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freemang@nytimes.com*Re: Times' procedures re corrections*

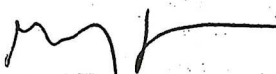
Dear Ms. Sassower:

I have discussed your letter of January 6, 2006, as well as your prior letters, with Mr. Watson. At the outset, he does not see the need for "supervisory oversight" over me in this matter, but has asked me to respond to you on behalf of us both.

We both believe that my letter to you of January 3, as well as my first letter to you and my answers to your questions at NYU, are all responsive to your inquiries. Moreover, we both believe, he in his role as Secretary of the Company as well as General Counsel for over a decade, and I, as the senior litigator for The Times Company, that we have very well looked out for the interest of our shareholders. We are likewise very comfortable and satisfied with the process by which the New York Times Company Legal Department has reviewed articles which go into The Times newspaper as well as the process by which correction requests have been reviewed. Indeed, we both are proud that The Times generally receives less libel lawsuits than other major metropolitan newspapers; in fact, The Times was sued only once for libel in the U.S. during entire 2005 - - and that meritless suit has already been dismissed.

Finally, Mr. Watson also agrees with me that we don't see the point in reviewing and rearguing questions surrounding the November 2004 column, now 14 months old. Moreover, I would point out that much of the information you seem to seek is protected by editorial privileges, and therefore, it would in fact undercut the principles and precedents advantageous to the Company and its shareholders if we were to get into those matters with you.

Very truly yours,


George Freeman

cc: Solomon Watson

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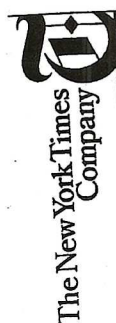
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