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Director Jason Perry
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Dear Mr. Perry,

I took over as the Commander of Post 290 of The American Legion located in King, North Carolina on Monday July 10, 2017. With the position I have inherited several old business items one of which is a letter that is not dated but the envelope was postmarked on June 30, 2017. It is true that Steven Hewett is barred from any Post 290 property. A copy of your letter has been sent up the chain to the Department level that includes the North Carolina Commander. Several questions have been raised that I will list,

- 1 When and where does the Stokes County Board of Elections meet?
- 2 Where did you get the information that you have listed as "Per the North Carolina State Board of Elections"? Was this someone's opinion or suggestion? In NC GS 163 there are several listed duties of "precinct officials" that refer to voters and people registering that they are not to be delayed but we don't find anything about candidates being in the same boat. What are the numbered NC General Statutes or Federal Law that makes it a right for person to campaign? Checking with other county BOE's that have restricted voting places. All candidates are told of the locations and restrictions. The closest is Forsyth County that has a total of 101 precincts with 33 having restrictions placed by the owner of the property. Such things as electioneering and signage is restricted and other prohibited items and acts are in place across the State.
- 3 Do you have a copy of a written agreement with the Post for use of the Main Building?
- 4 What is the NC General Statute in chapter 163 or other law(s) that overrides chapter 14, 15, 15A, 50B or 50C and would give a person the right to be on property after being forbidden?

We at The American Legion provide services for the community. In King, a safe, covenant and secure place to vote is one thing that has been in place for years and we wish to continue. Only a few problems have risen and one was last year that was addressed by the Post and will not replay as long as Steven Hewett stays off Post 290

Property. I know that the Stokes County BOE has the power to change the voting place but are you willing to take on the liability? After the incident on the General Election last year according to The Stokes News, Hewett contacted the Chairman of the Democrat Party in Stokes County to request the precinct voting station be changed. There was outcry from the public because of the easy access to the building and other factors and nothing was changed. I appreciate the heads up. With the current information contained in your letter being known, nothing at this time will change. Please advise me if things do change with this matter. Please respond promptly so that our protocol can be followed and take care of this matter properly.

Clifton J. Kilby Jr.
Commander
Post 290