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Re: Dennis Stacey 'Outing' Abductees

From: HONEYBE100@aol.com (Linda Cortile)
Date: Wed, 11 June 1997 17:12 EDT
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Subject: Re: Dennis Stacey 'Outing' Abductees

>Date: Tue, 10 Jun 1997 12:30:48 -0500 (CDT)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dennis <dstacy@texas.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Dennis Stacey 'Outing' Abductees

Dear Dennis, (you wrote):

>You're getting as difficult to respond to rationally as Mr. Komarek,
>but let me try. I have not been trying to out you personally for
>years. I've already posted a list of articles I published about your
>case in the Journal over the last five years or so, 12 articles in
>favor of, one against.

No, Dennis. I'm not a difficult person to respond to when I'm treated fairly. However, I'm much more difficult than Ed Komarek, (whom I have a great deal of respect for) when I'm provoked. You have a bad habit of belittling people and then you'll moan and groan because the replies to your posts aren't polite. You have a right to your opinions, but if you're going to get arrogant, most rational people will not reply favorably (if they reply at all). Remember, we usually get, what we give. If you try to be nice and fair, you'd be amazed.

As far as the articles you have written for the MUFON Journal, etc., regarding my case, I remember some nice ones in 1992. However, most of them after that weren't so nice. They were arrogant in an annoying fashion. Especially the one you wrote in 1994, after I had my *first* talk in Austin, Texas at the 25th Anniversary of MUFON. Your sentences were run-on sentences, which implied, how tired you were having to hear about the "Witnessed" case. It also suggested that everyone should follow your lead. You're a good writer Dennis, why the run-on sentences, huh? That's just one of many things you have done to try and 'out' me.

>But had I been trying, you can bet your Yankees' cap that it
>wouldn't have been unsuccessfully. I could have mentioned your
>last name any time I wanted to in a number of media outlets
>that I write regularly for, beginning with Foretean Times, and Omni
>magazine.

Dennis, Dennis, Dennis, you're flattering yourself. You should know better than that. The "Witnessed" case has held up under harsh scrutiny for several years. I wouldn't bet my Yankees' baseball cap on your 'outing' the "Witnessed" case successfully.

Yes, you could've mentioned my real name in articles, etc., as the debunkers did. But it would've made you look very bad in the public eye. Is that the reason why you haven't made a habit of publishing my legal name? Or do you have better ethics than that?

No, I'm not distorting the facts. I'm giving them to you as I know them. I pay very close attention because much of what is said regarding my case, doesn't just reflect on Budd and me, it reflects on abductees in general. I don't want *them* hurt on account of a hand-full of inconsiderate people.

>Again, you're into mind-reading. I have disagreements with some
>of Budd's interpretations of the abduction evidence, beginning with
>his interpretation of the Roper Report findings. In the interval, I
>can't think of anything he has offered to the Journal that I haven't
>printed.

No, I'm not a mind reader, Dennis. I'm an abductee from N.Y.C. who is a survivor. It isn't your difference in opinions that bothers us. It's the way you say and do it. No one is going to agree with each other, all of the time. However, it seems to me that, you can dish it out, but you can't take it. That's not very good sportsmanship, or whatever one would call it.

>Again, you misconstrue my statements, which were intended to
>imply that more care could have been taken. In other words,
>someone needs to ask why your name was entrusted to them in
>the first place if absolute privacy was the first priority. There *are*
>ways to keep state secrets, you know, just ask the Air Force.

My name was entrusted to no one. That wasn't the situation at the time. Before the *Witnessed* case went public and before an abductee in our group, *went debunker* (because he wasn't getting enough of Budd's attention), everything was fine. But as soon as Budd brought my case public, this particular abductee became one of the three debunkers from South Jersey. He knew my legal name, as most of us were on a friendly and close basis. No one knew, including Budd and me, that my case would go public at the time. These days, are sorry days, if one can't know a friend's legal name. From there, my name was given to Jim Moseley.

>Have I offended Eddie Bullard, for example? Did I offend David
>Jacobs by asking him to review Budd's "Witnessed" in the Journal?
>Do I offend John Carpenter by running his column in the Journal?
>Did I offend Ray Fowler by asking him to write about the Allagash
>case for the UFO book? Have I offended Walter Webb, Richard
>Haines, Jacques Vallee, Jerry Clark? Maybe you should stop
>confusing the whole of ufology with the NYC circle?

Let's just put it this way. No one would want to write an article for the MUFON Journal if you did. There wouldn't be a MUFON Journal if you had offended everyone. No, I'm not confusing the whole of ufology with the NYC circle, you are. You have absolutely no idea how our circle in NYC functions. By the way, our group is one of the best in all of the United States and more.

>In fact, this whole field needs to seriously psychoanalyze itself
>to see whether its going to allow honest differences of opinion
>and interpretation to exist, or whether it's simply going to lump
>everyone into two opposing camps, as in you're either for me or
>against me. The latter is certainly Komarek's approach, and
>from where I sit, kit seems to be the one you're taking as well.

If everyone behaves the way you do, when you have a difference of opinion, people *are* going to lump themselves into two opposing camps. After all, you provoke them to. Dennis, kindness and tactfulness goes a long way.

We all have our own approaches, including Ed Komarek, you, me and many others. However, it isn't the difference in opinions, it's the way you present them. If you're going to be tactless and unkind, people are going to react. You can catch more bees with honey, not vinegar. Or, you can catch more honey's without vinegar. <G>

If I didn't accept your apology, I wouldn't be a lady. I am a lady. So, I forgive you. However, I cannot forgive you for everyone else. In fact, there were times that I have agreed with you. But not this time, Dennis.

Linda Cortile

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