

Bierle Investigation

On 4/2/2024, I was asked by Russ Baker, prosecutor pro tem on the Bierle investigation, to assist him as a special investigator in order to help determine if probable cause existed that commissioner Bierle knowingly violated Texas Local Government Code section 171.004, a Class A misdemeanor.

On 4/2/2024, I made contact with Russ Baker, and he gave me copies of email referring to the Commissioner Court meeting form May 9, 2023, May 23, 2023, and form September 12, 2023. Mr. Baker requested that I listen to the commissioner court recording and meet with Commissioner Bierle and ask if he knew if he had to file an affidavit when abstaining from a vote when a conflict of interest exists. I found on May 3, 2023, that a vote was brought before the court and Commissioner Bierle abstained from voting on the matter. I also found on May 23 a vote was brought before the court and Commissioner Bierle abstained from voting again. I discovered on September 12th the county Judge announced in the courtroom and when a commissioner abstains from voting on a matter that he is required to file an affidavit stating his conflict of interest on the matter being voted on. The County Judge stated that he was not attempting to get anyone in trouble but wanting to make everyone aware for further incidents.

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On 04/24/2025, I attempted to contact Commissioner Bierle by telephone. I was unable to make contact and left him a voice message to call me back. Commissioner Bierle returned my phone call, and a meeting was set up to me at Putters and Gutters in Lampasas, Texas at 1100 am on 04/26/2024.

On 04/26/2024, I contacted Commissioner Bierle. I advised Mr. Bierle that I was asked to investigate into the matter of him abstaining from voting on May 3, and May 23, 2023. Mr. Bierle told me that he did abstain from voting due to having a conflict of interest. Mr. Bierle told me that he did not know at the time that he needed to file an affidavit with the court. Mr. Bierle told me that since September 12, 2023, when the county judge advised all commissioners that an affidavit is required to be filed when a conflict of interest exist on a matter being voted on, he has filed an affidavit every time since.



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