

Exhibit “A”

AO 88 (Rev. 1/94) Subpoena In a Civil Case

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

WHITNEY INFORMATION

NETWORK, INC., a Colorado corporation,
and RUSS WHITNEY, an individual,

SUBPOENA IN A CIVIL CASE

Case No: 2:04-cv-47-FtM-33SPC (LAG)

v.

XCENTRIC VENTURES, LLC., an
Arizona limited liability company;
BADBUSINESSBUREAU.ORG, an
Arizona limited liability company; and
ED MAGEDSON, an individual,

**TO: Christopher J. Whitelock
Whitelock & Associates, PA
300 SE 13th Street
Fort Lauderdale Florida 33316-1924**

☐ YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear in the United States District Court at the place, date, and time specified below to testify in the above case.

PLACE OF TESTIMONY

COURTROOM

☐ YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear at the place, date, and time specified below to testify at the taking of a deposition in the above case.

PLACE OF DEPOSITION

DATE AND TIME

☒ YOU ARE COMMANDED to produce and permit inspection and copying of the following documents or objects at the place, date, and time specified below (list documents or objects): **All non-privileged litigation documents, including but not limited to, videos, deposition transcripts, pleadings, interrogatory answers, responses to request for production and accompanying documents, in the following matter: CACE 04017721**

PLACE

DATE AND TIME

**Rothstein Rosenfeldt Adler
Las Olas City Centre Suite 1650
401 East Las Olas Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301**

Friday, February 23, 2007
3:00 p.m.

☐ YOU ARE COMMANDED to permit inspection of the following premises at the date and time specified below.

PREMISES	DATE AND TIME
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Any organization not a party to this suit that is subpoenaed for the taking of a deposition shall designate one or more officers, directors, or managing agents, or other persons who consent to testify on its behalf, and may set forth, for each person designated, the matters on which the person will testify. Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, 30(b)(6).

ISSUING OFFICER SIGNATURE AND TITLE (INDICATE IF ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF OR DEFENDANT)

DATE

Attorney for Plaintiff

[Signature] 0017963

February 16, 2007

Robert C. Buschel, Esquire, Rothstein Rosenfeldt Adler

401 East Las Olas Boulevard, Suite 1650, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 TEL: (954) 522-3456 FAX: (954) 527-8663

(See Rule 45, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Parts C & D on Reverse)

¹ If action is pending in district other than district of issuance, state district under case number.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

	DATE	PLACE
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SERVED BY (PRINT NAME)		

DECLARATION OF SERVER

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing information contained in the Proof of Service is true and correct.

Executed on _____
DATE

SIGNATURE OF SERVER

ADDRESS OF SERVER

Rule 45, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Parts C & D:

(c) PROTECTION OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO SUBPOENAS.

(1) A party or an attorney responsible for the issuance and service of a subpoena shall take reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on a person subject to that subpoena. The court on behalf of which the subpoena was issued shall enforce that duty and impose upon the party or attorney in breach of this duty an appropriate sanction which may include, but is not limited to, lost earnings and reasonable attorney's fees.

(2) (A) A person commanded to produce and permit inspection and copying of designated books, papers, documents or tangible things, or inspection of premises need not appear in person at the place of production or inspection unless commanded to appear for deposition, hearing or trial.

(B) Subject to paragraph (d)(2) of this rule, a person commanded to produce and permit inspection and copying may, within 14 days after service of subpoena or before the time specified for compliance if such time is less than 14 days after service, serve upon the party or attorney designated in the subpoena written objection to inspection or copying of any or all of the designated materials or of the premises. If objection is made, the party serving the subpoena shall not be entitled to inspect and copy materials or inspect the premises except pursuant to an order of the court by which the subpoena was issued. If objection has been made, the party serving the subpoena may, upon notice to the person commanded to produce, move at any time for an order to compel production. Such an order to compel production shall protect any person who is not a party or an officer of a party from significant expense resulting from the inspection and copying commanded.

(3) (A) On timely motion, the court by which the subpoena was issued shall quash or modify the subpoena if it

(i) fails to allow reasonable time for compliance;

(ii) requires a person who is not a party or an officer of a party to travel to a place more than 100 miles from the place where that person resides, is employed or regularly transacts business in person, except that, subject to the provisions of clause (c)(3)(B)(iii) of this rule, such a person may in order to attend trial be commanded to travel from any such place within the state in which the trial is held, or

(iii) requires disclosure of privileged or other protected matter and no exception or waiver applies, or

(iv) subjects a person to undue burden.

(B) If a subpoena

(i) requires disclosure of a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information, or

(ii) requires disclosure of an unretained expert's opinion or information not describing specific events or occurrences in dispute and resulting from the expert's study made not at the request of any party, or

(iii) requires a person who is not a party or an officer of a party to incur substantial expense to travel more than 100 miles to attend trial, the court may, to protect a person subject to or affected by the subpoena, quash or modify the subpoena, or, if the party in whose behalf the subpoena is issued shows a substantial need for the testimony or material that cannot be otherwise met without undue hardship and assures that the person to whom the subpoena is addressed will be reasonably compensated, the court may order appearance or production only upon specified conditions.

(d) DUTIES IN RESPONDING TO SUBPOENA

(1) A person responding to a subpoena to produce documents shall produce them as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall organize and label them to correspond with the categories in the demand.

(2) When information subject to a subpoena is withheld on a claim that it is privileged or subject to protection as trial preparation materials, the claim shall be made expressly and shall be supported by a description of the nature of the documents, communications, or things not produced that is sufficient to enable the demanding party to contest the claim.

Exhibit “B”

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BROWARD
COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.:

04-17721-05

Federaco

V.

XCENTRIC VENTURES,
ETAL

COPY

Court
ORDER

THIS CAUSE having come on to be heard on Defendant's/Plaintiff's

Motion for PROTECTIVE ORDER

and the Court having heard argument of counsel, and being otherwise advised in the Premises, it is hereupon,

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED said Motion be, and the same is hereby GRANTED, in part, and
denied, in part, as follows; Plaintiff may take a video
deposition, but cannot publish VIDEO ON WORLD WIDE WEB or other
wise; only COURT REPORTER, video reporter, lawyers for depo and MR.
Magedson may be aware of deposition date, time, location; within
ten (10) days of this order. Ms. Speth must find a secure location
for the safety and assurance of Plaintiff's counsel, or otherwise, MR.
Magedson shall appear for deposition in Broward County in
accordance with terms of this ORDER within twenty (20) days of

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, at Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida this 12

day of October, 2005

RICHARD D. EADE

OCT 12 2005

CIRCUIT JUDGE COPY

Exhibit “C”

Maria Crimi Speth, #012574
JABURG & WILK, P.C.
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Phoenix, Arizona 85012
(602) 248-1000

Attorneys for Defendants

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

WHITNEY INFORMATION NETWORK,
INC.; a Colorado corporation,

Plaintiffs,

v.

XCENTRIC VENTURES, LLC, an
Arizona limited liability company;
BADBUSINESSBUREAU.ORG, an
Arizona limited liability company; and ED
MAGEDSON, an individual,

Defendants.

Case No: 2:04-CV-47-fm-29

DECLARATION OF ED MAGEDSON

1. Ed Magedson, declare the following to be true under penalty of perjury:

1. I am a defendant in the above captioned action and manager of Xcentric Ventures LLC, which operates the webpage "ripoffreport.com."
2. "ripoffreport.com." is an internet forum for consumer complaints posted by consumers and not by me.
3. Exhibit A to this declaration is a true copy of a death threat received by me with named locations redacted.
4. Exhibit B to this declaration is a true copy of a February 27, 2007 printout of the bad-business-rip-off.net web page (created by Federated Financial) that is critical of me and false, those whom I do business with, and

rippoffreport.com. It includes manipulated and distorted images of me and my attorneys. It unfairly and inaccurately depicts attorney Maria Speth as a green-faced wicked-witch sitting next to me in jail, as depicted below.



5. Exhibits A and B are typical examples of the types of threats I receive on a regular basis, and the harassment, attempted oppression, annoyance, and embarrassment that I am routinely subjected to from people hostile to me, my work and rippoffreport.com. These examples illustrate the subversion and wholly improper use of the litigation process by those hostile to me and the work I do.
6. Based on numerous past experiences, I reasonably expect that if the video transcript of my deposition testimony is allowed to be disseminated, people hostile to me and to my work will manipulate the videotape to create untrue characterizations of me and of my work through distorted images and out-of-context segments selectively-chosen from the videotape. I reasonably expect they will do so, not for any legitimate purpose, but instead to harass, annoy, threaten, embarrass, and attempt to oppress me. I reasonably expect

that these people will attempt to cloak these distortions with an air of legitimacy by claiming or suggesting they represent undoctored deposition testimony. I have little or no doubt that, if the state court had not issued a protective order in the *Federated Financial* case, the video transcript would have already been used for these distorted purposes.

7. In order to prevent such abuse, I desire that the Court order that the videotaped deposition not be produced, or, alternatively, that its use and dissemination be strictly limited to this litigation for legitimate litigation purposes.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: February 27th, 2007.



Ed Magedson

EXHIBIT A

Attachment 1

Feb 13 07 01:20p

Rip-off Report

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Dear Mr ED Magedson.

Received on 2-5-07

on 2-13-07

You should have never called me a liar. This letter is being sent to you in the name of more than 500 businesses. No matter where you go, we will cause you a problem. Your life is in danger until you comply with our demands. This is your last warning.

Your neighbors already know about your criminal dealings and how you are making many people loose their business. You will soon be beaten to a pulp and pounced into the ground six feet under with a baseball bat and sleg hammer. You will soon be sorry not just from what I am capable of doing to you, but what other members will do as soon as they know exactly where you are. Its just a matter of time until I get to you.

Here is what you can do to save your life. But you must act imidiatly. Make what ever deal it takes, you must comply.

You have the previous list of companies that you need to remove from Rip-off Report. We know you hold the power. We know you have that list.

You were provided an additional list several hours ago. It's too late for anything that was discussed today. No more deal. No more playing Mr Nice Guy. Now you must delete any of our members from your data base who have reports listed on any serch engine.

IF not, BVA will drop you with in 24 hours. We will make thier life miserable like we have with Prolexic and gigenet. They don't like you either. We now know who your host is and the IP address to your servers.

Those you do business with will be in danger and will be continusily be harassed till they stop doing business with you. We are contacting your advertisers.

We will continue to spam you making it imposable for you to read your mail.

Use the list you recieved in the past. I am told you know about that list and I know that you have given a copy to the Mesa police.

You must add to the list, anyone that sent you an email in the last year, asking you to remove the Reports on thier company.

You must remove reports on search engines from companies that already had a lawsuit with you in the past and those presently. We do not care if you prevailed in the case or they settled with you. You must delete all those reports as well.

Once you have reomoved those reports we will leave those who host you alone along with anyone else doing business with you. If not, consider this your final warning.

Any theats from the past are not like theses threats. We will find you kill your dog and remove parts of your body one by one util your site is completely shut down. That is a threat you can take to your bank

O YEAH - I HAVE A MESSAGE FOR YOU: HAVE A GREAT DAY ED

Feb 13 07 01:19p

Rip-off Report

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Received 2-13-07 pmail Home

we warned you ed magedson. Did you hear the gun shots last night? Because of you innocent people will die. Your tenants, family members and those that work with you. Think we're joking? I told you that your site will be down and it is. That is all we want and we will not hurt anyone.

If ripoff report moves again to new hosting facilities you will not like what we will do next. Your home will burn. Those around you will burn. Do not expect any help from the police.

As soon as you are up again ED. God help you. We will know exactly when you are up and where you are located. You will have 6 hours from that time to delete the the following listings on search engines.

Helene Goldnadel, IPA, Tax Club, Boyajian Law, Chad Everett, Prosper Learning, Energy Automation Systems, Jim Rivas, 4x Made Easy, Warrantee Activation headquarters along with any company suing you in Florida or has sued you in the past.

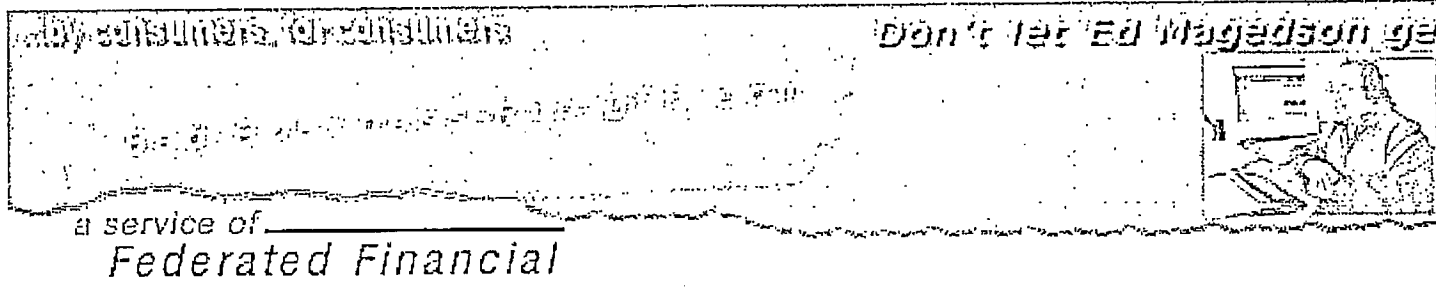
Once you have completed with our first list we demand you remove we will give you another list on Saturday and every Saturday from this day forward and you will have 6 hours to do the same from the time we give you that list on each and every Saturday. If the Links work after the 6 there will be a man hunt for you.

We know where you shop. We know where you bank. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Are we getting closer ED? What about Basha's at [REDACTED]?

We know the police will not bother with you but if you do go to the police you will suffer the consequences along with everyone around you. You've met your match ed. There will be no hiding. You should have played ball when I offered you the chance. You have no idea who you are playing with.

EXHIBIT B

Attachment 2



Important Public Notice!

To obtain specific relief concerning the rip-off report, write an email to this address: abuse@carpathiahost.com Detail the defamation or abuse you and/or your company have suffered due to the rip-off report. Also, be sure to explain where the defamatory material may be found on the Rip-Off Report by including the URL of the offensive content.

For help in removing defamation from the internet, check out these websites: www.defamationaction.com and to www.defendmyname.com.

Extra, Extra! Read ALL about it! Arizona New Times EXPOSES Ed Magedson! Click here to view!

Ed Magedson and the Rip Off Report EXPOSED in a WSVN Fox News Television Report! Click here to view!

MEET THE PLAYERS:

Ed Magedson
Consumer
Advocate/Extortionist

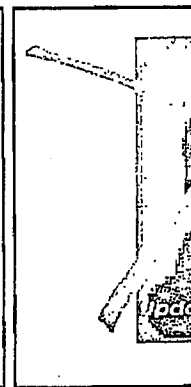
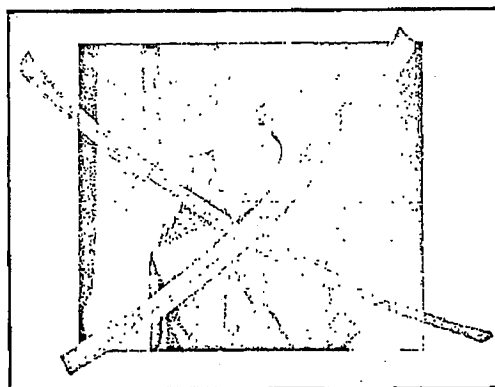
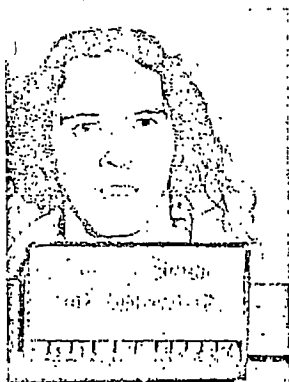
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Ed's Attorney/Partner?

Lee Mackson
Florida Attorney

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Bad Business Bureau badbusinessbureau.com Founder Ed Magedson

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Apache Junction, AZ
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Lee Mackson WITHDRAWS on Geoffrey Tr
08/05/05!
Click here to read! Click

Newest Update: February 5th 2007

Yet another front opens in the war for truth and justice. Magedson and Rip-Off Report sued again in Federal Court.

1:07-cv-00222-SWKIGIA, Inc. v. Xcentric Ventures, LLC et al
Shirley Wohl Kram, presiding
Date filed: 01/11/2007 Date of last filing: 01/11/2007

History

Doc. No.	Dates	Description
--	Filed: 01/11/2007 Entered: 01/17/2007	Summons Issued
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	Filed:	Rule 7.1

2	01/11/2007 Entered: 01/17/2007	Corporate Disclosure Statement
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More details to follow...

THE UGLY TRUTH ABOUT THE RIP OFF REPORT



Ed Magedson explains why he created rip-off report: "I became infuriated as I witnessed these powerful people and groups engaging in despicable practices with impunity because of the knowledge and confidence that the sheer cost of combating them through the legal system protected them from all reprisals: 'Go ahead and prove it,' or '..Go ahead ..Sue me.'"

<http://www.edmagedson.com/start.html>

Ed Magedson personally defamed us on 12/24/2002: "Here is an idea; why don't you just do the right thing for the victim...." Then he taunted us to go ahead and sue him: "Hey Stevie...You should get yourself a lawyer who is Internet savvy. ...Companies with a lot deeper pockets than you thought about coming after us. ...hey, take your best shot."

RipOff Report #38900

Now, Ed Magedson won't let us, Federated Financial, post rebuttals on his sites, badbusinessbureau.com and ripoffreport.com.

This is because we did sue him -he gave us no alternative- and in the process we revealed that he uses his websites to extort money from honest businesses in return for the removal of complaints from ripoffreport.com . Also, in what he himself has described as a conflict of interest, Magedson sells his positive testimonial for cash. After we sued him for falsely portraying us in a negative light, he has published the most absurd and

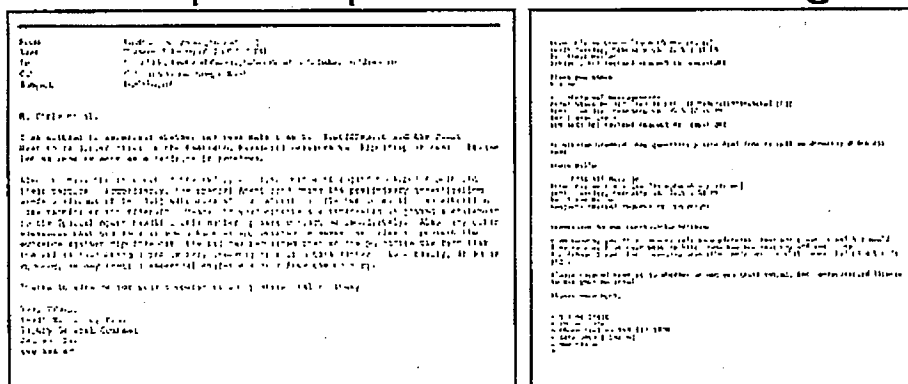
salacious lies about Federated Financial and its employees, so we have created this site as a forum to prove our side of the story.

On October 13, 2005 Ed Magedson testified under oath that he recently placed Federated Financial on the Rip-Off Report home page list of "Top Rip Off Links," for reasons unrelated to any aspect of Federated's services to the public. Magedson swore that, "I have no other way to retaliate...." [Click Here to Read the Transcript](#)

Ed Magedson Lies to his readers. Click here for proof of the "Consumer Advocate's" deceit.

BUT DON'T TAKE JUST OUR WORD FOR IT:

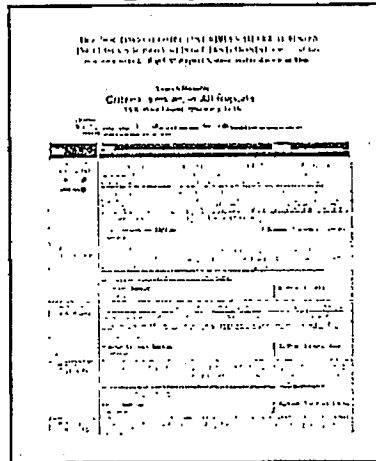
At www.ripoffreport.com and www.badbusinessbureau.com Magedson's websites now praise the virtues of SMS.ac, a San Diego company (scroll down for a screen shot of how 'consumer' complaint titles concerning SMS.ac were doctored by Magedson). On February 8, 2005, Kevin Jones, Deputy General Counsel for SMS.ac, emailed us about what he described as, "extortion like tactics of RipOffReport." According to SMS.ac, Magedson and his rip-off report are under investigation by the FBI.



Magedson Twists the Truth and We Translate

SMS.ac paid Ed Magedson and, suddenly, the Rip-Off Report

(www.badbusinessbureau.com & www.ripoffreport.com) now reads like an advertisement for SMS.ac. Transitioning from consumer advocate to advertising executive in one fell swoop, Magedson has "updated" (rewritten) the titles of all of the 'consumer' complaints about this California company that now pays him. Of course, now that the Rip-off Report has been "retained" (well-paid in advance) by this business, Ed Magedson, corporate spokesperson, claims that SMS.ac "exemplifies corporate integrity" (met Ed's Price).



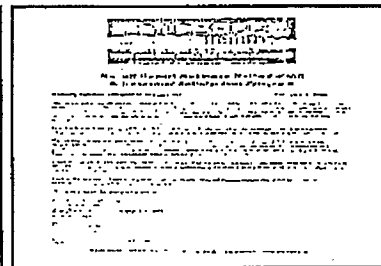
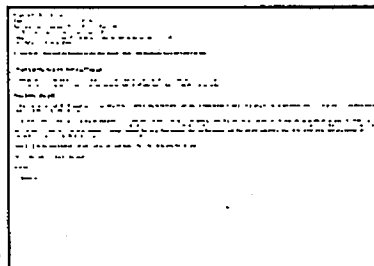
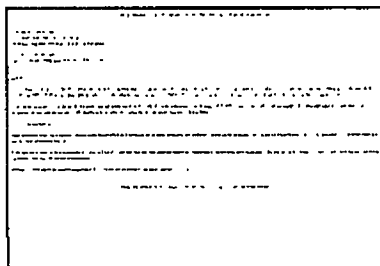
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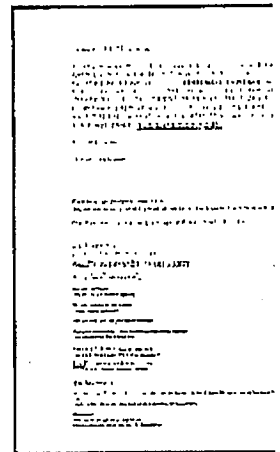
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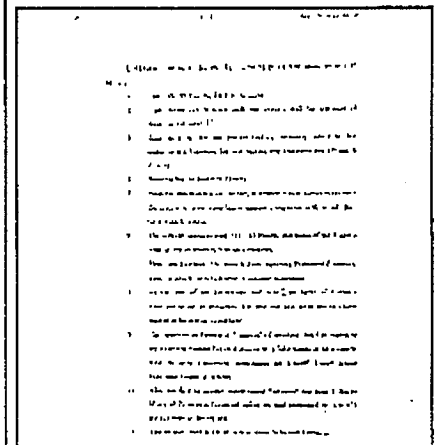
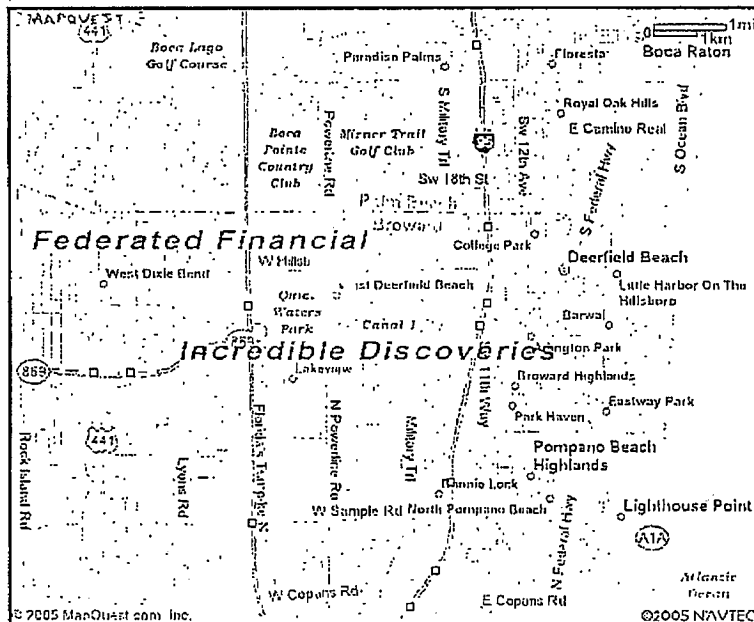




Mini
Vacations, a
Sarasota, FL
business, paid
Magedson
over \$50,000,
to edit and
delete
content on
the Rip-Off
Report.

Second Florida Company, Incredible
Discoveries/Sundown Capital Group, located
here in Deerfield Beach, also paid to
Magedson for positive treatment on his Rip-
Off Report
See cancelled checks here.

Ed Magedson swears
Rip-Off Report does "no
business in Florida" (p.1.
para.3.) and does not
"edit or manipulate [the
website]
content" (p.3.para.4.)



...and the list goes on and on.

December 22nd 2006

Ed Magedson, the outlaw behind www.ripoffreport.com and www.badbusinessbureau.com, has been sued once again in US District Court. The new lawsuit was filed in the Eastern District of New York. That Complaint, is still another action by a new and independent source, yet it also alleges Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organization Act violations and Extortion. It's everything we've said all along, corroborated, once again, by another independent source. Here is a copy of the Complaint.

This makes five (5) Federal lawsuits against these criminals, alleging essentially the same thing we have said about them all along. It's nice to be proven correct once again. Hint to Consumers: DON'T BELIEVE WHAT YOU READ ON THE RIP-OFF REPORT.

November 27th 2006

Ed Magedson is fighting for his life in Illinois Federal Court for the right to continue publishing the following despicable lies and personal attacks, despite already having been held in contempt of court for doing so. Consider carefully the base nature of these criticisms Magedson struggles to keep on his website.

Cries of pedophilia, child pornography and drug dealing to children are typically unfair criticisms of a business, but this is a shared experience for all those targeted by Magedson for his Corporate Remediation Plan (aka Extortion Racket). After unsuspecting businesses initially object to what is typically much more benign criticism, then Magedson starts to create his own comments intended to embarrass and harass the company and its owners into submission. One can see many examples of this by reading this website carefully. The pattern is the same: Once Magedson knows he has a business' attention, if the mark won't pay his extortion demand, Rip-Off Report pulls out the stops and goes for the maximum damage with scandalous allegations of child pornography, pedophilia and drug dealing. We question the public interest in reading lies like these, and we know from personal, first hand experience that Magedson and the Rip-Off Report only fight for the right to keep such filth online in order to further their ongoing extortion racket:

statement on Defendants' websites is false. GSMIC has asserted that several postings are false, such as those stating that GSMIC's officers and employees have engaged in child pornography and drug dealing and that the Better Business Bureau and GSMIC have combined to defraud customers are false.¹ As this Court is aware, Judge Norgle has entered a temporary restraining order (extended by agreement of the parties) against the posting of such statements, and found Defendants in contempt for violating that order.

¹ The false and deceptively misleading statements of fact can be summarized as follows: 1) GSMIC engages in child pornography, offers drugs to high school children to get them to engage in sex and there are clubs of pedophiles at GSMIC; 2) The BBB and GSMIC have combined to defraud small business owners; 3) GSMIC verbally abuses its employees; 4) GSMIC trains its employees to lie to get sales or is conducted in a manner to deceive clients, including faking conversations with GSMIC headquarters personnel; 5) GSMIC trains employees to

belittle/denigrate abuse their clients/prospective clients; 6) GSMIC does not pay its employees properly on commissions; 7) GSMIC double or triple charges for expenses; GSMIC has a 100% employee turnover rate, or more than 10,000 employees in any year; 8) GSMIC's systems are 30-70 years old and its telemarketing system is from the 70s. 9) GSMIC has antiquated information technology systems and no voicemail; 10) GSMIC is not registered to do business before the Secretary of State; 11) GSMIC falsely states to customers that they will achieve a 5:1 return on investment in a GSMIC consulting engagement.

Original Court Document, Pages 1-2.

Update: November 24th 2006

AS WE PREDICTED:

A new front has opened for ED Magedson in a Tennessee Federal Court. This is the fourth active case that we know of in Federal Court, in addition to actions pending in Florida, Arizona, and Illinois. The new claims allege Racketeering and Civil Conspiracy by Magedson and his minions, the operative facts of which focus on Magedson's bogus "Corporate Advocacy and Business Remediation Program". We expect many more companies to come forward soon, now that it has been revealed for the world to see how the Rip-Off Report is used as a criminal tool by its operators. We are proud to state that we were the very first to expose Magedson, and to report on this website that this

'Corporate Advocacy Program' is the artifice through which the Rip-Off Report extorts hundreds of thousands of dollars from businesses. We'd like to see all of these Plaintiffs obtain justice.

In the new legal proceeding in Tennessee Federal Court, consider the Complaint of Energy Automation Systems. Because independent companies from all around the country are saying the same thing about Magedson and his co conspirators, it's difficult to believe that no criminal conspiracy charges have yet been filed against ED Magedson. Time will tell. We still believe justice will reach ED Magedson, whatever hole he may have squirreled himself into. Hopefully, the identical charges from companies around the country that have nothing to do with one another, will demonstrate the truth in what we have said all along about the Rip-Off Report and its operators. They are common criminals with an uncommon, 21st century criminal scheme:

United States Code:

Title 18. Crimes and Criminal Procedure

1951. Interference with commerce by threats or violence

The term "extortion" means the obtaining of property from another, with his consent, induced by wrongful use of actual or threatened force, violence, or fear, or under color of official right.

- (a) Defendants have repeatedly attempted to obtain EAST's property, with its consent, through wrongful use of actual or threatened fear by requiring payment to remedy the publication of false and defamatory statements that Defendants created and/or solicited.

This conduct amounts to extortion under 18 U.S.C. § 1951(b)(2).

1343. Fraud by wire, radio, or television

Whoever, having devised or intending to devise any scheme or artifice to defraud, or for obtaining money or property by means of false or fraudulent pretenses, representations, or promises, transmits or causes to be transmitted by means of wire, radio, or television communication in interstate or foreign commerce, any writings, signs, signals, pictures, or sounds for the purpose of executing such scheme or artifice, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 20 years, or both. If the violation affects a financial institution, such person shall be fined not more than \$1,000,000 or imprisoned not more than 30 years, or both.

(b) Defendants have repeatedly and intentionally used their Websites as a scheme to obtain money from EASI and other companies by means of false and defamatory complaints created or solicited by Defendants. Defendants have repeatedly created, solicited, and published false and defamatory statements on the Websites and sent emails requesting that EASI pay a fee before Defendants would take any action related to the material on the website. This conduct amounts to wire fraud under 18 U.S.C. § 1343.

Update: November 15th 2006

Magedson info sent to us yesterday

"You will see that the address of 2033 W McDowell Blvd Apache Junction, AZ 85220 is in the name of the trust. Ed Magedson refinanced the house in September 2006 for \$417,000.00. Again, he is allowed to take a fee as trustee. You will find that Ed Magedson filed an unlawful detainer against Eric Skelling at the same address earlier this year. Mr. Skelling is reported to have used P.O. 310 Tempe. Several other people use the box as well, many of them connected to Tupper Lake, NY. RIPOFFREPORT has many listings of Tupperlake, NY and there is evidence that Ed Magedson still has connection there.

It appears that the aforementioned trust also owns property at 6426 S McClintock, Tempe AZ. Stein Mart is located at that particular address but also has Original Business Concepts which is also cross referenced to the P.O. Box. Nevada Secretary of State has this as a LLC with the member David Bedore. The P.O. Box has activity from a couple of different Bedores but their residences appear to be Tupper Lake, NY."

October 19th 2006

Today, October 19, 2006, the US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division had scheduled a hearing to determine the extent and nature of punishment for contempt of court by Ed Magedson and the Rip-Off Report, after they violated that court's order to remove defamatory materials from their website. Unfortunately, that hearing has been rescheduled until December 12, 2006, as Magedson's lawyer continues to delay the case.

Meanwhile, Magedson continues to publish the most scurrilous materials about the

company that complained to the Federal Court in the first place. Despite a Federal Court Order directing him to remove the defamation about that business, Magedson removed only one or two posts, but created and maintains dozens of others. He now features the Plaintiff, George S. May, on the Rip-off Report home page. The Plaintiff recently claimed over a million dollars in damages as a result of Magedson thumbing his nose at the Court. At last count there were over 54 rip-off reports filed by Magedson and his crew against this company that sued him.

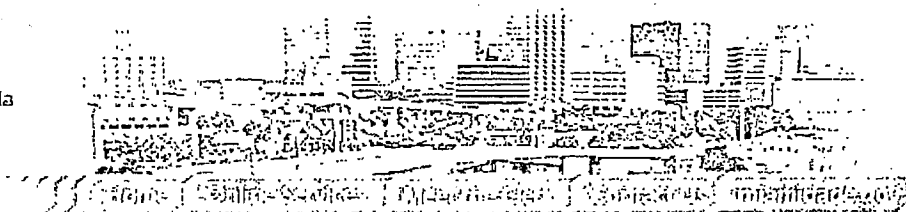
Is it a mere coincidence that anyone who sues or testifies against Magedson gets vilified to no end on his website? Or is this part of Magedson's extortion scam: any who refuse to pay or any brave enough to stand up to him in court are targeted for the worst possible treatment on the rip-off report? Instead of a source for useful information the rip-off report appears to have become Ed Magedson's vehicle for revenge and harassment. In fact he testified under oath: "I have no other way to retaliate"

When will he learn?

March 7, 2006 Update:

St. Patrick's Day in Court for the Rip-Off Report

Clerk of Courts
11th Judicial Circuit of Florida
Miami-Dade County



Civil / Family / Probate Justice System Docket Information

UNIVERSAL COMMUNICATION SYS INC vs XCENTRIC VENTURES (LLC)

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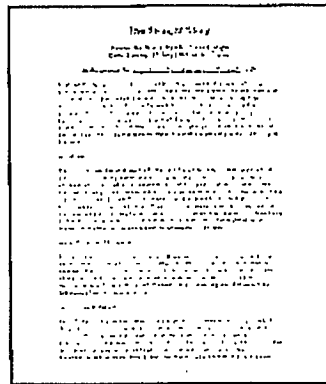
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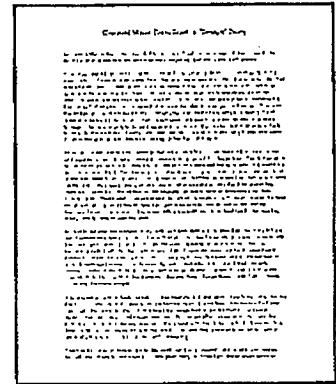
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Pathetic Attorney, Maria Crimi Federated Financial sets the

Speth posts her lies about
Federated Financial across the
internet.



straight. An open letter to
Magedson and his unprofessional
Attorney partner.



01/30/06 - Update

Heads up to the many lawyers out there who are still battling jurisdiction over Ed Magedson, Xcentric Ventures, and the Rip-off websites. Although Magedson denied it under oath who wants to bet that he or his attorney/partner have been paid to facilitate the lawsuit against Ocwen Bank that was filed in Orlando, FL?

Check out the Illinois Court Order of January 18, 2006, (excerpted below) states that Magedson sought \$800,000 per year as compensation for his class actions nationwide. Who really believes he worked again in Florida for free? Did Ed Magedson perjure himself when, under oath, he stated that he had no commercial interests in the Ocwen class action? What did Attorney Speth know about that class action, and when did she learn of it? Was Ed paid to settle the class action? Was Attorney Speth paid? Inquiring minds want to know.

Readers of the Rip-Off Report must carefully consider the proper legal arrangement, even if the Illinois Federal Court has declined to do so. (See footnote 4 below) In the public interest we ask, should should Magedson's position be paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to settle the lawsuit?

action lawsuits against businesses? Should the public be kept in the dark about Magedson's significant financial interests in promoting lawsuits against businesses targeted by his website?

Where does the public interest end and Magedson's private greed begin? Is Ed Magedson the only self-avowed "consumer advocate" who is hiding?

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Defendants have posted replies to some of these comments. Defendants have also referred individuals to a law firm in Wood River, Illinois. This firm is seeking to file class action lawsuits against mortgage companies, banks, credit card companies, and collectors, and is actively seeking clients to represent in these matters. In addition, discovery has revealed that Defendants sought to enter into a business relationship with the Chicago law firm of Blim & Edelson, LLC ("Blim"). Blim holds itself out as a firm which "prosecutes class actions throughout the United States on behalf of consumers." See <http://www.blimlaw.com>. Defendants proposed to refer clients to this firm, and attempted to negotiate a fee of \$800,000 per year for this service. [FN4]

FN4. The court takes no position on the propriety of such an arrangement.

01/19/06

Illinois Federal Court Smacks Down Jurisdictional Objection of Rip-Off Report
 is the same U.S. District Court Judge (Norgle) that has held Ed Magedson in contempt of court for refusing to delete defamatory posts from www.ripoffreport.com and www.badbusinessbureau.com. Magedson claims that promoting defamation is the only way he can "retaliate" for being defamed. He apparently hopes to advance the fiction that paying him is the only way to stop with harmful defamation on his websites. In fact, Rip-Off Report has been sued even for third party defamation, where well pled RICO claims are alleged acts of wire fraud and threatened extortion. Haven't we been here all along? What makes Ed Magedson think his websites are the only ones that can be trusted?

world where hateful graffiti can remain forever? More importantly,
desire this????? READ ON>>>

01/04/06

Federal Judge denies Magedson's lawyers' request to verbally ad
for reconsideration of this Federal Court Order that he conter
disregarded this Order regarding defamation of George S. May l
Report.

Meanwhile, Magedson continues to publish comments like this at
May's employee: "He used mind controlling fear tactics to make
company had failed and I could only fix it by buying his overpric

Why does Ed Magedson continue to risk the wrath of the Illinois Fe

Read this Order by an Arizona Federal Judge that RICO (Rackete
Corrupt Organizations Act) claims against Magedson and the Rip
well pled, and that he has no immunity under the Communicatio
Act. Mr. Magedson may soon learn a lesson in individual respons
rest of us learned in grammar school. He admittedly knows better
to the Golden Rule and treating others fairly and squarely is a cor
that I practice in all business and personal endeavors." -Ed M

01/03/06

THEN: Ed Magedson, October 13, 2005, under oath: "I don't know

NOW: Ed Magedson, December 14, 2005, on the Rip-Off Report: "I
to Rip-off Report Corporate Advocacy Business Remediation &
Satisfaction Program BOCA RATON, Florida"

First, Magedson denied knowing who this company was, and nc

mention of the hefty fees paid to the Rip-Off Report by Unim. Why

12/29/05

Federal Judge Rules (Click here to read Court Order): Threatened Wire Fraud by Ed Magedson and the Rip-Off Report are properly predicate acts under the Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organ (RICO):

"Remedying the publication of false and defamatory complaint Defendants allegedly created and solicited, does not give Defendants to collect fees."

For a description of the alleged, illicit fees charged to businesses Report, read this email from Magedson to Hy Cite.

11/25/05

Attorney Maria Crimi Speth is simultaneously arguing to three separate courts about three separate Florida defamation claims, from three Florida businesses who have all alleged that the Rip-Off Report caused them to be sued in Florida. These three Plaintiffs don't even include the three companies that are already paying ED and the Rip-Off Report. Yet she still claims he doesn't have minimum contacts with the sunshine state. Attorney Maria Crimi Speth continues to argue that the Florida courts lack jurisdiction. They sing the same false song even in this case where the Court previously ruled that Florida DOES have jurisdiction. Who do you think are kidding?

11/18/05

DO NOT TRUST THE RIP-OFF REPORT WITH YOUR PRIVATE, PERSONAL

ED MAGEDSON WILL DISCLOSE IT !! READ HIM ADMIT AS MUCH U

Magedson first claims that he "redacts" Social Security number websites because the State of Arizona "prohibits publication of Social Security numbers", then he admits to maliciously publishing Steve Miller's Social Security number. This is the same type of pernicious conduct seen in the First Amendment repeatedly made about Magedson: No morals.

11/17/05

It's not just big businesses that Magedson's Rip-Off Report website threaten every day. It's everyday people just like you

Check out the number of complaints about Rip-Off Report, which was produced in response to a Freedom of Information Act Request. Don't just take our word for it. Read the transcripts to see how many people are complaining about how Magedson makes his money. He only edits what he is paid, no matter how harmful the substance of what appears to be.

[Click Here to download the transcript \(Right Click, Save Target As...\)](#)

11/16/05

The Rip-Off Report is only concerned with making a buck, and has no intention of publishing the truth. Its owner intentionally hides behind the First Amendment scheme to promote hateful, false and deceptive speech because he can assure that he can demand a payoff from the defamation victims. He goes to the lengths to which www.badbusiness.com and www.ripoffreport.com to publish defamation *unless paid money* to remove or mask it by the Editor's glowing opinions. Another good example is this Illinois case where Editor Magedson continues to violate both the spirit and intent of the Illinois Order requiring the removal of defamation. Ed plays dumb, like a child who always plays dumb. He's a natural for the role, but don't fall for his act. It's exactly what he is doing, including what states he is doing it in. Rip-Off Report is just plain wrong, no matter what misleading legal arguments Attorney

concoct.

[Click here to pull back the curtain on the extortionist](#)

11/11/05

Ed Magedson was so angry that we discovered another Florida company pays him extortion money that he resorted to foul language at his home, muttering "bullshit," as he denies the truth. Click to read the full story.

11/10/05

Magedson and the Rip-Off Report were sued again in the U.S. District Court in the Middle District of Florida, and yet again Magedson falsely swore to another Florida Court that they do no business in Florida. Keep visiting our website and look at the evidence yourself. Look at the number of companies they have shaken down for money, then judge for yourself if they should transact any business here in Florida. They have been paid millions of dollars from Florida companies, yet they continue to try to mislead Florida Courts. Hey Ed, we don't see anything in that Affidavit about Grants Conferences, Mini Vacations, Incredible Discoveries, Inc., Financial, Universal Communications Systems, Select Your Gifts, Florida companies you have targeted. It's not too late to tell the truth about the extent of your contacts with Florida. Maybe you need to slap your own face. Maria can help.

11/09/05

Magedson thumbs his nose at Federal Judge that Ordered him to remove defamatory postings from his website. Read this excellent discussion. Magedson was held in contempt of that Federal Court Order and will be severely punished for his misconduct. This is how victims of the Rip-Off Report can and should fight back!

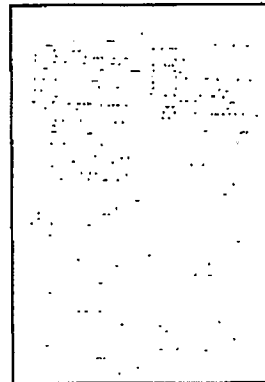
11/08/05

Illinois Federal Judge gets wise to Magedson's antics, and orders to remove defamatory postings. Click here to see Court (

11/03/05

FEDERATED FINANCIAL DEPOSES ED MAGEDSON AND EXPOSES F
EXTORTIONATE PIG THAT HE IS!

On October 13, 2005 Ed Magedson testified under oath that he re
Federated Financial on the Rip-Off Report home page list of "Top
for reasons unrelated to any aspect of Federated's services to
Magedson swore that, "I have no other way to retaliate...." Click
the Transcript



10/19/05

Ed Magedson's lawyers, attorneys for www.ripoffreport.c
www.badbusinessbureau.com failed to appear in court today, ab
"Support" for a Temporary Injunction to limit postings on this websi
INJUNCTION DENIED! THE TRUTH WILL BE TOLD!

10/17/05

A Listing of ALL Federal Court cases VS Ed Magedson

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How many more cases are there in State Courts?

09/19/05

Ed Magedson ignores Court Order.

1. The first step is to identify the main topic of the document. This is often found in the title or the first few paragraphs.

2. Next, we need to understand the context of the document. This involves looking at the date, the location, and the people involved.

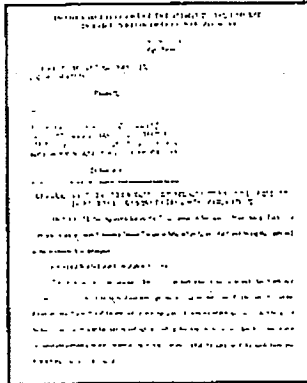
3. The third step is to analyze the content of the document. This means looking at the facts, the arguments, and the conclusions.

4. Finally, we need to summarize the document. This involves putting together a brief overview of the main points.

Hides from the Justice System like the criminal that he

09/16/05

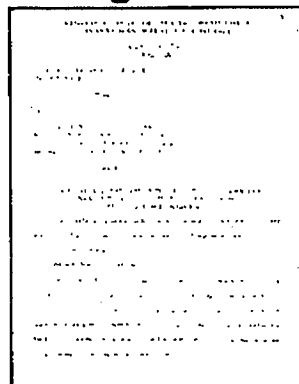
Defendant/Attorney Maria Crimi Speth ordered to answer Inte directed to her, personally, concerning the audio tapes she and have boasted about. Who has the tapes? Where are the tape located? When were the tapes created? What was the purpose Whose voices can be heard on the tapes?



Maria, you need not wait to receive the Interrogatories. You can information, "Appendix A" of your emotional (and false), online Straight Story".

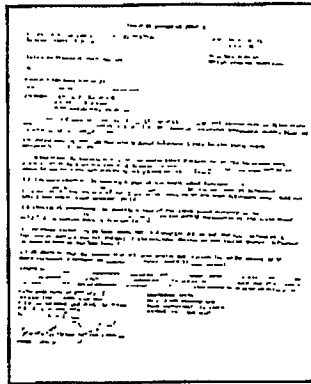
09/14/05

Ed Magedson cornered! Judge orders him to sit for depo



09/13/05

Ed Magedson's Lawyer/Partner, Maria Crimi Speth has been



Who is going to represent Ed Magedson now?!?!

2nd Update

Counsel for SMS.ac now acts as though he has no idea why we v subpoena his company that is now paying Ed Magedson despite describing his methods as extortionate. What are they hiding? Will they produce the requested documents?

-----Original Message-----

**From: Kevin Jones [mailto:kjones@corp.sms.ac]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2005 8:44 PM
To: Charles Whitelock; Christopher J. Whitelock
Subject: SMS.ac/Federated**

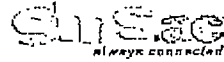
Dear Counsel,

Today, my office received a purported SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM DEPOSITION which appears to be signed by one of you. Since said document has no authority whatsoever which would command an out of state deponent in Florida, produce documents and be deposed, please provide such authority.

In addition, please explain how SMS.ac may have any information which it claims your client has made in Circuit Court.

Thanks [sic] you.

Kevin B. Jones, Esq.
Deputy General Counsel.

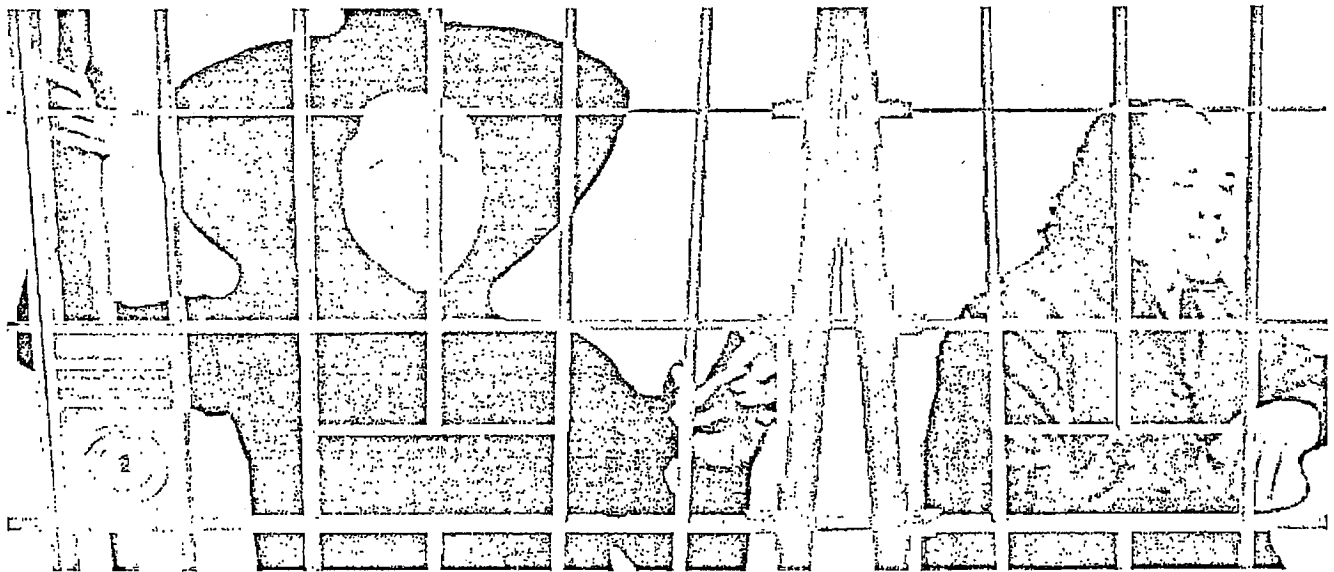


www.sms.ac

09/08/05

Ed Magedson, Editor of www.badbusiness.com and www.ripoffreel
Attorney Maria Crimi Speth, to be sued again in Florida. Check ba
details.

09/01/05

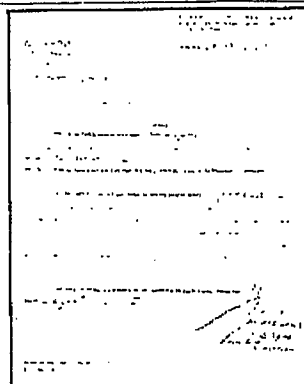


**The CLOCK is ticking for Maria Crimi Speth a
Magedson Check back soon. We know someth
don't know!
IT'S A BOMBSHELL!**

08/24/05

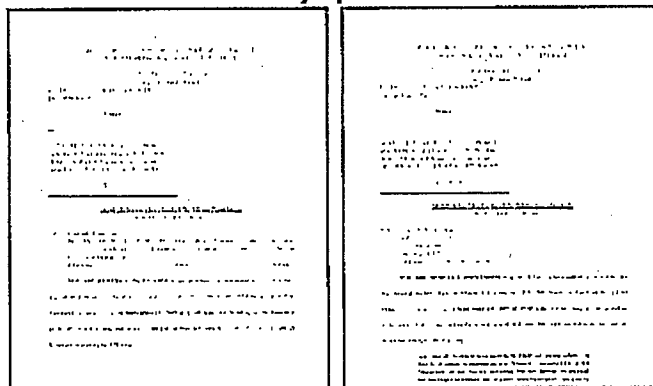
As anticipated, Florida Judge Grants Federated Financial's req
Attorney Maria Crimi Speth (the lawyer for www.badbusinessbure
Party/ Defendant in the Broward County Lawsuit Against Ed Ma
www.ripoffreport.com.

WHERE ARE THE AUDIO TAPES, Maria?



08/22/05

National Grants Conferences and SMS.ac subpoenaed in law
 badbusinessbureau.com and ripoffreport.com. How much have th
 were they promised?



08/19/05

National Grants Conferences
 2385 Northwest Executive Center Drive
 Ste. 290

Boca Raton florida 33431
U.S.A.

ANATOMY OF A SHAKEDOWN (in three easy steps)

1. It's funny how anonymous third parties often are situated perfectly in order to submit c information on Ed Magedson's prospective corporate advocacy clients. It's more than boggling. On 3/9/2004, the ROR created some convenient pressure in its efforts to market corporate advocacy program to National Grants Conferences by publishing this amazing first hand, anonymous 'third party'/ ex employee account of their future client's alleged Boca Raton Better Business Bureau (BBB):

Rebuttal UPDATE EX-employee responds

Submitted: 3/9/2004 11:14:02 PM Modified: 5/8/2004 12:03:20 PM

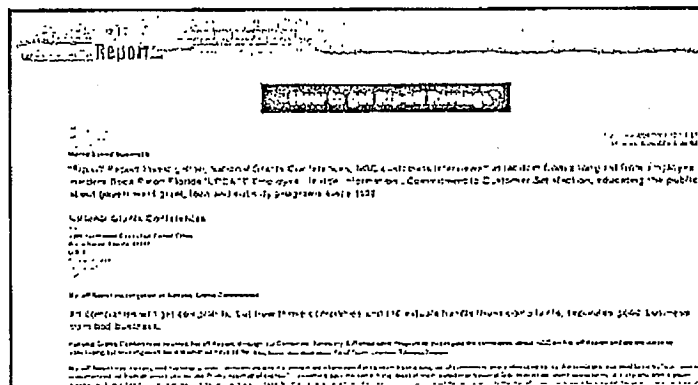
They have bribed the Boca Raton BBB not to give them a bad rating

I was THERE at the Boca Office when they gave the BBB the money. SICK! And that Congresssman Lo \$1 a head for every poor sucker that comes to the sales pitch. What a scam - Crooked Company, Crooked Congressman. How the hell are we supposed to win??????

Henry - Boca Raton, Florida
U.S.A.

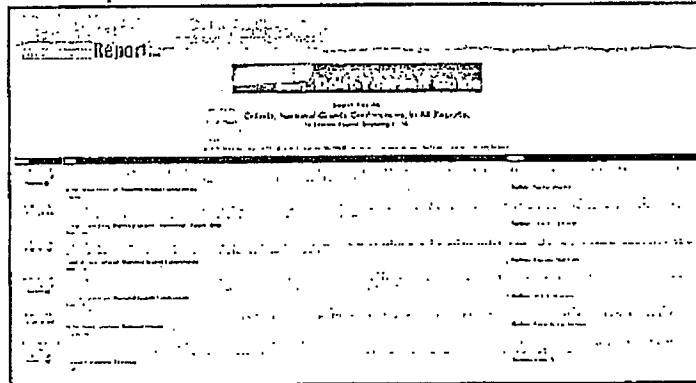
<http://www.ripoffreport.com/reports/ripoff43947.htm>

2. Lucky for Ed Magedson, this most excellent witness, "Henry," not only just happened office to observe this alleged bribe, but also just happened to report it on the Rip-O particular time when Ed was rolling out his new product: the ROR corporate advocacy p Ed might not have signed up National Grants as a new client for his corporate advoca few weeks later. On or about 4/26/04, Ed's testimonial stated that National Grants pe Corporate Advocacy & Remediation Program ". Here is a screen shot of the archive Magedson's original testimonial in which he admits he was retained to "investigate'



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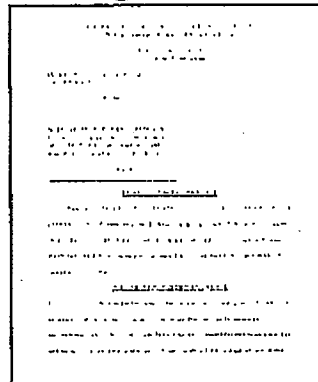
3. Taking off his "Henry" hat, Ed Magedson then waved his magic "Investigation" wand. Chango!!! National Grants became a paying client of the Rip Off Report, and they have any nature whatsoever published on the Rip Off Report since August 30, 2005.



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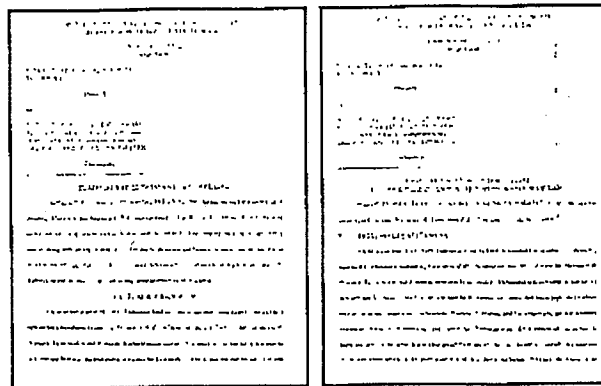
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Read Federated's claims against Maria Crimi Speth...Su



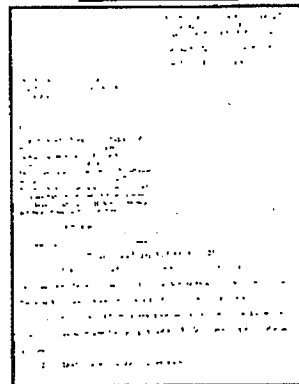
08/12/05

Two down and one to go. Maria Crimi Speth will soon be disqualify Magedson's lawyer. She is already a material witness and will so herself. Read Federated's Motion.



08/10/05

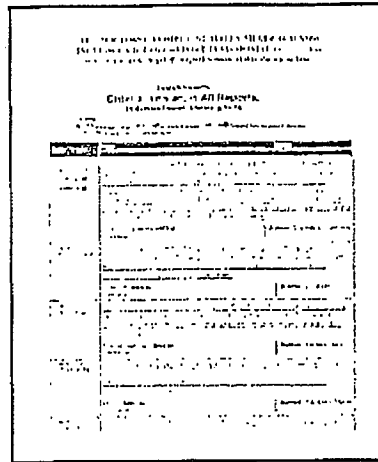
Ed Magedson's Florida Attorneys quit on him. Withdraw from sec lawsuit.



08/08/05

Magedson Twists the Truth and We Translate

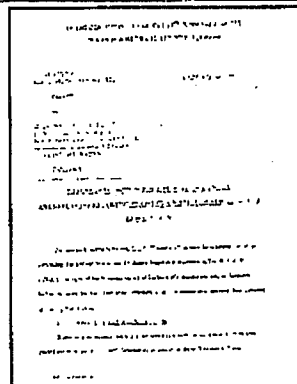
A California company, SMS.ac, paid Ed Magedson and, suddenl
Report (www.badbusinessbureau.com & www.ripoffreport.com) r
an advertisement for SMS.ac. Transitioning from consumer ad
advertising executive in one fell swoop, Magedson has "updated"
titles of all of the 'consumer' complaints about this California com
pays him. Of course, now that the Rip-off Report has been "retain
in advance) by this business, Ed Magedson, corporate spokesp
that SMS.ac "exemplifies corporate integrity" (met Ed's P



08/05/05

On 8/2/05 Federated Financial asked whether or not Ed Magedson, Advocate, will continue to hide, or will the owner and editor of the www.ripoffreport.com and www.badbusinessbureau.com come defend himself?

His Attorney, Maria Crimi Speth answers us: Ed Magedson will remain silent. WHY??? What does he have to hide???

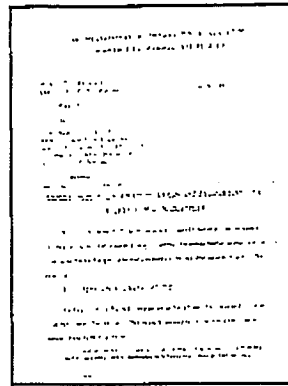


08/04/05

Inept Attorney Maria Crimi Speth, refuses to produce audiotapes of Federated Financial allegedly threatening Ed Magedson, Owner and Founder of [Ripoffreport.com](http://www.ripoffreport.com) and [badbusinessbureau.com](http://www.badbusinessbureau.com).

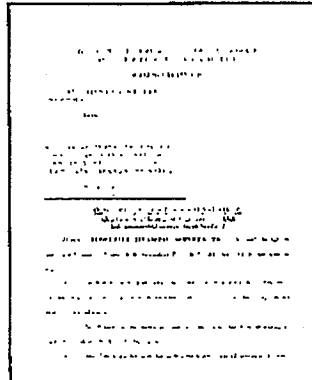
Why won't she produce these tapes?

Because they do NOT exist!



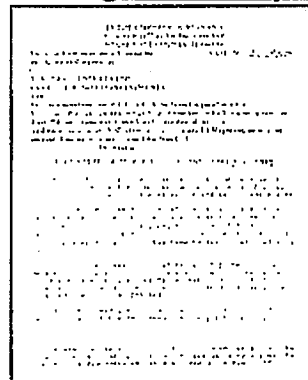
08/02/05 - Latest Update

Ed Magedson, Editor of www.ripoffreport.com and badbusinessbureau.com, sought by Federated Financial for questioning. Will he show or come?



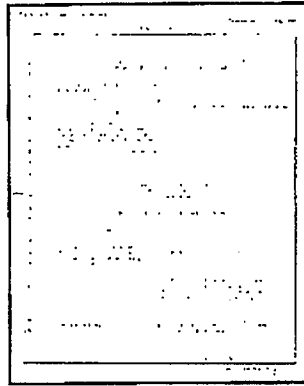
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"Ed Magedson is still fighting this INFORMATION REQUEST. Who is the one causing unnecessary attorneys fees? Why doesn't Ed Magedson tell the 'straight' story?"

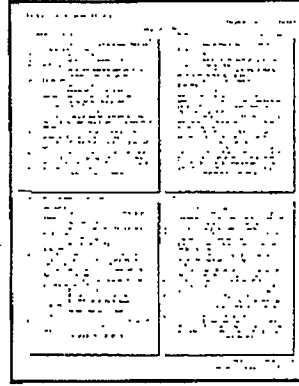


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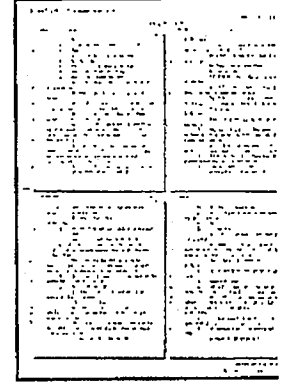
Illiterate Criminal Magedson deposed in 2003. Mocks court by refusing to answer simple questions.
Unscrupulous Speth helps Ed play the shell game.



Part 1



Part 2

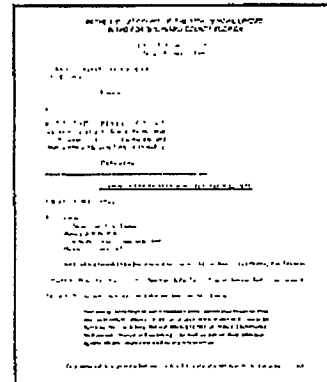
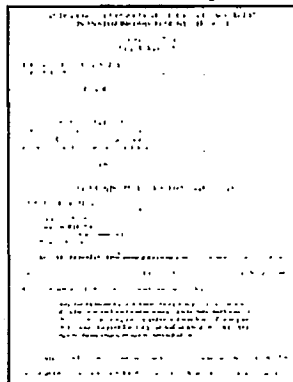


Part 3

BREAKING NEWS!

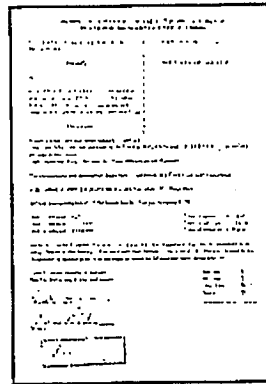
7/25/05

Federated Financial subpoenas Maria Crimi Speth and Ed Magedson
Turn over those illegal tapes!
You have broken the LAW!!!
No one from this company has ever threatened anyone



7/20/05

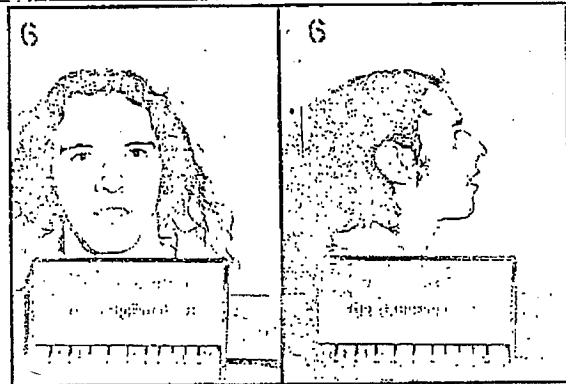
Ed Magedson, owner and founder of ripoffreport.com & badbusinessbureau.com, hides from service of legal process



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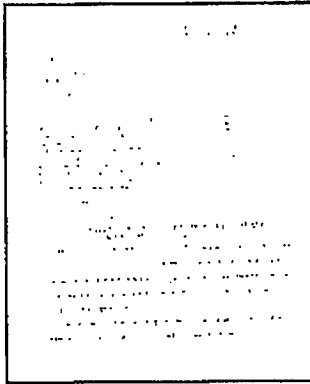
Did Ed Magedson, founder of Rip Off Report/Bad Business Bureau
professed consumer advocate steal his tenant's money? Newspaper
did!!

Ed Magedson admits he writes his own rip off reports at
badbusinessbureau.com. Click Here to read the article



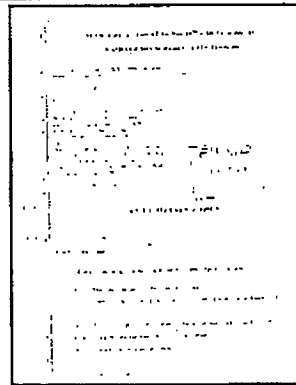
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Shutts and Bowen STILL argue to the Miami-Dade County, Florida
that Ed Magedson, badbusinessbureau.com, and ripoffreport.com
business activities connected to Florida.



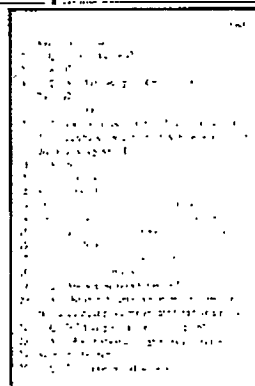
7/08/05

Magedson falsely swears to Dade County Court that badbusiness
and ripoffreport.com
conduct no business activities in Florida



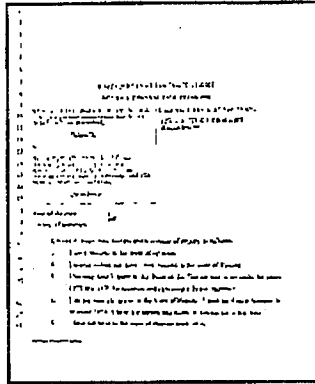
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Magedson's questionable scruples.

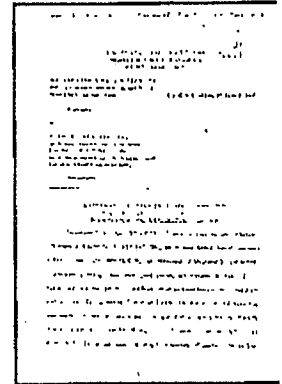


6/30/05

Magedson's PERJURY in Federal Court as to extent of his Florida Operations.

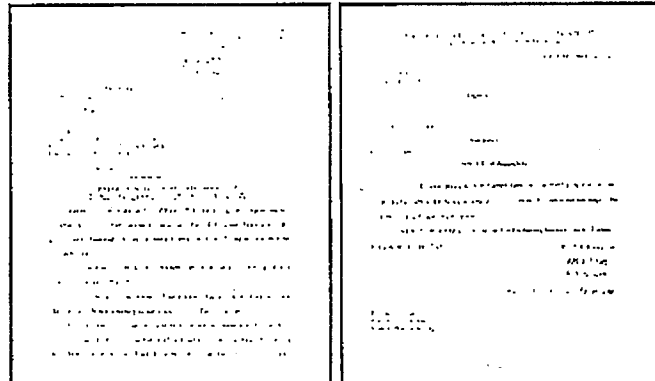


Magedson's lawyers misl Court as to extent of contacts.



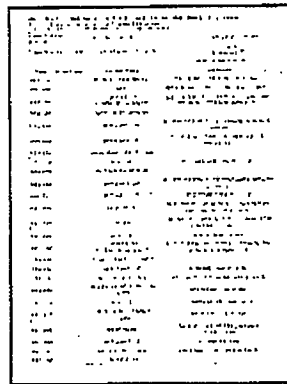
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Magedson's lawyers wrong again! Judge withdraws from case c Financial's request.



6/27/05

Ed Magedson sued AGAIN!

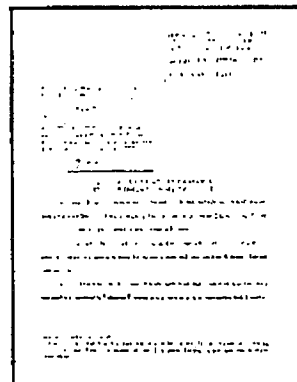


Travis and Mackson defend Ed Again.
Do they have any other clients?

6/24/05

Isn't lying to the court furthering a criminal conspiracy

Magedson's attorneys file another insipid, superfluous, court document because "I Handle The Truth!!" This otherwise USELESS statement by Magedson's lawyers ADMITS an ongoing business relationship with a Florida Company, again proving that the lawyers themselves are *Blatant Liars* who continue to misrepresent the truth to the court. Judge yourselves...

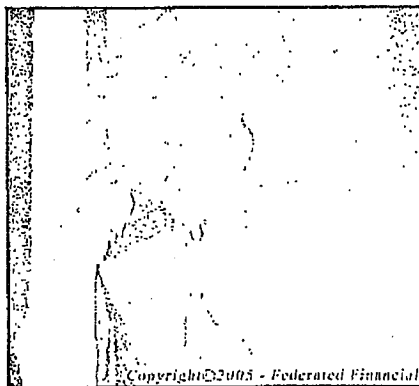
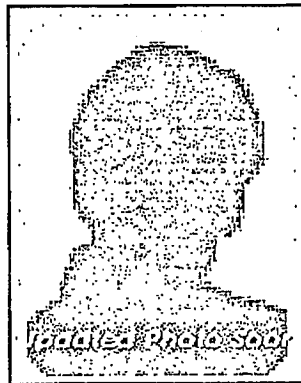


"I CHALLENGE SPETH, MACKSON, & TRAVIS to prove the lies in their latest poorly drafted conceived document. Show us where you've been threatened. Your addresses are on record. Long ago, Mr. Magedson posted my home address as well as those of attorney Christopher Whitelock, and Mr. Chris McFarland. His attorneys continue to condone threats that are far worse. As these lawyers are so fond of saying "Quid Pro Quo." So be it people. You are all incompetent liars and an embarrassment to the Bar." THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR CASE FOR JURISDICTION.

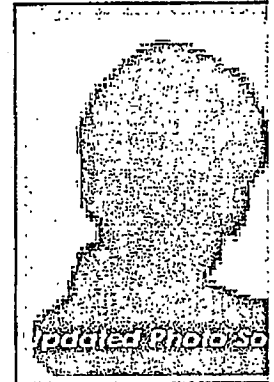
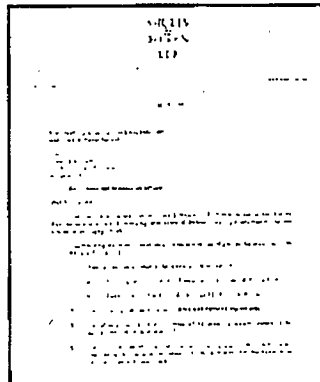
-----Steve Miller Feder

6/23/05

Magedson's lawyers don't want to be seen with Ed! Why are they ashamed to show
Why do they want our website removed? Truth hurts?

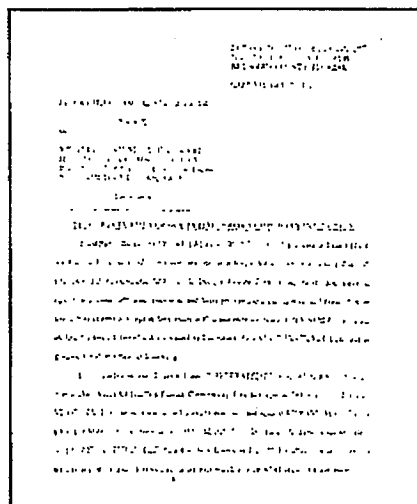


Lee Mackson
One Down



Geoffrey Travis
One To Go

6/21/05



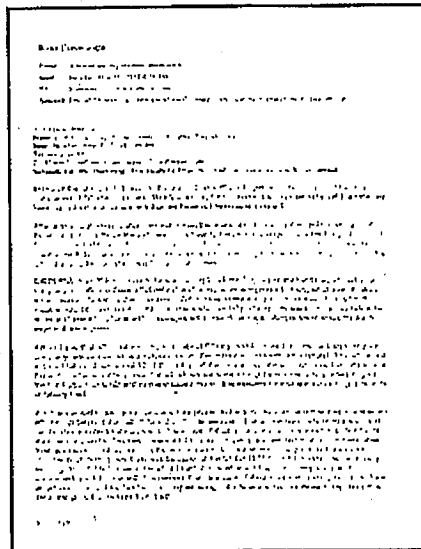
Immediate Capital Group balks at public expos
what they paid Magedson "for the quick removal
of ... false information...."

See their Petition here.

PETITION DENIED 10/19/05

6/17/05

Ed Magedson reveals he DOES
DELETE POSTS, in his email to Mini
Vacations! Click here to Read!



**"It sounds to me like you
guys want to remove a
report. I did not agree to
that, and if you did, that
would be a first."**

Maria Crimi Speth

12/03/2004

Which one of these two is lying?

The Consumer

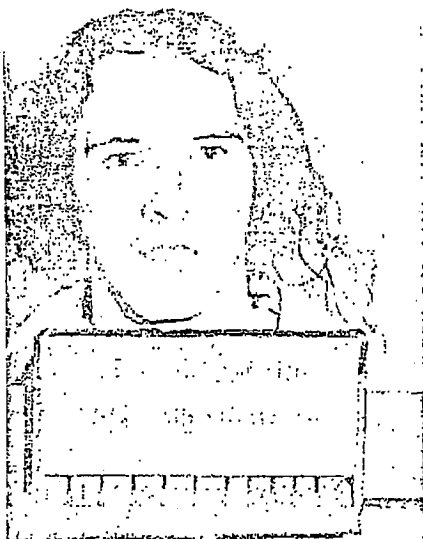
**Advocate/Extortionist Ed
Magedson or, his Lawyer
partner???**



Maria Crimi S

6/15/05

Click here to read how Ed steals the money



Criminal, Ed Magedson

**"I am uncomfortable that we are not getting
All other parties from news media to att
government agencies have never NOT paid
Also, this will cost me to use a lawyer for esc
have to fight you for the last payment in escr
more than the money that I would try to c
Magedson**

Click here to read the rest of Ed's Extortion Pl

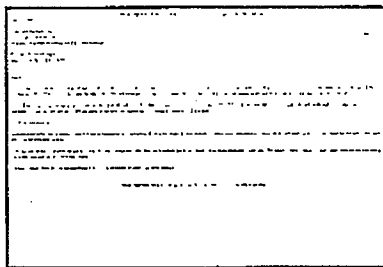
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**Geoffrey Travis, Maria Speth, and Lee Mackson: Magedson's Attorney's BLATANTLY lie t
memorandum of law.
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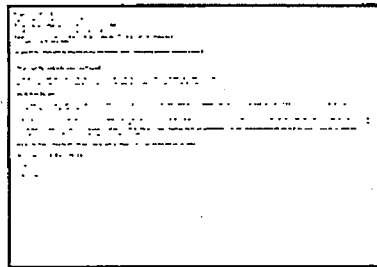


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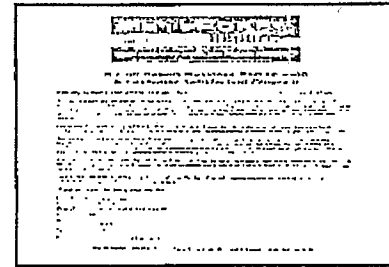
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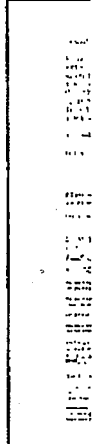
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Ed's Extortionate Email to Mini Vacations:



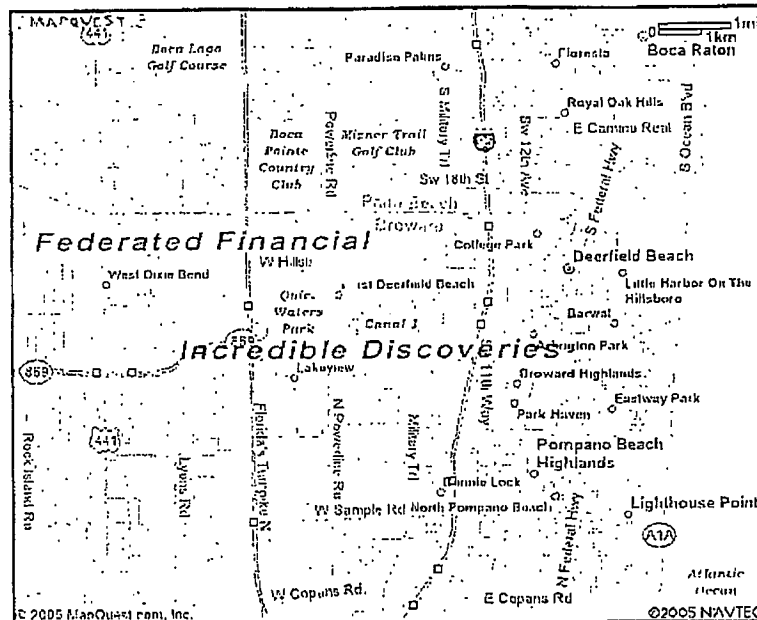
Ed's E: Inter



Mini Vacations, a Sarasota, FL business, paid Magedson over \$50,000, to edit and delete content on the Rip-Off Report.

Second Florida Company, Incredible Discoveries/Sundown Capital Group, located here in Deerfield Beach, also paid to Magedson for positive treatment on his Rip-Off Report
See cancelled checks here.

Ed Magec Report de Florida" does not ' [t] conte



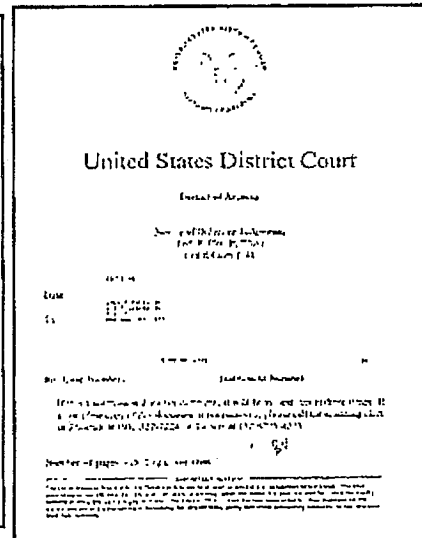
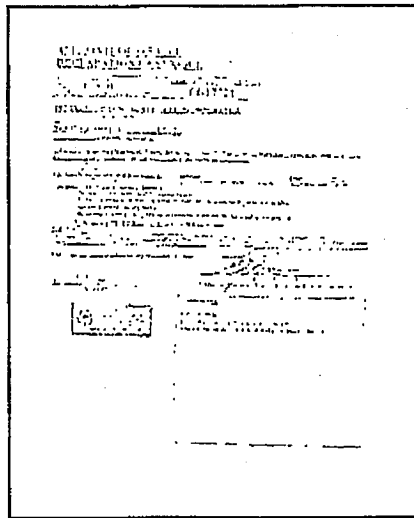
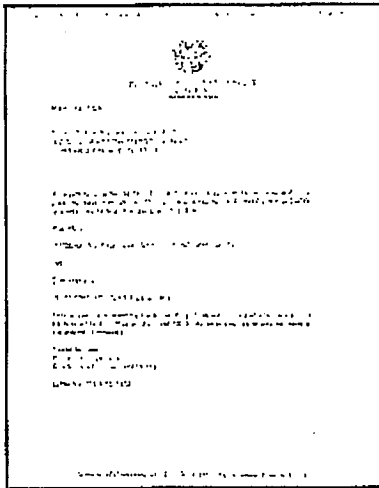
"Treat others as you would want them to treat you. ...I have always had a "live and let live" philosophy in dealing with people: tolerar and accepting of people whose culture, background or upbringing was different from my own. We are a melting pot in thi country, and I always had a strong distaste for bigoted or derogatory remarks about other people based only on race, national origin, religion or even sexual orientation. Adherence to the Golden Rule and treating others fairly and squarely is a code of conduct that I practice in all business and personal endeavors. It's also common sense, because I believe narrow minded people often cut themselves off from their own potential for success." -Ed Magedson

Ed Magedson personally
Served through Secretary
of State of Florida:

Ed Magedson's Corporation
Served:

Ed Magedson
Served...AGAIN!
Federal Judge Makes
Magedson Pay for
Avoiding Service:

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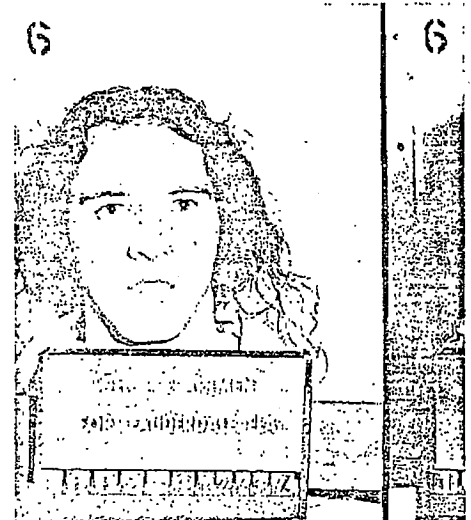
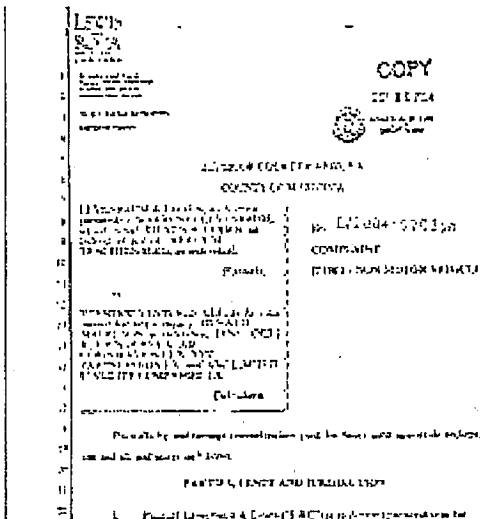
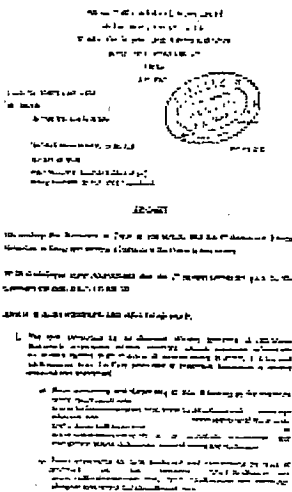


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Court orders Ed Magedson to pay Aylon \$27,100,932.00 in a judgement based on his defamation! Click for details

Attorneys Levenbaum & Cohen file suit against Ed Magedson and his Rip Off Report.

Consumer Advocate arrested for Assault and Cheating



The Rip-Off Report won't allow us to respond to any complaints about us that appear to firmly believe that the vast majority of these were fabricated by the Rip-Off Report own extortion scheme. The most absurd, inflammatory and hurtful claims, are obviously not or former employees of ours. Thousands and thousands of satisfied Federated clients serve as our greatest testimonial to the excellence of our services and our commitment to customer satisfaction. Federated Financial encourages its clients to communicate with us directly because

concerns are promptly and professionally resolved. Those few who have first complain made a mistake by not permitting us an opportunity to first address their concerns. We're addressing those Rip-Off Report complaints we've identified as coming from clients, we mean what we say and take all such concerns seriously. While we will certainly take reasonable actions when challenged, we want to be clear, we publicize these different concerns to our consumers, themselves, decide what kind of company we really are. We are far from perfect, we have complaints, and so we respond to those we've identified on the Rip-Off Report.

Ed Magedson's Extortionate Offer

Ed Magedson won't let us post rebuttals on his sites, badbusinessbureau.com and ripoffreport.com. He has created this site as a forum to post our side of the story. He uses his websites to extort honest businesses in return for testimonials from Ripoffreport.com. Ed Magedson wrote to us in response to our lawsuit against him, offering to give us a good testimonial for *"a reduced fee of \$2,500 up front and a monthly monitoring of about \$125 a month... the total cost for the amount of Reports you have would be about \$9,000 or less... plus a monthly monitoring fee... An investigative Report by Rip-off Report... a very positive one, turning all the negatives into a positive. Any other way to do business with your company. You will wish there were more like you on you, ...NO joke..."*

Click [here](#) to see how Ed Magedson demanded over \$50,000 from another company through the Rip-Off Report, (See, Hy Cite Corporation vs. badbusinessbureau.com, Ed Magedson, U.S. District Court, District of Arizona). Click [here](#) to view the Complaint in that case.

Original Documents Available Upon Request.

Click [here](#) to see how Ed Magedson demanded \$5,000 from a small business owner in return for a testimonial.

Click [here](#) to see the Complaint filed by an Arizona law firm that was victimized by the same Rip-Off Report scheme. (Levenbaum & Cohen, et al, Plaintiffs, vs. Xcentric Ventures, LLC, Ed Magedson, et al, Defendant, 020368, Superior Court of Arizona for Maricopa County.)

Yet Ed himself has admitted in at least one newspaper article, *"Taking money from businesses that are supposed to watch is a conflict of interest..."*

http://www.duluthsuperior.com/mld/charlotte/news/columnists/citizen_watchdog

To Our Valued Clients:

First, we would like you to know we have been victimized by the Rip Off Report, and we care about our clients. Our website is designed, not only to give our side of the story, but also to be certain that we are fulfilling our obligations to our clients. We do not commonly exchange incendiary comments in public when this can be avoided,

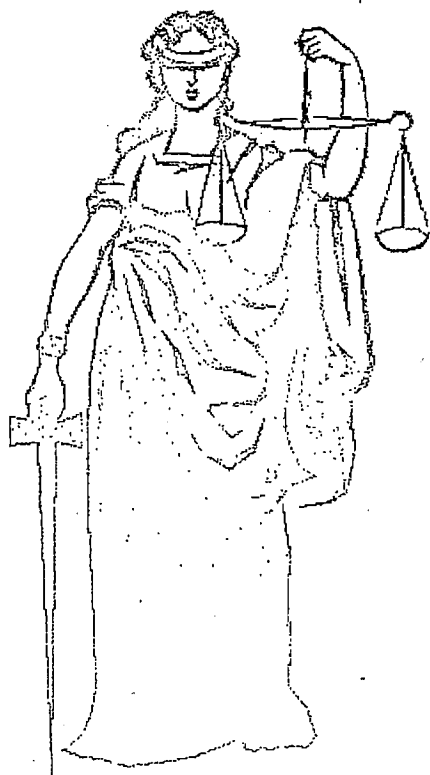
justification, if only to avoid insulting the sensibilities of those reasonable, well-intentioned individuals who otherwise wonder as to our motives. Nevertheless, because of the slander and manipulations of the Report, Ed Magedson, we have been forced to create this website. Because of the actions of Ed Magedson and the content of his Rip Off Report website, we were simply left with no alternative means to defend our good name.

While mutual insults have been hurled and the debate has been filled with emotion, please recognize that we are proud of our good name. This is a very emotional issue for us because we've worked hard to build a good reputation, and we are being treated unfairly by Ed Magedson and those who would destroy it if they could.

Don't let the language fool you. We are the good guys and the victims. The sole purpose of this site is to maintain continuing confidence in the quality of our services. We take client satisfaction seriously, and our reputation is none.

Ed Magedson won't let us post rebuttals on his sites, badbusinessbureau.com and ripoffreport.com. He uses this site as a forum to post our side of the story. Here are our rebuttals that the Rip Off Report prevented together with their corresponding complaints. We serve tens of thousands of people and our track record is excellent. Notwithstanding, Rip Off Report removes our good faith rebuttals and slanders us. Magedson has even falsely portrayed himself as our former employee, in order to offer false "inside" information about our website, information that was actually concocted by him out of thin air as part of a criminal scheme.

Ed Magedson and his Rip Off Report have slandered FEDERATED FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. on many occasions to extort money from us to take down his lies. To fight Mr. Magedson in a Court of Law won't work as he has avoided service of legal process. He won't let us post rebuttals to these false complaints, yet he makes his owners free to do so. We invite anyone who has been similarly damaged by this vile extortionist story.



Consider the dates on the earliest "Rip Off" reports concerning Federated. The first was submitted on 9/15/99 and 8/4/00, respectively, over five years ago. Five (5) years is a lifetime in the history of a debt management company. Most debt management plans are to be completed in 3-5 years. Federated was founded in December 1997, (the debt management experience of its senior management actually goes back much further) Federated has graduated thousands of clients. During this same time period, Federated has managed to provide service to tens of thousands of active, satisfied customers. It has been working in a competitive, increasingly well-regulated, industry that has seen ongoing civil and criminal prosecutions of some of our biggest competitors and federal authorities. Federated's reputation has never been harmed by its own clients and with their creditors, who provide extremely valuable referrals to Federated's customers. As one of the very first credit counseling agencies to register to the ISO 9001:2000 Standard for Quality Management in November 2001, our agency has made a concerted and consistent effort to address and correct any and all customer concerns in a manner that exceeds industry standards and client expectations.

If the worst that can be said about us is that a few, extremely rare and unfair individuals (including those behind the Rip Off Report) conducted an unsuccessful disinformation campaign about us on a website created by its patrons and extortion by its owner, well... that's not so bad.

Take a careful look at the defamatory manipulations of the Rip Off Report website- consider the evidence which it is employed by its owner, Ed Magedson- and decide for yourself. Look at the original "substantially" modified date of those first two rip off reports against us, on 9/15/99 and 8/4/00. Here are those reports appeared, with our rebuttals, before they were removed from that site by the Rip Off Report Editors

Look at what those same reports look like today (Note that they still bear the modification dates of our rebuttals, however, the rebuttals themselves were removed by Ed Magedson and the Rip Off Report to pay extortion for a "testimonial.")

Here is the complaint filed on 12/21/02, with our rebuttal and with Ed Magedson's gloating response. The same complaint looks like today.

If we are making this up, then why do modification dates show on postings that now appear to never have been modified? They now appear on the site alone as they did when first submitted, prior to our good faith responding. Why would we devote our own website to this, if we were permitted to post our rebuttal directly?

Why would we make this up?

Still not convinced? Go to the link below for positive proof. This link will take you off of our website to archives.org, which archives old pages of the entire internet. It's an excellent resource to use to see what the web once looked like. Here is a permanent, online version of one of our rebuttals - together with Ed Magedson's taunt - as it once appeared on the Rip Off Report:

Complaint from 12/21/01

This archived image is stored on a nonprofit website entirely unrelated to us and independent from any evidence that what we say is true: the Rip Off Report and Ed Magedson removed our good faith rebuttal that appeared on their slimy web site. This link proves this beyond a shadow of any doubt. THE RIP OFF REPORT IS A CRIMINAL SCAM!!!!!! We encourage others to use the wayback machine to make certain that the Rip Off Report and Ed Magedson do not escape their criminal history!!!!!!

Since we have created this website, the attacks against us on the Rip Off Report have multiplied, become more absurd in their content, and they are clearly not from any clients of ours. Magedson publishes posts he himself has admitted knowing full well are bogus, because by doing so he perpetuates his dishonest businesses. The Rip Off Report is no more than a tool in an extortion scheme.