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**Fwd: Who Does the Guild Benefit?**

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## Chicken or the Egg?

Serious questions remain about the origins of the guild and the roles played by anti-union lawyers, a former staff rep, and your former officers. The timeline says a lot.

January 22, 2018 – Nick Power appears on behalf of the Freedom Foundation and their team of lawyers in a case against Service Employees Union Local 775.

February 3, 2018 – Dean Tharp quits as your staff rep during contract negotiations.

July 27, 2018 – In a letter to the editor of Orcas Issues titled “Wholehearted Support of Nick Power” Mr. Tharp endorsed Mr. Power for Prosecuting Attorney.

October 18, 2018 – Your (now expired) contract goes into effect.

**January 28, 2019 – Dean Tharp files articles of incorporation for The Guild of Pacific Northwest Employees as the registered agent on file. Kirk Juneau, Shannon Franks, and Tyler Rouse are listed as principals.**

**February 15, 2019 – In the monthly Local 114 meetings, the environment has become increasingly hostile for Council 2 Staff. The Local 114 Membership Meeting has 10 members signed in, failing to meet a quorum. The Council 2 Staff Representative is forcibly removed. A motion is made to hire attorneys, Kirk Juneau moves to amend to take \$12,000 of the local’s funds and put it in retainage with the attorney.**

**February 19, 2019 – Former Local 114 President Jael Komac signs a retainer agreement on behalf of the Local, at a rate of \$250 per hour or a \$45,000 flat fee if paid before March 15, 2019.**

February 20, 2019 – Mrs. Komac transfers \$4,500 from the Local's WECU account to the Local's People's Bank account the check has two signatures as required by the AFSCME Financial Standards Code.

That same day Mrs. Komac empties the local's 3 CD accounts at People's Bank and cuts two checks one for \$11,007 for a cashier's check and one for \$1,000 both made out to Nick Power. Neither had second signature.

Why did your former officers refuse to share the retainer agreement with members who asked? Why won't they share a full accounting of how your dues money was spent with these attorneys?

**The guild has said they have a staff representative and attorneys on standby. Given the history here, would you be surprised if the people who stand to benefit financially from a vote for the guild are the same people who started this mess?**

**Who will decide Dean Tharp's pay, Jael Komac and Kirk Juneau? You should be asking questions.**



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