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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION

MICHAEL E. SPREADBURY) Cause 9:11cv-064-DWM-JCL	
Plaintiff)	
v.)	
BITTERROOT PUBLIC LIBRARY,)	AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL
CITY OF HAMILTON,)	E. SPREADBURY IN
LEE ENTERPRISES, INC.,)	RE: LEE ENTERPRISES
BOONE KARLBERG, PC,)	NEWSWORTHINESS
)	

Comes now Spreadbury with affidavit with respect to Lee Enterprises judgment of newsworthiness in Hamilton, Montana.

First being sworn, Michael Spreadbury states as follows:

1. I am Michael E. Spreadbury, Plaintiff in this case.

- I asked Editor Perry Backus of Lee Enterprises to cover an accident involving an elected public official from Hamilton MT September 14, 2007.
- I sent the written request to Backus as is discovered evidence in this case, as is a photo of a single damaged single vehicle from this accident.
- 4. The Ravalli Republic Editor Backus responded to me in writing that Lee Enterprises would not cover the accident involving a public official on or around September 14, 2007 in Hamilton Montana with: "end of story".
- Hamilton City Councilor Mike LaSalle left the scene of an injury accident September 14, 2007 documented in my photo evidence; eyewitness account.
- 6. Hamilton City Police Chief and Defendant Ryan Oster observed near the accident scene; Oster sent to the FBI academy after accident occurred.
- 7. The Montana Highway Patrol commander, 25 years service Paul Grimsted resigned after failing to investigate accident September 14, 2007.
- 8. Lee Enterprises refused to cover September 14, 2007 accident by a public official as non-newsworthy; Lee Editor did not cover, even at my request.
- I attempted to publish letter to editor, pay for advertising of the accident in Lee Enterprises Ravalli Republic and was refused by Lee employees.
- 10. Perry Backus makes sworn affidavit April 4, 2012 and April 18, 2012 indicating I was newsworthy in Hamilton Montana, but a felony hit and run accident September 14, 2007 by an elected public official was not.

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11. Lee refused to publish an article of the criminal act of a public official, even

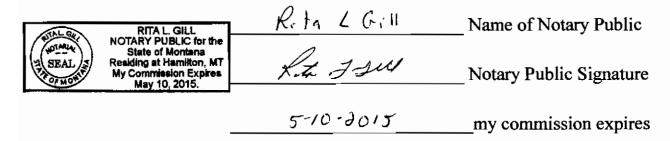
at my request; deems newsworthy an article on me in oral argument as a

private citizen engaged public judicial hearing August 6, 2010.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAITH NOT.

MICHAEL E. SPREADBLICKY

Before me, a Notary Public for the State and County aforesaid, appeared Michael E. Spreadbury who is known to me or who provided photo identification and executed the affidavit in my presence.



I, the affaint hold the above to be true, under penalty of perjury.

Respectfully submitted this 3^{rd} day of May, 2012 BY:

Michael E. Spreadbury, Self Represented Plaintiff