

Nevada Commission on Ethics
REQUEST FOR OPINION
 No. 10-41

NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS
REQUEST FOR OPINION
 (ETHICS COMPLAINT)
NRS 281A.440.2
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1. Provide the name, title, public agency, address, and telephone number for the public officer or employee you allege violated the Nevada Ethics in Government Law, NRS 281A. (If more than one public officer or employee is alleged to have violated the law, use a separate form for each individual.)

Name & Title:	SHERIFF DOUGLAS C. GILLESPIE CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF		
Public Agency:	LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPT.		
Address:	400 E. STEWART AVE,		
City, State, Zip:	LAS VEGAS, NV. 89101	Telephone:	702-795-3111

2. Describe in specific detail the conduct of the public officer or employee identified above that you allege violated the provision(s) of chapter 281A of NRS. (You must include specific facts and circumstances to support your allegations – including dates, times, places, and the name and position of each person involved.)

Check here if additional pages are attached.

ON MAY 5, 2010, 33 ON-DUTY DETECTIVES FOR THE LVM PD, WERE ORDERED BY SHERIFF DOUGLAS C. GILLESPIE TO ASSIST, PARTICIPATE AND INCLUDE, A PRIVATE TV. PRODUCTION COMPANY IN OUR NORMAL EVERYDAY ON-DUTY POLICE SERVICE, SO THAT THE PRODUCTION COMPANY COULD FILM & OBTAIN REAL TIME POLICE ACTION FILM. THIS FILM WOULD BE USED TO HELP SHERIFF DOUGLAS GILLESPIE IN HIS BID FOR RE-ELECTION TO MAKE HIM LOOK LIKE HE IS DOING A GOOD JOB, OF COURSE AFTER MUCH EDITING & SPICING, ALL ON THE TAXPAYERS MONEY.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED SHEETS

3. Identify all persons who might have knowledge of the facts and circumstances you have described, as well as the nature of the testimony the person will provide. Include the address and telephone number for each person.

Check here if additional pages are attached.

Name & Title:	GORDON MARTINES DET. ROBBERY/HOMICIDE DIV.		
Address:	558 DRAFTSTONE AVE	Telephone:	702-460-0160
City, State, Zip:	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89123		
Nature of Testimony:	SAW & HEARD THE ORDERS GIVEN AND SAW & HEARD T.V. PRODUCER STATE THE REASON FOR THE PRODUCTION		

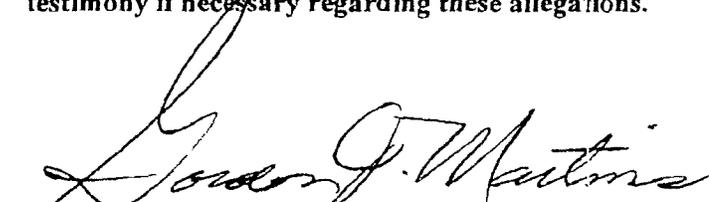
4. Attach two copies of all documents or items you believe provide credible evidence to support your allegations. NRS 281A.440.2(b)(1) requires you to submit all related evidence to support your allegations. NAC 281A.435.3 defines credible evidence as a minimal level of any reliable and competent form of proof provided by witnesses, records, documents, exhibits, minutes, agendas, videotapes, photographs, concrete objects, or other similar items that would reasonably support the allegations made within the complaint. Credible evidence does not include a newspaper article or other media report if the article or report is offered by itself.

State the total number of additional pages attached (including evidence) (2).

REQUESTOR'S INFORMATION:

NAME: <u>GORDON MARTINES</u>	E-MAIL: <u>COPER71@HOTMAIL.COM</u>
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CITY, STATE, ZIP: <u>LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89123</u>	
TELEPHONE: <u>702-263-5353</u>	CELL PHONE: <u>702-460-0160</u>

By my signature below, I do affirm that the facts set forth in the foregoing complaint and attachments thereto are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and I am willing to provide sworn testimony if necessary regarding these allegations.


 Signature
 Print Name: GORDON J. MARTINES

5-26-10
 Date

Please return an original signed form, two copies of the form, and three copies of the supporting documents and evidence to:

Executive Director
 Nevada Commission on Ethics
 3476 Executive Pointe Way, Suite 10
 Carson City, Nevada 89706

Ethics complaints submitted by facsimile will not be considered as properly filed with the Commission.
NAC 281A.255.3

Election Integrity Violation Report**Nevada Secretary of State Ross Miller
Election Integrity Task Force**

Date: 5-5-10

To: Nevada Secretary of State, Election Integrity Task Force

From: Det. Gordon Martines, Candidate for Clark County Sheriff 2010

Subject: Report of possible Election Law Violation by Sheriff Doug Gillespie.

Gentlemen.

On 5-5-10, at approx. 1400 hrs, at the LVMPD, Investigative Services Division Building at 4750 W. Oakey Blvd, LVN 89102, a mandatory Robbery Section meeting was ordered by supervisors and all staff and detectives were required to attend. This meeting was mandated and we were advised that there would be other unknown visitors at the meeting.

The meeting commenced and supervisory staff introduced four civilian visitors that were producers for the reality TV show "COPS", ph. 310-449-5300. Approx. 33 police detectives were ordered by Staff that we all would be cooperating, participating and assisting these civilian TV producers with their production of an Episode of "COPS" in Las Vegas from this moment on until further advised. Usual business was then conducted regarding police work and crimes in the community in front of these civilians with amended information being revealed and circulated.

After the meeting was concluded and the detectives were dismissed, Lt Clinton Nichols ordered that Sgt Steve Junge, Sgt Steve Candelas, Sgt Tom Melton, Sgt Paul Gambini, Sgt Ike Ziros and Acting Sgt. Gordon Martines remain behind and also the four producers from Langley Productions, for a supervisory meeting. This additional meeting was to iron out the details and implement the interaction of the 33 police detectives under their command and Langley TV production employees for this production Episode. Also, on how the police detectives and the producers and cameramen were to interact and become involved in actual real time police incidents on a 24/7 basis, taking into account the legal ramification, logistics and safety concerns.

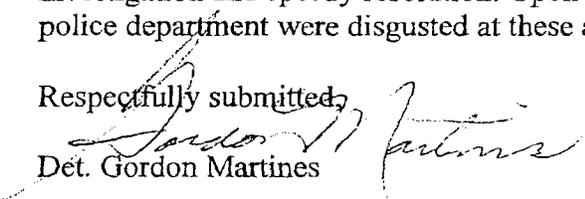
I asked Susan Carney, producer for Langley how this TV production came to be and who ordered this production. Susan Carney replied, "The Sheriff ordered this, we are helping him with his Campaign for Re-Election". This statement was heard by Lt. Clinton Nichols, Sgt. Steve Junge, Sgt. Tom Melton, Sgt Ike Ziros, Sgt Steve Candelas, Lest Carla Lane and Zach Ragsdale from Langley. After Susan Carney's reply, there was a

hushed silence and a show of disbelief in the room and Susan Carney asked everyone if she had done something wrong. Sgt Steve Candelas responded, maybe we should introduce Sheriff Candidate Martines. I immediately introduced myself, as Gordon Martines, Candidate for Sheriff, to Susan Carney who had now established that she was supporting and helping the current Sheriff Gillespie in his bid for re-election, by use of this TV production to make him look like he is doing a good job being Sheriff of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department with all this being accomplished on the Taxpayers Dime.

You could tell by Susan Carney's expression and loss for words that she knew she had revealed, possibly inadvertently, the real purpose for the production, to help the Sheriff in his bid for re-election, at the expense of taxpayer monies, using resources and manpower (33 detectives) of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department a public entity, for personal use and gain, for campaign publicity purposes.

To say that this act was an egregious abuse of power, position, public monies, trust and resources, is an understatement. This act screams out and demands a thorough investigation and speedy resolution. Upon hearing of these latest events, all others in the police department were disgusted at these actions.

Respectfully submitted,


Det. Gordon Martines

Candidate for Sheriff of Clark County Nevada 2010
Ph. 702-460-0160
Add: 558 Drift Stone Ave, Las Vegas, Nevada 89123

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May 14, 2010

Karen Jenkins, Executive Director
NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS
3476 Executive Pointe Way
Suite #10
Carson City, NV 89706

Re: Alleged Election Law Violation; Martines v. Gillespie

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

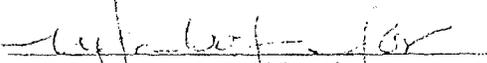
Please find enclosed a copy of the Election Integrity Violation Report, filed with this office, via email, on Friday, May 7, 2010, by Gordon Martines. The complaint filed against Mr. Gillespie alleges that he has violated ethic laws of the Nevada Revised Statute ("NRS").

We are forwarding this complaint to you immediately so that you may take any action deemed appropriate in a timely manner.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (775) 684-5705.

Respectfully,

ROSS MILLER
Secretary of State

By: 
Matthew M. Griffin, Esq.
Deputy Secretary for Elections

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May 14, 2010

Gordon Martines
558 Drift Stone Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89123

Re: **Alleged Election Law Violation; Martines v. Gillespie**
Our File #C10-08KG

Dear Mr. Martines:

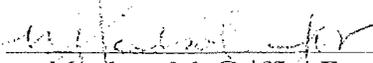
This office is in receipt of the aforementioned complaint wherein it is alleged that Mr. Gillespie has violated ethic laws of the Nevada Revised Statute ("NRS").

The Secretary of State, as the Chief Elections Officer for the State of Nevada, is responsible for enforcement of the election laws contained in Title 24 of the NRS. Title 24 of the NRS includes Chapters 293, 293B, 293C, 294A, 295, 298, 304, and 306. NRS Chapter 281 falls within the authority of the Nevada Commission on Ethics ("NCOE"). Although this office finds no violation has occurred, a violation of NRS Chapter 281A might possibly exist. As a result, should you wish to pursue this matter further, your complaint should be submitted directly to the Ethics Commission for any action deemed appropriate.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (775) 684-5705.

Respectfully,

ROSS MILLER
Secretary of State

By: 
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cc: Nevada Commission on Ethics

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September 10, 2010

Mr. Gordon Martines
558 Drift Stone Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89123

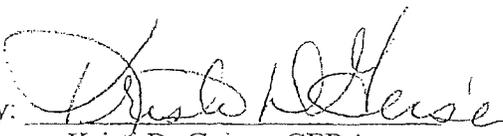
Dear Mr. Martines:

Enclosed for your reference are the letters that we sent to you and the Commission on Ethics regarding the complaint you filed with this office.

Again, my apologies for not sending you a copy of the letter this office sent to the Commission.

Respectfully,

ROSS MILLER
Secretary of State

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The Secretary of State's Office oversees Nevada's Elections and is constantly monitoring elections activities. However, we also rely on the help of citizens to report violations of Title 24 (Nevada's Elections Laws) of the Nevada Revised Statutes. To facilitate this process, Secretary has developed a statewide complaint system to address allegations involving a violation of any provision of Title 24.

To initiate the process, a formal complaint must be received by the Secretary of State, and identify the person making the complaint. The complaint must set forth the alleged violation of law and identify the party responsible for the violation, as well as set forth dates and times of specific occurrences, if practicable. Upon receiving the formal complaint in the Secretary of State's office either by conventional mail, email, facsimile or hand delivery, the Secretary of State's office shall begin the resolution process.

Under this process any person may file a complaint who believes that there has been a violation, a violation is occurring, or a violation will be occurring related to any provision Title 24. These procedures shall be uniform and non-discriminatory. If under these procedures the Secretary of State determines that there is a violation, an appropriate remedy shall be provided to the extent permitted by law. If the Secretary of State determines that the complaint does not allege a violation, the Secretary of State may dismiss the complaint or refer it to the proper agency for resolution. The complainant will be notified of any action taken by the Secretary of State.

To file a formal complaint with the Secretary of State, complete the Election Law Violation Form and send it to the Elections Division at the address listed below.

ELECTIONS

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 Reno, Nevada 89501
 Fax: 775-684-5718
 Email: nvelect@sos.nv.gov
 Last updated: 3/29/2010 11:44:39 AM

Ross Miller
Secretary of State

10-8-2010

Dear Mr. Miller,

I am writing you this letter and sending this E-mail because I believe you need to be aware of a time sensitive election law violation investigation that is being conducted by your ethics commission.

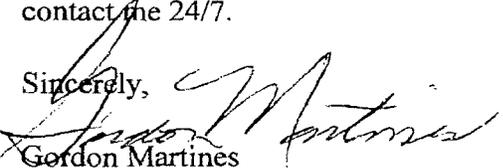
On May 7th 2010 I filed a election law violation with your office against Sheriff Doug Gillespie, File #C10-08KG, Martines v. Gillespie. I inquired about the status of the investigation in early September 2010 and had a letter dated September 10, 2010 sent back to me acknowledging receipt of my letter but still no information regarding the status of my complaint only that it was forwarded to the ethics commission on May 14, 2010.

It has been 5 months since I have filed the original election law violation complaint with the newly formed election law task force, which I might add was formed prior to the primary election for Sheriff of Clark County. Myself and three other candidates for Sheriff failed to acquire enough votes to proceed to the general election in November.2010. Only Sheriff Gillespie and Officer Laurie Bisch will be on the ballot in the November election.

My concern is that a timely hearing set up prior to the November election to investigate the allegations of a election law violation, and possibly following another election law violation occurring on 10-1-2010, at 2:41 pm, (Dept E-mail, Campaign Ad), could not help but drastically affect the election for Sheriff of Clark County and re-institute the faith the public needs to have in due process of law.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me 24/7.

Sincerely,



Gordon Martines

558 Drift Stone Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89123 cell ph. 702-460-0160

Ethics Commission Covers for Gillespie

By Rolando Larraz. Las Vegas Tribune

During the last primary election for Sheriff of Clark County, Sheriff candidate Gordon Martines filed an election law violation complaint against the incumbent Sheriff Doug Gillespie after learning that the television reality show “Cops” was used as a tool to help the reelection campaign of the Sheriff at taxpayers' expense.

Three and one-half months after the complaint was filed with the Nevada Secretary of State, Martines received a letter informing him that his complaint has been forwarded to the Nevada Ethics Commission, headed by Karen Jenkins, for review.

The letter was dated May 14 2010, seven days after the original complaint was filed, but Martines told the Las Vegas Tribune that he got the letter one week ago (around September 12, 2010) after he had written to the Secretary of State inquiring about the status of the investigation.

At press time for this edition of the Las Vegas Tribune, Martines claims he has not heard from the Ethics Committee in relation to his case against Sheriff Gillespie.

On May 12, 2010, the Las Vegas Tribune reported with a front page headline that the newspaper had learned that the show “Cops” was being filmed in Las Vegas to help the reelection campaign of Sheriff Doug Gillespie.

“All thirty-three detectives with the robbery division were ordered by the supervisory staff – perhaps following orders from higher-ups – to cooperate participate and assist while on duty with all four of those television producers while in Las Vegas filming an episode of the reality television show “Cops” at taxpayers expense.” the newspaper reported.

The Secretary of State appears to be washing his hands like Pontius Pilate by sending Martines complaint to the Ethics Commission, which at the same time may be covering for Gillespie by shoveling Gordon Martines' complaint under the rug and stalling the investigation until after November 2, 2010 election.

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Normal and routine police business investigation was discussed and conducted in front of those civilian TV producers with classified police information being revealed in front of all four civilian television producers, the newspaper reported at the time.

Detective Gordon Martines, a 36 year veteran police officer, was among those present at a mandatory section meeting where the thirty three detectives with Robbery division were introduced to the television reality show “Cops” team and ordered to cooperate, participate and assist with producers of the show.

Martines asked Langley Productions representative Susan Carney, “Who ordered the production?” According to Martines and at least one other officer who witnessed and overheard the conversation, Carney replied: “The Sheriff ordered this; we are here to help him with his campaign for reelection”.

That statement was greeted with expressions of stunned disbelief from the officers. Carney broke the awkward silence by asking if she had said something wrong.

“Maybe we should introduce you to Sheriff candidate Martines” one of the other officers tersely explained.

On May 7, 2010, Martines filed the complaint with Nevada Secretary of State Ross Miller alleging that Gillespie had violated election laws by using the television production company as a taxpayer-subsidized propaganda vehicle.

The Internet page Pro Libertate reported Martines' incident with the television reality show “Cops” and commented on its article.”By any rational standard, it's an act of corruption for a Sheriff or police chief to enlist officers under his command as armed bit players in an election-year “reality” show – and it's likely that Gillespie's torqued priorities contributed to Trevon Cole's eminently avoidable violent death.

“The meeting described by Martines in the Las Vegas Tribune occurred before the “Cops” film crew recorded the “controlled buys” outside Trevon Cole's apartment complex – stings in which the police tried unsuccessfully, to lure Cole into selling them cocaine and firearms”, according to Pro Liberate.

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According to several accounts the "Cops" film crew was supposed to be "embedded" with Yant's home invasion squad during the June 11 raid, but wasn't available, Pro Liberate reported. That would explain why the serial killer and impenitent perjurer who led that raid selected a big-ass gun that would look good on TV, rather than being content with his department issued sidearm, wrote Pro Liberate.

During an interview last Friday at the Las Vegas Tribune office discussing the status of the election law violation complaint, Martines volunteered that he also has asked the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) for their opinion on how the Ethics Commission is managing his complaint and the possibility of a civil rights violation. Martines stated that it is always a matter of "wait and see what happens," but said he is not willing to wait too long.

WHAT A EGREGIOUS ABUSE OF POWER AND POSITION:

As they say; Alls fair in love and war and I guess alls fair in elections too.

I appears that our illustrious Sheriff has decided to use Langley Productions, producers of the award winning reality TV show "COPS" to aid in his campaign to be re-elected in the coming Sheriff's race in Clark County...

Interestingly the Sheriff has ordered 33 Robbery Detectives, myself included, and numerous other police officers to assist producers Susan Carney and Zach Ragsdale of Langley Productions, 1111 Broadway, Santa Monica, Ca 90401, ph. 310-449-5300, as they go about documenting a variety of events at the taxpayers expense....

Is that really kosher? Should taxpayers money be used to pay the police officers who have been ordered to assist this production?

The reality of this is that this episode of "COPS" is taking place at this time to help the Sheriff promote himself in the forth coming election.

No question about it, the Sheriff has not only made an agreement to allow the production company to document events in real time that just happens to be the real time just before our upcoming elections.

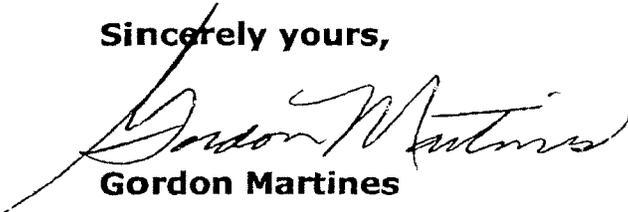
I've been involved in police reality productions in the past here in Las Vegas when Sheriff John Moran and Sheriff Jerry Keller both worked hand in hand with a local production company headed by award winning Las Vegas director; Jerry Schafer...

These productions used a total of 4 police officers in black and white patrol cars and they conducted interviews inside police headquarters and at the southeast area command....that was the extent of the coverage for these shows that aired on Fox 5 and both of those shows were financed by private investors.

Now more that 33 police detectives (on duty) are ordered to take part in the same kind of reality production for obvious reasons...to hedge the bet of our present Sheriff at taxpayer expense.

The real irony of all this is that I, Det. Gordon Martines (Current Candidate for Sheriff of Clark County) am also ordered to cooperate and participate fully with the other 32 detectives, with the production company so that they get real time crime stopping action scenes on film, which will undoubtedly be favorable after editing, which in turn will make the police department look top notch on the war against crime, all under the guidance and leadership of the present Sheriff, who is running for re-election. And Folks did I happen to mention all of this on the "Taxpayers dime". We live in a great country!

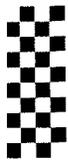
Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gordon Martines". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Gordon Martines

Date: 5-5-2010

Candidate for Sheriff of Clark County Nevada.



FAX

Date: 10-19-2010

To: Kelly Buschman, Ethics Commission
Ph. 775-687-5469, fax. 775-687-1279

From: Gordon Martines, 558 Drift Stone Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89123
Ph. 702-460-0160

Subject: Ethics Complaint (second submission) against Sheriff Doug Gillespie.

Gordon Martines

From: LVPPA [kevin@lvppa.ccsend.com] on behalf of LVPPA [office@lvppa.com]
Sent: Friday, October 01, 2010 2:41 PM
To: Gordon Martines
Subject: Sheriff Doug Gillespie Superwalk

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Sheriff Doug Gillespie Re-election Superwalks

<http://www.gillespie2010.com>

Dates and Times

Saturday, October 2 · 9:00am - 12:00pm

Location: Meet at Walgreens, 2451 Hampton Dr @ Anthem

Saturday, October 9 · 9:00am - 12:00pm

Location: 5303 E. Twain Ave. (East of Nellis)

Saturday, October 16 · 9:00am - 12:00pm

Location: 1851 Paseo Verde Pkwy. @ Desert Shadow Trail

Saturday, October 23 · 9:00am - 12:00pm

Location: 2020 W. Horizon Ridge Parkway @ Green Valley Pkwy