



**SUMMIT**  
Charter School

**Appendix V.  
Affadavits Regarding Retaliatory Behavior  
by PMSD Representatives**

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF

Name Erika Smith

I have been with ESSA for 19 yrs in Oct 2020. I have known James Gamble as a customer for over 10 yrs. I do not know Rusty Johnson or PMSD employees.

James Gamble came into the Tannersville Branch on November 28, 2019 around 5pm. He did a transaction with Yaneth Acosta. Rita Brannigan and I were standing behind the teller line. While Yaneth was helping him he began telling us he heard a PMSD pulled money from their accts at ESSA. After Yaneth finished his transaction he walked over to us and said he was out with Rusty Johnson a few days prior. James said while sitting in a restaurant, Rusty Johnson got a text that mentioned Jenn Olson had influential members of the community, such as the Fardas, sign a petition supporting the start of a charter school in Pocono Township. James continued that Rusty stated the olsons were from ESSA so they were going to pull \$25 million from the accounts that PMSD currently has with the bank.

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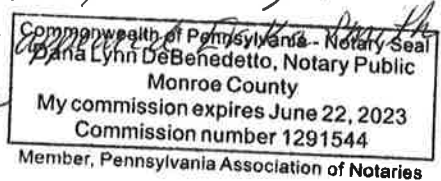
I make this statement of my own free will without coercion or promise,

Name: *[Signature]* Date 6-16-2020

Address: 1307 Rt 209 Ph 570-972-6406  
GILBERT, PA.

Witnessed by *[Signature]* this date and time:  
6/16/2020 9:48 AM

Sworn before me Dana Lynn DeBenedetto, a Notary Public this 16th day of June 2020, Personally *[Signature]* and TJ Secor. Dana Lynn DeBenedetto



OFFICAL STATEMENT OF

Name YANETH ACOSTA

I STARTED WORKING FOR ESA AND DIFFERENT BRANCHES FOR SIX YEARS ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 22, 2019 AT APPROXIMATELY 5:15 PM MR JAMES GAMBLE ENTERED THE BANK. MR. GAMBLE CAME TO MY WINDOW. WHILE I WAS COMPLETING HIS TRANSACTION, MR. GAMBLE BEGAN YELLING TO ELINA SMITH ABOUT HOW THEY (I IMAGINED THE BOARD) PULLED MORE THAN TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM PMSD. WHEN HE SAID THAT, ELINA TOLD HIM TO COME OVER TO HER WINDOW. I COULDN'T HEAR EVERYTHING MR. GAMBLE WAS SAYING, BUT I DID "OLSEN" AND PARDA. THERE WERE SEVERAL CUSTOMERS IN THE LOBBY AT THE TIME MR. GAMBLE WAS TALKING. THAT IS ALL I HEARD.

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I make this statement of my own free will without coercion or promise,

Name: X Yaneth Acosta Date 6-16-2020

Address: 2143 Laurel St Ph 570-426-8015  
STROUSE PA

Witnessed by T. J. Secor this date and time:  
6-16-2020 @ 5:54 pm

Sworn to me this 16th day of June 2020 personally appeared yaneth acosta and TJ secor. before me a notary public

Dana Lynn DeBenedetto

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal  
Dana Lynn DeBenedetto, Notary Public  
Monroe County  
My commission expires June 22, 2023  
Commission number 1291544  
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