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IRS Revenue Officer Did Not Report Taking \$330,000 From Lifeline Ambulance in 2009 – Illegally Froze Funds Months Earlier in 2008 – Totally Circumvented IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998

IRS Revenue Officer Susan Meador and Group Manager Ricky Wagner at the Roanoke Virginia IRS Office repeatedly acted willfully, illegally, and maliciously against Lifeline Ambulance Service, a 21-year-old business, between August 2008 and May 2009. They violated the company's rights to notice and due process repeatedly, never responding to calls from Lifeline or Jim Jones, the CEO, in December 2008 before taking action.

They intentionally dealt fatal blows to the company starting in August 2008, as National Taxpayer Advocate Nina Olsen reported to Congress in 2008 and throughout that period. This was just 90 days after any supposed tax dispute, contrary to the usual timeframe of 24 months according to the GAO and Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS). All this occurred immediately following HHS and Medicare's unauthorized nationwide payment stoppages for the 2008 presidential election.

The IRS waited the entire time for Lifeline's downfall, intending to profit from penalties and illegal bonuses by eliminating a competitor. In 2015, Olsen described the IRS to Congress as increasingly operating as a pay-to-play system. By September 2008, Meador and Wagner were willfully destroying millions of dollars in federal healthcare claims to avoid paying Lifeline. HHS stiffed providers for billions for themselves and insurers. This takes "the government protecting its interests" to a whole new level!

The IRS was a central player in a deep state scheme to influence the 2008 election for Biden and Obama. Lifeline was one of over 60% of Part B Medicare Providers in Virginia targeted by the Medicare Trust Funds overnight in May 2008 via the payment stoppage. When the dust settled, Lifeline was one of over 4,000 providers forced out of business in Virginia between 2008-2009, or 15%, and one of 582,791 - 796,365 nationally, or 38% - 52%.

Lifeline was obligated for decades to provide emergency medical services under various legal requirements like the Emergency Medical Transfer and Labor Act (EMTALA), contracts with hospitals, and mutual aid agreements with state and local governments. They couldn't simply shut down in May 2008 had they known they were being excluded from the system with no intention of ever being paid. Lifeline received no tax subsidies. If they had known they were going to be cheated, no one would have responded to their calls. This is unconscionable and premeditated.

The Treasury Secretary, the managing Trustee of the Medicare Trust Funds, Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, and then-Senator Joe Biden, Obama's VP pick and Affordable Care Act (ACA) proponent with a Democratic-controlled Senate, controlled the Trust Funds, weaponizing them for the 2008 election. They excluded the private sector – Part B physicians and other providers controlling a new national provider identification in a series of schemes starting in May 2008, suppressing opposition to the ACA during the debate and election. The Trust Funds became the "Slush Funds" for Obama in a Democratic government trifecta.

At 21 years old, Lifeline was unable to "float" the Trust Fund for more than several months during the 2008 credit freeze and stopped responding to calls in October after diesel fuel prices doubled in May as well. The Fund controlled 80% of their cash flow directly and indirectly. In total, \$17M was held hostage. HHS, Medicaid, and the DOJ then sued the company over fictitious overpayments they manufactured by August 2008. Medicaid used both as an excuse to stop paying as well. Lifeline and a colleague prevailed in that case by 2010.

Meador visited Lifeline Offices on May 27, 2009, nine months after willfully freezing them with illegal levies, apparently intending to defraud the company and Jones over supposed payroll taxes. To clarify, we are discussing taxes 100% related to Medicare and Medicaid Services that the Trust Funds never paid for in the first place. By September 2008, Meador and Wagner had completely incapacitated Lifeline, preventing them from conducting business. Meador arrived to gather intelligence on other claims she could lay.

The IRS waited until after the 2008 Presidential Election and the coast was clear to reorganize in January 2009. The National Treasury Employees Union and unmonitored lawyers run the IRS. Although Congress allocates a budget to the IRS, Bill Clinton exempted them from oversight by Executive Order in 1993. Congress attempted to control them in 1998 under the Restructuring

and Reform Act (RRA), making matters worse. There is simply no oversight or avenue for complaints – thoroughly corrupt. They were described as "judge, jury, and executioner" and as using a "shotgun approach" in Congress hearings in 1998 and again in 2008.

Meador and Wagner engaged in so many illegal acts against Lifeline, it is undoubtedly criminal. They destroyed a perfectly viable business because its owner believed in the free enterprise system. The IRS began secretly levying Medicare providers after HHS stopped paying them in mid-2008, using this as an excuse to avoid ever paying them, trapping millions of dollars during this window of time. Lifeline is one large victim of rampant corruption in the deep state, far from the only one in Virginia. Over \$200B seems to have been stolen in this nationwide scheme by not paying providers.

Meador completely deceived the company and Jones on May 27, 2009. By then, she had willfully imposed several secret levies against the company without any prior communication, rendering them unable to conduct business with the Trust Funds and ruining their credit, causing the bank to revoke credit and then foreclose. During the recession, a former federal prosecutor stole Jones's home in foreclosure in early 2010, resold it in 90 days for a \$400,000 profit – a \$1M LOSS for Jones.

The IRS had already withheld more than \$653,607.72 in refund offsets from earlier in 2008, and Lifeline had requested them prior, none of the unknown amounts the IRS had been seized up until then.

With 60% of Virginia's healthcare providers ambushed in the same way, the IRS must have been inundated with opportunities in 2008, with more than 4,000 gone by 2009. The IRS refused to provide Lifeline with any further information, only intimidate, harass, and take up the cause of the ex-wife. Meador fell into a multi-million-dollar embezzlement scheme with the ex-wife and her lawyer came up with as a way to lose Jones in 2002. Nearly \$7M was embezzled from Lifeline by 2005. Jones has at least 3 of his IRS officials, no idea, office typically