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Subject: WTF? Open Letter to Frank Queen, “Cothran can’t Touch the Money”. WTF?

The following is an open letter to **Frank Queen**, Haywood County Attorney.

Subject: Request for Public Information - “For the first few weeks I’m not allowed to touch the money,” Cothran says.

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Mr. Queen,

During yesterday's county commission meeting, you and Kevin Ensley indicated that you were going to do everything possible to make Sebastian Cothran's job successful. In fact, it was stated that you were not imposing anything on the Tax Collector, i.e. No Requirements, that were not authorized by North Carolina General Statutes. Yet, in a piece by WLOS yesterday,

<https://wlos.com/news/local/new-faces-take-oaths-elected-office-haywood-county-western-north-carolina-commissioners-sheriff-tax-collector#>

Sebastian Cothran was quoted: “For the first few weeks I’m not allowed to touch the money,” Cothran says.

Who the [expletive deleted] imposed this restriction?

Therefore, I am requesting the NC General Statute that says that you, the county manager, the chair of the county commissioners, can impose any such restriction on the Tax Collector.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.