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SUBJECT: GOODSON, Tyler and S-Town

Truth, Justice, and the American Way are starving in the town of Woodstock, in Bibb County, Alabama. This community has become, like other small American towns, a haven, a sanctuary city if you will, for police corruption and judicial favoritism. The rule of law in these places is bent and compromised to accommodate local harmony, but sometimes these little compromises grow into big and potentially dangerous habits where felonious and violent crimes committed by local citizens are swept under the rug. Local "street justice" probably is common throughout the states in small towns where the "usual suspects" are well known to law enforcement but in the case of Woodstock this corruption has been shoved into the bright, critical light of day by a podcast that has been accessed more than 60 million times by listeners around the world.

The podcast is titled "S-Town" and was produced by NPR and written and recorded by Brian Reed of "This American Family." S-Town was released in March of 2017 and set a record by having 10 million listeners in only 4 days. It is a detailed and comprehensive, if controversial, piece of modern American journalism that makes extensive use of verbatim audio recordings of the people involved. While it focuses on the circumstances concerning the suicide of a local eccentric southern genius in 2015, S-Town also describes several crimes committed by GOODSON, Tyler (SUBJECT). Some of these crimes have been adjudicated including an October 2017 felony conviction.

However, other serious crimes that were described and admitted by the participants of S-Town have apparently gone uninvestigated and unprosecuted.

I have listened to S-Town with the ears of a retired federal law enforcement official with 32 years of experience. I led a force of over 200 sworn officers. The ramifications of the S-Town podcast have not concluded. There is still Justice that needs to be served.

The S-Town podcast was flawed in one significant and continuing regard; there is a victim in this story. Mrs. Mary Grace McLemore, an elderly woman who was kept in a dark bedroom with the windows boarded shut with neither AC or TV, living in a flea ridden home, while her son and his friend squandered her estate. After John McLemore's suicide SUBJECT repeatedly raided and stole from Mrs. McLemore's property. A recent newspaper article describing SUBJECT's felony

burglary conviction noted that the Judge was going to hold a future hearing to decide if SUBJECT would have to make restitution. IF. Mrs. McLemore, now in assisted care, is entitled to the value of her property.

SUBJECT IS AT THIS MOMENT A FELON IN POSSESSION OF FIREARMS CONTRARY TO BOTH FEDERAL AND STATE LAW. HE IS DANGEROUS TO HIS COMMUNITY. SUBJECT HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SEVERAL CRIMES THAT INVOLVE FIRERAMS. BEFORE HE KILLS SOMEONE PLEASE CONFISCATE THEM.

In October 2017, SUBJECT plead guilty to a felony and two misdemeanors in connection with stealing two buses, a shipping container, and their contents from Mrs. McLemore. Sadly, I note that an officer on the Woodstock PD, who SUBJECT indicates is a friend of his mother, knew for a fact certain that SUBJECT had converted and was using the stolen property at SUBJECT's home. "Tyler Goodson, 26, of Woodstock, pleaded guilty to a felony burglary charge and two misdemeanor counts of theft and criminal trespassing, and will get a 10-year suspended sentence and five years on probation under an agreement with prosecutors, said Bibb County District Attorney Michael Jackson."

It is clear from the S-Town interview that SUBJECT habitually carries a concealed handgun in his black, "Minister's Bag." It is unknown if he has or had a valid concealed pistol permit issued by the Sheriff of Bibb County in accordance with Alabama Code § 13-A-11-73 and 75. If he does not have a pistol permit then he admits to and is witnessed by Brian Reed violating §13A-11-73. If he does have a concealed permit is the Sheriff aware he used it to perpetrate the Burglary as noted elsewhere?

In a truly disturbing series of events that prove my point that local law enforcement in Bibb County is very badly bent the Sheriff who would have issued SUBJECT's handgun permit (if he had one) was Sheriff Hannah. The Sheriff committed suicide by gunshot in November 2016. On October 29, 2017, AL.com posted an article describing a lawsuit the contends in part that Sheriff Hannah covered up a rape, the rapist as a free man then murdered a woman and raped her sister. "Alabama Sheriff who killed himself protected rape, murder suspect, law suit contends." The man running to fill Hannah's empty chair is none other than the Woodstock Chief of Police who I allege is covering up for SUBJECT.

SUBJECT and Brian Reed discuss his arrest for Burglary in the Second Degree, § Section 13A-7-6 a Class B Felony for attempting to enter the home of the mother of one of his children with a **firearm**. I am unaware of the disposition of this case but my best guess is that the charges were dropped.

SUBJECT admits that "getting a face full of buckshot," is a possible consequence if the cousins of Mrs. McLemore continue to investigate the theft of her property. Is this menacing as defined by § 13A-6-23, a Class B Misdemeanor or Making a Terroristic Threat § 13A-10-15, a Class C Felony?

Even the New York Times is aware of these incidents from 17 Jun 2017:

“A main figure in the hugely popular podcast “S-Town” has been arrested on charges that he fatally shot his brother’s dog in central Alabama in April.

Tyler Goodson, who was the sidekick to John B. McLemore, the protagonist of “S-Town,” was already facing theft charges in an unrelated case and was arrested on Tuesday and charged with aggravated animal cruelty, a felony, and reckless endangerment.” I don’t know the disposition of this case.

In clear violation of Alabama § 13A-6-20 Assault in the First Degree, a Class B felony, SUBJECT admits to luring a man to his home on the false promise of work. Arriving at SUBJECT’s house the victim was held at gunpoint (rifle) and shown a shed with a chair and hedge clippers. Subject then threatens the victim with amputation of his fingers but apparently settles for beating the victim with the rifle butt. His rationale was to make the victim admit to the theft of SUBJECT’s other firearms.

S-Town further reports that SUBJECT stole two vehicles, a Mercedes and a pickup truck, from the McLemore family in violation of §13A-8-3 Theft of Property in the First Degree a Class B Felony. Subject then forged the Alabama title documents and sold the cars in violation of §13A-9-3 Forgery in the Second Degree, a Class C Felony.

WHY AREN’T THESE LAWS BEING ENFORCED?

Federal Law 8 USC Chapter 44 § 922 is clear that ;

(g) It shall be unlawful for any person—

(1) who has been convicted in any court of, a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year:

(2) who is a fugitive from justice;

(3) who is an unlawful user of or addicted to any controlled substance (as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802))

SUBJECT admits on S-Town recordings that he uses substances prohibited by the CSA.

13. The only reason it is even arguable that SUBJECT remains eligible under Alabama Code (13A-11-72) to possess a firearm is because he has not been prosecuted for at least 3 violent felonies. That is, however, irrelevant because he is barred by Federal, which, thankfully, preempts Alabama “law.”

(a) No person who has been convicted in this state or elsewhere of committing or attempting to commit a crime of violence, misdemeanor offense of domestic violence, violent offense as listed in Section 12-25-32(15) , anyone who is subject to a valid protection order for domestic

abuse, or anyone of unsound mind shall own a firearm or have one in his or her possession or under his or her control.

(b) No person who is a minor, except under the circumstances provided in this section, a drug addict, or an habitual drunkard shall own a pistol or have one in his or her possession or under his or her control.

I choose to remain anonymous because I have provided no information that is not currently available to more than 60 million people. However, I hope the press will monitor your progress on investigating these matters. I only wonder why those law enforcement jurisdictions responsible to protect the citizenry and enforce the laws are seemingly gobsmacked with inaction.