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January 8, 2007

Mr. Ernest Henslee
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Dear Ernest,

I am writing you in regards to our phone conversation and your written letter of complaint on Ranger Sergeant Roger Lough. After speaking with you, I talked at length with Sergeant Lough. Sergeant Lough advised that he called you because he felt the articles you wrote that included him, were not totally correct and that he requested that you remove incorrect inferences about his actions. Sergeant Lough also advised he offered to meet you and discuss the case in question to prove to you the entire article was not correct, and you chose not to meet with him. As per our conversation, when you approach your articles from only one side and refuse to at least hear both sides, then the targets of your articles become disappointed and can only express their feelings by calling or writing you.

In no way did Sergeant Lough "deny or impede you in your exercise of your right to freedom of speech." Sergeant Lough did not call you back after asking you to retract the statements, nor did he take any action to stop you.

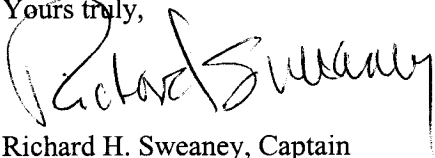
Mr. Henslee, when you chose to express your opinions in a disrespectful, degrading manner to those you disagree with, it causes disrespect on you also. All of your readers expect folks on both sides of an argument to conduct themselves in a "mutually respectful" manner as our parents, who were examples to us, taught us.

In our conversation, I asked that you consider talking to Sergeant Lough to get his side of what your witnesses stated and in your letter, second page, paragraph three; you stated you will not be calling any law enforcement officer before writing articles about them. I think this statement would reflect to me, as well as your readers, that you are going to print your slant to any story you write about law enforcement, regardless of the other viewpoint.

Since you don't want to communicate with Sergeant Lough, I have suggested to him to refrain from calling and attempting to work things out with you. This would not alter him from pursuing civil remedies if he felt the content of an article warranted such.

Thanks for your correspondence and conversation. Even though we disagree, I respect your right to descent and only hope you will feel the same way.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard H. Sweaney". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "R".

Richard H. Sweaney, Captain
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