

AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL JENKINS

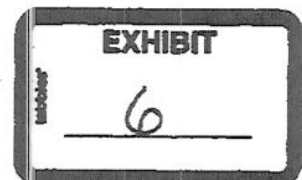
State of Tennessee)

) ss:

County of Shelby

I, Mike Jenkins, under oath do hereby depose and state as follows:

- 1) My current address and telephone number are: 936 Shorey Cove, Cordova TN. 38018. Phone- 901-331-7659.
- 2) I am currently employed by: D1 Sports Training, Cordova, TN
- 3) I was employed by Marshall University from 1998 to 2005 as the Head Strength and Conditioning Coach. My primary responsibilities were with the football program.
- 4) I was not retained by new MU Coach Mark Snyder when he replaced Coach Pruett in 2005.
- 5) I have known Dr. B. David Ridpath for 11 years and have worked with him at 2 institutions (Marshall University and Weber State University).
- 6) My personal observations of Dr. Ridpath's work performance in various athletic administrative positions based on several years of close association are that he was effective, thorough, and competent.
- 7) I was first made aware of possible NCAA violations at Marshall University within the football program in the Summer of 1999.
- 8) I have knowledge that the academic fraud concerning football athletes receiving special academic assistance in violation of NCAA rules, specifically certain athletes receiving copies of a final exam in advance of the test, was initiated and known by Coach Pruett and others on the staff.
- 9) The Study guide (later determined to be an advanced copy of the PE 201 final exam) was to be put on my desk for athletes to come pick up off my desk. I did not distribute nor have advanced knowledge of what it was.
- 10) I was present in a football staff meeting circa spring 1999 when Coach Pruett assured the staff that certain football athletes (specifically Dani Derricott) would be eligible for the Fall 2000 season because "they were guaranteed to get A's in McAllister's class." When questioned again—did Pruett again emphatically state they would "get A's."
- 11) I became aware that prop 48 athletes were being directed to high paying weekend jobs at McCorkle Machine shop owned by prominent booster Marshall Reynolds shortly after my arrival at Marshall in 1998.
- 12) I have general knowledge that the props worked at McCorkle. I am specifically aware of Curtis Jones and Jacob Belmont (Strength and Conditioning G.A.)
- 13) I am aware of other locations where prop 48 athletes and football athletes were directed to go for employment, specifically Logan's Meat Packing in Huntington. I am not certain if they worked for higher wages there, but am aware that some players worked there.



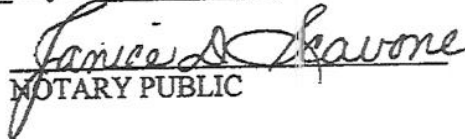
- 14) I have knowledge about athletes working at Pruett's house and homes and properties of other boosters.
- 15) I have knowledge that football prop athletes were directed by Ralph May and Mark Gale to specific job locations.
- 16) I know this because my former graduate assistant, Jacob Belmont, also performed work at McCorkle one or two times with the props and he was paid \$25 per hour. Belmont indicated that the players did little work and there were only football and basketball athletes at McCorkle doing said work.
- 17) Prior to leaving Marshall University, I had several conversations with former Marshall University Associate Athletic Director David Reed and current Director of Football Operations, Mark Gale about this case. In these conversations Reed and/or Gale stated several times that "they were not going to jail over this," "Ridpath is right and he is going to win." and "I will not lie for Coach Pruett (Expletive deleted)."

- 18) This affiant says nothing further.



Michael Jenkins

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of June, 2007.



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