



COUNTY OF CLAY

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August 31, 2018

Dear CCMH Board Members and CCHM Administration:

I am writing to further clarify my actions and prior statements in the recent controversy involving CCMH and the issue of intergovernmental transfers.

As I have stated, I did not seek any investigation or prosecution related to the issues raised in my prior letter which stated that the CCMH administration was conducting a fraudulent financial practice punishable as a felony.

I wish to be clear and I admit that any public statement or conclusion that any action constitutes criminal activity is beyond the scope of my duties and should not have been made. In my reading of relevant statutes, I believed that there was a compliance issue to be resolved. However that may be, any analysis or determination that actions violate criminal statutes should be made by the County Attorney or the District Attorney and not by the County Auditor. I recognize that the question of potential violation requires a complete investigation outside of my official duties and also requires consideration not only of the face of the statute but of other relevant statutes and case law and-most importantly-of intent. I was not qualified to make that determination as County Auditor and should not have made a statement in the public record to that effect.

I also acknowledge that the CCMH administration is entitled to notice and to a chance to address questions of non-compliance before such issues are raised in Commissioners Court. The timing of my emails and letters did not allow a reasonable time for the CCMH administration to address the relevant issues.

I apologize for any actions of mine which tended to call into question the conduct or integrity of any member of the CCMH administration or board. That was not my intent, and I respect the administration's conduct related to this subject.

Yours very truly,

Gina Blevins

Clay County Auditor

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