

Formal Complaint: Request for Suspension of Michael Noonan and Cessation of Publicly Funded Defense

To: Montana Attorney General

From: [Your Name], Montana Resident

Date: [Insert Date]

Subject:

Request for Immediate Suspension of Michael Noonan and Cessation of Taxpayer-Funded Legal Defense

Summary of Complaint

I am submitting this formal complaint to demand the immediate suspension of Michael Noonan, currently employed by the Montana Attorney General's office, and the cessation of taxpayer-funded legal defense for Noonan. This request is based on credible allegations and court findings that Noonan acted outside the scope of his lawful authority, with malice and reckless disregard for constitutional rights, as detailed in ongoing federal litigation and recent court filings.

Legal Basis

- **Montana Code Annotated § 2-9-305(6):**
Prohibits a governmental entity from defending or indemnifying an employee whose conduct was outside the course and scope of employment, constituted malice, fraud, or intentional wrongdoing, or otherwise removed the employee from statutory protection
- **Court Findings:**
The federal lawsuit against Noonan has survived two motions to dismiss, with the court finding the allegations plausible and legally sufficient. The nature of the allegations triggers statutory prohibition, regardless of final conviction.

Facts Supporting Suspension

- Noonan knowingly charged a citizen with a crime despite exculpatory evidence.
 - Ignored the Sheriff's directive not to prosecute.
 - Withheld proof of property ownership for over a year.
 - Acted with malice and reckless disregard for constitutional rights.
 - Taxpayer-funded defense is ongoing, in violation of Montana law.
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Request for Action

1. **Suspend Michael Noonan from his duties at the Attorney General's office pending trial and resolution of the federal lawsuit.**
 2. **Immediately cease all taxpayer-funded legal defense for Noonan and any deputies accused of acting outside their lawful authority.**
 3. **Initiate an independent investigation into Noonan's conduct and compliance with Montana law.**
 4. **Provide transparency to Montana residents regarding legal expenses and risks associated with Noonan's actions.**
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Conclusion

The State of Montana cannot afford to ignore its own laws or risk further liability. The ongoing defense of Noonan with public funds is unlawful and exposes taxpayers to catastrophic financial risk. I urge the Attorney General to act immediately to protect the state, uphold the law, and restore public trust.

Respectfully,

[Your Name]

[Your Address]

[Your Contact Information]