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Tyler Childers gets his name on Country Music Highway sign

Also buys a statue of disgraced lawyer

PAINTSVILE, Ky. — Last Thursday was a red letter day for Tyler Childers.

The country music star announced on Facebook and Instagram that he had marked two things off his bucket list, he got his name on a federal highway sign and he bought a statue of a disgraced lawyer.

The Paintsville, Kentucky native posted a picture of a sign on U.S. 23 that marks the route as part of the Country Music Highway and his name was newly added to the list of local musicians that include Larry Cordle, Ricky Skaggs, Don Rigsby and Keith Whitley.

And for some reason, Childers bought a statue of disbarred, and now infamous, lawyer Eric Conn. The statue once adorned a billboard along the same stretch of U.S. 23 in Pike County.

“Today was a day of bucket list checkin’ for this road dog,” Childers wrote. “Driven by this mannequin, and that road sign, since I was knee high to a grass hopper.”

He got the statue by making a donation to the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund, which provides free legal services to low-income people.

Childers signed off the post with the hashtag, eating big time, his parody of Elvis Presley’s “Taking Care of Business” mantra.

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