

Thanks for following me. I reciprocated. You and Jim Henry got my email? What's the answer?



Thank you for reaching out, Irvin. I just walked into the office about 15 minutes ago and read your email. We are aware of the matter and currently gathering the facts we need to run a story soon. So far it's been difficult to reach family members of Braeden Bradforth, as well as Sims. We'll run what with what we do know if neither inquiry pans out.



I will forward your message to Joanne Atkins-Ingram and to her lawyer, Jill Greene.



We appreciate your assistance. I'm sure you've already seen the first statement from MSSU. It was released to the Globe yesterday morning and has been posted to the KZRG Joplin website.



Actually I missed the MSSU statement. Thanks, I'll check it out. (They are not responding to my queries.) I'll publish it at once. Why has the statement run at KZRG but not the Globe?



\* Meant to say, just before "I'll publish it at once": "I see it now."



So, I'll reiterate all this on email, but I need your answer to what is now a 2-part question for an item I'll put up at my blog in the next hour or so. 1) Is your story, with or

without input from Braeden's mother, running "soon" as in tomorrow? Or when? 2) Has the MSSU statement been published anywhere other than KZRG? Why did the Globe also run the statement as an appendage to the AP story?



\* "... why did the Globe NOT also run the statement ..."?



My apology, Irvin. I'm mistaken on the timing. Seems the statement was published by KZRG yesterday morning but the Globe was not aware of it until after publishing hours.



Can't elaborate more on "soon" when it comes to our story going live. Not my call.



I also wasn't aware you were potentially baiting me for blog content, so I'll end this discussion here. Best of luck in your reporting.



Let me sum up. I'm packing up at Starbucks and headed back to the office to write. To be sure, the main theme of my story will be MSSU's appalling statement itself. But there's a secondary theme here, too, in a public statement that didn't really go public, and also -- forgive me, this is not a personal dig at you -- in local media outlets that are walking around on eggshells instead of informing Sims' new community that there was a shameful, preventable death on his watch four months ago, and that whatever he claims from that day has been blown out of the water by the coroner's findings.