



MEDIA ALERT

UNDER CONTRACT: Poultry Industry Whistleblower to Speak at Wicomico County Public Event on May 3rd

Nationally-recognized former Perdue contract grower brings personal story & new documentary film to Salisbury to tell the untold truth of the industrial poultry business

WHAT: An evening of public education & conversation on the real-world facts of contract poultry growing, plus a free screening of the new documentary film, [“Under Contract”](#)

WHEN: **Wednesday, May 3, 2017 | 6:30 PM ET**

WHERE: St. Alban’s Episcopal Church -- 302 St. Alban's Dr., Salisbury, Maryland 21804

WHO: **Craig Watts** –Nationally-known poultry industry whistleblower, former Perdue contract poultry grower & consultant for the national nonprofit Socially Responsible Agricultural Project

Genell Pridgen – Ninth-generation North Carolina family farmer, former poultry CAFO owner & regional representative for Socially Responsible Agricultural Project

Hear the Facts and See the Truth. More than any one thing, the power of corporations who drive the massive industrial animal operations comes from their ability to silence voices and hide the facts about their business practices.

- How are poultry grower contracts set-up and enforced?
- Who profits and who gets hurt in the process?
- What toll does it take on local farmers, their families and their communities

On Wednesday, May 3rd hear the poultry grower’s perspective that you will not get from agribusiness spokespeople or current growers who cannot tell their story. Then see the documentary film that exposes the real-life injustices faced by farmers under contract. The facts need to be heard and seen.

Craig Watts is an experienced, knowledgeable public voice on the power of giant meat companies, giving testimony on Capitol Hill and sharing his story on the Farm Aid stage. His story has appeared in [The New York Times](#) and on [Tonight with John Oliver](#). For his work telling the untold truth of life as a contract chicken grower for poultry giant Perdue, Watts was named Whistleblower Insider’s [“2015 Whistleblower of the Year.”](#)

“Under Contract: Farmers and the Fine Print” is a first-of-its-kind, full-length documentary featuring contract farmers & industry experts who reveal how the corporate production model pits farmer against farmer. [Under Contract](#) takes audiences on a road trip across the American South and to Southern India to understand what’s happening to farmers living under contract and what we can do to change our food system for the better.

Sponsored by [Socially Responsible Agricultural Project](#) and [Concerned Citizens Against Industrial CAFOs](#).

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