

The text messages below are deeply concerning and have left me feeling unsafe in my own home, as well as questioning the safety of my children at school. If this is the extent to which the police chief and superintendent are willing to discuss me and monitor my every move, I fear that I may never feel truly secure again.

Exhibit A: Equating a protected and innocuous Facebook post that criticizes the school district to the tragic and violent shooting at a Colorado Springs gay nightclub is a misguided and dangerous comparison. By conflating these two vastly different situations, it threatens free speech and encourages an unwarranted investigation. It is crucial to recognize that the right to express one's opinion in a non-threatening manner is a fundamental aspect of democracy, and such attempts to suppress or punish critical discourse by making baseless comparisons are both inappropriate and unlawful.

Mon, Nov 28 at 8:21 PM

Hi Chief. I am being very proactive reaching out, but in light of recent events in Colorado Springs, I just want to make you aware of a situation. Do you have a few minutes to talk, either now or early tomorrow?

Exhibit B: Helen Payne claims, sans evidence, that the Fresh-Faced Parents page "has a history of commenters making statements in support of school shooters." This assertion is patently absurd and further demonstrates an attempt to provoke an unwarranted investigation, while also retaliating against free speech.

Tue, Nov 29 at 4:02 PM

Hi. Just following up. Insanely crazy day. Thanks for being here this morning. I think any presence you can have would help some of our

community feel safer in the next couple of weeks. The posters and the debate was shared on a site called NJ Fresh Faced Schools, along with the information about our school's name and location. I was able to verify that. However, it was reported to me that this site has a history of commenters making statements in support of school shooters. I have not been able to

Exhibit C: It is unreasonable for Helen Payne to text the police chief Duff about my statement claiming that an elected official supported the posters on a parent page (she falsely claims is an extremist site). The superintendent's role is to focus on educational matters and policy, not to scrutinize or police social media activity, especially when it involves the accurate reporting of an elected official's actions.

Furthermore, it is even more absurd and potentially unlawful for Police Chief Duff to consider investigating social media activity and contemplating criminal charges in response to the superintendent's text. Citizens have the right to post about the actions of elected officials without fear of retaliation or persecution, as this is an essential aspect of free speech and democratic accountability.

Such actions by the superintendent and police chief undermine these fundamental rights and create a chilling effect on public discourse. It is crucial to uphold the right to express opinions and share information about public officials without fear of retribution or legal consequences.

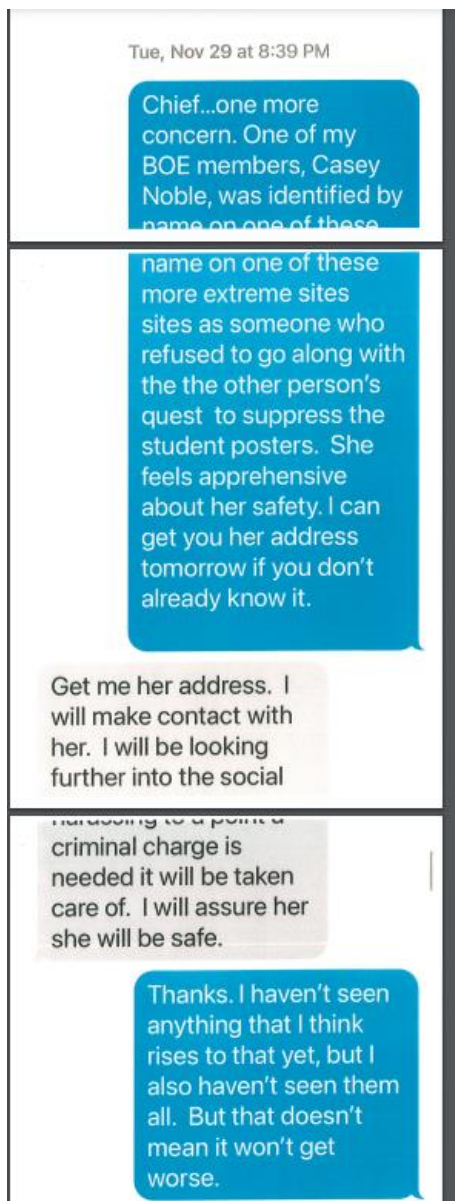


Exhibit D: Based on the phrasing in these text messages, it seems that Helen Payne and Chief Duff may have conspired to reach out to Nik Stouffer, the Facebook Admin, employing the fabrication of a potential shooting as a means to coerce the removal of my post. This alleged conspiracy between Helen Payne and Chief Duff represents a potential violation of the First Amendment. By using the false pretense of a potential shooting to pressure the removal of a post, it could be argued that these actions constitute an infringement on free speech. Such actions undermine the fundamental principles of open discourse and democratic accountability, as individuals should be able to voice their concerns or share information about public officials without fear of retaliation or censorship.

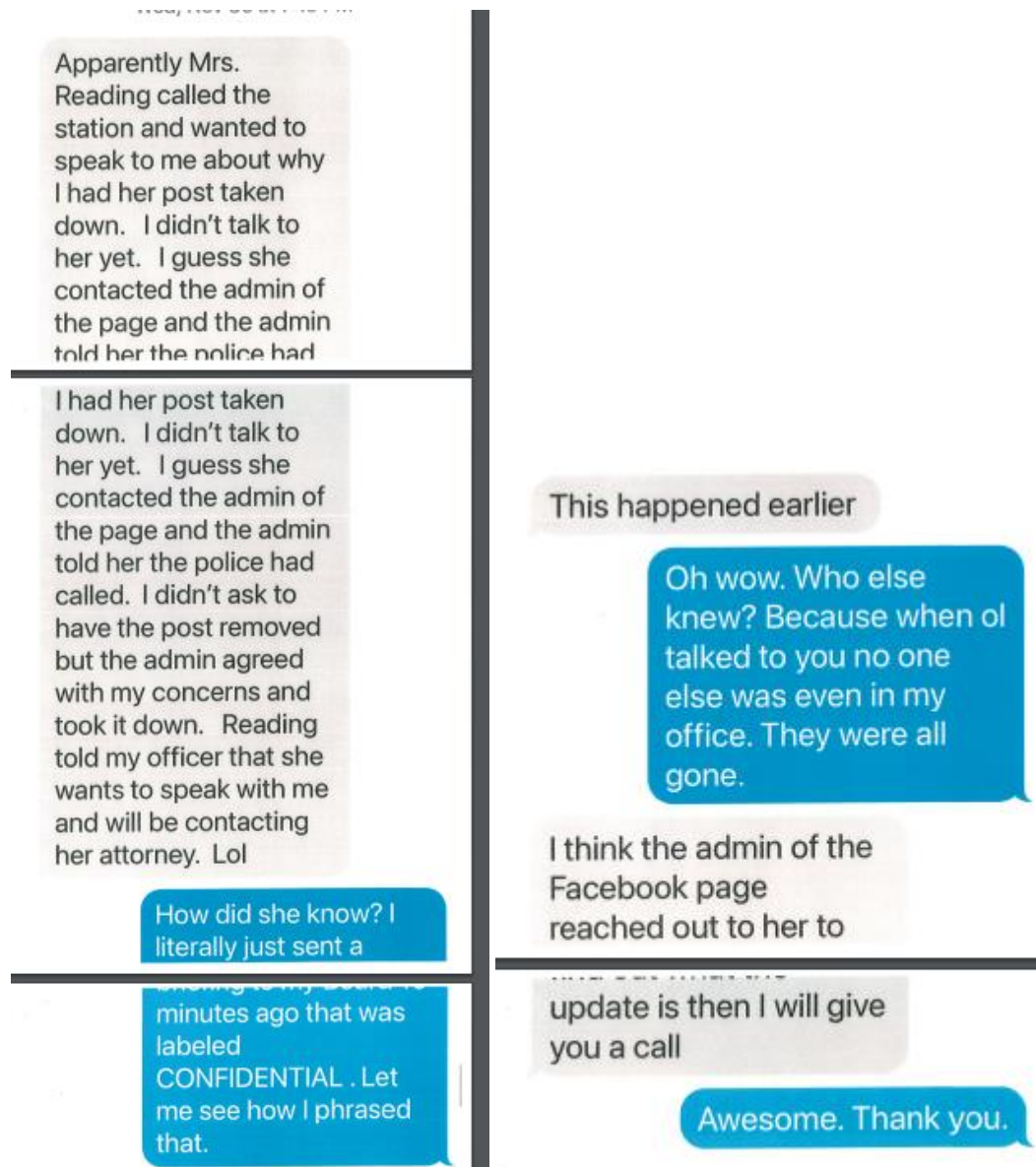


Exhibit E: Why was Chief Duff privy to details regarding the military's actions in relation to Chris Schilling's posts? If the base denied investigating Schilling due to his private citizen status, as reported by FOX, what justified the cleansing of his accounts? This text prompts further inquiry and reflection.

Wed, Dec 7 at 10:20 AM

Helen, just so you know the military has been advised of this and they are taking appropriate action. I will advise you if I hear anything but I do believe they are making him delete all the comments that he has made and to not comment or get involved with any social media accounts in the future.

Exhibit F: The safety letter sent by Helen Payne to the community on December 1, insinuating that I had engaged in criminal or quasi-criminal activity that jeopardized the student's safety, appears to be a pretext for her ulterior motive: causing me personal harm and silencing my speech critical of the district. This is supported by the fact that no mention of any parent issues or safety concerns arose until December 4, and even those concerns lacked credibility. By using the guise of community safety, Payne's actions may be seen as an attempt to suppress dissenting opinions and discredit valid criticism. This not only undermines democratic principles but also calls into question the integrity of those involved in disseminating such misleading information.

It is essential to recognize that the claims of safety concerns seem to have originated from Schilling and his associates, raising questions about the legitimacy of the concerns and suggesting that they may be intended to undermine my reputation and discredit my critique of the district. This raises serious questions about the intent behind Payne's letter and the potential infringement on free speech and open discourse.

Sun, Dec 4 at 4:56 PM

I have a couple of emails from parents who are "afraid for their children's safety" and want to know specifically what we are doing to keep their children safe. Will you still have a presence at arrival and dismissal? Is there something else/more I should be doing?

We will have an officer at each school for arrival and dismissal. Also walk throughs during the day.

Ok thank you. Any additional recommendations for me beyond our normal protocols?

Exhibit G: It is troubling to see a pattern where any comment, opinion, or website that some individuals disagree with is hastily labeled as extremism. This practice is not only reductive, but it also undermines the very essence of free speech and open discourse, which are cornerstones of a democratic society. By attaching the label of extremism to differing opinions, it fosters an environment where dissenting voices are silenced, and debate is stifled. This oversimplification of diverse perspectives can lead to the marginalization of legitimate concerns and an echo chamber effect where only conforming opinions are tolerated. The indiscriminate use of the term extremism to describe content that challenges the status quo, or that some find uncomfortable, is detrimental to the democratic process.

Exhibit H: According to Helen, safeguarding my First Amendment rights, personal safety, and reputation equates to "sacrificing the community" for the sake of my "individual needs."

I am sorry. I just don't understand people and I definitely don't understand why anyone would sacrifice a community like NHT for their personal needs. Enjoy your weekend.

Exhibit I: For nearly three weeks now, Helen Payne and Duff persist in monitoring my Facebook activity and personal affairs.

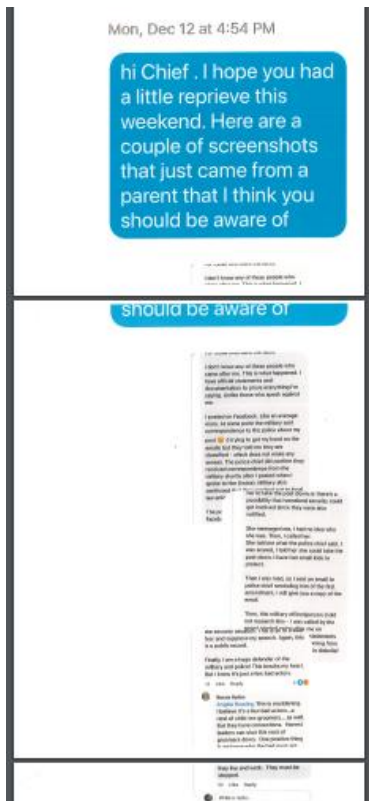


Exhibit J: Taking to a radio show, I dared to mention Helen Payne and Casey Noble, a board member, which provoked Chief Duff to label me as "sick in the head." Helen Payne concurred, dismissing the issue as "old news." Such conduct from government officials not only reflects malice, but also raises concerns about potential First Amendment retaliation. These actions make it difficult for citizens like me to feel safe while exercising our right to free speech and discussing matters of public interest.

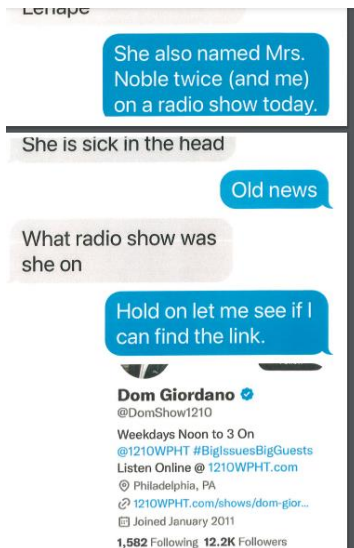


Exhibit K: Chief Duff acknowledges that the county and detective will continue monitoring me, despite my adherence to rules, laws, and the absence of any incitement to violence or overstepping the clear boundaries of the First Amendment.



Exhibit L: Despite the military's active involvement in my Facebook post under the pretense that some students attending the Upper Elementary School have military ties, Chief Duff concedes that they hold no jurisdiction over the school and township. This contradicts the assertions made by both the base and Chief Duff all along. Duff also acknowledges investigating Becca Upton for her innocuous post, which suggests that leaders promoting this agenda should be stopped.

I have plenty of resources coming tomorrow night except the base police. They can't come because it's not Endeavor

Probably better off

Right. They can't. We should be good. Maybe the keyboard jackasses won't leave their basements

I'm also working on finding out who this Becca Upton person is.

the security situation. This is all to create fear and suppress my speech. Again, this is a public record.

Finally, I am a huge defender of the military and police! This breaks my heart. But I know it's just a few bad actors.

1d Like Reply

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Becca Upton

[Angela Reading](#) This is maddening. I believe it's a few bad actors...a nest of child sex groomers... as well. But they have connections. Honest leaders can shut this nest of groomers down. One positive thing is we know who the bad guys are

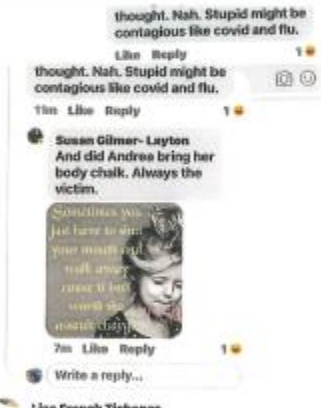
they live and work. They must be stopped.

5h Like Reply

Exhibit M: Despite not breaking any laws or violating any rules, Helen Payne and Chief Duff persist in monitoring and conducting surveillance on my every move and post. Duff even requests, "Send me anything you see, because I'm off social media." Helen now alleges that a small, local parent page called Northern Burlington is a right-wing moms' group, which is patently absurd, especially given that it is managed by a man who also serves as a board member in a neighboring town.

Great. People need to get a life.

Reaction to tonight's



Send me anything you see cause I'm off social media

Ok. That was from a right wing moms group. I'm not a member but I have "people."

Exhibit N: Chief Duff asserts that I should keep my mouth shut, which aligns seamlessly with his ongoing campaign to retaliate against my freedom of speech.

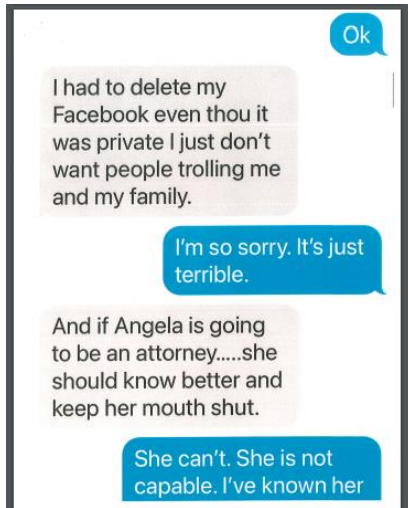


Exhibit O: They depend on a document filled with inaccuracies, penned by Anna Fe, a close friend of Chris Schilling, to support their claim of righteousness. If they are truly worried about me speaking to the media, it's curious why they would advocate contacting Tucker with this preposterous document.

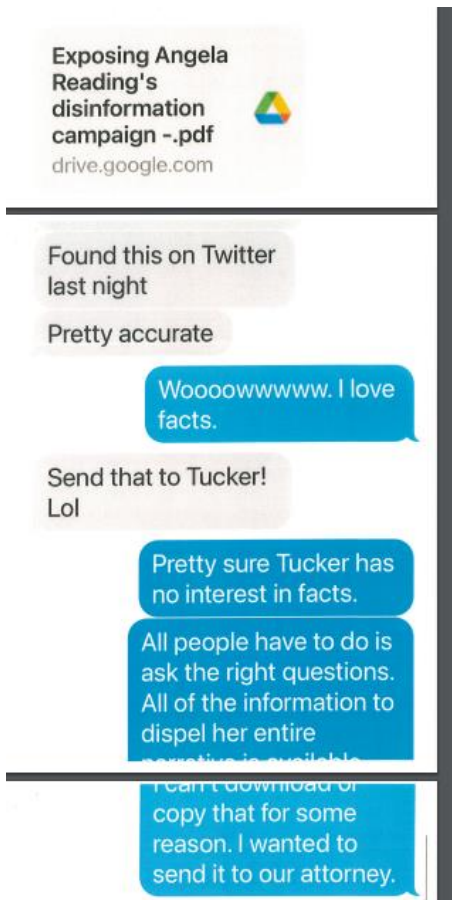


Exhibit P: Chief Duff alleges that I called for people to attend a board meeting, without specifying which one and when. In reality, I emphasized that anyone attending a meeting should be respectful and kind, and not perpetuate the notion that the Right is irrational. To Duff, it seems acceptable for a group of leftists to attend a meeting, such as the one on December 13, 2022, but those on the opposing side should not even consider participating in a public board meeting.

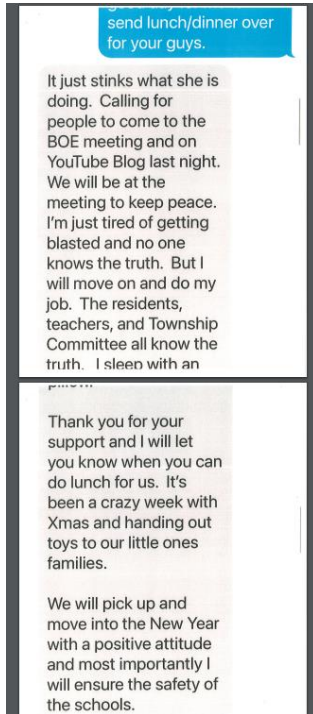


Exhibit Q: It is appalling to witness a school superintendent and police chief engaging in a discussion about a newly elected official using their taxpayer-funded cellular devices. Additionally, it's worth noting that Anthony Grindlinger doesn't work for my husband; rather, his son does.

