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Re: DocInformation:SubjectGlobal CompuSearch, L.L.C.

Dear Mr. Coombs:

Our firm has been retained by Global CompuSearch, L.L.C., to address the false and slanderous statements that you have made to various third parties about Global CompuSearch and Marcus Lawson. I have reviewed several emails that you have sent which you have sent to calling Mr. Lawson a liar, and calling him an incompetent computer forensic expert. Specifically, I have reviewed an August 9, 2005 email that you sent to an internet forensic bulletin board where you provide an alleged quote of Marcus Lawson and stated that Mr. Lawson's purported statement is "a big fat lie told by self-important people." Later in this email you seek information about Marcus Lawson and then state that "people like Marcus Lawson who think they know what their doing but clearly do not are helping to get innocent people convicted by spewing nonsense." Your statements about Mr. Lawson are false and are obviously made with the intent to injure Mr. Lawson's reputation as a forensic expert and injure Mr. Lawson's business throughout the computer forensic community which Mr. Lawson and Global CompuSearch will not sit idly by and allow.

I have also reviewed the emails that you have sent directly to Global CompuSearch's client, Mr. Phil Cave, Esq., in which you attempt to directly solicit forensic work by repeatedly defaming Marcus Lawson and his company. In an email that you sent on August 10, 2005, to Mr. Cave you state that Mr. Lawson's testimony caused harm to a defendant in a separate trial, and then state:

"I would submit to you that anyone with minimal training who knows how to operate a computer could have done the work that Mr. Lawson did, and it is my belief that the same can be said of Mr. Lawson's work in the present case."

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Considering that you have not reviewed the work that Mr. Lawson has done in Mr. Sander's case, nor have you reviewed the computer hard drive in question, your accusations are clearly baseless. You further claim in your email that Mr. Lawson has made a purported false statement at some point in time which "proves beyond any doubt that Mr. Lawson's inadequate understanding of computer programming is causing him to offer inaccurate, underinformed opinions in the present case." In an August 13, 2005, email to Mr. Cave after writing two pages of reasons why you believe Mr. Lawson can simply disobey a court order and transfer to you a hard drive which contains illicit child pornography, you state that Mr. Lawson's work product is "incompetent and misleading." In this same email you write:

"I sincerely hope that the court in this case is given full explanation of what Mr. Lawson's mistakes have been, and that the court takes the time to carefully teach Mr. Lawson his duty as an expert witness. He clearly misunderstands what the court expects of him, and his misunderstandings are helping to deprive people of their Constitutional rights. Surely this cannot be his intent."

Your statements about Mr. Lawson are false and are obviously made with the intent to injure Mr. Lawson's professional relationship with Mr. Cave. This not only constitutes defamation, but you are further deliberately attempting to interfere with the business relationship between Mr. Cave and Global CompuSearch.

Global CompuSearch hereby demands that you immediately cease and assist from making any further defamatory and disparaging statements to anyone regarding Marcus Lawson and Global CompuSearch; and that you cease and desist from contacting Mr. Cave about Mr. Lawson, Global CompuSearch or about Mr. Sanders' case. If you choose to ignore my client's demand, and you continue to spew these false and defamatory statements against Mr. Lawson and his company, I have been instructed me to immediately proceed with initiating a lawsuit against you to obtain all appropriate remedies. I am further informed that you are affiliated with a forensic organization. If you continue with this conduct, we will have to notify the organization and potentially join them as a party to the lawsuit.

Global CompuSearch hopes that you will act prudently so that no further legal action will be necessary. However, Global CompuSearch is prepared to do what is necessary to protect itself from your unwarranted attacks and outrageous conduct.

Very truly yours,

MATTHEW T. RIES

cc: Marcus Lawson

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