

Badger Flats Gazette

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Mr. Benjamin Ratliff
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FAXED ONLY

Re: #150880/Meet and Confer/ Response to November 20th, 2008 Letter

Dear Mr. Ratliff:

I write this letter in response to your letter dated November 20th, 2008.

As you know when I noticed you not to "cackle at me" at my one more time at my deposition or the deposition would be over you laughed in my face loudly "Ha! Ha!" with a grimace on your face. You did this before the court reporter and before hotel employees that were walking in and out of the cafeteria area. You cruelly humiliated me.

It is that type of conduct by you that makes me fear for my son being harassed by you.

I then stood up questioned you about your sanctionable conduct and walked out telling you that you would need to seek a court order to compel me back. .

I am willing to provide you with deposition dates for the month of January 2009 based upon your stipulating in writing to have a video tape service there such as Al Cala with the camera focused on you, not me. In essence it is not a videotaped deposition of me, but a video tape taken by a certified reporter of you to protect me from any further sordid conduct by you.

I am willing to discuss the matter further via meet and confer, however, due to Thanksgiving Holidays and other legal motions pending I am unable to do so until at least after December 18th, 2008. It should also be noted that you bring this matter up while knowing the backlog of discovery issues in preference over you.

This is also to make you aware that I will be filing a motion for reconsideration of that last yahoo judge who issued \$2,000.00 in sanctions for my allegedly not conducting a reasonable meet and confer. Not that I did not conduct meet and confers but I just didn't do enough of them. Yeah right!

Perhaps you think you are going to ride tidal wave of favorable rulings from judges sent in by Chief Justice Ronald George, defendant in the lawsuit of Forte v. Knight Ridder, Ronald George, et al C06-03943-JW, who I have objected to assigning judges to my cases?

With that said, I believe we have a hearing set for December 16th, 2008, or thereabouts with some yet unnamed judge. I suggest we take the issue of after such hearing if it does in fact take place.

From my family to yours we wish you a Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Gene Forte