



# County of San Diego Grand Jury

## Citizen Complaint Form

San Diego County Grand Jury  
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San Diego, CA 92101-3518  
619-236-2020 Fax 619-338-8127  
Email: sdgrandjury@sdcounty.ca.gov

**Please Review Complaint  
Guidelines on Reverse Side**

Date 12/24/2023

1. **Who:** (Your Name) Darryl Cotton  
Address 6176 Federal Blvd.  
City, State, Zip Code San Diego, CA 92124  
Telephone 619.954.4447

2. **What:** Subject of Complaint: Briefly state the nature of complaint and the action of what San Diego County department, section agency or official(s) that you believe was illegal or improper.

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Prior to Prop 64 being voted on in 2016, Americans for Safe Access would, during the course of their normal weekly meetings, allow special guest speakers to spend the better part of an hour, extolling the virtues of passing Prop 64 as progressive cannabis law and regulation. ASA National and their local Chapter Chair, Terrie Best refused to take a position on Prop 64 as they claimed they only opined on medical cannabis related matters and Prop 64 was Adult-Use Recreational. Of course this was nonsense as it was the biggest thing to happen to medical marijuana since Prop 215 passed but further absurdity was on display when cannabis attorney Jessica McElfresh would speak about the importance of passing 64 and when I would bring up the actual language in 64 she would respond that this was not the place to talk about that but instead would have lunch with me to discuss it. I called her the next day and she said she would do lunch but it would cost \$300/hour with a 2 hour minimum. McElfresh was using ASA to troll for new applicant clients and today, Terrie Best is attempting to rewrite history and deleting my reply in OB Rag would expose this for what it is. The height of hypocrisy and aiding and abetting crimes that McElfresh and Gina Austin are committing.

3. **When:** Date(s) of Incident From 2016 forward

4. **Where:** Names and addresses of other departments, agencies or officials involved in this complaint. Include dates/types of contact, i.e. phone, letter, personal.

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**Americans for Safe Access** website-about-501C3  
**ASA Local Chapters** - San Diego, Terrie Best, Chapter Chair  
**12/21/2023 OB Rag, Roll Up for Cannabis Equity** by Terrie Best re social equity licensing, PPP and monopolies.  
**12/23/2023 Cotton Reply** to the Article. Of note the reply shows "Awaiting Moderation." As can be seen in the comments, my comment was not allowed to post. Terrie Best knows what she and ASA did in furthering the adult-use licensing and regulation in CA and certainly within SD. My comment was not offensive. For Best to continue to suppress my 1st amendment rights and attempt to now wrap herself in the cloak of medical cannabis advocacy, in light of what they have done to get us here, is astoundingly arrogant and deceitful.

5. **Why/How:** Attach pertinent documents and correspondence with dates.

Print Name: Darryl Cotton