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12 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
13 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

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15 **ASIA ECONOMIC INSTITUTE, LLC, *et al.*,**  
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17 **Plaintiffs,**  
18 **vs.**  
19 **XCENTRIC VENTURES, LLC, *et al.*,**  
20 **Defendants.**  
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Case No: 2:10-cv-01360-SVW-PJW

**DECLARATION OF  
DAVID S. GINGRAS IN SUPPORT  
OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION  
FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

Hearing Date: Nov. 1, 2010  
Time: 1:30 PM  
Courtroom: 6 (Hon. Stephen Wilson)

1 I, David S. Gingras declare as follows:

2 1. My name is David Gingras. I am a United States citizen, a resident of the  
3 State of Arizona, am over the age of 18 years, and if called to testify in court or other  
4 proceeding I could and would give the following testimony which is based upon my own  
5 personal knowledge unless otherwise stated.

6 2. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the States of Arizona and  
7 California, I am an active member in good standing with the State Bars of Arizona and  
8 California and I am admitted to practice and in good standing with the United States  
9 District Court for the District of Arizona and the United States District Court for the  
10 Northern, Central, and Eastern Districts of California.

11 3. Since July 2009, I have been employed as General Counsel for Plaintiff  
12 Xcentric Ventures, LLC. In my capacity as counsel for Xcentric Ventures I have been  
13 involved in the litigation of this action since its inception. I have possession of  
14 Xcentric's files relating to this case, and I am personally familiar with the contents  
15 thereof.

16 4. On May 7, 2010, I took the deposition of Plaintiff Raymond Mobrez in Los  
17 Angeles, California. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of portions  
18 of the condensed transcript from Mr. Mobrez's deposition which has been highlighted to  
19 identify certain portions of testimony as set forth in Defendants' Separate Statement of  
20 Facts In Support of Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. **Exhibit A** also  
21 includes true and correct copies of certain exhibits to Mr. Mobrez's deposition which  
22 reflect the same exhibit identifiers as were used during the course of the deposition.

23 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the  
24 United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

25 EXECUTED ON: September 27, 2010.

26 /s/David S. Gingras \_\_\_\_\_  
27 David S. Gingras  
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# Exhibit A

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DEPOSITION OF RAYMOND MOBREZ  
Los Angeles, California  
May 7, 2010

Reported by:  
Yaelle Daneshrad  
CSR No. 11754

1 fact?  
 2 A Basic information.  
 3 Q It's common knowledge, then?  
 4 A Yes.  
 5 Q Okay. Do you, do you know any witness who  
 6 will testify that Mr. Magedson or anyone associated  
 7 with Xcentric Ventures wrote the title that you've  
 8 marked on Exhibit 1A or any of the other titles in  
 9 any of the other exhibits about AEI?  
 10 A Well, if you have a -- you can design your  
 11 website that the party can go and put a subject  
 12 matter, and then you will post the other things.  
 13 When you do that, then you have a -- you  
 14 are creating a -- you are the one who are putting  
 15 this up to the website. They are not the one they  
 16 are putting on the website.  
 17 Q When you say "they," you mean the author?  
 18 A Author. Author is only can do is to fill  
 19 in the forms and the blanks that you have -- you  
 20 provided. They do not have access to your  
 21 technology, how that --  
 22 Q The code?  
 23 A Exactly.  
 24 Q Right. But the actual information that  
 25 appears on that line, don't you agree that that

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1 originated with the author? Not Ed Magedson or  
 2 Xcentric?  
 3 A I don't know that.  
 4 Q You don't know either way?  
 5 A Yes.  
 6 Q Okay.  
 7 A All I can tell you, it's there.  
 8 Q It is there. I agree with you. Let's  
 9 look at paragraph, subparagraph D of paragraph 22 on  
 10 page 10 of your complaint, which is Exhibit 10.  
 11 A Okay. Paragraph D on page 10.  
 12 Q Again, you appear to be alleging there  
 13 that defendants create meta tags for reports which  
 14 make those reports rank higher on search engines and  
 15 then there's, there's some additional claims there.  
 16 The last sentence looks like it says  
 17 "Defendants author and use these so-called meta tags  
 18 in violation of Google's terms of service."  
 19 What is your factual basis for making that  
 20 allegation?  
 21 A Google, I contacted them.  
 22 Q Did you?  
 23 A Yes. And --  
 24 Q When did you do that?  
 25 A I believe in March of 2009.

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1 Q Okay.  
 2 A They believe in that they are -- have  
 3 nothing to do with what the content and the way it's  
 4 coming from Ripoff Report to them. They asked me to  
 5 contact back again with Ripoff to take this down.  
 6 Q Did anybody at Google tell you that Ripoff  
 7 Report was violating Google's terms of service?  
 8 A I don't know -- I'm sure there is some  
 9 letter or e-mail has been exchanged between me and  
 10 Google.  
 11 Q Did you -- you corresponded with them via  
 12 e-mail?  
 13 A I think it's a letter.  
 14 Q In a written letter?  
 15 A Letter.  
 16 Q And did you get a written response?  
 17 A I believe some response came in. But when  
 18 I called, they are the one they were saying that,  
 19 this is basically he was saying, if they are doing  
 20 this, which they are doing this, violating our terms  
 21 of services.  
 22 Q In what way does creating meta tags  
 23 violate Google's terms of service? What terms of  
 24 service are you referring to?  
 25 A Well, I'm not an expert, but I know just a

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1 common knowledge that by creating a -- you're taking  
 2 somebody's good name or at least a name that is  
 3 attractive to the web and using that to your website  
 4 to go up, pulling you up there.  
 5 For example, I, somebody will write  
 6 "'Westlaw' is terrible." Westlaw is on top of  
 7 search engine. And it's always, it's people that  
 8 are in it and that demands highest as possible. And  
 9 somebody like Ripoff is using this methodology or  
 10 the name to pull their name up. It's basically meta  
 11 tag or, in a way, linking to that particular name  
 12 or, or the phrase or whatever it is.  
 13 Q I don't have a clue if that was responsive  
 14 to what I asked you but --  
 15 A I apologize.  
 16 Q No, it's okay. Some of this is a little  
 17 complicated. I get that. But what evidence do you  
 18 have that Ed Magedson or Xcentric Ventures created  
 19 any meta tags for the specific reports at issue in  
 20 this case? Do you think that Ed Magedson sat down  
 21 and typed the computer code that you're referring to  
 22 as meta tags?  
 23 A It's not a computer code. It's very easy.  
 24 In fact, when I called Google and Yahoo, they both  
 25 said that there's no way we can take this out other

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1 than Ripoff Report.  
2 **Q You're saying that Google and Yahoo**  
3 **wouldn't agree to remove anything from their search**  
4 **engine index and that, if you wanted it to disappear**  
5 **from there, you had to ask Ripoff Report to take it**  
6 **down and they would have to do that?**  
7 A Yes, that's right.  
8 **Q But that's not quite what I asked you. I**  
9 **asked you what evidence do you have that Ed Magedson**  
10 **personally created any meta tags at all for the**  
11 **reports about your company or you in this case? How**  
12 **do you know that he did that? I understand that you**  
13 **think that he did, but I'm asking for evidence that**  
14 **supports that.**  
15 A There's nobody else -- you're creating in  
16 a conspiracy theory here. We are talking about  
17 specifics. He is the owner of this website. It  
18 seem to me it's a one-man show, its own operation in  
19 a way, gave and take. And he's -- there's nobody  
20 else is doing these things. Unless you want to say  
21 there is a conspiracy theory here.  
22 **Q Well, but the author could be doing that,**  
23 **couldn't they?**  
24 A Author how they can do it?  
25 **Q By inputting information --**

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1 A Author does not have access to your  
2 database information, content management system.  
3 You have the access to your content management  
4 system.  
5 **Q Let me just ask you this: Is it your**  
6 **position that Mr. Magedson using a keyboard typed in**  
7 **any of the information in anything that you would**  
8 **call a meta tag relating to the reports at issue in**  
9 **this case?**  
10 A Yes.  
11 **Q Do you have any evidence to support that?**  
12 A It's --  
13 **Q Other than your own speculation. I**  
14 **understand that you're speculating. That's fine.**  
15 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Mischaracterize  
16 the witness's testimony.  
17 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
18 **Q Do you have witnesses or documents that**  
19 **support your theory?**  
20 A There is no one can go to that website  
21 other than Mr. Magedson. You're going universal on  
22 something which is he's the only person who has  
23 access to his content management.  
24 **Q Let's look at subparagraph E of paragraph**  
25 **22 in Exhibit 10. Okay? Do you see what it says**

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1 **there beginning --**  
2 A Exhibit 10?  
3 **Q Exhibit 10, paragraph 22, subparagraph E.**  
4 **Beginning with the word "solicit." It's the**  
5 **complaint which is there.**  
6 A It's in the complaint?  
7 **Q The complaint --**  
8 A I apologize. You said in the exhibit.  
9 Page 10?  
10 **Q Page 10, paragraph 22, subparagraph E.**  
11 A Page 10, D?  
12 **Q "E" as in "Edward."**  
13 A Go ahead.  
14 **Q Beginning with the word "solicit," do you**  
15 **see where it appears that you're alleging that**  
16 **defendants solicit individuals to submit so-called**  
17 **Ripoff Reports with the promise that so-called**  
18 **individuals may receive compensation in exchange for**  
19 **their posts.**  
20 **Do you have any evidence that Ed Magedson**  
21 **or anyone associated with Xcentric Ventures, LLC,**  
22 **specifically asked somebody to post anything about**  
23 **you, AEI or Ms. Llaneras?**  
24 A Answer to that is Ripoff Report has -- we  
25 have a copy of that page I believe. I can provide

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1 that to you, which it says is he --  
2 **Q What do you mean by that page? Oh, you're**  
3 **saying where it says submit a report and receive**  
4 **compensation?**  
5 A It says submit a report, you will be  
6 interviewed by media and even you would be  
7 compensated.  
8 **Q First of all, I think there's a footnote**  
9 **to your own complaint that says defendants have**  
10 **removed this content from their website.**  
11 **But it sounds to me like even if it was**  
12 **still there, that's a general reference, is it not?**  
13 **I mean, they're not saying submit a report about AEI**  
14 **and --**  
15 A They're saying about everybody.  
16 **Q Generally, yes --**  
17 A I'm everybody there.  
18 **Q Is it your position that anything on the**  
19 **Ripoff Report website ever said, if you submit a**  
20 **report about AEI, Raymond Mobrez or Iliana Llaneras,**  
21 **that money would be paid to the author? Do you have**  
22 **any proof that that's true?**  
23 A It is part of the Ripoff Report.  
24 **Q Where?**  
25 A We just, we just discussed that. It's in

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1 our website specifically says that --  
2 **Q About AEI or in general?**  
3 A No, anybody. "Come on and do it."  
4 **Q But you would agree with me, sir, that**  
5 **there was never -- has never been, is not now, has**  
6 **never been in the past anything that specifically**  
7 **asked people to post about AEI, you or your wife?**  
8 A It says that. It's invitation --  
9 **Q It says AEI?**  
10 A No.  
11 **Q It says generally, doesn't it?**  
12 A Yeah. "Come on and do it."  
13 **Q Okay.**  
14 A It's invitation.  
15 **Q Do you have any evidence that the authors**  
16 **of any of the six reports at issue in this case**  
17 **wrote what they wrote because they believed they**  
18 **were going to be paid?**  
19 A I can't speak of that.  
20 **Q I know you can't.**  
21 **Let's turn to page 12, please, of**  
22 **Exhibit 10. Beginning with the heading "The**  
23 **Shakedown." Do you see that?**  
24 A Correct.  
25 **Q Do you see where it says "The Shakedown"?**

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1 A Correct.  
2 **Q Tell me what you understand the term**  
3 **"shakedown" to mean.**  
4 A In nutshell.  
5 **Q Yeah.**  
6 A Shakedown to me is a nutshell. All the  
7 facts.  
8 **Q I don't know what that means, but I'll**  
9 **accept, I'll accept that.**  
10 A Number one, you have to understand, maybe  
11 this is a legal term. I'm not --  
12 **Q Oh, you didn't write it?**  
13 A Huh?  
14 **Q You did not write that term?**  
15 A I don't write legal paper.  
16 **Q Do you believe, as you understand that**  
17 **term to mean whatever you think it means, do you**  
18 **believe that a shakedown occurred in this case?**  
19 A I'm not quite sure what you're saying.  
20 **Q I don't either. I don't know what the**  
21 **word means.**  
22 **Let's move on. The subsections of**  
23 **paragraph 28, there are A through O, which appear to**  
24 **be quotations from one or more of the reports which**  
25 **are exhibits 1A through 6A and B of your deposition.**

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1 **Do you see the text quoted there, yeah, in those**  
2 **subparagraphs? 28A through O?**  
3 A Correct.  
4 **Q Beginning with, quote, "Asia Economic**  
5 **Institute lie, cheat, tax fraud," and then there's**  
6 **other text there. Do you see that?**  
7 A Yes.  
8 **Q Do you believe that Ed Magedson or anybody**  
9 **associated with Xcentric Ventures, LLC, created that**  
10 **text as in specifically wrote it?**  
11 A I can't speak of that. I don't know who  
12 wrote it.  
13 **Q Do you have any evidence that Ed Magedson**  
14 **did so?**  
15 A I can't speak of that. He may did.  
16 **Q He may have, but he may not have; right?**  
17 A I don't know. I don't know who did this.  
18 **Q Okay. Turning to paragraph 30 on the next**  
19 **page, 13, paragraph 30 talks about defendants -- I**  
20 **assume you mean Mr. Magedson -- "informed you that**  
21 **they would not remove the defamatory posts even if**  
22 **they were false. Defendants further offered to**  
23 **enroll plaintiffs in the CAP program for a fee of at**  
24 **least \$5,000 plus a monthly monitoring fee."**  
25 **When did that statement occur in paragraph**

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1 **30? When did that happen?**  
2 A Well, it could be on April 2009.  
3 **Q Okay. And we'll get to your declaration.**  
4 **I think you're more specific, so don't worry if you**  
5 **don't recall right now.**  
6 **But definitely defendants Ed Magedson or**  
7 **Xcentric, I guess, offered to enroll you in the CAP**  
8 **program for \$5,000?**  
9 A Yes.  
10 **Q Okay. And then you referred to an e-mail.**  
11 **I guess we'll get to that in just one second, dated**  
12 **May 12th. Did the May 12th e-mail that you received**  
13 **from Mr. Magedson cause you to feel any fear?**  
14 A Absolutely.  
15 **Q Why?**  
16 A He's saying go and enroll to this, it's a  
17 pressure. He's persistent about --  
18 **Q Wait a minute. Hold on. Oh, that is 12.**  
19 **That's okay. I don't want to go out of order.**  
20 **We'll get to that e-mail in a minute. I think I**  
21 **confused May 12th with Exhibit 12.**  
22 **I'm sorry, I interrupted you. You were**  
23 **talking about why that e-mail made you feel fear.**  
24 A It says "You're driving me crazy, you've  
25 got to go and do this."

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1 weeks from now.  
2 **Q That's right.**  
3 A Okay. So we have three weeks to go.  
4 **Q Mr. Mobrez, your complaint includes a**  
5 **couple of allegations of conspiracy. Do you believe**  
6 **that Mr. Magedson and/or Xcentric have conspired**  
7 **with somebody else to harm you?**  
8 A I can't speak of that.  
9 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Calls for a  
10 legal conclusion.  
11 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
12 **Q Are you aware of any evidence that shows**  
13 **Mr. Magedson or Xcentric or anyone associated with**  
14 **Xcentric conspiring to harm you?**  
15 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Calls --  
16 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
17 **Q I'm asking about evidence that you know**  
18 **of.**  
19 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Calls for a  
20 legal conclusion.  
21 THE WITNESS: I have to see evidence. You  
22 have the evidence. I have to see your evidence  
23 so I can see who you were involved.  
24 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
25 **Q Well, I know what our evidence is on that**

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1 **point, which is zero, and I'm not here to testify,**  
2 **so that's meaningless to you.**  
3 **But I want to know what evidence you have.**  
4 **Because in theory you shouldn't bring a lawsuit with**  
5 **serious claims like that without evidence. Wouldn't**  
6 **you agree with me?**  
7 **Move to strike that. That was**  
8 **argumentative.**  
9 A Let me clarify the statement you just  
10 made. When I say "to you," it means Ed Magedson or  
11 Ripoff Report. I don't mean to you personally.  
12 **Q Right.**  
13 A So I appreciate you understand that.  
14 **Q But I'm talking about your conspiracy**  
15 **claim specifically. Conspiracy in my mind, you**  
16 **can't enter into a conspiracy with yourself. You're**  
17 **referring to a conspiracy with somebody else. And**  
18 **I'm asking you who is that somebody else.**  
19 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Calls for a  
20 legal conclusion.  
21 THE WITNESS: I -- can you be clear about  
22 your statement, or can you rephrase it and ask  
23 me any other shape and form so I can be able to  
24 respond to it adequately?  
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1 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
2 **Q Sure. Let's just use your own words,**  
3 **okay? Okay. On page 23, beginning with paragraph**  
4 **72 of Exhibit 10.**  
5 A Yes.  
6 **Q Ignore paragraph 72. Look at paragraph**  
7 **73:**  
8 **"Defendants and persons unknown to the**  
9 **plaintiffs at this time have had a common**  
10 **design by means of concerted action to solicit,**  
11 **develop, create and publish on defendant's**  
12 **websites false and defamatory statements about**  
13 **the plaintiffs."**  
14 **My question to you is I understand at the**  
15 **time you wrote this you said the defendants and**  
16 **people who you did not know have done these bad**  
17 **things. As we sit here now, have you gained any**  
18 **further insight into who those unknown people are?**  
19 A You have to give me your information so I  
20 can find out who they are.  
21 **Q And imagine our response is "I don't know.**  
22 **No such person. We didn't conspire with anyone."**  
23 **Assuming that's our response, which it**  
24 **will be, what evidence do you have to show anything**  
25 **contrary to that? Anything?**

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1 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Argumentative.  
2 THE WITNESS: I don't know. This is a  
3 legal question.  
4 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
5 **Q Oh, it's purely factual, Mr. Mobrez. What**  
6 **I'm asking you is, let's say John Brewington called**  
7 **you up and said, "I've been conspiring with Ed**  
8 **Magedson. He asked me to post these things about**  
9 **AEI, and I did that because he gave me an ice cream**  
10 **cone," since we've been talking about ice cream.**  
11 **That would be a factual issue that I'd**  
12 **like to know about if you have any evidence like**  
13 **that. If you don't have any evidence like that, I'm**  
14 **also interested in that. Okay?**  
15 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Vague and  
16 ambiguous.  
17 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
18 **Q As you sit here today, I understand when**  
19 **you filed this complaint you did not know who these**  
20 **unknown people were. As you sit here today, do you**  
21 **know who they are?**  
22 A You are going back again to guessing game.  
23 We -- I can't guess anything until you provide me  
24 all your evidence, all your information.  
25 **Q So as we sit here today, the name of this**

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1 **unknown person you don't know?**  
2 **A No.**  
3 **Q Okay.**  
4 A I can guess a million things. It's not a  
5 guessing game.  
6 **Q What is the total amount of damages that**  
7 **you're seeking in this case?**  
8 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Calls for a  
9 legal conclusion.  
10 THE WITNESS: We have not compiled all of  
11 our numbers yet. But we have a huge loss here.  
12 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
13 **Q In a ballpark figure, what do you believe**  
14 **that loss to be?**  
15 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Calls for a  
16 legal conclusion. Asked and answered.  
17 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
18 **Q Are we talking about a million dollars or**  
19 **one dollar or something in between?**  
20 MR. BLACKERT: Objection --  
21 THE WITNESS: Something above a million  
22 dollars.  
23 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
24 **Q A million dollars?**  
25 A And more.

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1 **Q How much money did you spend investing in**  
2 **the building of AEI, if you will?**  
3 A That's we're going to collect that through  
4 our tax returns and other accounting informations.  
5 That you will have that in the next three weeks as  
6 you said --  
7 **Q You said "collect that." You're not going**  
8 **to recover that money, you said you're going to**  
9 **gather that information?**  
10 A Information.  
11 **Q Right.**  
12 A And you asked for information.  
13 **Q Right.**  
14 A You didn't ask for the money.  
15 **Q Do you have any idea as you is sit here**  
16 **now how much money you spent building AEI?**  
17 A I would say --  
18 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Asked and  
19 answered.  
20 You can answer.  
21 THE WITNESS: I would say over a million  
22 dollars.  
23 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
24 **Q And that would be, like, what would you**  
25 **have spent that money on?**

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1 A It's whatever it is. We have a track  
2 record of it obviously.  
3 **Q Okay. But AEI didn't sell any products,**  
4 **so it's not like you built prototype widgets and**  
5 **that cost 100,000 and then you spent money on that.**  
6 **Because of the nature of what the business**  
7 **was, giving seminars, I guess my question is what**  
8 **did you spend money on specifically to do that?**  
9 MR. BLACKERT: Objection. Asked and  
10 answered.  
11 BY MR. GINGRAS:  
12 **Q I don't know what money a person needs to**  
13 **spend in order to build the type of business as**  
14 **you've described AEI trying to be. I don't know**  
15 **what you would spend it on. Lawyers -- I don't know**  
16 **what you would spend it on, so I'm asking you to**  
17 **help me.**  
18 A You just mentioned something very  
19 important. You said you will spend the time and to  
20 build a gadget or midget or whatever you call it.  
21 **Q Widget, widget, thank you. And after you**  
22 **build that, I would just break it. What would you**  
23 **do with it after that? Why did you waste your time**  
24 **to build that?**  
25 A Answer is all inside of that same widget.

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1 **Q But in the widget example, you might be**  
2 **able to point to a receipt for a machine that you**  
3 **had to buy or a --**  
4 A That's what you're going to get.  
5 **Q A receipt for machines?**  
6 A Yeah.  
7 **Q And don't you still have those things?**  
8 A We still have all the, whatever we spend  
9 on AEI.  
10 **Q But you're unable to use that in any**  
11 **meaningful way because of the reports?**  
12 A It's finished. It's burned the house.  
13 You're saying, after we built the house, somebody  
14 burned it and let's see how we can see if we can use  
15 the house again.  
16 I can use the picture, but I can't use the  
17 house back again. It's been burned to the ground.  
18 **Q Okay. Mr. Mobrez, I think we covered this**  
19 **before, that, that you told me that your reputation**  
20 **and your wife's reputation and your business's**  
21 **reputation, they've all been harmed as a result of**  
22 **these postings; right?**  
23 A Yes.  
24 **Q And can you quantify that loss as we sit**  
25 **here today?**

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1 want to fix this, we can take care of this right  
 2 now"?

3 A It's -- that's what I'm saying. I have, I  
 4 believe there has to be one more phone call is  
 5 missing in this whole picture.

6 **Q Your phone bills would show it, and they  
 7 sure don't.**

8 A Let me explain to you. Because if I  
 9 didn't know there is exchange of money, I would have  
 10 not said, "We have to do this differently."

11 **Q Mr. Mobrez, you testified under oath  
 12 repeatedly that on May 5th Mr. Magedson asked you  
 13 for \$5,000. Why did you ask him in the recorded  
 14 phone call that you didn't know was being recorded  
 15 on May 12th, why did you say to him, "I don't know  
 16 what the cost of the program is"? Why did you say  
 17 that?**

18 If Mr. Magedson asked you for money on  
 19 May 5th, which we know he didn't, why would you ask  
 20 him on May 12th that you don't know what the cost of  
 21 the program is? You didn't know on May 12th because  
 22 he never asked you; isn't that true?

23 A No, I can't say that because I don't know  
 24 what the cost is.

25 MR. GINGRAS: I know you don't.

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1 All right. I think I'm going to call this  
 2 a day. I know we scheduled the deposition of  
 3 your wife today. I'd like to go on the record  
 4 as saying that I am suspending that deposition  
 5 in light of what has happened here today.

6 I want -- your lawyer has certain  
 7 obligations under his duties to the State Bar  
 8 and to our court, and I do not want to put him  
 9 in a position, assuming, as I hope, that he is  
 10 an innocent victim of your conduct and your  
 11 crimes, I do not want to put him in a position  
 12 where he will lose his license if he continues  
 13 to represent you knowing, as he knows now, that  
 14 you have committed perjury in this case.

15 For that reason and only that reason, I am  
 16 suspending your wife's deposition. I will  
 17 retake it at a later time if this case  
 18 continues past today, which I certainly expect  
 19 it will not. Okay? And I'll give your lawyer  
 20 notice of that when and if we decide to. Okay?

21 That's it. We're off the record.

22 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 5:12, and  
 23 we're going off the record.

24 THE DEPOSITION OFFICER: Mr. Blackert, are  
 25 you requesting review of the transcript?

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1 MR. BLACKERT: No, that's okay.

2 THE DEPOSITION OFFICER: Do you want a  
 3 copy of the transcript?

4 MR. BLACKERT: Yes, yes, yes.  
 5 (Deposition session concluded at 5:12 P.M.)  
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 7 I do solemnly declare under penalty of perjury  
 8 that the foregoing is my deposition under oath; that these  
 9 are the questions asked of me and my answers thereto; that I  
 10 have read same and have made the necessary corrections,  
 11 additions, or changes to my answers that I deem necessary.  
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 13 In witness thereof, I hereby subscribe my name  
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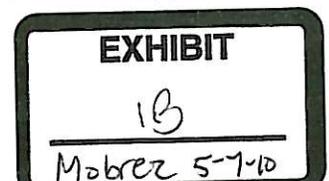
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university, and numerous raises and they have failed to deliver every time. Not only have they failed their employees on their promises, they also reduce pay illegally according to the laws of California, and fight any unemployment benefit claim that would be brought up after termination of employment. They knowingly take advantage of workers who think that these types of things are common practice. Most of my previous co-workers term it as an "internet sweatshop."

The irony of it all is that once you start working, nothing ever gets done. On one hand they want as many workers as possible, but on the other, given the complete disorganization and no plan to make money, nothing ever moves forward.

There are a couple of theories that could explain this paradox. One is that they are laundering money and writing off the Asia Economic institute as a loss to prop up their other real estate business. Logically, it would fit that they would keep hiring people to show they are trying to keep the business alive. Another reason, which I believe as equally as any other, is that they have no idea to run any business and just continue to ruin people's lives in the process.

Furthermore, the credentials of Raymond Mobrez, Director of the Institute, and Iliana Llaneras, are as muddled as they can possibly be. He claims to be a Ph.D. in Human Resources or something of the other to increase his ability to reel you in during an interview. The truth is that there are no credentials to back up the scheme that they are running.

Please stay away from this place.

Ray  
Los Angeles, California

U.S.A.

REBUTTALS & REPLIES:

1Author1Consumer5Employee

**Updates & Rebuttals:**

#1

Consumer Comment

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**I would like to know more about this company**

Chief - Los Angeles (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Wednesday, February 04, 2009POSTED:Thursday, February 05, 2009

Can you shed more light on Raymond?

#2

Ex-Employee

**Respond to this report!** ?

**Completely Agreed**

Bbx - Terrance (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Friday, February 20, 2009POSTED:Friday, February 20, 2009

I used to work for this "company" and I have to completely agree with everything you said. Mobrez and Llaneras deserve serious legal punishment for ruining my life the same way you explained.

Where is justice when you need it?

#3

Ex-Employee

**Respond to this report!** ?

**Also...**

Bbx - Los Angeles (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Friday, February 20, 2009POSTED:Friday, February 20, 2009

Check this out:

<http://www.ripoffreport.com/reports/0/423/RipOff0423987.htm>

Another person who feels just like we do about Asia Econ.

#4

Ex-Employee

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**Shed more light on Raymond Mobrez??**

Charles - Los Angeles (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Wednesday, March 04, 2009POSTED:Thursday, March 05, 2009

Nah--for the same reason we keep our sewage in underground septic tanks, rather than letting it bask in the sunlight.

Unless you're a psychologist or documentary filmmaker, I wouldn't waste your time with unscrupulous, mendacious, buffoonish cretins.

#5

Ex-Employee

**Respond to this report!** ?

Your Report is Spot On -- Raymond and Iliana are Grade A Jerks

The Instigator - North Hollywood (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Thursday, March 26, 2009POSTED:Thursday, March 26, 2009

I completely agree with your report. It perfectly describes the modus operandi of Raymond Mobrez and Iliana Llaneras. As you noted, they routinely ignore employment laws, and treat their employees like dirt. Since Raymond is a member of the Mortgage Bankers Association, that organization should be notified of the shady business practices in which he and Iliana engage.

#6

Owner of Company

**Respond to this report!** ?

Asia Economic Institute is saddened by the false allegations posted on this "RipOff "Internet gossip site

Asia Economic Institute - Los Angeles (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Friday, April 03, 2009POSTED:Friday, April 03, 2009

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#7

Ex-Employee

**Respond to this report!** ?

well put, Ray

Humblevictim - Los Angeles (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Monday, June 01, 2009POSTED:Monday, June 01, 2009

This is an accurate portrayal of Raymond and Iliana Mobrez.

Do not work for them. They are terrible human beings.

#8

**Respond to this report!** 

**Don't let him win.**

Buttalhurts - Los Angeles (USA)

SUBMITTED:Monday, August 17, 2009POSTED:Monday, August 17, 2009

Everyone who has been ripped off by this son of a bitch, fill out this forum, I am willing and already started filing a suit against this scumbag, I had contact with the BBB (Better Business Bureau) and will be forwarding every name I have in my list to make sure this bastard pays.

<http://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?hl=en&formkey=dE1YMmg1RXRqYUF0SmhBenVYanE1NXc6MA>

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Reported By: (Los Angeles California)



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Category: [Questionable Activities](#)

Submitted: Friday, February 13, 2009  
Last posting: Saturday, April 04, 2009

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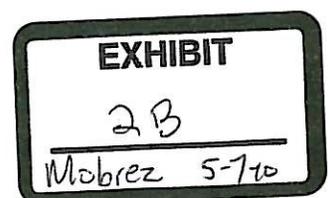
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## Updates & Rebuttals:

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Ex-Employee

Respond to this report! 

**Agreed**

**Bbx - Terrance (U.S.A.)**

SUBMITTED: Friday, February 20, 2009 POSTED: Friday, February 20, 2009

Charles, I want you to know you're not alone. I agree with you 100% on everything you said about Mobrez and Ilaneras. Also, I found another post on this website from another person just like us. Check it out:

<http://www.ripoffreport.com/reports/0/417/ripoff0417493.htm>

I hope Raymond finally gets a taste of his own medicine through legal justice one day.

#2

Owner of Company

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2. Deducting state taxes, but not paying the state - I was kept off of the payroll for as long as possible so Iliana could avoid paying out State Taxes. These, however, were deducted from my paycheck each pay period. At the end of the year, I owed the State extra money which had already been deducted & never payed to the state or me. They will cut every corner possible to not pay you.

3. Raymond promises pay increases verbally, but refuses to act on them. This is perhaps one of the worst things that can happen to a young recent grad. You are working hard, told you have value, promised a raise, and then an excuse is made.

The same thing happened when some employees were promised health insurance. The promise was not kept and excuses were made.

4. If you are hired, Raymond or Iliana may fire you for no apparent reason within 1 to 5 days. I saw this happen to accountingassistants, as well as content producers. Ask anyone who manages to stick around for a few months and they will back me up. Do not stop looking for work just because Raymond gave you an offer. He always offers everyone a job. He just doesn't keep you around.

After all this, I'd like to air more dirty laundry, because it makes me feel better after all the abuse I suffered at the hand of these robbers & cowards that run the Asia Economic Institute. I have no evidence as to the truth of any of these accusations except my own memory of conversations with Raymond, other employees, and my own perception of their actions.

Allegation #1 - Raymond explained to me that he hires & fires based on race, religion, gender, etc. Raymond told me girls are good for administrative tasks, especially Filipinas, because they do what they are told. Raymond told me not to trust Persians and Muslims. He told me the "blacks" only want to work in entertainment so you should not hire them. This is offensive and illegal. Obviously.

Allegation #2 - Raymond and Iliana are secretly married, but hide this fact very poorly. If you work there for a while and are trying to understand the nature of their relationship, it explains everything except for WHY they hide the nature of the relationship. Trust me, it makes no sense.

Allegation #3 - Iliana and Raymond \*MAY\* be using the Asia Economic Institute to funnel money out of Iliana's successful structured

finance [business](#), into Asia Economic Institute with the purpose to avoid paying taxes. I have no evidence of this, but after working there, you begin to wonder why the company exists in the first place.

Allegation #4 - Iliana and Raymond \*ARE\* absolutely batsh\*\* crazy. They live in a strange fantasy land in which they are normal, decent people. This could not be further from the truth. Working together, running their business together, living together, the two have become so delusional they think its OK to abuse employees. Furthermore, they are germophobes who spend more time worrying about hand sanitization than managing their little project.

Please keep in mind that this is only one opinion. Many other opinions can be found by searching for Asia Economic Institute on this site if you would like other opinions.

Humblevictim  
Los Angeles, California  
U.S.A.

## Updates & Rebuttals:

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Ex-Employee

**Respond to this report!** 

100% the truth

Ex Aei Employee - Santa Barbara (U.S.A.)

SUBMITTED:Monday, July 20, 2009POSTED:Monday, August 17, 2009

I back you up , they are indeed crazy as hell or evil as hell or both. I worked there for a while , and the day i stopped working there was one of the best days of my life. I hope they both end up in jail, or worse.

#2

**Respond to this report!** 

Raymond isnt going to sucker me!

Buttalhurts - Los Angeles (USA)

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Raymond, get a life, stop taking advantage of people.



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These people are EXCELLENT talkers! Yes, don't get me wrong, I do mean that in a POSITIVE manner. When my colleague and I interviewed with the company Raymond would start talking about his career highlights, travels, Asia Connections, etc. and that of Iliana's and it did indeed sound impressive, but quite BORING. We think it was his soft feminine voice with a hint of an accent that lost us within the first 6 minutes. We were dying to get out of there so that we could be put out of our misery. Had we known he had a passive and soft, feminine voice, we would have gotten a few drinks before the interview so that our senses would be dulled and the boredom would not be so intense.

The most entertaining part of the whole interview process was when Iliana would interrupt Raymond and interject additional information. She wanted to impress us and to sound intelligent at the same time but it was a real turn-off. She presented herself not to be intelligent, but a complete idiotic fool, a buffoon if you may. But in her defense, when she did interjected, what she contributed to the conversation was utterly ridiculous and it did make us laugh inside (at her and at Raymond too as he just sat there probably thinking how can I stifle her).

Raymond and Iliana do make the PERFECT co-worker team in this company. He seems passive and she seems aggressive; he has a passive voice and she has a strong voice; he seems to be smart (but not that much smarter than her, don't let the Dr. title fool you) and she seems to be not as smart; you get the picture.

In reality they are not that bad. They are just trying to survive in this recessionary world like everyone of us. If they are trying to rip-off employees, vendors, etc. as one of the remarks seem to point then Capitalism is still alive; however, what comes around goes around.

I am not sure what their business operations are but they can't be doing too bad as they are in a nice building in a nice neighborhood. If they are losing money then they must be doing something horribly wrong or they are unaware of what each other is doing. It would be ironic if one of them was pulling the wool over the others eyes. This way we can test our hypothesis to see which is the clever of the two to get away with it. Wouldn't it also be ironic if Dr. Raymond was not the clever one of the two; i.e., he is a PhD of some sort.

Ok, I am becoming just as BORING as Dr. Raymond and I appologize for that.

If anyone has interviewed with them, worked for them, or is owed any money from them, please post it here so we can have a discussion about these two wonderful human beings, Raymond Mobarez and Iliana Llaneras.

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Report: #571232

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The con-man connection occurred to me at the time, but I didn't put it all together until after he called me the next day. He wanted me to pop over again for another interview because it was something he could not discuss on the phone. He talked in generalities about "opportunities" he had for me to get involved in, but I said I was flat broke and couldn't afford any "opportunities". He told me to forget about the appointment then, and he would think further about how he could help me.

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In the middle of this conversation it occurred to me that I didn't know Raymond's last name and I asked him for it. I jokingly asked him what I would find when I googled him. It was an appropriate question since we had been discussing internet law and the ways that you can use the [internet](#) to smear someone or build them up, and the appropriate answer would have been to praise me for my dilligence, but his reaction spoke volumes. "What do you mean," he asked suspiciously. Red flag. I googled him immediately after I hung up and found this site. Well, well.

There were warning signs of [course](#). The fact that we were talking about internet issues and his own website did not have any active links and looked like it was built in an hour. The practically empty suite of offices with his tiny office right by the door. Also Raymond was way too complimentary about me and my accomplishments which is exactly what con men do. MY [web site](#) is basic, and I know it, but he made it sound like I had a career in writing code. He never read my blog, but he complimented me on how creative a writer I was. When I left his office I was on cloud nine. Please let this be real, I said to myself, but that in itself was a bad sign. When something seems too good to be true, and you have to lift your eyes upward and beg for it to be real, you can bet that it isn't.

Another flag was the lack of talk about personal things. I spoke about my son and myself, but Raymond made no mention of a wife or family or where he lived. When I asked him where his accent was from, he admitted to being Persian, but seemed angry and said that he had lived mostly in Europe. Con men have a deep self-loathing and like to blur their true identities. Some, like my ex-husband create completely different identities and life stories. They also don't discuss family because want you to think of them as alone and available which is a way to get vulnerable single women to follow them. When you see a man with no family pictures around your radar should go up.

People ask me why I don't hate my ex-husband, but Raymond is small potatoes next to him and I am grateful for all that he taught me. Having learned from the best, I couldn't go to long without spotting the red flags that Raymond puts up. Of course I should have googled him sooner and saved myself the trip over there, but it was only a 16 dollar an hour job and I can't be too hard on myself. Google is a great tool, and lack of [internet presence](#) is another red flag. Raymond has none, of course, except for this site.