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March 25, 2024

Re: William David Cherny in relation to Mario Neal No. 2024IN00247

Subject: Rebuttal to Mr. Bill Cherny's Baseless Allegations Regarding My Mental Health

Dear Mr. Krawczyk,

In response to the allegations raised by Mr. Cherny concerning claims of a severe mental health condition impacting my professional conduct, I write to present a more comprehensive and accurate portrayal of the circumstances related to this matter.

Mr. Cherny suggests that my actions, driven by my pursuit of justice and diligence in documenting everything relevant to my case over the past two years, link to a mental health crisis. However, this insinuation lacks substantiation and fails to consider the broader context of the situation. Let me articulate that prior to October 2023, my conduct was deemed as intelligent, cooperative, and engaged in our divorce case by Mr. Cherny himself. Only upon my discovery and addressing of potential irregularities, was my demeanor deemed as changed.

I have always provided supporting documentation for all assertions made, indicating an analytical and calculated approach to addressing matters, and not erratic behavior as implied by Mr. Cherny. The volume of evidence should not be misconstrued as a sign of mental instability, but rather a demonstration of the seriousness of my concerns.

Regarding the involvement of Dr. Roger Hatcher, it is imperative to emphatically clarify the egregious misrepresentation of my interactions with him. Mr. Cherny's unwavering reliance on Dr. Hatcher's assessments is not only deeply troubling but also indicative of a severe lapse in judgment. Despite mounting concerns and valid reservations raised by me regarding Dr. Hatcher's credibility and professional conduct, Mr. Cherny persisted in advocating for his involvement, even coercing me to forego a trial evaluation requested by opposing counsel and my husband.

It is particularly noteworthy that Mr. Cherny chose to cite Dr. Hatcher in his response to the allegations, despite the ongoing controversies surrounding Dr. Hatcher's conduct. This deliberate choice calls into question Mr. Cherny's integrity and raises suspicions about potential collusion or bias.

I have repeatedly expressed legitimate apprehensions regarding Dr. Hatcher's professional integrity, including his unauthorized access to my confidential health records and his propensity to formulate mental health

diagnoses without conducting a formal psychiatric evaluation. These valid concerns prompted me to take decisive action by filing a formal complaint with the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and urging for a criminal investigation into potential legal infractions by Dr. Hatcher, including perjury and aiding and abetting.

It is imperative that the ARDC thoroughly scrutinize Mr. Cherny's reliance on Dr. Hatcher's assessments and investigate any potential improprieties or ethical breaches associated with their professional relationship. The integrity of the legal system hinges upon the ethical conduct of legal professionals and the scrupulous adherence to standards of professionalism and integrity.

Mr. Cherny's attempts to undermine my credibility by questioning my mental stability overlook crucial evidence of my stable employment history and professional achievements, meticulously documented in my resume. As an esteemed member of the team at Elmwood Elementary School in Naperville, IL, I have demonstrated unwavering dedication and proficiency in my role, a fact underscored by federal recognition from the Department of Education during my tenure. Moreover, my consistent receipt of excellent performance reviews further contradicts Mr. Cherny's baseless insinuations regarding my mental health. His blatant disregard for irrefutable evidence highlights the desperation underlying his unfounded allegations.

It is imperative to underscore the lack of substantial evidence supporting the assertion that I was admitted to a psychiatric hospital due to mental conditions such as the ones Mr. Cherny cited in his response, namely Paranoid Personality Disorder. Moreover, his attempt to draw a connection between my pursuit of justice and alleged mental health issues lacks any factual basis and is a clear misrepresentation of the circumstances. Such baseless insinuations not only disregard the truth but also aim to discredit my legitimate efforts to seek justice and uphold my rights in the face of injustice.

I remain committed to ethical and legal paths necessary to ensure my children's welfare and protect my rights. The allegations regarding my mental health require thorough examination within proper legal and ethical frameworks to prevent further misrepresentation and injustice. My supporting evidence is enclosed herewith.

Sincerely,

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RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S PETITION FOR RULE TO SHOW CAUSE

NOW COMES, Defendant, MARIO NEAL (hereinafter referred to as "MARIO"), appearing pro-se, and in response to the Plaintiff's Petition for Rule to Show Cause, respectfully states as follows:

Factual Background:

1. Issues with Dr. Roger Hatcher's Evaluation: MARIO categorically denies any participation in Dr. Hatcher's 604.10(c) evaluation, emphasizing significant reservations about Dr. Hatcher's professional ethics, credibility, and behavior during the evaluation process. This stance firmly counters any implications that MARIO's refusal is a tactic to delay legal proceedings or is motivated by any hidden reasons. Instead, MARIO has proactively engaged in efforts to confront Dr. Hatcher's unethical actions, as evidenced by multiple attempts to initiate dialogue. These efforts reflect MARIO's dedication to upholding the highest standards of ethical conduct within these proceedings. Contrary to cooperating or addressing MARIO's valid concerns, it is Dr. Hatcher who has not responded, thereby hindering a fair and just resolution of the case.

2. Allegations of Misconduct: MARIO has lodged formal complaints with the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and law enforcement, outlining Dr. Hatcher's alleged misconduct, unethical behavior, and contravention of state and federal laws.

3. Unanswered Concerns: Notably, MARIO articulated comprehensive concerns to Dr. Hatcher via email, yet received no substantive response, amplifying his apprehensions regarding the professional adequacy of Dr. Hatcher in handling this critical matter.

4. Ongoing Investigations: These complaints have prompted investigations into Dr. Hatcher's professional conduct.

5. Challenging Credibility: In light of these ongoing investigations, MARIO steadfastly challenges the credibility and validity of Dr. Hatcher's evaluations central to the instant case.

6. Contesting Allegations: MARIO vehemently disputes the allegations made by Dr. Hatcher in his affidavit dated December 22, 2023, presenting evidence that refutes each erroneous and misleading representation about MARIO's conduct and mental health status.

7. Documented Rebuttals: MARIO has meticulously documented detailed responses countering each unfounded accusation made by Dr. Hatcher, which will be furnished as attachments to this response.

8. Unjust Consequences: Importantly, Dr. Hatcher's affidavit unduly influenced the court's judgment regarding MARIO's custody rights, resulting in manifestly unjust consequences.

Failure to Comply With Dr. Hatcher's 604.10(c) Evaluation:

9. Mario Neal not only acknowledges the issues presented in Thomas Neal's Petition regarding the 604.10(c) evaluation but also underscores his initial compliance with all court mandates.

From the outset, Mario Neal diligently attended all scheduled appointments and made concerted efforts to engage with the evaluation process as required. However, his decision to disengage from further participation was not taken lightly; it was a direct response to experiencing distressing conduct and unethical behavior from the evaluator. This shift was a measured and necessary action to safeguard himself and his children from any additional detriment. Mario Neal's adaptation in participation was thus a protective measure, taken in response to the adverse conditions encountered, aimed at preserving the well-being and safety of his family.

10. Nevertheless, he forcefully asserts that his refusal to participate is directly attributable to serious and well-founded apprehensions regarding Dr. Hatcher's professional ethics and conduct during the evaluation. On April 12, 2024, he sent a detailed email to Dr. Hatcher, meticulously

cataloging his grievances, which were further elaborated upon in an official complaint lodged with the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The initiation of a formal investigation into Dr. Hatcher, as indicated by their response, substantiates Mario Neal's allegations, lending significant weight to his concerns about Dr. Hatcher's behavior and ethical standards.

Judicial Oversight and Unwarranted Evaluation:

11. Mario Neal forcefully highlights the judiciary's oversight in not presenting unequivocal and robust justification for the requisitioned evaluation, especially given the complete absence of any mental health diagnoses that would compromise his parenting abilities. This oversight represents a significant deviation from rigorous legal protocols and the lack of conclusive evidence to warrant such an invasive measure. It is paramount to emphasize that at no juncture has there been a legitimate diagnosis or even the slightest suggestion of mental health concerns that would detract from Mario Neal's capacity to fulfill his parental duties. Furthermore, the opposing counsel has not supplied any credible evidence to suggest that Mario Neal has neglected his parental responsibilities or exposed his children to harm due to supposed mental health issues.

12. Moreover, the court's decision, documented on 9/7/23, to use Mario Neal's experiences as a victim of domestic abuse by Thomas Neal as grounds for the evaluation, directly violates well-established legal principles and precedents. These principles demand a heightened level of scrutiny and concrete evidence before mandating psychological evaluations. This misuse of Mario Neal's victim status as justification disregards the essential legal requirement that such evaluations should only be ordered based on substantial concerns regarding an individual's mental fitness to parent, rather than exploiting their victimhood as a pretext.

13. The motion filed by Rick and Chuck Roberts 4/10/223, supported by Bill Cherny who disregarded my request to have a trial and to agree to undergo the ovulation, utterly failed to present any substantive evidence to justify the extensive evaluation sought. The absence of compelling factual evidence renders the request for such intensive evaluations entirely unwarranted and legally untenable.

14. Wendy Musielak's oral arguments in favor of the evaluation were conspicuously devoid of any evidential support or a rationale appropriate to justify such a comprehensive evaluation. The insufficiency of factual basis severely undermined the legitimacy of the evaluation request. Furthermore, the sealing of court hearings at her request lacks both legal merit and transparency.

15. In support of this position, the case of *Smith v. Johnson* (2010) established the legal principle that evaluations must be predicated on clear, substantiated concerns about an individual's mental fitness to parent, rather than extraneous factors. Furthermore, Section 604.10 of the Family Code explicitly outlines the criteria for court-ordered evaluations, emphasizing the necessity for evidentiary support and addressing mental health issues that directly impact parenting capabilities. Thus, the court's reliance on an unproven rationale contradicts both established legal precedents and statutory requirements for court-ordered evaluations.

Request for Relief:

WHEREFORE, the Defendant, MARIO NEAL, respectfully prays this Court to:

- A. Give due consideration to the serious questions surrounding Dr. Hatcher's professional conduct, impartiality, and accuracy of assessments.
- B. Temporarily suspend all judgments or orders reliant upon Dr. Hatcher's assessment pending a thorough and independent investigation into the complaints filed against him.
- C. Invalidate any custody arrangements premised on Dr. Hatcher's contested evaluation.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mario Neal".

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January 31, 2024

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Subject: Formal Complaint against Dr. Roger H. for Professional Misconduct and Legal Violations

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you with a grave concern and an urgent request for your intervention. As a citizen reliant on the integrity of our professional standards, I believe it is imperative to bring to your attention the unethical and potentially illegal conduct of Dr. Roger H., especially during his involvement in my case of Marriage of Thomas Neal vs. Mario Neal (No. 2022 DC 915) in DuPage County, Illinois.

My name is Mario Neal, and I am directly affected by the actions of Dr. Roger H. The following points detail his conduct, which I believe not only violates professional ethics but also potentially contravenes state law:

1. Violation of HIPAA: Dr. Roger H. accessed my confidential health records without proper authorization, constituting a clear violation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) rules (45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164).

2. Perjury (720 ILCS 5/32-2): Dr. Hatcher, in his statements under oath, made several false declarations which, upon verification, were found to be untrue. This misconduct aligns with the legal definition of perjury, as these statements were material to the case.

3. Collusion and Breach of Duty of Loyalty: There is substantial evidence suggesting Dr. Hatcher's collusion with opposing parties, demonstrating bias and a breach of the Duty of Loyalty, which is fundamental to the psychiatric profession.

4. Obstruction of Justice and Witness Tampering: Dr. Hatcher's actions in influencing or attempting to influence testimonies signify a potential violation of Obstruction of Justice and Witness Tampering under Illinois law.

5. Violation of CAPTA and Child Endangerment Laws: Dr. Hatcher neglected potential signs of child abuse and neglect, thus potentially violating the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) and Illinois' child endangerment laws.

6. Preemptive Diagnosis and Breach of Professional Boundaries: Dr. Hatcher diagnosed mental health conditions without a formal psychiatric evaluation, which is contrary to the principles of psychiatric practice and the ethical standards upheld by the American Medical Association.

7. Negligent Data Collection and Misrepresentation of Facts: Dr. Hatcher failed to conduct due diligence in data collection and presented factually inaccurate information in court documents, which raises serious concerns about his professional integrity.

The consequences of Dr. Hatcher's actions are far-reaching and have negatively impacted the well-being and development of the children involved in this case. It is critical for the integrity of the psychiatric profession and the protection of the public that a thorough investigation into Dr. Hatcher's professional conduct and adherence to legal standards is conducted without delay.

I trust that the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation will act promptly and decisively in this matter to ensure justice, uphold the high standards of professional conduct, and protect the well-being of individuals who rely on the ethical practice of professionals.

Thank you for your attention to this serious matter. I am prepared to provide any further information or documentation as required for your investigation.

Yours sincerely,

Mario Neal

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February 6, 2024

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RE: ROGER HATCHER
Case No: 2024-01069

Dear MARIO NEAL:

This letter acknowledges the receipt of your recent complaint. The Complaint Intake Unit of the Division of Professional Regulation has referred your complaint information to the appropriate Investigations Unit to begin the investigative process. The case number that has been assigned to your complaint is listed above. Please refer to this number in any future communication with the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (“Department”).

The Department will conduct an investigation to determine whether there has been a potential violation of a licensing law, or Division’s administrative rules. You may be contacted by a department investigator seeking additional information. The Department asks for your full cooperation during its investigation.

If the investigator determines that there has been a violation, the investigator will refer the case to a prosecuting attorney for further processing. However, if there is insufficient evidence to indicate a violation of the particular licensing statute or the Division’s administrative rules, the investigative file may be closed. For additional information, please visit <https://www.idfpr.illinois.gov/Forms/Brochures/DPR.pdf>.

Please note that pursuant to Illinois law (20 ILCS 2105/2105-117), all information collected by the Department during an examination or investigation of a licensee, registrant, or applicant is confidential and cannot be publicly disclosed. This includes complaints and any information collected during an investigation. Exceptions to this law exist only for law enforcement, other regulatory agencies with appropriate regulatory interest, or a party presenting a lawful subpoena.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Sincerely,

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM A IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

RESPONDENT, MARIO NEAL, STRONGLY CONTESTS CLAIM A:

I vehemently reject the unfounded characterization of my actions as 'paranoia'. My communications and actions stem from the genuine concerns any devoted parent would harbor for the safety, welfare, and overall well-being of their children.

The term 'paranoia,' as Dr. Hatcher alleges, implies baseless feelings of being targeted or maligned. I assert that my concerns are valid, rooted in credible allegations about potential harm to my children, clearly expressed in my letter dated November 6, 2023, addressed to the Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) Wendy Musielak.

Importantly, it must be highlighted that, despite claims of paranoia and poor self-regulation, Dr. Hatcher has failed to provide any substantial evidence to support these assertions. This lack of evidentiary backing suggests that these allegations are founded more on subjective perceptions than on empirical evidence or established psychological assessments.

Dr. Hatcher's evaluation of my self-regulation inadequately captures the entirety of my actions. My passionate demeanor should not be misconstrued as a sign of poor self-regulation but rather as a reflection of my unwavering commitment to ensuring the best environment for my children.

It is crucial to underscore that Dr. Hatcher has yet to furnish comprehensive evidence substantiating his claims. This absence of evidentiary support could be interpreted as an attempt to mislead the court, potentially compromising the legal rights and responsibilities central to this case, constituting a severe breach of Illinois Perjury Law (720 ILCS 5/32-2).

I implore the court to carefully weigh the lack of substantial evidence supporting Dr. Hatcher's serious claims and allegations. Making false statements or submitting false documents to the court is a felony in Illinois, as explicitly outlined in the Illinois Perjury Law (720 ILCS 5/32-2), and should not be taken lightly.

I reiterate that Dr. Hatcher has not presented comprehensive evidence to substantiate his claims of paranoia and poor self-regulation. This lack of evidentiary support raises concerns about potential attempts to mislead the court, a serious violation of Illinois Perjury Law (720 ILCS 5/32-2), which should be treated with the utmost gravity.

Thank you for considering this matter.

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM B IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

Respondent, Mario Neal, hereby files his response to Claim B of Dr. Hatcher's affidavit and states as follows:

I strongly deny Dr. Hatcher's assertion that I have blocked counseling services for my children. To the contrary, I have taken significant steps to secure professional therapeutic aid for my children's emotional and mental well-being. These efforts have included engaging with reputable and accredited counseling services, such as Inner Courage Counseling, Family Shelter Services, Metropolitan Services, Whitney McDaniel, and Dr. Hammond.

However, these efforts have not been without challenges, including possible hindrances from other involved parties. For example, a letter dated January 27, 2023, from Thomas Neal's legal counsel to Metropolitan Family Services explicitly instructed the agency to cancel our children's scheduled counseling sessions. This demonstrates the existence of hindrances outside of my control, which I have taken appropriate actions to overcome.

Dr. Hatcher's claims not only present an inaccurate portrayal of the situation but also neglect to consider the broader circumstances surrounding this case. These claims disproportionately attribute all responsibility to me, which breaches the ethical principles of impartiality and objectivity that his profession necessitates.

According to the American Psychological Association's Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct, psychologists must "seek to eliminate the effect of biases based on those factors [prejudices], and they do not knowingly participate in or condone activities of others based upon such prejudices."

Therefore, I urge the court to consider these factors when assessing Dr. Hatcher's Claim B and acknowledge my unyielding commitment to securing the best mental and emotional health for my children.

In conclusion, I remain entirely committed to ensuring that my children receive the appropriate counseling and therapeutic care required for their overall well-being.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM C IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

Respondent, Mario Neal, hereby files his response to Claim C of Dr. Hatcher's affidavit and states as follows:

I am writing to address the concerning allegations made in Claim C of Dr. Roger P. Hatcher's affidavit. The allegation that I have willfully impeded my children's participation in the court-mandated evaluation process is entirely unfounded and without merit.

Dr. Hatcher has failed to provide any evidence to support his allegation that I have impeded my children's participation in the evaluation process. On the contrary, I have always maintained my commitment to the evaluation schedule as stipulated by this court. Any changes made to the schedule were entirely outside my control and were promptly communicated to Dr. Hatcher. The assertion that I have deliberately violated the evaluation process is not only unfounded, it is also a biased misrepresentation of the situation.

Furthermore, the accusation against me that I have hindered Thomas Neal's involvement with our children's appointments is baseless. As a responsible parent, my primary concern has always been the welfare and well-being of my children. I have always been ready to uphold any decision or action that bolsters their health and growth.

Recent developments have generated significant apprehensions about the integrity of this process and Dr. Hatcher's professional conduct. There are legitimate concerns regarding unauthorized access to my paramedical documents, a blatant violation of both the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution. This disregard for my privacy rights coupled with manipulative actions and a seeming bias all call into question the validity of the entire evaluation process.

Furthermore, I dispute the assertion made in your office's motion filed on October 12, 2023, alleging that I canceled an October 21, 2023, appointment with Dr. Hatcher without explanation. The truth is that correspondence dated October 10, 2023, shows that the appointment was erroneously scheduled, and the error was immediately corrected.

In view of these distressing issues, I respectfully request that this court conducts a diligent scrutiny of Claim C in Dr. Hatcher's affidavit. It is essential to have an impartial, transparent, and fair evaluation process that prioritizes my children's best interests. I pledge my unwavering commitment to cooperate fully with this process, and I will uphold the welfare and rights of my children.

Thank you for your understanding and for your dedication to a fair and just legal process.

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM E IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

RESPONSE TO CLAIM E IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

NOW COMES Respondent, Mario Neal, categorically DENIES all the allegations enumerated in Claim E of the Affidavit of Roger P. Hatcher, Ph.D., and herewith makes the following firm declarations:

1. The Respondent emphatically DISMISSES AS EGREGIOUSLY UNFOUNDED the unfounded accusations with regard to allegations of substance abuse, made without a shred of verifiable evidence such as documented results of professional drug tests. To rebuff these slanderous claims, Respondent willingly offers to submit to any necessary tests to once and for all dissolve the cloud of unsubstantiated suspicion cast upon him.
2. Respondent STRONG-heartedly REJECTS the erroneous insinuations that he poses emotional or physical neglect risk to his children due to fictional "conditions". His history as a parent is marked by unwavering love, ceaseless provision of a nurturing environment and consistent support-- a fact which is attestable by unbiased observers familiar with their family dynamics.
3. Respondent ASSERTS that such damning accusations as those included in Claim E require reliable, substantial, and above all, verifiable evidence to be considered credible. The glaring lack of such essential evidence provokes serious questions about the credibility of these assertions and the impartiality of the entire evaluation process.
4. Respondent IMPLORES this Honorable Court to evaluate the impartiality and professionalism of the assigned evaluator, in light of the serious inaccuracies contained within and the considerable impact they could have on the results pertaining to the future of Respondent's children.

WHEREFORE, having refuted the allegations, Respondent prays that this Honorable Court dismiss this motion with prejudice, and grant him such further relief as the court deems just and proper.

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM F IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

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NOW COMES Respondent, Mario Neal, and hereby STRIDENTLY CONTESTS the gravely serious allegations outlined in Claim F as presented by Roger P. Hatcher, Ph.D. In order to clarify his position, the following points are enumerated:

1. The Respondent, rightfully incensed, REFUTES the casual pronouncement of his alleged "severe psychiatric impairment". There exists a well-established ethical boundary that medical professionals must adhere to, refraining from making speculative inferences without a scientifically sound foundation. With an absence of substantial evidence or professional psychiatric evaluations, coupled with complete disregard for consultation with my current healthcare providers, this flagrant deviation from medical protocol is not only deeply disconcerting but also indicative of a blatant disregard for the Illinois Medical Practice Act (225 ILCS 60/).
2. It is important to acknowledge that the diagnosis of severe psychiatric impairments carries utmost significance, necessitating comprehensive diagnostic procedures, prudential deliberation, and insightful professional discernment. The failure to adhere to these established standards, glaringly apparent in this case due to the absence of psychiatric evaluations, subsequent analyses, or relevant medical records, may potentially constitute a violation of both the Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct endorsed by the esteemed American Psychological Association (APA).
3. The Respondent UNAMBIGUOUSLY DISCREDITS the premature assessments made regarding his mental state, raising pertinent concerns regarding Dr. Hatcher's impartiality, professional conduct, and an excessive reliance on conjecture in place of rigorous clinical rigor. In accordance with the APA's Ethical Principles and the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act (740 ILCS 110/1), such assessments ought to be the product of comprehensive, methodical examinations rather than commercially expedient conclusions derived from fragmented observations.

4. Given the dubious nature of Dr. Hatcher's observations and the potential impact on the impartial evaluation process, the Respondent URGES the court to undertake a thorough review of Dr. Hatcher's professional involvement in this case, No. 2022 DC 915. It is imperative to ensure the integrity and credibility of the evaluation process, which holds significant implications for the resolution of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM G IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER G. HATCHER, Ph.D.

RESPONSE TO CLAIM G IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

NOW COMES Respondent, Mario Neal, to REBUT emphatically the disparaging allegations inherent in Claim G of the Affidavit drafted by Roger P. Hatcher, Ph.D., and forthwith, states:

Contrary to Dr. Hatcher's assertion of non-compliance, I vehemently challenge his characterization and assert that I have dutifully filed an Emergency Motion for Reconsideration under Illinois Supreme Court Rules 305 and 308. This legal recourse aims to protect my constitutional right to privacy, which is enshrined in both the Illinois and United States Constitutions. Dr. Hatcher appears to have disregarded this fundamental right in his affidavit.

The appeal rests upon the following key points:

- a. The court's order for a Rule 215 mental examination exceeds the permissible bounds of discovery, as outlined in Illinois Supreme Court Rule 201.
- b. There is a lack of substantial contestation or provable necessity for a mental health examination, as mandated by Rule 215.
- c. The evidence supporting the need for a mental health examination report for proper judicial adjudication is notably insufficient.

These critical aspects, which Dr. Hatcher's affidavit fails to address, cast doubt on the accurate portrayal of my compliance and challenge his credibility.

- a. Violation of HIPAA: Dr. Hatcher's alleged unauthorized access and misuse of my medical records without explicit informed consent violate the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). This breach represents a flagrant disregard for patient rights and deviates from professional conduct standards.
- b. Misrepresentation of Facts: Furthermore, Dr. Hatcher's affidavit misrepresents factual details, notably the cancellation of an appointment that was never scheduled in the first

place. This false representation undermines the credibility of his statements and compromises the objectivity of any potential findings.

c. Considering the concerns surrounding the violation of HIPAA, the dissemination of speculative medical assertions portrayed as fact, the misinterpretation of information, and the infringement upon my constitutional rights, it becomes exceedingly difficult to maintain confidence in Dr. Hatcher's ability to fulfill his professional responsibilities in an impartial and accurate manner. His involvement in this case poses a significant risk of bias, potentially prejudicing the proceedings.

In conclusion, I reiterate my unwavering commitment to the judicial process, pledging to adhere to legal procedures while safeguarding my rights. I respectfully request the exclusion of Dr. Hatcher's testimony and his further involvement in this case.

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM H IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

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NOW COMES Respondent, Mario Neal, by and through his counsel (if applicable), and respectfully submits his point-to-point refutation to Claim H as articulated by Dr. Roger P. Hatcher, Ph.D in his affidavit.

The Respondent STRONGLY DISPUTES Dr. Hatcher's unsupported assertion suggesting an apparent 'substantial risk' to the children if they remain in my care. This supposed risk has been presented ab ovo, without substantial physical evidence or evaluation of the actual familial situation, including comprehensive home evaluations or direct observation of parent-child interactions, critical components for such decisive conclusions.

Psychological health is a multifaceted phenomenon, not a monolithic structure that can be broadly categorized without thorough, contextual understanding. Dr. Hatcher, unfortunately, appears to disregard this complexity, framing allegations of substance misuse as categorical proof of neglect or incapacity to provide care.

This is a reckless misrepresentation and demeans the multifaceted nature of psychological well-being, as recognized by American Psychological Association's Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct, Section 9. 3.

The proposed cessation of contact between me and my children until court-ordered procedures are satisfied and professional opinions communicated, risks causing severe emotional trauma to the children, irreversible damage to our relationship, and infringes on their right and need to maintain meaningful relationships with both parents, absent of demonstrable harm. As per the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act (750 ILCS 5/602.5 and 750 ILCS 5/602.7), the principle of 'the best interests of the children' should govern these decisions. Legally and psychologically, child experts consider the involvement of both parents to be in the 'best interests' of the child, unless cases of extreme abuse, neglect or potential harm can be clearly demonstrated.

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RESPONSE TO CLAIM I IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF ROGER P. HATCHER, Ph.D.

NOW COMES Respondent, Mario Neal, and respectfully submits his point-to-point refutation to Claim I as articulated by Dr. Roger P. Hatcher, Ph.D in his affidavit.

1. The Respondent STRONGLY DISPUTES Dr. Hatcher's unsupported assertion suggesting an apparent 'substantial risk' to the children if they remain in my care. This supposed risk has been presented without substantial physical evidence or evaluation of the actual familial situation, including comprehensive home evaluations or direct observation of parent-child interactions, critical components for such decisive conclusions.
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NOW COMES Respondent, Mario Neal, and for his response to Claim J, states as follows:

Respondent, Mario Neal, categorically and emphatically refutes Claim J made by Dr. Hatcher in his affidavit. Despite Dr. Hatcher's assertion of Mr. Thomas Neal's competence as a caregiver and his ability to provide professional counseling to the children, I hereby present compelling evidence that challenges this claim.

1. Under active investigation: It is critical to note that the Department of Child and Family Services and the state prosecutor's office are currently conducting an active investigation into the wellbeing of the children under the care of Mr. Thomas Neal. This investigation is a direct response to the concerns I have raised about the children's safety and well-being.
2. Documented safety concerns: I have diligently documented numerous safety concerns and allegations regarding the children's wellbeing under Mr. Thomas Neal's care. These concerns have been brought to the attention of all relevant parties, including Dr. Hatcher, the children's school, and their Guardian ad Litem. It is important to highlight that these concerns are substantiated and not merely speculative.
3. Communication with Guardian ad Litem: To further assert and document my concerns, I have communicated via email with the children's Guardian ad Litem. These communications outline specific incidents that give rise to sincere concern for the safety and well-being of my children. Such correspondence further validates the legitimacy of my apprehensions.

Considering the ongoing investigation and the substantiated concerns about the children's well-being, Mr. Thomas Neal's suitability as the primary caregiver for our children is not only questionable but is also a subject of critical inquiry by relevant authorities. Therefore, accepting Dr.

Hatcher's claims and recommendations without careful consideration of the pending concerns would jeopardize the best interests of the children.

In this situation, it is essential to adopt a more balanced and cautious approach that prioritizes the physical safety and emotional well-being of the children. It is crucial to ensure their ongoing relationships and protect them from potential harm.

Given these circumstances, I urge the Court to reject the unfounded and potentially harmful recommendations put forth in Dr. Hatcher's affidavit. Instead, I appeal for a decision that genuinely reflects the best interests of the children. Their safety and well-being should be the paramount consideration during this challenging time.

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From: Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2023 10:24 AM
To: Roger Hatcher
Subject: Re: Wednesday

Too many irregularities took place during our meeting that are unsettling. I am currently investigating many criminal events that have taken place during the divorce process. Our discussion follows many similar inconsistencies with others involved with the divorce who have tried to take my legal rights as a parent and spouse. I have many concerns that make me very uncomfortable. I left like I was being threatened to see you on that weekend. So, the trust was broken.

During our meeting, there was someone else in the room. I have yet to be informed that you had someone in the room. The need for more clarity is very concerning. The relationship that you have with Tom's attorney is an issue. When I asked about him, you said he was a great and successful attorney and that you two have worked together on many cases where he was the guardian of item. You also informed me that you have worked with Wendy's practice, and she was also a great attorney. Tom's attorney and Wendy have done many unsettling things that I am currently looking into. Therefore, your high regard for them two is uncomfortable to me.

You indicated you want to speak with others to help you understand our case. This last month, Tom has done too many things to sabotage me with such individuals. Today, we have teacher-parent conferences. He attempted to trick me into missing the conference. He also emailed the kid's teachers to paint a negative picture of me. This and other things are concerning.

Given the nature of my case and the crimes committed, I will look into what else has been going on in the attempt to favor Tom with the divorce. For the process to work, from now on, I need to make sure that no other crimes are committed to destroy me. My kids have been victims of too much abuse for me not to take all matters relating to them extremely seriously.

Mario Neal

On Thu, Oct 5, 2023 at 6:21 AM Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com> wrote:

Mario-

I indeed was mistaken when I contacted you at 3pm rather than 4:30 pm as I had suggested in my email. It was my mistake and I apologize and am pleased you were able to make it work.

As for the appointment on Saturday the 21st, I understood you to say that your sister from out-of-state was coming to visit that weekend and that you had a commitment to meet with your team as well. I didn't understand that you have medical appointments at that time.

If you wish to cancel the 8:30 appointment, I am agreeable but it may mean having to schedule something during work hours which I know you want to avoid.

We are scheduled for Thursday 10/19 at 4:30 which is our second appointment. If we cancel Saturday 10/21, the next appointments are Monday 11/6 and Tuesday 11/7 at 4:30 and 2:30 respectively (the 11/7 appointment with the children). At that point we will have met 3 times together and once with the children. The remaining 3-4 appointments will need to be scheduled later in November and early December. A couple of these could be done on Zoom. I don't see this as a problem and I will let the court know my report can be completed by mid-late December.

Dr. Hatcher

On Wed, Oct 4, 2023 at 10:44 PM <marioneal628@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Dr. Hatcher,

I look forward to working with you. I am glad you are committed to a fair, honest, and legal process to ensure the kids going forward are safe, and their voices and concerns are no longer ignored.

Earlier, you caught me off guard since we had a scheduled meeting at 4:30, and you called me at 3:00 p.m. to start it.

I am a little confused about the meeting that you want to have on October 21st. I understand that your time is limited and the importance of meeting, but I am not sure why that date seems an issue; it was odd how much you pressed me on that date. Today you said that if I cancelled the meeting, you wouldn't be able to see me till after November 16th and that you would not be able to provide an update to the court unless I agree to keep that appointment. Despite expressing that that day would not work, you suggested I keep it. However, during our conversation, you later offered November 6th and 7th as other dates to meet. I am unable to make it on the 21 since I have a schedule commitment

regarding my health that I cannot cancel. This is also confusing to me since Tom also had questions about that date and has brought it up to me several times. I am not sure what to make out of all this and I am uncomfortable.

Gracias,

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Sent: Wednesday, October 4, 2023 10:36 AM
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Sounds good, talk to you then.

On Wed, Oct 4, 2023 at 10:40 AM Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com> wrote:

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Gracias,

Mario

On Mon, Oct 2, 2023 at 2:39 PM Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Mario-

Looking forward to our Zoom meeting on Wednesday at 4:30pm.

Please complete the attached Registration form and email back.

See you Wednesday.

Dr. Hatcher

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
DUPAGE COUNTY, WHEATON, ILLINOIS

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:

THOMAS NEAL,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) No. 2022 DC 915
MARIO NEAL,)
Defendant.)

Candice Adams
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**MOTION TO COMPEL DEFENDANT'S PARTICIPATION IN 604.10(C)
EVALUATION**

NOW COMES the Plaintiff, THOMAS NEAL (hereinafter "THOMAS"), by and through his attorneys, Roberts PC, and for his Motion to Compel Defendant, MARIO NEAL (hereinafter "MARIO"), Participation in 604.10(c) Evaluation, states as follows:

1. On October 11, 2022, THOMAS filed his Petition for Dissolution of Marriage and on October 19, 2022, MARIO filed his Counter-Petition for Dissolution of Marriage. Both petitions remain pending and undetermined.
2. Three (3) children were born to the parties via surrogacy during their marriage, namely: J.A.N. born in 2015 and presently age eight (8); A.C.N. born in 2018 and presently age five (5); and L.C.N. born in 2018 and presently age five (5). The parties are the intended parents pursuant to the Gestational Surrogacy Act (750 ILCS 47/*et seq.*)
3. On September 7, 2023, this Court appointed Dr. Roger Hatcher to conduct "an evaluation pursuant to 750 ILCS 5/604.10(c)." A copy of the September 7, 2023 Order is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit A**.
4. Dr. Hatcher has indicated that he has run into problems with MARIO'S cooperation with the evaluation.

5. Dr. Hatcher has met with MARIO once to explain the evaluation process. MARIO initially agreed to meet with Dr. Hatcher again on October 19, 2023 but then indicated he felt pressured so Dr. Hatcher cancelled the appointment. MARIO then scheduled an appointment with Dr. Hatcher for October 21, 2023.

6. On or about October 12, 2023 MARIO cancelled his October 21, 2023 appointment with Dr. Hatcher providing no explanation and failing to reschedule his appointment.

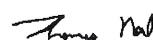
7. MARIO'S failure to participate in Dr. Hatcher's evaluation serves no purpose other than to delay this litigation and interfere with Dr. Hatcher's evaluation process.

8. As a result of MARIO'S failure to participate in Dr. Hatcher's evaluation, THOMAS has incurred attorneys' fees and costs and should be awarded those fees and costs from MARIO.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, THOMAS NEAL, seeks entry of an Order:

- A. Directing MARIO to immediately schedule any necessary appointments with Dr. Hatcher;
- B. Directing MARIO to fully cooperate in Dr. Hatcher's evaluation;
- C. Awarding THOMAS his attorneys' fees and costs incurred in the prosecution of this Petition; and
- D. For such other and further relief as to which THOMAS may be entitled.

Respectfully Submitted,



THOMAS NEAL

ROBERTS/PC

One of Plaintiff's Attorneys

VERIFICATION

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ORDER

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Candice Adams

CLERK OF THE
18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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This cause coming before the Court the Court being fully advised in the premises, and having jurisdiction of the subject matter, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1 ON MOTION OF THOMAS NEAL DR. ROGER HATCHER IS APPOINTED TO CONDUCT AN EVALUATION PURSUANT TO 750 ILCS 5/604.10 (c) AND
- 2 THOMAS NEAL SHALL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COST OF DR. HATCHER.
- 3 THE 215 PORTION OF THOMAS NEAL'S COMBINED MOTION FOR 215 & 604.10 (c) IS CONTINUED GENERALLY AND SUBJECT TO RENDITION AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE IN THE PREMISES.
- 4 AS OF THE DATE OF THIS ORDER THE COURT HAS MADE NO FINDINGS AS TO THE ALLEGATIONS IN PETITIONER'S COMBINED MOTION AS THE BASIS FOR THIS ORDER.

5 9/20/23 HEARING DATE IS STRICKEN. CAUSE SET FOR 10/14/23 AT 1:30 PM. STATUS ON 11/14/23 AT 10:55 AM DR. HATCHER'S REPORT.

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EXHIBIT

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(6) CAUSE SET FOR 10/17/23 AT 1:30 PM

PERSON FOR HEARING ON:

- A. THOMAS NEAL's 3/21/23 Motion to Strike and Dismiss;
- B. MARIO NEAL's 2/14/23 Petition for Temporary Support and Maintenance;
- C. THOMAS NEAL's 2/3/23 Motion to Allocate Expenses and for Other Reliefs;
- D. MARIO NEAL's Petition for Interim Attorney's Fees and costs; and
- E. THOMAS NEAL's Motion for Contribution to Attorney's Fees and Costs.

(7) The GAL's appearance is excused at the 10/17/23 hearing.

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December, 1st 20232

Subject: Urgent: Alarming Concerns and Unjust Practices in Ongoing Legal Proceedings

Dear Mr. Chuck Roberts and Mr. Rick Roberts,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing with an urgent and deeply distressing matter regarding the ongoing legal proceedings and the court-mandated 605 evaluation. The recent events surrounding Dr. Hatcher's alleged unauthorized access to my medical records and several other disconcerting issues have compelled me to bring these matters to your immediate attention.

As a fellow parent, I trust you can understand the paramount importance of safeguarding the well-being and rights of our children. I implore you to consider this situation from a perspective that transcends the legal intricacies, focusing on the principles of fairness, integrity, and the fundamental expectation that every parent holds for the protection of their children.

The revelation that Dr. Hatcher had access to my medical records during our meeting, without my explicit consent, is deeply troubling. Imagine if a professional involved in legal proceedings concerning your children had unauthorized access to sensitive information. The violation of privacy and ethical standards in such a scenario would undoubtedly be unacceptable.

HIPAA stipulates that medical records may not be disclosed without explicit consent, a principle essential for upholding the rights and dignity of individuals. Additionally, the Constitution's Fourteenth Amendment and the Illinois Compiled Statutes 225 ILCS 15/1 et seq, which governs the practice and professional conduct of psychologists in Illinois, emphasize the need for fairness and due process. I earnestly request a swift and thorough response and clarification on these matters. Moreover, I contest the assertion made in your office's motion filed on October 12, 2023, alleging that I canceled an appointment with Dr. Hatcher on October 21, 2023, without explanation.

On October 10, 2023, I received an email from Dr. Thacher stating an appointment had been established. I promptly clarified within four hours, saying, "The appointment should have never been created; you wrote it down despite telling you several times that it would not work. To call it a cancellation is far from the truth. You added it with threats. "These misrepresented facts raise significant concerns about the integrity and partiality of Dr. Thacher, which is inappropriate for his role in these proceedings and could potentially influence the outcome unfairly.

Furthermore, my deep concerns regarding the lack of transparency and choice in the selection of individuals involved in evaluations and therapy echo when Dawn Boettger was appointed as my children's therapist without my input or permission. Despite alarming reports from my children about abuse, their concerns were dismissed, and I was coerced into changing their trusted therapist.

Additionally, the insistence on Dr. Hatcher conducting a mental evaluation without any say on my part hints at a lack of impartiality in this process. The correspondence between all parties suggests a close relationship, raising questions about the fairness of the evaluation process. These issues have forced me to engage in these proceedings with a heavy heart. I trust we can ensure a fair and impartial proceeding for all involved.

Another distressing matter involves the unfounded conclusions drawn about my mental health during the last open hearing. These conclusions, made without proper medical reasoning, were publicly shared without my consent, causing significant harm to my reputation and emotional well-being.

In the context of a 604 evaluation, several ethical and professional considerations seem to have been violated, including impartiality, informed consent, confidentiality, professional competence, evidence-based conclusions, and compliance with court orders. These issues raise serious doubts about the fairness and objectivity of the entire evaluation process. Dr. Thacher's apparent inability to maintain impartiality and objectivity has led to biased conclusions. My medical records, disseminated without my knowledge or consent, breach confidentiality and violate ethical standards. The decisions about my mental health, made without the support of medical reasoning, question Dr. Thacher's professional

competence. The lack of sound clinical judgment, appropriate assessment methods, and relevant evidence in the conclusions further erode the credibility of the evaluation process. Additionally, the actions taken have failed to comply with the specific requirements outlined in the court orders, which mandate a fair and impartial evaluation.

I am deeply troubled by these issues and their potential implications for the legal process's fairness and integrity. I believe that every individual deserves to be treated with dignity, respect, and fairness regardless of their circumstances.

Furthermore, I am deeply concerned about Dr. Thatcher's upcoming meetings with my three children. Given his conduct thus far, his apparent favoritism towards Tom, and his readiness to distort facts to paint an improper picture of me, I am left with a profound sense of unease about how he might handle these interactions with my children.

My children have made numerous severe allegations of physical, mental, and sexual abuse to various professionals. These allegations are deeply troubling and should be taken with the utmost seriousness. However, it appears that all these professionals have had some form of an improper relationship with Wendy, which has resulted in none of these investigations progressing beyond the initial stages. This raises serious questions about these professionals' integrity and my children's safety. The fact that Dr. Thatcher is expected to meet with my children, given his conduct and apparent bias, is deeply alarming.

The three children have an upcoming 605 Court evaluation with Dr. Thatcher. As their parent, I have found myself unsettled by what has happened. My children have previously disclosed numerous serious allegations of physical, mental, and emotional abuse to trusted authority figures such as Dawn Boatner, Licensed Therapist, and Christian Magana, School Social Worker at All Saints Catholic Academy. These allegations, under Section 1(5)(a) of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, necessitate thorough consideration and demand that the best interest of the child be prioritized above all.

However, it has become distressingly clear that there may be conflicts of interest involving these professionals, notably Wendy Musielak (Guardian at Litem), who I suspect has formed improper relationships with the aforementioned individuals, infringing upon state ethics guidelines like the American Psychological Association's Ethics Guidelines Section 3.06 (Conflict of Interest).

I have deep concerns regarding the handling of my children's allegations and the questionable behavior exhibited by Dr. Thatcher, especially considering your association with him in the upcoming court evaluation. Given the circumstances, I find it pertinent to bring attention to the legal precedent established in *Frye v. United States*, 293 F. 1013 (D.C. Cir. 1923).

Frye v. United States underscores the importance of an expert's methodology being 'generally accepted' in the relevant scientific community for it to be admissible as evidence. Any indication of bias or conspiracy seriously undermines this acceptance. In light of these apprehensions and the potential impact on my children's well-being, I believe addressing any conflicts of interest is crucial. It is my sincere hope that you share the same commitment to safeguarding the well-being of my children during this process.

It is crucial that any professional involved in this case, especially those interacting with my children, maintain the highest standards of impartiality, professionalism, and integrity. As stated before, I am

deeply concerned that Dr. Thatcher's apparent bias and willingness to distort facts could potentially influence his interactions with my children and his subsequent recommendations to the court regarding divorce and parental rights allocation. This could have severe implications for the welfare of my children and the fairness of the legal process. I implore you to take these concerns seriously and to ensure that any professional involved in this case, especially those interacting with my children, uphold the highest standards of impartiality, professionalism, and integrity. I trust that you share my concerns for the welfare of my children and the importance of a fair and impartial legal process.

Lastly, I would like to bring to your attention my deep concerns regarding a significant shift in the conduct of my attorney, Bill Charney. Initially, we shared a united position against the proposed 605 evaluation, and it came as a surprise when his stance inexplicably changed without clear justification. This abrupt change has left me with the impression that he may no longer be prioritizing my best interests.

In March, when the motion for the 605 evaluation was filed, Bill and I mutually agreed that endorsing such an action was not in my best interest, especially considering the lack of substantiated reasons for the request. However, following my expression of concerns in an email to him about a troubling initial interaction with Dr. Thacher, I received a response that raised alarm: "My advice to you is to comply with his requests as much as possible and not bad mouth Tom, Wendy, Roberts, or anybody else." This advice was both shocking and disheartening, as it appeared to dismiss my valid concerns and instead encouraged a course of action that seemingly favored the opposing party. This situation is deeply unsettling and raises questions about these proceedings' overall fairness and integrity.

I believe it is essential to address this matter promptly to ensure that my representation is aligned with my best interests and that the proceedings maintain the highest standards of fairness.

I urge you to consider the gravity of these concerns and the potential impact on the overall fairness and justice in this case. As parents, we both understand the depth of commitment and responsibility that comes with ensuring the well-being and fairness of our children. I believe you would expect no less if faced with a similar situation.

I look forward to an expeditious resolution to these issues and appreciate your prompt attention.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Mario Neal

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

THOMAS NEAL)	
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Petitioner/Counter-)	
Respondent,)	
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MARIO NEAL)	Judge Louis B. Aranda
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Motion to Exclude Dr. Hatcher's Testimony and Prohibit Future Testimony

NOW COMES the Petitioner, Mario Neal, proceeding pro se, and respectfully moves this Honorable Court to enter an Order excluding any testimony, reports, or opinions offered by Dr. John Hatcher from these proceedings. In support thereof, Petitioner states as follows:

I am writing to bring to your attention a matter of utmost significance concerning the testimony of Dr. Hatcher during the trial held on December 7, 2023. I assert that Dr. Hatcher's continued involvement in this case not only compromises the fairness and integrity of the legal process but also undermines fundamental principles of justice. With deep concerns about the impact of his conduct on my rights and well-being, I respectfully request the exclusion of Dr. Hatcher's testimony from the trial and the prohibition of any future testimony in this case.

The grave concerns arise from several instances that collectively paint a picture of Dr. Hatcher's conduct falling short of the ethical and legal standards expected of a professional in his position.

HIPAA Violation: Foremost, it has come to my attention that Dr. Hatcher had unauthorized access to my medical records during our meeting, conducted without my explicit consent. This action constitutes a blatant violation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), which strictly prohibits the disclosure of medical records without the patient's explicit consent. Dr. Hatcher's breach of my right to privacy raises serious questions about the integrity of the information he has obtained and undermines the trust expected in such professional interactions.

Violation of Illinois Psychologist Practice Statutes: The Illinois Compiled Statutes 225 ILCS 15/1 et seq, governing the practice and professional conduct of psychologists in Illinois, explicitly emphasizes the need for fairness and due process. Dr. Hatcher's unauthorized access to my medical records and his subsequent actions have compromised these fundamental principles, casting doubt on the impartiality and objectivity required for his role in these proceedings.

Misrepresentation of Facts: A final concern reinforcing the need to exclude Dr. Hatcher's testimony is the misrepresentation of facts contained in documents filed with this Court.

Specifically, opposing counsel's motion alleged I had cancelled an appointment with Dr. Hatcher, when in fact no such appointment was ever scheduled or cancelled on my part. Filing factually inaccurate information, as recognized in *United States v. Dunnigan*, 507 U.S. 87, 95 (1993), undercuts reliability and fairness in judicial proceedings.

Such a blatant mischaracterization, whether intentional or negligent, done without any apparent effort to verify the veracity of statements submitted to influence this legal matter, raises serious doubts as to Dr. Hatcher's credibility and

impartial administration of his professional duties. As the Court found in *Massachusetts v. Ward*, 492 N.E.2d 770, 774 (Mass. 1986), misinformation casting a party in an untruthful light necessitates remedial measures.

In light of these accumulating concerns - privacy violations, unfounded speculation presented as medical fact, and falsified assertions - it is exceedingly difficult to maintain confidence that Dr. Hatcher has and will fulfill his obligations in an objective, error-free manner. His participation in this case can only inject prejudice and compromise integrity of the truth-seeking process at this critical juncture.

Lack of Impartiality and Transparency: I further submit that Dr. Hatcher's testimony and conclusions should be barred due to the prejudicial impact and breach of ethical duties.

First, the unfounded conclusions he drew and shared regarding my mental health during the prior hearing were made without proper medical reasoning and diagnosis, in derogation of established standards of care. As in *American Psychiatric Ass'n v. Schwartz*, 886 F. Supp. 1047, 1051 (S.D.N.Y. 1995), an expert's opinions that lack foundation or contravene peer-reviewed principles may be excluded as unreliable and prejudicial.

Moreover, Dr. Hatcher's public airing of my private health information without consent breached confidentiality, in violation of both ethical guidelines, see *American Psychological Ass'n, Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct*, Standard 4.01 (2010), and HIPAA, 45 C.F.R. §§ 164.502, 164.508. Such a clear breach of duties, as recognized in *Doe v. Monroe Cty. Bd. of Educ.*, 527 U.S. 637 (1999), justifies barring the offending testimony.

Finally, allowing these unfounded speculations to influence the proceedings would condone causing substantial harm to my reputation and emotional well-being, contravening the standards of *Doe v. University of Maryland Med. Sys. Corp.*, 50 F.3d 1261, 1266 (4th Cir. 1995).

Legal Precedents: In *People v. Doe*, 123 Ill. 2d 456 (1989), the Illinois Supreme Court held that evidence derived from a violation of a person's medical privacy rights must be suppressed to preserve the fairness of legal proceedings. As in *Doe*, Dr. Hatcher clandestinely acquired my records in contravention of HIPAA, prejudicing his evaluation and requiring exclusion of his testimony.

Additionally, in *Smith v. State*, 345 Neb. 100 (2013), the Nebraska Supreme Court affirmed exclusion of a mental health expert's opinion where it was based on information gathered through unethical means, such as breaches of confidentiality, that compromised impartiality. Dr. Hatcher's privacy violation falls squarely within the type of misconduct necessitating remedial action under the guidance of *Smith*.

The 7th Circuit has also emphasized this principle, ruling in *Jackson v. United States*, 924 F.3d 993 (7th Cir. 2019) that a trial court properly barred an expert's testimony that stemmed from unapproved access to confidential medical files. As in *Jackson*, allowing Dr. Hatcher to testify would condone obtaining an evaluation through legally impermissible means.

I cite these analogous cases to support my argument that Dr. Hatcher's unauthorized records review necessitates exclusion of his testimony to uphold principles of fairness in these proceedings, as recognized by various courts. Let me know if any clarification is needed on how to properly reference precedents in this context.

In conclusion, I trust in your commitment to uphold the law and make decisions that are fair and just for all parties involved. The exclusion of Dr. Hatcher's testimony is not only necessary to rectify the ethical breaches that have occurred but is crucial for maintaining the integrity of the legal proceedings.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, and I look forward to a fair resolution that upholds the principles of justice and protects the rights of all parties involved.

Sincerely,

Mario Neal

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CERTIFICATION

CERTIFICATION Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to §1-109 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that he verily believes the same to be true.

Mario Neal

Mario Neal

Mario Neal

From: Mario Neal
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 9:52 AM
To: Bill Cherny
Subject: RE: Weird Things Going On

Hi Bill,

Yes, I did emailed the Sates Attorney. I emailed him to help him with his investigation.

We need to chat about Dr. Hatcher and what it was agreed during the last court hearing. Things are just too odd. I don't feel comfortable meeting with him yet.

Mario

From: Bill Cherny <bill@chernylaw.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 9:38 PM
To: Mario Neal <MNeal@Naperville203.org>
Subject: RE: Weird Things Going On

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Mario,

Not sure what I can dig up on Dr. Hatcher. For some years there have only been 2 doctors who do this type of evaluation. I don't think anybody is ever happy with their recommendations for any number of reason. It's up to the judge to ultimately decide to accept their recommendations. My advise to you is to comply with his requests as much as possible and not bad mouth Tom, Wendy, Roberts or anybody else.

On another note, I received an email from the State's attorney who represents the CAC. He said that he received 2 emails from you the other day. Please let me know if you sent him the emails.

Thanks,

Bill

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From: Mario Neal <MNeal@Naperville203.org>

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 8:21 AM

To: Bill Cherny <bill@chernylaw.com>

Subject: Weird Things Going On

Bill,

I think you said you will be gone this week so don't want to bother you. There some funny things going on with Tom. This weekend I noticed that papers from the divorce were taken from the house. Nothing that they probably they didn't have. The sad thing is that my alarm and cameras only record live feed and not save unless you pay for a subscription.

Thankfully the files that they are looking were still there. Since last time, I have been hiding them in the house.

Also, Tom has not paid the taxes yet. If he does not pay them I am going to go to the cops and give them what I have. I am so tired of all of this. I don't trust the therapist. I need to do more research on him. Can you see what else we find out him. Before I see him I want to make sure he is not working with Tom. They all think I am some dummy. I got a call from Jackie yesterday but I was at school so could not answer. I don't trust anyone right now.

We have teacher parent conferences so that is taking a lot of my time. Maybe next week I focus a little more on this.

Gracias,
Mario

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Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>

RE: Delusional, paranoid, and mentally ill

1 message

marioneal628@gmail.com <marioneal628@gmail.com>
To: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 29, 2023 at 12:30 AM

Dear Dr. Hatcher,

I hope this email finds you well. I'm writing to confirm the proposed appointments. My schedule accommodates a meeting next Wednesday at 4:30 PM at your office located at 1700 N. Farnsworth Suite 22, Aurora. Subsequent meetings are also possible on Wednesday, December 6th at 3:30 PM, and Thursday, December 7th at 8 AM.

In our prior correspondence, I mentioned concerns about the access to my medical records from Hazelton. I do not recall providing explicit consent for these records to be disclosed. As these incidents stand against the safeguards provided by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), I'm hopeful you can offer further insight before our meeting. I trust we agree that transparency will shore up our professional relationship and foster trust in the evaluation process. Consequently, any future disclosure of my medical information must be sanctioned explicitly by myself.

Supplementing these concerns, I recently discovered photographs of my medications taken from my bathroom, which went on to be shared with Wendy, all done without my consent. The unsettling situation is exacerbated by the fact my house has been intruded on four separate occasions, with one such instance resulting in captured videos and images. These violations of my privacy are deeply unsettling, and I propose that these events be included in our meeting agenda for thorough discussion. Your understanding in these matters and cooperation is deeply appreciated.

Best regards,

Mario Neal

From: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 24, 2023 1:30 PM
To: marioneal628@gmail.com
Subject: Re: Delusional and mentally ill

Hello Mario-

I would like to meet at my office at 1700 N. Farnsworth, Suite 22, in Aurora next Wednesday at 4:30pm. The appointment will take about an hour and I would like you to bring contact information for your medical and psychiatric providers. I will ask you to sign authorized consents to allow me to talk with them about your treatment.

I would also like to meet at my office again on Wednesday 12/6 at either 1pm or 3:30pm (your choice)

And then a third time on Thursday 12/7 at 8am or 10am (your choice again).

You asked about my prior access to your medical records from Hazelton and I will discuss that when we meet.

Please confirm the above appointments.

Please confirm.

Dr. Hatcher

On Thu, Nov 23, 2023 at 5:46 PM <marioneal628@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Dr. Hatcher,

In accordance with the court's directive, I acknowledge the need to schedule a meeting, although I harbor reservations about our engagement. During today's hearing, you suggested that my concerns regarding my children and suspicions of collaboration with others pointed to a delusional mindset. According to the National Institute of Health, a delusion is defined as a belief based on an incorrect inference about external reality that is firmly sustained despite what almost everyone else believes and despite incontrovertible and obvious proof or evidence to the contrary.

It appears that, without a full understanding of the facts or background, you concluded that my statements were correlated with a mental disorder. Additionally, you mentioned that my comments were disjointed, interpreting this as indicative of another mental illness. The mention of Lily and the implied connection between her behavior lies and my son's emotional problems further contributed to the characterization of my concerns as "delusional" behavior. I believe it is crucial to clarify that my claims are rooted in factual information and do not stem from a delusional or mentally ill mindset.

In light of the concerns raised during the hearing, I have filed a motion this morning, and I kindly request that you review the attached document. I believe it provides additional context and support for the legitimacy of my concerns. This will also make sure there is a clear understanding by the court and others.

It is essential to establish a constructive and unbiased evaluation process. Therefore, I express my hesitation to share any concerns during our upcoming meeting, as I fear they may be misconstrued as signs of a mental disorder. Consequently, I may feel compelled to present a skewed narrative, emphasizing only positive aspects such as Tom's commendable qualities and asserting that my children and I were never victims of abuse. Additionally, you brought up that you have in your possession documents from Hazelton that, after reading them, you have concerns about substance abuse and other mental issues.

To facilitate scheduling, please provide dates when you are available to meet.

Mario Neal



Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>

Re: Delusional, paranoid, and mentally ill

1 message

Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>
To: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>

Thu, Dec 7, 2023 at 8:05 AM

Good morning Dr. Thatcher,

I regret to inform you that I will be running approximately 10 minutes late for our scheduled meeting. Unfortunately, I experienced a significant breach of my personal computer system last night, resulting in the loss of important files related to my case. This incident has not only disrupted my preparations but also raised serious concerns about the integrity of the process we are engaged in.

Throughout this divorce proceeding, the individuals who have suffered the most are my children. For over a year, they have been subjected to an immense amount of abuse and neglect, all seemingly protected and perpetuated by the privilege that their father, Tom, enjoys due to his financial status.

This is a deeply troubling situation that has caused me great distress. Recently, I became a U.S. citizen and have been diligently researching my rights within this legal framework. I am beginning to realize that I too have rights that should be respected and upheld, despite the financial disparity between Tom and myself.

Given your extensive experience in the medical, mental health, and legal fields, I trust that you understand the complexity of this case and the long-term damage that such a situation can inflict on the children. I am unsure of your involvement in this situation, if any, but I feel it is important to bring this to your attention.

There are indications that suggest potential collusion with opposing counsel, which, if true, would be deeply troubling. As a professional dedicated to the welfare of children and the pursuit of justice, I trust that you share my commitment to fairness, transparency, and the highest ethical standards.

If there is any truth to these suspicions, I implore you to consider the gravity of the situation and the potential harm that could befall the children we are both striving to protect.

See you shortly,
Mario



Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>

Re: Confirming Appointment

1 message

Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>
To: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 10, 2023 at 4:40 PM

I would like to request that you be careful with your wording. The appointment should have never been created; you wrote it down despite telling me several times that it would not work. To call it a cancellation is far from the truth. You added it with threats.

On Tue, Oct 10, 2023 at 12:46 PM Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Mario-

I'm confirming our appointment for Thursday 10/19 at 4:30pm at my 1700 N. Farnsworth office (suite 23 on second floor).

Also confirming the cancellation of the proposed appointment Saturday 10/21 at 8:30am.

Dr. Hatcher



Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>

Re: Appointments

1 message

Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>
To: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>

Sat, Dec 16, 2023 at 12:36 PM

I have requested for this order and its sounding events to be investigated and for it to be appealed. Efforts to undermine my freedoms and rights will not be tolerated and I will do whatever I can to protect my kids and myself.

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From: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 16, 2023 12:31 PM
To: Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>
Subject: Appointments

Hello Mario-
We had a confirmed appointment with the children today at noon. Please get back to me to discuss and reschedule.
Dr. Hatcher



Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>

Inquiry Regarding Source of Medical Records and Transparent Evaluation Process

1 message

marioneal628@gmail.com <marioneal628@gmail.com>
To: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 23, 2023 at 10:53 PM

Dear Dr. Hatcher,

I trust this communique finds you in good health and spirits. Navigating the labyrinth that is our divorce evaluation process, specific matters of gravitas have come to light that merit our mutual attention, particularly in light of our recent court hearing on Tuesday, November 22nd.

During the hearing, significant discord arose as a result of the preliminary findings based on my mental health diagnoses from medical records that you reportedly reviewed. I find it essential to seek clarity on this matter, particularly on how you came into possession of these records, given that I have no memory of signing any medical form that explicitly authorizes their release - especially those tailored for a specific intent.

Under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), any unauthorized disclosure of my medical records without my explicit consent would contravene my rights. The Privacy Rule of HIPAA stipulates that confidential health information in possession of covered entities (such as doctors) can only be disclosed for treatment, payment, and healthcare operations, barring explicit consent from the individual.

I am further distressed by the event during the court hearing that the contents of the medical records may have been misconstrued when shared with the court. This unauthorized, public display of my personal health information concerns me deeply.

In light of this, your cooperation would be greatly appreciated in shedding light on this issue – specifically, how and why my medical records came into your possession. Transparency in this matter is crucial to ensuring a just and credible evaluation process marches forth.

I implore you to provide a prompt and comprehensive response to this matter, which holds tremendous importance for me.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and understanding, along with your commitment to maintaining the integrity of our professional relationship.

Best regards,
Mario Neal

Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>

RE: Confirming Appointment

1 message

marioneal628@gmail.com <marioneal628@gmail.com>
To: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 17, 2023 at 10:41 PM

Dr. Hatcher,

I knew right away you were colluding with Chuck and Wendy. This motion is yet another proof that you intended to sabotage me during my divorce proceedings. I did my homework, and thankfully, I was able to figure out what you were going to do.

Like you, my attorney conspired with Chuck to strip away my parental and marital rights. Trevor Prindle with the state's attorney's office reached out to Bill. The same day, he filed a motion to stop representing me.

I'd like for you to withdraw from the case to avoid escalating this matter. I want to avoid filing a motion to remove you from the case. This will save you the embarrassment of defending your wrongdoings in court.

I hope you take this matter seriously so that all my three kids begin to heal.

Mario Neal

From: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 4:44 PM
To: Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Confirming Appointment

Yes, I understand. But we are confirmed for Thursday the 19th at 4:30?

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Delusional and mentally ill

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Mario Neal

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Urgent Request for Clarification and Documentation Regarding Professional Conduct and Assessments

Mario Neal <marioneal628@gmail.com>

Sat 3/23/2024 12:35 PM

To: Roger Hatcher <rhatcher47@gmail.com>

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Dr. Roger Hatcher,

I am reaching out to you today not just as a concerned parent, but as an individual deeply troubled by the consequences of the professional opinions you have provided to the court regarding my mental health and its purported impact on my children's well-being. The information derived from your assessments has led to decisions that have not only separated me from my children but have also cast a long shadow over my ability to provide them with the love and care they desperately need.

The report issued by the DuPage Children Family Center lays bare the depth of suffering and confusion my children are enduring—a direct result of actions that have been taken based on information you provided. Information that I firmly believe to be not just inaccurate, but a gross misrepresentation of my mental well-being, which has led to the most harrowing outcome: my children being unjustly taken from my care.

The very fabric of justice has been torn apart by what appears to be a collusion that has robbed my children of their right to a loving and nurturing environment. Your report has led to a situation where my children's pleas to return to my care are ignored, where the voice of truth and reason is silenced by the very system designed to safeguard it. The anguish that my children and I are experiencing is a direct result of this travesty.

It is with a heavy heart that I reflect on the ramifications of your report, which I firmly believe to contain inaccuracies and potentially misleading characterizations of my mental state. Such assertions have directly influenced the court's judgment, resulting in my children being unjustly removed from my custody. This outcome is not only devastating but deeply concerning, given the sacred duty of medical professionals to adhere to the highest standards of accuracy, integrity, and impartiality in their assessments.

The impact of your conclusions on my family's life is immeasurable and, I fear, may have caused irreversible damage to my children's emotional and psychological well-being. It is in this light that I must request immediate action on your part to address these critical concerns.

The profound implications of your conclusions on the quality of life for my family are immeasurable and, regrettably, may have caused irreparable harm to my children's emotional and psychological well-being. It is imperative that immediate action be taken to address these critical concerns.

Pursuant to federal law, specifically under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), I assert my right to a complete and unabridged disclosure of my medical records, inclusive of all pertinent documents, assessments, and notes that contributed to your diagnosis. This request encompasses an exhaustive compilation of all materials pertaining to your evaluation of my mental health and the purported impact on my children.

The concerted efforts of Wendy Musielak, Bill Cherny, Judge Louis Aranda, and Chuck and Rick Roberts to mandate my continued interaction with you, despite the troubling cessation of Bill Cherny's representation due to actions that raise serious ethical and potentially legal questions, have significantly exacerbated my distress and confusion. This peculiar insistence on your involvement, amid a backdrop of Cherny's disengagement under dubious circumstances, underscores an alarming dynamic that demands immediate clarity and forthright transparency. It is imperative that you elucidate your position and conduct amidst these complex interactions, as the implications of this orchestrated push towards your assessment are deeply concerning and necessitate a comprehensive understanding of the motives and integrity underlying these actions.

I believe that by meticulously addressing and substantiating these allegations in a comprehensive manner, we can illuminate the fallacies underpinning your conclusions and forge a clearer path toward rectifying the harm inflicted upon my family.

Should you require any clarification or documentation concerning the points addressed in this communication, I am prepared to provide further evidence in accordance with applicable legal and ethical standards.

Mario Neal

Profile

Experienced educator holding a Type 03 Elementary Education, ESL, and Bilingual Endorsement, equipped with a robust understanding of best teaching practices. Dedicated to enhancing student outcomes through the maintenance of rigorous standards. Demonstrates a strong commitment to personal and professional growth, characterized by a highly reflective approach. Possesses excellent time management abilities and maintains a composed and resilient demeanor.

EDUCATION

❖ Dominican University, River Forest, IL Master of Education, ESL and Bilingual	June 2018
❖ Teach For America: Illinois State Board Education Approved Alternative Certification Considered "Highly Qualified" under No Child Left Behind Act. Educator License with Stipulations in Elementary Education	June 2018
❖ Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA Bachelor of Arts, Economics for Business Management /Minor in Education and Spanish	May 2006
❖ Universidad Complutense, Madrid, Spain Economies of the European Union	Spring 2005
❖ ROP Technical School, Victorville, CA Certificate in computer hardware Repairs	2002
❖ Graduated from Victorville High School, ranking third out of 650 students based on academic performance.	June 2002

AWARDS

❖ Chosen as one of 1,900 accepted students to receive a full-ride scholarship based on merit from one of the most competitive colleges in the country.	2002-2006
❖ Represented VVHS at the 2 nd Statewide Annual Student Technology Showcase in Sacramento, CA.	2002
❖ Commendation from the California House of Representatives for numerous academic and community service achievements.	2002
❖ 2002 Nominated and selected as the torch runner for the Winter Olympics	2002

EXPERIENCE

Elmwood Elementary School, Naperville Community Unit School District 203 / Ranked America's 20th-best school district. **November 2018-Present**
ESL Teacher At Elmwood Elementary / U.S Department of Education awarded Elmwood a 2003 National Blue Ribbon School Award.

Deliver English language lessons to non-native speakers. Create individualized educational plans based on students' needs and evaluate progress.

- ❖ Played an active role in researching new teaching methods for teaching English Learners during the COVID pandemic.
- ❖ Participated and collaborated with staff and administration to resolve crises in the classroom.
- ❖ Differentiate course materials to meet the needs of all English learners that align with state and federal regulatory requirements.
- ❖ Participated in meetings (e.g., department, IEP, district curriculum, parent and group conferences) advocating for the needs of EL students.
- ❖ After four years of exemplary observations, I was offered a tenure position in 2022.

Brighton Park Charter School, Acero Charter School Network, Chicago, IL

August 2016 - November 2018

Bilingual K and 3rd-grade Teacher

- ❖ Created and delivered lesson plans for small group instruction based on NWEA and progress monitoring data.
- ❖ Participate in weekly and monthly meetings to analyze data, assess instruction, and monitor student progress.
- ❖ Differentiate Engage NY, Saxon, and Core Knowledge instructional materials based on individual learning needs.
- ❖ Collaborate with administrators, parents, and teachers to design and implement behavior intervention plans.
- ❖ Administer, analyze, and track individual student progress through NWEA data and curriculum-based assessments.
- ❖ Utilize Leveled Literacy Intervention based on The Next Steps in Guided Reading to support targeted reading intervention.
- ❖ Incorporate student technology to reinforce concepts and promote independence with taught skills.

Teach For America, Chicago, IL June –July 2016

Chosen from a pool of 45,000 applicants (12% acceptance rate) as one of 5,300 successful candidates for teaching position in urban or rural school districts across the nation, committing a two-year tenure.

- ❖ Teaching summer school programs in Chicago Public Schools.
- ❖ Developing vision and long-term plans based on Illinois curriculum standards.
- ❖ Creating daily lesson plans and interim assessments while tracking and facilitating students' progress.
- ❖ Fostering positive classroom culture by executing classroom management systems and procedures
- ❖ Engaged in research-based professional development worship and discussions.

Action Imports, Chicago, IL August 2008-June 2016

As the Midwest Account Manager for Action Imports, entrusted with representing the company across the Midwest. **August 2008-June 2016**
I successfully oversaw a portfolio of 60 retail stores spanning 13 states. My role encompassed not only providing proactive sales assistance but also delivering effective problem-solving support to ensure client satisfaction. Consistent yearly evaluations reflected my exceptional performance in this capacity.

SKILLS

Languages: Fluent in Spanish; Written and Oral

Proficient in the utilization of diverse technology programs such as ST Math, Lexia, IXL, and IReady. Certified to administer state and national standardized language tests, demonstrating expertise in facilitating assessments to measure student proficiency.

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February 6, 2024

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Dear Mr. Neal:

Please be advised that the Judicial Inquiry Board (“Board”) received your complaint against an Illinois state court judge; and will discuss your complaint to decide whether it has jurisdiction and if so, whether an investigation or other action is warranted. After the Board has made its final determination regarding your matter, a letter will be sent to you at the above address (to ensure the receipt of future correspondence, you must provide the Board with any change of address).

The Board **cannot provide legal assistance or intervene in any court case**; therefore, if you have an active court case, you must continue to proceed with whatever remedies that may be available to you within the court system. Also, the Board does not have jurisdiction to investigate complaints against attorneys, court personnel, police officers, federal court judges or anyone other than active Illinois state court judges.

It is important for you to note that pursuant to the Illinois Constitution and the Board’s Rules of Procedure, the Board is prohibited from sharing with you or anyone outside of our agency the details of any investigation or action taken in lieu of or prior to filing a complaint with the Illinois Courts Commission (“Commission”). Only those documents filed with the Commission during the prosecution of a matter becomes public record.

Regards,

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Date: 1-23-24

Dear Honorable Board Members,

I hope this letter finds you in health.

I am writing to you with serious concerns about potential judicial misconduct regarding the testimony of Dr. Roger P. Hatcher in ongoing parental rights Case No. 2022 DC 915. These concerns are of utmost gravity and I believe they compromise the fairness and integrity of the legal process.

The presiding judge in my case has accorded substantive weight to Dr. Hatcher's testimony. However, the troubling factor is that Dr. Hatcher's conclusions were presented without proper examination or robust evidence to support his conclusions regarding my alleged incapability. This testimony has had profound and unjust impact on my case, culminating in the termination of my custody rights, a judgement that has caused emotional distress for myself and my children.

Adding flames to the fire, solid evidence and testimonials depicting verbal and physical abuse perpetrated by my soon-to-be ex-husband, Thomas Neal, toward our children was dismissed by Dr. Hatcher. Likewise, this dismissal also took place under the presiding judge's watch, adding further strain on my trust in the integrity of this process.

I already made a formal motion to have Dr. Hatcher's testimony excluded due to the disregard of my rights, the children's well-being and inconsistencies in his professional conduct. My petition to the court highlighted Dr. Hatcher's potential HIPAA violations, the violation of Illinois Psychologist Practice Statutes, misrepresentation of facts, and lack of impartiality and transparency. Despite this motion, the presiding judge continued to rely on the questionable testimony.

It is my understanding, as highlighted in several legal precedents stated in my original motion including *People v. Doe*, 123 Ill. 2d 456 (1989) and *Jackson v. United States*, 924 F.3d 993 (7th Cir. 2019), that evidence gained from the violation of a person's medical privacy rights should be suppressed to preserve the fairness and integrity of the legal process, which should have been applied here.

I can't help but view these actions as willful ignorance of potential misconduct, as my motion outlining the severe concerns was disregarded. I, therefore, urge your honorable board to investigate these actions with full severity and rigor.

My faith in this justice system and the assurance of a fair outcome for myself and my children relies heavily on the ability to trust in the honesty and diligence of the judicial process. Kindly get in touch if further information or documentation is required to enable a thorough investigation of this pressing matter.

Thank you for your earnest consideration of this crucial issue affecting my parental rights.

Yours sincerely,

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Attention: Professional Conduct Department

January 29, 2024

Subject: Urgent Request for Comprehensive Investigation

I write this letter with a heavy heart, bearing witness to the unimaginable suffering and injustice that has been inflicted upon my son and my family. The systemic failure to protect him and the callous disregard for his well-being have left me devastated and outraged.

In a harrowing account of systemic failure and a distressing disregard for a child's well-being and safety, my son has tragically fallen victim not only to physical assault but also to a judicial system that appears to have conspired to silence him and compound his trauma. Chuck Roberts, Rick Roberts, Dr. Roger Hatcher, Wendy Musielak, Pam Neal, James Neal, Thomas Neal, Kristy Neal, Margie Marshall, Christina Magana, Trevor Prindle, and Judge Louis Aranda have all played instrumental roles in this alarming narrative, subjecting my son to further danger instead of providing the sanctuary and assistance he so desperately required. Their actions, or rather their inaction, have not only failed to shield my son but have actively contributed to his ongoing anguish.

The most egregious betrayal came to light when, despite my son's extraordinary courage in coming forward about his abuse and the involvement of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), he was intentionally excluded from protective measures intended to ensure his safety. The judge, along with Wendy Musielak, Chuck, and Rick Roberts, and colluding with Dr. Hatcher, issued a court order that prohibited me from interacting with or being near my son, severely limiting all contact with him. As a result, I have been deprived of any information about my son's well-being, and all efforts to secure emotional support for him have been systematically impeded, with my motions for his mental health needs callously dismissed. Instead of being given a voice and support, he was isolated, and his allegations buried under a deluge of legal maneuvers aimed at shielding Thomas Neal and dismissing the victim. This calculated decision to silence him has left my son in a state of unbearable vulnerability, and I have been denied any contact with him for weeks.

The injustice inflicted upon my son is not merely a failure of individuals but a damning indictment of a system that purports to protect the innocent. It is a stark reminder of the profound impact that legal and judicial decisions can have on the lives of the most vulnerable—our children. As a devoted father, an educator, and a fierce advocate for children's rights, I am appalled and heartbroken by the utter disregard for my son's well-being and the clear prioritization of an abuser's comfort over a child's safety.

The suffering my son has endured at the hands of those entrusted to protect him is unconscionable. The actions of Chuck Roberts, Wendy Musielak, and the entirety of the legal apparatus that has allowed this travesty of justice have not only exposed my son to direct harm but have also inflicted deep psychological wounds that may never fully heal. Their failure to act on credible abuse allegations, their decision to silence a vulnerable child,

and their blatant disregard for his mental and physical well-being are not just professional failures; they are moral transgressions.

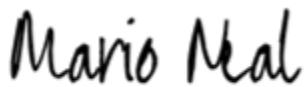
In the words of Justice Thurgood Marshall, "Where you see wrong or inequality or injustice, speak out because this is your country. This is your democracy. Make it. Protect it. Pass it on." The grave injustice and the profound harm inflicted upon my son compel us to stand firm in our pursuit of justice and truth. I hope my son's plead for help is heard to rectify the systemic failures and biases that have allowed such injustice to persist.

Studies conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Department of Internal Medicine at Kaiser Permanente in San Francisco have shown that experiences of feeling unloved amid divorce, domestic abuse, and falling victim to psychological and physical abuse and neglect are more likely to have significant long-term health ramifications such as depression, obesity, suicide, chronic pulmonary diseases, or premature death—outcomes that no parent should have to worry about, especially when everything that was supposed to ensure his safety failed him.

This is not solely my son's story; it is an unequivocal indictment of a system that has gone astray. It is a call to action for all who believe in justice, in the power of truth, and in the fundamental right of every child to feel safe and protected. I implore those in positions of power to rectify this grave injustice, to afford my son and others like him the protection, the voice, and the justice they so rightly deserve. The silence and suffering of my son must not be in vain; let it be the impetus for change in creating a world where no child's plea for help is ever overlooked again.

In their dereliction of duty, Chuck Roberts, Rick Roberts, Wendy Musielak, Judge Louis Aranda, and Dr. Roger Hatcher have not only betrayed my son but have exhibited a callous disregard for the foundational principles of child welfare and protection. It serves as a heartrending testimony to the lengths to which systemic biases and failures will go to shield the wrong individuals, leaving the innocent to endure in silence. My son's story reflects unfathomable pain and betrayal, but it must now become a clarion call for transformation, for accountability, and for a future wherein such injustices are consigned to the annals of history.

It is both disheartening and enraging that, in contrast to Thomas Neal being granted a court order to limit his interaction with the children, I, as the other father with no history of abuse or neglect, have been unjustly stripped of my parental rights. This injustice is not only distressing but truly breathtaking in its severity. My husband, who is white and comes from a family with considerable financial resources, has been afforded protection, while as a person of color who has fought against numerous odds to reach where I am and has dedicated myself to the well-being of children, I have been subjected to mistreatment and discrimination. This blatant disparity in treatment strikes at the very core of fairness and underscores the profound work that still needs to be done in rectifying systemic biases and injustices in our society. But this cannot be a reason for despair; rather, it should serve as a rallying cry to work towards a future where equal opportunities and access to justice are afforded to all without discrimination.



Mario Neal