



October 27, 2020

VIA FACSIMILE ONLY: 702-486-3768

Office of the Attorney General
Attorney General Aaron Ford
c/o Public Records Coordinator
555 East Washington Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

RE: Open Records Act Request - Aaron D. Ford -
<https://www.facebook.com/fordfornevada/>

Dear Attorney General:

From stories of a manager at the New Frontier draining the pool after Sammy Davis Jr. went for a swim, Nat King Cole being turned away by a doorman on the strip, restrictive covenants and Nevada's own anti-miscegenation law, Nevada's racial history is checkered at best. Fortunately for all of us, that is not the end of the story. From Harry Belafonte swimming in the pool at the Riviera and the opening of the Moulin Rouge in 1955, the meeting between James McMillan, Charles West, Grant Sawyer, Oran Gragson, Hank Greenspun and others that resulted in the Moulin Rouge Agreement on March 26, 1960 ending official segregation and the appointment of Bob Bailey as chairman of the Nevada Equal Rights Commission, Nevadans have worked hard and continue to work to close the chapter of racial division and recognize the equality of each of its citizens.

When we met on August 21, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. you relayed several stories from your youth, including one where you decided to become a Democrat after someone told you that a program you were in ended when it was defunded by Republicans. You have also bragged about living in Section 8 housing and receiving food stamps as a young father, while attending school. You also attributed your education to affirmative action.

Most disturbing to me was the reason you asked me to meet you to discuss the way I disagreed with one of your Facebook posts. During the meeting, you expressed your concern over my lack of concern for your racial purity. Even though I felt extremely uncomfortable, I did acknowledge your racial purity so that you would know that I do see you as a person of color, even though that has nothing to do with how I judge you as a man, a lawyer or as a politician.

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As Nevada's top law enforcement officer you have used your political page on Facebook to express your approval of Joe Biden's corruption; to express your plans to promote corruption within the voting process in Nevada; you have threatened to prosecute conservative poll watchers; you have expressed support for violent rioters and looters; you have expressed support of violent, hateful, racist organizations that marginalize groups based on skin color; you have expressed your efforts to undermine trust in the government; you have constantly and consistently promoted race based fear and hate; and you have highlighted the insane focus you have on your "racial purity." If you were a private citizen, I would simply disagree, but support your first amendment right to express your opinion.

As Nevada's top law enforcement officer, I believe that your official position on race relations and political corruption is dangerous and wrong. Since our meeting, I have continued to disagree with many of your posts on Facebook. I have mocked your intelligence; I have called you racist where I felt it was appropriate and I have pointed out your servitude to the Democratic National Committee and to Joe Biden. I believe that your leadership as our state's top law enforcement officer is a detriment to our state and to the good people of the Great State of Nevada. The people of this state deserve to be treated equally by our top law enforcement officer without regard to religion, national origin, race, color, sex, or political affiliation.

On October 22, 2020 you blocked me and deleted my protected 1st Amendment speech posts on your official political Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/fordfornevada/>. See *Knight First Amendment Institute, et. al. v. Donald J. Trump, et al.*, 18-1691-cv, (2nd. Cir. 2019), holding that "the First Amendment does not permit a public official who utilizes a social media account for all manner of official purposes to exclude persons from an otherwise-open online dialogue because they expressed views with which the official disagrees."

"Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves, and, under a just God, cannot long retain it."—Abraham Lincoln, letter to H.L. Pierce, April 6, 1859.

The people of the Great State of Nevada deserve to know what kind of man you really are.

Please accept this letter in accordance with NRS Chapter 239 as an Open Records Act Request.

To that end, please provide a copy of notes, documents or records relating to and generated before, during or after our meeting on August 21, 2019.

Please also provide a copy of any “file” your office has that relates to me.

Please also provide a copy of the Facebook entries that I posted and you deleted from your page, <https://www.facebook.com/fordfornevada/>. Please include a copy of your original post that I was responding to.

Please also provide a copy of Facebook entries that you deleted that were posted by users other than myself.

If you deny any or this entire request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of appeal procedures available to me under the law.

You may comply with this request by emailing electronic copies of the requested documents to jmaridon@maridonlaw.com.

If you have any questions about this request, you may contact me by telephone at 702-514-0102 or email at jmaridon@maridonlaw.com.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joseph R. Maridon, Jr.", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Joseph R. Maridon, Jr.