit class offerings - and further erode Florida's academic standing.

Attracting And Nurturing Businesses

Nothing may be more important to the state's future prosperity than its higher education system, which develops a productive work force, attracts and nurtures businesses and undertakes research critical to commerce and society.

Characteristically, House Speaker Johnnie Byrd refuses to deal with the consequences of his acts and blithely instructs universities to put funds to better use. Yes, there are always classes and programs that can be eliminated. But the idea that the state should drop all programs that are not overflowing with students is a prescription for mediocrity and failure.

Sometimes it is the arcane disciplines, which attract few students, that may catch the attention of industry, generate the most significant research or bring innovative thinkers to the state. If universities are forced into a numbers game, then some of the brightest students will look elsewhere for educations and careers. And businesses will take note.

State Universities already have had to educate 22,000 unfunded students over the past two years. Next year, thanks to the Legislature's irresponsible budget, there will be that many more.

And the state's 28 community colleges were similarly neglected. They won't receive state funding for more than 150,000 new students this year. The state Senate, to its credit, fought vainly for more funds. Senate President Jim King warned that the House's plan would prove disastrous. But Byrd,

who intends to run for the U.S. Senate, wouldn't budge.

Now even former Lt. Gov. Frank Brogan, who left the Bush administration to become president of Florida Atlantic University, warns that Florida is compromising its education system.

"At what point are we running the risk of having to take out of the hide of quality for all our students in order to serve the interest of quantity?" he said of the budget crunch.

But Brogan is not blameless. He participated in the administration's overhaul that left the university system virtually defenseless in Tallahassee.

The governor pushed for the hasty elimination of the state Board of Regents, the 14-member, governor-appointed body that had coordinated higher education policies.

Governor-appointed local boards of trustees were given jurisdiction over each university. The state Board of Education was given ultimate oversight. The seven-member, governor-appointed panel was charged with overseeing all public schools, community colleges and universities - a cumbersome, illogical setup.

Lawmakers also were eager to get rid of the Board of Regents, which had angered Tallahassee heavyweights by occasionally opposing their plans for their favorite universities. The reorganization gave lawmakers more freedom to dictate university policy. It also gave the governor plenty of patronage power. So, with little planning or public debate, the regents were summarily eliminated.

Florida quickly gained a national reputation for a politicized university system and it became more difficult to recruit scholars, even university presidents.

In desperation, opponents of the restructuring proposed Amendment 11. The constitutional amendment called for the restoration of a state university oversight board and 13-member boards of trustees at each university to monitor most local decisions. The 17-member Board of Governors was to provide overall guidance, making sure there was no wasteful duplication.

This was a solid plan and voters overwhelmingly endorsed it last year. Alas, the governor high-handedly ignored the amendment's intent. He appointed a Board of Governors headed by the woman who led the campaign against Amendment 11. And the board, rather than guiding university policy, has been timid, if not worthless.

The Legislative Fiscal Assault

Department of Education chief Jim Horne handpicked the chancellor without complaint from the board, which should have made the choice. The chancellor and the board did little to guard universities from the fiscal assault during the legislative session.

Does anyone think that the universities would have been treated so contemptuously if the state had a governing board truly dedicated to advancing higher education?

Now university presidents face the prospect of slamming the door in qualified students' faces. And Florida's academic reputation is in shambles.

The universities will muddle along one way or another. But a high price will be paid by Florida's students, whose higher education options are going to be severely curtailed. And the consequences

for the state's long-term economic prospects are likely to be negative and substantial.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

For at least a year, horror stories have been circulating about the expected costs of the new financial systems being installed by Florida's public universities, once the universities abandon the State's accounting program.

For example, an article in the current issue of THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION states that the University of Florida "expects to spend about \$25 million above and beyond what it normally spends." THE CHRONICLE article also states that "Florida A&M University has spent \$8.8 million already and has budgeted \$18.8 million more to complete its system project." Based on Florida A&M's estimate, some have suggested that the \$25 million projected for UF is much too low.

The CHRONICLE article also says, "The state Legislature did not appropriate any additional moneys to help pay for new systems."

Significant, also, is the fact that the Legislature appropriated no money to pay for the many additional expenses resulting from the "devolvement" of responsibilities to universities under the new governance system including, for example, the expense associated with having 11 Boards of Trustees, instead of a single Board of Regents.

Obviously, since no additional money was appropriated for these new functions, the universities must invade funds that could have been used for other purposes such as faculty salaries, student aid, or program support for teaching and research activities.

Given the dramatic under funding of our state universities these past two years and the additional costs of running 11 independent institutions, we are ignoring the economies of scale. To me, that doesn't seem to be a prudent or responsible way to spend tax-payer dollars.

While I have long argued that the universities could benefit from more local control, at the same time common sense demands that some functions can be more efficiently and inexpensively performed on the statewide level. It seems that the Governor, the Legislature, and now the Board of Governors may have ignored this fact.

E. T. York
Chancellor Emeritus
State University System of Florida

From: [Walter Revell <WRevell@hjross.com>](mailto:WRevell@hjross.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 8:32:19 PM

Subject: FW: Norman Mansour

-----Original Message-----

From: Walter Revell [mailto:WRevell@hjross.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 3:25 PM

To: 'flgovernor@eog.state.fl.us'

Subject: Norman Mansour

Governor:

You will be receiving a number of recommendations for re-appointment of Norman Mansour to the Florida Transportation Commission, and mine will be among them.

Virtually everyone in the transportation community who has worked with Norm thinks very highly of him. He is a class guy and has done a fine job on the Transportation Commission and also as a level-headed member of the High Speed Rail Authority.

The St. Joe Company acquired Norm's real estate brokerage and management business three years ago, so he has had the time and the resources to devote to public service, and I admire him for the special commitment he has demonstrated.

I particularly want to dispel the rumor that Norm was too close to John McKay. Norm knows John well, of course, because they live in the same area and Norm has been a strong supporter of Republican candidates and office-holders.

However, from personal experience, I know that Norm is a strong supporter of you and your administration, and I believe he has earned another four years on the Transportation Commission. His organizational work on the recent group trip to Washington regarding federal transportation funding was exemplary.

Thank you, and best wishes.

Walter Revell

From: [Yvonne Salisbury <flyflorida1@juno.com>](mailto:Yvonne.Salisbury@flyflorida1@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 8:29:24 PM

Subject: Tort Reform

Yvonne Salisbury
3310 Bermuda Isle Circle, #219
Naples, FLORIDA 34109

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Governor Bush: Please do not let the citizen lose his tort right to sue. I have worked both sides of the law - defense and plaintiff personal injury and have seen what goes on with both sides. I can honestly say through my 30 years of experience that insurance companies are the most blood thirsty thieves alive, and I certainly don't want to hear the "boo hoo" for the doctors out there. Since I have lived in Florida for two years, I am afraid to go to the doctor now and owe over \$10,000 in medical bills because of treatment that was unnecessary and because health insurance carriers don't want to pay. It is pitiful. I didn't think I would ever say this in my life, but I'm beginning to think that socialized medicine isn't the best way to go because the "so-called specialists" out there aren't worth a dime and their billing practices should be illegal. Sorry to go on so, but insurance companies and doctors are complete thieves. The End

Sincerely,

Yvonne Salisbury

From: [Mayor <Mayor@stpete.org>](mailto:Mayor@stpete.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 8:29:35 PM

Subject: FDLE appointment

I understand that Everett Rice has applied for the FDLE opening. I think he has done a great job in Pinellas and, with both law enforcement and legal background, would be a good selection. Best wishes.

Rick

From: [Sheriff Charlie Morris <cmorris@sheriff-okaloosa.org>](mailto:cmorris@sheriff-okaloosa.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 8:27:18 PM

Subject: Commissioner Sherry Campbell

Governor, I just read a newspaper article from the Pensacola New Journal which stated you freed two appointed Escambia County Commissioners from their agreements not to run for office next year. You appointed Sherry Campbell to replace Commissioner Ransom after she resigned to accept another job in Kuwait. I want to tell you your staff did an outstanding job in selecting her for this Commissioners position. The reason for my email to you is that I hope you will consider allowing her to run for this Commission seat in the next election and release her from the obligation she gave you to not run. Without a doubt she is one of the very best Commissioners we have had in the County for many years and it would be a tremendous mistake to not allow her to run for election in 2004. I hope you will do this for the people of Okaloosa County. They deserve a good Commissioner like her. Thanks, Sheriff Charlie Morris

From: [Jene Williams <jwilliams@liggiolaw.com>](mailto:jwilliams@liggiolaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 8:00:25 PM

Subject: Caps will not work

Jene Williams
1915 Hartford Court
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The insurance industry has admitted that caps will not work. Why use them? We are opposed to caps. We oppose eliminating or changing any bad faith laws.

Sincerely,

Jene Williams

From: [Tramm Hudson <tramm.hudson@providentbank.com>](mailto:tramm.hudson@providentbank.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 8:00:14 PM

Subject: Latest Constitutional Amendment

As you may be aware, the latest proposed amendment is from a campaign by a group called the Florida Hometown Democracy. They want to add language to the constitution that would allow all changes to city and county growth management plans be decided by the voters in referendums. This is a dumb idea. I must have received over 15 calls in the last week on this wanting to know if you are tracking this proposal or if someone in your office is monitoring it. Pls let me know who I should refer these folks to. Thanks.

Sarah and I are looking forward to going out to Crawford this weekend. Hope all is well...

Tramm Hudson

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From: [Lori Fahey <lfahey@familycafe.net>](mailto:lfahey@familycafe.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 7:39:05 PM

Subject: RE: Dr. Terry Lyles/Family Cafe

Thank you! I will wait to hear from Betty.

I dropped the book off with Paula Noor. Sorry again for the mix-up.

Lori Fahey
President & CEO
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lfahey@familycafe.net

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 8:10 PM
To: lfahey@familycafe.net
Cc: Betty Hampton (E-mail)
Subject: RE: Dr. Terry Lyles/Family Cafe

[Betty will be in touch.](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: Lori Fahey [mailto:lfahey@familycafe.net]
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 2:53 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Dr. Terry Lyles/Family Cafe

Governor Bush,

Good afternoon! Okay, I goofed! I dropped a video packet with Alan Levine for you last week along with a book from Dr. Terry Lyles entitled "The Secret to Navigating Life Storms". However, when I returned to the office I realized I gave you the wrong signed copy of the book. I have your copy signed by the author. I will be delivering the book to you on Tuesday, and would like to exchange with you copies. I hope to do this in the afternoon. Should I just leave it at the reception desk?

I would also like to meet with you regarding strategies to promote the Family Café. Is this possible? Please let me know.....

Smiles,

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From: [Tom David <tom@tomdavid.com>](mailto:tom@tomdavid.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 7:30:54 PM

Subject: Miami River Commission Policy Committee

Attachments: [Jeb_MiamiRiver.pdf](#)

Dear Governor Bush:

Attached please find a copy of the cover letter seeking appointment to the Miami River Commission Policy Committee. I know I can be an excellent representative of your interests on the Committee and hope you will appoint me.

You may recall that I most recently worked for Steve Shiver as his Chief of Staff and in 2000 was the Republican nominee for the Florida House in District 119. (Thank you again for your kind endorsement.)

If you have any questions, please let me know.

-Tom

Tom David

tom@tomdavid.com

Phone: (305) 491-1485

Fax: (305) 468-6256

From: [Haddad, Ken <Ken.Haddad@fwc.state.fl.us>](mailto:Ken.Haddad@fwc.state.fl.us)

To: [Kathleen Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)

[Denver Stutler \(E-mail\)](#)

[Colleen Castille \(E-mail\)](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 7:13:05 PM

Subject: Federal Manatee Speed Zones

Governor, Kathleen, Denver and Colleen, a quick update on our (FWC) activities relative to the Aug 31 speed zone rules put in place by the Feds, as I suspect you may get some inquiries. Right now we are evaluating the impact of the federal zones and comparing them to suggestions we put forth. A first blush look tells us that they listened to our many of our concerns on their original proposed rules and did some significant adjusting to both protect the manatee and have some relief for the boating public. We will provide a detailed analysis at our early September Commission meeting and will likely have discussion on how to deal with overlapping rules, law enforcement, and any subsequent FWC rule-making to reduce public confusion. I don't anticipate FWC having any significant public comments on the rules until the Commission meeting. I am also told that the Save the Manatee Club may try to haul them back into court. with kind regards Ken H.

From: [Anna Jenei <ajenei@globalmarineinteriors.com>](mailto:ajenei@globalmarineinteriors.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 6:47:56 PM

Subject: Help with Workman's Compensation

Dear Mr. Bush,

I am a small minority business owner trying to make a living here in South Florida.....I just would like to know where I can purchase **affordable** workman's compensation insurance.....insurance is becoming so cost prohibitive...

Any recommendations?

Anna Jenei
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8th Floor
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From: [Jim Kelahe <jkelahe@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:jkelahe@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 7:00:01 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Reform

Jim Kelahe
120 Point View Lane
Longwood, FL 32779

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Let the legislature alone to do what they think is right, not what you want to do regardless of whether it's right or not.

Sincerely,

Jim Kelahe

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 6:52:23 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Gracie Conde
313 NW 14th Street
Homestead, FL 33030

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I don't want med mal caps.

Keep bad faith suits against insurance companies.

Med mal caps & doing away with bad faith provisions will hurt victims of malpractice in the future.

Sincerely,

Gracie F. Conde, RN

From: [T Fair <twfair@msn.com>](mailto:twfair@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush
bushj@eog.state.fl.us](mailto:bushj@eog.state.fl.us)

Date: 8/5/2003 6:39:57 PM

Subject: Urban League 60th Anniversary

My Friend!

I spoke with Wendy Grant this morning, and asked that she pass on a request to you from me. But I decided that I would follow-up with this e-mail.

On Saturday, November 1, 2003, the Urban League of Greater Miami, Inc., will celebrate its 60th anniversary and my 40th anniversary with the Urban League of Greater Miami. I would like to have you and Columba with me on that evening, to host a reception and to introduce me.

I trust that your schedule will allow you to be with me on that evening. More details will follow.

Thanks in advance.

T. Willard

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From: DISNEYSTAR@aol.com <DISNEYSTAR@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@fl.gov)

Date: 8/5/2003 6:43:11 PM

Subject: RE: Malpractice Cap

Monday, July 28, 2003

The Honorable Jeb Bush
Governor of State of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

Re: Malpractice Cap

Dear Governor Bush:

My family and friends have supported you every time you ran for governor. When you lost your first race we dove back in and supported you each race thereafter. Your father and brother have also had our strong support as well and we were proud of the stand we were taking! For the first time in your administration we are wondering if we made a serious mistake in judgement helping you get elected. How dare you tell me my life is only worth \$250,00.00! Would you sell your life and the lives of your family for \$250,000.00? I bet not!

This fiasco between you and the House on one hand and the Senate on the other must end!

We the people of the State of Florida can't abide the cost of continuing "Special Sessions". It has been reported that each session is costing us \$500,000.00, that is twice as much as you are willing to give a person for his life. At a time when our schools are under funded, children's programs are under funded, the rail system, which the voters elected to have, is still on the drawing board. This list could go on, but you can understand my point.

Your special sessions are costing us around 4 million dollars without a viable compromise being achieved, nor does it appear there is one in the offering.

Is \$250,000.00 per leg ample reward for pain and suffering and inconvenience? I think not! Is \$250,000.00 enough reward for a wife and mother with two children? I think not! Enough of this and on to possible solutions to this stalemate:

1. Make it mandatory, in order to file a lawsuit, you must have an in state doctor with the same specialty willing to testify that this is malpractice.
2. Before suit, have a panel of nine; 3 doctors, 3 attorneys, and 3 lay people to thoroughly review the evidence and attest they agree the doctor or hospital committed malpractice.
3. Remove things like falls, electrical burns, food poisonings, etc. from malpractice and place them under liability.
4. Cap malpractice premiums.
5. Put the responsibility of court costs and fees on the losing side.
6. Cap attorney's fees.
7. Prohibit doctors with proven multiple malpractice claims from practicing in Florida.

I feel sure that no one wishes a "legitimate malpractice claim" to just disappear. However, we all want to stop the frivolous lawsuits. I support Senator Dennis Jones and President of the Senate Jim King's views on the subject on malpractice and urge you and the rest of the senate to continue to "ask the tough questions, probe deeper, and don't roll over for anyone". Governor, I urge you not to call anymore "special sessions" unless a legitimate compromise is workable and imminent.

We want to see you use your enormous talent to establish a compromise between yourself, the House and the Senate before this results in irreparable damage to the State of Florida and its citizens.

Respectfully yours,

R. Wayne and Connie Pitts
114 Locust Drive,
Brandon, Florida 33511

cc: Senator Jim King, President
Senator Denis Jones,
Senator John Byrd,
Tampa Tribune,
Brandon News

From: [john_schestag <thesalvationnavy@yahoo.com>](mailto:john_schestag@thesalvationnavy@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: president@whitehouse.com
vice-president@whitehouse.com
fdickson@tampabay.rr.com

Date: 8/5/2003 6:17:20 PM

Subject: State RECALL and Drunk Judge Cope's Orders

Attachments: Fw: Judge Cope's Orders

Note: forwarded message attached.

"URGENT"

"Florida Family Ruined by Corrupt Pinellas Circuit
Judge Charlie Cope"

Dear Jeb,

What is it going to take to clean up corrupt Pinellas
County, Florida's most corrupt county?

Corrupt judge Charlie Cope is out of control "again"
after his second drunk criminal arrest in California
according to the St. Pete Times newest Pinellas County
corruption investigation again last week. (read it).

This is all happening on your watch.

You and Rocky must now take decisive action as this is
also going to blow up in Johnnie Byrd's face when his
opponent finds out that he and Jeb are both too weak
and both fail to give such a horrible corrupt judge in
this state the boot and put him in jail for numerous
felonies.

That's a potential loss of a Republican U.S. Senate
seat all because of the corrupt psycho drunk circuit
court judge Charlie Cope who told his judicial boss
that he was going to commit suicide and jump off the
Tampa Skyway Bridge.

Last week, another 6th circuit judge told the press

that Judge Cope is a "black eye" on Florida as he's now failing to show up for work. This is in the papers!! Last Saturday!! Cope won't comment!!

Want to take a guess why?

Former Speaker Tom Feeney already wrote the required letter to impeach Charlie Cope and it was sent to Larry Crow who appears in front of judge Charlie Cope and he and the JQC's staff, including the 7 Justices, are rubbing your nose and violating the Florida Constitution in this matter covering up for a judge with unindicted felonies galore.

Speaker Tom Feeney's "Impeach Judge Cope" letter is still constitutionally valid and "legally active", so tell us why Speaker Johnnie Byrd and the new Judicial Oversight Chairman are just sitting on it??

A 30 second personal phone call from you might awaken these government employees and public servants.....

The Washington, D.C. Democratic Party Chairman and his goons are going to run with this Florida Republican scandal not being cleaned up..... and CNN and the talk shows will love this to bash you and Johnnie on national television and the national press....

.....and to hold our President up to public ridicule for what is happening in Florida. "Our" decent President George Bush deserves much better as he is fighting enough without Charlie Cope giving him more horrible and stressful headaches by trying to come up with answers to CNN, FOX, ABC, AP, CBS, NBC, NY Times, LA Times, international press corps, etc., about some local corrupt drunk Florida Judge.....

A group talked about this Pinellas County corruption and crooked judge Cope and "his" lawyers on their rampant crime sprees during a recent forum at Bay Pines VAMC and some angry vets said it may be time to do a Veteran's and Citizen's RECALL of Florida's Governor and follow California's lead.....

I've received messages from California political 'expose' groups that Jeb should be "RECALLED" for

letting corruption flourish in Pinellas County..... I responded that "he's about to take executive action."

Jeb, that's what happened in California.... someone just had to touch off the "spark of a RECALL idea" and look what is happening to Gray Davis!!

We want to meet with Rocky on the 27th for 30 minutes and her staff is to call us back..... we're still waiting.

"PLEASE" HELP US..... TODAY!!

God bless you,

Johnny
Florida Whistleblowers
The Salvation Navy

"Pro Jeb, Geo. Sr. & Jr. and Republicans"
for.....anti-corruption in Pinellas County
government.

cc:
Angel Rescue
HotSeat4Judges
CLR Assoc.

(attached e-mail see below)

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<http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com>

From: [Dickson & Associates <fdickson@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:fdickson@tampabay.rr.com)

To: john.schestag

Date: 8/4/2003 5:13:46 PM

Subject: Fw: Judge Cope's Orders

Johnny, hope this finds you doing well.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Dickson & Associates](mailto:fdickson@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Randy Havlicak](mailto:Randy.Havlicak)

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 11:49 AM

Subject: Judge Cope's Orders

Randy,

In 2001 Judge Cope's malicious Orders required me to pay out over 128% of my net income.

In 2002 Judge Cope's malicious Orders required me to pay out over 95% on my net income

In 2003 Judge Cope's malicious Orders are on the same track.

Throughout the fraudulent proceedings conducted in the 6th Circuit, I was stripped of my entire net worth (approximately \$300,000) by Judge Cope and his friends in the Clearwater Bar and judiciary. Efforts to change the amounts I was required to pay were consistently, blocked, cancelled, and prevented by Judge Cope, Judge Khouzam, Mr. Ky Koch and even my own attorney, Mr. Wayne Boyer, who is now a "character" witness for Judge Cope. In other words ALL of the "players" obstructed justice in order to tap my bank accounts.

THINGS ARE ABOUT TO CHANGE and I would like to have you and the Judiciary Committee supervise my efforts. Are you available to talk later?

Frank Dickson

From: [Lisa Foran <lisa@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:lisa@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 6:03:22 PM

Subject: Say NO to Caps

Lisa Foran
389 Meadow Ridge Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Caps on non-economic damages will only benefit the insurance companies. Testimony from the insurance executives proves that caps will not lower rates.

Please protect all the citizens of Florida.

Sincerely,

Lisa Foran

From: [Lisa Foran <lisa@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:lisa@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 6:01:54 PM

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From: [Fred Rohrdanz <fredr@safeevac.com>](mailto:fredr@safeevac.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 5:45:47 PM

Subject: Our Second Meeting

Good Afternoon Governor,

I hope you have heard, by now, that our meeting last Friday with Ms. Shanahan, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Ralston went very well. At Ms. Shanahan's direction, a subsequent meeting has been called for September 3, @2:00 PM, with several key members of your staff, Lt. Gov. Jennings, Commissioner Horne, Secretary Simon, and Chief Lauer being invited. We are most pleased to present our comprehensive critical response technology, our service and our recommended strategy to our top state leaders. Hopefully you too, can attend, to hear firsthand, the many protection benefits Safe Evac offers Floridians and the opportunity for Florida to become the model state in 21st century crisis management evacuation technologies.

Very truly yours, Fred Rohrdanz Safe Evac Corp

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From: [Hubert Childress, Jr. <bert@brevardlawyer.com>](mailto:bert@brevardlawyer.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 5:10:10 PM

Subject: Med. Malp. Legislation

Hubert Childress, Jr.
2285 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There should not be caps on pain and suffering damages in medical negligence cases. There should not be changes made to the existing bad faith laws regarding insurance company claims handling practices.

Sincerely,

Hubert C. Childress, Jr.

From: Joesueh@aol.com <Joesueh@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:57:37 PM

Subject: Gift For Teaching

The mission of A Gift For Teaching is to ensure that students and classrooms in Hillsborough County have the basic tools for learning by transferring, at no cost, the community's surplus supplies and merchandise into the hands of teachers and school children in need.

A Gift for Teaching provides classroom supplies and materials free of charge at a **"FREE STORE" for teachers from 17 identified schools** located throughout Hillsborough County. The targeted schools have an enrollment of at least 90% at-risk children as identified by the free lunch program and have an estimated total enrollment of 8,000 students. Our goal this year is to expand our capacity and **double the number of schools eligible to shop** at our Free Store. The number of students benefiting from our program will increase from 8,000 to 15,000.

The Free Store opened to teachers on 6 October of 2002. We will celebrate our first birthday this October and are planning a party at the store. We only have two paid employees - at very minimal salaries. We are blessed with many volunteers. Our original supplies for the store came from going to corporations, organizations and people and asking for any of their left over supplies. Arthur Andersen was wonderful when they closed up shop here. When I received a call that we were in need of scissors, I called my friends at the Tampa International Airport and asked for their help. We now pick up from Security all of the things taken from people as they check in. We have received MANY scissors.. We are very creative and work on a very lean budget. We have applied for many grants, received some. I have been out visiting with our corporate friends in the community and asking for money. This has been a very difficult year, but we are still open and paying our bills on time.

We would love to have you visit our store when you are in Tampa. It is located at 4440 E. Adamo Dr. Suite 401 in Prologis Park. I can send you a packet of more information about this. As you can see, I am passionate about the program. Joe and I keep talking about when we are going to retire - but - I doubt if it is in the near future.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Sue House

From: ritavalencia@juno.com <ritavalencia@juno.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:35:32 PM

Subject: I really need your help

August 5, 2003
Rita S. Valencia
3916 W. Gray Street
Tampa, FL 33609

Dear Governor Bush,

I'm writing you to ask for assistance in a matter of the utmost urgency to me.

I have faith that you could in some way help me resolve this matter that has my life in complete turmoil.

My husband Daniel Valencia Hurtado whom I've been married to for the past 16 years was born in Columbia and came to this country illegally when he was 18 years old. After several unsuccessful attempts to legalize his situation he is being deported from our country. I am at wits end and am coming to you for your help.

We are members of the Church of Christ At Nebraska Avenue in Tampa and strongly believe in God's supreme power. My husband asked me to write you this letter, because he feels that you will be the one to help us.

I am asking you to please help us.

I know how busy you must be running the state, but if you could find a moment to help a fellow Christian we would be eternally grateful.

When I told my brother I was going to write you, he laughed, but I have faith that somehow you'll be able to intercede for us in some way. Maybe talk to your brother's aids or something. I don't know how things are run in government but you do.

The details are pretty simple in his case. Daniel was deported when we presented ourselves at INS office for an appointment trying to resolve this nightmare back in 1997. Due to our inexperience and all the erroneous advice given us by different attorneys we have yet been able to legalize my husband. His determination for returning to this country is his family, we're all he has in this world.

I guess it all started when Daniel was arrested for possession of less than half gram of cocaine when he was 19 years old, received 2 years probation, which he completed. He was still a kid and had no idea how that one incident would affect us all for the rest of our lives.

He is now 36 years old, a very hard working person, whose matured into a man with high moral character. He now has a lovely American daughter, named Clara who's 5 years old. His only desire is to be able to raise her and watch her grow up in the Lord.

I could tell you a lot more details about our lives, but I stop here for now. I just want you to know that he is a good husband and father and loves this country dearly.

Please help us.

Sincerely,

Rita Valencia

From: [Gracie Conde <gconde1542@aol.com>](mailto:gconde1542@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:13:18 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

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August 5, 2003

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Sincerely,

Gracie F. Conde, RN

From: [David Farrar <farrardm@bellsouth.net>](mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:12:22 PM

Subject: Med/Mal

Governor,

I had a conversation with Mendy yesterday who wanted me to tone-down my ..."aggressive campaign to cap non-economic damages to \$250,000 while lawmaker negotiate"... The Herald, 8/5/03. I, personally, think that is a mistake at this time, but will comply, unless advised otherwise.

ex animo
davidfarrar

From: [Riley, Anais A. <Anais.Riley@CNA.com>](mailto:Anais.Riley@CNA.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:10:55 PM

Subject: Please Save Cypress Gardens

My whole family voted for you.

From: robertschiro@robertschiropractic.com <robertschiro@robertschiropractic.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:04:04 PM

Subject: Commission

Jeb,

It would be an honor to serve another term on the Commission. No Commissioner has the hands on experience with hunting and fishing, both commercial and recreational, then I do. No one has worked any harder then I have. I have been and will continue to be a loyal soldier. Please let me know what your intentions are regarding re-appointment. Do I need to campaign?

Thanks,
Edwin

From: [Tina Ashton <Tashton@rosenhotels.com>](mailto:Tashton@rosenhotels.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:58:59 PM

Subject: Campus Security & Autobahn

Campus Security

Jeb, about a week ago I drove my son, Jack, up to Gainesville to the University of Florida for a Billy Donovan basketball clinic. Jack had a wonderful time, played a lot of basketball. Jack and I were driving around campus attempting to find the various venues and we discovered that there appears to be a lack of any real concern at the university regarding any possible terrorist activity. I am not suggesting that we create forts or military posts out of college campuses but I do feel that at the very least we should have one entry point on every campus where a security person scrutinizes the occupants of a particular vehicle and where a video camera records the license number of all vehicles entering the campus.

Autobahn

I had a conversation with Dan Webster the other day regarding another crazy idea of mine. While watching a recent program on the history channel regarding the Autobahn in Germany, it occurred to me that we could create an Autobahn right here in the state of Florida which would resolve a number of challenges we currently face. We would create this (no speed limit) super highway where the travelling public would be able to travel at about the same speed as a high-speed rail train, enabling them to remain in their cars which would of course please them to no end. A certain amount of preparatory work would be required to ready the interstate for high-speed travel but I am sure German consultants would be more than pleased to help us with the conversion.

It seems to me that the engineering required to convert the interstate to a super Autobahn highway could be done at a small fraction of the cost of a high-speed rail system. Also, I believe that the super highway would attract tens of thousands of visitors to the state who would look forward to availing themselves of our new super highway system.

Thank you Sir.

Harris Rosen, President
Rosen Hotels & Resorts, Inc.
PH: 407-996-4342
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From: [W Holtsclaw <holtatindy@peoplepc.com>](mailto:W.Holtsclaw@peoplepc.com)

To: Cinde_Cortelyou@dcf.state.fl.us

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:57:00 PM

Subject: Re: Rocky Flash

Please be advised that Mr. Flash was arrested in my neighborhood last Friday on felony stalking charges. He is being held in Marion County lock-up. His continued harassment of me is in violation of my permanent protective against him, #49D05-0111110-PO-001565. If he ever contacts you again in regards to me please contact the police.

Thank you,
Susan HOLtsclaw

From: [Patrick Tighe, Esq. <Pat@mylawyerpat.com>](mailto:Pat@mylawyerpat.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:46:21 PM

Subject: Scrap the Cap.

Patrick Tighe, Esq.
7711 Military Trail North
Palm Beach Gardens, FLORIDA 33410

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

- Tell him Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in

Bad Faith.

- Tell him the insurance industry admitted that caps and changing bad faith laws

won't work.

- Real insurance reform is the only way to solve this crisis.

- Tell him to stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a

REAL solution.

- Tell him we need more sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who

caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

- Tell him that the time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for

honest leadership is now!

- There are NO frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice.

· Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.

· There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums!

· William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.

· FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will continue to make money with or without tort reform.

· He was elected to protect every patient and every Floridian – NOT his millionaire buddies in the Insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Tighe

From: Rockerdoc@aol.com <Rockerdoc@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:42:27 PM

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush, I have been watching the malpractice debate from the sidelines and I wanted to extend to you my opinion for what it is worth. I want to use myself as an example of what is happening in Florida and what I believe to be key to successful reform.

I have been licensed and practicing since 1986. I have had 5 lawsuits filed against me over this time. Three have settled the others were either won in court or thrown out.

Up until October of 2001, my insurability was not in question. Settlements were small and mostly done to get rid of the nuisance (frivolous-type) cases. Obviously the insurance company saves money by settling for smaller amount rather than take a chance in court (usually) and get hit with a ridiculous amount. As of Oct 2001 standard market insurers will not insure me making if necessary to be exorbitant amounts with nonstandard carriers. For example my rates went from 28K to over 90K over one night!

I am looked at as high risk though not much has been payed out on my behalf. The suits filed were in fact ridiculous, but the lawyers still made out well for their time.

Here is the only solution I see. All cases into a review board. The merits determined and their decision final. That way no more suing for scars that are a normal course of healing etc. This decision however makes it final and the case can or cannot be filed. Any other solution caps etc I simply do not see solving the problem I have which is common to many physicians. We (Drs) are penalized for situations we cannot control. If cases of no merit are filed, it cost us (Drs reputation because these are all on record), insurance companies pay something, and the risk of trial to high (in today's environment) and rates and Dr insurability will remain in question.

Because these suits are filed, I and others now have to pay more for less because we have done absolutely nothing wrong and have had normal complications occur that do not justify malpractice. Also insurance companies should not be able to simply pick and choose who they insure. This is not helpful either. They need to take some risks too!

Please push this simple notierd sensible plan. Please!

Mont Cartwright

From: [Tere Delgado <erniejr@bellsouth.net>](mailto:erniejr@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:37:48 PM

Subject: MED MAL REFORM

Tere Delgado
6980 W 5th Ave.
Hialeah, FL 33014

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Governor Bush, please DO NOT have our State be subjected to the insurance companies practices only, what about the rights of patients/voters of our State?

Sincerely,

Tere Delgado

From: [Curry Pajcic <curry@pajcic.com>](mailto:curry@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:35:18 PM

Subject: Protect Patients, Not insurance companies

Curry Pajcic
1900 Independent SQ.
Jacksonville, FL 32202

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Protect patients and victims of medical negligence -- not insurance company profits.

No caps on verdicts against negligent doctors.
No changes to bad faith laws.

To give caps and to change the laws that require insurance companies to act in good faith (is that so hard?), would be welfare for the rich, and that is just wrong.

Sincerely,

Curry Pajcic

From: [Yvette Cubero <ycube36@hotmail.com>](mailto:ycube36@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:24:30 PM

Subject: Med Mal Cap

Yvette Cubero
7064 SW 161 PL
Miami, FL 33193

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am strongly against the proposed legislation to cap patients' recoveries when they are the victims of medical malpractice.

Sincerely,

Yvette Cubero

From: [Deborah Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:20:30 PM

Subject: INSURANCE REFORM IS THE ANSWER!!

Deborah Gander
2343 SW 27th Terrace
Miami, FL 33133

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Lincoln Connolly <lincoln@bellsouth.net>](mailto:lincoln@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:18:09 PM

Subject: Stop Protecting Insurers

Lincoln Connolly
2756 Day Avenue
Coconut Grove, FL 33133

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush:

I understand that you are persisting in your efforts to protect the insurance industry with medical malpractice damages caps and protection from suits holding them responsible for their own bad faith conduct. Please stop wasting our tax dollars on this effort. It is wrong to put profits over people.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lincoln Connolly

From: [Karl Wickstrom <kwickstrom@usa.com>](mailto:kwickstrom@usa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:02:46 PM

Subject: Good Serve

Jeb, thanks partly to your good work and that of the FWC, the new federal manatee speed zones were modified to allow more on-plane boat travel. The difference is huge, even though there are some sore points.

Unfortunately, there are big manatee battles ahead. Much of it is due to misunderstandings. A letter from you could do amazing things. You could point out that we all want the best thing for manatees and for boating Floridians.

You could state that the best available evidence clearly indicates that boats operating at minimum planing speeds of about 25 mph or less provide adequate protection for most areas other than high-aggregation points. These Caution 25 zones will foster a continuing stability and growth of the cherished manatee population.

The letter (which would be consistent with your earlier one) would have great value.

As it is, the FWC staff (but not the commission) is still in there pushing for off-plane idle zones over long stretches where manatees are rarely even seen.

Help.

Also, I'd love to take you out on my boat here in Stuart to experience minimum planing speeds, including the area where the FWC staff (not the commission) wants idle zones that would cause huge time delays in getting around.

Yours would be a voice of reason that the public would accept enthusiastically.

From: [Sonya Hukill <SonyaHukill@luhrsen.com>](mailto:SonyaHukill@luhrsen.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:02:46 PM

Subject: medical Mal Practice

Sonya Hukill
2402 S Radcliffe Place
Bradenton, FL 34207

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote no on this matter, please help the families they are the ones that loose out..thank you

Sincerely,

Sonya Hukill

From: [susan ramsey <sramsey@algxmail.com>](mailto:sramsey@algxmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:53:17 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice - the crisis is in Tallahasee

susan ramsey
6062 mullin street
jupiter, FL 33458

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There are rarely frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice. Cases are screened and reviewed before litigation is started. responsible attorneys spend lots of time and money determining whether a claim has merit. From a pure economic standpoint, cases without merit cost lawyers money.

Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing. THis has been proven by the DOH reports as well as national data.

There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums! THis also has been demonstrated through testimony before the senate,

William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.

FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will continue to make money with or without tort reform.

Governor you were elected to protect every patient and every Floridian – NOT just special interests in the Insurance industry.

Please stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives.

Sincerely,

Susan B. Ramsey

From: [Vincent Wolanin, Chairman <vincent.wolanin@privatesky.net>](mailto:vincent.wolanin@privatesky.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:56:54 PM

Subject: Letter of support from the Governor of Florida

To: Governor Jeb Bush

August 5, 2003

Re: RFP F34601-03-R-0205-0002

Department of the Air Force

Director of Contracting and Manufacturing

Tinker AFB, Oklahoma 73145-3020

Governor/Jeb:

The PrivateSky® RFP to the C-20 Contractor Logistics Support is ready to be submitted on August 8, 2003. PrivateSky® is the only Florida based small business with the FAA certified expertise necessary to support this contract. The other submitters are from non-Florida companies.

Since you are most familiar with PrivateSky® and you actually have been a customer on your trips to Fort Myers we were hoping to have you write a letter to the Contracting Officer below in support of our proposal. From your perspective you are familiar with our brand new state of the art 100% AIR CONDITIONED HANGAR AND ALL NEW GULFSTREAM SERVICE CENTER facilities having been there when it was just RAW dirt and you have witnessed first hand PrivateSky®'s professional aviation abilities on your visits.

The person who should receive the letter would be :

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Loretta.Williams@tinker.af.mil

Governor, If you need anything else to assist research wise in writing the letter please let me know.

Thank you.

Vincent M. Wolanin- Chairman
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Children's Hospital Rockin' Christmas Party II
Dec. 13, 2003 www.RockinChristmasParty.com

From: [R. Staton <rstaton@cyberstreet.com>](mailto:rstaton@cyberstreet.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:53:06 PM

Subject: Re: Reading

Attachments: Jeb Bush.doc

Hello Governor,

Jeb knowing how you feel about education, I thought you might be interested in this program which Rose Mitchell Freeman is trying to teach in Hardee County. She has asked me for help, so I'm passing this on to you.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Staton
RPOF DeSoto County State Committeeman

From: [Thomas Roman <roman-roman-law@mindspring.com>](mailto:roman-roman-law@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:51:12 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Reform and Bad Faith Reform

Thomas Roman
2196 Main Street, Suite L
Dunedin, FL 34698

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Stop supporting legislation for an arbitrary one size fits all cap on non-economic damages.

Stop supporting an abolition of the law that forces insurance companies to act in good faith.

Set aside your political agenda of getting back at those who did not support you for Governor.

Support the Senate's efforts to gather sworn testimony to find the real cause of the insurance premium crisis.

Stop threatening Republican leaders in the Senate for disagreeing with you on these issues.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Roman, Esq.

From: [Maria Delange <MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM>](mailto:MDELANGE@FREIDINBROWN.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:51:36 PM

Subject: NO MED CAPS.....

Maria Delange
15025 S.W. 53 Terr.
Miami, FL 33185

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Maria E. Delange

From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@sso.org>](mailto:oviedon@sso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Tara Wainwright \(E-mail\)](#)
[Charla Sasser \(E-mail\)](#)
[Brandi Langford \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:45:19 PM

Subject: NGA -- Dual Eligible Congressional push

Governor-----Karen and I met w/ NGA and a few directors to discuss strategy on dual eligibles. This issue will move relatively quickly come September. It is our opinion (your DC office) and that of other Directors and NGA that a Governors meeting w/ the conferees early to mid September would be very important to our effort.

NGA and other Directors acknowledge that it is your leadership that brought success on the dual eligible front. Before proposing such a meeting to other Governors, Patton and Kempthorne's Directors have asked whether you would have an interest in leading a few Govs in Hill meetings w/ the Conferees. If you have an interest, they would follow your lead on scheduling.

Recommendation: We would urge you to come up for these meetings. Chairman Thomas is a big champion but he'll need back-up from the Governors especially w/ the Senate (and Administration).

We were making plans for a DC visit on BRAC. We don't have a date yet but maybe we could hit both issues on one visit.

Are you interested in participating in some Hill visits re dual eligibles? Nina

From: [Flor Diaz <fld@haggardparks.com>](mailto:fld@haggardparks.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:43:24 PM

Subject: Med-Mal Cap

Flor Diaz
330 Alhambra Circle
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush:

You were elected to protect every patient and every Floridian – NOT your millionaire buddies in the Insurance industry.

Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith.

Caps don't work, only real insurance reform does. Stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.

We need sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

Sincerely,

Flor Diaz

From: [Martha Sims <simsbiz@alltel.com>](mailto:simsbiz@alltel.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:22:22 PM

Subject: PLEASE - NO Caps on Damages

Martha Sims
P. O. Box 7363
Tallahassee, FL 32314

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Caps on damages will not solve the problem of soaring medical malpractice insurance rates. It will only hurt vulnerable individuals who have been injured as the result of someone else's negligence.

Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith. Please do not pass legislation which would relieve them from this necessary accountability.

Sincerely,

Martha Sims

From: [Michael Gallo <michael@rbarchitects.com>](mailto:michael@rbarchitects.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:22:38 PM

Subject:

Contrary to the comments of a few, I do like you as our "Education Governor". I firmly believe in the FCAT as a gauge for student advancement.

Hope to see you soon. Again, please keep Sheriff Phil Williams at the top on your list for FDLE Commissioner.

So it took me 9 years to finally lobby you for something.

Michael

From: [Dupont, Kevin <Dupontk@BUCCANEERS.NFL.com>](mailto:Dupontk@BUCCANEERS.NFL.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:03:48 PM

Subject: direction

Governor Bush:

I apologize for bothering you with this situation, however I was wondering if you could point me in the right direction.

I was evicted from my residence when I was a student between 1996 & 1997. In May of 2003 was the first time that I had ever received information about the case against me (Case No. 1997CC 1247) from a collections law firm six years later. I found out from the firm that my landlord and the courts had been trying to contact me from the only address they had for me until my recent address, which was the address from which I was evicted. Since 1997, the judge overseeing the case has obviously ruled against me for failure to appear. I was failing to appear due to never receiving my court summons over the past six years.

In those six years I have accumulated a large amount of late fees to go along with my settlement and court fees. I am willing to pay my original settlement, however I was wondering if there were some one or an office that I can contact about seeing if I can waive this large amount of late fees. If you know of who or what governing body that could help me in this case, please forward their contact information to me. Thank you.

Kevin Z. DuPont

From: [Faye Morgan <frmorgan@earthlink.net>](mailto:frmorgan@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 1:27:50 PM

Subject: Please listen

Faye Morgan
2820 Elizabeth Avenue
Orlando, FL 32804

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There are NO frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice.

Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.

There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums!

William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.

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Please stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.

We need sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

The time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for honest leadership is now!

You were elected to look out for the best interests of Florida patients, not the profits of the insurance industry. Please stand up to for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Please stop selling out to the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Faye Morgan

From: Blwhfl@aol.com <Blwhfl@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 1:04:35 PM

Subject: ELDERLY DRIVERS

WHAT IS BEING DONE TO INSURE THE RESIDENTS AND GUEST OF FLORIDA THAT ELDERLY DRIVERS ARE BEING TESTED REGULARLY FOR THEIR ABILITY TO DRIVE- I CAN NAME AT LEAST 5 OVER 85 IN MY SMALL DOWN THAT NO BUSINESS AT ALL DRIVING AND A SMALL CRISIS WILL BE ON US ONCE THIS IS DONE AS FEW OF THESE FOLKS HAVE ANY OTHER MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION--PLEASE ADVISE/BILL LEWIS

CLICK ON HYPERLINK

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REAL ESTATE SALES/WINTER HAVEN
POLK COUNTY

From: [Julia Nichols <stoptripping@hotmail.com>](mailto:stoptripping@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:50:10 PM

Subject:

Just read in the Orlando Sentinel that you fired the law firm that was claiming that the developmentally disabled woman named Dorothy's rape and pregnancy was her fault.

Thank you!

Add photos to your e-mail with [MSN 8](#). Get 2 months FREE*.

From: [Charlene Heger <hegercharlene@hotmail.com>](mailto:hegercharlene@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:48:53 PM

Subject: Med Mal Reform

Charlene Heger
4419 Winding River Dr
Valrico, FL 33594

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

AGain, I strongly must advise that I am against the med mal reform you propose.

Let the juries due what they were designed to do.

Reform must start with the insurance companies, and physicians. Stats show that only a hand full of physicians repeatedly perform malpractice. Physicians who do well should be rewarded with lower premiums, and those who are to blame should blunt the costs of insurance.

Sincerely,

Charlene Heger

From: [Mary Andress <maryandress@yahoo.com>](mailto:maryandress@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:44:05 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Mary Andress
4015 Bayshore Blvd. #5E
Tampa , FL 33611

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you for listening to all sides. Med Mal caps are very hurtful.

Sincerely,

Mary Andress

From: [Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>](mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:41:45 PM

Subject: Re: FYI

Thank you, Sir.

If they can contact me or my office as soon as possible it will help us "tremendously" in making this a great event!

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>

Sent: Mon Aug 04 17:49:58 2003

Subject: RE: FYI

thank you Pepe. I will make sure that the schedulers see if I can make it to Sept 5.

Jeb Bush

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state officials regarding state business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

-----Original Message-----

From: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) [mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 11:28 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fw: FYI

Sir,

This is not good!

This is why I am working with so hard with Carie Meek to avoid issues like this we do not need this in our efforts!

The meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee for the FTAA, for all of the Florida elected officials has been moved from Aug 8 to possibly Sept 5 due to the fact that many of the invitees are on vacation. Sir, hopefully you can lead us on this date.

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Escar-Mangos, Guerlin (DIST12) <GEMX@miamidade.gov>

To: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>

Sent: Mon Aug 04 11:07:22 2003

Subject: FYI

From the Watchdog:

***** Teele thinks Atlanta will get FTAA

Miami Commissioner Arthur Teele, Jr. has again reiterated that he thinks Miami will not become the headquarters for the new Secretariat for the Free Trade Area of the Americas. He believes that even though the FTAA Miami Ministerial and Americas Business Forum will be held in Miami in November 2003 that Atlanta has a better shot at winning.

At a recent commission meeting, Teele brought up the fact that many people on the organization set up by the State of Florida to coordinate bringing the site to Miami are from Cuba and he noted that nation does not get a vote, though 34 other nations do concerning the future headquarters location. He believes the Caribbean and other nations are not properly represented by people on the board and that it lacks diversity and that will work against Miami.

The other real test for Miami will come during the upcoming meeting in November and how well local officials handle the estimated tens of thousands demonstrators expected to protest the event.

Guerlin Escar-Mangos

Director of Community Affairs

Office of Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz

District 12

(305)599-1200

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Gemx@miamidade.gov

From: [robert garner <rgarner4@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:rgarner4@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:36:20 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

I grew up in the small town of Eloise, Fl. Nobody knew of this town, but when I said it was near Cypress Gardens, they knew EXACTLY where I was from. This was from many people stationed with me in France, and also Germany. I have watched many shows while fishing in Big Lake Eloise, where the show is, and also from Little lake Eloise, the lake next to it. This gardens is, as you know, on the Chain-Of-Lakes, and when I drive from Tampa to take friends boating to Winter Haven, the gardens is always the final stop on the trip, to watch the show. Please do everything in your power to keep the gardens as it has been for many years.

Thank you for your time.

Robert garner
7610 Reinder road
Tampa, Fl.
33619
rgarner4@tampabay.rr.com

From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:31:49 PM

Subject: Med Mal Bill

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please Vote No

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [cps <cps1@flash.net>](mailto:cps1@flash.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:10:53 PM

Subject: masters

Attachments: masters.url

<http://sun6.dms.state.fl.us/dor/property/masters.pdf>

Jeb - WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE? The following is the DOR list of special masters, *STILL OMITTING the names of the masters who work in Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties. And, STILL INCLUDING masters who have 100% track records of NEVER ruling for a petitioner. What causes those outcomes? In certain counties, the rules and instructions given to special masters intentionally run around F.S. 194.301 - which you helped to get adopted. So, St. Joe et al and everyone else in those counties are being cheated - of their rights to an ethical government and of the money. And you thought you were changing administration when you changed Directors? Think again! Sheila Anderson*

From: [Dianne Mackoy <dmackoy@faiella.com>](mailto:dmackoy@faiella.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:08:40 PM

Subject: Please stand up for rights of injured patients

Dianne Mackoy
509 Heritage Blvd.
Winter Park, FL 32792

August 5, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

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Caps don't work, only real insurance reform does.

Please stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.

We need sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

The time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for honest leadership is now!

Sincerely,

Dianne Mackoy

From: Pam Bergsma <lovejoey@bellsouth.net>

To: Jeb Bush

Date: 8/5/2003 11:52:57 AM

Subject: Re: update...Joey's Bill...retinoblastoma awareness

My heartfelt thanks.

I just returned from Tallahassee in the wee hours of the morning to find your email. What a wonderful way to start my hectic day; energized and hopeful!

I will be speaking with teachers in La Belle and Clewiston tomorrow and Thursday. Friday I have a workshop with headstart in Palm Beach County.

We will continue to save vision and lives.

Bless You,

Pam

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Pam Bergsma](#)

Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 5:18 PM

Subject: RE: update...Joey's Bill...retinoblastoma awareness

[I will try to see if the First Lady is available.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Bergsma [mailto:lovejoey@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 5:06 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: update...Joey's Bill...retinoblastoma awareness

Importance: High

Hello Governor Bush,

I know things are still very hectic for you and I have refrained from emailing...however, I wanted to update you and also ask for your help.

Good news...Girl's State passed the Infant Eye Care Bill unanimously for the second year! Aly Woodhead, a student in the medical magnet program at Lake Worth High School, sponsored the bill this year. She was excited about the bill passing but even more so that she got to speak with YOU! Apparently, she was one of the kids that you picked to speak with when you visited their session. I am praying now, that our legislators have the wisdom of our high school students in 2004.

I met with a family in Titusville two months ago...they had invited me to speak at a fundraiser for their three year old daughter, Bailey. Bailey's eye was removed to retinoblastoma on March 27th. Her parents saved her life. But for the Grace of God she would have died like Joey. They had photographed the tumor over a year ago and did not know it, but more importantly her pediatrician did not use his ophthalmoscope; just like Joey's! If they would have seen Joey's poster last year, she would have her eye and her life would not have been jeopardized. Bailey developed a "lazy eye" five months before she was diagnosed. Her parents were concerned and took her to the doctor...he said they were over reacting and she was fine. The parents took her to an ophthalmologist on their own...Bailey's eye was enucleated the next day. Had it not been for the gift of the lazy eye, she would have died like Joey!

I spoke with the executive board of the AAP in Orlando last month...I pray that it helps! Joey's website saved a little one in Southern Illinois on Father's day, yet I could not get the word out two hours from my front door to save Bailey's eye. I thank God that He gave her the lazy eye!

Request...

I will be leaving for Washington DC again this year. I had a dream last night...I was speaking with the First Lady. I read an article recently that Laura Bush is making children her first priority. I know she would want to know Joey's story and what we are trying to do to fix this! I will be there the 20th thru the 28th of August. I know she is booked months in advance, but I feel this is important. It looks like a little one in Ohio is not going to make it...his grandparents emailed me recently...had we looked in his eyes at birth this would not be happening! Getting the message out statewide seems to be close to impossible, much less throughout our nation.

I will be forever grateful for anything you can do to help me get an audience with the First Lady. On behalf of Joey, the children of our country and myself, I thank you. My best to you and your family. Bless you.

Pam...aka Joey's grandma

Pam Bergsma

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From: PDQFNA@aol.com <PDQFNA@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 11:52:57 AM

Subject: Request of Privilege for an FNA Nurse

Dear Governor Bush,

This is FNA President Pat Quigley writing to you as a Point of Personal Privilege and request in honor of an FNA member, Martha Russell, RN, and her husband, George Russell.

I hope you will allow me this moment.

Governor Bush, Martha Russell and her beloved husband are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 9th. As I reflect on Martha's life, and that of her husband, George, their lives are devoted to community services and shaping the lives of others.

Martha, as myself and so many nurses, hold you in such high regard, and to that point, I wondered if you might be willing to send a special card of celebration to them in honor of this special 50th anniversary celebration.

Your card/thoughts would be a gift of true honor to them, and would generate a memory in their Hall of Remembrance.

Governor Bush, you appointed Martha Russell to your Governor's Gold Seal Panel for Nursing Home Excellence, to which she is so hoping you will issue a reappointment - as her term is soon to come to a close.

She stood up in humble honor when you visited us at our last Health Policy Conference, identifying herself as your appointee to this important panel. You see, Martha's legacy is in Long Term Care, devoted to Nursing Home Care / Administration/ Staffing.

Mr. Russell's community contributions are to such extent that their community named a park after George in Tampa.

I hope you will consider this request on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Russell.

Their address is
Mr. and Mrs. Russell
513 Constitution Dr.
Tampa, FL 33613 -3115

Their home phone is 813-962-0379

Your thoughts and greeting would be of such honor, a gift that I only hope to facilitate.

Thank you for your consideration.

I remain sincerely yours in service,
Dr. Pat Quigley, ARNP, CRRN
President, FNA

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'dscup'

Date: 8/5/2003 11:09:32 AM

Subject: RE: Do the right thing.....

since it is embedded in the constitution, repeal will require voter approval.

Jeb Bush

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Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 12:29 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Bush, Jeb3

Subject: Do the right thing.....

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Colleen Castille \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 11:04:16 AM

Subject: FW: Dock issue

[call me today on this.](#)

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Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 10:24 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Cape Coral City Council

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['MCLEANED@aol.com'](mailto:MCLEANED@aol.com)

Date: 8/5/2003 10:57:44 AM

Subject: RE: Mixed bag

[we have compromised and reached out. It is not the Senate's turn to do the same.](#)

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From: [celestina bishop <cmbishop@optusnet.com.au>](mailto:celestina.bishop@cmbishop@optusnet.com.au)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 6:37:57 AM

Subject: do not

**please do not take a life and please help this woman while thier is still hope do not take a life
that you that you don't own
and help this person while thier is still a glimer of hope**

From: [Winona <ellwein@lodin.net>](mailto:ellwein@lodin.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:50:16 AM

Subject: Terri

PLEASE LET THIS LADY GO TO SLEEP AND WAKE UP IN HEAVEN....

From: [dscup <dscup@cox.net>](mailto:dscup@dscup@cox.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Bush, Jeb3](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 4:28:59 AM

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From: [michael pacelli <strider2281@msn.com>](mailto:michael.pacelli@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 3:07:23 AM

Subject: to save a life

Dear Governor Bush my name is Michael Pacelli and I am a Registered Nurse working currently in an intensive care unit at Yale New Haven Hospital. I do realize that I wrote to you last week and I have also asked several of my co workers to do the same on behalf of Terri. I have been a fan of Glenn Beck for quite some time because he is a decent person as evidenced by his support of Terri and I have now begun to follow this case as well. Therefore i would ask you again to please grant a stay to Terri at this time as there appears now to be evidence that she is not in a coma and that her husband may have had a role in her illness/ injury . I do believe now that this would be the right thing to do for many reasons but most of all because it is the most humane and just decision to make. Thank You
Michael

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

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From: Rlsyfrett@aol.com <Rlsyfrett@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 2:12:00 AM

Subject: Medical crisis

Dear Governor;

I saw you on a news program here in Panama City a few days ago, in essence, saying many medical services were unavailable e.g. mamogram. Your statement was immediately followed by a commercial advertising radiological services by a local radiology group. After a chuckle to myself, I could not help but wonder, if it is such risky business, why they were advertising seeking to provide the very services which, according to you, was largely unavailable. Maybe this area is different. One shoe doesn't fit all.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Raymond L. Syfrett

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Lubenstein, Joseph](#)

BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:37:37 AM

Subject: RE: Kaman Aerospace Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Thank you Joe for the very kind invitation. I am passing it on to the scheduling team. I hope I will be able to make it.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Lubenstein, Joseph [mailto:lubenstein-kac@kaman.com]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 2:44 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Lubenstein, Joseph

Subject: RE: Kaman Aerospace Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

From: [Clayton Syfrett <crsyfrett@comcast.net>](mailto:crsyfrett@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:33:06 AM

Subject: med mal and bad faith legislation

Clayton Syfrett
P.O. Box 1186
Panama City, FL 32402

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a registered republican and I wish you would refrain from trying to help the insurance industry and the doctors by limiting the rights of the little people, the working class people and the injured people. Please look out for your voters and not big business. Don't call another special session! I know many individuals who have had their lives seriously affected by injury or death but I don't know any doctors or insurance executives who can't afford to feed their families or can't walk because of a law suit.

Sincerely,

Clayton R. Syfrett

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Betty Hampton \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:34:09 AM

Subject: FW: Dr. Terry Lyles/Family Cafe

do you have the book? can I spend five to ten minutes with Lori?

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Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 2:53 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Dr. Terry Lyles/Family Cafe

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Smiles,

Lori Fahey
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: lfahey@familycafe.net
CC: [Betty Hampton \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/5/2003 12:34:23 AM
Subject: RE: Dr. Terry Lyles/Family Cafe

[Betty will be in touch.](#)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Fred Sanguiliano](#)
CC: [Kathleen Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)
[Pat Morris \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/5/2003 12:32:20 AM
Subject: RE: resignation

I am surprised but I completely understand. What is your next adventure going to be?

Jeb Bush

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From: Fred Sanguiliano [mailto:fred@volunteerflorida.org]
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 4:42 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Cc: Kathleen Shanahan (E-mail); Pat Morris (E-mail)
Subject: resignation



Volunteer Florida - The Governor's Commission
on Volunteerism and Community Service

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Tallahassee, FL 32304
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(850) 921-5146 fax

Dear Governor Bush,

I want to let you know that during our Commission meeting last Thursday and Friday, I announced that I would be resigning from Volunteer Florida.

As I explained to Commissioners, I have an exciting opportunity to acquire a business that will allow me to turn my hobby into my occupation. After careful consideration I have decided to make a major career change and become a small business owner. Counting my time in the military, I have more than 27 years in government/public service. I believe it is time for me to begin the next chapter of my life and this opportunity is too good to miss.

Governor, I want to thank you for your support of Volunteer Florida and for your belief in the power of volunteerism. From your Points of Light Award to mentoring, to supporting AmeriCorps, you have provided leadership by example. I am very grateful for the opportunity to have served under you.

Finally, please understand that the timing of this announcement was challenging. I presented my letter of resignation to the Commission Chair, Pat Morris, about a week ago and because of Sunshine Laws the first opportunity Pat had to tell other Commissioners was during our meeting last Thursday and Friday. Pat felt it was his responsibility as Chair of the Commission to inform you so he asked me to wait until he contacted Kathleen before I sent this letter. Pat sent an e-mail to Liza on Saturday and he spoke with Kathleen earlier today.

Serving as the CEO of Volunteer Florida for the past six years has been an honor and a privilege I will always cherish. I am proud of the Commission's accomplishments during my tenure and I am certain that Volunteer Florida will continue to be successful. This is important work and I wish you and everyone involved with Volunteer Florida all the best.

Sincerely,

Fred Sanguiliano

From: [Dale Appell <dalesappell@yahoo.com>](mailto:dalesappell@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:27:59 AM

Subject: Protect Bad Faith Laws--NOT insurance companies

Dale Appell
3001 North Rocky Point Dr, Suite 200
Tampa, FL 33607

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Dale Appell

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Isabel Kilzi](#)

Date: 8/5/2003 12:07:07 AM

Subject: RE: Thank You

[Isabel, you deserved it! Keep being a great person.](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: Isabel Kilzi [mailto:isacampana9@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 3:58 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thank You

Dear Governor Bush,

My name is Isabel Kilzi. I just received the Points of Light Award from you on thursday at the Teen Trendsetter Reading Mentor Summit. I wanted to thank you for everything. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to start a mentoring program in my community. I know that it has made a big difference and I am just glad to have been a part of it. This program has given me a chance to serve the community and also work with children, which I love. Once again, I can not put into words how grateful I am. Thank you.

Yours Truly,

Isabel Kilzi
Teen Trendsetter
St. Brendan High School
Miami, Florida

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: gparenti@parenti-falk.com

Date: 8/4/2003 11:56:15 PM

Subject: RE: Response to Sen. Judiciary

thanks Gail. Jennifer is a very fine candidate. Thanks for sharing the info you sent to Senator Villalobos.

Jeb Bush

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Dear Governor Bush,

I thought you might want to see my response to the request for additional information I received from Sen. Judiciary.

On another matter, I understand you were with us in Miami today. Jennifer Bailey is a friend and former classmate from UGA law school, and she has my enthusiastic support for the 3d DCA.

Thank you for all that you do,

Gail Parenti

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: j_bailey@bellsouth.net

Date: 8/4/2003 11:54:57 PM

Subject: RE: Third DCA

[thank you Judge.](#)

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From: j_bailey@bellsouth.net [mailto:j_bailey@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 6:58 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Third DCA

Dear Governor Bush:

Interviewing with you and those who assist you in judicial selection always demonstrates how much effort is dedicated to this process. The questions which you, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Sayfie and Mr. Fernandez asked demonstrated a real knowledge of my application. Thank you again for taking the time and particularly for your kind words at the conclusion of the interview. It is always a pleasure to have the opportunity to visit with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Bailey

From: [Mary Larew <mlarew@erinet.com>](mailto:mlarew@erinet.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 11:47:11 PM

Subject: Terri

Please save Terri and launch an investigation into her "collapse." She does not deserve to die at the hands of a jerk who has already tried to kill her once. This family has suffered enough.

Mary Larew

From: TPhillipsRT@aol.com <TPhillipsRT@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 11:23:06 PM

Subject: Terri

Dear Governor,

It is your duty to investigate this case before it's too late. I work in the health field, and she is definately not in a vegetative state. Please do the right thing!

Terri Messer

From: j_bailey@bellsouth.net <j_bailey@bellsouth.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 10:58:00 PM

Subject: Third DCA

Dear Governor Bush:

Interviewing with you and those who assist you in judicial selection always demonstrates how much effort is dedicated to this process. The questions which you, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Sayfie and Mr. Fernandez asked demonstrated a real knowlege of my application. Thank you again for taking the time and particularly for your kind words at the conclusion of the interview. It is always a pleasure to have the opportunity to visit with you.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Bailey

From: [Lubenstein, Joseph <lubenstein-kac@kaman.com>](mailto:lubenstein-kac@kaman.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Lubenstein, Joseph](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 6:43:59 PM

Subject: RE: Kaman Aerospace Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Attachments: Dear Governor Bush.doc

From: gparenti@parenti-falk.com <gparenti@parenti-falk.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 10:33:41 PM

Subject: Response to Sen. Judiciary

Attachments: Villalobos.doc

Dear Governor Bush,

I thought you might want to see my response to the request for additional information I received from Sen. Judiciary.

On another matter, I understand you were with us in Miami today. Jennifer Bailey is a friend and former classmate from UGA law school, and she has my enthusiastic support for the 3d DCA.

Thank you for all that you do,

Gail Parenti

From: [Lincoln Connolly <lincoln@bellsouth.net>](mailto:lincoln@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:36:03 PM

Subject: No Caps

Lincoln Connolly
2756 Day Avenue, #201
Coconut Grove, FL 33133

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

No more wasted tax dollars on special sessions to help the insurance industry. Please stop putting the insurance companies before the citizens that elected you. No caps, no bad faith immunity.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lincoln J. Connolly

From: [Greg Francis <gfran@att.net>](mailto:gfran@att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:37:20 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice

Greg Francis
5131 City Street #614
Orlando, FL 32839

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Govenor,

Please consider enacting real reform, insurance changes are needed not a reduction in the rights of the victims. Haven't they suffered enough?

Please don't take out your personal vendettas on the powerless.

Sincerely,

Greg Francis

From: [Bob Nelson <bob@addressresults.com>](mailto:bob@addressresults.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:59:05 PM

Subject: Terri

Good-day

I'm a 45 year old parent from Indiana... please Sir, I pray you will give Terri a stay. I have three kids of my own and my my wife and I are so proud of them. Please Mr. Bush, with God's love, let time heal or kill Terri, not the law.

Thank you for your service

Bob Nelson

From: Crusader2085@aol.com <Crusader2085@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 10:05:44 PM

Subject: I am writing about terri shindler shiavo

I would seriously hope that gov. bush would grant a stay on the courts decionsion to kill this woman. I would also like to say an investigation should be conducted as to why this happened to her as well. Look at the videos. You can see she is concious. This will effect my vote so i suggest you take it to heart.

william c hague jr.

From: [Carmen Sims <macesmess@hotmail.com>](mailto:macesmess@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:07:52 PM

Subject: MED MAL

Carmen Sims
P.O. Box 18171
West Palm Beach, FL 33416

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

There are NO frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice.

Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.

There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums!

William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.

FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will continue to make money with or without tort reform.

You were elected to protect every patient and every Floridian – NOT your millionaire buddies in the Insurance industry.

Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith.

Caps don’t work, only real insurance reform does.

Stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.

We need sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

The time for “threats and political payback” is over. The time for honest leadership is now!

You were elected to look out for the best interests of Florida patients, not the profits of the insurance industry. Stand up for the rights of injured patients instead of insurance executives. Stop selling out to the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Carmen Sims

From: [Paola Martinez <paola@ralawyers.com>](mailto:paola@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:47:46 PM

Subject: PLEASE VOTE NO ON CAP

Paola Martinez
200 S. Biscayne Blvd. 54 floor
Miami, FL 33131

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Ratzan & Alters, P.A.

From: [John Piccin <jp Piccin@pglawyers.com>](mailto:jp Piccin@pglawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:31:01 PM

Subject: insurance reform

You have been misled by the insurance industry. Sworn testimony before the Senate makes this clear. You should therefore stop lobbying for the insurance industry, and protect the rights of the people who elected you. This includes bad faith laws which are the best means of trying to prevent the insurance industry from abusing the public.

From: [Mayor <Mayor@stpete.org>](mailto:Mayor@stpete.org)
To: Jeb Bush
Date: 8/4/2003 7:56:08 PM
Subject: RE: St. Pete new web sit/performance measures

I sent two papers highlighting our work here in St. Petersburg to "shine the light on what makes St. Petersburg best" to the following publications. Their names and email addresses are listed below. It would help if you emailed them to encourage their attention to these papers. Any help in "spotlighting" these papers is most appreciated.
All the best,
Rick

Publications:
BUSINESS JOURNAL(Tampa Bay)
Mack McKerral (editor) mmckerral@bizjournals.com

MANHATTAN INSTITUTE
Henry Olsen - Ex. Dir for Civic Innovation,(urban initiatives at the city level) holsen@manhattaninstitute.org
Myron Magnet - Ex Dir of City Journal magnet@cityjournal.org
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John Annunziata, Managing Editor JAnnunziata@floridatrend.com

>>> "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org> 06/13/03 10:04PM >>>
you are right on! How can I help you spotlight your efforts?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----
From: Mayor [<mailto:Mayor@stpete.org>]
Sent: Friday, June 13, 2003 11:52 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: St. Pete new web sit/performance measures

If you get a minute, take a look at our new web site (stpete.org); complaints, permits, bill paying, etc now on line. Also, check out my city performance measures (all new) under the quick index. Among others, take a look at sidewalk repair, pothole repair, permit review time, crime stats, FCAT scores, etc. It took a lot to put together, but I now feel I can keep my arms around what is going on, and the citizens can monitor it also.

thanks, rick

From: [Renee Stringer <renee@pajcic.com>](mailto:renee@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:20:03 PM

Subject: Governor - You need to realize you have been misled by Insurance Industry!

Renee Stringer
8280 Glasgow Court
Jacksonville, FL 32244

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a registered Democrat and voted for you in the last election, but I do not support what is going on!

Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith. Insurance industry admitted that caps and changing bad faith laws won't work. Real insurance reform is the only way to solve this crisis. Threats to the Republican Senate is not right.... start working for a REAL solution. We need more sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place. The time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for honest leadership is now!

Sincerely,

Renee Stringer

From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@ssso.org>](mailto:oviedon@ssso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Melissa Freedman](#)

[JESSE MANZANO](#)

[Pamella Dana](#)

[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 8:36:33 PM

Subject: FTAA Action Items

Governor/Kathleen----- See Melissa's note below re FTAA.

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Bottom Line: Would Governor be interested in calling Josh or Clay? This would be an important move....that we can follow-up w/ Senator Gregg in a few weeks.

From: [Lori Fahey <lfahey@familycafe.net>](mailto:lfahey@familycafe.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 6:53:02 PM

Subject: Dr. Terry Lyles/Family Cafe

Governor Bush,

Good afternoon! Okay, I goofed! I dropped a video packet with Alan Levine for you last week along with a book form Dr. Terry Lyles entitled "The Secret to Navigating Life Storms". However, when I returned to the office I realized I gave you the wrong signed copy of the book. I have your copy signed by the author. I will be delivering the book to you on Tuesday, and would like to exchange with you copies. I hope to do this in the afternoon. Should I just leave it at the reception desk?

I would also like to meet with you regarding strategies to promote the Family Café. Is this possible? Please let me know.....

Smiles,

Lori Fahey
President & CEO
Family Cafe, Inc.
1325 N. Duval Street
Tallahassee, FL 32303
850.224-4670
850.224-4674 fax
lfahey@familycafe.net

From: [Isabel Kilzi <isacampana9@hotmail.com>](mailto:isacampana9@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:58:13 PM

Subject: Thank You

Dear Governor Bush,

My name is Isabel Kilzi. I just received the Points of Light Award from you on thursday at the Teen Trendsetter Reading Mentor Summit. I wanted to thank you for everything. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to start a mentoring program in my community. I know that it has made a big difference and I am just glad to have been a part of it. This program has given me a chance to serve the community and also work with children, which I love. Once again, I can not put into words how grateful I am. Thank you.

Yours Truly,

Isabel Kilzi
Teen Trendsetter
St. Brendan High School
Miami, Florida

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From: [Carmen Sims <carmen_sims@hotmail.com>](mailto:carmen_sims@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 9:20:19 PM

Subject: MED MAL

Carmen Sims
P.O. Box 18171
West Palm Beach, FL 33416

August 4, 2003

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Sincerely,

Carmen Sims

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To: [Nina Oviedo](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Melissa Freedman](#)
[JESSE MANZANO](#)
[Pamella Dana](#)
[Kathleen Shanahan](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 8:51:14 PM

Subject: RE: FTAA Action Items

An e-mail to Josh or Clay would work too----they need to put in a word w/ Chairman Young that the Administration supports the request for protective service dollars, \$8.3M in the Commerce, State, Justice appropriations bill.

-----Original Message-----

From: Nina Oviedo [mailto:oviedon@sso.org]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 4:37 PM

To: Governor Bush

Cc: Melissa Freedman; JESSE MANZANO; Pamella Dana; Kathleen Shanahan

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From: [Bryce Puckett <bpuckett@KIRBY-SMITH.com>](mailto:bpuckett@KIRBY-SMITH.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:30:47 PM

Subject: NATION UNDER ATTACK

Dear Governor Bush,

I am not from your state and frankly at this time I am very happy I am not. The case of the starvation of a woman who clearly can respond to stimulus absolutely appalls me! Please rectify this situation and call attention to this matter I beg you please!!! Thank you for your valuable time.

Bryce Puckett
Concerned Oklahoman/American

From: [Hubert Childress, Jr. <bert@brevardlawyer.com>](mailto:bert@brevardlawyer.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 9:16:49 PM

Subject: Med. Malp. Legislation

Hubert Childress, Jr.
2285 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32935

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

NO on caps. No on bad faith law changes.

Sincerely,

Hubert C. Childress, Jr.

From: [Fred Sanguiliano <fred@volunteerflorida.org>](mailto:fred@volunteerflorida.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Kathleen Shanahan \(E-mail\)](#)
[Pat Morris \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 8:42:04 PM

Subject: resignation



Volunteer Florida - The Governor's Commission
on Volunteerism and Community Service

115 Progress Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 921-5172 voice/tty
(850) 921-5146 fax

Dear Governor Bush,

I want to let you know that during our Commission meeting last Thursday and Friday, I announced that I would be resigning from Volunteer Florida.

As I explained to Commissioners, I have an exciting opportunity to acquire a business that will allow me to turn my hobby into my occupation. After careful consideration I have decided to make a major career change and become a small business owner. Counting my time in the military, I have more than 27 years in government/public service. I believe it is time for me to begin the next chapter of my life and this opportunity is too good to miss.

Governor, I want to thank you for your support of Volunteer Florida and for your belief in the power of volunteerism. From your Points of Light Award to mentoring, to supporting AmeriCorps, you have provided leadership by example. I am very grateful for the opportunity to have served under you.

Finally, please understand that the timing of this announcement was challenging. I presented my letter of resignation to the Commission Chair, Pat Morris, about a week ago and because of Sunshine Laws the first opportunity Pat had to tell other Commissioners was during our meeting last Thursday and Friday. Pat felt it was his responsibility as Chair of the Commission to inform you so he asked me to wait until he contacted Kathleen before I sent this letter. Pat sent an e-mail to Liza on Saturday and he spoke with Kathleen earlier today.

Serving as the CEO of Volunteer Florida for the past six years has been an honor and a privilege I will always cherish. I am proud of the Commission's accomplishments during my tenure and I am certain that Volunteer Florida will continue to be successful. This is important work and I wish you and everyone involved with Volunteer Florida all the best.

Sincerely,

Fred Sanguiliano

From: SJohan8841@aol.com <SJohan8841@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:50:53 PM

Subject: Hello From STEFAN

Hii JEB, I hope this e-mail finds you Cloumba and the Kids all well....It was really nice seeing you at Chris and Heathers Wedding...Although to far in between meeting you... It seems like yesterday.....

I am writing you about my project across from Dadeland Mall "DOWNTOWN DADELAND" (www.downtowndadeland.com) as you know, and the fantastic progress we have made...and also about a revolutionary opportunity for The State of Florida, FEMA etc to look at what we are sucessfully doing....Imagine storing "SAFELY" +/- 1,000 FEMA/Couty or Emergency Vehicles in a category 4 or 5 Hurricane and a 1000 year flood completely Dry and Safe in a Garage.....Well now **you can** for the first time in Florida's History?? do so....in My Garage in Downtown Dadeland.....In fact JEB, the design and implementation is so unique that our SFLBC (CODE) does not even adress some of the conditions we have implemented. We have built a "Mini" garage at the site to bee 100% sure everything works..and it has been "BONE DRY" for 3 months now....

I would really Love to get you involved as well as the director of FEMA for The State Of Florida ,to see what we are doing...We have started construction and will complete the project in early 2005 for occupancy. We have 416 Condo Units (SOLD 330 so far with 20% Deposits!!!!) 80%, and we have leased @ 65,000 sq/ft of the retail space.

I believe in my heart that it is a showpiece project not only for us, but Potentially For the entire STATE OF FLORIDA for all future Urban developments...and especially how we deal with 1000 Cars BELOW GRADE in a complete floodproof,Hurricaneproof environment.

Daysi the kids (4) and I are in Telluride right now and will return to MIAMI on Aug 23, Can we meet in Miami sometime when you are there..I would Love to show you the project...I know you will be Proud!!!!

Please call me 970-728-1116 (Telluride) or e-mail me if you can...

All the Best to the whole Family, STEFAN

PS can you contact the director for FEMA and tell him what we are doing...would love to show him as well.

From: [Mary Andress <maryandress@yahoo.com>](mailto:maryandress@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:13:05 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Mary Andress
4015 Bayshore Blvd. #5E
Tampa , FL 33611

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush:

Please do not enforce medical mal caps.

Sincerely,

Mary Andress

From: jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us <jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us>

To: [Harrelson, Tommy](mailto:Harrelson_Tommy)

CC: johnny.martinez@dot.state.fl.us

Date: 8/4/2003 7:54:48 PM

Subject: MIC

Tommy,

We are still moving with the project but not as fast as I would like to. For example, the county will not have the updated financial plan for the people mover till October. Also the airport has declined to pursue several key components of the MIC original plan.

- 1) Remote check-in capabilities
- 2) Cruise bus terminal
- 3) Passenger baggage tunnel
- 4) Development of their hotel at our new site

It is frustrating to say the least. On the positive side, we are beginning foundation work for the RCF and the right-of-way is in hand.

Also roadways and bridge plans, utility engineering, etc. are moving okay.

By copy of this correspondence, I am asking John Martinez to give you a call on this subject.

Thanks for the interest.

José Abreu
Secretary
Phone: (850) 414-5205
jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us

"Harrelson, Tommy"
<Tommy.Harrelson@earthtech.com To: "jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us"
<jose.abreu@dot.state.fl.us>
cc:
07/31/2003 02:00 PM Subject: MIC

Dear Jose,

I hope all is well with you. I still consult for Earth Tech and am enjoying it. I am still interested in how the MIC is doing. Since Joe Burton retired, I have not been actively engaged with the MIC, although it is still on my mind. I know you had some problems early on, and would love to know how things are going. It is an exciting project I know and if I can ever be of assistance to you, do not hesitate to call on me in my official capacity or in any way you wish.

Kindest regards,

Tommy Harrelson (fmr. Sec. of NCDOT)

From: [steve moonly <skm@bslmr.com>](mailto:skm@bslmr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:11:03 PM

Subject: vote no to insurance extortion!

steve moonly
1301 riverplace blvd #1818
jacksonville, FL 32207

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

protect floridians! vote no on caps!

Sincerely,

steve moonly

From: [Lisa Foran <lisa@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:lisa@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 8:18:43 PM

Subject: Keep the Bad Faith Laws

Lisa Foran
389 Meadow Ridge Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Lisa Foran

From: [Nancy & Craig <krancie@alltel.net>](mailto:krancie@alltel.net)

To: [Larsen, Kristen](#)

CC: jholland@coj.net

bronern@educationcentral.org

tomslade@jaxgop.org

[Jeb Bush](#)

[Mayor](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 9:09:11 PM

Subject: Re: Community Education 2003-2004

Ms. Larsen,

Thank you for your prompt reply. You answered part of my original e-mail pertaining to building use. The other part of my e-mail pertains to wasted money spent on software, hardware and technology. A good book can teach reading and comprehension for considerably less funds than computers. I believe only those students in pre college courses should be allowed the use of citizen paid computers.

In addition McDonald's now has a completely computerized store. No more jobs for drop outs! The people running the computers at fast food stores will have to read and comprehend English in order to repair the computer. They will probably need some math skills too!

That means 41% of Duval County High School students will not be able work at fast food stores. I believe teachers should "read the writing on the wall." However there is a superintendent in Boston who can not pass a standardized English test. Government schools, at great expense, are failing this country!

God Bless America
Craig G. Eifert

From: Gregbush@aol.com <Gregbush@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:39:06 PM

Subject: Why not a Florida handbook as good as Texas'?

Dear Governor Bush: Why can't we have a FLorida handbook as good as this one? Promoting it from your office would be a big help.

<http://www.tsha.utexas.edu/handbook/online/>

Greg Bush
History Dept
University of Miami

From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 8:57:30 PM

Subject: Family Reading Grant Kick-Off

Dear Governor Bush:

Sorry to hear you cannot attend the Family Reading event at our school, Lewis Anna Woodbury Elementary. We certainly understand how busy you are and thank you for taking the time from your busy schedule to consider attending.

Thanks for all you do to make Florida such a wonderful place to live!

Sincerely,

Jeanne Stephens
Fort Meade

From: [Jeff T <delvalfoods@snip.net>](mailto:delvalfoods@snip.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 6:54:57 PM

Subject:

Dear Mr. Bush,

I would urge you to strongly consider intervening in the tragic situation about to develop in your state. Of course I'm talking about the Terri Shindler-Schiavo situation. Based on the evidence I've seen, she is clearly not in a vegetated state. In addition recent developments have indicated that there may have been "foul play" on the part of her husband, who is trying to have her "starved to death".

I'm a conservative that supports our president and the republican party.

I support the "right to life" and pray that you will do what you can to support Terri's right to life.

Thank you,

Jeffrey S. Toton

Pitman, N.J.

From: [Rodney Barreto <rbarreto@bcmpartners.com>](mailto:rbarreto@bcmpartners.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 6:54:14 PM

Subject: Document from ACS for your review

Attachments: Memo for Governor on eligibility.doc

Jeb, this attachment is from Roger Carlton of ACS. He has asked me to forward this attachment to you for your review. Once you have review the attached please let me know if it necessitates for us to meet to discuss, as the client is asking for a meeting. Let me know what your thoughts are.

Thanks, Rodney

From: [Flor Diaz <fld@haggardparks.com>](mailto:fld@haggardparks.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 6:44:59 PM

Subject: caps

Flor Diaz
330 Alhambra Circle
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Tell him Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith.

Tell him caps don't work, only real insurance reform does.

Dear Governor Bush

Please stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.

We need sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

The time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for honest leadership is now!

Sincerely,

Flor Diaz

From: [Deborah Gander <deborah@colson.com>](mailto:deborah@colson.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 6:26:28 PM

Subject: Floridians need Insurance Reform -- not to have their

Deborah Gander
2343 SW 27th Terrace
Miami, FL 33133

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

constitutional rights stripped for the sake of industry profits.
Represent your citizens

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gander

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\)](#)
BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/4/2003 6:20:22 PM
Subject: RE: FYI

thank you Pepe. I will make sure that the schedulers see if I can make it to Sept 5.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) [mailto:JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov]
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 11:28 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fw: FYI

Sir,

This is not good!

This is why I am working with so hard with Carie Meek to avoid issues like this we do not need this in our efforts!

The meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee for the FTAA, for all of the Florida elected officials has been moved from Aug 8 to possibly Sept 5 due to the fact that many of the invitees are on vacation. Sir, hopefully you can lead us on this date.

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Escar-Mangos, Guerlin (DIST12) <GEMX@miamidade.gov>

To: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) <JPDIAZ@miamidade.gov>

Sent: Mon Aug 04 11:07:22 2003

Subject: FYI

From the Watchdog:

***** Teele thinks Atlanta will get FTAA

Miami Commissioner Arthur Teele, Jr. has again reiterated that he thinks Miami will not become the headquarters for the new Secretariat for the Free Trade Area of the Americas. He believes that even though the FTAA Miami Ministerial and Americas Business Forum will be held in Miami in November 2003 that Atlanta has a better shot at winning.

At a recent commission meeting, Teele brought up the fact that many people on the organization set up by the State of Florida to coordinate bringing the site to Miami are from Cuba and he noted that nation does not get a vote, though 34 other nations do concerning the future headquarters location. He believes the Caribbean and other nations are not properly represented by people on the board and that it lacks diversity and that will work against Miami.

The other real test for Miami will come during the upcoming meeting in November and how well local officials handle the estimated tens of thousands demonstrators expected to protest the event.

Guerlin Escar-Mangos

Director of Community Affairs

Office of Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz

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From: [Reese Harvey <rhharvey@hotmail.com>](mailto:rhharvey@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 5:52:10 PM

Subject: Insurance reform?

Dear Governor Bush,

Please pay attention to the insurance companies own testimony, arbitrary limits on lawsuits will not fix the insurance crisis in Florida.

The insurance crisis was caused by the insurance companies and the falling stock market, not frivolous lawsuits. Look at the facts. Please make common sense insurance reform. Stick up for personal responsibility for Doctors.

Limits on lawsuits will result in limits on safety and patient care. Limits will aid doctors in a cost analysis of acceptable risk, this is dangerous, it puts a price on human life and suffering. Insurance companies and Doctors will be able to decide what risks are acceptable on a financial scale, when no unnecessary risk is acceptable on a human scale.

Reese Harvey, Florida Voter

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jill Bratina \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

CC: kathleen@jeb.org

Date: 8/4/2003 5:52:13 PM

Subject: FW: Quick question

Attachments: Dorothy's Story.htm

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Mike Thomas

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Frank Nero](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 5:50:43 PM

Subject: RE: EFI/Beaconcouncil

[I will look into this.](#)

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Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 1:24 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Robin Reiter (E-mail); Cali Garcia-Velez (E-mail)

Subject: EFI/Beaconcouncil

We are very disappointed with how EFI handled this entire process...Frank

From: [Ron Duckworth <rduckwo1@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:rduckwo1@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 5:30:20 PM

Subject: Please find a real solution

Ron Duckworth
4511 Helena St. NE
St. Petersburg, FL 33703

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush,

As a concerned Florida citizen and a retired United State Air Force Senior, Noncommissioned Officer, I ask that you step back and take an honest look at what is causing the so-called medical malpractice crisis. I believe the responsibility lies with the insurance companies, not the litigation process. Caps will do nothing to stop sky-rocketing premiums.

Please find a real solution and not a band-aide for a much bigger problem.

Sincerely,

Ron Duckworth

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Josie Ramirez](#)
BCC: [Eli. Ferrara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Jason Rodriguez \(E-mail\)](#)
[Rodriguez, Raquel \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/4/2003 5:30:55 PM
Subject: RE: 11th Circuit Court Appointment

thanks for the recommendation.

Jeb Bush

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Attachments: governor bush efi aug 22 2003 fundraising letter.doc
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From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 5:22:30 PM

Subject: Med Mal Cap

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider your position and Vote NO

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [Michele Guerrero <mguerrero@zpklaw.com>](mailto:mguerrero@zpklaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 5:21:44 PM

Subject: No cap on Med Mal!

Michele Guerrero
2231 SW 131 Avenue
Miramar, FL 33027

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Michele Guerrero

From: [Ruth D. Romero <rdromero@gte.net>](mailto:rdromero@gte.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 5:20:38 PM

Subject: Victims of Medical Malpractice

Ruth D. Romero
408 Mahogany Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please don't do this. Gather sworn testimony to find the real cause of the insurance crisis and get the facts upfront. I only know this government to be one that listens to its people, so please hear me.

Sincerely,

Ruth D. Romero

From: [Jim Kelahe <jkelahe@cfl.rr.com>](mailto:jkelahe@cfl.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 5:12:42 PM

Subject: Med Mal Reform

Jim Kelahe
120 Point View Lane
Longwood, FL 32779

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please leave the legislature alone to pass a bill that will work. The governor is NOT the 41st senator or the 121st representative.

Sincerely,

Jim Kelahe

From: mbm33317@bellsouth.net <mbm33317@bellsouth.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 4:57:29 PM

Subject: Dear Govenor

I have not written or called you before and I am not a lawyer. It is my opinion that the insurance companies are out of control. I know my house insurance is going up, my car insurance is going up and if I dare make any claim I will be cancelled.

From what I have read that Bob White has been quoted in the newspaper, it does not sound like the insurance industry is going to lower the doctor's rates unless a whole bunch of conditions from the insurance industry are met. I have a feeling that if the insurance company does win, the rates will not go down because one of their many conditions will not be met. So the doctors will not win, the lawyers will not win, the injured patients will not win but the insurance companies will win big.

Thanks for your time.

Michael Moon
Plantation, FL

From: [Jene Williams <jwilliams@liggiolaw.com>](mailto:jwilliams@liggiolaw.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 4:18:05 PM

Subject: We oppose med mal caps

Jene Williams
1915 Hartford Court
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Claims against doctors are not increasing. Please protect the consumer and do not cap damages or eliminate bad faith. Stop the political payback.

Sincerely,

Jene Williams

From: [David Deehl <david@deehl.com>](mailto:david@deehl.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 4:13:54 PM

Subject: No special session

David Deehl
1037 Malaga Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33134

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Thanks for not wasting the taxpayers money on an ill-concieved and unconstitutional special session to deprive them of their rights. If you have any conscious, do not take away the rights of victims. Did you see 60 minutes about the California doctor who was having people get open heart surgery who did not need it, needlessly causing a lot more deaths than the DC Snipers. You want to make the victims of medical negligence just lump their injuries without compensation? You should not deprive them of justice.

Sincerely,

David L Deehl

From: [Melinda Clark <melinda@veinctr.com>](mailto:melinda@veinctr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 4:07:09 PM

Subject: Terry Schindler

No matter how this girl was hurt. How can you look at the videos - read the information - and let her die. How can you live with yourself - if you are wrong. What harm is it to let her live - no matter what.

From: [Stuart Ratzan <stuart@ralawyers.com>](mailto:stuart@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:56:17 PM

Subject: No to Malpractice Caps

Stuart Ratzan
200 S. Biscayne Blvd.
Miami, FL 33131

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please end this foolishness. Stop the anti-victim efforts. Let's bring Florida together, not apart. Let's regulate the insurance industry, something all Floridians, doctors and patients alike, would like to see.

Sincerely,

Stuart Ratzan

From: [cheryl roberson <car@bslmr.com>](mailto:cheryl_roberson@bslmr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:56:52 PM

Subject: floridians first

cheryl roberson
1301 riverplace blvd #1818
jacksonville, FL 32207

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

protect the rights of florida's patients & their families over the profits
of the insurance companies, which appear to continue to rise

Sincerely,

cheryl roberson

From: [Curry Pajcic <curry@pajcic.com>](mailto:curry@pajcic.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:56:23 PM

Subject: No Changes to Bad Faith Laws; No Caps on Med-Mal

Curry Pajcic
1900 Independent SQ.
Jacksonville, FL 32202

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Every person should be help accountable and responsible for their actions. Negligent doctors and insurance companies who act in bad faith to their clients are no different. Stop trying to change the laws that protect the ordinary citizen.

No welfare and no special treatment for doctors and insurance companies -- You are the Governor of all of the citens of Florida -- elected to protect and serve all of us. Stop offering special favors to select groups that amount to coporate welfare. You were not elected to protect negligent doctors and bad insurance companies.

Don't play politics with peoples lives and the future of our state. Protect the innocent, and not the profits of a few -- stand up for no caps on medical liability when negligent doctors hurt innocent people; and no changes to the laws that make insurance companies act in good faith.

Sincerely,

Curry Pajcic

From: [Andrew Needle <ANeedle@ngepa.com>](mailto:ANeedle@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:53:47 PM

Subject: Make the Party's Testify Under Oath

Andrew Needle
10300 Sabal Palm Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33156

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Before pushing for yet another special session on medical malpractice, please urge the Senate to make the party's testify under oath! If you are going to take away the rights of the most vulnerable Floridians, let it be based on a truthful record. FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will continue to make money with our without tort reform. How can you justify your position in the face of sworn testimony like that?

Sincerely,

Andrew Needle

From: [Andrew Needle <ANeedle@ngepa.com>](mailto:ANeedle@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:52:35 PM

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Andrew Needle
10300 Sabal Palm Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33156

August 4, 2003

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Andrew Needle

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From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:48:01 PM

Subject: no cap on med mal

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [Janine Montes <Janine@ralawyers.com>](mailto:Janine@ralawyers.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:47:00 PM

Subject: no cap on med mal

Janine Montes
14435 Lake Candlewood Ct
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Janine Montes

From: [susan ramsey <sramsey@algxmail.com>](mailto:susan_ramsey@algxmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:43:14 PM

Subject: Protect Florida Patient's Rights

susan ramsey
6062 mullin street
jupiter, FL 33458

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please consider the evidence presented. The major malpractice carrier has conceded that caps will not reduce premiums for Florida's doctors. Caps will only injure those already victimized.

The elimination of "bad faith" will only allow the insurance carriers that care little for the physicians they insure and the patients they injure to prolong litigation. There are clear cases of medical negligence and these matters should be resolved as soon as possible. It's better for the physician and the injured patient.

Protect Floridians Rights!!!

Sincerely,

Susan B. Ramsey

From: [jane root <jeroot56@yahoo.com>](mailto:jane.root56@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:40:38 PM

Subject: Terri

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to you about Terri. I know you believe in life and I am asking you to stand up and help this woman. Her parents love her and are willing to care for her. Obviously, her husband doesn't love her and wants rid of her as a burden. Please do the right thing and help Terri.

God bless!

Jane Root

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From: [Medows, Rhonda M.D. <medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>](mailto:Medows.Rhonda.M.D.<medowsr@fdhc.state.fl.us>)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Levine, Alan](#)
[Medows, Rhonda M.D.](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:00:32 PM

Subject: fyi only:

Governor,

This is the draft statement prepared in the event additional questions/comments arise.

Both Jill and Alan have been copied.

Alan may have already copied you on this.

Just making sure.....

No additional stories on this issue so far.

Plan: hold this for response if needed.

Statement about the Recent CON Final Order

Since 1999, Boca Raton Community Hospital, Indian River Memorial Hospital, Martin Memorial Medical Center and Winter Haven Hospital have been approved by the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) for Open Heart Certificate of Needs (CON). In each of these approvals, the decision of the Agency was challenged and a legal suit was filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings. Furthermore, SB 460, recently signed in to law and potentially allowing exemptions for these hospitals to establish open heart programs, has recently been challenged in a court of law.

The first of these court cases had a final order that was signed by the Agency on July 22, 2003. The judge overturned the decision of the Agency to grant Boca Raton Community Hospital and Martin Memorial Medical Center Open Heart CONs. As Secretary of the Agency, Dr. Medows signed the final order. Her signature does not reflect any personal opinions on the issue of CON. The decision to sign the final order did not include consideration of SB 460 or changes made to the CON process in 2000 since none of these factors were in place when the CON applications were submitted to the Agency.

Parties to the dispute who disagree with the final order recently signed by Dr. Medows may appeal that final order for review by a state appellate court. It would have been inappropriate for Dr. Medows to overturn the administrative law judge's recommended order solely to avoid assumptions that she disagreed with SB 460. Secretary Medows served the public by acting in good faith.

The Agency, when determining to accept or deny a CON application, reviews many issues including community needs, access to services, availability of services to the indigent and more. Decisions made in the legal system are based on applicable statutory law, regulatory law, and case law.

The legal issues presented demonstrate inherent complications within the CON process. Legal challenges against Agency decisions can delay hospitals from implementing needed services and have potential negative impacts on the health care delivery system. These legal challenges are also at the tax-payers expense. A restructuring in the CON process is needed and until those changes are made, exemptions under exceptional circumstances, such as those demonstrated in the counties impacted under SB 460, are currently one of few options available.

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:33:37 PM

Subject: PLEASE Vote No to Med Mal caps

P Endsley
55 Bering
Tampa, FL 33606

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Patty Endsly

From: [John Grogan <jrgrogan@comcast.net>](mailto:Jrgrogan@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:36:24 PM

Subject: Theresa Marie

Dear Gov. Bush,

Please look into the this case. I cannot imagine how sad those parents are to think that someone has control of the life or rather "death" of their daughter.

My husband and I have a daughter named Theresa Marie just about the same age as Schindler-Shiavo and really can connect with the struggle the family is having.

PLEASE something to prevent Mr. Shiavo from having his way!!!

Irene Grogan

igrogan@comcast.net

From: [Patrick Tighe, Esq. <Pat@mylawyerpat.com>](mailto:Pat@mylawyerpat.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:27:32 PM

Subject: SCRAP THE CAP/ KEEP THE BAD FAITH LAWS

Patrick Tighe, Esq.
7711 Military Trail North
Palm Beach Gardens, FLORIDA 33410

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

· Tell him Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in

Bad Faith.

· Tell him the insurance industry admitted that caps and changing bad faith laws

won't work.

· Real insurance reform is the only way to solve this crisis.

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caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

· Tell him that the time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for

honest leadership is now!

· There are NO frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice.

· Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.

· There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums!

· William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.

· FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will

continue to make money with our without tort reform.

· He was elected to protect every patient and every Floridian – NOT his millionaire

buddies in the Insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Tighe

From: [Diaz, Jose "Pepe" \(DIST12\) <JPDI@z@miamidade.gov>](mailto:JPDI@z@miamidade.gov)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:27:46 PM

Subject: Fw: FYI

Sir,

This is not good!

This is why I am working with so hard with Carie Meek to avoid issues like this we do not need this in our efforts!

The meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee for the FTAA, for all of the Florida elected officials has been moved from Aug 8 to possibly Sept 5 due to the fact that many of the invitees are on vacation. Sir, hopefully you can lead us on this date.

Pepe

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld (www.BlackBerry.net)

-----Original Message-----

From: Escar-Mangos, Guerlin (DIST12) <GEMX@miamidade.gov>

To: Diaz, Jose "Pepe" (DIST12) <JPDI@z@miamidade.gov>

Sent: Mon Aug 04 11:07:22 2003

Subject: FYI

From the Watchdog:

***** Teele thinks Atlanta will get FTAA

Miami Commissioner Arthur Teele, Jr. has again reiterated that he thinks Miami will not become the headquarters for the new Secretariat for the Free Trade Area of the Americas. He believes that even though the FTAA Miami Ministerial and Americas Business Forum will be held in Miami in November 2003 that Atlanta has a better shot at winning.

At a recent commission meeting, Teele brought up the fact that many people

on the organization set up by the State of Florida to coordinate bringing the site to Miami are from Cuba and he noted that nation does not get a vote, though 34 other nations do concerning the future headquarters location. He believes the Caribbean and other nations are not properly represented by people on the board and that it lacks diversity and that will work against Miami.

The other real test for Miami will come during the upcoming meeting in November and how well local officials handle the estimated tens of thousands demonstrators expected to protest the event.

Guerlin Escar-Mangos

Director of Community Affairs

Office of Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz

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Gemx@miamidade.gov

From: [Nina Oviedo <oviedon@ssso.org>](mailto:oviedon@ssso.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Kathleen Shanahan](#)
[Tara Wainwright \(E-mail\)](#)
[Charla Sasser \(E-mail\)](#)
[Brandi Langford \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:28:18 PM

Subject: US Chamber invite---Legal Reform

Governor, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce has invited you to deliver a keynote address at their annual conference on Legal Reform. The conference is here in D.C. on Monday, Sept 22, '03, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. They would work w/ your schedule on timing but the date is set.

The Chamber hopes to highlight the economic impact of the legal system on business, healthcare professionals shareholders and consumers. They expect about 350 attendees----CEOs (primarily Fortune 100) and other business leaders; likely to be televised on C-SPAN. Other speakers invited to the conference include Chief Justice Rehnquist and Justice Scalia, Congressional Leaders, and the Chairman of the Manhattan Institute.

We are planning a BRAC visit to DC which is tentatively scheduled Sept 10 (although I understand that Messrs Crowe and Laney are not available that day). You also have an invitation to accept an award on behalf of the State, also in DC, from the Center for Education Reform on Oct 29.

Interested? Pls advise.

Brandi/Tara/Charla-----I will fax a copy of the invite letter from the US Chamber.

Nina.

From: [Donald Hinkle <don@hinkleforan.com>](mailto:don@hinkleforan.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:16:29 PM

Subject: Real insurance reform is the only way to solve med mal crisis.

Donald Hinkle
2500 Deer Lake North
Tallahassee, FL 32312

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Don Hinkle

From: [Nelson, Bill <BillNelson@Clearchannel.com>](mailto:BillNelson@Clearchannel.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 3:07:02 PM

Subject: Re: Radio Request

Hi Sir,

Hope all is well with you and yours.

As a reference point: you gave me the thrill of my life when you called into our morning radio show to wish me happy birthday - this past Dec. 12th.

Well tomorrow is Nancy Alexander's birthday and I was wondering if it would be possible for you to call in to wish her a happy birthday. If your schedule does not permit that - you could always call in and leave a birthday greeting on my office voicemail - and then I could pull that off and run it on air during our show.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Keep up the Great Work!

Sincerely,

Bill Nelson

Executive Producer, The Nancy & Mike Show on WMTX-FM, Tampa

Studio Hot Line: 813-832-1525 or 813-832-1440

Office Voice Mail: 813-832-1076

From: [Charles Telfair <cwtelfair@lutzwebb.com>](mailto:cwtelfair@lutzwebb.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 2:39:37 PM

Subject: Medical Malpractice tort reform

Charles Telfair
2 North Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34236

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush:

Once again I am writing to you to protest your actions vis-a-vis medical malpractice tort reform. A review of the facts reveals that your position on this issue is seriously flawed. Dealing with it day to day, I know that many victims of medical malpractice are turned away because the system, as it currently exists, extensively diminishes their rights. Although I am a trial lawyer, I voted for you in the last election and urged friends and family to do the same. I believed that upon reasonable investigation you would learn that your position on medical malpractice was flawed. Unfortunately, I appear to have been wrong. Please review this issue with extreme care - the rights of your citizens depend upon it.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Telfair

From: [Jonathan Pavsner <jmp@grossmanandroth.com>](mailto:jmp@grossmanandroth.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 2:30:32 PM

Subject: NO to caps on Med Mal

Jonathan Pavsner
7176 NW 65th Terr
Parkland, FL 33067

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote NO to this corporate welfare. We now know:

- There are NO frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice.
- Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.
- There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums!
- William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.
- FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will continue to make money with our without tort reform.

The Governor was elected to protect every patient and every Floridian
– NOT his millionaire buddies in the Insurance industry. Please
protect the citizens of Florida and vote NO to welfare for insurance
companies.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Pavsner

From: [margaret humphries <mhumphries7@juno.com>](mailto:margaret_humphries7@juno.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 2:05:11 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

My Dear Governor;

I am a Florida native....born in Orlando in 1930....raised in Winter Haven and went

to schools here....I remember Cypress Gardens in the 30's with its splintrey docks,

no Florida shaped pool and before the movies, but a lot of flowers and ferns, not all

the buildings and outlets that are there today, and mulched walks, not cement, no

resturants, either.....and in high school, during the 40's.....our school bus rambled

on a lot of sand roads among orange groves....on one of these we picked up

Adrian Polk, Mr Dick Pope's daughter.....we have watched the Gardens grow and

people from all over the world come to see their magnificent beauty.....there seems

to be less and less beauty in the world, please help us save this little spot of beauty....

one philosopher says of life, 'we pass this way but once',and we do.....

Take care and God bless....margaret humphries.....

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Claire Roberson](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 2:02:30 PM

Subject: RE: Meeting August 22

see you then.

Jeb Bush

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> -----Original Message-----

>From: Claire Roberson [mailto:claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com]

>Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 8:47 AM

>To: Jeb Bush

>Subject: Meeting August 22

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>Dear Governor Bush,

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>Thank you for your invitation to meet with you and business leaders on August 22 to discuss diversification of the State's economy. I look forward to participating in this extremely important event.

>

>Best regards,

>Claire

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>Claire Thuning-Roberson, Ph.D.

>VP Product Development & Compliance

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>e-mail: claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: TonyVillamil@aol.com

Date: 8/4/2003 12:51:02 PM

Subject: RE: Recommendations Circuit Judge and 3rd DCA appointments.

[thanks tony.](#)

Jeb Bush

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Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 8:32 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Recommendations Circuit Judge and 3rd DCA appointments.

Governor: Good morning! I would like to personally recommend, John Schlesinger for Miami-Dade Circuit Judge and Maria Korvick for 3rd DCA. Both are well known to me, and have the character and judicial temperament to serve the people of Florida in an outstanding fashion. Thank you for your consideration. Best regards, Tony.

From: [Claire Roberson <claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com>](mailto:claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 12:46:51 PM

Subject: Meeting August 22

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Best regards,
Claire

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e-mail: claireroberson@sunolmolecular.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Mark Ferran](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 12:38:33 PM

Subject: RE: The ATV-Trespass Problem

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Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Mark Ferran [mailto:mferran@nycap.rr.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 7:51 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: The ATV-Trespass Problem

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: GSPHILL@aol.com

Date: 8/4/2003 12:35:02 PM

Subject: RE: Doctor Situation

[thank you Sandra. Maybe you could encourage your Senators to be flexible on this issue.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: GSPHILL@aol.com [mailto:GSPHILL@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 9:42 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Doctor Situation

Dear Jeb:

This note is in support of what you are trying to accomplish regarding the Doctors.

I have just returned from South Carolina from an operation on my thumb. My Doctor, Dr. Kenneth Hill, an orthopedist left West Florida Hospital in 2000 and part of the reason was due to the malpractice insurance and the other things going on in the state of Florida regarding the doctor's. He said if the patients got the awarded amount that would be different but the lawyers was receiving 40 to 60 percent of the awarded amounts. He is in favor of the \$250,000 cap. He had said he would come back and testify in front of the legislators in support of your program but he never heard from anyone. He said he is still willing to do so. I tried to persuade him to return to Pensacola but said he wouldn't until Florida laws change.

, Dr. Hill is a very well thought of Dr. and some of his patients from FL and AL have followed him there. He is also a BIG Bush supporter, in fact I took him some bumper stickers for the President. I have his address and phone number in case you are interested in contacting him. I had called your office Friday, but they just thought I was another one of the many calls that come in daily.

If there is anything we can do from this part, we will try our best to assist.

Regards,
Sandra Phillips

PS: Dr. Hill was/is on a number of Boards but at present, I'm not sure which but can find out.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 12:33:09 PM

Subject: FW: Republican Executive Committee Concern

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kyleens@aol.com [mailto:Kyleens@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 10:53 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Republican Executive Committee Concern

Thank you so much for your response and consideration. The funds I make reference to are in a special new appropriation of \$9 million + for substance abuse services, line item number 352A. Non recurring projects in Duval, Orange, Brevard and Volusia counties have been recommended to receive \$2 million.

I know these counties are very deserving but Lake and Sumter are in great distress. I need to share with you that District 13, including Lake and Sumter, rated above the state average of juvenile abuse of alcohol, marijuana, cocaine and methamphetamine, not to mention teen pregnancy rates. I'm being redundant but we're truly needy, equity would be such a blessing.

I truly am overwhelmed to be corresponding with you, Governor Bush. I could almost cry; I'm so grateful for your attention. Dan Semenza is right, you are a wonder.

Yours truly,
Kyleen Fischer
Lake County Republican Executive Committee Member

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Monica Corso](#)
CC: [Betty Hampton \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/4/2003 12:33:54 PM
Subject: RE: Autograph photos

done deal!

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Monica Corso [mailto:framonco@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 10:02 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Autograph photos

Dear Jeb,
Several young adults that I am working with in Teen Challenge and Wal Mart, admire you and I thought it would be great if you could/would sign some pics for them! Would not have to be anything expensive.
Let me know, thanks.
Monica Corso
PO Box 165
Wausau FL 32463-0165

p.s.
Possum Festival was great!
chiplebugle.com you can get pictures!

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Taylor (student)
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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 12:31:37 PM

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From: [David Neblett <dneblett@gaebemullen.com>](mailto:dneblett@gaebemullen.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 12:27:16 PM

Subject: VOTE NO on MED MAL legislation

David Neblett
221 collins ave apt 10
miami beach, FL 33139

August 4, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

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Sincerely,

David Neblett

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: flinn6@earthlink.net
BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/4/2003 12:24:06 PM
Subject: RE: Ceremony

thank you Jennifer. I will pass on your invitation to the scheduling team.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: flinn6@earthlink.net [mailto:flinn6@earthlink.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 9:15 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fw: Ceremony

Dear Gov. Bush,

First of all, I would like to thank you for asking me to Chair the workgroup on Guardianship and Alternatives for the Developmentally Disabled. I enjoyed meeting the other workgroup members and hopefully you will be pleased with our report. Let me know if I can help you with anything in the future.

Attached is the agenda for the 257th Transportation Detachment return ceremony. I am the Family Readiness Group Leader and I am in charge of the homecoming ceremony and reception on behalf of the families. I would like to invite you to attend the ceremony at the unit in Gainesville.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Flinn
386 755-9842

----- Original Message -----

From: "Trisler, Steve W CPT 257 TC BN" <Steve.Trisler@se.usar.army.mil>
To: <flinn6@earthlink.net>; <bradford.caron@rs.af.mil>
Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 3:44 PM
Subject: Ceremony

> I am very fortunate to have the help of both of you. I hope I've not
> disappointed either of you and I'm standing by to help with any questions,
> problems or issues that may surface. Here is the e-version of the memo
you
> needed. Take the ball and run as far and as fast as you feel like...
>
> Thanks,
> Steve
>
>
> <<Homecomingmemo.doc>>
>

From: [Geri Moore <earthdancerimages@yahoo.com>](mailto:earthdancerimages@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 12:11:27 PM

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens ! Please !

Dear Governor Bush,

Please do all you can do to save our beautiful Cypress Gardens! Larry Maxwell is raping this beautiful land, and enough of that has happened in our lush state already! He is only concerned about the \$\$\$ and not about what the local people want. I don't know what has happened to our local leaders. This has opened our eyes to our community! The officials that we elected will not be around long, I can guarantee you that! Our leaders should be representing us and the Gardens at every opportunity! Yet, where are they?

108 women had planned their weddings to be held at the Gardens! Planned and paid for no less. They were given no warnings and no refunds. This also makes Larry Maxwell a thief ! He simply doesn't care about anyone else, what anyone else wants, what anyone else needs. That is the worse kind of man you can find ! If he had let the local and state community know that the Gardens were in trouble, we would have banded together a lot sooner and worked to find solutions! He did not want that. Please, show this man that he cannot do what he wants just because he wants to do it! He is trashing the Gardens! Leaving it open to vandalism and theft to make it unattractive to future buyers. Please, declare this an emergency situation and do what ever you can to save Cypress Gardens.

HELP US SAVE CYPRESS GARDENS !

Geri Moore

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From: rodney.a.sanchez@us.army.mil <rodney.a.sanchez@us.army.mil>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 7:30:41 AM

Subject: Re:

Thank you Governor. I shared your concern for our safe return with the men. We just got word we will leave Baghdad by October 1st and should be in the States by November 1st.

Rodney

----- Original Message -----

From: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Date: Friday, August 1, 2003 4:59 pm

> Rick sent me your updates from Iraq. We are proud of your service

> to our country and hope and pray for your speedy return.

>

> Jeb

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From: Doctor2elm@aol.com <Doctor2elm@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Mkeropot@aol.com

Date: 8/4/2003 6:34:22 AM

Subject: "terri"

In the state of Colorado, when there is obvious conflict and disagreement b/n significant others of a disabled person, there is intervention by the ethics committee. The husband of this woman has an inherent conflict of interest in making the best decision for her. Not just the question of initial abuse in a previously healthy 26 yo, but he is shacking up with another woman with his new "love child" and would be quite upset if his true disabled wife were actually rehabilitated, and would not choose to allow treatments that would put him in an uncomfortable situation of dealing with her recovery. Therefore, he can't make decisions for his wife as her welfare is a conflict with his current situation. He obviously has only stayed married to maintain access to her assets and insure she does not recover.

Sincerely,

Dr. Margaret Eyre

From: dstruhs@comcast.net <dstruhs@comcast.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/4/2003 4:47:35 AM

Subject: Re:

Governor:

The story did not appear this weekend as anticipated. Expect the Orlando Sentinel reporter has a view that we have not communicated clearly to Georgia our bottom line on ACF.

DBS

> What will the negative story be about?

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> Jeb

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> Jeb Bush

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: dstruhs@comcast.net <dstruhs@comcast.net>

> To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org) <jeb@jeb.org>

> Sent: Sat Aug 02 10:46:12 2003

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> Governor:

> If possible, would like to speak with you directly before Monday regarding ACF.

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> We are in receipt of Georgia's proposal since our Columbus meeting. I am

> meeting with

> key Florida constituents on Monday. We are expecting a negative story in

> Sunday's

> Orlando Sentinel.

>

> David

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> cell: (850) 321-7337

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From: [Shelby Dew <hsdew2000@yahoo.com>](mailto:hsdew2000@yahoo.com)

To: [Charlie Price](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 4:33:10 AM

Subject: unanswered request

Gov. Jeb and Mr. Price, recently I e-mail you concerning progress on the Fl. State Hero Monument. I received no response back. It is time for me to take this to the people of Florida by way of the media. This I will do in two weeks. Like you, I am a very busy person with a full plate. To my disappointment, I have tried since 2000, to get help out of Tall. I do not see help coming. Really a shame! This monument represents so many Americans who have fought and died for this Country and the great State of Florida. It will get built! I am a tough old grandma, who loves her God and her country. I also, love every one in the Army, Navy, Air Force, United States Marine Corp, Coast Guard & Merchant Marines. These people will be honored and declared "HEROES" for over 200 yrs service, with or without the help of Tall. I am very tired of begging. I started in 2000 Gov. trying to get through to you for help! Just one example on our monument, the Merchant Marines. More Merchant Marines died in World War 11, per size of services, than any other service and they are not honored on monuments, anywhere! We have six services who have died for "Freedom, not four. We have said, they are "HEROES" help us put it granite forever. Our web-site has one for every State in the USA. My patience is worn out. Give me a yes or no, please! Gods Blessings, Shelby (Please, don't forget, we added "Attacks on America to all Monuments") We have our act, together! A mere 150,000, with our monument builder will unveil it in Tall.

 Shelby

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From: LWheeler45@aol.com <LWheeler45@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: Saylorp@lake.k12.fl.us

Date: 8/4/2003 4:10:27 AM

Subject: Superintendent Pam Saylor called the 2003-2004 funding inadequate, saying it doe

Dear Jeb:

For once I must agree with Pam and Merritt.

Your administration has FAILED to adequately fund your school initiatives and shifting the cost of the ill advised state pension mis investment into Tobacco stocks will seriously impact the required state employer pension contributions in the near future.

Warmest regards,

Leonard Wheeler
Eustis

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Creative school solutions needed

08/02/03

By MICHELLE L. START

Daily Commercial Staff Writer

TAVARES

School starts in just a few short days, and Lake County, already faced with massive growth and overcrowded classrooms, is dealing with some new problems this year. From extensive renovations limiting the number of classrooms available to decreased funding to implementing reduced class sizes, Lake County Schools are having to find creative solutions to the issues the district will face this year. The district has been allocated less money from state and federal sources this academic year, while costs have continued to increase. Superintendent Pam Saylor called the 2003-2004 funding inadequate, saying it does not allow the district to keep up with rising costs, while trying to increase academic achievement for students. The district is trying to make sure disadvantaged and minority students are learning at the same rate as their peers, part of the federal No Child Left Behind Act and is implementing a reading program called "Just Read Lake." "There are a lot of additional resources needed to for us to meet (No Child Left Behind) requirements. We need reading coaches and more staff development for us to meet the needs of all our students for universal proficiency," Saylor said. "It involves a lot of work and a lot of additional people. It does involve dollars, too." The district also commissioned a compensation study to ascertain if local wages were competitive. Officials promised to implement new wages if the study showed district wages were not competitive. School board officials received the study Thursday. District officials estimate that the state will provide about \$120 million this year, with the federal government providing \$21 million. School board officials are expected to approve a \$396.6 million budget for the 2003-2004 academic year on Sept. 8. The district's budget for the 2002-2003 academic year was \$452.8 million. "So, simultaneously having increases in costs and a desire to improve the district academically, without having enough money to adequately respond to that, is extremely difficult,"

Saylor said. Don Allen, president of the Lake County Education Association, worries that the budget reductions may have an impact on teacher salaries. "I think it will depend on what the board's position is and on what their priorities will be, whether they want to keep \$10 million in reserves and not give raises to teachers and to charge employees for their insurance," Allen said. "This could have a serious impact on collective bargaining." The teacher's organization has scheduled collective bargaining sessions throughout the month of August. Several grant sources also have dried up. "We're not getting some of the additional dollars we got previously in some of the areas, such as nurses and athletic trainers, and that creates more pressure on the budget to provide in those areas," Saylor said. The district likely will fund athletic trainers at the seven high schools, at a cost of \$313,000, and the proposed budget allocates \$73,000 to employ three districtwide registered nurses and train staff members at each school to provide medical care. Saylor said new legislature that went into effect July 1, and that allows students to graduate with 18 credits, has had an impact on the district's high schools. "The changes legislators came down with, changes in requirements for graduation from high school, of course, totally impact our school system at the high school level," Saylor said. "It has an enormous impact on our staff, certainly at the school level, to respond to that, and at the district level as well. It's huge." In order to be eligible to graduate with 18 credits, students must complete four credits in English, three in science, three in social studies, three in math and two in a foreign language. The remaining three credits comprise elective courses. The accelerated graduation program is a part of the implementation of the class-size amendment passed by voters in 2002. School officials won't know how many students will enroll in the accelerated graduation until school starts, but some students could potentially walk in, talk to a guidance counselor and walk out with a diploma, never attending classes during the 2003-2004 academic year. "The class-size amendment has impacted us dramatically," Saylor said. "We have to hire more teachers and, of course, we have to find those new teachers. We have to build and provide more classrooms than previously necessary and that we already knew we needed because of the regular growth we are having here in Lake County. That itself creates huge demands on our human resource department, our curriculum department and at the school levels, trying to respond to that." The district allocated funding to hire 42 additional teachers, thanks to the class size reduction amendment. Other teachers were hired to accommodate the district's growth. The district was required to reduce class sizes throughout the district on average by two students this year. "Education has continued to be a challenging issue," said Michael Elchenko, new principal at Eustis High School. "I think we're going to have to look at this class size amendment bill and review it, but we're not sure of the full impact yet." At Umatilla High School, staff members have had to do some creative organization to offset the new teachers, renovations and reduced class size amendment. "We're going to be almost completely at the annex this year while they're doing renovations," said Principal June Dalton. "We had to find space for the extra person. We've gotten creative by cutting large classrooms into smaller spaces and adding walls. We've put two people in offices so we don't have to cut into any of the classroom space." Continued growth and renovation projects also will have an impact on the district's finances this coming year. The district is using its share of the penny sales tax to remodel, renovate and build up-to-date facilities at many of the campuses. "This school district has never in its history addressed more facility needs than it is doing at this time. That is an enormous area in which we are responding to," Saylor said. "When we're faced with having all those challenges in light of revenues coming down from the legislature, that we consider inadequate to meet those needs, it's extremely difficult and challenging to rise to that occasion, but we're certainly trying to do that."

From: [Monica Corso <framonco@hotmail.com>](mailto:framonco@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 2:01:34 AM

Subject: Autograph photos

Dear Jeb,

Several young adults that I am working with in Teen Challenge and Wal Mart, admire you and I thought it would be great if you could/would sign some pics for them! Would not have to be anything expensive.

Let me know, thanks.

Monica Corso

PO Box 165

Wausau FL 32463-0165

p.s.

Possum Festival was great!

chiplebugle.com you can get pictures!

Marcus (student)

Tyler (student)

Taylor (student)

Jean and Judith (husband & wife)

Fred (works for local newspaper)

Marc (first year college student)

Clay (teacher at Teen Challenge)

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From: GSPHILL@aol.com <GSPHILL@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 1:42:24 AM

Subject: Doctor Situation

Dear Jeb:

This note is in support of what you are trying to accomplish regarding the Doctors.

I have just returned from South Carolina from an operation on my thumb. My Doctor, Dr. Kenneth Hill, an orthopedist left West Florida Hospital in 2000 and part of the reason was due to the malpractice insurance and the other things going on in the state of Florida regarding the doctor's. He said if the patients got the awarded amount that would be different but the lawyers was receiving 40 to 60 percent of the awarded amounts. He is in favor of the \$250,000 cap. He had said he would come back and testify in front of the legislators in support of your program but he never heard from anyone. He said he is still willing to do so. I tried to persuade him to return to Pensacola but said he wouldn't until Florida laws change.

, Dr. Hill is a very well thought of Dr. and some of his patients from FL and AL have followed him there. He is also a BIG Bush supporter, in fact I took him some bumper stickers for the President. I have his address and phone number in case you are interested on contacting him. I had called your office Friday, but they just thought I was another one of the many calls that come in daily.

If there is anything we can do from this part, we will try our best to assist.

Regards,
Sandra Phillips

PS: Dr. Hill was/is on a number of Boards but at present, I'm not sure which but can find out.

From: flinn6@earthlink.net <flinn6@earthlink.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/4/2003 1:14:31 AM

Subject: Fw: Ceremony

Attachments: Homecomingmemo.doc

Dear Gov. Bush,

First of all, I would like to thank you for asking me to Chair the workgroup on Guardianship and Alternatives for the Developmentally Disabled. I enjoyed meeting the other workgroup members and hopefully you will be pleased with our report. Let me know if I can help you with anything in the future.

Attached is the agenda for the 257th Transportation Detachment return ceremony. I am the Family Readiness Group Leader and I am in charge of the homecoming ceremony and reception on behalf of the families. I would like to invite you to attend the ceremony at the unit in Gainesville.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Flinn
386 755-9842

----- Original Message -----

From: "Trisler, Steve W CPT 257 TC BN" <Steve.Trisler@se.usar.army.mil>

To: <flinn6@earthlink.net>; <bradford.caron@rs.af.mil>

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 3:44 PM

Subject: Ceremony

> I am very fortunate to have the help of both of you. I hope I've not
> disappointed either of you and I'm standing by to help with any questions,
> problems or issues that may surface. Here is the e-version of the memo
you
> needed. Take the ball and run as far and as fast as you feel like...
>
> Thanks,
> Steve
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>
> <<Homecomingmemo.doc>>
>

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: swampart@earthlink.net
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 11:53:37 PM

Subject: Re: formally Resource2H

Jennifer,

Thank you so much for sharing your incredible experience and journey over the last year. I feel so privileged to know you and Ashley personally as both of you grow and learn the many possibilities and unending potential for individuals with developmental disabilities. Ashley is living proof that, with self determination, the right support, high expectations, and a loving, caring and involved family- a person with down syndrome or anyone with a developmental disabilities can enjoy all the same freedoms as every other American citizen and achieve their personal dream. Ashley is a true success and role model to others, including me!

Love and hugs to you both! Please send me a picture of the bunny wallpaper in Ashley's new pad!:(

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From:<swampart@earthlink.net>

To:Jeb@jeb.org

Cc:[Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF](mailto:Shelly_Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF)

Date: 08/03/2003 12:45:57 PM

Subject: formally Resource2H

Dear Governor Jeb,

As Ashlie and I have spent our summer wondering, advocating and learning, there are some wonderful experiences about Florida and it's service system that I would like to share.

In July of this summer Ashlie and I attended our first NDSS (National Down Syndrome Society) National Conference in St. Louis.

In the past I always advocated for all disabilities, however, the lack of vocal parents on the issues of people who experience Down Syndrome is almost non existent. NDSS is a huge organization, yet only three families from Florida were in attendance. I was so proud to be there and share our

(Florida's) story.

NDSS.org is a fabulous web site that includes everything from the latest research to stories that will tug at your heart.

Here are some interesting pieces of information.

There are 350,000 people (at last count) in the United States with Down Syndrome.

(I fear this number will be adjusted due to prenatal screening and decisions to not continue a pregnancy)

Research is moving so fast now because of genetic research, mapping and understanding the proteins that it is now being predicted that there

will be therapies available in the future for people who experience trisomy 21 (the most common form of Down Syndrome)

Students with Down Syndrome learn to read differently.

This is what I realized about Florida while we were in St. Lois.

St. Louis has an Arch, Florida has everything else.

We were the ONLY people there who had with us a paid employee. In short a PCA.

Ashlie had her own room with her PCA, attended her own workshops designed for young adults with a cognitive disability (workshops in staying safe, utilizing the NDSS web site chat room for people who experience Down Syndrome, dating, self advocacy and even a juggling class.)

I watched my daughter blossom before my very eyes with her independence and self esteem.

All because she was able to interact as a typical young lady.

All because of a PCA.

All because of the progressive service which is available here to the citizens of Florida.

We kept having to explain to people from other states what the waiver and CDC projects have enabled Ashlie to do., .

I felt so sorry for people in other states, California, Kentucky, Oklahoma etc.

Their jaws dropped one after another when I described the life giving services my daughter and other citizens could utilize.

Ashlie's PCA, Erika Marulanda also set the example for the very best of employees. She is a young straight A student who is attending Emory College in the fall and will be entering into the field of medicine. She is an articulate, respectful and intelligent person who is in Ashlies age group so as to look more as a peer than a supervisor.

By the second day of the conference, as word had circulated and more and more parents would come up to Ashlie or myself and ask about Florida.

How proud we were. Additionally, we were able to dispel some bad complaints shared by a PTI at a Washington gathering just a few weeks before the St. Louis Conference. We were pleased to enlighten anyone in need

These are the differences having a PCA have made in Ashlie's life

1. She does not have to go EVERYWHERE with her mother.

2. She goes once a week (with her PCA) to the mall to have her nails done.

Perhaps this does not seem like such a huge accomplishment unless you understand that my daughter used to bite her nails so low that there were

infections. Some attempted to refer her to have a behaviorist for a behavior modification plan with tracking and follow up

It is more natural just to go and have a manicure. The manicure costs \$8, (which Ashlie is proud to pay for) the PCA costs \$9, (of which \$5 is paid by theFeds

\$4 is paid by the state) Can you imagine what a CBA and a behavioral plan would cost?

3. Ashlie goes to Weight Watcher's with her PCA . Both her PCA and Ashlie learn about weight management and making good choices. She does not require

the service of a nutritionist. Ashlie is proud to pay for her Weight Watchers fee. It does not cost the state anything. Once again, the cost to the state's share is

only \$4 to help keep Ashlie healthy and informed. Could you imagine what a nutritionist would charge?

4. Ashlie belongs to a gym and goes with her PCA three times a week. The PCA makes sure that Ashlie does to put stress on her joints and follows her

doctors instructions. (low impact) The cost of the gym is gladly paid by me. Can you imagine what a physical therapy regiment would cost?

5. Ashlie wanted a summer job. VR has proven itself useless, however, with the cooking skills Ashlie has learned over the years and the volunteer efforts of

her PCAs and informal supports Ashlie transformed our home into a restaurant this summer and sold dinner parties. The cost to the state was 0. Imagine the time

wasted and the expense of a job coach.

6. This year I bought Ashlie her own home. It is conveniently located across the street from my home (just bigger)

We have rehabbed Ashlies home. Ashlie has made all the choices from wallpaper to cabinet fixtures. In Dec. of this year we both moved into Ashlies new house (Ashlie got the master bedroom) and I will stay with her until she is twenty five and ready to live independent from her family.

At that time, I will move back to my old home across the street, Ashlie will rent to a roommate of her choosing and utilize in home supports. It will not cost the state the price of a group home, it will not cost the state res hab. It will cost the state just 40% of in home supports.

It is not just Ashlie who is in transition. When I share with her how crazy I will be when I have to move out, she holds up her hand, shows me five

years, tells me I will be fine and I can take the dog.

All of this, brought to us, by the service of a PCA.

Thank you for all you do .

Love

Jennifer and Ashlie

Jennifer Aubrey

swampart@earthlink.net

Why Wait? Move to EarthLink.

From: CCHUNT@aol.com <CCHUNT@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 11:19:07 PM

Subject: do not kill Terri

her blood will be on your hands for all of eternity if you do not stop this death by starvation, it is wrong, it is evil

From: TonyVillamil@aol.com <TonyVillamil@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 11:04:22 PM

Subject: Update on various issues.

Governor, trust all is well with you and family. I just wanted to update you on a few activities and issues from my perspective, and for your consideration: 1. I am working with Pam for the first Council of Economic Advisors meeting, right after the Enterprise Board in Naples on August 21st. We want to assist in driving your economic diversification agenda with a solid research program on business climate issues and best practices, in addition to tracking the economy. Any thoughts from you that Pam can present at the meeting are much welcomed. If you are going to Naples/EFI Board, the team would be happy to see you for a few minutes. With the reappointed members, and new ones like Dave Denslow of UF and Raul Siclait, you have a "can do" team. 2. On the issue of Homeland Security stories on today's Herald, I am very concerned that the feds are not seriously considering the economic impacts of such measures on "hub" states like Florida. Can you suggest to Secretary Ridge that he should consider appointing a group of business/ "applied" economists to advise him on these measures before they are announced? I am concerned that the economics of the security issues are not being addressed. 3. On Cuba, I agree with your comments, but as a lead state we need to develop also a proactive policy to advise the feds, not after things "hit the roof ". You should consider forming a small working group to advise you and develop a framework from a state perspective (not the "big" committee of the past) . Developments are accelerating in Cuba, and the despot knows that the 04 season is upon us. 4. On FTAA, as you have stated, the key is the ministerial. I have suggested to Cobb, Pam, and Jorge, that Glenda should play a strong role in coordinating the State input and the dollars that will flow from Tallahassee. This is subject to your approval and if Glenda would like to do and has the time. Please, we do need a senior state presence here through November that can help coordinate the disparate factions and support Armando and Chuck's efforts while keeping you informed regularly. Pam can do it, of course, but she has a huge portfolio of issues. Glenda is a consensus builder, speaks spanish, as a former mayor has "legitimacy" in front of Manny Diaz and Penelas, and may have more time until DCA is merged. A lot going on as you know well. Un abrazo, Tony

From: GODWINF@aol.com <GODWINF@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 10:53:16 PM

Subject: NGOA

Thank you, Governor, for, again, speaking to the National Guard Officers' Association in Jacksonville last week. It was a strange conference with all our soldiers deployed. The Brigade seated just four tables at the banquet, when we usually have 15 or more. I only hosted eight wives at Saturday morning's brunch. Very strange. It was also David's last conference as Brigade Commander, so a bittersweet weekend for us.

You referenced your glasses as you spoke on SA night. About five years ago, when my arms were no longer long enough, I got one contact (for reading) that I wear in my left (non-dominant) eye. It is great! I no longer have to hassle with reading glasses, and I can see to read and distance at the same time. Something about the brain adjusting. I would think in your business it would be very helpful. Just a thought.

With best wishes,
Frankie Godwin

From: Wjpbr@aol.com <Wjpbr@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 10:26:13 PM

Subject: State Manufacturers Decry Sellout

State Manufacturers Decry Sellout

New Britain rally blames big firm, retailers for job losses

by Rob Varnon
rvarnon@ctpost.com

New Britain - Connecticut manufacturers rages against what they called the selling out of America by large corporations and the government on Friday as they fired the first shots in a hoped for national movement.

"I'm mad a hell about what is happening to manufacturing jobs in the United States," said Frank Johnson, president of the Manufacturing Alliance of Connecticut, to more than 1,000 people packed into an auditorium at Central Connecticut State University.

The people largely employees of small and medium sized manufacturers gathered for the nation's first Manufacturing Awareness Day. Johnson said Friday's rally was the first event for a new national movement called MAD in the USA.

The group offers eight proposals to address what it calls unfair trade agreements, unethical business practices by large U.S. corporations and poor government policies that have cost the sector more than 2 million jobs in the last two years.

U.S. Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn., said the rally marked "the beginning of something that will change the course of history."

Gov. John G. Rowland proclaimed Aug. 1 Manufacturing Awareness Day. U.S. Reps, Rosa DeLauro, D-3, and Nancy L. Johnson, R-5 state Attorney General Richard Blumenthal and Lt. Gov. M. Jodi Rell spoke at the rally.

MAD hopes to become U.S. Campaign

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DeLauro said Connecticut Republicans and Democrats are working together to help manufacturers face a slew of problems. She specifically said Congress must address currency manipulation and patent violations occurring in China.

"Free trade is important but free trade must be fair trade," DeLauro said as cheers erupted.

Johnson, the keynote speaker Friday, praised Connecticut manufacturers for opening the eyes of a lot of people in Washington. She said the U.S. secretary of Commerce "knew nothing" of the problems facing small and medium manufacturers until a meeting was arranged with Connecticut manufacturers and she encouraged the group to continue its efforts.

"Democracy is not a spectator sport," she said.

Johnson also said there must be changes in the legal system to cut down on litigation that increases manufacturers' costs. She said tax, environmental and safety codes need to be reformed to help manufacturers.

Dodd discussed visa rules that allow companies to replace U.S. workers with foreigners who work at lower wages. He also said the U.S. government needs to start investing in basic research, as it did in the early days of the space program.

The European Union is investing in basic research and "today they're cleaning our clocks," Dodd said.

But Dodd and others said this movement was not protectionist.

"Our economy depends on our ability to sell goods and services around the world," Dodd said.

The crowd responded enthusiastically to the political speeches and those of Connecticut manufacturing executives. "We believe free trade is a myth," said Fred Tedesco, president of Pa-Ted Spring Co. of Bristol.

Tedesco, credited as one of the founders of MAD, said unfair trade conditions and big business are hurting manufacturing.

"The big dirty secret behind this is that it's large American corporations and retailers that are doing us in," Tedesco said.

The group claims large U.S. companies use unethical business practices to get better deals. They said large companies place large contract orders to get favorable prices from smaller companies and then cancel the contract after only some of the goods are provided.

The group calls on the U.S. Commerce Department to form a special investigation unit to look into these practices.

Five of the eight policies the group is pushing involve domestic policy.

As part of a busy American campaign, the group wants all items that sell for more than \$15 to display a label telling consumers where it and its components are made.

Manufacturers also want the government to start buying American, especially for defense-related items.

Bruce Thompson, vice president of Projects Inc. of Glastonbury, said the U.S. buys ammunition for the M - 16 rifle, rotor blades for some helicopters and key missile components from abroad. During preparations for the war in Iraq, some foreign countries blocked sales of necessary equipment for missiles and an "American company had to bail the country out," Thompson said.

He said the country's military manufacturers are too dependent on foreign parts and goods and the government needs to do something.

"This selling out of America must stop," Thompson said.

The group also calls for 100% of all defense-related items to be made in the U.S. It also wants all levels of government to purchase products that have at least 50 percent of their components made in the U.S.

The group also wants incentives to encourage manufacturing in the U.S. and more programs to train future workers.

On the foreign side, the group called on the federal government to press China to reform its currency policies, which the manufacturers say are unfair. They also want the U.S. to protect patents abroad and that all foreign goods sold in the U.S. meet the same safety requirements that their products must meet.

Dodd commended the group on their policy suggestions and most of the speakers said manufacturing is vital to America's future.

Panelist John Leone, president of the Greater Bristol Chamber of Commerce represented the Bridgeport Regional Business Council and chambers of commerce across the state in backing the event.

He said manufacturing has been "the lifeblood of our economy for over 200 years." Manufacturing built the middle class in Bridgeport, Middletown and many other Connecticut communities by paying good wages, he said.

"If our elected officials turn their backs on small and medium-sized manufacturers, it will be the first step to eliminate the middle class", Leone said.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Carter, Harriet](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 9:45:59 PM

Subject: RE:

Harriet, if Mr. Maliaris sent an email to this address it would have been hard for me not to respond. I hope your mom hangs in there and I hope you do as well.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Carter, Harriet [mailto:Harriet.Carter@mail.house.gov]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 5:15 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush:

Around the end of June 2003, I had a dear friend of mine, Ted Maliaris of America's Life Line Foundation, e-mail you that my dear mom, Mrs. Eugenia Carter, was in intensive care at Baptist Hospital. My mom had the pleasure of meeting you and having a photo taken with you at the picnic which was held in Miami prior to your inauguration. Since I know you are deeply concerned about all the inhabitants of Florida, and especially the elderly, I thought you might be interested in keeping my dear mother in your thoughts and prayers. I was sad and disappointed to learn from my friend that you never responded to his e-mail to you. I have been out of Ileana's office since my mom took ill, but I came to the office today to catch-up on urgent matters. My mom still continues to be in INTENSIVE CARE (today is the 40th day she has been there), and only God knows what the future will bring.

I hope that all is well with you and your beautiful family.

Sincerely,

Harriet Carter
Congressional Aide to
U.S. Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen
Home address: 9357 Fontainebleau Boulevard, #D202
Miami, FL 33172
Home phone: (305) 223-2551

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Farrar](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 9:44:39 PM

Subject: RE: MedMal success

[thank you David.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: David Farrar [mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 5:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: MedMal success

Dear Governor,

Stick to your guns on your MedMal legislation. More and more Party members are asking Party officials why hasn't the Party supported your efforts? As you know, grass-roots efforts take time. So you may very well have to have two or three more special sessions. But I think by the end of the next REC meeting cycle, REC members will be demanding that their Party follow its leader. Any help with the Party leadership you can manage will only shorten the time needed to gain support for your legislation.

ex animo
davidfarrar

From: [David Farrar <farrardm@bellsouth.net>](mailto:farrardm@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 9:39:01 PM

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davidfarrar

From: Hial1211@aol.com <Hial1211@aol.com>

To: Hial1211@aol.com

Date: 8/3/2003 9:38:43 PM

Subject: Media Release-National Night Out Events

Attachments: MEDIA Release for NNO.ZIP

**I have attached all the locations where events will be held to celebrate National Night Out. I have attached the unincorporated areas as well as the municipalities. I hope you will be able to show support by attending some of these events. Thank you
Carmen Caldwell**

CITIZENS' CRIME WATCH OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TOWN WATCH CELEBRATES
ITS 20TH YEAR OF "NATIONAL NIGHT OUT"

Give Neighborhood Crime & Drugs
A Going Away Party

On **August 5, 2003**, more than 33 million people in more than 9,800 communities will join forces to promote police-community partnerships. Only you can ensure that Miami-Dade County will have the largest participation in the nation! "Give Neighborhood Crime and Drugs A Going Away Party," remains the national theme for this year's event. We, at Citizens' Crime Watch urge you and your neighbors to help us celebrate this event and continue to keep our neighborhoods safe. August 5th will be a night that citizens across America can send a powerful message about neighborhood unity, awareness, safety and police community partnerships. **From 6 to 10 p.m. on August 5th**, the residents of Miami-Dade County and across the nation are asked to turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors, law enforcement and your local elected officials. Many residents across Miami-Dade have initiate a variety of special events such as block parties, cookouts, parades, flashlight walks, contests, youth activities and anticrime rallies. **National Night Out** is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (3) Send a message to criminals letting them know that your neighborhood is organized and fighting back!

For more information contact:

Carmen Caldwell, Executive Director 305-470-1670 office or 305-268-6632 cell

From: Roblavey@aol.com <Roblavey@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 9:16:07 PM

Subject: (no subject)

Hello Gov,

Excellent presentation on your "In The News" email. It is about time control of physicians who write without first considering the consequences.

I have been reviewing cases for the Board of Medicine since 1983 for Family Practice, and have reviewed several of these instances. The Board gives a slap on the wrist only -- sadly.

Let's get that cap on damages passed.

Thank you,

Doc

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 8:44:26 PM

Subject: FW: Excessive Medical Bills Palm Beach County

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: david dailey [mailto:daviddailey@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 03, 2003 4:10 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Excessive Medical Bills Palm Beach County

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From: JDH0516@aol.com <JDH0516@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 8:28:57 PM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

I am a native Floridian of 62 years. I have lived in or around Winter Haven all my life. Cypress Gardens is FLORIDA, and is worth saving for future generations.

Thank you for your efforts in regard to have the State of Florida purchase the Gardens. May God bless you and your family.

**James Harvey
Lake Wales, Florida**

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: hogank@sso.org

Date: 8/3/2003 8:27:50 PM

Subject:

Karen, I am so sorry that Tom Lewis passed on. He was a great man and a great public servant.

Jeb Bush

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Subject: RE: Florida Board of Medicine

thank you Dr. Allyn. Yes, I do care about doctors and their patients. I will review your comments regarding the Board of Medicine appointments and the proposed legislation.

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Date: 8/3/2003 8:10:16 PM

Subject: terris fight for life

GOVENOR BUSH,

I AM A REGISTERED NURSE, CCRN AND HAVE BEEN IN PRACTICE AS A CRITICAL CARE NURSE FOR OVER 25 YEARS. I CAN TELL YOU FROM VAST EXPERIENCE, JUST BY LOOKING AT THE PICTURES AND VIDEOS, TERRI IS NOT IN A PERSISTENT VEGATATIVE STATE. SHE BREATHES ON HER OWN. SHE TRACKS MOVEMENT WITH HER EYES, SHE HAS FACIAL EXPRESSIONS IN RESPONSE TO HER MOTHER. A PERSON IN A PERSISTENT VEGETATIVE STATE CAN DO NONE OF THIS, LET ALONE, OPEN HER EYES TO COMMAND. I SUPPOSE I COULD GO INTO THE GLASGOW COMA SCALE AND DESCRIBE THE 12 CRANIAL NERVES AND WHAT ELICITS A RESPONSE, HOWEVER, YOU ARE A POLITICIAN AND ARE SURROUNDED BY NON-MEDICAL PEOPLE. THIS LETTER AND THE WEB SITE WILL BE SENT TO EVERY NURSE ACROSS THE NATION AND THE WORLD. THIS CASE NEEDS TO BE EVALUATED ON HOW TERRI GOT THIS WAY. I READ THE RADIOLOGY REPORTS. NOW I WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU A STORY, ACTUALLY 2.

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THANKYOU FOR YOUR TIME.

PHYLLIS A. BEASLEY RN BSN

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Date: 8/3/2003 4:34:48 PM

Subject: Re: Our Son-In-Law's Immigration Problem - Request for Assistance

Governor Bush:

I appreciate your help, and I appreciate your recognition of our daughter's character. She truly is a wonderful young woman and an asset to any community, church or workplace. Thank you for your kindness.

Flora

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To: [Flora & Tom Galloway](#)

Cc: alan@jeb.org

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We appreciate anything you can do to assist us in finding closure to this nightmare. Please contact us if you need further information.

With My Family's Deepest Appreciation,

Flora Rogers Galloway

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- Please make it possible for her to raise her future children (Tom's and my grandchildren) in this country, free from the discrimination that Ginny, as an American, suffers on a daily basis in Toronto. After working several years for the Ontario Ministry of Education, Ginny is presently working on education issues for the benefit of Canadian children as the program director of Children First: School Choice Trust, a Fraser Institute initiative. She wants to make a difference in the education of American children. Please make this possible.

I am aware that you contacted a Miami official on Ginny's behalf. I believe that person contacted the local Homeland Security Office in South Florida. Ginny was concerned regarding the response she received from them. She is following up on that, but does not believe the advice is completely accurate. The search for the truth and for relief continues...

We appreciate anything you can do to assist us in finding closure to this nightmare. Please contact us if you need further information.

With My Family's Deepest Appreciation,

Flora Rogers Galloway

407-628-5040 (Home - Maitland, FL)

407-380-4415 (Work - Naval Air Systems Command Training Systems Division - Orlando)

407-380-4648 (Husband, Tom, at work - Naval Air Systems Command Training Systems Division - Orlando)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['Alan Florez'](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 3:48:36 PM

Subject: RE: Request from Pat Williams of Orlando Magic

1. I was sent to Caracas Venezuela at the age of 24 to open a representative office. I was ten years younger than the next youngest bank rep. It was a very difficult challenge since our two children were 18 months and three months and there were shortages of every kind. Our bank did well and that is when I knew that I could do more than I thought I could. The fear of the unknown subsided!

2. My dad is my hero and the best role model anyone could have. Just watching him live his life has been my inspiration for success.

3. In 1979, I took a leave of absence from my job to work in my father's campaign. My first speech I had to give as a surrogate was in front of 2000 Puerto Ricans in San Juan in Spanish. I was so nervous but got through the speech and learned again to overcome fear and anxiety and communicate with sincerity and from the heart. It has been a lesson that has served me well over time.

4. I think it is important to listen to people, particularly young people. By listening, it is easier to encourage which all young people need!

Jeb Bush

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Alan Florez

> Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 10:05 PM

> To: Jeb Bush

> Subject: Request from Pat Williams of Orlando Magic

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> Governor,

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> Pat Williams Sr. Vice President of Orlando Magic has requested that you contribute to a book for Warner Books called Coaching Your Kids to Become Leaders that he is writing.

>

> Here are the four questions:

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> 1. When did you first realize you had the ability to lead and when did you begin receiving those opportunities?

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> 2. Who were the key people who helped you develop as a leader and what contribution did they make?

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> 3. Do you have an interesting story or anecdote concerning your start as a young leader?

>

> 4. What advice do you have for adults on how to recognize leadership potential in youngsters and then nurture it?

>

> You can email it to pwilliams@orlandomagic.com.

>

From: [robert brewster <brewst2@worldnet.att.net>](mailto:robert.brewster@worldnet.att.net)

To: [dipatri](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 3:36:59 PM

Subject: Fw:

Is the way you want school board members to answer valid questions???

As you can see it has been forwarded several times.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Hughes, Larry" <HughesLa@brevard.k12.fl.us>

To: "robert brewster" <brewst2@worldnet.att.net>

Sent: Friday, July 25, 2003 4:04 PM

Subject: RE:

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> So what should we do, Bob?

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> Build big classrooms? No, you argue for building smaller classrooms.

> Besides, we GUARANTEE we won't get SIT awards if we build large.

>

> So what should we do, Bob?

>

> Build small? You don't seem to like that approach, either. But if we do,

we

> will qualify for SIT if/when the Legislature overcomes gridlock.

>

> So what should we do, Bob?

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> Maybe tear down Williams because they didn't build to the size you would

> have liked? Just out of curiosity, how would we have funded the additional

> teachers smaller class sizes would have required?

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> So what should we do, Bob?

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> As to the Q redesign, are you proposing that we wait until construction

has

> started to redesign? Or just punt on class size and potential SIT awards.

>

> So what should we do, Bob?

>

> Larry E. Hughes

> FSBA Certified Board Member

> School Board Member, District 4

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> From: robert brewster [mailto:brewst2@worldnet.att.net]
> Sent: Friday, July 25, 2003 2:03 PM
> To: larry
> Subject:

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> Bricks & Mortar - School Q remains on track for an August '04 opening. The
> plan is being revised to provide smaller classrooms consistent with the
> Class Size Reduction Amendment. The result will be school with small
classes
> as the standard. This change also qualifies Brevard to receive SIT awards
> for economical construction.

>
> SIT funds were not approved in the last session. May not Facilities is not
> telling it as it is. We tried to get Curry to build schools with smaller
> classrooms years ago. He dosen't build to program. That is why we have
> portables at RW. In my opinion he has cost the district millions in the
> decade. \$750,000 for a change when construction hasn't started?? He knew
> this was going to happen when Manatee was built I bet.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'RickiKirk@aol.com'

Date: 8/3/2003 2:39:53 PM

Subject: Re: kids vs adults

You will do great!

Jeb

Jeb Bush

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 02 21:35:17 2003

Subject: kids vs adults

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Your friend,

Ricki

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'compgeek@tampabay.rr.com'

Date: 8/3/2003 2:35:32 PM

Subject: Re: IT Florida

It was great seeing you. Keep excelling in school!

Jeb

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

CC: compgeek@tampabay.rr.com <compgeek@tampabay.rr.com>; sabra.otterness@sdhc.k12.fl.us <sabra.otterness@sdhc.k12.fl.us>

Sent: Sat Aug 02 23:17:50 2003

Subject: IT Florida

Benjamin Schwartz
4145 Saltwater Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33615
(813)885-9983
Fax:(813)885-9982

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Thank you for your service to our state.

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Florida Student

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'langfob@eog.state.fl.us'

Date: 8/3/2003 2:34:26 PM

Subject: Fw:

Let us discuss

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 02 20:08:46 2003

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THANK YOU GOV

FRANK T

Sent via BlackBerry - a service from AT&T Wireless.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: 'EIHeraldoBroward@aol.com'
BCC: [Alan Florez](#)
Date: 8/3/2003 2:31:04 PM
Subject: Re: Celebre con Nosotros

Thanks Elaine. I will pass on to Alan who is coordinating our hispanic heritage activities. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb

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From: EIHeraldoBroward@aol.com <EIHeraldoBroward@aol.com>
To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>
Sent: Sun Aug 03 08:24:27 2003
Subject: Celebre con Nosotros

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updated...don't have his email..can you pass on to him?
Hope you will continue the tradition of being with us.

Elaineala

From: [Jay Wheeler <jwheeler@kua.net>](mailto:jwheeler@kua.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 1:56:01 PM

Subject: School Improvement strategy

The state needs to require 4 yrs of math in HS. Starting in 2nd grade through 12th grade students should be required to read 20 books yearly with book reports. This will force kids and teachers to work on reading comprehension and greatly reduce remediation of students after HS graduation. This will not need any extra funding. Regards, Jay Wheeler/Osceola County School Board

From: ElHeraldoBroward@aol.com <ElHeraldoBroward@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 12:24:27 PM

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 10:54:23 AM

Subject: Nomination of Frank Shepard to the Third DCA

Attachments: Frank Mendez.vcf

Gov. Jeb Bush,

I too want to add my voice to those supporting Frank Shepherd for appointment to the 3rd District Court of Appeals. Although I do not know Mr. Shepard personally, he has a fantastic reputation in the legal community.

I believe Mr. Shepard will provide a strict interpretation of the Constitution and will prove himself worthy of your consideration.

Sincerely,

Frank Mendez

From: [Nancy & Craig <krancie@alltel.net>](mailto:krancie@alltel.net)

To: bronern@educationcentral.org

CC: jholland@coj.net

[Mayor](#)

[Jeb Bush](#)

tomslade@jaxgop.org

Date: 8/3/2003 10:27:02 AM

Subject: Public Schools

Is the Duval County School Board really closing the public schools to the public? Today's news paper states the DCSB will save \$1.3 million by not allowing citizens to use the school buildings. May I remind ya'll who pays taxes for those schools. In the same story, the paper states the school board spent \$180 million on technology, software and hardware.

The children can not read books, drop out of school early and commit crimes, but they must have the latest in Microsoft technology. It is a good thing Al Gore invented the internet. No Republican would be this stupid to kick the public out of public schools, to save less than 2% of the total spent on technology for children who will never use, understand or afford it, because they can not read and comprehend English!

A Robert Service Poem can do more for education then MS XP and it is cheaper!

Craig G. Eifert
2092 Magnus Lane
JAX FL. 32246

From: MESKI1983@aol.com <MESKI1983@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 6:49:44 AM

Subject: Terry.....Please get involved!

Dear Governor Bush:

I am a Mass resident however, I belong to a group that has kept me abreast of this girls case. Having a child who has a drug effliction you above all should show some compassion to this families strife. This Girl has been a victim of a Wife Batterer. this can not be ignored any more. Terry has a very viable option that will help her to recover.

HBOT.....see

www.oceanhyperbaric.com

This treatment thru the use of Oxygen will help Terry recover mentally. she has a right to this treatment. Please help her fight for her LIFE....not help the DEMONIC forces END her life. this could be your CHILD or mine. I ask your help for this family!

You must insist that the medical records be revealed and the HBOT treatment be permitted. She has suffered enough and so has her poor family!

Thanks for your attention to this matter!

God Bless you and Your Family!



.....*Count your Blessings!*

For all we know, our blessings are not the fruits of our prayers alone, but those of another praying for us.

And.....

The task ahead of us is never as great as the power behind us.

My success is measured by my willingness to keep trying."

- Anon.

Marguerite A. Szczawinski...



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THANK YOU GOV

FRANK T

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From: Tapann81@aol.com <Tapann81@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 3:39:08 AM

Subject: Terry Schindler-Schiavo

Dear Governor Bush:

I have just finished reading about Terry Schindler-Schiavo. I am extremely saddened and frankly very surprised that judges in any state in the United States of America would even consider removing the feeding tube on this woman and allowing her to die a slow and painful death. It is murder!

You can do something about this. You are the Governor of Florida. Please, I beg you, to intervene and go against these activist judges and save Terry Schindler-Schiavo's life. They are not GOD!

I pray that your conscience will help you make the right decision. I will also pray that you have the strength and courage to save Terri's life.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Walsh

From: [Benjamin Schwartz <benjamin_schwartz@yahoo.com>](mailto:benjamin_schwartz@yahoo.com)

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From: Wjpbr@aol.com <Wjpbr@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/3/2003 12:11:26 AM

Subject: Hi Jeb

Dear Jeb:

I just read a article that you disagreed with your brother on the return of those Cubans. I agree with you 100%. I don;t know if you remember me but I'm the guy who made you the Irish rosary. By the way, if it ever breaks let me know, and I'll give you my address and I'll fix it for you for nothing.

I also disagree with your brother with what he said on the unemployment in the IT area. He said we are not keeping up with the courses at college to compete with the Indians. That is ridiculous. Its all about money. Companies are misusing H1B policies to get cheaper help. Did you know that the Insurance Company in Hartford, Connecticut some months ago laid off a big chunk of their IT work force only to hire H1B to replace them. Sen Dodd is supposed to be looking into it.

Also, how would one know what courses to take in college if one doesn't have a job lined up? Do you know how many courses there are in the IT field? It would be impossible to take them all, remember them all and put them all into practice. It would also be impossible to afford to take them all. The average American who is unemployed cannot afford to take all these courses. Usually people take courses when they work to keep up with what is going on. When your not working, how can one know which courses to take? Its impossible!

I realize that no one is guarenteed a job but the government seems to make it impossible for us to work. I have about a month left of unemployment, then I'll be on the street. No one cares! I am a Vietnam Era Vet with PTSD and I really need more help to find work but I get less help. Please pray for me and if there is anything you can do for me, it would be deeply appreciated!

God Bless you & yours;
Bill Richer
Oblate of St Benedict
& Vietnam Era Vet
413-436-9594



From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'RickiKirk@aol.com'

Date: 8/2/2003 11:50:13 PM

Subject: Re: New Teaching Job

I think I would prefer hanging out with kids rather than adults!!!!

Jeb

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 02 18:09:09 2003

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God bless you and yours,

Your friend,

Ricki

From: [Jack <jack@airwolf2000.com>](mailto:jack@airwolf2000.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 11:45:27 PM

Subject: Please let her live

Dear Gov. Bush,

Once she is gone, she's gone, no turning back. If you desire to see someone die go to your state prison and starve a death row inmate. Please make the justice department look into possible foul play.

Thank You,
John Wolfgram

From: [Millie Wilson <tomanykids7@yahoo.com>](mailto:tomanykids7@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 10:59:36 PM

Subject: Terri

Dear Sir, Please Oh Please give this girl's life a chance. For once let us do what is right. My God we are not speaking of her not being able to breathe on Vent. Will we put a child to death because they won't eat. She can't eat that's a reason to pull a tube that provides food. It makes me sick, why don't you visit her. See for yourself. What if that was your daughter, ask that question to yourself. Gov/ Bush. Please stand in the gap for this woman. Please I ask this for so many who can't e-mail you. Ask yourself this question also, what would God do. I think that you know the answer. Millie Wilson

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From: CTKearns@aol.com <CTKearns@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 10:30:46 PM

Subject: DOH, EMS Bureau Chief

Hi Jeb,

I just want to give my endorsement of Roger Twitchell for the Emergency Medical Services Bureau Chief position which became vacant on Friday.

The EMS Bureau and community have been in turmoil over the last few years. I believe this was mostly because the former bureau chief's lack of experience in Florida EMS political issues.

Roger Twitchell is just the person we need to bring us out of the quagmire we have been in. I believe he can turn the ship to move in a positive direction. I hope you'll appoint Roger, so we can continue making progress for Florida's citizens and the patients of EMS providers around the state.

I also want to tell you what a great leader Dr. Bill Tynan has become in his short time over the DOH, Division of Emergency Medical Operations. Dr. Agwunobi hit a grand slam, home run in placing Dr. Tynan where he is.

From my standpoint, Dr. Tynan is doing everything right and making great improvements for the EMS aspects of public health and WMD preparedness. Kudos to you, Dr. Agwunobi and Dr. Tynan. We have turned the corner and our EMS industry's future looks bright.

*Thanks, Chuck
The Ambulance Guy*

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From: [Zach Braddock <zachbraddock@msn.com>](mailto:zachbraddock@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 9:36:04 PM

Subject:

Govener Jeb Bush:

2 August 2003

I have recently heard of the plight of 39 year old Terri Schlinder-Schiavo. I am wondering if you knew that a probate Judge has ordered her murder. Officially, it is called her death order, because she cannot talk and is paralyzed. There is medical evidence to suggest that when she 'collapsed' 13 years ago, she had been abused by her husband, who is now trying to get the court to allow Terri's feeding tube to be disabled, causing her to die of starvation and dehydration. The process of her death could last almost half a month. She is not on any other life support mechanisms, and is able to fully breathe and maintain a heartbeat. Her husband might be afraid that if she recovers, she would be able to convict him of abuse. The court has already ruled that she is braindead, but she is able to make sounds and extremely small movements. This does not sound like a dead person. Medical research also shows that if allowed rehabilitation and therapy, she might learn to walk and talk again. The court's death order is nothing but pure and simple murder. Especially since her life would not be terminated immediately, rather allowed to slowly and painfully degrade. This is cruel, and the only way to save her life now is for you or the Supreme Court of Florida to intervene. If you were in Terri's situation, with someone wanting you to die, and another wanting you to live, who would you want to win any court battles fought over you? Would you want your feeding tube to be yanked away from you, and not be able to eat or drink. You would slowly begin to dry out as your body's supply of water was depleted, and you had no way to drink, and your body's supply of the nutrients in foods wither away until it could no longer sustain the ability to breathe. Please, remember that this is what will happen to Terri if you don't help her. Please, remember that she will lose her life, all because of her husband. Please remember that you would want someone to do the same for you. Please, show mercy to this woman, in her darkest hour. Please, consider this a first step toward both re-election in Florida, and towards a presidential campaign. If you would save Terri's life, you would most certainly have my vote, and many others would vote for you because of your showing such an act of mercy.

- Zachary Braddock
South Carolina

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [JR Harding](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 9:19:36 PM

Subject: RE: testing and students with disabilities

thank you JR.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: JR Harding [mailto:JRfsu@comcast.net]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 2:29 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: testing and students with disabilities

Governor,

[Below](#), you will find the national Council on Disabilities recommendations regarding testing and students with disabilities. I thought their perspective might be useful as you continue to pursue more opportunity/accountable measures for students with disabilities to demonstrate their academic skills.

JR

c) TESTING

At the heart of the NCLB's emphasis on accountability is universal testing. Through testing, the relative performance of every school is to be judged, and their year-to-year changes in performance (revealed primarily by test scores) trigger funding, technical assistance, school choice and other statutory provisions. Once again, though, while in principle students with disabilities are expected to be tested, and their tests results counted along with the outcomes achieved by other students, many key questions remain about how testing is to be done with this population.

For example, because NCLB vests states with considerable authority in choosing tests, the problems of test validation (norming) for use with students with various disabilities are likely to increase with the number of tests in use. Moreover, if testing is to be fair (that is, produce reliable comparisons among all schools using the same tests), then issues of reasonable accommodation such as extra time and use of assistive technology (AT) must be systematically addressed and uniformly resolved. The National Commission on Special Education report recommends that all tests be developed with universal design and that the accommodations that are reasonable be specified for each test. Yet the Commission has not identified or estimated the resources needed for carrying out these assessments, has not recommended that test developers be required to do so as a condition for marketing their instruments and indeed has not addressed whether all tests currently in use can be made fully fair and accessible or can be validated for use with reasonable accommodations.

The Department of Education's August 2000 guidance on the applicability of testing requirements to IDEA remains the most specific authority available on the relationship between IDEA and performance testing.³² But with the enactment of NCLB, many of its precepts are likely to be out of date or superseded by new provisions. Ideally as a baseline for Congress's use in IDEA reauthorization (but if not, then certainly as soon after re-enactment of IDEA as possible), NCD recommends that the Department of Education (ED) update its policy guidance on the relationship between special education and performance testing.

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Armentad](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 9:18:59 PM

Subject: RE: CLASS-SIZE OP/ED

[thank you Dr. Armentaro.](#)

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-----Original Message-----

From: Armentad [mailto:armentad@irene.net]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 12:49 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: CLASS-SIZE OP/ED

Gov. Bush:

Please find attached my Op/Ed on why we should rethink the class-size amendment. It was published today, August 1, 2003, in the PRESS JOURNAL in Vero Beach, Florida.

Dr. Dom Armentano
Adjunct Scholar
Cato Institute

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LET'S RETHINK THE CLASS-SIZE AMENDMENT

Dom Armentano*

Most of the public policy world is ruled by warm and fuzzy myths. Take the important issue of class size and student achievement. Florida is in the process of mandating smaller class size on the assumption, presumably, that students will learn more in smaller classes with more teacher attention. Sounds good, but is it generally true?

There have been close to 300 separate studies nation-wide on the relationship between class size and student achievement. Professor Eric Hanushek, an economist at the University of Rochester, reviewed these studies and discovered that only 15% of them suggest that reducing class size improves student learning as measured by standardized tests. Indeed, in 72% of the studies reviewed, there was NO statistically significant effect on measurable student achievement associated with smaller classes. Even more surprisingly, in 13% of the studies reviewed, student test scores actually DECLINED as class size was reduced. In sum, a full 85% of all of the studies on class size and student achievement found that reducing class size DID NOT improve student performance.

None of this should really surprise anyone since, contrary to conventional wisdom, the nationwide average class size has actually been FALLING for decades (it was 30 students per class in 1961 and only 23 students per class in 1998);

yet there has been NO overall improvement in student classroom performance nationwide as measured by standardized tests. In short, class size may not generally matter (or may not matter much) in terms of how your daughter or my son actually perform in public school.

But what DOES matter? The Thomas B. Fordham Foundation has done a study that demonstrates that teacher qualifications matter far more than class size. For example, teachers who have college degrees in math, or who are math certified, have students who score significantly higher on standardized tests than "math teachers" who have not specialized, i.e., have general education degrees. This would suggest that putting additional resources into hiring more qualified teachers would produce far higher student "returns" than mandating some arbitrary class size. Indeed, if you think about it logically, more qualified teachers should teach MORE students, not fewer students.

Should Floridians rethink the narrowly passed teacher/pupil amendment, as even Governor Jeb Bush has suggested? Absolutely, and for two good reasons. One, the first time around, state voters had only the dimmest idea of the tax costs associated with the passage of that amendment. Small classes certainly do sound good (I'm a former teacher) and it is understandable how emotion can sometimes cloud collective judgment. Yet realism must trump emotionalism when it comes to educational policy. No one should EVER be asked to vote for or against a proposal in the public arena without first knowing its tax costs AND whether it has a reasonable chance of achieving its objectives. Unfortunately, with respect to the class size amendment, Florida voters were sadly uneducated on both counts. A new referendum on that issue would likely produce a more informed and reasoned judgment.

The second reason to rethink the amendment is that if class size is NOT the primary determinant of student performance--and the bulk of the academic studies seem to indicate that it is not--then it makes little sense to mandate some arbitrary teacher/student ratio. Why should taxpayers fork over additional dollars to lower class size when the bulk of the evidence is that lowering class size does NOT improve educational performance? And why should students be the guinea pigs in still another politically driven educational experiment that will not work? Indeed, a state-wide mandate might actually worsen student performance as school districts--facing a national teacher shortage--are forced to put less experienced or less qualified teachers in (smaller) classrooms. It is difficult to understand how less qualified teachers teaching fewer students will improve educational outcomes, or why taxpayers should pay for such nonsense.

Finally, if teacher performance and teacher accountability--not class size--are important determinants of student performance, then it makes sense to scrap arbitrary mandates and re-establish the freedom of local schools to hire, promote, and hold accountable more qualified teachers. Local schools and local teachers see and serve their customers every day. They need the incentives and the freedom to adopt policies (administrative and curricular) that actually improve the educational performance of their clients. (This may, of course, include small classes in special situations). But state-wide class size mandates with bottomless costs and embarrassingly poor results are NOT the answer.

Dom Armentano is an Adjunct Scholar at the Cato Institute in Washington, D.C. He lives in Vero Beach.

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [Pam Bergsma](#)
BCC: [Betty Hampton \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/2/2003 9:15:02 PM
Subject: RE: update...Joey's Bill...retinoblastoma awareness

I will try to see if the First Lady is available.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Bergsma [mailto:lovejoey@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 5:06 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: update...Joey's Bill...retinoblastoma awareness
Importance: High

Hello Governor Bush,

I know things are still very hectic for you and I have refrained from emailing...however, I wanted to update you and also ask for your help.

Good news...Girl's State passed the Infant Eye Care Bill unanimously for the second year! Aly Woodhead, a student in the medical magnet program at Lake Worth High School, sponsored the bill this year. She was excited about the bill passing but even more so that she got to speak with YOU! Apparently, she was one of the kids that you picked to speak with when you visited their session. I am praying now, that our legislators have the wisdom of our high school students in 2004.

I met with a family in Titusville two months ago...they had invited me to speak at a fundraiser for their three year old daughter, Bailey. Bailey's eye was removed to retinoblastoma on March 27th. Her parents saved her life. But for the Grace of God she would have died like Joey. They had photographed the tumor over a year ago and did not know it, but more importantly her pediatrician did not use his ophthalmoscope; just like Joey's! If they would have seen Joey's poster last year, she would have her eye and her life would not have been jeopardized. Bailey developed a "lazy eye" five months before she was diagnosed. Her parents were concerned and took her to the doctor...he said they were over reacting and she was fine. The parents took her to an ophthalmologist on their own...Bailey's eye was enucleated the next day. Had it not been for the gift of the lazy eye, she would have died like Joey!

I spoke with the executive board of the AAP in Orlando last month...I pray that it helps!

Joey's website saved a little one in Southern Illinois on Father's day, yet I could not get the word out two hours from my front door to save Bailey's eye. I thank God that He gave her the lazy eye!

Request...

I will be leaving for Washington DC again this year. I had a dream last night...I was speaking with the First Lady. I read an article recently that Laura Bush is making children her first priority. I know she would want to know Joey's story and what we are trying to do to fix this! I will be there the 20th thru the 28th of August. I know she is booked months in advance, but I feel this is important. It looks like a little one in Ohio is not going to make it...his grandparents emailed me recently...had we looked in his eyes at birth this would not be happening! Getting the message out statewide seems to be close to impossible, much less throughout our nation.

I will be forever grateful for anything you can do to help me get an audience with the First Lady. On behalf of Joey, the children of our country and myself, I thank you.

My best to you and your family. Bless you.

Pam...aka Joey's grandma
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From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 8:19:44 PM

Subject: Re: Traffic Light Needed

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you. I know you are a busy man and have a million things to do. If something could be done about this it will bring some comfort and peace of mind to many lives in Polk County.

God Bless You! You and your family continue to be in my daily prayers.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Stephens

From: [Maria Masvidal-Visser <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>](mailto:mvisser@euroambusiness.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 7:09:49 PM

Subject: FIU study/Bullet Points (impact on Homeland Security measures)

Attachments: Homeland Bullets.doc

Hope this time you receive.

Pls. confirm,

FYI, Through GMCC, we hope to invite Chris Arcos, Deputy Dir.
Homeland Security, sometime in Oct. to speak to the GMCC members..
and for GMCC/FIU to introduce "White Paper" to the members & CEO's of
multinationals. Thanks, Maria

From: [Bill Romanowski <skibee54@yahoo.com>](mailto:skibee54@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 7:10:42 PM

Subject: Insurance Problems

Real insurance reform is the only way to solve this problem. The Governor needs to stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution. He also needs to know that Insurance companies must be held responsible when they act in bad faith. They have already admitted that caps and changing bad faith laws won't work. There are no frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice. The time for "threats and political paybacks" is over and the time for honest leadership is now!!! Claims against doctors are NOT increasing. Also, there is no evidence that caps will lower premiums. Mr. Bush was elected to protect every Floridian, not just his millionaire buddies in the insurance industry.

Please help the people of Florida,
Bill Romanowski

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: jim.davis@keywesttech.biz

Date: 8/2/2003 6:58:37 PM

Subject: RE: Rx Prescription and Bulk Drug Authentication and Tracking Whitepaper

thank you Jim. I will review the white paper on my return to Tallahassee.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Davis [mailto:jim.davis@keywesttech.biz]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 3:57 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Stanton B. Smith; David Farber; George O. Kitchens

Subject: Rx Prescription and Bulk Drug Authentication and Tracking Whitepaper

Governor,

To help you recall, I am an associate of Stanton Smith and I recently wrote you regarding a Free ISP Plan that my team and I developed. We remain confident that such a plan can be developed and implemented in Florida and are writing a whitepaper to elaborate on exactly how this might be done. We'll send it to you and others in Tallahassee within the next few weeks. I believe you might also remember Stan mentioning our proposal for creating an Rx Prescription and Bulk Drug Authentication and Tracking System for Florida.

We have completed a whitepaper on that topic and wanted you to know what could be accomplished here in Florida, in the world's premier datacenter - The NAP of the Americas, in the immediate future. This whitepaper is attached to this note in Adobe file format. We expect to be meeting with George Kitchens, Florida Medicaid Pharmacy Services Bureau Chief, and others in Tallahassee in the near future to brain-storm this topic and hopefully develop a plan of action. I hope you find the whitepaper promising.

Thanks, Jim Davis

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: Spirit527@aol.com
BCC: [Jose Abreu \(E-mail\)](#)
[Denver Stutler \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/2/2003 6:54:07 PM
Subject: RE: Traffic Light Needed

[I will look into this.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spirit527@aol.com [mailto:Spirit527@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 8:51 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Traffic Light Needed

Dear Governor Bush:

Thursday upon returning to my school from a meeting for Reading Coaches in Lakeland, I passed the latest wreck at the entrance to Bartow Memorial Hospital.

It was a devastating sight and the wreck had happened six hours before. When I returned to my school, I found out that the man who died was related to two different teachers at our school.

The "talk" of the community is that the state will not put up a traffic light until "x" number of people have been killed. I find this difficult to believe. There have been 17 terrible accidents and 2 deaths at this intersection. As Polk Sheriff's Col. Grady Judd said in an article in the Lakeland Ledger, a light is needed regardless of the number of cars leaving the hospital.

"These are normally elderly, sick or worried people leaving who don't have their minds on traffic," Judd said Thursday. "The reality is that we have an issue where an exception needs to be made."

If you would like the opportunity to be a hero to all citizens of Polk County, please see if you can do something about this.

I am attaching links to two articles about the intersection.

<http://www.theledger.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20030801/NEWS/308010423/1039>

<http://www.theledger.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20030224/NEWS/302240328>

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Stephens
Citizen. Polk County

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: JBridgesJD@aol.com
BCC: [Jose Abreu \(E-mail\)](#)
[Denver Stutler \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/2/2003 6:50:18 PM
Subject: RE: Road Improvement

Jack, thank you for writing. I am not a traffic engineer but on the surface your idea makes sense. I am passing it on to Jose Abreu.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: JBridgesJD@aol.com [mailto:JBridgesJD@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 12:56 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Road Improvement

Dear Governor Bush:

I once wrote you on behalf of my then-client, the Monroe County School Board. Much to your credit, you immediately answered. I hope you will be kind enough to do so again.

As you probably know from your days in south Florida, there are two roads in and out of the Keys, the 18-mile stretch of U. S. 1 and a slightly longer road commonly known as "Card Sound Road." Both roads run between Florida City and Key Largo. In short, they take different routes but go to the same places.

Because of high accident rates and hurricane planning, there have been many proposals floated to improve U. S. 1. While some proposals included making the 18-mile stretch a four-lane, it has recently been decided that it will be widened to include a 10-foot shoulder that can be converted to a northbound lane during hurricane evacuations. A permanent concrete barrier will also be placed between the northbound lane(s) and the one southbound lane to prevent passing. According to my local newspaper, [The Key Largo Times](#), the entire project is expected to cost \$160 million and is expected to begin in 2005.

Many of the countless visitors to the Keys each year drive great big RV's with great big boats in tow. Even though passing is currently legal on the 18-mile stretch, when one of these vehicles plods along at 35-45 m. p. h., traffic back-up is horrendous. It is almost unimaginable what will happen once a concrete barrier prevents any passing whatsoever. Moreover, once the barrier is built, if there is ever an accident in the southbound lane, all traffic will come to a complete stop.

Governor, why can't we simply divert all southbound traffic to the southbound lane of Card Sound Road, designate it as U. S. 1 South, and lift the \$1.00 toll currently charged on that road? The 18-mile stretch can then be converted to handle exclusively northbound traffic. This way, there will be two northbound lanes for hurricane evacuation and no head-on collisions. Moreover, although southbound traffic would still only have one lane (the southbound lane of Card Sound Rd. as opposed to the southbound lane of the present and proposed future 18-mile stretch), southbound passing would be made safer and easier. This is because Card Sound Road (with one northbound lane) would hardly carry any northbound traffic because a two-northbound-lane 18-mile stretch would co-exist as a shorter, more direct route. Finally, with the exception of some signage, the lost toll revenue, and possibly a traffic light at Florida City, this proposal would not cost a penny. Moreover, it could be made available almost immediately.

I apologize for the length of this--I have tried to make this as brief as possible. Thank you for taking the time to read it.

Sincerely,

/s/Jack Bridges
Attorney at Law

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Maria Masvidal-Visser](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 6:38:23 PM

Subject: RE: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

I didn't get an attachment.

Jeb Bush

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From: Maria Masvidal-Visser [mailto:mvisser@euroambusiness.com]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 10:39 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

Hope you got the attachment.. w/ the summary, bullet points for Lee??
If not I'll re send them. Have a good weekend. M

----- Original Message -----

From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

To: "Maria Masvidal-Visser" <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 8:52 PM

Subject: RE: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

> thank you Maria. I will read over the weekend.

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> Jeb Bush

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Maria Masvidal-Visser [mailto:mvisser@euroambusiness.com]
> Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 11:35 AM
> To: Jeb Bush
> Subject: Fw: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

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> Dear Jeb,
> I wanted to give you heads up on preliminary (& alarming!) findings on
the
> survey/white paper on the local economic impact on Homeland security
> measures which FIU is authoring.. a project of the "Business Advocacy
Cmt."
> that I Co Chair at GM Chamber.
> A draft of the white paper will soon be out.
> Lee Sandler as head of the Int'l Group of the chamber will
> report some findings..on 8/6/3 at the GMChamber's Bd of
Governors/Executive
> Cmt Meeting. Regards, Maria

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: <wernick@fiu.edu>
> To: <LSandler@strtrade.com>
> Cc: <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>; "Marisa Feito"
<mfeito@greatermiami.com>;
> "Alice Ancona" <aancona@greatermiami.com>; "Juan Garcia"
> <jgarcia@concepcionrojas.com>; "Laura Kozloski" <kozloski@fiu.edu>;
> <elamj@fiu.edu>; <wernick@fiu.edu>
> Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 10:45 AM
> Subject: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

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>> Hi Lee:
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>> As promised, I am attaching some bullet points about our Homeland
Security
> project for the Board of Governors meeting next week.
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>> There's probably much more detail here than what you need, but I figured
I
> would give you more rather than less, and let you prune it accordingly.
>>
>> I am in Boston/NY this week and next but will be checking my email

daily,

> so feel free to email me with questions, or call me on my cell:

> 305-905-1453.

> >

> > Best regards,

> >

> > David

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> > > From: "Maria Masvidal-Visser" <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>

> > > Date: 2003/07/30 Wed PM 03:16:33 EDT

> > > To: "David Wernick" <wernick@fiu.edu>

> > > CC: "Lee Sandler" <LSandler@strtrade.com>,

> > > "Marisa Feito" <mfeito@greatermiami.com>,

> > > "Alice Ancona" <aancona@greatermiami.com>,

> > > "Juan Garcia" <jgarcia@concepcionrojas.com>,

> > > "Laura Kozloski" <kozloski@fiu.edu>, <elamj@fiu.edu>

> > > Subject: Re: survey update- Bd of Governors luncheon

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> > > We better start thinking of a big splash in presenting the draft
report

> to

> > > our

> > > members, Multi Nat's CEO's and Homeland Security itself...

> > > I keep hearing firms/ people are considering moving out of Miami if

> > > measures are not eased... Maria

> > >

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> > > ----- Original Message -----

> > > From: "David Wernick" <wernick@fiu.edu>

> > > To: "Maria Masvidal-Visser" <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>

> > > Cc: "Lee Sandler" <LSandler@strtrade.com>; "Marisa Feito"

> > > <mfeito@greatermiami.com>; "Alice Ancona" <aancona@greatermiami.com>;

> "Juan

> > > Garcia" <jgarcia@concepcionrojas.com>; "Laura Kozloski"

> <kozloski@fiu.edu>;

> > > <elamj@fiu.edu>

> > > Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 2:41 PM

> > > Subject: Re: survey update- Bd of Governors luncheon

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> > > > Hi everyone,

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> > > > I had some very interesting meetings yesterday and today with

> Hellman's,

> > > > LanChile and MIA. Based on these discussions, there are additional

> issues
> > > > impacting our international competitiveness (as a cargo hub and
> tourist
> > > > destination) that need to be addressed in our study -- namely
> > > Transportation
> > > > Security Administration (Code 49 1546), which says that foreign
cargo
> > > aircraft
> > > > entering the US cannot transfer merchandise to passenger aircraft
for
> > > future
> > > > legs of travel - only to other cargo aircraft or trucks. This is
> having a
> > > big
> > > > impact on LanChile's transshipment business (i.e., cargo going from
> Europe
> > > to
> > > > the US and Latin America, and from Latin America going to points
north
> > > after
> > > > arriving in Miami). It also means that Miami-based carriers such
as
> AA
> > > and
> > > > United are missing out on a lot of business that otherwise would be
> coming
> > > > their way (LanChile would be putting it in the bellies of their
> passenger
> > > > aircraft). Oh and by the way, LanChile has spent about \$1 million
to
> > > enhance
> > > > security on their passenger flights since 9/11.
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> > > > On the tourism side, plans to require passengers from the two dozen
or
> so
> > > "visa
> > > > waiver" countries to procure machine-readable passports by this
> October
> > > (two
> > > > years sooner than previously anticipated), could have a chilling
> effect on
> > > our
> > > > winter tourism season. Even more worrisome, according to Miguel
> > > Southwell, is
> > > > the DHS's plan to prohibit TWOVs (transits without visas) from

> entering
> > > the
> > > > country. Since many Spaniards traveling to Latin America (via
Miami)
> on
> > > Iberia
> > > > Airlines do not have US visas, this would have a devastating impact
on
> > > their
> > > > business and probably cause them to close their Miami hub. Miguel
> says
> > > they
> > > > have hired an outside consultant to write an economic impact study
and
> > > will
> > > > provide us with data on potential job/revenue loss next week.
> > > >
> > > > Lee: I'll send you some bullets about the project for next week's
> Board of
> > > > Governors meeting by Friday (I'll copy the group).
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> > > > Saludos,
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> > > > David
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> > > > PS: Laura Kozloski is finishing up her tour of duty here at FIU
this
> > > week.
> > > > She has been an amazing research partner and has done a yeoman's job
> with
> > > > interviewing, researching, writing, etc. Laura, thanks a million --
> we'll
> > > miss
> > > > ya!
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> > > > Maria Masvidal-Visser wrote:
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> > > > > Hi David,
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> > > > > I understand from Alice, that Lee will give an update next Wed. at
> both
> > > the
> > > > > BD of Governors luncheon and Executive Cmt meeting..
> > > > > When you e mail him the notes, pls. include us all, as usual.
> Thanks. M
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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Struhs Secretary \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 6:33:40 PM

Subject: FW: Airboat noise and State Owned vessels

Attachments: Airboat Sound Tests.doc

Jeb Bush

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Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 12:46 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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Sincerely, Ron Johnson

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [ron johnson](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 6:33:19 PM

Subject: RE: Airboat noise and State Owned vessels

[thank you for the briefing.](#)

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Roblavey@aol.com

Date: 8/2/2003 6:25:56 PM

Subject: RE: (no subject)

it depends but the Atty General would be the best choice.

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Thank you,

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From: [Robert Wolz <usafvet@pldi.net>](mailto:usafvet@pldi.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 5:47:17 PM

Subject: Terri

Mr. Bush,

I think it would be very wrong to not try to intervene somehow on this lady's behalf. Ms. Shiavo deserves to live as much as any other human being on this planet. Watch the video if you have any doubts as to her being in a coma or not. Nobody should have to purposely be put to death by starvation. What kind of country is this turning into anyway?

Sincerely
Rob Wolz

From: [BOB HUENEFELD <bobhuenefeld2000@yahoo.com>](mailto:BOB_HUENEFELD@yaho.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 5:18:35 PM

Subject: Terri-Schindler Sciavo

Do the right thing, Jeb. Order that proper treatment of this woman should be undertaken immediately and her custody given back to her parents, since her "husband" does not care for her anymore.

Did your family give up on you when you first ran and lost for the governor of the great state of Florida? No!

Thank you again for picking yourself back up, dusting yourself off, and, through persistence, trying again and winning the top job in government in the great state of Florida!

Give Terri a second chance to succeed!

Do you Yahoo!?

Yahoo! SiteBuilder - Free, easy-to-use web site design software

<http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com>

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From: egmccarthy@comcast.net <egmccarthy@comcast.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 3:57:08 PM

Subject:

Dear Governor Bush,

I am writing to respectfully add my voice to the thousands who have spoken to ask your intervention in the Schiavo matter.

It is abundantly obvious to anyone who has even casually viewed videotape of this woman that she is not in a "persistent vegetative state" as claimed by the lawyers for her husband and to allow a court to enforce such a ruling is to succumb to the notion that reality is whatever a few judges say it is.

Along with millions of Americans, I believe that our entire justice system - from the U. S. Supreme Court down - has been hijacked by dishonest, biased, activist so-called "jurists". As a result, honest citizens have lost any respect for their imperial rulings. In turn, many of us have lost respect for legislatures and governors (and presidents) who refuse to act constitutionally and live up to their responsibility by limiting the powers of the courts.

I hope you will prove us wrong.

Sincerely,

Emmett McCarthy
1417 Ordway Pl.
Nashville, TN 37206

From: [Jim Hasselbach <jfhassel@cros.net>](mailto:jfhassel@cros.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 3:43:27 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Governor Bush:

We are snowbirds from Ohio that spend the winter in Winter Haven. One of the things that attracted us to that area was Cypress Gardens as well as baseball spring training (we have a stepgrandson that is presently with the Braves organization) and being close to other attractions in central Florida.

We were very disappointed to hear of Cypress closing the week after we returned to Ohio for the summer.

This is a plea that you will do everything in your power to keep Cypress as it was. We especially enjoy the concerts. Where else can you go and be able to shake hands with Pat Boone or have your picture taken with Tony Orlando as well as others.

Thanking you for your time,

Jim & Shirley Hasselbach

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'dstruhs@comcast.net'

Date: 8/2/2003 3:06:32 PM

Subject: Re:

What will the negative story be about?

Jeb

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 02 10:46:12 2003

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David

cell: (850) 321-7337

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'dstruhs@comcast.net'

Date: 8/2/2003 3:05:39 PM

Subject: Re: Trip Report

Excellent.

Jeb

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David

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: ['liza@volunteerflorida.org'](mailto:liza@volunteerflorida.org)

Date: 8/2/2003 3:02:29 PM

Subject: Fw: A Thousand Backpacks For Sale

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From: tccikids.org <carlton@tccikids.org>

To: carlton@tccikids.org <carlton@tccikids.org>

Sent: Sat Aug 02 07:28:21 2003

Subject: A Thousand Backpacks For Sale

1000 Backpacks were ordered for an agency and they were unable to honor their commitment. We now have 1000 Backpacks for sale at \$5.00 each. If large quantities are purchased, we can reduce the price by twenty-five cents. Help us by passing on this information to those in your network. We appreciate all of your help.

Looking forward to working with you in the near future.

Ann

<<https://www.cardscan.net/v/?id=982o0tP%2BHD3TDVxBD%2FKq5iOs7g%3D%3D>>

Click here <<https://www.cardscan.net/v/?id=982o0tP%2BHD3TDVxBD%2FKq5iOs7g%3D%3D>> to add my contact information to your address book

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 1:33:08 PM

Subject: For God's Sake Save Terri!!!!

Don't we make Handicap Parking Spots for families with a loved one such as this? Please act to save her life Gov.

Dean Chamblin
Destin, FL

From: Babyforchris@wmconnect.com <Babyforchris@wmconnect.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 1:19:36 PM

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens

Dear Bush,

Hi. My name is Sabrina Damon, I am a 16 year old girl from lake wales florida. I am writing to you because I love Cypress Gardens. I am willing to do anything to save it. You may not think that young people like to go there but it is ture. I love to go there and get away from everything. It is quiet and peaceful. I mean come on how long has this landmark been around? I heard for a while. Well I hope for the best and I hope that you save cypress gardens so that the future can go there. It is such a wonderful place, dont take it away that is all I am asking.Pleace dont.

*Sincerely
Sabrina Damon*

From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:50:47 PM

Subject: Traffic Light Needed

Dear Governor Bush:

Thursday upon returning to my school from a meeting for Reading Coaches in Lakeland, I passed the latest wreck at the entrance to Bartow Memorial Hospital.

It was a devastating sight and the wreck had happened six hours before. When I returned to my school, I found out that the man who died was related to two different teachers at our school.

The "talk" of the community is that the state will not put up a traffic light until "x" number of people have been killed. I find this difficult to believe. There have been 17 terrible accidents and 2 deaths at this intersection. As Polk Sheriff's Col. Grady Judd said in an article in the Lakeland Ledger, a light is needed regardless of the number of cars leaving the hospital.

"These are normally elderly, sick or worried people leaving who don't have their minds on traffic," Judd said Thursday. "The reality is that we have an issue where an exception needs to be made."

If you would like the opportunity to be a hero to all citizens of Polk County, please see if you can do something about this.

I am attaching links to two articles about the intersection.

<http://www.theledger.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20030801/NEWS/308010423/1039>

<http://www.theledger.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20030224/NEWS/302240328>

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Stephens
Citizen. Polk County

From: MRRmom3509@aol.com <MRRmom3509@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:27:25 PM

Subject: Terri

Give Terri the chance she deserves, intervene and let her live. Your courts have trouble getting things right.

From: [Alice Dartt <adartt@greenlynk.com>](mailto:adartt@greenlynk.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 11:53:16 AM

Subject: stop this lady from having her feedin g tube removed

I am a retired RN and from from what I have read and seen this woman is not brain dead. To do what her husband wants would be the same as murder. What are his motives let him divorce her and let the parents take charge.
Valerie Harrison

From: Bedrocknut@aol.com <Bedrocknut@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: Nmwatts1953@aol.com
burma@mindspring.com

Date: 8/2/2003 11:39:02 AM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor, you have been such a lifeline in this grassroots effort to save the Gardens! But our Gardens are now falling hands to vandalism. Vandalism whether it's at the hands of the owners or intruders, I'm not sure. Unfortunately the buildings are being subjected to Florida's torrential rains and the equipment is either being damaged or taken (sold) off the premises. Another three weeks, there will be nothing left to salvage of the Gardens. I know the hearing was pushed from the 12th to the 20th and 26th. Is there some sort of emergency procedure that can be done to issue a "stay" on the Gardens? Obviously Mr. Maxwell is not taking any real steps to protect the buildings and that's no surprise. Maybe even have the State can make frequent periodic inspections of the property. I don't know a better answer and I wish I did. But if there is something you as Governor can do to protect the Gardens, beef up the proceedings or issue a stay until the ALL the Gardens are saved, or all three, it will save that little piece of heaven that is progressively going to hell. Thank you for all your consideration on this! Carol Carver 117 Sugar Creek Rd., Winter Haven, FL 33880

From: [John Britton <pdalincoln@pdaorg.net>](mailto:pdalincoln@pdaorg.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 10:58:55 AM

Subject: DO THE RIGHT THING, PLEASE....

MR. BUSH: I AM A SMALL BUSINESS MAN IN NEBRASKA WHO HAS FOUGHT THE NEBRASKA COURT SYSTEM FOR THREE YEARS AND AM FINALLY GOING TO GET CUSTODY OF MY 3 & 1/2 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER. I AM A STAUNCH CONSERVATIVE WHO REGARDS YOUR FAMILY AS BEING IN A UNIQUE POSITION TO SAVE OUR COUNTRY, AND ALL THAT IT STANDS FOR. PLEASE GET INVOLVED AND RIGHT THIS INJUSTICE. WE ARE DEPENDING ON YOU AS IT APPEARS THAT YOU ARE THE LAST PERSON ON THIS EARTH THAT CAN SAVE THIS WOMAN.

SINCERELY,

JOHN BRITTON / REPUBLICAN / CONSERVATIVE / FATHER / MORAL WARRIOR

From: [Nancy Jeppesen <nancy@jeppesen.org>](mailto:nancy@jeppesen.org)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:57:11 AM

Subject: FW: Reduction in children's vision services

FYI –

Nancy Jeppesen
Executive Director
Jeppesen VisionQuest
nancy@jeppesen.org
407-323-2040 ext. 23



[I Support Jeppesen VisionQuest... You Can Too!](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: Nancy Jeppesen [mailto:nancy@jeppesen.org]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 5:51 PM

To: 'Gloria_Neville@doh.state.fl.us'

Subject: RE: Document1

Gloria,

There were few services before we arrived and there are fewer now. In two years we have been cut 27%. During that same time, the demand has steadily risen. The bus served the panhandle, Okeechobee, Clewiston, Hardy and Hendry Counties, Lake, Orange, Indian Town in Martin County etc. Simply eliminating the bus program does not begin to solve our problems.

In order to meet payroll, we must cut 5 positions. That leaves 6 employees to serve the entire state. The problem is that we cannot cut a persons salary 27%. Tell me how I cut my rent 27%, or the electric bill. We will do the best we can...but our program has been severely crippled. You must understand too, that JVQ is the lab for every other children's vision program in the state...from the Heiken Fund in Dade County, the Palm Beach Health Care District, the Eyes Program in Broward County, Vision is Priceless Council in Duval County and many Lions Clubs.

There are certain economies of mass that this organization operates under. For example, to make a pair of glasses is a mass production situation. We have numerous machines that require specially trained operators. You cannot just fire one of these people because then there is no one to operate the machine. You cannot ask them to cut their hours 27% so that they only work a 6 hour day and expect to keep that employee. You cannot cut their pay 27% and keep any quality employees whatsoever. The solution is – we cannot serve the whole state any longer. And we cannot afford to run the bus program. There is simply going to be 2-3,000 kids that will not be able to see clearly enough to read next year.

I welcome your suggestions.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Gloria_Neville@doh.state.fl.us [mailto:Gloria_Neville@doh.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 6:14 AM

To: nancy@jeppesen.org

Cc: Sylvia_Byrd@doh.state.fl.us

Subject: RE: Document1

Thanks, Nancy.

I think it will be difficult to get the contract amendment approved here if we cut services to the rural counties. My thought would be to reduce to the counties where there are other free services (perhaps we could get an agreement with the optometry school to take your referrals first, or something like that.) Sylvia will be back Monday, so I would like to see what she thinks before we make any decisions.

I agree that the van is expensive to run, and that probably is the first place to cut. Do you have a list of which counties/cities it went to for the last couple of years?

Talk to you next week. (Have you heard if the meeting on the 5th is still in the works?)

*Gloria Neville
School Health Program
Department of Health
850-245-4445; SC205-4445
Fax 850-410-1304*

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From: Nancy Jeppesen [mailto:nancy@jeppesen.org]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 9:06 PM

To: Gloria_Neville@doh.state.fl.us

Subject: RE: Document1

Dear Gloria,

Thanks for the info.

Because a county may or may not have eye doctors, does not mean that children will have access to free vision care. Last year, we surveyed all counties to find out which ones had access to vision services for their kids, (other than JVQ). The answer came back...three... and those services were limited.

Our challenge is to do as much with the limited dollars that we are being given. Unfortunately, the most rural counties, those that have the least resources, are also the most expensive to serve. We have been able to serve them up to this point because we have used the bus. That program costs \$120,000 a year to run and, as you know, serves over 2,000 kids a year. We will be parking the bus this year. We have no choice. We cannot reduce our rent, our electric, phone and other fixed costs. A reduction of over \$171,000 means we have to eliminate staff and services.

Any county that was served by the bus will have to be eliminated. And even then, we will not make up the shortfall. But at least we will still be able to serve the counties with the most demand. I will call you Monday to discuss this further. If you have any ideas, I am open.

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From: Gloria_Neville@doh.state.fl.us [mailto:Gloria_Neville@doh.state.fl.us]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 10:44 AM
To: nancy@jeppesen.org
Subject: FW: Document1

Here is the list of licensed optometrists in FL. It is sorted by mailing address, which may be their residence or their business. But it at least gives us an idea of where they are located. The "A" column is the number with active licenses.

The MQA office also told me that the only optometry school in the state is in Broward Co. They apparently hold free clinics in Ft. Lauderdale and in Miami. Would that be a resource for some referrals?

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From: Hudson, Valerie J
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 1:04 PM
To: Neville, Gloria
Cc: Grant, Vicki
Subject: Document1

Ms. Neville here is the report that Joe promised, Please call if you have any questions.

Thanks

<<Doc1.doc>>

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From: JBridgesJD@aol.com <JBridgesJD@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 4:56:28 AM

Subject: Road Improvement

Dear Governor Bush:

I once wrote you on behalf of my then-client, the Monroe County School Board. Much to your credit, you immediately answered. I hope you will be kind enough to do so again.

As you probably know from your days in south Florida, there are two roads in and out of the Keys, the 18-mile stretch of U. S. 1 and a slightly longer road commonly known as "Card Sound Road." Both roads run between Florida City and Key Largo. In short, they take different routes but go to the same places.

Because of high accident rates and hurricane planning, there have been many proposals floated to improve U. S. 1. While some proposals included making the 18-mile stretch a four-lane, it has recently been decided that it will be widened to include a 10-foot shoulder that can be converted to a northbound lane during hurricane evacuations. A permanent concrete barrier will also be placed between the northbound lane(s) and the one southbound lane to prevent passing. According to my local newspaper, [The Key Largo Times](#), the entire project is expected to cost \$160 million and is expected to begin in 2005.

Many of the countless visitors to the Keys each year drive great big RV's with great big boats in tow. Even though passing is currently legal on the 18-mile stretch, when one of these vehicles plods along at 35-45 m. p. h., traffic back-up is horrendous. It is almost unimaginable what will happen once a concrete barrier prevents any passing whatsoever. Moreover, once the barrier is built, if there is ever an accident in the southbound lane, all traffic will come to a complete stop.

Governor, why can't we simply divert all southbound traffic to the southbound lane of Card Sound Road, designate it as U. S. 1 South, and lift the \$1.00 toll currently charged on that road? The 18-mile stretch can then be converted to handle exclusively northbound traffic. This way, there will be two northbound lanes for hurricane evacuation and no head-on collisions. Moreover, although southbound traffic would still only have one lane (the southbound lane of Card Sound Rd. as opposed to the southbound lane of the present and proposed future 18-mile stretch), southbound passing would be made safer and easier. This is because Card Sound Road (with one northbound lane) would hardly carry any northbound traffic because a two-northbound-lane 18-mile stretch would co-exist as a shorter, more direct route. Finally, with the exception of some signage, the lost toll revenue, and possibly a traffic light at Florida City, this proposal would not cost a penny. Moreover, it could be made available almost immediately.

I apologize for the length of this--I have tried to make this as brief as possible. Thank you for taking the time to read it.

Sincerely,

/s/Jack Bridges
Attorney at Law

From: [Maria Masvidal-Visser <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>](mailto:Maria.Masvidal-Visser@euroambusiness.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush@jeb.org)

Date: 8/2/2003 2:39:20 AM

Subject: Re: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

Hope you got the attachment.. w/ the summary, bullet points for Lee??
If not I'll re send them. Have a good weekend. M

----- Original Message -----

From: "Jeb Bush" <jeb@jeb.org>

To: "Maria Masvidal-Visser" <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 8:52 PM

Subject: RE: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

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> Thanks. M

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From: [Suzi Harper <suzifly@gate.net>](mailto:Suzi_Harper<suzifly@gate.net>)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/2/2003 2:45:13 AM
Subject: Wink TV summary of situation that we discussed

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DOR Employee Loses Job After Sheriff Complains

Dateline: December 16, 2002 - Patrick Comer

Did the Hendry County Sheriff abuse his office to get even with a state employee?

WINK-TV LaBelle : "I loved my job," says Pauline Newborn. She worked with the Department of Revenue for eighteen years. As part of her job she helped educate taxpayers about state taxes.

But she was fired after asking Hendry County Sheriff Steve Worley if he had paid the sales tax on a personal plane he had bought.

Newborn says she had received inquiries from the public about taxes on the plane, and when she happened to run into Worley after a county commission meeting, she took him aside and privately asked him if he had paid the sales tax. "I was trying to keep him out of trouble."

But that's not what Sheriff Worley saw it. "I thought it was inappropriate at the time and the place that she did it." Worley's argument is that Newborn is in Revenue's education office, not collections or enforcement, and that she had no business asking him about his taxes, which as it turned out, he had not paid.

The official charge against Newborn is "conduct unbecoming a state employee." But Newborn says she didn't do anything she hasn't been doing for years. "I was doing my job as I well knew it," she says. "And nobody has ever corrected me in all the years I've been doing that job."

In a deposition, her boss in Fort Myers, Gary Klingenberg, agreed that complaints and inquiries usually go first to Newborn.

The incident happened approximately six months after Worley purchased the plane. The taxes were still not paid at that time, but instead of thanking her for the reminder that took all of two minutes, he complained to her bosses, all the way to Tallahassee. And he signed his complaint letter "Sheriff" even though the purchase of the plane had nothing to do with the Sheriff's office.

Newborn says the Sheriff abused his power. "I feel like if it was not a Sheriff that it would not have happened this way."

Sheriff Worley had a difficult time explaining why he signed as Sheriff when the purchase of the plane was a personal one and had nothing to do with his office. This was our exchange when asked why.

"What else would I do?"

"Do you sign your personal checks as Sheriff Steve Worley?" I asked.

"Well, because it has my wife's name on them."

"I think you understand my question. Are you filing your complaint as Steve Worley or Sheriff Worley?"

"As Steve Worley."

"But you signed as Sheriff."

Michelle Berthiaume, Newborn's attorney says if he hadn't signed as Sheriff, the Department of Revenue would likely have done very little with his complaint. "The underlying cause was, you have a public official signing a complaint in his public capacity, sending it to someone, 'hey I'm making a little noise here. I want someone to pay attention to me.' And basically, it turns out, they did."

Dave Bruns, a DOR spokesman denies the agency gave Sheriff Worley's complaint special treatment. "We would take, and have taken, disciplinary action with regard to any taxpayer, regardless of his or her position in the community."

By complaining that Newborn misused her position with DOR, Sheriff Worley inadvertently turned the spotlight on himself for a similar accusation.

In his sworn testimony at Newborn's hearing to get her job back, Sheriff Worley described what he did after Newborn advised him he had not paid the tax on his airplane. Under oath he told the Hearing Officer "the following day I had my secretary contact Mrs. Newborn's office to find out exactly what her job position was, title was."

But once Sheriff Worley used his secretary to make personal phone calls for him, it raised the question of whether he was using a public employee for personal purposes. He says he doesn't think so. "She just did an inquiry and that was it, at my request. I could have made the phone call, but I didn't have time."

Newborn lost her appeal to get her job back. The Hearing Officer ruled that Newborn's conversation with Sheriff Worley was investigatory rather than educational. He also said that during a break when Newborn was being deposed, she called her sister and told her Worley had filed a complaint against her. D-O-R says that's a violation of state confidentiality laws.

Berthiaume says DOR got caught up in its own bureaucracy "This woman is a public servant and she has been abused by the system."

Unemployed, and suffering from emotionally from losing the job she loved, Newborn says she will now take her case to the District Court of Appeals.

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From: SDelevan@aol.com <SDelevan@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 1:55:08 AM

Subject: Please give Terri a chance - Investigate

Regards,
Sally D.
Concord, NH

From: HMAC@webtv.net <HMAC@webtv.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 1:36:04 AM

Subject: Report: State fails to audit spending on private schools

Attachments: ATT19629.txt

This matter is being reported in national educational journals all over the country.

I've received inquiries from an Asst. Sup. of schools in Michigan saying it's a topic of conversation up there. They're assuming that it's going to end with a big scandal about misappropriated funds in the millions.

Harry McDowell

From: [Peter Marshall <pjm6@quixnet.net>](mailto:pjm6@quixnet.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 4:09:39 AM

Subject: Save Terri

Please stop this killing of a beautiful, cognitive thinking woman. You have no right to let her starve to death. Starve her husband instead.

Please we beg you Jeb - Help her. Do the right thing.

Peter Marshall

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Maria Masvidal-Visser](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:43:39 AM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Staci Ehrenkrantz](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:41:20 AM

Subject: RE: THANK YOU!

[see you on Friday.](#)

Jeb Bush

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From: Staci Ehrenkrantz [mailto:sehrens@att.net]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 12:48 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: THANK YOU!

Dear Governor Bush:

I just wanted to say thank you as I understand we will have the bill signing for the "Stop Heart Disease" license plate. I spoke with Melanie this morning, who was most helpful and professional.

I appreciate your efforts in coordinating this and for your SUPPORT! I look forward to seeing you on Friday (Aug 8) at 8:00AM. It will be an honor to be able to participate in another bill signing with you.

Thank you again Governor Bush!

Staci

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Siegel](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:36:00 AM

Subject: RE: (no subject)

thank you for your recommendation, David.

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Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 3:00 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: (no subject)

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Al Ortenzo](#)

BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:29:56 AM

Subject: RE: CJSTC Recommendation

thank you Al. I appreciate your recommendation.

Jeb Bush

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From: Al Ortenzo [mailto:AIO@ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 3:16 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: CJSTC Recommendation

Governor Bush,

I understand Norm Botsford, Chief of Gainesville PD may be under consideration for an appointment to the CJSTC. I have know and worked with Chief Botsford for more than 28 years. He retired from here at FLPD as a major and interim Chief. I would highly recommend him. He is well regarded in the profession, considered fair and objective, and of high moral character...

Good luck with the process...

Regards...

Al Ortenzo

Assistant Chief

Fort Lauderdale Police Department

From: MCJBeleut@aol.com <MCJBeleut@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:24:22 AM

Subject: PLEASE SAVE CYPRESS GARDENS!!!!!!

Mr. Jeb Bush,

I want to begin by telling you how thankful I am for all your hard work in trying to save ALL of Cypress Gardens. I would like to begin to tell you my personal feeling about the gardens. I was one of the employees that was let go on April 13, 2003. We had no notice at all. I am hurt and angry the way the owners handled the situation. There were more ways than one that they could have done better. The owners took away food and clothing from my babies that are 2 and 1 years old. My husband works two jobs to try and support all of us including my parents that are elderly and not healthy. We are struggling. Losing a job was very traumatic and hard for me because I worked for the Gardens for 6 yrs. and 2 months. I gave them my hard work and dedication. I was the head seamstress, wardrobe lead, southern belle lead.

I attended all of the Tallahassee meetings so far and will attend the next 2 meetings. I was the belle that was in the red & black. I somehow will get money from somewhere so I can attend. The gardens meant the world to me and my family. Especially to my son now. Every time we drive by he says look Mama work. That just kills me knowing that they took that away from my son and my daughter and many other kids.

Please help reopen the First Theme Park Cypress Gardens. You know you will be honored highly by every single human being (except maybe the current owners).

May God Bless You and make you choose the right thing to do.

Former Cypress Gardens Employee,

Carolina Beleut

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: dcma@bellsouth.net

Date: 8/2/2003 12:22:20 AM

Subject: RE: Thanks for the call

thank you Dorsey.

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From: dcma@bellsouth.net [mailto:dcma@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 4:00 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: dcma@bellsouth.net

Subject: Thanks for the call

Jeb,

I appreciate your call to inquire about my health. It's always good to have friends that care about you during your time of need.

I understand that Robert Woody is a finalist for a seat on the Parole and Probation Commission. I strongly urge you and the cabinet to make this appointment. I'm also contacting Charlie Crist and Tom Gallagher. I certainly would appreciate your support.

God bless, Dorsey

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: tmatte@gravinasmith.com
BCC: [Eli Ferrera \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/2/2003 12:14:22 AM
Subject: RE: SITAC fup

[thank you Tina!](#)

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From: Tina Matte [<mailto:tmatte@gravinasmith.com>]
Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 4:46 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: SITAC

Hi Governor:

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Hope all is well in your world & that our paths cross sometime soon! Best to Columba.
- Tina

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Moore555@aol.com

Date: 8/2/2003 12:05:57 AM

Subject: RE: med-mal and other issues

[good luck with FRAG! :\)](#)

Jeb Bush

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Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 6:14 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: med-mal and other issues

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Ed

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Andreina Dielingen \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/2/2003 12:04:18 AM

Subject:

I am so sorry that you are going through family problems. You should have gone to be by your dad's side today. The fact that you didn't showed your commitment to your job but family always comes first. We will support you in everyway we can. With love,

Jeb Bush

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [ALAN GIMLIN](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:49:35 PM

Subject: RE:

third place is winning in my book. Please tell all of the team members how proud of them I am. We are the sports capitol of the USA because of our kids and their parents who support them.

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Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 3:53 PM

To: Jeb Bush

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The team that you chose to sponsor, The West Florida Young Guns, finished.....

3rd. I know that is not a winner but the kids were very excited to have played so well.

I guess the third best team in the nation is not all bad. Three of the four top teams were from Florida. Nathan will mail you a picture and thank you letter when he returns home. I assume the address on your check would make it to you. I can't express to you how "cool" it was that you did that. It made our sales pitch to other sponsors so much easier when we dropped your name. In case you did not know, you have a little clout around here. Thanks for everything you do.

Regards,

Alan Gimlin

----- Original Message -----

From: Jeb Bush

Sent: Saturday, June 14, 2003 6:08 PM

To: ALAN GIMLIN

Subject: RE:

Alan, thank you for writing. I get requests like this all of the time and try to help. I will write a check but it can't be that much. You should be proud of Nathan and his team members. What is your address?

Jeb Bush

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From: ALAN GIMLIN [mailto:bravados@msn.com]

Sent: Friday, June 13, 2003 12:19 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject:

Dear Gov. Bush:

I am writing this email for two reasons. One is I heard you on the "Sean Hannity" radio show when you said that you answered all of your emails. My second reason for writing gave me the opportunity to see if it is true.

My son Nathan plays on the West Florida Young Guns Baseball Club. This is an AAU 13 and under team.

Two weekends ago they finished second in the State Tournament. They lost to the Orlando Blast.

The second place finish along with there winning the International Tournament at Disney World entitles them to play for the National Title in Kinston N.C. the end of July.

The biggest obstacle to the boys is the cost of going to the tournament. For the team to go with the proper amount of chaperones will cost about ten thousand dollars. The kids are determined to raise the money and have raised almost have of it to this point. They have had "tag days", washed cars and sponsored a golf tournament. We are looking for 30 people to become "Platinum Partners". For one hundred dollars they would receive a plaqued with the team picture and there name on a 4'x6' banner that will be displayed behind the dugout for each game at nationals. I am sure you can see where this is going. I don't really expect that you will do it, I am sure you get these request by the bucket loads for all sorts of great causes. These are good kids. To be on the team you must maintain a 3.0 gpa. Many of these kids come from families that have not been as fortunate as most and a couple of them are in the Big Brother program and have sponsors that bring them to games and practices. I don't want to sound like they will not go without your help. There are alot of cars that can be washed between now and the end of July and somehow we will manage. For some of these kids this will be there first time out of Florida and may be the most important thing to them that has ever happened. I will see to it that they will go.

I did want you to know that these kids existed and that they were something that you could be proud of. They display the values that have made our country great. If you need my address to send me a check, email me back and I will get you the info.

Thanks for reading,

Alan Gimlin

p.s. I voted twice for you and your dad and once for your brother. keep up the good work. we need you

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Spirit527@aol.com

BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:47:22 PM

Subject: RE: Family Reading Fiesta

thank you for your invitation.

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Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 3:51 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Family Reading Fiesta

Dear Governor Bush:

Lewis Anna woodbury Elementary is planning a "Family Literacy Fiesta" on September 23, 2003 @ 7:00P.M. I would like to ask you to be a guest reader. You would simply address an audience of Spanish speaking parents and tell them how important it is for them to read to their children. Then you would show them how to read a book to their children in Spanish.

This is the activity for the Governor's Family Literacy Initiative Mini-Grant that I was awarded. It would be an honor to have you read to our Hispanic parents and children. What a wonderful role model you would be because your Spanish is so excellent!

Please consider this invitation. Our community would be delighted to have a visit from the Governor of this great state!

Thank you for your consideration,

Jeanne Stephens
Lewis Anna Woodbury Elementary
Fort Meade

From: [Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us>](mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us)

To: [Costin, Loretta B](#)

CC: ['BERTHY DE LA ROSA-APONTE'](#)
[Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:31:58 PM

Subject: RE: VR counselors

Loretta,

Thank you so much for your interest and commitment to support individuals with developmental disabilities. We look forward to working together with VR to increase employment opportunities and self sufficiency for persons with disabilities.

Sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director of
Developmental Disabilities Program

"Costin, Loretta
B" To: 'BERTHY DE LA ROSA-APONTE' <apontemb@juno.com>,
<CostinL@vr.doe.s Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF
tate.fl.us> cc: Jeb@jeb.org
Subject: RE: VR counselors
07/30/03 05:48 PM

Berthy and Shelly,
I am very sorry it took me so long to respond to your emails. I have been out of the office and I am just catching up with all of my emails.

Berthy, I have read your emails very carefully and have given considerable thought to the points you have made. I too am a dreamer and I really do want to make a difference in improving how VR provides services, particularly to individuals with developmental disabilities. I believe, as you do, that there is a tremendous need to provide education and training

to our VR counselors and we are beginning that process. I realize that we do not have much time and I am working hard to make some major changes in how we train our counselors.

I also have read the materials you sent me regarding the individualized career planning model used in Montana. I like this model very much and I am very interested in seeing how we can use it in Florida because it appears to be the answer that we have been searching for.

I also have reviewed the materials that Victor sent me regarding self employment and I have ordered the book you suggested. I truly want our self employment policy to be the best it can be so we are taking the extra time to research the best practices in this area.

Having said all of this.....I realize that it is action we need, not just talk. Please bear with me and know that I am committed to the vision we have discussed. Our plan is to implement the changes we have discussed over the next year.

I appreciate your guidance and support and look forward to working with you and Shelly and others to make the dream a reality.

Loretta

-----Original Message-----

From: BERTHY DE LA ROSA-APONTE [mailto:apontemb@juno.com]

Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2003 7:13 PM

To: Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us; Costin, Loretta B

Cc: Jeb@jeb.org

Subject: Re: VR counselors

Shelly and Loretta:

Indeed the opportunities are unlimited, but not all can see them. Great things are happening with the DDPO system, and more to come with the Independence Plus waiver and other promising ground breaking initiatives. It is for that reason that it's crucial that VR partners with DD not only for VR's sake, but for the success of the DD Redesign and most importantly for the future of people with and without disabilities in Florida and beyond.

I know that Shelly has met Tom Nerney. Loretta, if you haven't, you need too meet him. I am sure that Shelly can make that happen.

To both of you, I just purchased a book that was released last month by Gary Griffin and David Hammis Titled Making Self-Employment Work for People with Disabilities. Not only do I recommend that you both read the book, but please invite David Hammis to meet with you,

specially Loretta. They cite extensive research from various experts across the country and different universities on self employment and microenterprise for people with disabilities. They too, in different words also address the need to changing the software (behaviors and believes), not just the hardware (organizational structure). Training and experience is what is needed to change the software. A few quotes from the book:

"Yes, to succeed, there must be a concerted and well-funded effort to train and retrain staff charged with supporting individuals who seek self-employment. Without this significant investment, community resources that exist to assist all citizens will be untapped, community rehabilitation agencies and VR counselors will be overtaxed due to the intensity and complexity of some business ventures, and consumers may be denied possible career advancement (Griffin & Hammis, 2001a; Shelley et al., 2002)."

"It is also certain that if transition age students are not expected to deserve more than just a plan, then what lies ahead for them is graduating into the dead-end of day activity centers, sheltered workshops, or adult services waiting lists (Butterworth et al. 1999). Self-employment, and perhaps graduating as the owner/operator of a small business, is a more positive option."

"Just as in supported employment, the driving ethics are that everyone is ready to work and that it is the responsibility of special education and rehabilitation professionals to provide or facilitate the supports that make success possible."

The book is excellent. A few parents are reading it. If we read it together we can be on the same page, and JUNTOS PODEMOS (Together We Can) and we are STRONGER! Please have those that are supporting your efforts in your agency read the book. I certainly want to see if we can bring them for our February 8 to 10, 2004 "The Emergent Workforce" Employment conference. I just think that your staff shouldn't wait until February to listen to get the message.

Berthy

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On Fri, 18 Jul 2003 16:39:44 -0400 Shelly Brantley <Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us> writes:

Hola Berthy and Loretta,

We are committed to working together and believe we may have some exciting new opportunities ahead with the DD Council, the redesign

group and a new grant initiative we are working on for Independence Plus. We are using the grant as a vehicle to pilot a system of the future for individuals with developmental disabilities. (-:

Sincerely,
Shelly Brantley, Director of
Developmental Disabilities Program

From: Moore555@aol.com <Moore555@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 10:14:28 PM

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: 'ShanahK@eog.state.fl.us'

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Subject: Fw: petition

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To: Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org>

Sent: Fri Aug 01 17:38:07 2003

Subject: petition

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You can contact Dr. Knox at:

3663 Crown Point Court

Jax 32257

904-292-0777

E-mail: gwknnox2@bellsouth.net

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Jean Wallis

From: Longjohn44d@aol.com <Longjohn44d@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 8:54:01 PM

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens

Dear Gov. Bush:

Cypress Gardens, a Florida Treasure, seems to be heading for development in spite of the feelings and concerns of most of our residents and visitors.

Your urgent action to help the State secure and maintain this property is greatly needed. Thank you. Betty and John Bauer, Winter Haven, Fl.

From: [Tina Matte <tmatte@gravinasmith.com>](mailto:tmatte@gravinasmith.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 8:45:45 PM

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From: [Jim Davis <jim.davis@keywesttech.biz>](mailto:jim.davis@keywesttech.biz)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Stanton B. Smith](#)

[David Farber](#)

[George O. Kitchens](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:56:52 PM

Subject: Rx Prescription and Bulk Drug Authentication and Tracking Whitepaper

Attachments: Key West Technologies Rx Tracking Architecture WhitePaper ..pdf

Governor,

To help you recall, I am an associate of Stanton Smith and I recently wrote you regarding a Free ISP Plan that my team and I developed. We remain confident that such a plan can be developed and implemented in Florida and are writing a whitepaper to elaborate on exactly how this might be done. We'll send it to you and others in Tallahassee within the next few weeks. I believe you might also remember Stan mentioning our proposal for creating an Rx Prescription and Bulk Drug Authentication and Tracking System for Florida.

We have completed a whitepaper on that topic and wanted you to know what could be accomplished here in Florida, in the world's premier datacenter - The NAP of the Americas, in the immediate future. This whitepaper is attached to this note in Adobe file format. We expect to be meeting with George Kitchens, Florida Medicaid Pharmacy Services Bureau Chief, and others in Tallahassee in the near future to brain-storm this topic and hopefully develop a plan of action. I hope you find the whitepaper promising.

Thanks, Jim Davis

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From: dcma@bellsouth.net <dcma@bellsouth.net>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: dcma@bellsouth.net

Date: 8/1/2003 7:59:52 PM

Subject: Thanks for the call

Jeb,

I appreciate your call to inquire about my health. It's always good to have friends that care about you during your time of need.

I understand that Robert Woody is a finalist for a seat on the Parole and Probation Commission. I strongly urge you and the cabinet to make this appointment. I'm also contacting Charlie Crist and Tom Gallagher. I certainly would appreciate your support.

God bless, Dorsey

From: [Flora & Tom Galloway <gallowaytfr@earthlink.net>](mailto:gallowaytfr@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: [Alan Florez](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:59:17 PM

Subject: Our Son-In-Law's Immigration Problem - Request for Assistance

Governor Bush:

Our daughter, Virginia Galloway Gentles, was so pleased to have the opportunity to meet you at the Republicans Abroad reception in Toronto recently. Ginny appreciates every occasion to meet with fellow Republicans and other conservatives. We raised our children here in Maitland, FL, and I believe seeing you gave her a little taste of home. Ginny has enjoyed each time she has met you, the Governor of her home state. She is an honest, ethical, conservative, Christian young Republican who recognizes and admires those traits in others, especially in the leaders of her beloved State and of the United States Government.

I understand that Ginny was able to discuss two of her interests with you – school choice and her Canadian husband's immigration situation. My husband, Tom, and I appreciate your willingness to assist her in her efforts to return to the United States to live, to work, and to raise her future American children free of the discrimination that they will, inevitably, encounter in Canada. Ginny deals with that discrimination on a daily basis. It's so difficult and so damaging. We thank you for caring..

Ginny's interest in school choice and vouchers began during her undergraduate work at Wake Forest University. She majored in politics, as she prepared for a public service career. She continued that preparation during her graduate work in public policy at Syracuse University. Later, she worked as a Budget Analyst for the U.S. House Committee on Budget, while Rep. John Kasich (R-OH) was chairman. Ginny was the fifth generation Galloway whose career was in public service to the United States Government.

Ginny's husband, Peter Gentles, exhibited poor judgment in his response to a mistake made by the INS official who revoked his valid work visa in August, 1999. As she took his visa, the INS official told him he was no longer allowed in the U.S., and that he could not retrieve his belongings. He had done nothing wrong at that point. She misled him. That information led to his desperation and subsequent use of poor judgment. He misrepresented his citizenship. When his mistake was discovered, he was initially told that the ban was for five years (reflected in the papers he was given at the border). Later, in her research, our daughter discovered that it was a permanent ban. Peter had no idea that the punishment for his misrepresentation would be so extreme.

How can we expect the foreign visitors to our country to know our laws if our own officials remain confused? Repeatedly, Ginny and Peter have encountered misinformation and misleading advice from our Government representatives. It's so discouraging and even frightening for Ginny, as she attempts to navigate the bureaucracies.

The sentence given our son-in-law is, effectively, a sentence meted on our entire family. This sentences us to missed holidays with our children and future grandchildren, and it sentences us to not having our daughter here to participate in family crises and celebrations. This year it appears that they will not even be able to spend the Christmas holidays with us, as the nonimmigrant waiver that allows Peter to visit must be renewed every year, and both the fingerprint and waiver processes are too backed up to renew the waiver, which expires in October. It appears it will be impossible to renew it by December.

Governor Bush, I have almost given up on finding relief from this personal nightmare. Ginny worked on Capitol Hill with an acquaintance of Attorney General Janet Reno. He took Peter's papers to A. G. Reno, and

placed them in her hands, personally. Ginny felt that his connection might help. Ginny received a response from Attorney General Reno's assistant that took the "Party line" by implying that the Republicans created this flawed 1996 immigration law, denying an immigrant waiver for misrepresentation. The assistant said that the legislation must be changed before anything can be done for us. This response both dismayed and confused me. Believe me, I thought about that inadequate response during the most recent gubernatorial election, when Janet Reno was initially trying to run for Governor of Florida. We have not approached the present Attorney General. However, we have gone to our congressmen over the years – McCollum, Keller and now, Mica, as well as Senators Graham and Nelson. They have found no relief for us. The immigration attorney with whom we consulted here in Orlando spent our hour together fighting her tears. A friend of mine, an attorney in a different field, recommended her to me. My friend's father is a former Representative to the U.S. Congress, and the three of them practice law in the same firm here in Orlando. I felt that law firm's immigration attorney, if any, would be able to lead us out of this nightmare. That did not happen. She seems devastated that she was not able to help us.

Governor Bush, you and those whom you can contact to assist us in finding relief from this unbearable situation create our only hope. You know whom to contact in Washington on our behalf. Our daughter should be in the United States, serving. She is a very bright, enthusiastic, dedicated, Christian young woman. She is the future of our Party. Her commitment to her country, the school choice movement, and education issues in general is commendable. Her husband is a good man who made a mistake. We all make mistakes, but seldom encounter these horrific consequences.

Our Government is now attempting to offer amnesty to illegal immigrants presently residing in the United States. I am puzzled at this response to their error, when my precious family members sit in Toronto, unable to return to the United States to live and serve. Where are our Government officials' priorities? Are they going to ignore our daughter's while offering illegal immigrants amnesty? Each time I hear about that plan on the news, I become physically ill.

- Please help us appeal to the right person/people.
- Please help us find someone who might make a difference in the immigration law, allowing Peter an immigrant waiver to live and work in the United States. Ginny's family and friends are becoming increasingly upset by the unfairness of the flawed, 1996 immigration law. We are all losing faith in our country's sense of justice. The law must be changed.
- Then, please help us bring them back permanently to the United States where Ginny can pursue her career in public service and Peter, who completed his final Chartered Financial Analyst exam in May, can work in finance. Perhaps you can assist us in requesting a pardon for Peter in this situation.
- Please make it possible for her to raise her future children (Tom's and my grandchildren) in this country, free from the discrimination that Ginny, as an American, suffers on a daily basis in Toronto.

After working several years for the Ontario Ministry of Education, Ginny is presently working on education issues for the benefit of Canadian children as the program director of Children First: School Choice Trust, a Fraser Institute initiative. She wants to make a difference in the education of American children. Please make this possible.

I am aware that you contacted a Miami official on Ginny's behalf. I believe that person contacted the local Homeland Security Office in South Florida. Ginny was concerned regarding the response she received from them. She is following up on that, but does not believe the advice is completely accurate. The search for the truth and for relief continues...

We appreciate anything you can do to assist us in finding closure to this nightmare. Please contact us if you

need further information.

With My Family's Deepest Appreciation,

Flora Rogers Galloway

407-628-5040 (Home - Maitland, FL)

407-380-4415 (Work - Naval Air Systems Command Training Systems Division - Orlando)

407-380-4648 (Husband, Tom, at work - Naval Air Systems Command Training Systems Division - Orlando)

From: [JR Harding <JRfsu@comcast.net>](mailto:JRfsu@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:57:46 PM

Subject: ADAWG/Julie

Governor,

As you know, I'm a member of the US Access Board, thanks to you and your brother. You also know I take my relentless-energy to the federal level as I apply it to the state level.

The purpose of this email is to advocate on behalf of Julie Shaw and get permission for her to join me at the next Access Board meeting on behalf of the state of Florida.

The Board is meeting in Seattle and visiting Bill Gates and the Microsoft campus. We are exploring technology and its future applications. We are specifically exploring technology impacts on 508. I think Florida has a compelling interest to have one more of its good soldiers present at this once and in a lifetime opportunity.

Furthermore, you and ADAWG are helping Florida lead the way in 508 compliance. I anticipate you will probably lead a legislative effort before your term is over to require the state and the public where appropriate to be 508 compliant. In this regard, no child will be left behind in education, in business, or in accessing goods and services.

In short, please grant Julie the out of state travel to attend the Access Board meeting in Seattle Sept 7-11, 2003.

I appreciate your leadership and consideration in this matter. Two pairs of eyes and ears will be better than one at this once in a lifetime opportunity to get a glimpse of the future for the state of Florida.

Thanks,
JR

JR Harding, Ed.D.

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Subject:

Dear Gov. Bush:

I am writing this email for two reasons. One is I heard you on the "Sean Hannity" radio show when you said that

you answered all of your emails. My second reason for writing gave me the opportunity to see if it is true.

My son Nathan plays on the West Florida Young Guns Baseball Club. This is an AAU 13 and

under team.

Two weekends ago they finished second in the State Tournament. They lost to the Orlando Blast.

The second place finish along with there winning the International Tournament at Disney World entitles them to play for the National Title in Kinston N.C. the end of July.

The biggest obstacle to the boys is the cost of going to the tournament. For the team to go with the proper amount of chaperones will cost about ten thousand dollars. The kids are determined to raise the money and have raised almost have of it to this point. They have had "tag days", washed cars and sponsored a golf tournament. We are looking for 30 people to become "Platinum Partners". For one hundred dollars they would receive a plaqued with the team picture and there name on a 4'x6' banner that will be displayed behind the dugout for each game at nationals. I am sure you can see where this is going. I don't really expect that you will do it, I am sure you get these request by the bucket loads for all sorts of great causes. These are good kids. To be on the team you must maintain a 3.0 gpa. Many of these kids come from families that have not been as fortunate as most and a couple of them are in the Big Brother program and have sponsors that bring them to games and practices. I don't want to sound like they will not go without your help. There are alot of cars that can be washed between now and the end of July and somehow we will manage. For some of these kids this willl be there first time out of Florida and may be the most important thing to them that has ever happened. I will see to it that they will go.

I did want you to know that these kids existed and that they were something that you could be proud of. They display the values that have made our country great. If you need my address to send me a check, email me back and I will get you the info.

Thanks for reading,

Alan Gimlin

p.s. I voted twice for you and your dad and once for your brother. keep up the good work. we need you

From: [Ryan Welch <rsw52397@earthlink.net>](mailto:rsw52397@earthlink.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:53:15 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

Please save Cypress Gardens.

It is part of the history of Florida.

It is part of the history of my family.

It is part of the history of my friends.

Reynolds and Maxwell are just trying to make a buck on Florida and it's history.

Thank You,

Ryan Welch

Cypress Gardens employee 1989-2003

From: Spirit527@aol.com <Spirit527@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:50:42 PM

Subject: Family Reading Fiesta

Dear Governor Bush:

Lewis Anna woodbury Elementary is planning a "Family Literacy Fiesta" on September 23, 2003 @ 7:00P.M. I would like to ask you to be a guest reader. You would simply address an audience of Spanish speaking parents and tell them how important it is for them to read to their children. Then you would show them how to read a book to their children in Spanish.

This is the activity for the Governor's Family Literacy Initiative Mini-Grant that I was awarded. It would be an honor to have you read to our Hispanic parents and children. What a wonderful role model you would be because your Spanish is so excellent!

Please consider this invitation. Our community would be delighted to have a visit from the Governor of this great state!

Thank you for your consideration,

Jeanne Stephens
Lewis Anna Woodbury Elementary
Fort Meade

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Raul Valdes-Fauli](#)

BCC: [Raquel Rodriguez \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:49:07 PM

Subject: RE: For your consideration

thanks for the recommendation. I hope you are doing well.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Raul Valdes-Fauli [mailto:Raul.Valdes-Fauli@steelhector.com]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 12:22 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: For your consideration

Letter of recommendation re Angel Cortinas, is attached. Thanks for your consideration.

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From: [Steven Wingo <swingo@thebriggslawfirm.com>](mailto:swingo@thebriggslawfirm.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:41:34 PM

Subject: Insurance Reform

Steven Wingo
2023 S.E. 15th Lane
Ocala, FL 34471

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

The testimony before the senate has proven that insurance reform is what we need in our state, not the stripping of victims' rights. Start paying attention to the facts. Protect doctors against bad faith and the greedy practices of insurance companies. Your duty is to act in the best interests of Florida citizens. Your neglect of that duty will simply harm your own political future and the future of our state.

Now is the time to do the right thing. Do you have it in you?

Sincerely,

Steven Wingo

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [JR Harding](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:34:10 PM

Subject: RE: testing and students with disabilities

thanks, JR.

Jeb Bush

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From: JR Harding [mailto:JRfsu@comcast.net]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 2:29 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: testing and students with disabilities

Governor,

[Below](#), you will find the national Council on Disabilities recommendations regarding testing and students with disabilities. I thought their perspective might be useful as you continue to pursue more opportunity/accountable measures for students with disabilities to demonstrate their academic skills.

JR

c) TESTING

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From: [Al Ortenzo <AIO@ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us>](mailto:AIO@ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:16:06 PM

Subject: CJSTC Recommendation

Governor Bush,

I understand Norm Botsford, Chief of Gainesville PD may be under consideration for an appointment to the CJSTC. I have know and worked with Chief Botsford for more than 28 years. He retired from here at FLPD as a major and interim Chief. I would highly recommend him. He is well regarded in the profession, considered fair and objective, and of high moral character...

Good luck with the process...

Regards...

Al Ortenzo
Assistant Chief
Fort Lauderdale Police Department

From: [Jeffrey R. Davis <jrdavis@bellsouth.net>](mailto:jrdavis@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:02:59 PM

Subject: caps,bad faith

please rethink this pro-business stance-its bad for people and bad for the future

Jeffrey R. Davis, P.A.

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From: [Zora Mravkova <zmravkova@yahoo.com>](mailto:zmravkova@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:15:54 PM

Subject: Vote against 250 K cap & abolishing bad faith laws

Zora Mravkova
2939 Bough Ave. Apt. B
Clearwater, FL 33760

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Vote against 250 K cap and stop the abolishing process of bad faith laws.
All that is needed is a reform in the insurance industry.

Sincerely,

Zora Mravkova

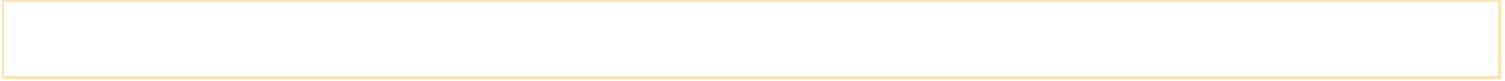
From: [David Siegel <david_siegel@wgresorts.com>](mailto:david_siegel@wgresorts.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 7:00:02 PM

Subject: (no subject)

Attachments: JebBush ltr - P.D. Drinkwater 7-31-03.doc



From: [Amy Lanpher <amymarie@tampabay.rr.com>](mailto:amymarie@tampabay.rr.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 6:53:30 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

Please do everything you can to save Cypress Gardens. I worked there as a teenager parking cars, putting kids on rides, taking tickets, narrating on the Island in the Sky and as a Southern Belle. I was kind of shy when I started and that job taught me to really become a people person.

In college I did a paper on the most admired person in my lifetime and it was Dick Pope, Sr. There is so much history in that place that I cannot imagine allowing it to be sold for condos. I love it so much that we bought a house right across the lake. We used to enjoy the fireworks just out our back door & at Christmas we could hear the people singing Christmas Carols at the stadiums.

I can't think of a more important piece of land that you could save under the Florida Forever program. Please help us.

Amy Lanpher
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From: [JR Harding <JRfsu@comcast.net>](mailto:JRHarding@comcast.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 6:29:29 PM

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From: [John Leighton <jelmiami@aol.com>](mailto:Jelmiami@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 6:13:31 PM

Subject: Stop the Medical Mistake protection

John Leighton
7825 SW 51 Ave.
Miami, FL 33143

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please stop forcing the protection of medical mistakes by demanding a cap on damages and changes in Florida's bad faith laws.

The evidence is so clear that claims have nothing to do with the spiking insurance rates that even the insurance executives have had to admit under oath that they are making money and that claims have been stable (they have actually gone down in recent years).

Please listen to your own party and stop trying to fix this with a one-size-fits-all cap and a bad faith change that would only hurt doctors.

Sincerely,

John Leighton

From: [Cyndi Elaine Trobaugh <cyndit1971@yahoo.com>](mailto:cyndit1971@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 6:11:20 PM

Subject:

When you look at all of the evidence, this is more of a murder. If the situation was reversed and it was you, would you think you were in a brain dead state? Even so, would you want to be STARVED to DEATH? I would think that in this country especially, we would not sink to such BARBARIC levels. This is something that we would read about SADAM doing... NOT the American Courts, or BROTHER OF THE PRESIDENT!!! What is wrong with you?!?!? How could anyone live with him or herself making such a decision?

If ALL prescribed medical routes are not COMPLETELY followed through with prior to MURDERING this innocent MOTHER, I know not only is EVERYONE from the husband to the STATE OF FLORIDA going to be taken to court and found guilty of said crimes; but EVERYONE involved (MR. BUSH) with this inhumane EVIL had better be endlessly plagued for the rest of their lives, be it by the DEVIL (with whom you would have to be in league with) or by the UNFORGETFULL PUBLIC, who would NEVER let you be

Cyndi Trobaugh



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From: [FASANO.MIKE.S11 <FASANO.MIKE.S11@flsenate.gov>](mailto:FASANO.MIKE.S11@flsenate.gov)

To: [Berger, Wendy](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 6:06:47 PM

Subject: RE: Monica David

Thanks, Wendy for your e-mail. Please let the Governor know I appreciate him asking you to check it out. I realize it may be too late to do anything.

God bless.

Mike Fasano

-----Original Message-----

From: Berger, Wendy

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 10:57 AM

To: FASANO.MIKE.S11

Subject: Monica David

Dear Senator Fasano,

The Governor asked me to look into the matter regarding Parole Commission Chairman, Monica David, and the release of Betty Lou Haber.

I am writing to let you know that I am looking into the matter. As soon as I get some additional information, I will let you know. Unfortunately, I do not believe the decision to release this inmate can be reversed.

Sincerely,

Wendy Berger

Assistant General Counsel

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904-346-5195 (Jacksonville)

From: [Tom Gallagher <GallagherT@dfs.state.fl.us>](mailto:GallagherT@dfs.state.fl.us)

To: [John R. Wood](#)

CC: [Jeb Bush](#)
[Tom Terfinko](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 6:02:35 PM

Subject: RE: Jane's mad!

Dear Ms. Miller:

Governor Bush has forwarded your correspondence regarding your homeowner's insurance rates to me for further review.

I would like to review your policy and rate increases for the years referenced in your request. Please provide me with the name of your present insurance carrier and policy number. I will have Tom Terfinko, Assistant Division Director, Bureau of Consumer Services, handle this matter personally. You may call Mr. Terfinko directly at (850) 413-5802 or fax the information to him at (850) 488-2349.

You should hear from Mr. Terfinko shortly upon receipt of this information. I appreciate the opportunity to provide assistance to you in this matter.

Tom Gallagher

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 4:03 PM
To: John R. Wood
Subject: RE: Jane's mad!

Thank you John. Homeowners insurance is a serious problem as well. I am passing on your email to Tom Gallagher for his involvement in this issue.

Jeb Bush

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From: John R. Wood [mailto:jwood501@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 11:14 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fw: Jane's mad!

GFI MailSecurity's HTML threat engine found HTML scripts in this email and has disabled them.

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Honorable Governor Jeb Bush:

This single young lady works for my real estate firm and is a typical homeowner so financially frustrated with insuring her home. In addition to this, FEMA has come with new flood zone maps in the Golden Gate area where she lives here in Naples. This threatens to double the present rate because of flood insurance being required.

My 74 year old retired brother is facing the same problem with his house insurance.

These are just a couple of the hundreds of thousands of cases all over the state. I know you are working furiously on the medical insurance and worker's comp but something major has to done are we will have chaos from the many homeowners who can no longer afford to be insured.

Thank you for your consideration and the efforts you are making.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Jane Miller](#)

To: [Johnny Wood \(Home\)](#)

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 8:57 AM

Subject: Jane's mad!

Okay, Mr. Wood!

I'm letting off steam. Well, it's small steam, but it's steam nonetheless.

I checked with Triple A (A/K/A AAA) and they said that I would be better off just staying with my insurance company.

But here's MY thought. Last year it went up from \$850 (approx.) to over \$1,200 and this year it went up AGAIN to almost \$1,700. What's gonna happen NEXT year?

I want to write the insurance commissioner or someone and ask how that can possibly be allowed? For the average person, and especially for single people there will definitely be a time that I'll just have to cancel my insurance because I won't be able to afford it.

That just seems like such an AWFUL jump. I thought there were guidelines or limits on how much they can increase. Okay, I feel better now. But you see my point.

I'm figuring that it's gonna be over \$2,000 next year given the last two increases. It's kinda scary. Maybe I need a "pet" condo. One that I won't have to spend so much money on maintaining but that will make me feel like I have my own privacy and will ensure that I can have pets. 3 at least.

Sigh! Any suggestions? And don't you hate it when everyone always comes to you for advice?

It's just something I've gotta start thinking about.

:(
=^ . . ^=

Jane Miller
239-659-6150

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From: [Armentad <armentad@irene.net>](mailto:Armentad@irene.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 4:49:16 PM

Subject: CLASS-SIZE OP/ED

Gov. Bush:

Please find attached my Op/Ed on why we should rethink the class-size amendment. It was published today, August 1, 2003, in the PRESS JOURNAL in Vero Beach, Florida.

Dr. Dom Armentano
Adjunct Scholar
Cato Institute

1515 Shorelands Drive East
Vero Beach, Florida 32963

LET'S RETHINK THE CLASS-SIZE AMENDMENT

Dom Armentano*

Most of the public policy world is ruled by warm and fuzzy myths. Take the important issue of class size and student achievement. Florida is in the process of mandating smaller class size on the assumption, presumably, that students will learn more in smaller classes with more teacher attention. Sounds good, but is it generally true?

There have been close to 300 separate studies nation-wide on the relationship between class size and student achievement. Professor Eric Hanushek, an economist at the University of Rochester, reviewed these studies and discovered that only 15% of them suggest that reducing class size improves student learning as measured by standardized tests. Indeed, in 72% of the studies reviewed, there was NO statistically significant effect on measurable student achievement associated with smaller classes. Even more surprisingly, in 13% of the studies reviewed, student test scores actually DECLINED as class size was reduced. In sum, a full 85% of all of the studies on class size and student achievement found that reducing class size DID NOT improve student performance.

None of this should really surprise anyone since, contrary to conventional wisdom, the nationwide average class size has actually been FALLING for decades (it was 30 students per class in 1961 and only 23 students per class in 1998); yet there has been NO overall improvement in student classroom performance nationwide as measured by standardized tests. In short, class size may not generally matter (or may not matter much) in terms of how your daughter or my son actually perform in public school.

But what DOES matter? The Thomas B. Fordham Foundation has done a study that demonstrates that teacher qualifications matter far more than class size. For example, teachers who have college degrees in math, or who are math certified, have students who score significantly higher on standardized tests than "math teachers" who have not specialized, i.e., have general education degrees. This would suggest that putting additional resources into hiring more qualified teachers would produce far higher student "returns" than mandating some arbitrary class size. Indeed, if you think about it logically, more qualified teachers should teach MORE students, not fewer students.

Should Floridians rethink the narrowly passed teacher/pupil amendment, as even Governor Jeb Bush has suggested? Absolutely, and for two good reasons. One, the first time around, state voters had only the dimmest idea of the tax costs associated with the passage of that amendment. Small classes certainly do sound good (I'm a former teacher) and it is understandable how emotion can sometimes cloud collective judgment. Yet realism must trump emotionalism when it comes to educational policy. No one should EVER be asked to vote for or against a proposal in the public arena without first knowing its tax costs AND whether it has a reasonable chance of achieving its objectives. Unfortunately, with respect to the class size amendment, Florida voters were sadly uneducated on both counts. A new referendum on that issue would likely produce a more informed and reasoned judgment.

The second reason to rethink the amendment is that if class size is NOT the primary determinant of student performance--and the bulk of the academic studies seem to indicate that it is not--then it makes little sense to mandate some arbitrary teacher/student ratio. Why should taxpayers fork over additional dollars to lower class size when the bulk of the evidence is that lowering class size does NOT improve educational performance? And why should students be the guinea pigs in still another politically driven educational experiment that will not work? Indeed, a state-wide mandate might actually worsen student performance as school districts--facing a national teacher shortage--are forced to put less experienced or less qualified teachers in (smaller) classrooms. It is difficult to understand how less qualified teachers teaching fewer students will improve educational outcomes, or why taxpayers should pay for such nonsense.

Finally, if teacher performance and teacher accountability--not class size--are important determinants of student performance, then it makes sense to scrap arbitrary mandates and re-establish the freedom of local schools to hire, promote, and hold accountable more qualified teachers. Local schools and local teachers see and serve their customers every day. They need the incentives and the freedom to adopt policies (administrative and curricular) that actually improve the educational performance of their clients. (This may, of course, include small classes in special situations). But state-wide class size mandates with bottomless costs and embarrassingly poor results are NOT the answer.

Dom Armentano is an Adjunct Scholar at the Cato Institute in Washington, D.C. He lives in Vero Beach.

From: [Doris Fry <dfry@cardeninsurance.com>](mailto:dfry@cardeninsurance.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 5:18:17 PM

Subject: Cypress Gardens

We, in Winter Haven, have not forgotten Cypress Gardens. Please lend your support in reopening beautiful Cypress Gardens. It is sorely missed.

Thank you

Doris and Bob Fry
Winter Haven, FL

From: [Kaaren J. Street <kjstreet@prodigy.net>](mailto:KJStreet@prodigy.net)
To: [Jeb Bush](#)
Date: 8/1/2003 4:45:42 PM
Subject: RE: HELP !! !!

Kathleen did have a discussion with me. I must confess I was stunned that for more than a year your office was receiving negative reports about me. I am grateful for the Kathleen's candor because up until recent months I was unaware of any any concerns. As I playback the tape, I now have some clarity about my situation. Any explanations or denials at this point are not offered, because my credibility has been damaged. I gave the job my best shot and am proud of what I've accomplished, there are many people across the country and inside SBA both political and career that would attest to my hard work and commitment to the President and SBA. I am proud to have had the privilege of serving this great president and had hoped to continue with the Administration. The thing that hurts me most however is that your perception of me has been altered -that's very painful. I hate to admit this, but boy was I naive, all of my actions were motivated by the right things. I do want to let you know I never committed you to any events or anything else for that matter nor did I take advantage of my relationship with you, these are lies. I said I wouldn't go here, but its hard to not defend yourself with people who really matter to you. I only hope your instincts about me as person of high integrity prevails. I am positive about the future, because this experience negative as it is, is what God wanted for me. You learn from experiences such as this, they help you follow the real path that God paved for you. I know I did nothing to deserve the treatment I received, therefore I'm at peace with myself and know that GOD will look after me. I've always felt I could talk honestly with you and value our friendship. I hope this situation does not change our relationship. Thank You for the opportunity to serve President Bush, I deeply regret that my tenure here was cut short. I was pursuing a position with the Department of Commerce, but after finally getting the truth, I will withdraw from that activity.

God Bless,

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

[Kaaren, Kathleen Shanahan will be in touch to discuss this.](#)

Jeb Bush

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Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 10:01 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Fwd: HELP !! !!

Note: forwarded message attached.

From: [Staci Ehrenkrantz <sehrens@att.net>](mailto:sehrens@att.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 4:47:34 PM

Subject: THANK YOU!

Dear Governor Bush:

I just wanted to say thank you as I understand we will have the bill signing for the "Stop Heart Disease" license plate. I spoke with Melanie this morning, who was most helpful and professional.

I appreciate your efforts in coordinating this and for your SUPPORT! I look forward to seeing you on Friday (Aug 8) at 8:00AM. It will be an honor to be able to participate in another bill signing with you.

Thank you again Governor Bush!

Staci

From: [Raul Valdes-Fauli <Raul.Valdes-Fauli@steelhector.com>](mailto:Raul.Valdes-Fauli@steelhector.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 4:22:03 PM

Subject: For your consideration

Attachments: MIA2001_226246_1.DOC

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To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: angel.cortinas@usdog.gov

Date: 8/1/2003 4:18:42 PM

Subject: Letter of Recommendation for your consideration

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From: [Ethann Feldhaus <picalo1991@yahoo.com>](mailto:Ethann.Feldhaus@picalo1991@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)

Date: 8/1/2003 4:04:39 PM

Subject: Re:

thanks

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

Eathan, I hope you get feeling better. Your friends are thinking about you and hoping you get well soon.

Jeb Bush

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From: JoanneChristie@aol.com <JoanneChristie@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 3:48:16 PM

Subject: terrisfight

Gov. Bush

Please review this family's plight and do what is morally right.

JoanneChristie@aol.com

From: [Maria Masvidal-Visser <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>](mailto:mvisser@euroambusiness.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](mailto:Jeb.Bush)

Date: 8/1/2003 3:35:20 PM

Subject: Fw: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

Attachments: Homeland Bullets.doc

Dear Jeb,

I wanted to give you heads up on preliminary (& alarming!) findings on the survey/white paper on the local economic impact on Homeland security measures which FIU is authoring.. a project of the "Business Advocacy Cmt." that I Co Chair at GM Chamber.

A draft of the white paper will soon be out.

Lee Sandler as head of the Int'l Group of the chamber will report some findings..on 8/6/3 at the GMChamber's Bd of Governors/Executive Cmt Meeting. Regards, Maria

----- Original Message -----

From: <wernick@fiu.edu>

To: <LSandler@strtrade.com>

Cc: <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>; "Marisa Feito" <mfeito@greatermiami.com>;

"Alice Ancona" <aancona@greatermiami.com>; "Juan Garcia"

<jgarcia@concepcionrojas.com>; "Laura Kozloski" <kozloski@fiu.edu>;

<elamj@fiu.edu>; <wernick@fiu.edu>

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 10:45 AM

Subject: Bullets for GMCC Board Luncheon

> Hi Lee:

>

> As promised, I am attaching some bullet points about our Homeland Security project for the Board of Governors meeting next week.

>

> There's probably much more detail here than what you need, but I figured I would give you more rather than less, and let you prune it accordingly.

>

> I am in Boston/NY this week and next but will be checking my email daily, so feel free to email me with questions, or call me on my cell: 305-905-1453.

>

> Best regards,

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> David

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> > From: "Maria Masvidal-Visser" <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>

> > Date: 2003/07/30 Wed PM 03:16:33 EDT
> > To: "David Wernick" <wernick@fiu.edu>
> > CC: "Lee Sandler" <LSandler@strtrade.com>,
> > "Marisa Feito" <mfeito@greatermiami.com>,
> > "Alice Ancona" <aancona@greatermiami.com>,
> > "Juan Garcia" <jgarcia@concepcionrojas.com>,
> > "Laura Kozloski" <kozloski@fiu.edu>, <elamj@fiu.edu>
> > Subject: Re: survey update- Bd of Governors luncheon
> >
> > We better start thinking of a big splash in presenting the draft report
to
> > our
> > members, Multi Nat's CEO's and Homeland Security itself...
> > I keep hearing firms/ people are considering moving out of Miami if
> > measures are not eased... Maria

> > ----- Original Message -----

> > From: "David Wernick" <wernick@fiu.edu>
> > To: "Maria Masvidal-Visser" <mvisser@euroambusiness.com>
> > Cc: "Lee Sandler" <LSandler@strtrade.com>; "Marisa Feito"
> > <mfeito@greatermiami.com>; "Alice Ancona" <aancona@greatermiami.com>;
> > "Juan
> > Garcia" <jgarcia@concepcionrojas.com>; "Laura Kozloski"
<kozloski@fiu.edu>;
> > <elamj@fiu.edu>
> > Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 2:41 PM
> > Subject: Re: survey update- Bd of Governors luncheon

> > > Hi everyone,

> > > I had some very interesting meetings yesterday and today with
Hellman's,
> > > LanChile and MIA. Based on these discussions, there are additional
issues
> > > impacting our international competitiveness (as a cargo hub and
tourist
> > > destination) that need to be addressed in our study -- namely
> > Transportation
> > > Security Administration (Code 49 1546), which says that foreign cargo
> > aircraft
> > > entering the US cannot transfer merchandise to passenger aircraft for
> > future
> > > legs of travel - only to other cargo aircraft or trucks. This is
having a

> > big
> > > impact on LanChile's transshipment business (i.e., cargo going from Europe
> > to
> > > the US and Latin America, and from Latin America going to points north
> > after
> > > arriving in Miami). It also means that Miami-based carriers such as AA
> > and
> > > United are missing out on a lot of business that otherwise would be coming
> > > their way (LanChile would be putting it in the bellies of their passenger
> > > aircraft). Oh and by the way, LanChile has spent about \$1 million to
> > enhance
> > > security on their passenger flights since 9/11.
> > >
> > > On the tourism side, plans to require passengers from the two dozen or so
> > "visa
> > > waiver" countries to procure machine-readable passports by this October
> > (two
> > > years sooner than previously anticipated), could have a chilling effect on
> > our
> > > winter tourism season. Even more worrisome, according to Miguel Southwell, is
> > > the DHS's plan to prohibit TWOVs (transits without visas) from entering
> > the
> > > country. Since many Spaniards traveling to Latin America (via Miami) on
> > Iberia
> > > Airlines do not have US visas, this would have a devastating impact on
> > their
> > > business and probably cause them to close their Miami hub. Miguel says
> > they
> > > have hired an outside consultant to write an economic impact study and
> > will
> > > provide us with data on potential job/revenue loss next week.
> > >
> > > Lee: I'll send you some bullets about the project for next week's Board of
> > > Governors meeting by Friday (I'll copy the group).

> > >

> > > Saludos,

> > >

> > > David

> > >

> > > PS: Laura Kozloski is finishing up her tour of duty here at FIU this
> > week.

> > > She has been an amazing research partner and has done a yeoman's job
with

> > > interviewing, researching, writing, etc. Laura, thanks a million --
we'll

> > miss

> > > ya!

> > >

> > > Maria Masvidal-Visser wrote:

> > >

> > > > Hi David,

> > > >

> > > > I understand from Alice, that Lee will give an update next Wed. at
both

> > the

> > > > BD of Governors luncheon and Executive Cmt meeting..

> > > > When you e mail him the notes, pls. include us all, as usual.

Thanks. M

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From: ViviGram@aol.com <ViviGram@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 3:34:30 PM

Subject: Saving Cypress Gardens

Dear Gov. Bush,

How can I tell you how sad we Floridians are to loose one of our most treasured landmarks? Cypress Gardens will be so missed, if this beautiful monument to Florida is allowed to be eliminated.

We are urging you to continue to support the effort to keep Cypress Gardens intact and operational.

Thankyou,

Vivian & Ed McEntee

Lake Wales, FL (10 miles S. of Cypress Gardens)

From: [David Jonsson <dwjrej@msn.com>](mailto:dwjrej@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 3:38:10 PM

Subject:

Dear Gov. Bush,

Canceling special session a good move. Conciliatory language even better.

Regards, Dave Jonsson

From: [Jim Wilkerson <wilker@bellsouth.net>](mailto:wilker@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 3:21:57 PM

Subject: \$250K Cap is unreasonable

Jim Wilkerson
10201 Glenmoor Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Jim wilkerson

From: [Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG <douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil>](mailto:douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

CC: ['Shanahan, Kathleen M.'](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 2:44:54 PM

Subject: Contact Information on Soldiers from 50th ASG and Troop E

Douglas Burnett, Maj Gen, FLANG
The Adjutant General of Florida
Post Office Box 1008
St. Augustine, FL 32085-1008
Voice: (904) 823-0100 Fax: (904) 823-0125 DSN: 860-7XXX
douglas.burnett@fl.ngb.army.mil

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Conrad, Cynthia Ms FL-ARNG
> Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 9:42 AM
> To: Burnett, Douglas MG FL-ANG
> Subject: Information on Soldiers from 50th ASG and Troop E

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> Provided herewith is information on family members of the soldiers that
> passed from the 50th ASG.

>
> SOLDIERS NAME: PFC Fernando Mantilla
> STATUS: Traditional Soldier
> MOTHER: Margie Y. Palomino
> HOR: 4504 Quailridge Dr., Plainsborough, NJ 08536
> TEL: (609) 750-0700
> MOTHERS CELL: 609-947-2109 (working in Florida)
> AUNT: Claudia Palomino 876-514-3797 (local Miami number)

>
>
>
> SOLDIERS NAME: SPC Carolina Alvarado
> STATUS: ADSW - OP FIREBIRD
> PARENTS: JOSE E. ALVARADO & CLARA BELTRAN
> HOR: 11232 NW 51st Terr., Miami, FL
> TEL: (305) 599-9661

>
>
> SOLDIERS NAME: SPC Amelia M. Castellanos
> STATUS: ADSW - OP FIREBIRD
> PARENTS: JOSE E. ALVARADO & CLARA BELTRAN
> HOR: 11232 NW 51st Terr., Miami, FL
> TEL: (305) 599-9661

>

- > (NOTE)
- > PARENTS: JOSE E. ALVARADO & CLARA BELTRAN HAVE DEPARTED FOR COLUMBIA AND
- > WILL RETURN NEXT WEEK. STILL TRYING TO LOCATE A OUT OF COUNTRY PHONE
- > NUMBER.
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- >
- > Provided herewith is information on family members of the soldier that
- > passed from Troop E, 153rd CAVALRY
- >
- > SOLDIERS NAME: SGT Theron D. Nelson
- > STATUS: M-DAY
- > PARENTS: Donald and Doreen Nelson (South America Missionaries)
- > TEL: Parents are staying with family friend (Mr. Turlington)
- > 352-378-2098
- >
- >
- > A visitation for family and friends of SGT Theron D. Nelson will be held
- > Friday evening, 1 August 2003, at between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. at the
- > Parker Road Baptist Church, 3200 SW 122nd St, Gainesville, FL 32607-1018.
- > The phone number at the church is (352) 332-4991.
- >
- > On Saturday morning, 2 August 2003, at 11:00 a.m. services will be held
- > for SGT Nelson. This service will be held at the same location.
- > Additionally, family will receive friends one (1) hour prior to service
- > time on Saturday at Parker Road Baptist Church. William-Thomas Funeral in
- > Gainesville is in charge of arrangements. The phone number there is (352)
- > 376-7556.
- >

From: MBFN@aol.com <MBFN@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 2:06:46 PM

Subject: Med mal special session

I hope the punking you took on this from your own party will open your eyes and encourage you to look at all sides more realistically.

Michael B. Feiler

From: [P Endsley <Patsy153@hotmail.com>](mailto:Patsy153@hotmail.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 1:52:24 PM

Subject: PLEASE VOTE NO ON CAPS

P Endsley
55 Bering
Tampa, FL 33606

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Patty Endsley

From: [Karen Burger <TBEAR@AOL.COM>](mailto:TBEAR@AOL.COM)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 1:45:11 PM

Subject: Med Mal

Karen Burger
1009 Alta Drive
Seffner, FL 33584

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider your position and VOTE NO

Sincerely,

Karen Burger

From: [Brad Kelsky <bkelsky@ngepa.com>](mailto:bkelsky@ngepa.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 1:25:04 PM

Subject: Do NOT Support med mal caps; Do NOT try to change bad faith

Brad Kelsky
258 Egret Way
Weston, FL 33327

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Governor: you were elected to protect the people of this state. To that end, do not support caps; do not push to allow insurance companies to delay, stall, etc., in paying claims they should pay without recourse. Remember, innocent victims' lives are at stake.

There are NO frivolous lawsuits in medical malpractice.

Claims against doctors ARE NOT increasing.

There is NO evidence that caps will lower premiums!

William Large, the Executive Director of the Governor's task force admitted that the recommendations of the taskforce were based on a report commissioned and paid for by a powerful stakeholder, the Florida Hospital Association.

FPIC testified that it makes more money in Florida than in any other state and will continue to make money with or without tort reform.

You were elected to protect every patient and every Floridian – NOT his millionaire buddies in the Insurance industry.

Insurance companies must be held fully accountable when they act in Bad Faith.

Caps don't work, only real insurance reform does.

Stop threatening the Republican Senate and start working for a REAL solution.

Florida needs more sworn testimony from the Insurance Executives who caused the Med Mal insurance crisis in the first place.

The time for "threats and political payback" is over. The time for honest leadership is now!

Stop wasting the taxpayer's money because you aren't happy with the solution proposed by the Senate. You are costing this state millions and millions of dollars. Accept the fact that the legislature is not nearly as draconian as you.

Sincerely,

Brad Kelsky

From: [Michele Yakos <myakos@yahoo.com>](mailto:myakos@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 1:20:55 PM

Subject: I oppose medical malpractice caps

Michele Yakos
1289 Beacon Circle
Wellington, FL 33414

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Michele Yakos

From: ODemocracy@aol.com <ODemocracy@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 1:05:04 PM

Subject: Having Tort Reform Problems? Want a new idea?

Jeb

Given the size of the tort reform problem and the effort you have made to reform just one part of the problem, you may want to consider a new course: "Consumer Choice". Basically, every consumer would have the constitutional right to purchase goods and services with or without attorneys. Every manufacturer and service provider would have the option of offering their goods or services "with or without attorneys." The free market would place a value on the "right to sue for pain and suffering" and the consumer would make a decision if they wanted to pay the premium for the right to sue.

What do you think?

[Should American's Have "Freedom of Choice for: Education, Social Security, Medicare, Taxation, Judiciary, Voters & Consumers"?](#)

David Biddulph

Phone: 386-423-4744

Fax: 386-426-1785

Email: Odemocracy@aol.com

From: [Mary Andress <maryandress@yahoo.com>](mailto:maryandress@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 1:02:18 PM

Subject: Med Mal Caps

Mary Andress
4015 Bayshore Blvd. #5E
Tampa, FL 33611

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Dear Governor Bush:

Thank you for your continued efforts in sorting out the testimony of the insurance carriers and whether or not doctors are really leaving the State of Florida. The consumers of Florida thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary Andress

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: rodney.a.sanchez@us.army.mil

Date: 8/1/2003 12:58:37 PM

Subject:

Rick sent me your updates from Iraq. We are proud of your service to our country and hope and pray for your speedy return.

Jeb

From: [Shirlenia Handy <fresh as da word@yahoo.com>](mailto:Shirlenia_Handy@yahoo.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:55:54 PM

Subject: NO Capping

Shirlenia Handy
1808 E. Ellicott Street
Tampa, FLORIDA 33610

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Sincerely,

Shirlenia Handy

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:34:20 PM

Subject: FW: Family Health Insurance

[please respond.](#)

Jeb Bush

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regarding state business are public records available to the
public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications
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-----Original Message-----

From: John & Carmen Voskerichian [mailto:johncarmenv@earthlink.net]

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 10:07 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Family Health Insurance

Governor Bush,

Not only have I met you on several occasions at the Governor's Luncheon at the Florida State Fair in Tampa, but I am also a big supporter of yours'. My father is on the Fair Authority Board and I have had the pleasure to be a part of that.

I hope you can help me or at least direct me in the right path with my current situation regarding my family health insurance. I really think this matter should be looked into, because I may not be the only one or family with this problem.

At the present, I have no health insurance coverage for my family, which consist of my wife and eight children. We were covered through Aetna Health, who took over for Prudential Health approximately one year ago. We were on an individual conversion plan with Prudential, who is also the company I was on a cobra plan with, at the time I left a large, national company.

Here is were I am at:

Aetna sent me my usual monthly statement, invoice period 6/01/03 - 0/30/03, with an amount due totaling two months of premiums. No problem, because we did get our previous months premium out late. My next statement, invoice period 7/01/03 which I received at the end of June, showed no payment due at this time. I began to inquire about my insurance coverage by calling customer service. They confirmed that our policy was being terminated, but could request a review. I did that on two occasions. After two attempts, I was told I could appeal by way of a letter. I did that on July 7th and was responded to by the Aetna's Customer Resolution Team on July 10th. I responded to that letter, on July 21st, concerning the fact that July is almost over, but yet my policy was being terminated as of April 03' and at the same time was under review, so should I get July's premium out or not. I was also concerned that I have children that need certain medication or could be in an emergency situation, you never know.

How can they go back two months and terminate my policy, although they have my premiums for those months? In addition, I have a lapse in coverage, since 63 days have past, which also means that even if I get another policy with a different health insurance company, and now my family and I are subject to any pre-existing conditions. I have four children that are ADA and take medication and two of the children that are asthmatic and take medication, as needed.

Something is wrong with this, when a major health insurance company can drop you and your family that have medical necessities.

I am willing to go forward with an appeal, but really think this is a matter you should be aware of or can help with for myself and other families that my be having similar issues. It is extremely difficult enough to have to foot the bill for health insurance, but yet get dropped before getting proper notification or finding health insurance elsewhere.

Please assist me with further direction that I should take in this matter.

Sincerely,

John Voskerichian

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:33:58 PM

Subject: FW: You a Man of Integrity?

can i do it?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: William Harrison [mailto:wharrison@harrisonrivard.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 12:44 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: You a Man of Integrity?

I want to invite you to attend with me the Promise Keepers conference in Atlanta on September 5th and 6th. If you don't know anything about Promise Keepers, look at <http://www.promisekeepers.org/>. In 1995, a friend, Ron Cravatta, invited me to attend a Promise Keepers' conference in St. Petersburg. That weekend marked a great change in my life as I spent a Friday night and Saturday with about 40,000 men listening to challenges and encouragements of great men from around the country. At the time, I had a wife and a little one year-old son. I was shaken by the realization of the opportunities and responsibilities I had taken on as a husband, father and hard working man. I wept over my past failures and lost opportunities. I came home and over several days, if not weeks, rebuilt myself in front of Susan and Cooper's very eyes.

Since that time, I have attended many Promise Keepers' conferences across the southeast and now have a 9 year-old son and 5 year-old daughter, Morgan. I even traveled to a Promise Keepers' event in Washington DC where we slept on the Capitol lawn and worshipped with several hundred thousand men all day one Saturday. I can't guarantee that your experiences with Promise Keepers and the men who gather together will be as uplifting to you as it has been for me, but I do know that it is an opportunity where great things could happen for you, if you need it. You can get the details about the conference at <http://www.promisekeepers.org/2003/2003121.htm>.

Promise Keepers is not affiliated with the church I attend, but I am so optimistic that you can benefit from such an experience, that I've help secure a fancy 55 passenger bus to take 54 friends to Atlanta. We are leaving on Friday morning, attending PK on Friday night in Phillips Arena from 6-10pm, spending the night in a comfortable hotel, attending PK on Saturday from 8:30 to 5 and coming home. The cost is \$150 for the whole thing. That's less than I have to pay after a long week to take my wife to Canopies, a movie and a babysitter. The benefits are much longer lasting, I promise!

There are only 23 seats left on the bus, the rest are taken. If you'd like to bring someone else along, that'd be fine. If this Promise Keeper's conference doesn't make you a better man, I'll take you to Canopies for dinner when we get back! Let me know immediately if you're going! William

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: denise.benavides@cancer.org
CC: [Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/1/2003 12:31:09 PM
Subject: RE: Governor Louis B Nunn

Thank you Denise. I don't recall the PSA conversation but any request should go to Brandi Langford in my office.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: denise.benavides@cancer.org [mailto:denise.benavides@cancer.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 2:27 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Governor Louis B Nunn

Good Afternoon Mr. Bush,

My brother had the pleasure of meeting you at Governor Nunn's home last evening in Kentucky.. He spoke to you in regards of having a sister in Hardee County, Florida. Well I am that sister. My brother mentioned to me that you would be interesting in doing a PSA for the American Cancer Society or you might be interested in attending a Relay For Life event. Please let me know of where you would like to assist if possible. I understand you also were able to tour the "Hope Lodge" in Tampa, FL. What a awesome Lodge for patients and their families dealing with cancer everyday to know they have a place to stay free of charge.

Thank you for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you

Respectfully,..

Denise Benavides
Special Events Manager
Hardee/ Highlands County
Address 600 US 301 Blvd, West
Suite 136
Bradenton, FL 34205
Tel # (941)745-1214 ext 24
Fax# (941)745-1760

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: Mqjustice@aol.com
BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
Date: 8/1/2003 12:28:47 PM
Subject: RE: Clay County faith based initiative

[Thank you for your invitation. I will pass on to the scheduling team.](#)

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Mqjustice@aol.com [<mailto:Mqjustice@aol.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 11:50 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Clay County faith based initiative

Dear Governor Bush,

I need to make a special request on behalf of The First Christian Church of Clay County Florida, to be our special guest in our charity Dinner in September 2003.

The theme for this important countywide non-denominational event is "Won't Back Down" which centers around a restoration of the Christian mindset established by Christ's Church in the first century, and aims to raise funds for a major regional faith based initiative to reach the lost. Mr. Bush, because of your convictions the Clay church community is seeking your help on this significant occasion.

In order to accommodate your schedule we can set the date to any day in August or September.

I can be reached 24 hours a day on my mobile at (904) 449-0195 or by returned email.

Sincerely,
Matt Justice
First Christian Church, Clay County Florida
(904) 449-0195

From: [Jeb Bush](#)
To: [michelle jacobs](#)
Date: 8/1/2003 12:27:58 PM
Subject: RE: FYI

again, thank you. We will stay the course. More work is doing now to remediate and help struggling readers than ever before. Without consequences, this would not be done.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: michelle jacobs [mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2003 6:59 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: RE: FYI

Hello Governor:

I am a parent and I appreciate the FCAT, however MDCPS is not teaching our children. People are going around recruiting parents to come and ask you for a special session, but will not confront MDCPS. MDCPS is where the problem is. Black children are no different from white children and give the proper education black children can achieve. I hope that you do not become under political pressure and give in to suffering children when quality education is not provided for our children to prepare them for the FCAT. We have forgot that children that want to become lawyers and doctors take test. I am black and I have children and they understand the importance of reading and knowing what they are reading about and if more children read they will do well on the FCAT. Senator Wilson is one person and has no children in MDCPS system.

Jeb Bush <jeb@jeb.org> wrote:

Thank you Michelle. Any help that can be given to struggling students that works, should be commended!

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: michelle jacobs [mailto:mmwjacobs@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 07, 2003 3:03 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: FYI

Hello Governor Bush:

I do not always agree with you, but I am glad that you are making sure that children do not graduate not knowing how to read and/or write. They cannot complete an application and it is

sad. I commend you. We may not always agree, but that's okat we are not suppose to agree all the time.

When you have an opportunity look at that movie lean on me. I thought about you when I watched that movie over the weekend.

All blacks in Miami do not feel the same.

A very young girl here in Miami came up with a solution and she is forming a group of parents to address the problems here in MDCPS Board.

She identified several problems when she provided the FCAT Tutorial program. I am so impress with this young lady, because most people was trying to get her to be angry and at the time she was in court because of her mothers death and she said from the court room she set up tutorial sites for seniors that was preparing for the test. She felt that the schools were not preparing them. I know that she is putting together a list of all the problems that was identified in the sites away from the school. All of the sites were in churches.

I am sure you know about this program because it was all over the media. She is to be commended. Some of the legislators were very proud of the project and some was upset because they want our kids to continue suffering.

Michelle

Do you Yahoo!?

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From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [John Schestag](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:25:03 PM

Subject: RE: Jeb

thank you so much.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Schestag [mailto:TheSalvationNavy@webtv.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 8:41 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Jeb

Dear Jeb....

Please read and stay the course.

We love and support you....

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Carol Burnett](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:22:18 PM

Subject: RE: Florida Guardian ad Litem - State Director

I agree, Carol.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Carol Burnett [mailto:gal@svc.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 11:57 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Cc: Carol A. Burnett; Debbie Kinsey

Subject: Florida Guardian ad Litem - State Director

Dear Governor Bush;

I have been with the Third Circuit GAL Program since it was set up in December 1984. I seen many changes and many issues that needed to be addressed but I felt were not. I feel as a Case Coordinator (I did cover Lafayette and Dixie County but recently only Dixie County), it is of the utmost importance to have a person who is the most qualified to direct the program. I feel we need a State Director who possesses good leadership qualities and a person who has the best interest of children in their heart. As I understand many difficult decisions will have to be made soon and we need a leader who is ready to make those decisions.

Thank you for your time

Carol Burnett

Case Coordinator - 3rd Circuit

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Jeff Lucas](#)

BCC: [Hampton, Betty \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Langford, Brandi \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)
[Sasser, Charla \(E-mail\)](#)
[Shanahan, Kathleen \(E-mail 2\)](#)
[Wainwright, Tara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:22:53 PM

Subject: RE: National Guard OCS Graduation

thank you for your kind invitation. I hope I can make it. The scheduling team will be in touch.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jeff Lucas [mailto:jeff@acllaw.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 9:15 AM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: National Guard OCS Graduation

Dear Jeb,

I have been asked to cordially invite you to class 42 (National Guard) Officer Candidate School graduation ceremonies at Camp Blanding on August 10, 2003.

As the Commander of the Florida National Guard, I know all the Officers would be honored by your attendance. In light of the heightened security threats facing this nation since 9/11 and the recent deployments overseas it would also be a morale booster to the troops.

Jeb you are a great Governor and I know you are incredibly busy, but if possible the men would love to have you!

Cordially,

Jeff Lucas
Pasco County Supporter!

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Struhs Secretary \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:15:12 PM

Subject: FW: Save Cypress Gardens

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kathy Flowers [mailto:katflow@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 6:25 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Save Cypress Gardens

Dear Governor Bush,

I and my family appreciate any effort you can make to save our Beautiful Cypress Gardens. We moved to Winter Haven in Feb. 1970 and have been annual membership holders many, many times since 1970 and the original Gardens should be preserved as they reflect a major factor as to why Winter Haven is even on the map of the State of Florida. Also, Cypress Gardens was the birth of all attractions in Florida.

It is a remorseful time for all of us that we can not enjoy the beauty of the original Gardens without a thrill ride attached to bring in a crowd. The peace and tranquility found there is unique plus the additional benefit of a real plant education, if only our young parents would take the time to educate their children through frequent trips to the Gardens. My husband and I took our two children to the Gardens about once each week for a long time. I took my two grandchildren until it closed.

Enough said, I think you get the idea that to my family and many more in my age range (62) are very sad at the loss of the Gardens.

Sincerely,
Katherine M. Flowers
2532 Helms Rd. SE
Winter Haven, FL 33884-1911

(863) 324-6490
(863) 318-0695 - Fax
(863) 258-3524 - Cell

e-mail: katflow@tampabay.rr.com

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Thomas A. Waits](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:14:59 PM

Subject: RE: Thanks

I will followup with the items we discussed.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Thomas A. Waits [mailto:tawaits@mindspring.com]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 5:46 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Thanks

Many thanks for meeting with me on Monday morning. I will be following up with more details on some of the items we discussed. Look forward to seeing you in Jax at the Governor's Conference on Tourism on Monday....have a good one! Tommy

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:00:05 PM

Subject: FW: Lakeland DCF Relative Care Benefit

Attachments: relative care.doc

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Lizber@aol.com [mailto:Lizber@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 10:01 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Lakeland DCF Relative Care Benefit

Please see attached file below

From: [Lisa Smith <lls4656@aol.com>](mailto:lls4656@aol.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:59:21 AM

Subject: Please VOTE "NO"

Lisa Smith
3009 Scanlan Avenue
Lake Worth, FL 33461

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please vote "NO". Do not fight for the insurance companies, because when this is all said and done they will not fight for you. Think about it.

Sincerely,

Lisa Smith

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: Lizber@aol.com

BCC: [Alan Levine \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:59:57 AM

Subject: RE: Lakeland DCF Relative Care Benefit

thank you Mr. and Mrs. Berry. I am sorry that the support promised has not been forthcoming. I will get Alan Levine in my office to look into your case.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Lizber@aol.com [mailto:Lizber@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 10:01 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Lakeland DCF Relative Care Benefit

Please see attached file below

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: dstruhs@comcast.net

BCC: kathleen@jeb.org

Date: 8/1/2003 11:52:43 AM

Subject: RE: Developing Position on S-9 Case

OK, David.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: dstruhs@comcast.net [mailto:dstruhs@comcast.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 10:24 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Developing Position on S-9 Case

Governor:

I wanted to share with you directly my recommendation that Florida delay taking an early position on a case the South Florida Water Management District is taking to the United States Supreme Court.

At issue is whether or not a pump that moves urban runoff, against gravity, into the Everglades should require a federal clean water permit. (The pump is known as S-9.)

There are many good reasons why this type of facility should not require such a permit: the pumping is scheduled to end in a few years as a part of Everglades restoration; it already has a similar state permit; it could establish a precedent to require such permits for thousands of other water control structures around the country --- including those that do nothing more than hold and release water with gravity (i.e., dams).

The District has been through two federal courts. Both have said a federal permit is necessary. We advised the District to simply get the permit for this particular facility, and not appeal to the Supreme Court. We felt it was better to not risk creating a larger precedent that could be damaging. The District appealed anyway, and now that they are going to the Supreme Court they want our support.

The lawyers all agree that this case could go either way; it is a very close call.

Regardless of the legal merits of the District's position, supporting it will be very unpopular. Given where we are with Congress, it will be especially challenging for us to argue that Clean Water Act permits should not be required for pumping urban runoff into the Everglades. It will complicate our effort to communicate our good record in improving water quality in the Everglades enormously.

The federal government is internally divided on what position, if any, it will take in this case. They will be taking the next several weeks to analyze the law and develop a position.

My recommendation, for now, is that we not take a position, and wait to see what the federal government concludes. The federal process for developing a position will provide a very thorough legal risk analysis that will be equally beneficial to us.

I have discussed this issue with Rocky and she is aware of the fact that we are now conducting our own legal analysis of our options. Regardless of what that shows, I think we are well advised to wait for the federal government's position.

Please let us know if you agree.

David

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [David Struhs Secretary \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:47:54 AM

Subject: FW: The Corps has no intention of obeying Congress

Attachments: DOC000-1.PDF

please handle. thanks.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Madeleine Fortin [mailto:mfortin@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 9:45 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: The Corps has no intention of obeying Congress

Gov. Bush

I spoke with Henry Dean briefly at the Task Force meeting on Wed. One thing he said was how concerned you were that the displaced people in the 8.5 SMA would be treated fairly.

I have attached a copy of a letter sent by the Corps to a home owner in the path of the canal. The letter does not even mention the Corps responsibility in regards to relocating displaced residents.

It has been over 6 months since the legislation authorizing 6D was signed. So far the Corps has refused to have a publicly noticed meeting to tell residents and property owners what the Corps responsibilities towards the community are. Nor have they even asked who wants to be relocated.

How long must we stay in limbo? How long will you let the Modified Water Delivery Project remain uncompleted? The Corps has no intention of following the Congressional requirement to relocate those residents who want to be relocated. If you really did care about being fair to the long suffering residents in the 8.5 SMA community, you would step in and help us!

Madeleine Fortin

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Shelly Brantley](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:45:13 AM

Subject: RE: Wheelchair problems again!

let me know how I can help.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 9:21 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Re: Wheelchair problems again!

Yes, I believe it is in the best interest of the people we serve. We can't allow providers to drive the system at the price of sub standard quality and lengthy repair delays which impede the autonomy and independence of individuals with disabilities.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From:<jeb@jeb.org>

To:Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 07/31/2003 09:11:34 PM

Subject: RE: Wheelchair problems again!

so you suggest we proceed with your suggestion?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 7:26 PM
To: Jeb Bush
Subject: Re: Wheelchair problems again!

There is probably more than one way to approach this. AHCA already has statutory authority to selectively contract durable medical equipment. Thus far, I believe there have only been attempts to competitively contract hospital beds and oxygen supplies. The DME providers protested and tried to legally challenge ACHA-so I'm not sure where the process stands currently. FI Medicaid could potentially competitively bid standard and customized wheelchairs and include the cost of all repairs in the contract. If the State could require through selective contracting that these providers accept payment from Medicare or private insurance, provide quality products and timely repairs, we could help eliminate all the hassles with payor sources, access to providers and the sheer bureaucracy of the whole process. Another approach is for Medicare to selectively contract and partner with Medicaid. There was proposed federal legislation to competitively bid durable medical equipment for Medicare last year, but I don't believe it ever passed. I believe Medicare would need legislative authority to proceed. The first approach is probably the most feasible. Both will be met with provider resistance and they probably try to use the usual scare tactics with families, but if you engage them in the process, they will understand and appreciate the value. This may or may not be a cost saver, but it may improve quality, service and access to providers willing to accept dual eligibles.

Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: <jeb@jeb.org>

To: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF@DCF

Cc:

Date: 07/28/2003 08:25:32 PM

Subject: RE: Wheelchair problems again!

how do we proceed?

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Shelly Brantley [mailto:Shelly_Brantley@dcf.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, July 28, 2003 9:31 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Fw: Wheelchair problems again!

FYI response below. Scott's support coordinator also responded yesterday and has been in touch with this provider. In this particular situation, the wheelchair was purchased by Medicare, but complaints and repeated repairs are a concern for Medicaid and the waiver as well. There is an Assistive Technology Act in Florida which serves as a "lemon law" for wheelchairs as well as other devices. Before I left Medicaid, I researched this issue fairly extensively and believe there is merit to selective contracting for wheelchair-ideally Medicare and Medicaid could partner on such an initiative to address payor of last resort issues as well. As experienced over the last year, we could expect resistance from providers on selective contracting of DME, but I think ultimately it will better serve the people.
Shelly

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: Shelly Brantley/D20/DCF

To: Scott7759@aol.com,

Mdwright71@aol.com

Cc: Adam Coleman/D20/DCF@DCF,

Amy Claiborne/D20/DCF@DCF,

Annarene Wineglass/D20/DCF@DCF,

Becky Lackey/D20/DCF@DCF,

Becky Maguire/D20/DCF@DCF,

Charles Ball/D20/DCF@DCF,

Chening Kurz/D20/DCF@DCF,

Christie Golden/D20/DCF@DCF,

Darlene Golden/D20/DCF@DCF,

Denise Arnold/D20/DCF@DCF,

Denita Sims/D20/DCF@DCF,

Diana Lincoln/D20/DCF@DCF,

Ed Rousseau/D20/DCF@DCF,

Edith Washington/D20/DCF@DCF,

case3@mindspring.com,

Elaine Anderson/D20/DCF@DCF,

Ginny Morris/D20/DCF@DCF,

Heather Morgan Wood/D20/DCF@DCF,

Indira_Johnson-Papino@dcf.state.fl.us,

Jadene Ransdell/D20/DCF@DCF,

JB Black/D20/DCF@DCF,

Jessica Moore/D20/DCF@DCF,

Julie Griffith/D20/DCF@DCF,

Kerry Schoolfield/D20/DCF@DCF,

Kysha Long/D20/DCF@DCF,

Linda Mabile/D20/DCF@DCF,

Lorena Fulcher/D20/DCF@DCF,

Margie L Collins/D20/DCF@DCF,

Marianne Ferlazzo/D20/DCF@DCF,

Martha Creel/D20/DCF@DCF,

Melinda Coulter/D20/DCF@DCF,

Michael Freeman/D20/DCF@DCF

Date: 07/27/2003 03:02:31 PM

Subject: Re: Wheelchair problems again!

Scott,

If you have not already, I would encourage you to report your concerns to

the federal Medicare hotline at 1-800-MEDiCARE or on-line at www.medicare.com especially if you have had ongoing problems with your chair since its original purchase. You may also file a complaint with the Department of Agriculture, Division of Consumer Services at 1-800-425-7352 or www.800helpfla.com. I have found the Medicare hotline to be very helpful with these types of concerns. Often times a Medicare representative will contact the provider directly to address the issue and/or initiate an investigation.

I hope this information is helpful. Your support coordinator may also be able to assist you with filing a formal complaint, but the forms are available on-line and are relatively easy to complete.

Shelly Brantley

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: Scott7759@aol.com

To: Mdwright71@aol.com

Cc: Adam Coleman/D20/DCF@DCF,
Amy Claiborne/D20/DCF@DCF,
Annarene Wineglass/D20/DCF@DCF,
Becky Lackey/D20/DCF@DCF,
Becky Maguire/D20/DCF@DCF,
Charles Ball/D20/DCF@DCF,
Chening Kurz/D20/DCF@DCF,
Christie Golden/D20/DCF@DCF,
Darlene Golden/D20/DCF@DCF,
Denise Arnold/D20/DCF@DCF,
Denita Sims/D20/DCF@DCF,
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Julie Griffith/D20/DCF@DCF,
Kerry Schoolfield/D20/DCF@DCF,
Kysha Long/D20/DCF@DCF,

Linda Mabile/D20/DCF@DCF,
Lorena Fulcher/D20/DCF@DCF,
Margie L Collins/D20/DCF@DCF,
Marianne Ferlazzo/D20/DCF@DCF,
Martha Creel/D20/DCF@DCF,
Melinda Coulter/D20/DCF@DCF,
Michael Freeman/D20/DCF@DCF
Date: 07/27/2003 01:27:46 PM
Subject: Wheelchair problems again!

Hi Melissa,

I just left you a message on your machine. I have another huge problem with my electric wheelchair. The right motor or gears are making a loud grinding noise and the chair isn't working right. It started yesterday. My parents are driving up from Naples tomorrow morning to take me over to Custom Mobility once again to see what's wrong with it this time. My joystick is still being repaired at the factory in Ohio. I have no idea what we can do about this situation. If I do not have a good and reliable wheelchair than I will need to move out of Fontana Hall, and move into my own apartment with a In-Home Support worker for around \$35,000 a year. I am not safe here with a wheelchair that keeps breaking down. Last year, Medicare and Vocational Rehabilitation paid over \$8600 for the wheelchair. We might have to file a lawsuit against Invacare the wheelchair manufacture. This is outrages for me and my parents. You as my support coordinator need to look into options for me and how we can solve these ongoing problems with my electric wheelchair. I will need to go home to Naples with my parents until we can get my wheelchair in order if Custom Mobility cannot repair it tomorrow. It is not safe for me to be here alone with a junk wheelchair. This has been a nightmare for me during the last month with my chair. I will have Sarah the girl who is my personal care assistant come a few times today to check on me, and bring me my dinner because there is no food services here on the weekends. I hold Invacare totally responsible for my wheelchair because they sold me a junk wheelchair. Our state needs to address this matter. I never had any problems with my old wheelchair for many years after I acquired it in 1996. It was also an Invacare wheelchair, but this one is terrible. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Scott Barrish
Been There, Inc.

From: [Jim Roberts <jmrob182@bellsouth.net>](mailto:jmrob182@bellsouth.net)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:40:30 AM

Subject: Bad Faith Statute and Medical Malpractice

Jim Roberts
18200 nw 19th str
Pembroke Pinesf, FL 33330

August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

Please reconsider your position in capping the malpractice statute for serious damages, especially in children who will suffer for a lifetime.

Also, we must have safeguards in our State to prevent insurance companies from committing bad faith. Please don't eliminate the bad faith statute. It is the only monitor system left in Florida.

Sincerely,

Jim Roberts

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Diane Carr Secretary \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:38:01 AM

Subject: FW: Undeliverable: FW: Real Estate Sales Exam Problems

Attachments: FW: Real Estate Sales Exam Problems

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: System Administrator [mailto:postmaster@dbpr.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 12:48 AM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Undeliverable: FW: Real Estate Sales Exam Problems

Your message

To: Diane Carr Secretary (E-mail)

Subject: FW: Real Estate Sales Exam Problems

Sent: Thu, 31 Jul 2003 20:11:41 -0400

did not reach the following recipient(s):

Diane Carr Secretary (E-mail) on Fri, 1 Aug 2003 00:48:05 -0400

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Bush;i=EXCH2000-030801001141Z-3156

MSEXCH:IMS:FLA GOV:Florida Department of Business and Professional

Regulation:BPRTLEX02 0 (000C05A6) Unknown Recipient

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Diane Carr Secretary \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 12:11:41 AM

Subject: FW: Real Estate Sales Exam Problems

response times if accurate aren't that great.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: RM Gallo [mailto:rmgallo33@msn.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 3:22 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: Real Estate Sales Exam Problems

July 31, 2003

Governor Jeb Bush
PL 05 The Capital
400 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL. 32399-0001

Rosario M. Gallo
5060 Harmony Circle #108
Vero Beach, FL. 32967

RE: Review of Real Estate Sales Exams

Candidate Name: Rosario M. Gallo

Candidate Number: 63665531

ID Number: 63665531

Dear Governor Bush:

I just received my notice with regard to my Real Estate Sales exam. I would

like to review my exam that was administered on June 25, 2003 in Miami, FL.

I would also like to review my prior exam of May 1st 2003 that was administered by Promissor in Orlando FL.

This entire process has been very trying:

- * I completed the Real Estate Sales Application on December 2, 2003

- * I sent in completed fingerprint application on December 22, 2003

- * I started checking the myflorida.com web-site daily. It verified that the

state had received my application as of December 2, 2003.

- * As I checked the web-site, daily, I noticed that the state received my

completed fingerprint application on January 2, 2003. It's status stated that it was missing or expired. So I started calling. Twice a week to be

exact. I was told that my fingerprints were going through the FBI database.

I'd call every two days and asked if all my paper work was received? Is everything completed correctly? At first, every customer service agent said

yes, you should receive something in the mail.

- * As I called FREC at least twice a week, (70 days later) I was told by

several customer service agents. "Haven't you received anything in the mail???" No, I would say. They would take my number and say someone would call me. That never happened.

- * Finally, after calling (95 days later)I spoke to someone named Loretta,

it sounded as if she were recording me or having someone else listen in.

Loretta, kept putting me on hold and then finally talked to me with a busy signal interrupting our conversation. To me , that means that someone else was listening or I was being recorded.

- * I know my rights, if someone or entity is to record your conversation, the

person initialing the recording should ask permission from the client/customer. Second, FREC's guideline of 90 days was not even taken into consideration concerning my application.

- * 100 days later, I received a message on my cell phone from a Loretta,

stating that the state had trouble downloading all applications from the web-site since December 2002.

- * I then faxed my actual application on March 20, 2003. I called DBPR spoke

with Tonya to verify if all sheets of my application was received. She told

me to call next week as It takes 7 to 10 days. I then asked her if my fingerprint application was in order.

* On March 27,2003 I received a call from Marie stating that my fingerprint application was left blank , except for the actual fingerprints. I said to her that's impossible. First , I have the witness at the police station who

finger printed me and verified that I had filled out all the information in black ink. No one fingerprints you without any information on the card. I told her this. She then said she could take my information over the phone.

* On April 1, 2003, I finally received a letter approving my application and allowing me to set up an appointment to take the exam.

* I set-up my first exam for May 1st, 2003 to be administered by Promissor in Orlando, FL. I failed. I requested , in writing, to review my exam. I received no answer, tired of getting the run around from the state. I just scheduled another test date.

* I set up another exam to be administered by Promissor on June 11,2003, in Miami , FL. 10 days prior to my exam , I get a notice stating that my exam was cancelled and that I'm to pay another \$45.00 to state to take a written exam.

* So I sent the request in on June 1st, 2003 , made a copy of the check and waited.

* June 18, 2003, I called the DBPR, FREC and asked if someone would confirm my date for the exam. The young man, Jason, told me that I would be contacted 3 days prior to the exam date, if I had a seat at the test site.

* I then called the lady who was in charge of the testing and she returned my call and reluctantly scheduled me.

I now want to review both exams, that somehow I got the same scores. I thank you in advance for your prompt attention.

Sincerely,

Rosario M. Gallo

Cc: Governor Jeb Bush

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From: [Sandra Flynn <dmfsmf@msn.com>](mailto:dmfsmf@msn.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:36:40 AM

Subject: Medical Malpractice Issue

Sandra Flynn
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August 1, 2003

Dear Governor Bush:

I would like to believe that the Governor has reviewed both sides of this issue. If he has, then I don't understand why he is pushing for this medical malpractice legislation. I have been in the legal field for 23 years and the attorney who I work for deals mainly in medical malpractice. The insurance company's claim that the reason for the doctors insurance premiums being higher is due to the lawsuits continually being filed by attorney is false. The average medical malpractice insurance payout has been less than \$30,000 over the last 20 years; Medical malpractice costs as compared with national health expenditures are at an all time low of 0.55%; according to a study of the National Academy of Sciences up to 98,000 people are killed by medical malpractice errors in hospitals and so on. If Governor Bush is truly interested in the people of Florida, then how can he support such legislation? I would hope that once he is presented with the REAL facts, that he will do the right thing and cease trying to have legislation passed that would clearly hurt the people that he alleges to care so very much about. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Sandra M. Flynn

From: [Jeb Bush](#)

To: [Eleanor Mobley](#)

BCC: [Eli Ferrara \(EOG\) \(E-mail\)](#)

[Jason Rodriguez \(E-mail\)](#)

[Rodriguez, Raquel \(E-mail\)](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 11:33:34 AM

Subject: RE: letter of recommendation for Tom Topor

thank you for your recommendation.

Jeb Bush

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-----Original Message-----

From: Eleanor Mobley [mailto:eleanormobleybl@webtv.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 10:59 PM

To: Jeb Bush

Subject: letter of recommendation for Tom Topor

Dear Governor Bush:

I am writing in enthusiastic support of Thomas Karl Topor, who has been nominated for appointment to the Broward County Court in Fort Lauderdale. I have known Tom Topor for the past 22 years, and was his trial partner in the Felony Trial Division of the Broward State Attorney's Office. From that position, Tom was promoted to supervise the office's Juvenile Division. While working full-time, Tom attended night classes at the University of Miami to earn an LL.M. in Estate Planning. Tom developed a reputation as an aggressive yet fair prosecutor, one who consistently honored his obligation to above all, seek justice.

As a County Court Judge, Tom would bring to the bench a well-rounded career of legal experiences. He has spent the past 15 years in civil and probate practice in the prominent firms of Shutts and Bowen, Broad and Cassel, Rohan Kelley, and in his own practice. Although his legal career renders him uniquely qualified for the County Court bench, the true focus of Tom's life is his family: his wife of 10 years, Kathleen, and his daughter, Tiffany. Tom's life has always been grounded in solid family values.

Tom Topor possesses all of the qualities so necessary in a County Court Judge: knowledge of the law, experience, industriousness, courtesy, integrity and, above all, fairness. Moreover, his calm, reasoned temperament would serve him well in navigating crowded County Court dockets. I am proud to call Tom Topor a close personal friend. I heartily recommend his appointment to the Broward County Court bench.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert H. Mobley, III
Assistant State Attorney
20th Judicial Circuit
Fort Myers

From: [Thomas A. Waits <tawait@mindspring.com>](mailto:tawait@mindspring.com)

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 9:46:13 AM

Subject: Thanks

Many thanks for meeting with me on Monday morning. I will be following up with more details on some of the items we discussed. Look forward to seeing you in Jax at the Governor's Conference on Tourism on Monday....have a good one! Tommy

From: Ress061971@aol.com <Ress061971@aol.com>

To: [Jeb Bush](#)

Date: 8/1/2003 6:53:24 AM

Subject: Re: Thanks

thanks for answering so quickly, having such a cap may in some cases minimize the litigation. As many know some of the most recent cases have been motivated by what appears to be supporting the income of attorneys. Time will tell. Thanks for your persistence. I appreciate your strong will for all to do the right thing, despite the consequences for such strength. Take care...debbie