

FKAA SUED AGAIN OVER SHALLOW SEWAGE WELLS

FKAA has been sued yet again for its actions connected to the shallow sewage wells at Cudjoe Key. This time, Orlando attorney Christopher Byrd has filed a Complaint for Mandamus, alleging on behalf of commercial fisherman Mike Laudicina that FKAA has unlawfully refused to provide requested public records and has violated Florida's public records laws.

The complaint, filed in Key West Monday, also alleges that a former FBI agent hired on behalf of Laudicina analyzed some of the documents which FKAA did produce and determined that the documents "...were suspicious and had been manipulated and interfered with, and that FKAA's IT department used improper methods to collect and transmit information...."

"The Plaintiff is seeking FKAA's water use records to show that Florida law requires deep sewage injection wells rather than shallow wells when wastewater flow to the Plant reaches 1 million gallons a day or more," said Byrd. "FKAA knows the public records law and knows it needed to produce these records. Instead, FKAA has caused delay and forced citizens, again, to sue."

The complaint also alleges that since the forensic analyst concluded that FKAA's database, which is also used for consumer billing, is not verifiable or reliable, a third party independent audit should take place.