

Subject: Once Again--Legal assistance: lawsuit vs NYT for libel & journalistic fraud

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Dear Mr. London,

I thank you for your response -- which I am at a loss to understand.

The described work for which I require legal assistance is expert review of an already drafted complaint to ensure that its causes of action for libel and journalistic fraud are properly pleaded. How is it possible that for such "bread and butter" legal undertaking, you -- as an expert in media law, with years of contacts with top lawyers in that field -- have no "suitable reference" to offer? Is it because the lawsuit is against The New York Times -- or because the complained-of defamation and journalistic fraud are rooted in what is a taboo of the legal establishment, *to wit*, documented corruption of the processes of judicial selection and discipline -- and of the judicial process itself?

Kindly clarify what the problem is, offer me some constructive suggestions, and give me the benefit of your professional opinion with respect to the important law review article, "*Journalistic Malpractice: Suing Jayson Blair and the New York Times for Fraud and Negligence*" -- which I gave you in hand on November 16th.

I thank you, in advance.

Elena Sassower, Plaintiff
Sassower, et al. v. New York Times, et al.

Martin London wrote on 11/24/2005, 10:17 AM:

Ms. Sassower:

I know of nobody who would be a suitable reference for the work you describe.

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11/21/2005 09:53 AM

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Subject: Re: Legal assistance: lawsuit vs NYT for libel & journalistic fraud

Dear Mr. London:

Thank you for your prompt response.

However, my letter to you stated -- and underlined for emphasis -- "for purposes of ensuring that the complaint is properly pleaded, I am prepared to personally pay -- and in cash -- whatever consultation and expert fees are sought." (at p. 3). Consequently, I would appreciate your advice as to the top media law specialists -- including at your own law firm -- who I could retain for such critical purpose.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Plaintiff
Sassower, et al. v. The New York Times, et al.

Martin London wrote on 11/18/2005, 3:06 PM:

Ms. Sassower:

I have read your letter. I know no lawyers who would represent you or your organization on a contingency or a pro bono basis.

Very truly yours,

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