

Full Statement on Unqualified

Washington County Indiana Planning (Zoning) Board Members

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I resigned from the BZA in protest over unlawful board members. I do not believe illegal boards can make legal laws. When I tried to correct the issues with the local officials, I was ignored and stonewalled for months.

Compliance shouldn't be this difficult. This board in particular has the ability to make private property non-compliant and place fines on cosmetic appearances (like what happened in Pleasant Ridge). How can you hold a property owner accountable to laws that came from an illegal board?

Also, why is it so hard to contact the Indiana State Attorney General's Office to report State Law Violations by local Government? I could not stop our local Officials from allowing these illegal boards to make illegal laws without resigning from the BZA and personally putting myself on the line to be considered a "bad person" for speaking up. "How Dare You Question!"

There has to be an easier way to correct local Government Officials without fear of retaliation. Because of the possibility of losing your job or even having the police show up on your lawn (retaliation and intimidation), we are well on our way to becoming "a third world nasty" country.

Here is Washington County, we need one of three things:

- 1) Abolish the County Planning Board just like Pike County, Indiana did.
- 2) Re-Set this Board and Their Deliberations Back to Before It Became Non-Compliant with State Law.

or

- 3) Just admit that Republican Boards Don't Have to Follow State Laws.