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Via U.S. Mail and Facsimile (619) 231-2846

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Re:

Fineran v. Gilbreath, et al. Case No.: 99 CV 0754K (JAH)

Dear Mr. Kopelowitz:

It just came to my attention that your clients have changed their "Diana Fineran Response Web Site" to include false statements which are causing my client damage. Enclosed is a copy of the pages I printed.

The statement "JURY FINDS DF DEFAMED OFFICERS, DEADLOCKS ON AWARD, DEFAMATION TO BE RETRIED" is false. As you know, the jury deadlocked and did not make any findings on the defamation cause of action. The jurors I spoke with told me that they never even considered an award, let alone deadlock on it. They never got past the liability issue. The entire claim will be retried and we will not know the result on liability or damages until that happens.

The statements "DIANA FINERAN DID NOT FOUND THE TRADITIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION" and "DIANA FINERAN DID NOT WRITE THE BREED STANDARDS" and the "details" are false and misleading. You clients have stated under penalty of perjury that my client was the founder and at the very least participated in writing the breed standards. To the extent that they have "new" information, I doubt that the 13 year old information would stand the test of an evidentiary hearing and support such unequivocal statements.

The message of your clients' website is that my client is a fake, a fraud and a liar. This is libelous per se and has caused her damage. Since the trial, she has also had inquires about your clients' statements and some members have resigned.

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Demand is hereby made that your clients remove all false statements from their website and print a retraction. While my client is not going to give up her defamation claim, your clients could at least mitigate the damages that we believe they will ultimately have to pay.

Very truly yours,

Jerry D. Hemme

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pc: Diana Fineran

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