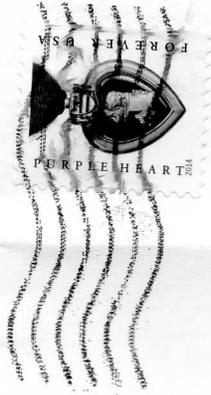


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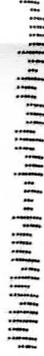
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Dear Friends, Family,
and supporters,

OPEN PUBLIC LETTER

Richard Neff and Maria Rensel have lost my trust. They have not tried to win it back, and have in fact started doing things to actively hurt me. This not only betrays me, it betrays all of you who have donated time, effort, and money to help me get justice. That's why I had to bring all of this out in the open. It concerns you as much as it does me.

There were several things I explicitly told Maria not to do. But she turned right around and did them anyway. They ended up being very costly mistakes, just like I told her they would. And I'm the one who bore the cost, not her. I can't afford to have someone like that on my team.

Similarly with Richard, he will not listen and has bumbled into one high priced mistake after another at my expense. He has also been calling my family and saying horribly mean and abusive things, accusing them of "not helping!" My family is helping plenty. They just won't deal with Richard, because he's an out of control bully. Richard told me my "own family doesn't care about me" and that "I have no one." This isn't true. But even if it was, who says something like that?.

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- There are a lot of very positive things I need to be working on right now. To do that, I need to move on from Richard and Maria and the problems they are causing.

I told them that I didn't want them involved and to please turn everything over to Angela Clemons. In response to this, Richard and Maria shut down my website, took off with the donated money, and took steps to block me from future fundraising.

The Schaeffer Cox website isn't theirs to shut down. And doing a thing like that betrays me, and the people who donated their time and talent to put it up before Richard and Maria came on the scene. I wrote most of its content, and we need that central hub up and accessible for all of us.

The donated money was not raised by or for Richard and Maria. They tried to get people to donate to them so they could "help me." But that flopped. The only time people would donate is when I sent out letters asking people to donate to me so I could help myself. Richard and Maria holding the money hostage injures me and every single donor. All of you out there have standing to confront Richard and Maria on this. If Angela Clemons is who I trust to hold the funds, that's the end of it. Nobody has a right to interfere with my decision.

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The biggest damage we're suffering at the hands of Richard and Maria has to do with the fundraising letters. The company that does all the bulk mailings and printing for us has a contract with "Free Schaeffer Cox," which was signed by Richard and Maria. The fact of the matter is that Richard and Maria signed that contract as my representatives, only after I authorized them to do so. But now they are trying to tell the bulk mail fundraising place to shut it all down and stop fundraising for me, because Richard and Maria say so. They are also telling the mailing place to not let me have the Free Schaeffer Cox mailing list with the names of all the people who have donated to me.

This has thrown everything into confusion. The fundraising has been stopped for months now. Donors are sending me letters worried if I'm okay, and asking why they stopped getting letters from me. Other donors are sending me angry letters asking where their money went, and how people that I don't approve of got control of it.

This has put me in a real bad spot. How do I explain Richard and Maria's behavior to a business man who donated \$25,000⁰⁰ to me, or to a little old lady who sends me \$16⁰⁰ every month?

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Richard and Maria's actions are not the actions of people trying to help. I don't know what's making them do this stuff. But when I took action to remove them, the analysts at the "Counter Terrorism Unit" stepped in and told me I had to leave Richard and Maria in place. Then they added 27 days to my sentence and cut off my communication for trying to replace Richard and Maria. I'm appealing this because the government has no valid reason to weigh in on who I choose to trust to help me fight my case.

In the mean time, it's up to all of you out there to put so much public pressure on Richard and Maria that they do the right thing. Richard and Maria need to turn over the website and the money to Angela Clemons. And they need to tell the bulk mail fundraising place that all rights and interests related to Free Schaeffer Cox, the mailing list, and anything else are mine, and to work with Angela Clemons from here on out.

Anything less from Richard and Maria is intended to hurt me. Please help stop them, so we can move on.

- Schaeffer

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