

To Better Business Bureau Austin
1800 Rutherford Lane Suite 100
Austin Texas 78754 March 13, 2019

Greetings BBB---

This is in regard to your entry on Texas Humane Legislation Network. As a reminder, I sent the following email to you dated February 12, 2019 regarding Texas Humane Legislation Network's FAILURE to meet your criteria #15 "Truthful Materials," to the contrary, their materials are misleading donors to make contributions---see below the following scans for more info. Will I have to contact the National Council of Better Business Bureaus, or some Texas State agency, to get you to do the RIGHT THING and DISQUALIFY Texas Humane Legislation Network for FAILING your #15 criteria, "Truthful Materials?" I am ready to contact all media outlets in the greater Austin area to get relief for the public who are being misled to get donations. I am contacting the Office of the Texas Attorney General with Charitable Trusts Complaint Form as advised by Mr. Carlos Ibanez of the Constituent Affairs Division of the State Attorney General's Office for their review. I don't see how anyone could find other than that Texas Humane Legislation Network's materials are UNTRUTHFUL.

From: Charles Savoie [csavoie@tx.rr.com]
To: 'info@austin.bbb.org'
Cc:
Subject: additional details

Message | THLN.pdf (119 KB)

<https://www.bbb.org/central-texas/charity-reviews/charity-local/texas-humane-legislation-network-in-austin-tx-1000114012/#sealclick>

Texas Humane Legislation Network fails your criteria #15 "Truthful Materials"

They intentionally omit to state that in 2011 they lobbied to CONTINUE gassing of pets in Texas shelters!

I refer you to THLN's own PDF attached!

They're not including in news stories on their group that they worked to maintain gassing in 2011---

<http://thekatynews.com/2017/11/09/texas-humane-legislation-network-launches-statewide-pac/>

<https://www.aspca.org/about-us/press-releases/aspca-thln-welcome-texas-law-banning-animal-gas-chambers>

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Internal Revenue Service Form 13909 mailed yesterday to Dallas IRS office at 1100 Commerce Street---

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Form 13909 (December 2016)	Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service		
Tax-Exempt Organization Complaint (Referral)			
1. Name of referred organization TEXAS HUMANE LEGISLATION NETWORK			
Street address 11801 DOMAIN BOULEVARD 3RD FLOOR			
City AUSTIN	State TX	ZIP code 78758	Date of referral
2. Organization's Employer Identification Number (EIN) UNKNOWN - N.A. - REQUEST THEM			
3. Nature of violation <input type="checkbox"/> Directors/Officers/Persons are using income/assets for personal gain			

UNKNOWN - N.A. - REQUEST THEM

3. Nature of violation

- Directors/Officers/Persons are using income/assets for personal gain
- Organization is engaged in commercial, for-profit business activities
- Income/Assets are being used to support illegal or terrorist activities
- Organization is involved in a political campaign
- Organization is engaged in excessive lobbying activities
- Organization refused to disclose or provide a copy of Form 990
- Organization failed to report employment, income or excise tax liability properly
- Organization failed to file required federal tax returns and forms
- Organization engaged in deceptive or improper fundraising practices
- Other (describe)

4. Details of violation

Name(s) of person(s) involved

SHELOY BOBOSKY - CILE HOLLOWAY - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Organizational title(s)

PRESIDENT - VICE PRESIDENT - DIRECTORS - OTHERS

Date(s)

MISC. SEE ENCLOSURES

Dollar amount(s) (if known)

Description of activities

THLN REPRESENTS TO MEDIA ONLY THAT IN 2013 THEY LOBBIED TO BAN GASSING OF PETS IN TEXAS & WON IT. ADMIT THEY LOBBIED IN 2015 TO CONTINUE GASSING PETS. DECEPTIVE AND IMPROPER FUNDRAISING PRACTICES.

5. Submitter information

Name

CHARLES R. SAVOIE

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU, you can check the URL for the statement following---

<https://www.nathanwinograd.com/linked/THLN.pdf>

THLN strongly supports and endorses the stated intent of this bill; however, THLN was not made aware of the bill until it was filed on March 11, 2011 and was not involved in its drafting or in discussions of the issues included in the bill. Further, to THLN's knowledge few, if any, of the many public and private shelters in this state who are the true "stakeholders" were consulted or had input into the drafting of the bill.

THLN A STATE LEGISLATIVE CARTEL! NO PET LEGISLATION PASSED MINUS THEIR SAY-SO!!! THE 30,000 PETS GASSED DUE TO DELAY IN RELIEF CAUSED BY THE TEXAS "HUMANE" (??) LEGISLATION NETWORK? THEY WERE NOT THE "TRUE STAKEHOLDERS" THLN SAYS!!!!!!!!!! THLN ARROGANCE IS FAR OFF THE SCALE!!!!!! FOR THESE 30,000 DEATHS THEY WANT \$\$\$!

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU, you will kindly check the link below
And see that Texas Humane Legislation Network is SILENT as
To their BLOCKING RELIEF FOR PETS BEING GASSED in the 2011
State legislative session! They convey the impression to
Prospective donors that THEY ended gassing in 2013 when
In FACT, they acted to PROLONG GASSING FOR TWO YEARS!
Misleading the public to SWINDLE donations! Materials
NOT TRUTHFUL! DECEPTIVE FUND RAISING!

<https://www.thln.org/our-victories>

GAS CHAMBER BILL


When performed properly, euthanasia by injection of sodium pentobarbital is the safest, most humane method, and the least stressful to the animal. Historically, the lack of access to these drugs has been an issue for shelters. In 2013, the Texas Humane Legislation Network passed a bill that prohibits the use of carbon monoxide gas as ...

BBB, it was the State Legislature, not THLN, that passed the bill! They STILL won't admit for proper public disclosure that they hindered this reform for TWO YEARS. Instead, THLN SEIZES CREDIT for the reform!
DECEPTIVE FUND RAISING TACTICS!

Better Business Bureau, I await your action. It won't end if you just decide to let your review of THLN stand as is, I have others to discuss this with. For ex; if THLN receives donations by check sent to them via United States Postal Service, the Inspection Service may conclude MAIL FRAUD has taken place. I will be inquiring their views with them shortly.

Kindly do the RIGHT thing and DISQUALIFY Texas Humane Legislation Network on your criteria #15, UNLESS they are willing to post at <https://www.thln.org/our-victories> admission that they acted in 2011 to CONTINUE GASSING PETS! They omit to disclose this portion of their lobbying record BECAUSE THEY KNOW IT WILL CAUSE DONORS TO WITHHOLD CONTRIBUTIONS! BBB, WHERE IN THE LAW IS THERE ANY RIGHT TO MISLEAD THE PUBLIC TO GARNER DONATION INCOME?

Charles Savoie
908 Glenda Drive
Bedford Texas 76022

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<p>PS Form 3811, July 2015 PSN 7530-02-000-9053 Domestic Return Receipt</p>	

Sent to BBB Austin on March 18, 2019---

This message was sent with High importance.

From: Charles Savoie [csavoie@tx.rr.com]
 To: 'info@austin.bbb.org'
 Subject: My next actions

BBB,

I have sent you a certified mail envelope showing why the Texas Humane Legislative criteria #15, "truthful materials." This was as follow up to an email contact.

It appears you are choosing to take no action on this matter. It occurred to me that attempting to say THLN's materials are "truthful" (I have all relevant screenshots) authorities to conclude complicity in fund raising fraud by continuing to pass them

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Humane Legislation Network's use of half truths to entice donations. In 2011, they lobbied to continue gassing of pets, and defeated a bill to stop gassing. In 2013, THLN switched sides and an anti-gassing measure was passed. At their site (screenshots made and filed) they holler how they campaigned to end gassing, and are silent on their former support for gassing. Instead of admitting they delayed the end of gassing by two years, they claim credit for "spearheading" a drive to end it. Do you actually think this is lawful fundraising tactics? To disclose half of their record on this matter? The half of it painting themselves in such a light as to make them appealing to prospective donors? FYI I have many people to contact on the matter of THLN's fundraising methods, STATEWIDE. Will you take action or not? I can't

see how you could end up being viewed by most in a negative light. Don't let me hear back from you that I can't take this to the Texas public, I have already acted as whistleblower to State and Federal agencies and am about to contact John Stossel and John Oliver for a televised expose of this THLN organization. SLAPP suits in Texas have been greatly weakened!

BBB, this is a SERIOUS matter, as most of ONE MILLION DOLLARS is in THLN's "till" from this questionable fund raising tactic of not disclosing to donors their FULL RECORD on the matter of gassing of pets!

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CHARLES SAVOIE

Sent to BBB Austin on March 21, 2019---

From: Charles Savoie [csavoie@tc.rr.com]
 To: 'info@austn.bbb.org'
 Cc:
 Subject: WHAT????????????

Is RICK BOSQUET running this BBB? If so, is he covering for THLN re "Truthful Materials?" I found a 2018 item saying he's an official at your office, and another item from 2014 that he was THLN! Media are likely to interpret this as risk for BIAS!

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I have call apointment TOMORROW with Postal Inspection Service to get their views on potential MAIL FRAUD! It would be THLN Austin receiving checks by mail from people believing THLN “spearheaded” the 2013 drive to end gassing of Texas pets, and not mentioning to donors that they lobbied in 2011 to DEFEAT a measure banning gassing! If donors aren’t being told THLN’s entire record on this matter, I’d say absolutely it’s fund raising by deception! We shall see what the Postal Inspection Service has to say!

Also I am going to the regional office of my Texas State Senator! Meantime, the Internal Revenue Service is in receipt of a Form 13909 I filed, “Tax Exempt Organization Complaint,” via their criteria, “organization involved in deceptive or improper fundraising practices,” and a similar complaint filed electronically (screenshots retained) with the Office of the Texas Attorney General. Note that while neither the IRS nor the Texas AG Office is likely to post me as to any developments, this doesn’t mean they’re sitting on their hands! You’d be well advised to not sit on yours either!

Additionally I’m taking this to the Houston Press, to begin with, and media all around AUSTIN!

You MUST NOT claim THLN's materials are truthful! If authorities; the IRS, Texas AG Office, Postal Inspection Service, decide my view is correct, anyone continuing to maintain their fundraising materials are truthful, may be viewed as an accomplice! Refusing response won't make this matter go away!

I still have a certified mail receipt dated March 13 on an envelope I mailed to YOU regarding THLN's "materials." Austin is a two day delivery status from my area. Very odd it's still "in transit," but I'll have investigation started here if it isn't delivered by next mid-week!

Have a nice day!

March 13, 2018---

"In fact, we've gotten dozens of complaints in about 24 states, including Texas. So that company is definitely on our radar," said Rick Bousquet, Regional Director of the Better Business Bureau Heart of Texas.

**As of March 27, 2014 item in the Houston Press,
Rick Bosquet was executive director of Texas Humane
Legislation Network!**

**So since then he's an official at the same Better
Business Bureau I've asked, justifiably, to give a failing
grade to their criteria #15 on THLN, "Truthful
Materials," how can their materials be truthful?**

His reputation score? 44.6%!

Rick Bosquet (Jacques), 48 - Arlington, TX | Background Report at ...

<https://www.mylife.com> > People Search > TX > Arlington > Rick Bosquet ▼

Rick Bosquet was born on 09/28/1970 and is 48 years old. Rick's Reputation Score is 2.23. Rick Bosquet currently lives in Arlington, TX; in the past Rick has ...

**As I write this on Saturday, March 29, 2019, the Austin
BBB has refused to sign for my certified mailpiece to
them complaining about Rick Bosquet and THLN.
They are being STUPID, because when the Postal Service
returns my certified mail envelope back to me, it will
have an official Postal stamp on it reading "Delivery**

Refused” or some such! So I’ll be able to prove they refused delivery! They refused delivery because they’d already heard from me by Email and were “on the alert” as to me causing them “problems!” However, this BBB made their own problems by not immediately OUSTING this DISGUSTING CRETIN Rick Bousquet!

This situation is not over till he’s ousted, or until the National Council of Better Business Bureaus expels the BBB Austin! The BBB National Council has taken such action before; they have strong precedent here

<http://business.time.com/2013/03/19/why-the-better-business-bureau-should-give-itself-a-bad-grade/>

I contacted several Austin City Council members, three State Representatives from greater Austin area, State Senator Kirk Watson, my State Rep Jonathan Stickland (his office does not CARE) and my State Senator Kelly Hancock, who I have yet to hear from!

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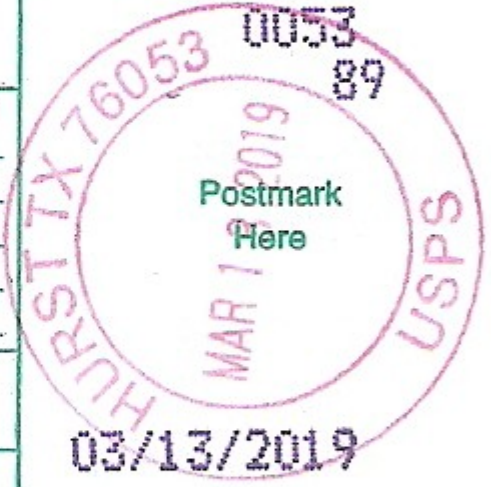
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My message on 3/26/2019 to three State Reps and State Senator Kirk Watson re THLN and BBB Austin---; later I discover that Israel and Hinojosa appear to have linkage to the THLN---

This message is from Charles Savoie. [csavoie@tx.rr.com]

I contacted your BBB about their info on Texas Humane Legislation Network, their criteria #15, "Truthful Materials," is WRONG! At "Our Victories" THLN boasts it lobbied to end gassing of pets in 2013. THLN is misleading donors to get MONEY as they omit to mention that in 2011 THLN lobbied to defeat a bill that would

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have ended gassing two years earlier! Your BBB is refusing to correct #15 in the info on the THLN. Now I find a Rick Bousquet was a THLN official and has since insinuated himself into the BBB in Fort Worth and/or Austin, creating a bias and conflict of interest! Very soon I intend to message over 400 media outlets statewide on this situation! I also contacted the IRS as to charity fraud (misleading to get donations); the State AG office, same thing, and the Postal Inspection Service re possible mail fraud (using the Federal mails to get donations, misleading donors as to their lobby record on gassing!) The BBB Austin should OUST Bosquet, and if he's in Fort Worth, he should be ousted there due to conflict of interest. More details at www.texaspetprotect.org (not completed till end of March). I hope you will pull a string to help the BBB clean up its act! Same message sent to all other Austin CC members (but not to the Mayor, he has VERY bad feedback!) I sent certified mail on March 13 to BBB Austin, still not delivered (meaning this BBB is refusing to accept the mailpiece!) Ducking issues won't make issues go away!

On March 28, 2019, I sent message to SLATE---due to they had a feature several years ago---

<https://slate.com/business/2010/12/is-the-better-business-bureau-a-protection-racket.html>

Greetings Slate!

I recently contacted the BBB Austin Texas to notify them regarding their profile on Texas Humane Legislation Network, that their BBB criteria #15, "Truthful Materials," in which the BBB says this THLN group gets a passing mark, is not correct!

Briefly, the THLN crows to the public that in 2013 it lobbied in Texas to end gassing of shelter pets, and it induces donations on the basis of seizing credit for this. However, in

2011, THLN lobbied against a bill that would have ended gassing two years earlier, and THLN is not disclosing this to prospective donors!

The BBB has refused any response to my emails. On March 13 I sent a certified letter to them in Austin. Postal delivery standards are two day overnight from DFW area to Austin. The online tracking shows the envelope hasn't been delivered; meaning, this BBB is refusing to sign to accept it. I shortly anticipate the Postal Service will return the envelope to me with an official Postal notice stamped on it, "Delivery Refused" or some such.

Slate editors/reporters, I more recently discovered that a Rick Bosquet was a recent THLN official, and he went on to be with this BBB!

I am soon to launch a 100% nonprofit site, www.texaspetprotect.org with many details. I have

separate info on this BBB corruption scandal. I messaged everyone on the Austin City Council; plus three State legislators from the Austin area and a State senator. No response; I believe at least two of these parties are THLN connected.

I have filed complaints re THLN's misleading fundraising with the Postal Inspection Service; Internal Revenue Service; and State of Texas Attorney General's office.

Thank you for your time,

Charles Savoie

www.texaspetprotect.org (nearly complete)