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### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

## David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court

CANDACE LOUISE CURTIS &	8
RIK WAYNE MUNSON	§
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VS.	8
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CANDACE KUNZ-FREED,	3 8
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ALBERT VACEK, JR, ET AL	8

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:16-cv-01969 (Alfred H. Bennett)

### <u>Defendant Amy Brunsting's Rule 12(b)(6)</u> <u>Motion to Dismiss for Plaintiff's Failure to State a Claim</u>

Plaintiffs sued me, defendant, Amy Brunsting, along with two state judges, a court reporter, and eleven attorneys for alleged RICO violations. The complaint should be dismissed because the plaintiffs fail to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

Plaintiffs allege that I am involved in a racketeering enterprise in a probate case pending in Harris County Probate Court No. 4, under C. A. No. 412,249-401, *Estate of Nelva Brunsting, Deceased*. Nelva Brunsting was my mother. Plaintiffs allege that I conspired with two state judges, a court reporter, numerous attorneys (including attorney Jason Ostrom who was hired by the plaintiff Candace Brunsting) in a "secret society" to engage in illegal wiretapping, theft, extortion, forgery, wire fraud, and fraudulent transfer of securities as part of a racketeering group they refer to as "Harris County Tomb Raiders" and "the Probate Mafia". Plaintiffs claim that they were harmed by this alleged conspiracy. I know of no conspiracy, nor have I ever conspired with anyone regarding any of these matters. Plaintiffs have provided no facts to support their complaints.

Plaintiffs claim that I intercepted, recorded, possessed, concealed, manipulated, and disseminated illegal wiretap recordings of conversations made on my mother's telephone line. I

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have been told that these are recorded phone messages that were found on my mother's answering machine. It is my understanding that these recordings were made while my mother was alive. I have never heard any of these recordings and my mother never discussed them with me. I have never possessed any of these recordings. Plaintiffs fail to provide facts to show that I possessed or in any way handled these recordings.

Plaintiffs claim that my answers to Plaintiff Curtis' interrogatories posed in her lawsuit against me in the Harris County Probate Court contained extortion threats. I have no idea what she is referring to. I made no threats against Plaintiff Curtis or anyone else in my replies to her questions.

Plaintiffs refer to a "heinous extortion instrument", but I believe they are referring to the qualified beneficiary trust (QBT) agreement that was executed by my mother, not by me. This document was executed before I became a trustee. I did not become a trustee until after the death of my mother, and I had no involvement with or authority over my mother's financial or trust matters while she was living. I had no involvement in the preparation of the QBT. After reading the QBT, I could not find any language in the document that could be used to extort the plaintiffs. There are no facts to show that I took or extorted anything from the plaintiffs.

Plaintiffs allege that attorney Bernard Matthews and I filed a false affidavit in a suit that Candace Curtis filed against me and others (Candace Louise Curtis v. Anita Brunsting et al., No. 4:12-cv-00592). The suit was a *lis pendens* filed by Plaintiff Curtis to prevent the sale of our mother's home. Mother passed away on November 11, 2011. After her death, her home was appraised and put up for sale. In 2012 a buyer offered us more than the appraised value, so we accepted the offer. The transaction was handled by a reputable title company. I did not file any

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false affidavits during this proceeding or any other proceeding. Plaintiffs provide no information of the document in question, and they provide no facts regarding this claim.

Finally, I have never met nor spoken to one of the plaintiffs, Rik Munson. I have never corresponded with him prior to the filing of this suit. I have no business or personal contracts with or obligations to Rik Munson. Said plaintiff has not provided an explanation of how I caused him any harm.

Plaintiffs' claims are vague, conclusory, and based entirely on inference and speculation.

#### <u>Prayer</u>

I pray that the Court grant my motion to dismiss for plaintiffs' failure to state a claim and for such other and further relief, general and specific, legal and equitable, to which I may be entitled to receive.

Respectfully submitted,

//s// Amy Brunsting

Amy Brunsting 2582 Country Ledge Drive New Braunfels, Texas 78132 Pro Se Defendant .

# **Certificate of Service**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument was served on the following persons via first class mail:

1.	Candace L. Curtis 218 Landana Street American Canyon, CA 94503 925-759-9020	Plaintiff, Pro Se
2.	Rik Wayne Munson 218 Landana Street American Canyon, CA 94503 925-349-8348	Plaintiff, Pro Se
3.	Candace Kunz-Freed c/o Cory S. Reed Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, L.L.P. One Riverway, Suite 1400 Houston, TX 77056	Defendant
4.	Albert Vacek, Jr. c/o Cory S. Reed Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, L.L.P. One Riverway, Suite 1400 Houston, TX 77056	Defendant
5.	Bernard Lyle Matthews III 11777 Katy Freeway, Suite 300 South Houston, TX 77079	Defendant
6.	Anita Kay Brunsting 203 Bloomingdale Circle Victoria, TX 77904	Defendant
7.	Neal E. Spielman Griffin & Matthews 1155 Dairy Ashford, Suite 300 Houston, TX 77079	Defendant
8.	Bradley Featherston Featherston Tran PLLC 20333 State Highway 249, Suite 200 Houston, TX 77070	Defendant

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<ol> <li>Gregory Lester</li> <li>955 N. Dairy Ashford, Suite 220 Houston, TX 77079</li> </ol>	Defendant
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<ul><li>14. Bobbie Bayless</li><li>Bayless &amp; Stokes</li><li>2931 Ferndale</li><li>Houston, TX 77098</li></ul>	Defendant
<ol> <li>Christine Riddle Butts Harris County Civil Courthouse 201 Caroline, 7<sup>th</sup> floor Houston, TX 77002</li> </ol>	Defendant
<ul> <li>16. Clarinda Comstock Harris County Civil Courthouse</li> <li>201 Caroline, 7<sup>th</sup> floor Houston, TX 77002</li> </ul>	Defendant

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17. Toni Biamonte

Defendant

7. Toni Biamonte Office of the Court Reporter Harris County Civil Courthouse 201 Caroline, 7<sup>th</sup> floor Houston, TX 77002

on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016.

//s// Amy Brunsting

Amy Brunsting