

Sad, sad, sad. **Representative** Dina Titus is so desperate to hold onto power that she is stooping to the most disgraceful form of dirty politics possible. She is blatantly lying to deceive and scare Nevada's senior citizens.

**Representative** Titus is making false, misleading, and fraudulent statements about her opponent, Colonel Mark Robertson.

## **Background Mark was NOT named in the lawsuit and his clients didn't lose a penny.**

Here's a little background: Just like thousands of other advisors, when Mark worked as a Certified Financial Planner, he used a company called Securities America to access financial products for his clients. Much like a grocery store that offers thousands of grocery products manufactured by hundreds of independent companies (like Campbell's soup, Kellogg's cereal, Oscar Meyer hotdogs, etc.), Securities America offers thousands of investment products from independent companies (like Vanguard mutual funds, Pacific Life annuities, and various companies' stocks and bonds). Mark was not an employee, officer, or director of Securities America – he was simply an independent advisor who used Securities America to access investments for his client. Federal law requires Mark and all other independent advisors to use a Registered Investment Advisor, like Securities America. On two separate occasions, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) determined that Securities America did not follow its own internal policies for conducting due diligence on specific investments. As a result, the SEC fined Securities America for these infractions.

**This next part is important: Mark was NOT ordered to pay any fines to anyone - ever**

Mark was not involved at all in these actions. Mark never offered these questionable products to his clients. Not one of Mark's clients lost one cent in these questionable products. Mark has a spotless record with the SEC and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). You can see his perfect record at this link.

## **The Gist of Her Deception Mark has a perfect record with the SEC.**

Here is the gist of **Titus's** deception: She makes intentionally deceptive statements, innuendos, and outright lies to make it look like Mark had a role in the actions that led to SEC fines. Suppose Titus shops at a grocery store that happened to sell spinach contaminated with E Coli. A dishonest person could say: "Titus gives money to an organization that poisons children and senior citizens." This is exactly what Titus is doing to Mark Robertson. It is dirty, dishonest, and disgraceful. We should send her a clear message that we will no longer tolerate her corrupt and deceptive conduct.

## **Line-By-Line Rebuttal**

Please allow me to expose her lies and deception, line by line:

1. **Titus**'s video displays the words "MARK ROBERTSON FIRM SWINDLED SENIORS".

**Absolutely FALSE**

Truth: Mark was not an employee, officer, or director of the firm. Not one of Mark's clients lost one cent in these questionable products. Mark has a spotless record with the SEC and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

2. **Titus** 's video displays the words "MARK ROBERTSON THE FINANCIAL FIRM FINED \$6 MILLION". **Absolutely FALSE**.

Truth: Mark was not fined at all. Mark was not involved at all in these actions.

3. **Titus**'s video displays the words "MARK ROBERTSON THREATENING SOCIAL SECURITY & MEDICARE". **Absolutely FALSE**

Truth: This is a flagrant lie, with no basis in truth. Mark has stated that Congress must protect and strengthen Social Security and Medicare in order to fulfill the promises we've made to seniors. Both programs are in jeopardy of insolvency. **Titus**, on the other hand, has ignored these problems for 12 years.

4. **Titus**'s print ad has the following words in very large font: "MARK ROBERTSON SWINDLED SENIORS." **Absolutely FALSE**

Truth: In very small font she writes: "Got Rich While The Firm He Worked For". It is obvious she is intentionally attempting to deceive and scare seniors. Mark was not an employee, officer, or director of the firm.

\*\*\*\*\*This says it all\*\*\*\*\*

5. **Titus**'s print ad has the following words in very large font: "Cease and desist order"

Truth: Mark was not involved at all in these actions. Mark never offered questionable products to his clients. Not one of Mark's clients lost one penny in questionable products. Mark has a spotless record with the SEC and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

6. **Titus**'s print ad has the following words: "Do your own research on Mark Robertson's record. Go here to read about fraudulent financial practices that victimized seniors:" The ad then displays two QR codes. **Does Titus truly believe that all her constituents can use a QR code and that they all have a device that can download QR information.**

Truth: The QR codes do not take you to Mark Robertson's record. If they did, you would see that he has a spotless record with the SEC and with FINRA. Instead, the QR codes take you to the SEC rulings about Securities America. **Titus** must not think that anyone will actually follow the links, because if anyone does follow the links, they will learn that the documents never ever mention Mark. NOT. ONCE. It is a lie that these links would allow someone to "research Mark Robertson's record."