Destruction of a Family

HATTIESBURG – USMNEWS.net recently received a new batch of legal documents regarding the case against the University of Texas – Tyler filed by Karen and Jeremy St. John, two former UT-T staffers (faculty). Personifying the defendant in this case are Rodney Mabry, the UT-T president, Harold Doty, the former USM business dean who now holds that post at UT-T, and a host of other mid- and low-level UT-T administrators. (For newer USMNEWS.net readers, a visit to this website's Google search bar – entering terms (1) mabry, (2) doty, (3) vorsas, (4) st. john, (5) bushardt, (6) keech, (7) fischer, and a number of others – should bring you up to speed on this sad saga.) The newly acquired information below provides a recap of a portion of *Jeremy* St. John's case against UT-T. It also provides some **new details** (circled in red) about the forthcoming lawsuit.

On September 1, 2011, after Defendant learned that Dr. St. John had filed a retaliation claim with the EEOC against the Defendant, Dr. St. John was contacted by Defendant and informed that Defendant was opening a formal ethics investigation regarding plagiarism against Dr. St. John. Defendant threatened Dr. St. John's job, career and reputation by stating that if Dr. St. John "did not cooperate and help resolve the issue, Harold Doty would contact Dr. St. John's new employer". Dr. St. John was told by UT Tyler professors that Dr. Browne, a professor at UT Tyler, was upset and making the accusations because his contract was not renewed by Defendant. Dr. St. John was further told that Dean Doty had appointed himself as judge and Dr. Bushardt as investigator of the plagiarism charges, with President Mabry as final authority. Although Dr. St. John was never formally charged, formally notified of the investigation, or formally asked to provide evidence, UT Tyler professors contacted him repeatedly by phone and email to keep him informed. Dr. Marilyn Young told Dr. St. John, to contact Dr. Bushardt. She stated that Dr. Bushardt told her that if Dr. St. John cooperated, he was sure they could "work things out" and avoid the necessity of having Dean Doty contact Dr. St. John's new employer, Texas A&M Commerce. Dr. St. John was further told by Dr. Young that the focus of the investigation centered not on Dr. Young, but on Dr. St. John, Dr. Gus Gordon (who is currently employed by the Defendant) and Dr. Isaura Flores (another professor no longer in the employ of the Defendant).

On information and belief, on or about February 13, 2012, Harold Doty

contacted Jim Corlett, Information Manager at Inderscience Publishing Company to inform him that Dr. St. John had been charged with plagiarism and that the publishing company needed to conduct their own plagiarism investigation against him. On information and belief Harold Doty also pressured James Browne and Stu Warnock to contact Dr. St. John's employer, Texas A&M University with charges of plagiarism against Dr. St. John. Consequently, Jim Corlett contacted Dr. St. John's employer, Texas A&M University Commerce advising the university that he was under investigation for plagiarism by UT Tyler. On March 1, 2012, Texas A&M University Commerce discharged Dr. St. John from the position of Assistant Professor, Management Information System because of the plagiarism complaint received from Defendant and Inderscience Publishing Company. This report directly led to Dr. St. John's termination from Texas A&M University Commerce effective May 31, 2012. This retaliatory action puts Dr. St. John's entire professional career in jeopardy.

These are examples of some of Defendant's retaliatory threats, actions and grave impacts against Dr. St. John's livelihood and his ability to support his family. Incompetence, new procedures and new rules were regularly used by Defendant as excuses for retaliation. Dr. St. John endured this retaliation because he needed his job to provide for his family, as he was the sole support of six children after Keren St. John was terminated by Defendant. As if that wasn't enough, Defendant continued to reach out to his current employer in an effort to ruin his good name in the university context.

As the second revised complaint above from Jeremy St. John indicates, Doty's apparent malevolence was relentless in its aim at ruining the St. John family. From exacerbating Karen St. John's high-risk pregnancy to what some readers have referred to as Doty's corrosive hands reaching out and pulling two different jobs from underneath Jeremy St. John, the former CoB dean, D. Harold Doty, appears to have destroyed a family.

Readers point out that entering (1) plagiarism, (2) Delery, (3) sheriff, (4) chicks, (5) broads, (6) Hartsfield, (7) secret degree, (8) ethics, (9) AACSB, (10) fun money, (11) Grimes, (12) Tarnoff, and a host of other search terms into the Google search bar on this website will yield a number of interesting reports about Doty.