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Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland
13th Senatorial District
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 226
415 South Beretania Street
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Re: SB 2055

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland and
Members of the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing:

I represent Linda Martell. She was the custody evaluator involved with the litigation between Myrna Murdoch and David Haig some five years ago.

We are informed that Alexandra Murdoch Haig, the 15 year old daughter of David Haig and Myrna Murdoch, has in written testimony, made the following incorrect statements:

- (1) My client drank "all of his (David Haig's) expensive wine";
- (2) My client was more interested in dinner with Mr. Haig than "what I wanted or had to say";
- (3) My client went to Mr. Haig's house two (2) times for dinner and had cocktails.

All of these statements are categorically false. In point of fact, Linda Martell does not drink, never had cocktails or wine with Mr. Haig, and never had dinner with Mr. Haig.

Moreover, as the evaluator's report would evidence, my client thoroughly explored what Alexandra Murdoch felt or wanted to say.

These statements are more in the nature of a personal attack than a constructive discussion about the qualifications of custody evaluators, which is the focus of the legislation involved. I understand similar statements were made in testimony reportedly given by Myrna Myrdoch several years ago.

Again, these statements are simply not true.

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I am aware that Myrna Murdoch has worked on Senator Chun Oakland's staff and may continue to have a relationship with her. Nevertheless, these untrue statements directed at my client, including their repetition through a child, have no legitimate place in the public discussion concerning SB 2055.

It is time for the record to be corrected. Demand is hereby made that this letter be placed in the public record for SB 2055.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

McCORRISTON MILLER MUKAI MacKINNON LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wm C. McCorriston', written in a cursive style.

William C. McCorriston

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