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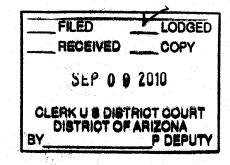
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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

### DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

XCENTRIC VENTURES, LLC, an Arizona limited liability corporation and JABURG & WILK, P.C., a professional corporation,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SHAWN RICHESON,

Defendant.

Case NoCIV 10 193 1 PHX NVV

**VERIFIED COMPLAINT** 

For their Verified Complaint, Plaintiffs Xcentric Ventures, LLC and Jaburg & Wilk, P.C. allege:

- 1. Plaintiff Xcentric Ventures, LLC ("Xcentric") is an Arizona limited liability company with its principal place of business in Tempe, Arizona and is a citizen of the State of Arizona.
- 2. Plaintiff Jaburg & Wilk, P.C. ("Jaburg & Wilk") is a professional corporation with its principal place of business in Phoenix, Arizona and is a citizen of the State of Arizona.

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- At all times mentioned herein, Defendant Shawn Richeson was acting for 4. and on behalf of his martial community and for his sole and separate property interests.
- Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a)(1), there exists complete diversity of 5. citizenship among the parties to this action.
- Further pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a), the matter in controversy exceeds 6. the sum or value of \$75,000.00 exclusive of interest and costs.
- By virtue of the foregoing, this Court has original jurisdiction, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332.
- This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1338(a), 8. 2201, et seq.
  - Venue is proper in this District under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(c), 1400(b). 9.

## **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- Xcentric operates a website known as the "Ripoff Report" located at 10. www.RipoffReport.com (the "Ripoff Report"). See Declaration of Ed Magedson, attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
- The Ripoff Report website was founded in 1998 as a forum for consumers 11. to read and post stories and comments about businesses who they feel have wronged them in some manner. Id.
- The Ripoff Report website is an interactive forum similar to a message 12. board which allows third party users to publish complaints about companies or individuals who have wronged them in some manner. Id.
- As a general rule, all of the content of the titles, reports, rebuttals, updates, and consumer comments are created by third party users of the site, not by Xcentric. Id.
- As of September 6, 2010, the Ripoff Report website contained more than 14. 635,000 original reports and more than 2.5 million unique entries.

- 15. According to Alexa.com, a website which provides web traffic analytics about other websites, the Ripoff Report website ranks 1,131 for internet traffic in the United States.
- 16. Ripoff report regularly assists federal and local prosecutors, the FBI, the FTC, the SEC, US Postal Inspectors, Homeland Security, US Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Justice Department, Attorney Generals, Department of Consumer Affairs, and local and state police and sheriff departments by providing information and responding to requests about business scams and other unlawful activities.
- 17. Jaburg & Wilk is a law firm which has represented Xcentric Ventures, LLC for approximately seven years in various legal matters.
- 18. Upon information and belief, Defendant Shawn Richeson ("Richeson") does business as Click a Nerd which purports to perform various IT services.
- 19. In 2008, three postings were made on Ripoff Report complaining about the services provided by Richeson.
- 20. Richeson initiated communications with Xcentric through emails and telephone calls.
- 21. Over the years, the tone of Defendant Richeson's correspondence with Xcentric has been uneven, at best. At times, Defendant Richeson would appear to be supportive of the mission of the Ripoff Report website; at other times, Defendant Richeson would be threatening and menacing.
- 22. Defendant Richeson has consistently requested that Xcentric remove reports about Defendant Richeson and/or his business entities that were posted on the Ripoff Report website.
- 23. Defendant Richeson knows, and has admitted to knowing, that the reports about him and/or his business entities that were posted on the Ripoff Report website were authored by third-parties, and not by Xcentric.

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- 24. Defendant Richeson has been informed, on numerous occasions, that Xcentric has a stated policy of not removing reports from the Ripoff Report website that were authored by third parties.
- 25. In October, 2009, Defendant Richeson created a forum through his website www.clickanerd.com. That forum contained a category titled "Corrupt Lawyers & Judges," which in turn contained a sub-category titled "Jaburg and Wilk Sucks," which contained another sub-category titled "Maria Crimi Speth Edward Magedson."
- 26. Within that posting, it was alleged that "[Jaburg] and Wilk use Ripoffreport.com as an extortion tool." This is a false statement. Jaburg & Wilk has no financial or legal interest in the Ripoff Report website.
- 27. Upon information and belief, the purpose behind Defendant Richeson's creation of the forum about Jaburg & Wilk was to force Xcentric to remove the postings about Defendant Richeson in exchange for the removal of the posting about Jaburg & Wilk.
- 28. Upon information and belief, Defendant Richeson also uses free press release websites in an attempt to alter the public's opinion about Xcentric.
- 29. For example, on July 18, 2009, Defendant Richeson created a press release falsely claiming to be from the Manager of Xcentric Ventures written in support of Defendant Richeson's company.
- 30. On September 15, 2009, Richeson sent an email to Maria Crimi Speth, a partner at Jaburg & Wilk, P.C. that stated that he was in possession of a video about Ripoff Report.
- 31. In the email, Defendant Richeson attempted to blackmail Xcentric by explaining that he was "going to make it [the Video] public," but then decided to contact Ms. Speth and "work out a deal."
- 32. Defendant Richeson then invited Ms. Speth to view the video at the link provided, and asked her to comment on the truthfulness of the statements in the video.

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Ms. Speth responded promptly and informed Defendant Richeson that the 33. statements in the video were false.

- In October of 2009, the video was posted on You Tube and several other 34. locations on the Internet.
- On June 24, 2010, Defendant Richeson created another forum falsely 35. attempting to show a relationship between Jaburg & Wilk and the Ripoff Report website. This new forum contained a photograph of a rabbit with a gun to its head, with a caption stating "Save Me From Jaburg & Wilk - Owners of Ripoffreport.com."
- Shortly thereafter, on July 1, 2010 Defendant Richeson sent an email to Xcentric and to Jaburg & Wilk requesting that Xcentric update the title to a report on the Ripoff Report website to falsely indicate that Defendant Richeson and Magedson "worked together" to assist in a police investigation.
  - Xcentric did not update the title as requested by Defendant Richeson. 37.
- On September 3, 2010, Defendant Richeson escalated his extortive demands 38. to a new level.
- By email dated September 3, 2010, Defendant Richeson informed Xcentric 39. and Magedson that he created and published a website detailing the criminal history of Xcentric's general counsel, David Gingras.
  - The website falsely stated that David Gingras is a child molester. 40.
- The information on Defendant Richeson's website about Mr. Gingras 41. contained a statement suggesting that the information about Mr. Gingras was obtained from the Arizona Department of Public Safety's sex offender registration website, which falsely implies that Mr. Gingras was a convicted sex offender and/or that he was required to register with such a registry and/or that Mr. Gingras's name appears on a list of sex offenders. Each of those implications is false.
- By that email, Defendant Richeson explained that his "offer still stands" and 42. demanded that two reports about him from the Ripoff Report website be removed "today."

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- 43. Throughout the day on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, Defendant Richeson's threats dramatically escalated.
- 44. Less than an hour after sending his initial email, Defendant Richeson sent the link to the website about Mr. Gingras to all attorneys employed by Jaburg & Wilk, stating that the website had been "updated."
- 45. Defendant Richeson also sent another email to Ms. Speth shortly after the initial demand, explaining that the website had "gone viral." He provided Ms. Speth with a link to a third-party website, demonstrating that the exact content from his website had been copied and published on to the third-party website.
- 46. Ms. Speth immediately wrote to Defendant Richeson and requested that he stop publishing the defamatory statements about Mr. Gingras. Ms Speth also requested that Defendant Richeson speak with her about his demands.
- 47. Instead of communicating with Ms. Speth, Defendant Richeson sent another email to Ms. Speth and all of the attorneys at Jaburg & Wilk. This lengthy email contained a number of threats, including:
  - a. That Defendant Richeson would file a false and frivolous lawsuit against Ms. Speth, "jaburg and wilk, Mr. Jaburg, Mr. Magedson, David Gingras and any other person" that Defendant Richeson believed to be involved in business with Xcentric;
  - b. That Defendant Richeson would "send my internet gurus back to the grind digging into all of your employees, clients etc."
  - c. That Defendant Richeson would "make sure Jaburg and Wilk couldn't get a client if they stood on the corner with sign saying "we sue for food".
- 48. Defendant Richeson explained that he would not go through with the above threats if Xcentric (a) removed the name "Richeson" from any posting on the Ripoff Report website, and (b) removed the name "Clickanerd.com" from any posting on the Ripoff Report website.

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Defendant Richeson did not cease his extortionate activities at the close of 49. business on Friday. Instead, he began again with new emails and new threatening and harassing websites on Saturday, September 4, 2010.

- That morning, Defendant Richeson sent an email to all of the attorneys at 50. Jaburg & Wilk, telling them to bookmark the website www.JaburgandWilkSucks.com.
- That website contained the same content as Defendant Richeson's previous 51. website regarding the record of Xcentric's general counsel, Mr. Gingras.
- Defendant Richeson also sent emails only to Ms. Speth which contained 52. links to additional websites containing the same content as the previous websites identified by Defendant Richeson.
- Two hours later, Defendant Richeson sent another email to all attorneys at 53. Jaburg & Wilk, as well as to Magedson and the defendant in the Brewington Litigation.
- That email was overtly threatening, explaining that Defendant Richeson 54. would "HAVE ALL OF [JABURG & WILK'S] CLIENTS CRIMINAL RECORDS SOON."
- Defendant Richeson further threatened that there was "NO TURNING 55. BACK NOW" but that the "SAME OFFER [IS] ON THE TABLE," insinuating that if Xcentric removed the reports from the Ripoff Report website, Defendant Richeson would cease making his threats.
- Defendant Richeson further threatened that "BY TUESDAY, WE WILL 56. HAVE THIS SPREAD TO OVER 200 BLOGS."
- This email also included a closing salutation from Defendant Richeson, 57. which said "CANT WAIT TO SEE YOU IN COURT DEAR."
- Two hours later, Defendant Richeson sent yet another email to all attorneys 58. at Jaburg & Wilk.
- In this email, Defendant Richeson explained that he was tracking all IP 59. addresses which visited the website he had created, www.jaburgwilksucks.com.

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60.	Defendant Richeson further explained that he would	d be "optimizing" that
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be 10,000 vi	sitors to that website by Tuesday.	

- Also in that email, Defendant Richeson continued to escalate his 61. extortionate demands and threats against the business associates of Xcentric.
- Referencing those individuals associated with Xcentric and Jaburg & Wilk, 62. Defendant Richeson threatened to "start getting employees, family members and clients criminal records and past indiscretions."
- Defendant Richeson specifically identified four of Jaburg & Wilk's largest 63. clients whom he would "start with" in making information "unflattering, humiliating and very public."
- Disturbingly, Defendant Richeson also explained that his "desire to settle is 64. fading as my excitement in this project increases."
- In response to these threats, Ms. Speth corresponded with Defendant 65. Richeson, explaining that Xcentric was considering surrendering to his demands and requesting that Defendant Richeson cease making additional postings about Xcentric and its vendors and associates.
- Instead of responding rationally to this email, Defendant Richeson 66. explained that Xcentric had "20 minutes to fix" two postings about Defendant Richeson on the Ripoff Report website.
- Defendant Richeson threatened that if his name and the name of his 67. company was not removed from the two reports on the Ripoff Report website, "I can assure before the weeks out, operation 'ass slam jaburg and wilk' will be a huge success."
- Late on Saturday, September 4, 2010, Xcentric agreed to redact Richeson's name and his company name from the postings, in the hope that it would mitigate the immediate harm to Jaburg & Wilk until an application for an injunction could be filed after the long Labor Day weekend.

- 69. Defendant Richeson then identified a third report from the Ripoff Report website from which he wanted his name removed.
  - 70. Defendant Richeson's threatening activities continued into Sunday as well.
- 71. On Sunday morning, Defendant Richeson sent an email to Ms. Speth identifying three reports from the Ripoff Report website which he claimed "still have occurrences" of his name and requested that she "please remedy" that.
- 72. Less than an hour later, Defendant Richeson sent a second email to both Ms. Speth and Xcentric identifying a report from the Ripoff Report website and saying "WTF: Are you going to fix this or not?"
- 73. When this report was not "fixed," he began posting defamatory content about Mr. Gingras, Xcentric's general counsel, on numerous third-party websites.
- 74. Defendant Richeson continued to transmit threatening emails on Sunday afternoon. He wrote to Ms. Speth and Xcentric stating "Pissing me off is not smart."
- 75. Defendant Richeson continued to threaten Xcentric and its law firm, Jaburg & Wilk, stating: "If you are jerking me off to get through the weekend, I can promise you You will lose in ways you never dreamed of."
- 76. Defendant Richeson further threatened "Keep your word and fix these posts, or Find out just how far I am willing to take this matter."
- 77. Late Sunday night, Defendant Richeson issued an additional threat to Xcentric. He offered Xcentric what he referred to as a "trade deal" related to the website www.jaburgandwilksucks.com. Defendant Richeson further threatened to "turn this into an SEO war" and warned Magedson that he would "spend 250K in legal fees and lose anyway."
- 78. Finally, on Monday, September 6, 2010, Defendant Richeson sent three additional threatening emails to all of the attorneys at Jaburg & Wilk, as well as Xcentric.
- 79. Monday's first email explained that the threat of litigation would not deter Defendant Richeson. In fact, Defendant Richeson invited Jaburg & Wilk to "deal with the political fallout and sue me if they want."

- 80. Defendant Richeson continued to threaten that "By Monday, my copy of the report will have gone viral" and that it would be on "2000 + blogs."
- 81. Defendant Richeson further threatened Jaburg & Wilk, stating "We will use our SEO knowledge and resources to cause those facts to rank on Google and Yahoo and make Jaburg and Wilk understand that when you dance with the devil (Xcentric), you will do it in hell."
- 82. Defendant Richeson further threatened Jaburg & Wilk, stating "I will cause as much grief, public scrutiny and loss of revenue as humanly possible to you and the firm of Jaburg and Wilk."
- 83. Defendant Richeson further threatened Jaburg & Wilk, stating "I have polarized law firms and made the owners go to sleep and wake up in the middle of the night with hot flashes screaming my name."
- 84. Defendant Richeson further attempted to extort Xcentric to remove the reports he identified, explaining that if Xcentric "take[s] care of this immediately... I give you my word that I will quietly go away and leave you and your law firm alone."
- 85. Monday's second email stated "Alrighty Then, Let the games begin" and referenced again the website www.jaburgandwilksucks.com.
- 86. Monday's final email was much lengthier, and contained additional threats against Xcentric and Jaburg & Wilk.
- 87. Defendant Richeson threatened: "I promise and swear to god as my judge, I will not let you get away with this and the only non paying, time consuming and emotionally draining case you and your firm will be in for the next 3 years is jaburg v richeson v Speth v Magedson."
- 88. Defendant Richeson also threatened: "Every lawyer, paralegal and client you have will see all of their criminal records and any other unflattering piece of dirt that exists out their on the web right in the center of the Google and Yahoo search results."

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- 90. Defendant Richeson further threatened that this was Xcentric and Jaburg & Wilk's "Last chance to survive the most unbelievable SEO war you have ever participated in."
- 91. On Sunday, September 5, 2010 and Monday, September 6, 2010 (Labor Day), Defendant Richeson called Ms. Speth's home three times. In one of those calls he spoke with Ms. Speth's husband and claimed that he was returning a call for computer service made to Click a Nerd. He also left a voice message on the Speth family answering machine claiming that he was "Rich" from Click A Nerd and that he was returning a call regarding computer service. The final call was made at 10:45 pm on Labor Day. When Defendant Richeson identified himself, Ms. Speth told him to never call her home again and hung up the phone.

### **COUNT ONE**

## (Wrongful Interference With Contract)

- 92. Plaintiffs reallege the above as though set forth at length.
- 93. As is set forth more fully herein, Defendant Richeson has wrongfully and intentionally interfered with Jaburg & Wilk's contractual relationship with Xcentric and potential contractual relationship with clients other than Xcentric.
- 94. As is set forth more fully herein, Defendant Richeson has wrongfully and intentionally interfered with Xcentric's contractual relationship with Jaburg & Wilk.
- 95. Defendant Richeson knew about the existence of these contracts, as shown by the specific statements made by Defendant Richeson in his many threatening and harassing emails.
  - 96. Defendant Richeson's conduct was improper.

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By reason of the evil motives and malice of Defendant Richeson, Plaintiffs 97. pray for punitive damages in an amount to be proven at trial, but in any event, an amount not less than \$75,000.

#### **COUNT TWO**

### (Violation of A.R.S. §13-2314.04(A))

- Plaintiffs reallege the above as though set forth at length. 98.
- Pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-2314.04(A), a person who sustains reasonably 99. foreseeable injury to his person, business or property by a pattern of unlawful activity may file an action under this statute.
- 100. As defined by statute, a pattern of unlawful activity means at least two acts of extortion that meet the following requirements: "(i) The last act of unlawful activity that is alleged as the basis of the claim occurred within five years of a prior act of racketeering; (ii) The acts that are alleged as the basis of the claim were related to each other or to a common external organizing principle, including the affairs of an enterprise. Acts of racketeering are related if they have the same or similar purposes, results, participants, victims or methods of commission or are otherwise interrelated by distinguishing characteristics.; and (iii) The acts that are alleged as the basis of the claim were continuous or exhibited the threat of being continuous." See A.R.S. § 13-2314.04(T)(3)(a).
- 101. Plaintiffs can fulfill the continuity requirement by showing either "a closed period of repeated conduct, or past conduct that by its nature projects into the future with a threat of repetition." H.J. Inc. v. Northwestern Bell Tel. Co., 492 U.S. 229, 241, 109 S.Ct. 2893, 106 L.Ed.2d 195 (1989); Lifeflite Med. Air Transp., 198 Ariz. 149, 7 P.3d 158, 162 (App.2000) (interpreting Arizona's statute consistent with analogous federal statute and applying continuity requirement).
- 102. Defendant Richeson has engaged in a pattern of unlawful activity, namely, theft by extortion, which has caused Plaintiffs to sustain reasonably foreseeable injury to their respective businesses.

103. Under Arizona law, "A person commits theft by extortion by knowingly obtaining or seeking to obtain property or service by means of a threat to do in the future any of [the listed offenses]." A.R.S. § 13-1804(A).

- 104. In particular, Defendant Richeson violated A.R.S. § 13-1804 by repeatedly calling and emailing Magedson, threatening him with destruction of Xcentric's business and destruction of the businesses and reputations of those who do business with Xcentric, as set forth in detail above, if Magedson did not comply with Defendant's request to remove businesses and postings from the Ripoff Report website.
- 105. The activities of Defendant Richeson described in this claim were taken intentionally and with full knowledge and appreciation of the intended results of the scheme to extort Plaintiffs.
- 106. Defendant Richeson repeatedly called, wrote and emailed Jaburg & Wilk and threatened to do damage to its business and reputation if Jaburg & Wilk and Xcentric did not concede to Defendant's demands.
  - 107. Defendant Richeson's actions amount to extortion under A.R.S. §13-1804.
- 108. Plaintiffs have been injured in their business and reputation by reasons of Defendant's extortionate scheme.
- 109. A.R.S. §13-2314 (B) provides that the court has jurisdiction to prevent, restrain, and remedy conduct described in the statute.

## **COUNT THREE**

## (Harassment - A.R.S. § 12-1809)

- 110. Plaintiffs reallege the above as though set forth at length.
- 111. Harassment, as defined by A.R.S. §12-1809(R), is a series of acts over any period of time directed at a specific person that would cause, or has caused, a reasonable person to be seriously alarmed, annoyed or harassed and that serves no legitimate purpose.
- 112. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-1809(R), and as more specifically set forth herein, Defendant Richeson has engaged in harassment of Plaintiffs through email and telephone calls.

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113. Based on the statements transmitted to Plaintiffs by Defendant Richeson, absent an Order from this Court requiring that Defendant Richeson cease his harassing activities, he will continue to escalate his harassing and threatening communications with Plaintiffs.

114. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-1809(E), if the court finds reasonable evidence of harassment of the Plaintiffs by Defendant Richeson, or that good cause exists to believe that great or irreparable harm would result to the Plaintiffs if the injunction is not granted before Defendant Richeson can be heard in opposition and the Court finds specific facts attesting to Plaintiffs' efforts to give notice to Defendant Richeson or reasons supporting Plaintiffs' claim that notice should not be given, the Court shall issue an injunction.

115. By reason of the evil motives and malice of Defendant Richeson, Plaintiffs prays for punitive damages in an amount to be proven at trial, but in any event, an amount not less than \$75,000.

#### **COUNT FOUR**

# (Defamation - Plaintiff Jaburg & Wilk)

- 116. Plaintiffs reallege the above as though set forth at length.
- 117. Defendant Richeson has authored and published false and/or defamatory statements about Jaburg & Wilk on the Internet.
- 118. Defendant Richeson's publication on multiple websites, including, but not www.jaburgandwilksucks.com, http://www.clickanerd.com/legal/gingras/, limited to http://cmtracker.wordpress.com/2010/09/04/david-gingras/, http://local.yahoo.com/infohttp://www.seomoz.org/blog/the-anatomy-of-aand 65165506-jaburg-wilk-phoenix, ripoff-report-lawsuit, each of which contains false and defamatory statements of fact of and concerning Jaburg & Wilk that were authored and published by the Defendant Richeson. These statements include, but are not limited to:
  - David Gingras | Child Molestor a.
  - David Gingras ...is a partner and owner at the law firm of Jaburg and b. Wilk.

c.	The law firm buried the report	about	[David	Gingras]	to keep	their
	law firm from looking bad.					
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- d. If [Maria Speth] would spend her time as a lawyer and not running her website ripoffreport.com, maybe she would be able to focus and do a good job.
- e. How can we trust an Attorney to help us if they hire child molesters?
- f. The quality of legal service [of Jaburg & Wilk] was terrible and I found out that her partner David S. Gingras has been in trouble for various sexual offenses and DWI.
- g. I find it highly unethical that a law firm would allow people like this to work for them.
- 119. Defendant Richeson also created defamatory images of and concerning Jaburg & Wilk and published them on the internet. A true and correct copy of a defamatory image created by Defendant Richeson and published on the internet is:



This image contains a photograph of the managing partner of Jaburg & Wilk, Gary Jaburg, along with defamatory text within the logo of Jaburg & Wilk. It also misstates the name of the law firm, and misrepresents that the law firm is "an Excentric [sic] Ventures Company."

- 120. Each of the above statements are factually false and, to the extent any of Defendant Richeson's statements appear to convey an opinion, they are actionable because they imply the existence of additional undisclosed facts which are false.
- 121. Defendant Richeson's statements published on multiple public websites are false and defamatory because they bring Jaburg & Wilk into disrepute, contempt or ridicule.

- 122. Defendant Richeson is liable not only for what was said, but also for what was insinuated.
- 123. The statements published on multiple public websites are of and concerning Jaburg & Wilk.
- 124. Defendant Richeson made each and every defamatory statement published on multiple public websites knowing that said statements were false.
- 125. In the alternative, Defendant Richeson acted in reckless disregard of the truth in making each of the defamatory statements; in the alternative, Defendant Richeson was negligent in failing to ascertain the truth of the defamatory statements before making them.
- 126. Each and all of the statements published on multiple public websites, separately or in conjunction with one another were published by the Defendant Richeson by reason of evil motives and/or malice towards Jaburg & Wilk and were and are intended and designed to and did injure and defame and continue to injure and defame Jaburg & Wilk.
- 127. Defendant Richeson's statements, singularly or in combination, have exposed and continue to expose Jaburg & Wilk to public contempt. The statements have impeached and continue to impeach the honesty and integrity of Jaburg & Wilk, have damaged Jaburg & Wilk's reputation, and have subjected it to ridicule in the eyes of current, former, and potential clients, current, former, and potential business associates, and the general public.
- 128. By reason of the evil motives and malice of Defendant Richeson, Jaburg & Wilk prays for presumed and/or nominal damages and for punitive damages in an amount to be proven at trial, but in any event, an amount not less than \$75,000.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs Xcentric Ventures, LLC and Jaburg & Wilk, P.C. request that the Court enter judgment against Defendant Shawn Richeson as follows:

- A. For nominal damages;
- B. For presumed damages;

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C.	For punitive damages in an amount not	less	than S	\$75,000

- D. For entry of a Temporary Restraining Order restraining Defendant Richeson from engaging in the harmful activities identified herein, including, but not limited to, the extortion and harassment of Plaintiffs;
- E. For entry of a Preliminary and Permanent Injunction restraining Defendant Richeson from engaging in the harmful activities identified herein, including, but not limited to, the extortion and harassment of Plaintiffs;
- F. For cost of suit incurred herein, including Plaintiffs' reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; and
- G. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

  DATED this 2th day of September, 2010.

JABURG & WILK, P.C.

Maria Crimi Speth

Attorneys for Plaintiffs

#### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF ARIZONA	)
Maricopa County	)

Attorneys At Law 3200 N. Central Avenue, Suite 2000 Phoenix, Arizona 85012 (602) 248-1000 Maria Crimi Speth, being first duly sworn upon her oath and according to law, deposes and says that she is the representative of the Plaintiff Jaburg & Wilk, P.C. in the above-captioned matter and she has read the Complaint and knows the contents thereof; and they are true to the best of her knowledge.

DATED this Aday of September, 2010.

Maria Crimi Speth

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of September, 2010, by

Varia Crini Specific French known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to

be the person who appeared before me.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: /1-5-10

