

## PUBLIC CORRUPTION TALLY

- **Monica Conyers**, former City Council President Pro Tem and Trustee of the City's General Retirement System, pleaded guilty to a bribery conspiracy and was sentenced to 37 months.
- **Rayford Jackson**, former consultant to Synagro Technologies (an environmental technology company from Houston), pled guilty to bribing Councilwoman Conyers and was sentenced to 5 years in prison.
- **James Rosendall**, former President of Synagro of Michigan, pled guilty to a bribery conspiracy and was sentenced to 11 months.
- **John Clark** - former Chief of Staff to the then Detroit City Council President Kenneth Cockrel, Jr., pleaded guilty to lying to agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") during their corruption investigation relating to the Synagro Technologies, Inc. ("Synagro") sludge hauling contract. Clark was sentenced to 5 months in prison and two years of supervised release.
- **Samuel L. Riddle, Jr.**, was sentenced to 37 months for his role in conspiring to bribe Southfield City Councilman William Lattimore in connection with the Southfield City Council's approval of the relocation of a pawn shop and other related offenses. In addition, Riddle was sentenced on charges that he conspired with Detroit City Councilwoman Monica Conyers to extort money from individuals having business before the Detroit City Council and the Board of Trustees of the General Retirement System.
- **Mary Waters** was sentenced to one-year probation for her role in the Southfield conspiracy.
- **William Lattimore**, a former member of the Southfield City Council, was sentenced to 18 months in federal prison today based on his conviction for bribery
- **DeDan C. Milton** (former Executive Assistant to the former Mayor of Detroit), **Kandia Milton** (Liaison to City Council for the former Mayor, and later Deputy Mayor) and **Jerry Rivers** (a former police officer) all pleaded guilty to participating in a bribery conspiracy relating to the sale of property by the City of Detroit – namely, a 160-acre campsite in Livingston County called Camp Brighton/Detroit Recreation Camp. DeDan Milton was sentenced to 37 months, Kandia Milton was sentenced to 14 months and Rivers received 12 months and a day.
- **Glenn Blanton**, former Director of Cobo Hall Civic Center (Detroit's municipal convention center), pled guilty to obstruction of justice in connection with his

receipt of bribes, cooperated with the government, and was sentenced to 12 months in prison.

- **Lou Pavledes**, former Director of Cobo Hall Civic Center, pled guilty to structuring his receipt of bribe payments to evade currency reporting requirements, cooperated with the government, and was sentenced to 14 months.
- **Karl Kado**, President of Metro Services Organization, a municipal contractor, pled guilty to evading taxes associated with moneys used to bribe public officials, cooperated with the government, and was sentenced to probation.
- **Derrick Miller**, former Chief Administrative Officer of the City of Detroit, pleaded guilty to corruption and tax offenses. Awaiting sentencing.
- **Emma Bell**, a former fundraiser for Kwame Kilpatrick, pleaded guilty to two counts of tax evasion. She is awaiting sentencing.
- **Victor Mercado**, former Director of the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department has pleaded guilty to a superseding information charging him with one count of conspiracy related to the ongoing public corruption trial of former Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, his father Bernard Kilpatrick and long time friend Bobby Ferguson.
- **Andrew Park** - an owner and executive of Asian Village Detroit, Inc. ("Asian Village"), Pangborn Technovations, Inc. ("PTI"), and the Security Communication Alert Network ("SCAN"), was sentenced to twelve months in prison and two years of supervised release based on Park's December 17, 2010 guilty plea to tax evasion for his failure to report and pay taxes. Park was also ordered to restitution in the amount of \$302,000.
- **Jon Rutherford** - president and CEO of Metro Emergency Services, Inc., (MES) was sentenced to 21 months in prison, followed by three years supervised release and **Judith Bugaiski**, the former Controller of MES, was sentenced to three years probation, with the first 90 days to be served in a residential re-entry program. Bugaiski was also ordered to pay \$69,445 to the Internal Revenue Service. Rutherford diverted grant money to himself, and channeled money into his property management company, DPR Management LLC, (DPR) so that he could use the money for political payments and campaign expenses. Bugaiski, at the direction of Rutherford, maintained the books and records, knowing that the information was false.
- **Marc Andre Cunningham** - Former Executive Assistant to the Mayor of Detroit during the Kilpatrick Administration, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit bribery. At the request of former mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, Cunningham agreed to reward the former mayor for supporting the pension fund deal by paying the

former mayor's father, Bernard Kilpatrick, a portion of the \$300,000 commission that Cunningham received from the venture capital firm. After Cunningham received his periodic commission payments from the venture capital firm, he gave a portion of that money (in amounts between \$4,000 to \$6,000), in cash, to Bernard Kilpatrick. The total amount of cash Cunningham paid to Bernard Kilpatrick was at least \$15,000. He is awaiting sentence.

- **Tabitha Goodner** - former Operations Manager of XCEL Construction Services, Inc. pleaded guilty to her role in the bid-rigging case against Bobby Ferguson. Goodner submitted false documents as part of an effort to allow Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. to bid on, perform and receive payment for public works projects awarded by the Michigan Department of Transportation. Goodner was ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine.
- **Shakib Deria** - former Project Executive and former Director of Demolition and Environmental Remediation at Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. pleaded guilty for his role in the bid-rigging case against Bobby Ferguson involving the Garden View Estates public housing project in Detroit. Deria helped Bobby W. Ferguson obtain \$171,000.00 in cash through eighteen separate withdrawals of \$9,500.00 each made from that account. The two structured the withdrawals into amounts under \$10,000.00 in an effort to avoid having those transactions reported to federal authorities. Deria received a sentence of 36 months probation.
- **Rodney Burrell** - A businessman from Northville, Michigan pleaded guilty for his role in the Ferguson bid-rigging conspiracy case involving the Garden View Estates public housing project in Detroit. Burrell falsely inflated project bid documents submitted in the name of BURRELL's company called R & R Heavy Haulers. A second defendant named **Brian Dodds** also pleaded guilty to participating in the same bid rigging scheme on behalf of his company D & R Earthmoving. The false bids were created at the direction of Bobby Ferguson and were used as part of a dishonest scheme to make it appear that the \$11.9 million bid submitted by Bobby W. Ferguson's company Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. was the "lowest" bid presented to perform demolition, earth work, and utilities installation at the Garden View Estates project. Both received a sentence of 24 months probation.
- **Charlie Golden** - former Assistant Superintendent of Buildings for the City of Detroit, pleaded guilty to one count of bribery. Golden admitted to meeting with a City contractor whose contracts Golden supervised and accepted a \$10,000 bribe payment which Golden intended to use to pay for the installation of a range hood and fan at his privately-owned church. He is awaiting sentencing.
- **Roy Dixon** - president of Onyx Capital Advisers, was charged in a superseding indictment with defrauding and embezzling over \$3 million from the two City of Detroit pension funds and a City of Pontiac pension fund. Dixon also was charged with conspiring with former City of Detroit Treasurer **Jeffrey Beasley** to give Beasley and others bribes in order to secure approval of Dixon's requests

for investment money from pension funds. Dixon was added as a defendant in a superseding indictment that had originally named Beasley alone with conspiring with others to personally enrich himself and his co-conspirators by accepting bribes in return for approving investment requests to the Detroit pension funds. The superseding indictment also adds a new charge against Beasley for taking a bribe from Dixon. Both are awaiting trial.

- **Chauncey Mayfield** - former investment advisor to the two City of Detroit pension funds, pleaded guilty to conspiring with former Detroit Treasurer Jeffrey Beasley to pay him bribes in exchange for new business from the pension funds, Mayfield admitted that between 2006 and 2008 he had an agreement with the then City Treasurer Beasley to pay bribes to Beasley and others to influence Beasley's decisions as a Trustee of Detroit's Police and Fire Retirement System and General Retirement System. He is awaiting sentencing.
- **Kwame Kilpatrick**
- **Bernard Kilpatrick**
- **Bobby Ferguson** - awaiting re-trial
- **Michael Woodhouse** - awaiting re-trial
- **Calvin Hall** - awaiting re-trial
- **Alonzo Bates** - former Detroit City Councilman hired and paid "ghost" employees and accepted free construction services in exchange for favorable voting as a council member. Received a sentence of 33 months and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$91,168.
- **Mike Rosette** - contractor made false statements to FBI in regards to the Bates investigation and was sentenced to one year probation and ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine.
- **Britni Barber** - Bates' ghost employee, pleaded guilty to theft and sentenced to 2 years probation and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$32,000.
- **Verenda Arnold** - Bates' ghost employee, pleaded guilty to theft and sentenced to 2 years probation and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$43,000.

**37 individuals charged, 32 convictions, 5 awaiting trial, including Ferguson, 6 awaiting sentencing.**

## WAYNE COUNTY INVESTIGATION

- **Michael Grundy** - Former Wayne County Assistant County Executive Michael Demetrus Grundy, of Detroit, was charged in an Indictment with receiving kickbacks and extortion in connection with his position as Executive Director of HealthChoice of Michigan. Michael Grundy conspired to personally enrich himself and his longtime friend, Keith Griffin, by bilking HealthChoice, also called Wayne County HealthChoice Grundy was also charged with conspiracy to obstruct justice by attempting to mislead federal investigators after subpoenas were served on Wayne County. Grundy is awaiting trial.
- **Tahir Kazmi** - former Chief Information Officer for Wayne County pleaded guilty to taking bribes from a private contractor. Kazmi admitted that he accepted bribes from a private contractor in the form of cash, trips to Hawaii, Turkey, and Florida, and other things of value all totaling approximately \$70,000. The private contractor who paid the bribes to Kazmi had multi-million dollar technology contracts with Wayne County. He is awaiting sentencing.
- **Zayd Allebban** - former Wayne County Director of Enterprise Applications was found guilty by a federal jury on charges of falsifying documents with the intent to obstruct justice. The purpose of the falsified documents was to conceal a bribery/extortion scheme by Allebban's friend and supervisor, Tahir Kazmi, former Wayne County Chief Information Officer. Allebban and Kazmi sought to obstruct justice by seeking to persuade a private contractor to provide false information to the FBI and to a federal grand jury investigating corruption in the Wayne County government. Allebban is awaiting sentencing.
- **David Edwards** - former Deputy Chief Information Officer for Wayne County pleaded guilty to taking illegal gratuities from a private contractor because of his official acts, Edwards admitted that between 2009 and 2011 he accepted \$13,000 in cash from a private contractor who had significant technology contracts with Wayne County. During this period of time, Edwards was responsible for overseeing the private contractor's work for Wayne County. Edwards took the cash from the contractor as a reward for his work as a county official. He is awaiting sentencing.