

Joint Statement of Brad Edwards, Paul Cassell and Alan Dershowitz Regarding Settlement

Brad Edwards, Paul Cassell and Alan Dershowitz have today settled their pending defamation claims in which Edwards and Cassell sued Dershowitz and Dershowitz counterclaimed against Edwards and Cassell. The case was about Dershowitz's public claims that Edwards and Cassell, as the attorneys for ██████████, had helped her make up her false allegations of sexual misconduct against Dershowitz. The plaintiff-attorneys denied that contention and asserted that it defamed them. The lawsuit involved only whether the lawyers performed the necessary due diligence to make their allegations in good faith, not whether the acts of alleged misconduct in fact ever occurred. Dershowitz countersued Edwards and Cassell, alleging they had falsely accused him of sexual contact with ██████████—a claim he vigorously denied.

Edwards and Cassell maintain that they made their client's allegations in good faith and performed the necessary due diligence to do so. ~~WHAT DOCUMENTS RICK? and have produced documents detailing those efforts. Dershowitz, while not disputing ██████████ statements that the underlying alleged misconduct may have occurred with someone, maintains his complete innocence of that misconduct. Dershowitz has produced travel and other records for the relevant times which he relies on to establish that he could not have been present when the alleged misconduct was said to have occurred occur, red, and that ██████████ must have mistaken him for someone else.~~

The parties believe it is time to take advantage of the new information that has come to light on both sides during the litigation and put these matters behind them.

Given the events that have transpired since the filing of the legal filings in which Dershowitz was accused of misconduct, including the court order striking the allegations in those filings, and the records produced by the parties, Edwards and Cassell acknowledge that it was a mistake to have named Dershowitz in the stricken filings, and the sexual misconduct accusations made in the filings are hereby withdrawn. For the same reason, Dershowitz withdraws the accusations that Edwards and Cassell acted unethically.

Neither Edwards, Cassell, nor Dershowitz have any intention of repeating the allegations against one another.