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Position: Opponent

Representing an Entity/Another Person: No

Organization: N/A

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Written Statement: I respectfully ask that the Department of Correction's position of "American Indian Liaison" be immediately re-staffed. There are Attached as PDF's are just a few of the more recent email attempts to meet with Mr. Trombley on Native issues within the Prison system. Never has Mr. Trombley been available to meet. A significant number of requests for meetings have been made by me and by numerous individuals who have family members in Montana's Correctional system. They have never received calls back either.

On 4 occasions, I have driven to the DOC headquarters in Helena to try and meet with Mr. Trombley. Each time I was told that he was "unavailable". I did leave written notes with the DOC receptionist, but Mr. Trombley never returned a response.

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Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>

Meeting request: December 12 (afternoon)

Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>

Wed, Dec 4, 2019 at 11:56 AM

To: Krystel Pickens <krystelp@aclumontana.org>, Lillian Alvernaz <alvernazl@aclumontana.org>, SK Rossi <rossis@aclumontana.org>

So... I have been trying to speak with the Dept. of Corrections Native American liaison, Harlan Trombley, but keep getting pushed off the schedule.

It is important to note that Harlan is also elusive with other Native inmate family members who have been trying to meet and otherwise communicate with him. Others have told me that Harlan will not return their phone calls and they too have experienced a "perpetual blow-off" by Harlan.

So. I'm going to continue trying to meet with him but he demonstrates a lack of cooperation.

Just thought you should know.

Laurie LittleDog

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Invitation to LJ meeting at capitol on Monday 11/18/19

Trombley, Harlan <HTrombley@mt.gov>
To: Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 14, 2019 at 6:45 PM

I apologize I will not be able to attend meeting as I have a prior engagement. There will be DOC staff at the meeting that can answer any questions that the Law and Justice Committee may have.

Harlan Trombley
American Indian Liaison
Montana Department of Corrections
406-444-0403
htrombley@mt.gov

From: Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 12:49:59 PM
To: Trombley, Harlan
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Invitation to LJ meeting at capitol on Monday 11/18/19

I hope you can make it

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From: Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 13, 2019 at 12:44 PM
Subject: Invitation to LJ meeting at capitol on Monday 11/18/19
To: Harlan.Trombley@mt.gov <Harlan.Trombley@mt.gov>
CC: Weiss, Rachel <rweiss@mt.gov>

Hi Mr. Trombley.
I would like you to please attend the Law and Justice Interim Committee meeting next Monday.

Information here:
<https://leg.mt.gov/committees/interim/2019ljic/>

Your role as the DOC's American Indian Liaison, someone who interfaces with or on behalf of the incarcerated Native American population, likely makes this meeting of interest to you. At least two issues with regard to the experience of incarcerated Native citizens will be raised, on Monday.

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Thanks,
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Meeting request: December 12 (afternoon)

Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>
To: "Trombley, Harlan" <HTrombley@mt.gov>

Wed, Dec 4, 2019 at 11:26 AM

Well, let's see... I am still in need of an appointment with you. Back on November 14th, you said that we could schedule for a week or two out but so far we have not actually scheduled a meeting on your calendar. It might be more effective if you give me a few dates that you are indeed available, according to your schedule. What would those dates be?

Thanks,
Laurie LittleDog
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Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>
To: "Trombley, Harlan" <htrombley@mt.gov>

Wed, Dec 4, 2019 at 10:04 AM

Hi Mr. Trombley,

Are you able to meet with me on December 12th? Weather permitting, I plan to be in Helena on that date for the Montana Board of Crime Control meeting. Is it possible for you and I to meet sometime on the afternoon of December 12?

Please let me know.

Thank you.
Laurie LittleDog



Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>

Meeting request: December 12

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Fri, Nov 22, 2019 at 4:35 PM

To: "Trombley, Harlan" <htrombley@mt.gov>

Bcc: Krystal Pickens <krystelp@aclumontana.org>, Lillian Alvernaz <alvernazl@aclumontana.org>, SK Rossi <rossis@aclumontana.org>, "Weiss, Rachel" <rweiss@mt.gov>

Hi Mr. Trombley,

I would like to go ahead and schedule that meeting with you so I can make travel arrangements. Let's see... are you available to meet on December 12th?

Please let me know what works for you.

Thanks,
Laurie LittleDog



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Prison Issues Board Meeting

Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>

Thu, Feb 20, 2020 at 12:45 PM

To: Harlan.Trombley@mt.gov, "Trombley, Harlan" <htrombley@mt.gov>

Hi Harlan.

Are you going to be at the Prison Issues Board meeting in Great Falls on Tuesday?

If not, I do need to get on your calendar. I have been requesting a meeting with you for several months. Can you please reply with what your availability is? Are you still the American Indian Liaison for the DOC?

Please let me know.

Laurie Little Dog



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Meeting in the near future?

Laurie Little Dog <laurielittledog@gmail.com>
To: "Trombley, Harlan" <HTrombley@mt.gov>

Thu, Nov 14, 2019 at 6:50 PM

Oki Mr. Harlan Trombley,
I would like to request a meeting with you re: Native American correctional issues and the 2019 DOC Biennial Report.

I understand that you will not be available on Monday for the Law and Justice Interim Committee meeting.

Will you be available in Helena on the afternoon of Tuesday, November 19th?

If you are not available to stay either, I would like to schedule a meeting with you at a later date.

Please let me know.

Laurie LittleDog
(505) 660-5678

On Thu, Nov 14, 2019 at 7:46 PM Trombley, Harlan <HTrombley@mt.gov> wrote:

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