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**From:** Jessica Barefield <jessica.m.barefield@gmail.com>  
**Date:** January 5, 2024 at 12:08:07 PM EST  
**To:**  
**Subject:** URGENT! IMMEDIATE RESIGNATION

Dear Livingston County Republican Party Executive Committee Members,

It is with a heavy heart that I submit my resignation as the Executive Director of The Livingston County Republican Party, effectively immediately. During my time with the LCRP, I have strived to contribute positively to our shared goals as Republicans. Regrettably, my dedication to making a meaningful impact has been tested, in my opinion, by the improprieties, unethical behavior, and personal threats that have persisted under the leadership of Chairwoman Jennifer Smith. Additionally, it has been my observation, Chairwoman Smith has created an environment of deception, character assassination, and lies that has hindered my ability to utilize my skills in a healthy and productive manner and has created obstacles where I can no longer operate in my position effectively.

Sadly, there is a narrative being spun that this is directly related to the State Party leader, Kristina Karamo. I want to put it on the record that this narrative is unequivocally false and further proof of the deception created under this leadership. Furthermore, the betrayal of principles I hold dear, has shaken my confidence in the inherent integrity of organizational leadership, and quite honestly, has left me profoundly disillusioned, saddened, and frustrated as this is not how I believe a leader should behave, and it is not what I signed up for.

Despite these challenging working conditions and the turmoil, I have faced due to the problematic actions of Chairwoman Smith, I have tried to maintain my professionalism and dedication to the Party's mission to the best of my abilities, and to this day, I remain committed to the values and goals that initially drew me to this cause.

The attached letter from Chairwoman Smith that I received this morning, was the final straw in continuing to be subjected to her lies, deception, and attacks. Furthermore, it validates what I have witnessed and my decision to resign from my officer position.

While I will no longer be the Livingston County Republican Party Executive Director, I will NOT be resigning from my position as an Executive Committee Member, as I do look forward to working alongside many of you as we fight to keep our little red county in a sea of blue, red in 2024. I also want to thank each of you for your support during my time as the LCRP Executive Director and if there comes a time when new leadership is in place and should there be a desire for me to do so, I would be open to discussing a return to my former role as Executive Director.

Lastly, I want to emphasize that this decision is not a reflection of my respect for The Livingston County Republican Party or its members at large but is driven by the need

for a healthier and more conducive working environment that I do not feel Jennifer Smith has been or will be able to provide.

Respectfully,  
Jessica Barefield  
Former LCRP Executive Director  
LCRP Executive Committee Member  
MRP State Committee Woman

1/5/24, 11:45 AM

Gmail - Convention Timeline



Jessica Barefield <jessica.m.barefield@gmail.com>

### Convention Timeline

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Fri, Jan 5, 2024 at 11:15 AM

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Jessica and Sean :

As I finalize the following:

[Securing Convention Venue](#)

[Paying for Convention Venue](#)

[CORRECTING Livingston County's proper DELEGATE Allotment of Delegates which impacts not only the County, the entire district.](#)

[Sending out the call to Convention with proper timeline and information to keep LCRP in compliance.](#)

The two of you may want to consider that your further push to remove me has the utmost absurd timing.

If the two of you do not have the GOON SQUAD lay off, I will hand the entire list above, including the entirety of the Convention to the two of you and you can take it from here.

Is this really for the GOOD of the party ?

Wasn't it bad enough you attacked me for the entirety of the holiday weeks?

No one should have to endure an inside attack like this while trying to pull off a Convention!

If you really want what is best for LCRP, use common sense!

Executive	Jennifer Smith
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