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Dear Rick,

I think it prudent to keep you updated on the illegitimate attempt to defame Dr. Devra West-Surya Ma. Regarding Rebecca West's unemployment claim, which you featured in sympathetic light; please be informed that she lost her second appeal. She lost because she lied like a rug to state officials. She received sick-leave pay from the generosity of Dr. West, while also collecting unemployment benefits for the same time period. Rebecca was also over-paid by our company \$1,557 due to a "clerical error?" Not a bad scam for putting thousands of undeserved dollars in her pocket. The articles that you wrote which Rebecca submitted to state agencies as her "evidence" didn't do her any good. At least someone can tell a fraudulent farce when they see one.

You have played a perpetrating role in a vicious scam on an innocent victim. John Watson, Pat Cole and the suddenly disgruntled employees who joined in on the gang-bang to cash-in on Dr. West's "alleged" inheritance, will each and every one be brought to justice. Like Rebecca, Pat Cole will be proven to be a liar and a scam artist. The platform that you gave these people is flat-out unethical, especially the insinuation that their meetings with the IRS had any legitimate basis, other than the tax issues that fall squarely in Pat Cole's camp and no one else's. Stand corrected that you named the nonprofits that Pat Cole ran into the ground as businesses belonging to Dr. West, which makes your degrading account of the status of Dr. West's businesses grossly incorrect.

Bottom line, you framed your "sources" as credible when in fact they were not. After refusing to acknowledge the real issues at hand, you orchestrated nothing less than aiding an extortion scam, in addition to printing religious prejudice in ridiculing Dr. West as a "self-described guru, who talks to dead masters," which according to you automatically makes her degenerate and suspect. Gee, how many Christians talk/pray to Jesus who has been dead for 2007 years? How many Moslems talk/pray to Mohammed? How many Buddhists talk/pray to Buddha? How many indigenous tribes talk/pray to their ancestors? Would you be so bold as to disparage their religious practices? Or do you reserve that treatment solely for Dr. West, who happens to be an internationally respected meditation teacher, when over 140 million people in the U.S meditate.

Religious persecution is against the law. Extortion is against the law. Lying to government officials is against the law. I am wondering at what point you will set the record straight and offer Dr. West the huge apology that she deserves? As each of the scam artists are brought to justice, will your retractions and apologies also rate front-page coverage? Am I angry? Given Dr. West's ability to bring her much applauded wisdom, as well as considerable economic benefit to the community through her projects in health and healing, what can I say? What is wrong is just plain wrong.

Very Respectfully,
Geoff Reynolds



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Dear Friend and Fellow Community Member,

The enclosed materials are being sent for your review, as a proactive measure stemming from a recent disparaging article about Devra Patton West, "Surya Ma" in the Whitefish Pilot Newspaper. The author of the article who appears to be without morals, ethics or professional grooming as a journalist, wrote an article which reads like a cheap Hollywood tabloid paper. The garble ran the gamut from being comical and unintelligible, to being a cruel, uncalled for attack on an innocent community member who lives a quiet, normal life like everyone else. The reporter's information came from an obviously mentally imbalanced person who is obsessed with hatred toward women, targeting Dr. West with utterly fabricated smut on an obscene web-site, with no foundation what so ever in any sort of reality as we know it.

Dr. West's friends, family members and supporters are saddened and outraged by the intrusion on her privacy and the absolutely fictitious, far-fetched and unwarranted information that was printed. Devra did not supply the reporter with any commentary what so ever, even though the article printed absurdly off-colored, off-based "quotes" that were too ridiculous to even dignify. Dr. Julio Williams who provided a letter to the editor brings the whole thing into clarity who says "I hope that the Whitefish Pilot comes to realize that it has played party to what boils down to a modern day witch-hunt."

Anyone who actually knows Devra Surya Ma, has experienced her to be a kind, courteous, energetic and creative member of the community. We also feel that having just gone through the loss of her father after his two-year battle with cancer that she deserves to grieve in privacy as her father's estate is settled. We also are more than alarmed that the personal affairs of private citizens are fair game to novice local reporters who have not been trained to operate within the parameters of normal journalistic protocol, such as qualifying the credibility of their sources of information. No member of our community should be subject to this type of harassment.

If you feel likewise, we ask for your support in helping to counter this vicious and undeserved turn of events. The rebuttals that we have included are for your perusal, to give you an over view of the legitimacy of Devra's circumstances. Feel free to pass this packet on to your friends/neighbors and give us a call if you have any questions or would like to join in Devra's support.

With Much Sincerity,

Geoff Reynolds
Financial Manager



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July 15, 2007

To The Editor,

As Dr. West's financial manger, I am appalled at your front page "smut story" that frames Devra as suspect of a host of misdeeds that border on sheer lunacy, pumped with statements that are conjured, false, inaccurate, out-dated, and out of context. In fact, nothing of the sort of what you presented is taking place other than routine financial and real estate matters.

You were duly informed that Dr. West's projects were put on hold mid-swing due to her father's 2 year battle with cancer and subsequent death and only now has the family trust been sorted out to allow her to go forward with her original plans. You were informed that Dr. West's proposed real estate transactions would be completed by the end of July-early August, if not sooner. You were also informed that our proposal prospectus was not distributed to the public, and was used strictly as in-house information for Dr. West's immediate constituents.

You were also shown numerous documents that disprove the farfetched and physically impossible allegations on the part of the money grubbing desperados, to include people who don't want to pay their bills that your story sensationalizes. In every instance, a legitimate explanation has been provided that counters the mean-spirited, implausible, fictitious rantings of your source and his ludicrous website, an individual who is nothing more than a raving wacko whose claim to fame is running tabloid publications in London.

You did not print the truth or make any effort what so ever to do so. You printed attention getting tabloid trash, that Dr. West, "Surya Ma", an internationally renowned author and meditation teacher, has no intention of even dignifying. I can only assume that newspaper sales are slow in the summer time because every one is out boating and enjoying the great out doors.

Geoff Reynolds



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April 26, 2008

Update Exposing Recent Press Misprint

- Case Against Surya Ma is Dismissed
- Ground and Merit do not warrant further litigation
- Claims made by Pat Cole against Surya Ma do not hold ground

Please be assured that recent attempts to discredit, slander and threaten Dr. Devra Patton West, "Surya Ma" and her family members are rapidly being exposed and duly brought to the attention of authorities. Petition filed by Pat Cole against Surya Ma has been dismissed. At no time, has Dr. Devra West, Surya Ma has been found guilty of assault, nor has she been sentenced to 6 months probation for any wrong doing, as claimed by John Watson in recent e-mails and postings on his websites.

The misprint in the Montana local newspaper "The Whitefish Pilot," has been corrected to restate that the legal petition filed by Pat Cole has been dismissed and will not be dignified by being heard by the courts. The dismissal was granted in line with an utter lack of supporting evidence for the implausible claims that she made, and the overwhelming evidence which exposes what is believed to be a financial fraud and conspiracy attempt on the part of Pat Cole. It is also believed that this mean-spirited ploy was authored by John Watson, who transparently colluded with Cole as a cover up for Cole's financial mismanagement and fraud of over \$1.3 million dollars. It appears that he sought to use Pat Cole's ploy, to further his own extortion scam to extract a fraudulent financial windfall from what he believes to be Surya Ma's ample coffers, due to his assumption of an inheritance received by Surya Ma from her father's passing last winter.

The amateur smokescreen that sought to portray Cole as a victim, when in reality Cole heartlessly abused Surya Ma's enormous generosity and trust, was perpetrated during a time period when Surya Ma was unable to supervise her affairs due to her devotion to her father John Patton, who suffered a year-long battle with cancer and subsequently passed away, as well as her attendance to the needs of her son who was severely injured in auto accident and has required ongoing rehab. Those of us who have witnessed the extensive evidence of Cole's irregularities, are appalled at Cole's shocking scope of deception and are more than willing to lend any support needed, to see that Surya Ma is fully vindicated, All religious prejudice stirring up local sentiment by Cole's scam that brands Surya Ma as a cult leader, is being vigorously rebutted.

The ongoing harassment that Surya Ma has endured, has become more than transparent to authorities, as being evident of an extortion scam on the part of John Watson and a handful of sordid supporters, who have used the sensationalist tactic of calling her a cult leader, even though no cult, no compound, no religious group and no questionable organization of any kind has ever existed. Surya Ma has no interest in anything of this nature and lives a very quiet life in relative seclusion. Those who have been a part of the financial fraud perpetrated against Surya Ma or in any way have mislead state and federal agencies will be held accountable for their actions and severe error in judgment.

It is beyond despicable that John Watson's escalations have now extended to making threats on Surya Ma's life, as well as launching an unwarranted, and abusive campaign of harassment and slander upon her children and young grandchildren. There is no doubt on the part of witnesses and observers of this travesty, that his obsession has now reached fully psychotic proportions and warnings have been issued on the part of healthcare professionals that he is delusional and very likely dangerous. Rest assured however, that the truth will rise, justice will be done, and those who have master minded this attack on Devra Surya Ma and her family will each be prosecuted, putting the entire matter to rest.

We thank your for your support and trust that your discernment will be withstanding in knowing the difference between the truth of Surya Ma's inability to participate in the profane claims that have been made and the scams and ranting of those whose greed and self-aggrandizement have led them to not only disregard common decency, but also desecrate themselves in the process.

To her enormous credit, Devra Surya Ma has not responded to the attacks with any manner of commentary to either Cole or Watson and maintains her entire focus on her service work and positive endeavors.

Sincerely,
Dr. Julio Williams, MD
Geoff Reynolds,
Surya Enterprises Unlimited Inc.



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July 17, 2007

To the Editor of the Whitefish Pilot,

As a physician and BOD member of the non-profit mentioned in your disparaging article about Devra West, I feel I owe a tremendous apology to Dr. Devra Patton West "Surya Ma." Having gifted the non-profit with millions of dollars, Devra resigned over five years ago due to the ineptitude with which the organization was run during that time. Unfortunately, there were those such as Mr. Watson who saw her as a cash-cow and perversely sought to take advantage of her enormous generosity. When she resigned, he launched a vendetta campaign as a means of illegally extorting financial gain. To her credit and admirable wisdom, Dr. West, has never once replied to over five years of Watson's stalker-like, obsessive hate e-mails, (sometimes several a day) or his obviously psychotic web-site.

Dr. Pat Cole whom I have known for six years, served as president of the non-profit board and is someone who has broken every moral, ethical, financial, and legal rule of protocol that can be counted. Her financial misappropriations and out-right fraud perpetrated on Dr. West is extensive to say the least. She sang Dr. West's praises for over six years until her past misdeeds as a medical professional came to light and Dr. West deemed her ineligible for one of her training programs. This is combined with Cole's failure to pay for the hefty bills she racked up. In view of the financial debauchery she has created, her claim of a gun wielding assault is preposterous and grossly out of character for Dr. West, who is a tiny woman barely over five feet tall.

It is no fault of Dr. West's that imbalanced people managed to attend her seminars (a rarity rather than the norm) however the vast majority are decent, respectable people and reputable professionals. I will also say that never have I witnessed so noble and intelligent a human being as Dr. West, whose philanthropic character is applauded by international circles for her renowned work of interfaith dialog in global regions of conflict. In my opinion, serious and responsible journalism would include coverage of her international work and service projects and her legacy as a pioneer in the healing arts. She truly is a remarkable soul who will bring much light, as well as economic benefit to the Flathead Valley community, as a business owner of health related enterprises and launches a promotional campaign that highlights the area as a Mecca for health and healing. I hope that the Whitefish Pilot comes to realize that it has played party to what boils down to a modern day witch-hunt.

In addition to funding the non-profit's ability to repay its debts to Dr. West, I will also be instrumental in funding and sponsoring her projects in the health arena on Flathead Lake, as will a number of my medical colleagues and I can not think of a better use of my capital investments. On this note, I am very eager to move forward with our projects, which will in time provide over two to three hundred jobs over the next several years for community residents.

Sincerely,

Julio Williams, MD

Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeon



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Dear Editor,

I was present when your reporter, spoke with Devra West, who for the record, does not claim to be a guru and certainly isn't a cult leader. Dr. West is highly regarded internationally for her work in interfaith philosophies and the alternative healing field. Devra is also much appreciated for her philanthropy as a humanitarian and conservationist and her generous giving record to local charities was provided during the "off the record meeting," although your article went to great lengths to make no mention of anything normal or legitimate.

The lawsuits that you refer to in your attention getting headlines are resultant from a non-profit that once sponsored her work, which were dumped in Devra's lap only because she is a person of substantial means and profile. Devra resigned from the BOD of the non-profit over 5 yrs ago. You also fail to mention the legitimate nature of the other disputes, which deal with routine building contracts, non-disclosure issues and financial negotiations on the part of owners and contractors for real estate Dr. West is in the process of purchasing.

As I told your reporter, I have had the privilege of working closely with Devra Surya Ma for over 15 yrs. It is interesting that nothing positive was printed, even though the positives of Devra's life are fairly stellar such as her humanitarian work in the Middle East, rather than the demented bunk of third hand allegations. Never, and I repeat never, have I witnessed any of the allegations that were featured in your article as having one shred of truth to them. But I have witnessed the absurd and illegitimate lengths to which delusional, greed-driven individuals will go when they think a financial windfall from Devra's family is at the end of their rainbow of corrupt claims and out right deception.

As for the source of much of the "fantastic story of the week," I can attest it is utter tabloid nonsense and I fully expect that the legal system will have no difficulty seeing financial extortion for what it is on the part of a truly warped individual. It is a shame that you did not choose to write about the positive aspects of Devra's projects but then again a story about a local business owner and successful author who sells mediation books and CD's on her website, and who plans to create an upscale day spa and health complex is not BIG NEWS.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dani Osborn
Home Design Consultant



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To the Editor,

I am writing to protest the Whitefish Pilot's recent article that slandered and ridiculed my employer Dr. Devra West and did a huge disservice to the entire community. As a long-term resident of the Flathead Valley, I remain utterly shocked at the absurd mish mash of off-based, prejudiced reporting that was allowed into print about one of the most generous and decent people I have ever had the good fortune of working with. Dr. West is as far from being a cult leader as I can imagine. Her client-readership list reads like the who's who of global influentials. I say this, having worked as the Technical Director for her company Surya Enterprise for over a year. She is a great boss, her office is a fantastic place to work, and her projects are positive and inspiring. She pays well above Montana wages and offers profit sharing to tenured members of her staff. As an employee, I couldn't ask for more.

As for your source of far-fetched info, I can only describe John Watson as a deranged internet stalker, who wants to line his pockets with extorted monies. The Pilot unwittingly fed into his scam. The non-profit who hired him, deeply regrets allowing Dr. West to be victimized by a nutcase like this character. I have also seen hundreds of letters from people who complain that they have been grossly misquoted to retro-fit the perversity of his website. I know for a fact that there are supposed "speakers" on his website are entirely fictitious, made up and are not real people at all.

Dr. West's only fault in all of this that I can see is having enough money to go after. She has said "NO" to his extortion tactics and she deserves 100% support from this community. His success at getting misguided people like Dr. Pat Cole to join in on his attack will be short lived. As the IT director, I have knowledge her fraudulent dipping into Dr. West's bank accounts, during a time period when Dr. West was tending to her invalid father during his fight with cancer. Cole's story is too ludicrous to dignify largely because Watson authored it, along with unmerited attacks from "suddenly disgruntled" ex-employees who Watson has promised a piece of the pie. I assure you that the crème will rise to the top on this one and that any future litigation will uphold that Dr. West has clearly been the only victim.

From where I sit, your article literally burned Dr. West at the stake for no good reason. Dr. West is owed an enormous apology. I say, leave the tabloid insanity of Hollywood in L.A. Everyone should take notice because if we as a community allow this outrage, then it can happen to you, your family and your business.

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