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To : Marylyn Wesley (Director of Community Affairs, Escambia CTY)

CC : Escambia County Commissioners, Pensacola , Florida

Letter of Resignation

Due to the unexpected stresses associated with the post of Veterinarian At ECAS, I hereby give my two week notice this day of Feb 20 2014. I cannot operate as I should be able to in the capacity in which I was hired, due to the brutal and underhanded tricks from Gayle Sanders, VT,, Drs. Owens and Ulrich, and Phyllis Trout KT. It has been alleged and spoken vocally that I am incompetent in my capacity as an animal physician. Prior to my employment with the county, I served in the capacity of relief surgeon in the the spring and early summer of 2013 at ECAS. Animals last week after 12 noon, began to unexplicably go into shock and dying after I performed surgery on them. They were recovering well and then within the hour they began to turn blue and die. My technician, Gayle Sanders was supposed to monitor these animals post op for any signs of distress. I did have to caution her on using strongly aromatic cleansers she was using in the cages where these animals were housed, and kept to recover postoperatively. This may be a reason that these animals were cyanotic, and possibly in distress Post surgery.

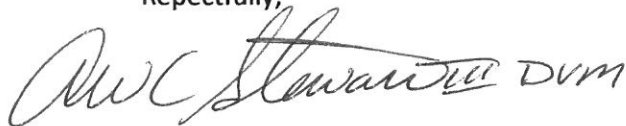
Another concern of mine is the negligence of privacy act matters and the transmittance over county emails of clients private telephone numbers and addresses. These were sent by Phyllis Trout whose area of pervue is the kennel area where she is the Kennel supervisor. I can only surmise that this information was conveyed to Ms. Trout by my Vet Tech Ms. Sanders. In their haste in trying to tarnish me, they both broke rules in the misuse of County rules in the proper transfer of information, and going pass

Their chains of command.

Another problem I have is that from the initial agreement of members of ECAS handling my scheduled drugs and pharmaceuticals, Dr. (Mrs. Ulrich) was not included in that loop. Mrs. Ulrich assists Dr Owens in his surgeries, but she is not on the county payroll and serves as a legal liability whenever she is there illegally. The whole time I was employed from 18 Nov 2013 to the present I served my position with dedication and perseverance. I performed after hours emergencies and weekend duties, specially during the cold weather in December and January.

I would like to thank the members of the commission for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Escambia County Florida, who gave me the opportunity to work in a state of the art surgery facility, and giving me the responsibility of doctoring the communities pets and adoption animals.

Respectfully,

 AWC Stewart DVM