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Attn: [REDACTED]
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Re: Removal of 2016 News Articles

Mr. [REDACTED]:

Our office has been retained by the above-referenced individual, Justin Beaton ("Mr. Beaton"), in connection with attempts to repair his reputation and to correct the record that was established in articles published in 2016 by [REDACTED]. The articles, [REDACTED] [REDACTED], included several highly incendiary allegations about Mr. Beaton. Although there is no suspicion of malicious intent, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] there are still several misleading, inflammatory, and outright defamatory statements by said State officials about Mr. Beaton found in these articles. Documentation displaying proof of what actually occurred is linked hereto for your reference. This evidence is included for a more in-depth review by your editorial staff so that you may kindly consider removing the articles.

Mr. Beaton's desire is to appeal to your sense of journalistic ethics in this matter. The gratuitous mischaracterization of Mr. Beaton's conduct by investigators and other state officials quoted throughout the articles insinuates that Mr. Beaton engaged in various acts of violent sexual assault on young women. This grossly misstates the nature of Mr. Beaton's relationships with the girls. As you will see by the analysis provided, those relationships were predicated upon consensual interpersonal communications [REDACTED]. The linked dossier serves to contradict the numerous factual misstatements that were made in the police report and by the prosecution that [REDACTED] then unknowingly relayed to the public.

By police hyperbolizing and taking out of context select portions of Mr. Beaton's text message exchanges with the girls, that were ultimately identified in your reporting, an image of Mr. Beaton emerges as a violent predator rather than the subject of propositions from various girls. Pages 23 - 25 of the attached research will more fully bare out that none of the "harmful material" allegedly communicated by Mr. Beaton to her exists or was ever transmitted by him. Perhaps most unsettling is that the various supporting documentation attesting to Mr. Beaton's character and his standing in the community, including letters from his friends and family as well as supporting attestations from co-workers at the time, were never made available to the media or public. These documents are provided at pages 30 – 36 of the report, and we encourage you to consider the sincerity of the people who know Mr. Beaton best in considering how best to re-evaluate the allegations that state officials issued about him.



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[REDACTED]'s coverage of the police's manipulation of the witnesses and narrative and the [REDACTED] obscenely suggestive interpretation of these events has caused considerable and unavoidable reputational harms to Mr. Beaton. His career, reputation in the community, and overall economic prospects have been severely damaged by [REDACTED]'s recapitulation of the state's erroneous version of these events. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. This travesty of the legal system has deprived Mr. Beaton of any meaningful opportunity to defend or repair his reputation in the eyes of the public.

We kindly and respectfully urge you to review the information that we have referenced hereto in *Justin Beaton – 2016 Case Facts* with your editorial staff and to consider removal of these articles. Several news outlets have already removed theirs. We are respectfully asking you to do the same. Mr. Beaton is getting married in the fall, would like to move on with his life, and he would rather tell the story to his children someday as opposed to them stumbling across inaccuracies. Thank you in advance for your consideration in light of the available evidence and the fundamental standards of journalistic ethics.

Best Regards,

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Exhibit: JUSTIN BEATON - 2016 CASE FACTS
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