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NHPR

Attn: Lauren Chooljian

**Re: Eric Spofford**

Dear Ms. Chooljian:

Eric Spofford has spent most of his adult life pulling thousands of people out of the depths of addiction, depression and trauma. Unfortunately, New Hampshire Public Radio (“NHPR”) chose instead to focus on the false and unsubstantiated allegations of a disgruntled former employee, who has spent nearly two years peddling her specious claims and shamelessly cold calling other former and current employees in an effort to get them to join her cause. Those employees refused to corroborate these false accusations. We know that to be true because they told us.

Mr. Spofford vehemently denies any alleged misconduct -- in particular, the sexual assault accusations which are not only categorically untrue, but defamatory in nature. In the event NHPR decides to run such false stories, please be advised that Mr. Spofford intends to pursue all of his legal rights and remedies based on your disingenuous reporting and malicious conduct.

Because of the very nature of the work, the recovery industry can be a stressful and, sometimes toxic environment. Some recovering addicts are uniquely suited to work in the field and are able to use their past experiences to help others in need. Others relapse and revert to the lies that tragically go hand-in-hand with addiction. It is sad that a clickbait-hungry reporter has chosen to aid and abet that deceptive behavior.

Although NHPR requests this interview under the guise of news reporting, it appears clear that it is really motivated by NHPR’s (and in particular, Ms. Chooljian’s) unfounded animus against Mr. Spofford and is intentionally aimed at interfering with Mr. Spofford’s personal and professional relationships. We otherwise do not know what the motivation is behind NHPR running yet another “hit” piece on Mr. Spofford, but it is important to note, and very telling, that your intention is to broadcast this “story” only weeks after my client completed a highly successful sale of his business.

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Nothing contained herein shall be deemed a waiver of any rights and/or remedies available to Mr. Spofford, all of which are hereby expressly reserved.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Eric Spofford