

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
 COUNTY OF NEW YORK

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CHRISTOPHER BRUMMER,	:
	: Index No. 153583/2015
	: Hon. Lucy Billings
Plaintiff,	: IAS Part 46
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BENJAMIN WEY, FNL MEDIA LLC, and	:
NYG CAPITAL LLC d/b/a	:
NEW YORK GLOBAL GROUP,	:
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Defendants.	:
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**THIRD AMENDED COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff Christopher Brummer (“Plaintiff” or “Professor Brummer”), by his attorneys, Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP and Clarick Gueron Reisbaum LLP, for his Third Amended Complaint against defendants Benjamin Wey, FNL Media LLC, and NYG Capital LLC d/b/a New York Global Group (collectively “Defendants”) in this action alleges as follows:

**INTRODUCTION**

1. This action arises out of the vindictive and malicious conduct of defendant Benjamin Wey (“Wey”) and the companies he controls, NYG Capital LLC d/b/a New York Global Group (“NYGG”) and FNL Media LLC (“FNL Media”). Defendants have been waging a

comprehensive and widespread internet defamation campaign against Professor Brummer, a Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center.

2. As set forth in the First Amended Complaint, Defendants' campaign started as retribution for Professor Brummer's participation in professional disciplinary proceedings against Wey's friends and colleagues. It quickly exploded into an obsessive personal crusade to inflict unceasing harm on Professor Brummer's reputation and to cause him severe emotional distress. Since Professor Brummer commenced this litigation in April 2015, Defendants' unrelenting assault has spanned more than four years of continued verbal, emotional, and, now, physical abuse. In more than 100 articles in multiple online platforms, including numerous new articles published since the filing of the First Amended Complaint, Defendants have viciously and falsely disparaged Professor Brummer with fabricated allegations covering an ever-growing range of topics.

3. Professor Brummer accordingly seeks, among other things, compensatory and punitive damages and an order enjoining Defendants from continuing their deliberate and relentless campaign of defamation, harassment, and intimidation, and from further tarnishing Professor Brummer's reputation.

### **PARTIES**

4. Plaintiff Christopher Brummer is a natural person who resides in Washington D.C. and a Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center.

5. Defendant NYGG purports to be a U.S. and Asia-based strategic market entry advisory, venture capital, and private equity investment group that services clients worldwide in the areas of corporate finance, direct investments, China strategic advisory, and market entry advisory. NYGG is a company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York with its principal place of business in New York, New York.



6. Defendant FNL Media is a division of and/or the wholly-owned subsidiary of NYGG. FNL Media is the owner of TheBlot website ([www.theblot.com](http://www.theblot.com), “TheBlot”), a digital magazine that purports to combine investigative journalism with reader-submitted opinion pieces. FNL Media is a company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York with its principal place of business in New York, New York.

7. NYGG and FNL Media operate in concert as a joint enterprise. They share the same offices, management, and ownership. Employees of both defendant companies meet to discuss and plan TheBlot’s business and publications. NYGG exercises complete dominion and control over FNL Media and uses TheBlot to further its business interests by bolstering its own reputation and by destroying the reputations of its actual and perceived adversaries through defamation, harassment, and intimidation.

8. Defendant Wey is the Chief Executive Officer of NYGG. At NYGG, Wey purports to specialize in strategic market entry and crisis management issues for Chinese companies. Wey is also the publisher of and a regular contributor to TheBlot, a digital magazine that purportedly conducts “investigative journalism” and “brings traditional journalism to the modern day” but that Wey, in fact, uses to maliciously defame, harass, and intimidate private individuals. At TheBlot, Wey uses his significant resources to attack, defame, harass, and intimidate persons he perceives to be adverse to him personally and/or the interests of Wey, NYGG and FNL Media. Wey resides and works in New York, New York. As the publisher of TheBlot, Wey has complete control of all content produced by TheBlot.

9. Based on the residence of Wey and the place where Wey committed his tortious acts, venue is proper in New York County.

## **BACKGROUND**

### **Plaintiff Professor Christopher Brummer**

10. Plaintiff Christopher Brummer, a Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center, is an expert in business organization and securities regulation, international finance, and international law. Professor Brummer earned his J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he graduated with honors, and received a Ph.D. in Germanic Studies from the University of Chicago. Before becoming a law professor, Professor Brummer practiced law in the New York and London offices of Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP. He earned his undergraduate degree *summa cum laude* from Washington University in St. Louis.

11. Prior to joining Georgetown's faculty with tenure in 2009, Professor Brummer was an assistant professor of law at Vanderbilt Law School. Professor Brummer has also taught at several leading universities as a visiting professor, including the universities of Basel and Heidelberg and the London School of Economics.

12. Professor Brummer's work has been published in leading academic journals, including the *Columbia Law Review* (note), *California Law Review*, *Georgetown Law Journal*, *Southern California Law Review*, *University of Chicago Law Review*, *Vanderbilt Law Review*, and *Fordham Law Review*. Professor Brummer has testified for U.S. and foreign governments to offer his perspective on regulatory policy.

13. From 2013-2015, Professor Brummer served on the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.'s ("FINRA") National Adjudicatory Council ("NAC"), which is charged with hearing the appeals of disciplined FINRA members. FINRA is a not-for-profit national organization authorized by Congress to regulate the securities industry and protect investors.

**Defendants' Retaliation Against Professor Brummer for a FINRA Decision that Punished Wey's Associates For Acts of Fraud**

14. In August 2013, after a fully-litigated proceeding, a FINRA hearing panel found that two of Wey's business associates (William Scholander and Talman Harris) had violated Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, SEC Rule 10b-5, and FINRA Rules 2020 and 2010 for fraudulently marketing the stocks of Deer Consumer Products, Inc. This decision (the "Hearing Panel Decision") prohibited the parties from associating with any FINRA firm in any capacity. This Hearing Panel Decision was appealed to the NAC and ultimately affirmed on December 29, 2014. Professor Brummer served on the NAC panel that issued this decision (the "NAC Decision").

15. Less than a month after the NAC Decision upholding professional discipline against Wey's associates, Defendants wrote and published on TheBlot an article about Professor Brummer titled "WANT TO GET RICH FROM A CRIMINAL? ASK CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR." A copy of the original version of this article is attached as Exhibit A.

16. From the very outset of the attacks, Defendants invited readers to "[s]tay tuned," announcing (in bold type) "the **Chris Brummer saga** to be continued." As Defendants promised, the first posting of the article has proven to be just the beginning of an ongoing campaign of defamation and harassment against Professor Brummer involving multiple articles on TheBlot, fake comments on those articles specifically designed to influence search engine results, entire websites devoted to defaming Professor Brummer, and social media content from various platforms linking to TheBlot articles. Each of these acts was perpetrated by or at the direction of Defendants, and each was intentionally and maliciously calculated to ruin Professor Brummer's professional and personal reputation and life.

### **Defendants Intensify and Expand Their Defamation Campaign**

17. After this litigation began in April 2015, the defamation only intensified and the scope of the attacks on Professor Brummer's reputation widened. Through the many online platforms they have utilized, Defendants' defamation of Professor Brummer has expanded to cover several themes, all of which are demonstrably false and constitute defamation *per se*:

- Defendants knowingly and falsely assert that Professor Brummer engaged in an extramarital affair with Maureen Gearty, a witness against Scholander and Harris in the FINRA proceeding. Professor Brummer does not know Ms. Gearty and has never even met her.
- Defendants knowingly and falsely state that the NAC Decision, in which Professor Brummer took part, "ruined the lives of two innocent," "black" brokers (Scholander and Harris) and that Professor Brummer "fabricated evidence" in support of that decision because he is a "racist" and an "Uncle Tom." (Harris is African-American, as is Professor Brummer. Contrary to Defendants' allegations, Scholander is not.) Professor Brummer did not "fabricate evidence" against them, and his decision was not motivated or affected by racial animus. Moreover, Scholander and Harris were not innocent and were sentenced to prison. *See infra*
- Defendants knowingly and falsely claim that Professor Brummer was involved in bribery and other schemes with financier Michael Milken and defrauded investors. Milken entered a guilty plea to charges of racketeering and securities fraud more than 25 years ago, and since then established an independent economic think tank called the Milken Institute focusing on public health, education and economic development. Professor Brummer, alongside many other professors, has served as a research fellow studying issues relating to capital access for young entrepreneurs and international financial regulation, but has never had any involvement with Michael Milken's financial activities.
- Defendants knowingly and falsely assert that Professor Brummer was "unable to get into a decent law school," "squeezed himself into a part-time program waiving the flag of 'affirmative action,'" "struggled" in law school, was a failure in the private sector, "inflate[s]" his professional biography and is unqualified to serve as a professor or as a member of the NAC. Besides the fact that the law school Professor Brummer attended, Columbia, is well regarded (and has no part-time J.D. program), these allegations are objectively false because he was awarded the top merit based scholarship to attend, has stellar academic and professional credentials, and there is no need for him to inflate his professional biography, and he has never done so.
- Defendants knowingly and falsely claim that Professor Brummer was a suspect in a rape at Georgetown University Law Center. This claim is completely fabricated.

- Defendants knowingly and falsely claim that Professor Brummer confessed that FINRA lied to the FBI and the Department of Justice. Defendants also claim that Professor Brummer was accused by regulatory bodies of fabricating evidence. Professor Brummer has testified regarding his role in the FINRA NAC process. That testimony did not accuse anyone acting on behalf of FINRA of any wrongdoing. No regulatory bodies have accused Professor Brummer of fabricating evidence.
- Defendants knowingly and falsely claim that Professor Brummer is a cryptocurrency scammer and peddles fake cryptocurrency. This claim is completely fabricated.

18. As mentioned above, the first salvo in Defendants' defamatory assault on Professor Brummer's reputation was an article posted on TheBlot on January 21, 2015. It now has a new title aimed at introducing more defamatory material and luring in a new and broader audience: "CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR IMPLICATED IN MULTIPLE FRAUDS, ABUSER GOT CAUGHT," (the "Fraud Article"). The Fraud Article also includes altered and captioned photographs of Professor Brummer that have been added since the original publication. A copy of a version of the Fraud Article as of July 13, 2016, is attached as Exhibit B.

19. Since August 2015, Defendants have added new and specific allegations to the Fraud Article stating that Professor Brummer (1) "was entangled in an alleged extramarital affair with 'Big Red' Maureen Gearty," a witness in the FINRA proceedings that testified against brokers Scholander and Harris, (2) engaged in "bribery and shady money dealings," (3) filed and lost a frivolous lawsuit against "journalists," (4) caused "many investors to lose their life savings," and (5) was "strongly rebuked in an SEC filing."

20. The ever-changing Fraud Article makes false and defamatory statements that have included the following:

- That Professor Brummer engaged in "bribery and shady money dealings," and "repeatedly harassed investigative journalists."

- That Professor Brummer acted “like a **thief that got caught** in a failed scheme to SILENCE THE MEDIA[.]” (bold in original)
- That “[p]ublic records revealed murky dealings among Chris Brummer, his alleged extramarital affair with a FINRA witness. . .[and] lies told by Chris Brummer[.]”
- That “[i]n March 2016, CHRIS BRUMMER, broadly known as ‘Dr. Bratwurst’ LOST the frivolous lawsuit against journalists. A New York judge tossed out Chris Brummer’s fabricated claims.”
- That Professor Brummer “was entangled in an alleged extramarital affair with ‘Big Red’ Maureen Gearty, a FINRA ‘STAR’ witness whose blatant lies destroyed the 20 year careers of two innocent black brokers. The alleged steamy sexual affair has brought media spotlight on CHRIS BRUMMER, who was also sued and accused of fabricating evidence.”
- That Professor Brummer’s “background of cooking sausages should have disqualified Brummer in a complex financial case. Instead, the FINRA Uncle Tom Chris Brummer was deliberately told to adjudicate a case and rule in FINRA’s favor against two black brokers.”
- That Professor Brummer “was strongly rebuked in an SEC filing against Brummer, quoted directly from the SEC complaint.” By characterizing this as a “rebuke” in an “SEC filing,” and purportedly quoting from an “SEC complaint”—while deliberately omitting that it refers to an unsuccessful brief that (federally indicted brokers) Scholander and Harris filed with the SEC in connection with a rejected appeal—the statement implies the false facts that a rebuke came from the SEC itself and that the regulatory agency has “rebuked” Professor Brummer. But in fact the SEC upheld the decision in its entirety including the punishment of the brokers.
- That Professor Brummer “may be better at teaching his students dancing with naked German girls than the law or business courses.”
- That Professor Brummer “never denied that his alleged lover and FINRA ‘star witness’ Maureen Gearty lied under oath – which led to a rigged ruling that assassinated the reputation of two innocent black men, [and] completely devastated their young families.”
- That Professor Brummer “makes money off convicted felons, according to public records.”
- That Professor Brummer “laid his eyes on a young female student’s pair of naked legs – a waitress working at Saxby’s Coffee, a popular coffee joint near Georgetown University in D.C.”

- That Professor Brummer worked at the Milken Institute as “a biotech industry ‘pumper and dumper’ that makes bundles of cash by selling highly risky biotech stocks — making empty promises and creating dreams of drug wonders while emptying the life savings of grandmas and grandpas across America.”
- That “[m]any investors lost their life savings, thanks to [the] endorsement by Brummer.”
- That Professor Brummer “became the 21<sup>st</sup> century ‘Uncle Tom’ ruining the lives of innocent men and women in the world of finance.”

21. Defendants have repeatedly revised the Fraud Article with the intent both to communicate the revised and new defamatory statements and to communicate the older defamatory statements to a new audience. Defendants’ ongoing revisions are calculated to include more inflammatory (and false) statements about Professor Brummer in order to attract more readers to TheBlot and increase the damage to Professor Brummer’s reputation.

22. An updated version of the Fraud Article also included 52 comments as of February 25, 2019—the most recent one published on December 20, 2018. The comments, which, upon information and belief, were posted by Wey, falsely impersonate two FINRA employees (Carrie Bennett and Jonathan Klein), a New York Times reporter ([Sharon@nytimes.com](mailto:Sharon@nytimes.com)), and Professor Brummer’s former (Scott Emery) and current attorneys, among others. Many of the comments list only the purported first name of the commenter or are anonymous. The comments include the same type of false and defamatory statements that are contained in the Fraud Article itself, including:

- From “Carrie Bennett,”: “I worked for FINRA – and Brummer. He is not so bad, just a sexist.”
- From “Scott Emory,” [sic] later changed to just “Scott” on October 19, 2015: “Chris Brummer is shameless. How could a black man like Chris Brummer have the conscience to destroy other black men? Black lives don’t matter for blacks in the eyes of Chris Brummer?”
- From “Anonymous”: “CHRIS BRUMMER IS JUST ANOTHER NIGGA TRYING TO GET IN THE PANTS OF A WHITE CHICK.”

- From “Scott Emory” [sic] on June 14, 2016: “Just saw Chris Brummer. He was chewing on a Bratwurst sausage with his girlfriend Maureen Gearty. Forgot to call him Uncle Tom Chris.”

23. There is little doubt that these comments were drafted and posted by Wey because (1) the language of the comments is identical or nearly identical to the language used in the body of the article; (2) the purported commenters often used false names that the general public would not recognize as connected to Professor Brummer (like Scott Emery, Professor Brummer’s former attorney); and (3) in a separate successful defamation case brought by a different plaintiff against the same Defendants, Wey admitted to posting comments on TheBlot using the names of individuals associated with the target of the comments (*see infra* at ¶ 57).

24. Not satisfied with merely revising and republishing the Fraud Article, on September 4, 2015, Defendants published an entirely new article about Professor Brummer, titled “Professor Chris Brummer, Creepy Georgetown Law Academic Wants To Shut Down The Internet, Choke Free Speech” (the “Shut Down Article”). A copy of the version of the Shut Down Article as of July 13, 2016, is attached as Exhibit C. Along with many new altered and captioned photographs of Professor Brummer, the Shut Down Article contains more false and defamatory statements about Professor Brummer, including:

- That “‘Chris Brummer’s wrecked [sic] intellect destroyed the professional lives of two innocent black Americans,’ said an attorney familiar with the Chris Brummer frivolous lawsuit.”
- That an unnamed “SEC filing strongly rebukes Chris Brummer, [and] FINRA’s racist decisions based on a single testimony from Brummer’s alleged lover.”
- That Professor Brummer “was in an alleged extramarital affair with Maureen Gearty.”

25. Like the Fraud Article, the Shut Down Article had 17 fraudulent comments as of February 25, 2019, which, upon information and belief based on the same facts alleged *supra* at ¶ 23, were drafted and posted by Wey. The first comment was posted on September 5, 2015 and the



most recent comment was posted on August 22, 2016. The comments include the same type of false and defamatory statements that are contained in the Shut Down Article itself, including:

- That Professor Brummer is “just [like] any other fast talking crooks out there: a stupid fukk.”
- That Professor Brummer is “a racist puppet for FINRA.”
- That Professor Brummer is “a nigga bro dreaming to be white[.]”

26. Defendants’ next step in their campaign of defamation, harassment and intimidation against Professor Brummer came in March 2016, when Wey created the website [professorchrisbrummer.com](http://professorchrisbrummer.com) and republished much, if not all, of the false and defamatory content contained in the Fraud and Shut Down articles. The website also contains many of the same defamatory and doctored images that accompany the articles on TheBlot. A copy of [professorchrisbrummer.com](http://professorchrisbrummer.com) as of July 13, 2016, is attached hereto as Exhibit D. A downloaded image from the domain registration reference website [whois.icann.org](http://whois.icann.org) showing that Defendant Wey was the “registrant contact” for [www.professorchrisbrummer.com](http://www.professorchrisbrummer.com) is attached hereto as Exhibit E.

27. Once again, the focus of Wey’s defamatory claims against Professor Brummer on [professorchrisbrummer.com](http://professorchrisbrummer.com) has been:

- That Brummer “fabricat[ed] evidence” and engaged in “racial discrimination” against Harris and Scholander.
- That Brummer “laid his eyes on a young female student’s pair of naked legs – a waitress working at Saxby’s Coffee, a popular coffee joint near Georgetown University in D.C.”
- That “Chris Brummer’s biography, puffed like a pillow, is almost entirely bullshit.”
- That “Chris Brummer has since failed in almost every attempt in the private sector.”
- That “[m]any believe Chris Brummer has a secret ‘Pandora’s box’ stuffed with lots of dirty laundry: a known regulatory abuser; an alleged extramarital affair with a FINRA

‘star’ witness’ while Brummer had a moonlighting job as a FINRA arbitrator; a failed lawsuit to retaliate against the media that had exposed Brummer’s money dealings with questionable characters; close associations and payment from the convicted market manipulator Michael Milken; strong condemnation in an SEC filing accusing Brummer and FINRA of fabricating evidence; strong rebukes from a New York court in March 2016 for filing a frivolous lawsuit against the media; the assassination of two innocent black men’s 20 year, spotless careers and allegations of outright fraud against Chris Brummer.”

- That Professor Brummer engaged in “an alleged sexual affair with a FINRA witness Maureen Gearty.”

28. Professorchrisbrummer.com was not the only website that Wey created to defame Professor Chris Brummer. He also created williamscholander.com, williamscholander.info, williamscholander.org, and billyscholander.com. Each of these websites went live on or about August 10, 2015. Each of these websites contained a republication of the Fraud Article, including all of the defamatory statements described above. The content of the websites in William Scholander’s name was eventually abandoned, and the defamatory statements are no longer visible to the public. Defendants focused their efforts on other websites to maximize their impact.

29. Defendants also created the websites unitedpressnews.com and investigativepress.com, which also purport to be investigative news websites, but in reality, simply republish the defamatory content regarding Professor Brummer and others found on TheBlot in a different layout and format, including the false statements described above from the Fraud and Shut Down articles.

30. Defendants republished the defamatory statements from the Fraud Article on these newer websites with the intent of communicating the statements to a new audience, ranging from readers specifically interested in legitimate reporting (unitedpress.com and investigativepress.com, for example, are designed to sound like news groups United Press

International and Investigative Reporters and Editors) to those investigating and prosecuting William Scholander's illegal activities or considering doing business with him.

31. Defendants' campaign of defamation, harassment and intimidation continues unabated. On June 27, 2016, Defendants wrote and published another article on TheBlot, titled "PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, UNQUALIFIED CFTC NOMINEE HIDDEN IN DARK CLOSET" (the "Closet Article"). A copy of the Closet Article as of July 13, 2016, is attached as Exhibit F. The Closet Article makes defamatory statements similar to those made in the earlier articles on TheBlot, including:

- That "money through Michael Milken to the Democratic Party has propelled the completely unqualified Dr. Bratwurst – Chris Brummer to a fantasy land."
- That "[m]any believe Chris Brummer has a secret 'Pandora's box' stuffed with lots of dirty laundry: a known regulatory abuser; an alleged extramarital affair with a FINRA 'star' witness' while Brummer had a moonlighting job as a FINRA arbitrator; a failed lawsuit to retaliate against the media that had exposed Brummer's money dealings with questionable characters; close associations and payment from the convicted market manipulator Michael Milken; strong condemnation in an SEC filing accusing Brummer and FINRA of fabricating evidence; strong rebukes from a New York court in March 2016 for filing a frivolous lawsuit against the media; the assassination of two innocent black men's 20 year, spotless careers and allegations of outright fraud against Chris Brummer."
- That "Chris Brummer muscled into a law school after waving the flag of 'affirmative action . . .'"
- That "Chris Brummer's gloomy life is shrouded in controversy: an exaggerated bio; a failed frivolous lawsuit in March 2016 against media criticism; an absurd effort to shut down the internet; bribes from convicted stock criminals; an alleged extramarital affair with a lying witness – 'Big Red' Maureen Gearty, which caused the FINRA arbitrator Chris Brummer to rule against her boyfriend; the blatant destruction of two innocent black men's professional lives – leaving their young black families deserted in the snow."
- That Professor Brummer "defrauded a New York judge – lied repeatedly in court filings denying the fact that he was a political jockey and a public figure."

32. The Closet Article was one of numerous examples of Defendants' persistent monitoring of Professor Brummer's professional life and their publication of new defamatory articles about his professional life to attract new eyeballs to Defendants' defamatory campaign.

33. The Closet Article, like the Fraud and Shut Down articles, also contains numerous photos regarding Professor Brummer that have been altered and captioned in a manner calculated to defame, harass and intimidate him. *See* Ex. F.

34. The Closet Article had 11 fraudulent comments as of February 25, 2019, that, for the same reasons discussed supra at ¶ 23, are all believed to have been drafted and posted by Wey.

**Defendants' Expanded Campaign, After the Filing of the First Amended Complaint,  
Centers On Maximizing Harm Against Professor Brummer**

35. Defendants' defamatory campaign has persisted well past the filing of the First Amended Complaint in this case on January 13, 2017. *See* Dkt. 267. With the FINRA proceedings long in the rear-view mirror, Defendants have adopted a new focus of harassing and harming Professor Brummer for pursuing this litigation. Defendants' additional defamatory statements target any allegations that Defendants believe could do damage to Professor Brummer's reputation. Articles published by Defendants frequently also have attacked or exploited anyone with whom Professor Brummer is professionally associated.

36. For example, on November 5, 2017, Defendants published an article on TheBlot titled "AFFAIRS, FRAUD, LIES SINK CFTC NOMINEE CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW 'DR. BRATWURST'" (the "CFTC Article"). A copy of the CFTC Article is attached hereto as Exhibit G. The CFTC Article makes defamatory statements similar to those made in the earlier articles of TheBlot, such as stating that Professor Brummer is a "fraudster" and racist, or that Professor Brummer had a close association with Michael Milken. It also contains new defamatory statements. For instance, it knowingly and falsely states:

- That an SEC investigation of Michael Milken implicated Professor Brummer and “caught” Professor Brummer for “failing to disclose conflict of interest.”
- That “[i]n 2015, [Professor] Brummer was a suspect in an alleged campus rape at Georgetown University Law School.”

37. On March 14, 2018, Defendants published an article on TheBlot titled “CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW DR. BRATWURST WITH DEGREE IN GERMANIC STUDIES TOUTS CRYPTO SCAM” (the “Crypto Article”). A copy of the Crypto Article is attached hereto as Exhibit H. The Crypto Article makes defamatory statements similar to those made in the earlier articles of TheBlot, such as that Professor Brummer has a “long history of allegations of fraud, extramarital affairs and lawsuits against him” or that he “lied about his background as a ‘law partner.’” It also contains new defamatory statements. For instance, it knowingly and falsely states:

- That Professor Brummer is “the world’s latest, shameless promoter of fraudulent cryptos.”
- That “Brummer’s so-called ‘Institute of International Economic Law’ is a one-man show masquerading Brummer’s scheme to entice grandma donors to pony up for a trap that would fund Brummer’s yearend bonus.”

38. On December 25, 2018, Defendants published an article on TheBlot titled “HORRIFYING COURT CONFESSION: GEORGETOWN LAW CHRIS BRUMMER IMPLICATES FINRA TOP DOGS ROBERT COLBY, RICHARD KETCHUM LIES TO FBI” (the “Confession Article”). A copy of the Confession Article is attached hereto as Exhibit I. The Confession Article makes defamatory statements similar to those made in the earlier articles of TheBlot, such as that Professor Brummer lied to the FBI and SEC. It also contains new defamatory statements. The Confession Article knowingly and falsely states that Professor Brummer confessed that FINRA lied to the FBI, that he “decided to come clean” and “expos[ed] FINRA fraud and cover-up,” and that his sworn statement in court implicated FINRA personnel.

39. Allegations similar to those in the Confession Article were also published on the bio page of Defendant Wey on NYGG's corporate website, [www.nygggroup.com](http://www.nygggroup.com), on or around December 2018 (the "Wey Bio"). A copy of the Wey Bio as of January 30, 2019 is attached hereto as Exhibit J. The Wey Bio, located at <https://www.nygggroup.com/nygg-team/leadership/benjamin-vey/>, states that Professor Brummer made a "confession" that he "fabricated . . . bogus charges against two innocent black brokers that directly implicated FINRA's top brass."

40. In sum, through various platforms, Defendants have knowingly published false and defamatory statements, including, but not limited to, statements identified in Professor Brummer's Supplemental Responses to Defendants FNL Media LLC's and NYG Capital LLC's First Set of Interrogatory Responses dated April 8, 2019:

- Statements that Professor Brummer has lied to, and has admitted lying to, federal investigators, the FBI and DOJ;
- Statements that Professor Brummer was a co-conspirator to fraud with Michael Milken and that the two of them engaged in hidden plots and shady dealings, including but not limited to statements that Mr. Milken funneled money to the Clinton Foundation, the Obama Administration or other entities to buy Professor Brummer a nomination to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), and related false statements regarding a non-existent relationship between Professor Brummer and Mr. Milken;
- Statements that Georgetown's international economic program, which Professor Brummer is directing, is a sham outfit;
- Statements that Professor Brummer has a long history of allegations of fraud and lawsuits against him;
- Statements that Professor Brummer is a cryptocurrency scammer and/or peddles fake cryptocurrency;
- Statements that Professor Brummer has bad credit and/or credit history, is a reckless spender who cannot control his finances, and/or is "dead broke";
- Statements that Professor Brummer has no experience in law, finance, or financial regulation, and that he has never had a real-world job;

- Statements that Professor Brummer has a fake bio, including but not limited to claims that he has lied about, and admitted to lying about, the nature of his former affiliation with the Cravath, Swaine & Moore law firm, that he was fired by that firm for incompetence, and related statements;
- Statements that Professor Brummer does not have a valid law license;
- Statements that Professor Brummer's CFTC nomination was thrown out because he had a fake bio;
- Statements that Professor Brummer was sued for fraud and for lying to federal investigators;
- Statements that the New York Times published an article stating that Professor Brummer had been banned for life, along with Michael Milken, by the SEC;
- Statements that Professor Brummer claimed that he deserved to go to law school because he is a black man and related statements;
- Statements that Professor Brummer claimed that "I have ag experience! I grew up on a farm in Arkansas helping my folks raising animals. I also chased wild boar...in fact, I slept with hogs...I know them well.";
- Statements that Professor Brummer claimed that "Unless I am caught raping someone, I will not lose my tenure. I teach only 3-5 hours a week at Georgetown Law – easy money. That's about \$3,000 an hour!";
- Statements that certain officials in the Trump administration stated that Professor Brummer was unqualified for the CFTC and related statements;
- Statements that Senate staffers or other governmental officials have stated that Professor Brummer has a fake bio, rock bottom ethics and a tainted history of fraud, that Professor Brummer lied to or defrauded the U.S. Senate, that Professor Brummer has bad credit and is a risk to national security, or made similar statements regarding Professor Brummer;
- Statements that recent court filings identify Professor Brummer as a fraudster;
- Statements that Professor Brummer confessed to FINRA having lied to the FBI and DOJ and to fabricating a fake case;
- Statements that the SEC or FINRA rebuked Professor Brummer, accused Professor Brummer of fabricating evidence, accused Professor Brummer of a conflict of interest, investigated Professor Brummer or targeted him for investigation, or sued Professor Brummer;

- Statements that Professor Brummer admitted that his claim of emotional distress in this case is a lie, and that he has otherwise lied to the court in this case;
- Statements that Professor Brummer engaged in inappropriate behavior with European women, including during Oktoberfest;
- Statements that Professor Brummer had a sexual affair or relationship with Maureen Gearty;
- Statements that Professor Brummer had a sexual affair or relationship with Nicole Gueron;
- Statements that Professor Brummer has a notorious reputation due to a long list of sexual affairs, lies, and fraud allegations against him;
- Statements that Professor Brummer had sex with his now-wife Rachel Loko in a classroom, that she was his student, that he was aggressive and forced himself on her, that they were forced into a shotgun wedding, and related statements;
- Statements that Professor Brummer had sexual relationships with Georgetown University Law Center students and is under investigation for rape; and
- Statements that Professor Brummer wandered around the campus of Georgetown University Law Center naked.

**After the Filing of the First Amended Complaint, Defendants Have Expanded Their Campaign to Cause Emotional Distress**

41. Other statements in the articles published by Defendants repeatedly taunt Professor Brummer with racist insults intended to cause him severe emotional distress. For instance, on April 10, 2017, TheBlot published an article titled “EDWARD WIPPER, OVED & OVED DRAGON SLAYER LAWYER GRILLS DR. BRATWURST, PHONY GEORGETOWN PROF CHRIS BRUMMER” (“Chimp Article”). A true copy of the Chimp Article as of February 25, 2017 is attached hereto as Exhibit K. The Chimp Article uses numerous racist tropes intended to severely distress and to harm Professor Brummer. For instance:



- “Sweating like a chimp getting caught jumping a zoo fence, Chris Brummer filed a frivolous lawsuit . . . “;
- Professor Brummer is “already dark as charcoal”; and
- “Brummer has been roaming around the Georgetown Law Center campus buck naked, like a chimp in a DC Zoo...”

42. As mentioned above, Defendants have altered numerous photographs of Professor Brummer in an effort to tar him as an abusive racist and fraud and to harass and intimidate him. Other examples of such photographs are shown in the Google search results page for an image search of “Chris Brummer,” attached as Exhibit L. Many of those same doctored photographs appear on social media accounts such as Wey’s Pinterest page. *See* Exhibit M.

43. To maximize the visibility of these images, Defendants also publish them in articles whose content otherwise has nothing to do with Professor Brummer. For instance, on May 31, 2017, TheBlot published an article titled “BREADCRUMBING VICTIM: 5 TIPS ON CATCHING THAT CHEATER SOB.” The article features an image that plasters Professor Brummer’s face onto images of a face and body of a chimp along a series of images depicting the evolution of human beings from apes to Homo sapiens. The image is clearly conveying the implication that Professor Brummer is less evolved than the white individuals shown to Professor Brummer’s right—including Bernie Madoff, who pled guilty to 11 counts of fraud and related charges before being sentenced to 150 years in prison for running the largest Ponzi scheme in history.



44. Defendants also have published similar racist images centered solely on Professor Brummer. The March 14, 2018 article titled “CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW DR. BRATWURST WITH DEGREE IN GERMANIC STUDIES TOUTS CRYPTO SCAM,” for instance, published the following image:



45. Defendants have even added other doctored images disparaging Brummer retroactively to unrelated articles that were originally published on TheBlot before anyone at TheBlot even knew who Professor Brummer was.

46. Defendants have published Professor Brummer's office email and telephone number in connection with the campaign of harassment and intimidation against him to encourage others to harass Professor Brummer.

47. In the weeks following Professor Brummer's deposition on January 31, 2019, Defendants sent harassing emails to Professor Brummer. These emails, which came from editors@theblot.com and copied Professor Brummer's former FINRA colleagues, included the defamatory statements that had been published previously on TheBlot. They also tried to goad Professor Brummer, who is represented by counsel, into conversing directly with Defendants. In doing so, Defendants parroted Wey's then-confidential deposition testimony, which has since been made public, by falsely claiming that TheBlot has reached out on numerous occasions to discuss the allegations in this litigation.

**Republication and Dissemination of Defamatory and Distressing Content**

48. Defendants use social media accounts to expand the circulation of the defamatory articles to new audiences. To maximize the damage and distress inflicted upon Professor Brummer, Wey has republished his defamatory attacks on other internet sites, such as his Twitter, Tumblr, and Pinterest accounts. *See, e.g.*, examples of Benjamin Wey's Twitter, Tumblr, and Pinterest posts, relevant copies of which are attached as Exhibit N, O, and M respectively.

49. Defendants have also republished the articles on TheBlot's social media accounts, relevant copies of which are attached as Exhibits P (Twitter), Q (Tumblr) and R (Pinterest). Defendants have also created and used social media accounts in the names of others, such as a Pinterest account in the name of "williamscholand," in order to spread the articles.

50. As a result of these efforts, Wey has expanded the circulation of the defamatory articles. Wey has nearly 85,000 Twitter followers who have been exposed to the defamatory articles in addition to the thousands of hits TheBlot receives every day.

51. The social media posts often repeat defamatory content, sometimes with the original content and sometimes with modified content. They sometimes are published in close proximity to TheBlot articles and sometimes republished much later to revive interest in the defamatory statements.

52. Likewise, Wey has engaged in search engine optimization manipulations to ensure that the altered images of Professor Brummer described above appear near the top of internet image searches. *See* Ex. L.

53. Although the articles regarding Professor Brummer on TheBlot do not list Wey as the author, Wey authored and published them, along with many other articles. Wey's own LinkedIn profile as of March 8, 2016, attached hereto as Exhibit S, lists Wey as the author of both articles. Moreover, in a separate defamation proceeding brought by another plaintiff against Defendants, a federal court found that Wey wrote and posted articles on TheBlot using pseudonyms for the express purpose of attacking his perceived enemies. (*See infra* at ¶¶ 54-58.)

**Defendants' Defamatory Campaign Against Professor Brummer Mirrors An Earlier Campaign Against Another Perceived Enemy**

54. This is not the first time Wey has used TheBlot to defame a perceived enemy. On July 21, 2014, Hanna Bouveng, a former employee of NYGG, sued Wey, NYGG, and FNL Media for sexual harassment, retaliation, and defamation, *Hanna Bouveng v. NYG Capital LLC d/b/a New York Global Group, FNL Media LLC, and Benjamin Wey*, Case No. 14-CV-5474 (S.D.N.Y.).

55. In June 2015, a jury for the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York found NYGG, FNL Media, and Wey liable on all claims and awarded Ms. Bouveng

\$17.5 million in damages. Among other conclusions, the jury determined that Wey’s statements about Ms. Bouveng on TheBlot were defamatory. The court later reduced the damages award based on a proportionality analysis, but it nonetheless recognized that Wey and his codefendants “carefully and maliciously chose falsehoods and lies that would do maximum damage to Plaintiff’s burgeoning professional career, and then employed a media that would disseminate those falsehoods and lies as broadly as possible[.]” *See Bouveng v. NYG Capital LLC*, 175 F. Supp.3d 280, 342 (S.D.N.Y. 2016).

56. In upholding the jury’s \$1.5 million compensatory damages award on the plaintiff’s defamation claim, the court found that Wey and his codefendants “acted with extreme malice” and “engaged in a daily campaign of Internet-based defamation against Plaintiff that lasted for approximately ten months, during which time over 50,000 separate viewers visited The Blot Magazine’s website each month. Defendants also used search engine optimization techniques to ensure that Blot articles concerning Plaintiff would appear high on any search engine result list regarding Plaintiff, thus maximizing the damage to Plaintiff’s reputation. In an effort to ensure that Blot articles would appear first in response to a search of Plaintiff’s name, Defendants went so far as to arrange for phony and fabricated ‘comments’ to be made on Blot articles about [Plaintiff.]” *Id.* at 337-38. The court also found that Wey stalked Ms. Bouveng. *Id.* at 325, 336.

57. Indeed, during the *Bouveng* trial, Wey stipulated that he “caused comments to be added . . . to articles on TheBlot.com . . . which (a) appeared under the names of people associated with plaintiff, such as her attorneys, friends, or family or under the names of well-known-people and (b) were not actually authored by” those people. An excerpt of the *Bouveng* trial transcript including that stipulation is attached hereto as Exhibit T, at 123-124.

58. Likewise, Alicia Lu, the former editor-in-chief of TheBlot, testified during the *Bouvang* trial that Wey often wrote “attack articles on certain people [whom] he considered his enemies” using pseudonyms and that in order to increase an article’s visibility on Google and other search engines, “Mr. Wey would write comments for the articles under different names because the more comments a story has, the more relevant it seems to Google[.]” *See* Ex. T at 145-147, 149-150, 160. Ms. Lu, like others who dare to stand up to Wey, has been bullied and harassed online with comments like these published on TheBlot after she testified against Wey:

- “Alicia Lu is an ugly whoorse [sic].”
- “This is the most ugly Asian chick I have ever seen. Alicia Lu is a shame. Must be a total waste”

A copy of TheBlot article regarding Ms. Lu, including altered photographs and comments, is attached as Exhibit U.

#### **Scholander and Harris Were Not “Innocent”**

59. On September 9, 2015, Scholander and Harris, along with three other co-defendants, were indicted on four counts of wire fraud and conspiracy to commit securities fraud and wire fraud in connection with an Ohio Ponzi scheme. The allegations in the indictment mirror those in the FINRA action against Scholander and Harris that was upheld by the NAC Decision.

60. The next day, on September 10, 2015, Wey was indicted in the Southern District of New York on eight counts of conspiracy, securities fraud, wire fraud and money laundering related to “reverse mergers” transactions between Chinese companies and U.S. shell companies orchestrated by Wey. The indictment alleged that Wey concealed his ownership interest in the publicly traded companies and manipulated the companies’ stock prices for his own gain.

61. Also on September 10, 2015, the SEC filed a civil complaint against Wey in the Southern District of New York alleging 11 causes of action for violations of numerous federal securities laws arising out of the same “reverse merger” scheme.

62. Both the federal indictment and the SEC complaint against Wey for concealing a beneficial ownership interest in public companies (as well as the related stock manipulation, wire fraud and money laundering charges) concerned some of the same stocks—those of Deer Consumer Products, Inc.—deemed earlier in the NAC Decision to have been fraudulently marketed by Scholander and Harris.

63. In June 2017, the Southern District of New York granted a motion to suppress evidence against Wey that was seized by the FBI in January 2012 from his residence and NYGG’s office. As a result of this exclusion of critical evidence, the criminal and civil claims against Wey were ultimately dismissed.

64. On March 31, 2016, the SEC upheld the NAC Decision against Scholander and Harris, finding that both men “omitted material facts in recommending securities” to prospective investors. A copy of the SEC’s decision is attached as Exhibit V. The decision references Wey, his association with Scholander and Harris, and the then-pending SEC and criminal actions against him. *See* Ex. V at 3.

65. On April 20, 2016, Scholander pled guilty to charges of wire fraud, securities fraud and conspiracy to commit securities and wire fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349, 18 U.S.C. § 1348, and 18 U.S.C. § 1343, respectively. A copy of the May 23, 2016 Order accepting the plea and finding Scholander guilty is attached hereto as Exhibit W.

66. On March 1, 2016, this Court denied Defendants’ motion to dismiss the original complaint in this matter pursuant to CPLR § 3211(a)(1), finding that the statements authored by

Wey and posted on TheBlot regarding Professor Brummer are “sufficiently specific to state a claim for defamation.” *See* Dkt. No. 148.

67. The Court granted the motion “solely to the extent of ordering a traverse hearing” regarding whether service was properly effected on Wey personally. *See id.*

68. Thus, Professor Brummer’s claims against Wey and his companies were not “tossed out” or found to be “frivolous,” as Wey now claims throughout his various posts against Professor Brummer.

**The Impact of Wey’s Defamation, Harassment and Intimidation Campaign**

69. Defendants’ false statements described herein are defamatory because they allege that Professor Brummer is a criminal, that he has engaged in fraudulent activities, that he has committed rape, that he has lied about his academic and professional qualifications and experience, that he was involved in an administrative proceeding that illegally based its decision on racial animus against other African-Americans, that he has cheated on his wife, and that he has other highly offensive character traits such that no one would want to work with him in any professional capacity. These statements are damaging on their face because they accuse Professor Brummer of serious crimes and misbehavior, and they are plainly injurious to Professor Brummer’s business and profession.

70. The defamatory statements described herein are presented on TheBlot as the product of “investigative journalism” in an effort to deceive readers into believing that the defamatory assertions are objective statements of fact that have been verified. Epithets were not merely hurled in these articles; they were falsely presented as having a basis in fact.



71. Professor Brummer previously had an excellent professional and personal reputation. Defendants' defamatory and disparaging comments have caused him harm and have damaged his personal and business reputations.

72. Defendants have published the defamatory statements described herein with full knowledge that they were false and with actual malice. They have done this viciously with the intent of causing severe damage to Professor Brummer's reputation.

73. Defendants have added to the false statements about Professor Brummer and proliferated them more widely across the internet since the filing of the original complaint in this matter, with the intent of harassing and intimidating a litigant and witness against them. They continue to do so to this day. Substantially the same defamatory statements detailed in this Third Amended Complaint were published on TheBlot as recently as July 12, 2019, and similar statements are expected to continue to be published throughout this litigation. Attached hereto as Exhibit X is a list of URLs containing defamatory material published by Defendants.

74. Professor Brummer, a law professor at Georgetown since 2009 who holds no elective office and has not injected himself into any existing, relevant public controversy, is a private individual and not a public figure.

75. Defendants' repeated and continuous publications of disparaging and knowingly false comments about Professor Brummer demonstrate an intent to harm, harass, and intimidate Professor Brummer and all others who would dare to disagree with Wey. The relentless campaign and the steps taken to attack Professor Brummer's personal and professional reputation demonstrate actual malice, and constitute extreme and outrageous conduct.

76. As a direct result of Defendants' misconduct, Professor Brummer has suffered and continues to suffer economic loss in an amount to be proved at trial. For example, Professor

Brummer has had to forgo a \$500 per hour consulting engagement for approximately one hour of work (*i.e.*, \$500) involving international banking regulations. He has also had to spend \$1,523.76 to purchase and renew registrations for internet domains to protect himself from and decrease the impact of Defendants' past, current, and threatened future defamatory attacks and threats, which Defendants have, in fact, carried out against others in different public contexts. He has also had to spend over \$20,000 in reputation management services to reduce the impact of Defendants' misconduct on his public online profile. Professor Brummer will continue to suffer economic losses such as internet-related expenses, lost consulting fees, and other lost professional development and advancement opportunities because of defendants' actions.

77. Defendants' misconduct described herein has been deliberate, outrageous, malicious, wanton, oppressive, reckless, grossly reckless, and intentional and evinces an exceptionally high degree of moral turpitude and demonstrates such wanton dishonesty as to imply a criminal indifference to civil obligations. Defendants have further engaged in this misconduct with improper motives and with vindictiveness and with reckless and wanton disregard of Professor Brummer's rights and well-being.

#### **Wey Assaults Professor Brummer**

78. On January 31, 2019, Professor Brummer was walking near the office of opposing counsel en route to his deposition scheduled for that morning. Shortly before entering the building, Professor Brummer was aggressively accosted by Wey and another man. Wey shouted at Professor Brummer in an intimidating manner, while the other man filmed the interaction with a video camera.

79. Wey grabbed Professor Brummer's arm and intentionally pushed himself against Professor Brummer. Wey continued to yell at Professor Brummer in an intimidating posture.

80. The assault was intended to upset Professor Brummer prior to his deposition. It was also intended to put Professor Brummer on edge at the prospect of being physically ambushed, then and later, by Wey.

81. The assault put Professor Brummer in reasonable apprehension of bodily harm.

82. The encounter left Professor Brummer physically shaken. Professor Brummer was upset, stunned, and shaken.

83. The impact of the assault continued. Professor Brummer was already aware of assault, battery, and stalking allegations against Wey in the *Bouveng* litigation. Professor Brummer was in apprehension of additional assaults and batteries, including prior to his second day of deposition testimony on March 6, 2019.

#### **TheBlot Undergoes a Facelift**

84. Following party depositions and third-party discovery, Defendants reformatted TheBlot's aesthetic design to heighten its defamatory impact. But the website is functionally the same. It is published by Defendants, who strictly control its content—including the ability to remove content. It continues to host the defamatory articles Defendants have published about Professor Brummer. It continues to publish new defamatory articles about Professor Brummer. And it continues to impersonate authors.

85. Although the redesign appears to have eliminated some comments from previously published articles, Defendants continue to use the comment section to gin up attention for the articles they publish. Defendants continue to publish comments under impersonated names. For instance, a comment was added to the Fraud Article on June 28, 2019, purporting to be Professor Brummer. The comment stated:

**Chris Brummer** June 28, 2019 at 6:00 pm

I am Chris Brummer. I don't regret anything about what I have done against the nigga Talman Harris or his half nigga brother William Scholander. FINRA paid me. That was my job. I was simply doing my job burning these two black guys. Money is money. I don't give a crap about anything else.

Reply

Despite the new design, the website remains the same old blot on the rights of those Defendants decide to attack.

**FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION: DEFAMATION PER SE**  
**(Against All Defendants)**

86. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 – 85 as if fully restated herein.

87. The information Defendants published on the internet about Plaintiff is false and defamatory, not the subject of any privilege, and is viewable by many third parties.

88. Defendants had actual knowledge that the information they published about Plaintiff was false and knew or should have known that the information they published about plaintiff was false and defamatory.

89. The published false comments charge Plaintiff with a serious crime, are of the type that tend to injure Plaintiff in his trade, business, and profession, and impute salacious and immoral conduct to Plaintiff.

90. The published false comments were made with the intent to harm Plaintiff and with actual malice.

91. Defendants' unlawful conduct has caused and will continue to cause Plaintiff imminent, irreparable injuries for which there are no adequate legal remedies. Accordingly, Plaintiff is entitled to permanent injunctive relief.

92. Because Defendants have placed Plaintiff's personal character and reputation publicly at issue, Plaintiff is entitled to a declaratory judgment that Defendants' statements are false.

93. As a consequence of Defendants' conduct, Plaintiff's reputation has been injured, and Plaintiff has suffered economic loss, as previously described. Furthermore, Plaintiff has sustained conscious pain and suffering, shock, distress, and humiliating attacks to his personal and professional dignity.

94. As a consequence of the foregoing misconduct of Defendants, Plaintiff has been damaged in an amount exceeding the jurisdictional requirements of this Court and is entitled to an award of compensatory and punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

**SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION: DEFAMATION**  
**(Against All Defendants)**

95. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 – 94 as if fully restated herein.

96. The information Defendants published on the internet about Plaintiff is false and defamatory, not the subject of any privilege, and is viewable by many third parties.

97. Defendants had actual knowledge that the information they published about Plaintiff was false and knew or should have known that the information they published about Plaintiff was false and defamatory.

98. The published false comments were made with the intent to harm Plaintiff and with actual malice.

99. Defendants' unlawful conduct has caused and will continue to cause Plaintiff imminent, irreparable injuries for which there are no adequate legal remedies. Accordingly, Plaintiff is entitled to permanent injunctive relief.

100. Because Defendants have placed Plaintiff's personal character and reputation publicly at issue, Plaintiff is entitled to a declaratory judgment that Defendants' statements are false.

101. As a consequence of Defendants' conduct, Plaintiff's reputation has been injured, and Plaintiff has suffered economic loss, as previously described. Furthermore, Plaintiff has sustained conscious pain and suffering, shock, distress, and humiliating attacks to his personal and professional dignity.

102. Plaintiff has been damaged in an amount exceeding the jurisdictional requirements of this Court and is entitled to an award of compensatory and punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

**THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION:  
INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS  
(Against All Defendants)**

103. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 – 102 as if fully restated herein.

104. As a consequence of Defendants' wholly unwarranted, unlawful, reckless, grossly reckless, and intentional conduct, including but not limited to their repeated publication and republication of knowingly false and defamatory statements about Plaintiff on the internet, circulation of defamatory photographs of Plaintiff and simultaneous publication of his email address and telephone number, and use of search engine optimization techniques to manipulate search engines such that the derogatory stories and images of Professor Brummer are omnipresent on the internet and serve to continuously harass Plaintiff, Defendants intentionally inflicted severe emotional distress upon Plaintiff.

105. Defendants' campaign eventually turned to physical intimidation and harassment. *See supra*, ¶¶78-83.

106. Defendants, through a pattern of extreme and outrageous conduct beyond all possible bounds of decency and that is atrocious and utterly intolerable within a civilized society, have unlawfully engaged in a malicious campaign of harassment and intimidation against Plaintiff specifically intended to injure and humiliate him and cause him severe emotional distress.

107. As a consequence of Defendants' conduct, Plaintiff's reputation has been injured, and Plaintiff has suffered economic loss, as previously described. Furthermore, Plaintiff has sustained conscious pain and suffering, shock, distress, and humiliating attacks to his personal and professional dignity.

108. Defendants' unlawful campaign of harassment, intimidation, and other unlawful conduct has caused and will continue to cause Plaintiff imminent, irreparable injuries for which there are no adequate legal remedies. Accordingly, Plaintiff is entitled to permanent injunctive relief.

109. As a consequence of the foregoing misconduct of Defendants, Plaintiff has been damaged in an amount exceeding the jurisdictional requirements of this Court and is entitled to an award of compensatory and punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

**FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION:**  
**ASSAULT AND BATTERY**  
**(Against Defendant Wey)**

110. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 – 109 as if fully restated herein.

111. Wey intentionally and aggressively approached Professor Brummer in a manner that was threatening, and that would place a reasonable person in apprehension of bodily harm.

112. Professor Brummer, in fact, was in apprehension of bodily harm.

113. Wey intentionally physically touched Professor Brummer in an offensive manner.

114. The physical contact made by Wey was offensive and unwelcome, and Professor Brummer did not consent to it.

115. Professor Brummer suffered great offense from the contact. He suffered emotional damage from the encounter, including being physically shaken by the encounter.

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests the following relief:

- A. Trial by jury on all issues contained in this Complaint;
- B. An award of compensatory and punitive damages for the harm caused to the Plaintiff;
- C. An injunction that issues the following orders against Defendants, their agents, officers, members, managers, employees, representatives, and co-conspirators (“Restrained Parties”):
  - i. Prohibiting the Restrained Parties from any further acts of defamation or publishing of false statements, comments, or information regarding Plaintiff;
  - ii. Mandating that the Restrained Parties take all action including, but not limited to, removing from [www.theblot.com](http://www.theblot.com), [www.professorchrisbrummer.com](http://www.professorchrisbrummer.com), [williamscholander.com](http://williamscholander.com), [williamscholander.info](http://williamscholander.info), [williamscholander.org](http://williamscholander.org), [billyscholander.com](http://billyscholander.com), [unitedpressnews.com](http://unitedpressnews.com), and [investigativepress.com](http://investigativepress.com) (and other websites or internet services, including social media accounts, controlled by Defendants) all defamatory, disparaging, libelous, and false statements about Plaintiff that the defendants posted including, but not limited to, taking all action necessary to remove the defamatory content in question; and
  - iii. Compelling the Restrained Parties to take all action, including, but not limited to, requesting removal from the Internet search engines including, but not limited to, Google, Yahoo!, and Bing, to remove all defamatory, disparaging, libelous, and false statements posted about Plaintiff on the Internet, including, but not limited to, all postings at [www.theblot.com](http://www.theblot.com).



D. Declaratory judgment that Defendants' comments posted on the website [www.theblot.com](http://www.theblot.com), [www.professorchrisbrummer.com](http://www.professorchrisbrummer.com), [williamscholander.com](http://williamscholander.com), [williamscholander.info](http://williamscholander.info), [williamscholander.org](http://williamscholander.org), [billyscholander.com](http://billyscholander.com), [unitedpressnews.com](http://unitedpressnews.com), and [investigativepress.com](http://investigativepress.com) regarding Plaintiff are false;

E. A judgment in Plaintiff's favor and against Defendants for defamation per se, defamation, intentional infliction of emotional distress; and assault and battery;

F. Attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses as allowed by law; and

G. Such further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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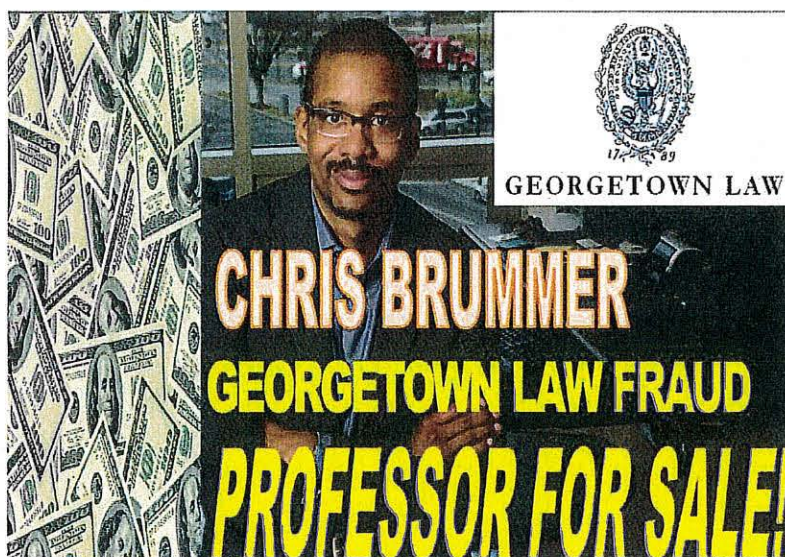
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**Exhibit A**



**CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR  
FOR SALE, SCANDAL CAUGHT**

## **MEET CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL ACADEMIC, A HOT AIR BALLOON, EXAGGERATED BIOGRAPHY**

**Chris Brummer** is a Georgetown Law School "professor" (Tel: 202 -662-4191, email: [cjb84@law.georgetown.edu](mailto:cjb84@law.georgetown.edu)) with an almost "perfect" profile that could charm the pants off any living creature on earth as well as on Mars. Brummer has the groomed goatee, the Georgetown Law School teaching job and even the right tone in his voice:

**"This is Professor Chris Brummer, what can I do for you, and what's there for me?" asked the soft-spoken Chris Brummer, Georgetown Law School academic** as he laid his eyes on a pair of naked legs of a young woman working at Saxbys Coffee, a popular coffee joint near Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

The truth behind the smiling face and brown teeth of this Georgetown Law School "Professor" is quite troubling as the instructor has screwed up the lives of innocent people while selling himself out to a convicted felon.

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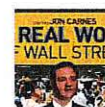
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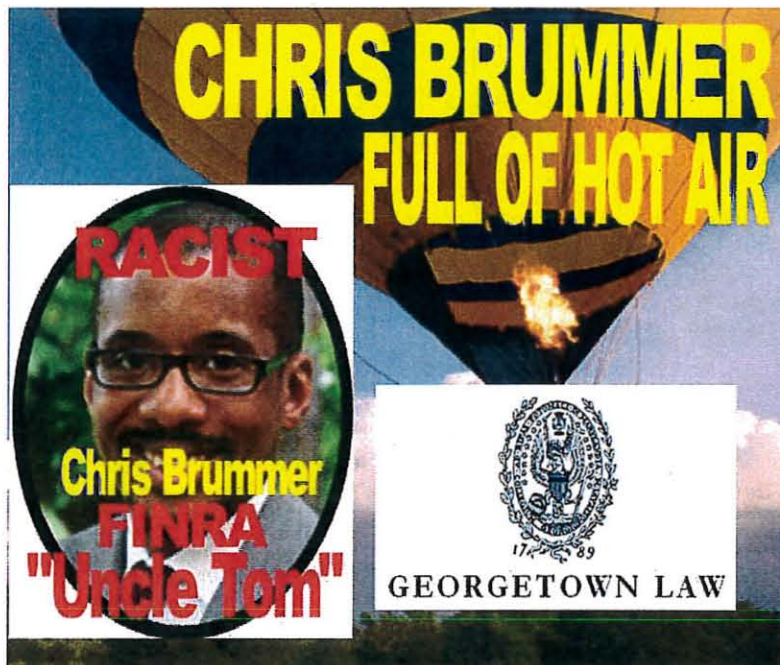
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With enough bragging to make even a donkey blush, Chris Brummer enjoys blowing up his academic credentials on his **website** like some hot air balloon flying over Somalia: *"Chris Brummer is an expert in international financial regulation ... lectures widely on finance and global governance, as well as on public and private international law, market microstructure and international trade."*

Chris Brummer sounded like some salesman – too good to be true for someone who has failed every job in the real life? Correct, it is bullshit. Chris Brummer is all about making money, and it doesn't matter how he makes the buck, even from a convicted criminal.



**GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL CHRIS BRUMMER CAUGHT LYING, EXAGGERATED BIOGRAPHY**

## **CHRIS BRUMMER, A COLLAPSED LEGAL CAREER**

Unable to get into a decent law school on a normal schedule, Chris Brummer squeezed himself into a part-time program by waiving the flag of "affirmative action."

"Damn it, I am black. I deserve to get into a law school ..."

Brummer allegedly yelled at a college admissions officer. After struggling through school, he was unable to land a single corporate client willing to pay for his poor legal work.

Deeply buried in debt, his venture into real life abruptly collapsed. Struggling to make a living, Brummer became an academic "vacuum brain" swimming in the world of legal theories that could never survive a day in the real life. Teaching people senseless, useless legal jargon is never a path to prosperity. Brummer had to find a way to make a living, somewhere, somehow ... Until he got "lucky" by teaming up with a convicted criminal.

## **CHRIS BRUMMER, CRIMINAL INDICTMENT, "SHOW ME THE MONEY!"**

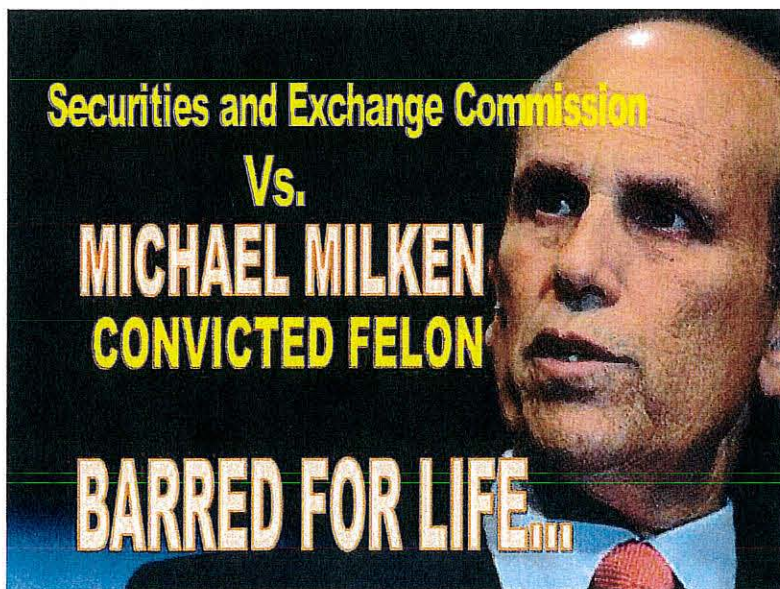
Desperation over money took Chris Brummer to the darkest corners of America's long forgotten past: Paid more than \$200,000 per year, Brummer became a "research fellow" at an obscure "institute" founded by a **Michael Milken**, a convicted felon who was arrested, **criminally indicted** and served a lengthy federal prison sentence as the culprit of the biggest junk bond fraud in the U.S. history, **according to The New York Times**. Milken was also barred for life by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) from associating with anyone in the U.S. financial markets.

## **CHRIS BRUMMER IMPLICATED IN MICHAEL MILKEN FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS, LIFETIME BAR**

By 2011, Chris Brummer was named a "senior fellow" ([cbrummer@milkeninstitute.org](mailto:cbrummer@milkeninstitute.org)) by the Michael Milken Institute. Two years later, the convicted felon Milken was under government investigations, again, by the SEC for violating a **bar order that prohibits him** from engaging in any investment-related activities.

According to investigations conducted by the highly credible **Fortune Magazine** and **TheBlot Magazine**, the **SEC accused Milken** of violating his lifetime bar — for the third time in the past 15 years. The government's fraud investigations against Milken also implicated Chris Brummer and Guggenheim Partners, a hedge fund outfit.

According to public records, Michael Milken, 68, has spent years and millions of dollars buying access to public relations and rehabilitating his image following a long prison stint in the early 1990s after he pleaded guilty to federal charges of securities and tax fraud. He also accepted a ban from the investment industry as part of an SEC plea bargain agreement. A few years after he left prison, the SEC alleged that Milken had violated his ban by advising investors on deals. In 1998, Milken settled the SEC's claim and paid \$47 million in restitution.



**MICHAEL MILKEN, NEW SEC INVESTIGATION, BARRED FOR LIFE, CONVICTED FELON**

While Michael Milken's lawyers wrestled with the SEC investigators, Chris Brummer was busy counting cash and courting the criminal fraud, adding "lipsticks" to the Milken Institute.



"When a man needed money, he had to do what he had to do ... When is my next pay check?" Chris Brummer reportedly said to a senior staffer at the Milken Institute, investigations reveal.

No one knows exactly what Chris Brummer had been told to promote his criminal boss Michael Milken. Brummer surely has become the criminal's paid glowing "mouthpiece" — appearing in several PR events selling Michael Milken as an "American hero."

As of January 2015, **Chris Brummer is still on the payroll of the convicted felon Michael Milken, according to the Milken Institute website.**

## **CHRIS BRUMMER, MONEY TALKS, BULLSHIT WALKS, A CRIMINAL'S "LIPSTICK"**

Chris Brummer enjoys bragging about his close affiliations with Michael Milken, one of the most notorious Wall Street felons in the American history. **According to The New York Times**, after his release from prison, Milken put up money and set up the "Milken Institute," desperately seeking to redeem himself from his ugly and lengthy criminal past.

Brummer was carefully chosen to fit the color of the Milken "lipstick," and Brummer was just so happy to get paid. The prestigious UCLA, however, was so concerned about any affiliations with the Milken brothers by turning down their huge endowment:

***"Michael Milken and his brother Lowell Milken's role in the rise of junk bonds helped make them rich. That wasn't enough for UCLA to turn down Lowell Milken's \$10 million donation — or even acknowledge his family's checkered past."***

***– The New York Times***

According to an article published by **The New York Times**, "In the 1990s, Michael Milken pleaded guilty to six felonies and agreed

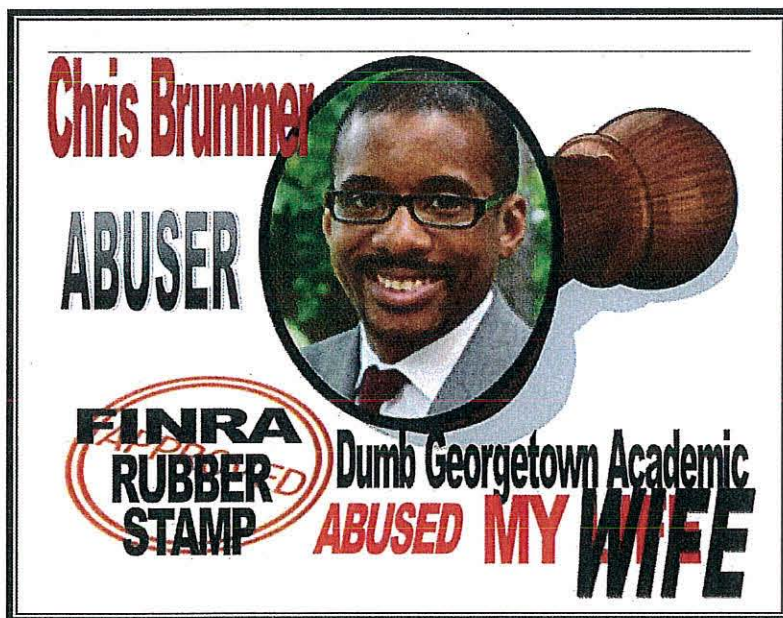
to put up \$600 million, \$200 million of that in fines, to settle the biggest fraud case in the history of the securities industry ... Milken was sentenced to 10 years in prison."

The U.S. Attorney's office in New York calls Milken the "biggest criminal ever landed in the junk bond world." Despite such a heavy cloud over the tainted Milken fraud, "professor" Chris Brummer could care less about his criminal affiliation — as long as the money keeps filling up his pocket ...

**Professor Brummer calls Michael Milken a "master" of his universe. Is there still slavery in America?**

## **CHRIS BRUMMER, THE PUMPER AND THE DUMPER, CAUGHT**

As soon as Michael Milken got out of prison and started "reforming" himself with cash, Chris Brummer jumped onto the cash wagon in 2011 as a "senior fellow" of the "Milken Institute" — a biotech industry "pumper and dumper" that makes bundles of cash by selling highly risky biotech stocks — making empty promises and creating dreams of drug wonders while emptying the life savings of grandmas and grandpas across America. Many investors lost their life savings, thanks to Chris Brummer's endorsement.





## CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR INVESTIGATED

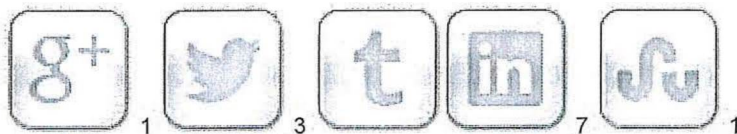
### CHRIS BRUMMER, FINRA'S "UNCLE TOM"

Chris Brummer is the typical bookworm who can't survive a day in real life. Until he joined FINRA's **National Adjudicatory Council** to further supplement his income. FINRA is the murky world of sleepy securities "watchdog" called the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. By joining FINRA's rubber stamp **National Adjudicatory Council**, Brummer became the 21<sup>st</sup> century "Uncle Tom" ruining the lives of innocent men and women in the world of finance.

In December 2014, Brummer was caught messing with another man's wife ... Stay tuned, the **Chris Brummer saga** to be continued ...

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Chris Brummer of Georgetown Law School is just an academic airhead trying to make a living selling people useless knowledge. He is no different from other academic idiots out there. The sad thing is Chris Brummer has destroyed people's lives, implicated in criminal probes.



Ouida Jones Esq. | January 21, 2015

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Everyone knows that useless "academics" like Chris Brummer are affiliated with useless firms like FINRA. FINRA targets small broker dealers and burdens them with over regulation. Brummer is the book worm type that vomits at facts to save his hefty paycheck from Milken. Uncle Tom!



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This character Brummer who sits and beats his chest is a paid Uncle Tom house-boy who rubber stamps FINRA's decision, 100 percent of the time. Why wouldn't he, they pay him!



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he's not bad looking- less the mustache. Ewwwww!



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Chris Brummer is the type of sick professor that could easily teach students nonsense and ruin people's lives. Is Professor Chris Brummer for sale? Absolutely. Was Chris Brummer Implicated in the criminal conducts of Michael Milken? Absolutely.

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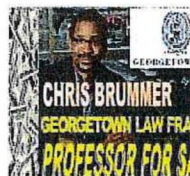
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# CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR IMPLICATED IN MULTIPLE FRAUD, ABUSER GOT CAUGHT

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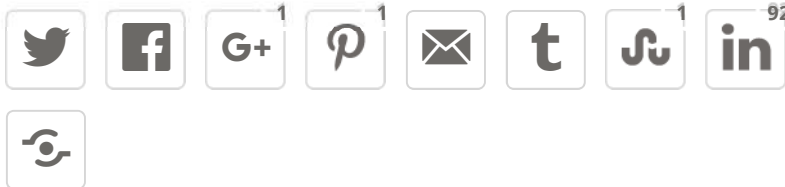
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**Editor's Note:** **CHRIS BRUMMER**, a notorious public figure and Georgetown Law School professor with a ridiculous Ph.D. degree in "Germanic Studies" – German opera and grilling Bratwurst sausages, has repeatedly harassed investigative journalists since this investigative article exposed Brummer's bribery and shady money dealings with the stock criminal Michael Milken while Brummer worked in a moonlighting job as a **FINRA NAC member** – ironically, the watchdog charged with prosecuting crooks on Wall Street like Michael Milken. **CHRIS BRUMMER** has declined repeated requests to comment on the bribery he has received from criminals. The conflict of interest, bribery and Brummer's bizarre reaction to media criticism – acting like a thief that got caught in a failed scheme to SILENCE THE MEDIA put a shame to Georgetown Law School and FINRA. Public records revealed murky dealings among Chris Brummer, his alleged extramarital affair with a **FINRA witness**, the cover-up by FINRA **cronies**, the racist FINRA staffer Jeffrey Bloom, the CORRUPT FINRA kangaroo

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court – National Adjudicatory Council (NAC) which rubber stamps FINRA rulings 100% of the time, the **secret** inner workings of a rigged FINRA **hearing panel**, lies told by **Chris Brummer** and **Charles Senatore** – a Chicago University academic who quickly blamed **Chris Brummer** in a recorded call for destroying the lives of two **innocent black Americans**, exposed in **FINRA BARRED TWO INNOCENT BLACK BROKERS BASED ON BS, RACISM, TRASHES THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION**. In retaliation, the imbecile **Chris Brummer** sued the media, vowed to **shut down the internet**. **Chris Brummer** is the **ONLY black man** in the all-white FINRA National Adjudicatory Council (NAC) rubber stamp tasked with dealing with black brokers – an obvious setup to appease the black folks after the Ferguson riot.

In March 2016, CHRIS BRUMMER, broadly known as “Dr. Bratwurst” LOST the frivolous lawsuit against journalists. A New York judge tossed out Chris Brummer’s fabricated claims.

### **THE LATEST: CHRIS BRUMMER, CREEPY GEORGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR WANTS TO SHUT DOWN THE INTERNET, CHOKE FREE SPEECH**

The bottom line: Let the American public judge the fraudulent **CHRIS BRUMMER**, a hypocrite and disgraced “professor” know as Dr. Bratwurst sausages.

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*“**CHRIS BRUMMER**’s humiliating defeat in a frivolous lawsuit against the media is a victory for America’s First Amendment rights to free speech...”*

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## CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN “PROFESSOR” – ASSASSINATION, LIES, SEX AND CORRUPTION

**CHRIS BRUMMER**, the corrupt Georgetown Law School academic struggling in a moonlighting job as a FINRA arbitrator was entangled in an alleged extramarital affair with “Big Red” **Maureen Gearty**, a FINRA “STAR” witness whose blatant lies destroyed the 20 year careers of **two innocent black brokers**. The alleged steamy sexual affair has brought media spotlight on **CHRIS BRUMMER**, who was also sued and accused of fabricating evidence.

As the only black man “handpicked” by FINRA CEO **Richard Ketchum** (*America’s highly paid quasi-government employee*) to join FINRA’s rubber stamp National Adjudicatory Counsel (NAC), Chris Brummer’s background of cooking sausages should have disqualified Brummer in a complex financial case. Instead, the FINRA Uncle Tom Chris Brummer was deliberately told to adjudicate a case and rule in FINRA’s favor against two black brokers. “When a case is rigged, a chimp could win a case for FINRA. Brummer at least knows to follow orders,” concluded the brokers. “‘Double Black’ is not just Johnie Walker Whiskey, we were ‘lynched’ by FINRA in a FINRA NAC hearing.”

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*“These two black Appellants were lynched in a FINRA NAC hearing presided over by Brummer. The rigged FINRA NAC has a near perfect record of voting against FINRA opponents 100% of the time. Rigged?”*

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CHRIS BRUMMER – “Dr. Bratwurst” was strongly rebuked in an SEC filing against Brummer, quoted directly from the SEC complaint:

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*“Led by CHRIS BRUMMER, FINRA has merely sought to malign the character of Appellants. This tactic is particularly egregious because there is NO support for the aspersions cast by FINRA... Chris Brummer and FINRA apparently feel that they can grossly misconstrue the record...”*

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**READ MORE: CFTC NOMINEE PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, TASTY GERMAN BRATWURST SAUSAGES, BUT NO AG**

BRUMMER has a PhD in the ridiculous “Germanic Studies” – brewing German beers, watching German movies, opera, learning German folk dances as well as making Bratwurst sausages during Oktoberfest... BRUMMER may be better at teaching his students dancing with naked German girls than the law or business courses. Phony?

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**READ MORE: SEC FILING STRONGLY CONDEMNED  
CHRIS BRUMMER AND FINRA FOR LYING,  
FABRICATING EVIDENCE.**

**MICHAEL J. BRONSON**, an obscure Ohio “country lawyer” FINRA general counsel **Bob Colby** has hired to silence reporters failed miserably. Brummer never denied that his alleged lover and FINRA “star witness” **Maureen Gearty had lied under oath** – which led to a rigged ruling that **assassinated the reputation of two innocent black men**, completely devastated their young families. “Black Lives matter”? **MICHAEL J. BRONSON** said “No.” **In March 2016, a well respected New York judge kicked Brummer and Michael J. Bronson’s false claims out of court.**

The following indisputable evidence against **BRUMMER** was copied directly from Maureen Gearty’s FINRA sworn testimony – which Brummer has relied on, and concluded two “**nigga bros**” had “fraudulently marketed Deer stocks by controlling a brokerage firm First Merger Capital.” The opposite is true: Brummer’s girlfriend **Maureen Gearty was in fact the boss in total control (here)** of the two black brokers. An email from Gearty to the office building manager is clear. Maureen Gearty also admitted to lying under oath, played **Brummer** like a retarded chimp.

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*“For someone who’s failed almost every job in the private sector, Dr. Bratwurst, Chris Brummer has screwed over some innocent people,” said an expert. “Chris Brummer is a sad imbecile.”*

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From: Maureen Gearty [mailto:MGearty@firstmergercapital.com]  
 Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2011 3:38 PM  
 To: Andrea Savyers  
 Subject: security alert

Please be aware that 2 of our employee's are no longer allowed in our space.  
 We did not get their building pass back

We CAN NOT have them come into this office.

The employees are TALMAN HARRIS and WILLIAM SCHOLANDER

Thank you

Maureen Gearty  
 First Merger Capital, Inc  
 The Trump Building  
 40 Wall Street - 30th Floor  
 New York, New York 10005  
 (o) 212-419-0884  
 (f) 212-401-0879



#### Direct Evidence

Maureen Gearty said  
 Talman Harris and William  
 Scholander controlled the  
 firm and she was just a  
 "secretary"...

Ever seen a secretary firing  
 the boss?  
 Or Maureen Gearty lied to  
 the government about  
 her position?

### Maureen Gearty's lies to the government, in control of the defunct brokerage firm

159. For example, in the FINRA Wells Hearing from January 30, 2013 GEARTY testified:

Q. But you would agree that it's either one or the other, correct?  
 You're either mistaken or you were lying.

A. Okay. You can put it that way, if you like.

Q. So which was it?

A. I was lying.

Q. And did you inform Enforcement, Mr. Dixon or Mr. Bloom,  
 prior to testifying here today after signing your AWC that you  
 had lied in your July 2010 OTR?

A. Yes, I did.

Q. They were okay with that?

A. They asked me why.

Q. That's the only lie that you told in that OTR?

A. Yes, I think so.



Sworn Testimony  
 Lying Maureen Gearty,  
 FINRA "Star Witness" Duped  
 Georgetown Imbecile CHRIS  
 BRUMMER

(See p. 618 7-24 of FINRA Wells Hearing Gearty January 30, 2013  
 (emphasis supplied).

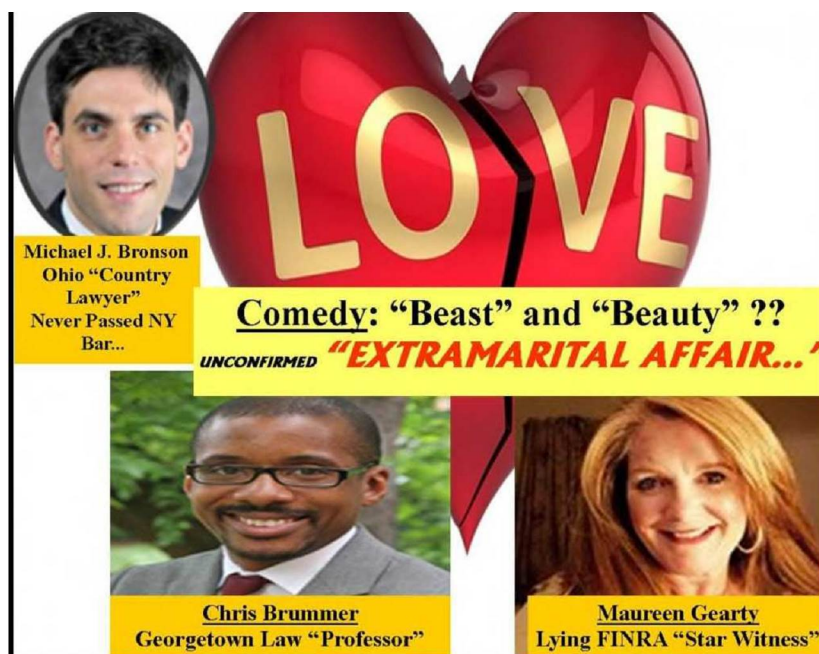


160. Significantly, GEARTY succeeded in concealing the fraud from the very  
 investigators that are charged with investigating fraud in this industry.

### CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR DUPED IN MAUREEN GEARTY FRAUD

*"CHRIS BRUMMER has absolutely no regulatory experience. Brummer is an academic airbag lost in the real world. Making sausages and drinking German beer does not make one a qualified regulator."*





*“CHRIS BRUMMER, a public figure and Georgetown Law School academic has repeatedly harassed and threatened investigative journalists.”*



CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR  
THREATENS JOURNALISTS, FREE SPEECH HIJACKED,  
SHAMELESS

## CHRIS BRUMMER, AN ACADEMIC HYPOCRITE, A 'LEGO TOY' FOR FINRA DIVERSITY

"CHRIS BRUMMER is a hypocrite. Brummer and the racist FINRA staffer Jeffrey Bloom screwed over my pregnant wife, destroyed my spotless 20 year career and devastated my unborn child," said Talman Harris to reporters on Capitol Hill. Talman Harris is an accomplished African American financial adviser. "Brummer is a total fraud."

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*"FINRA NAC is a rubber stamp for FINRA abusers. Is FINRA NAC an 'independent' review board? It's a rigged kangaroo court..."*

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An updated list of the shameless FINRA NAC rubber stampers is here. In his pursuit of justice, African American hero Talman Harris has filed a complaint with the Securities and Exchange Commission against Brummer and FINRA, in which the SEC filing exposed the Chris Brummer fraud, Talman Harris was exonerated.

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*"FINRA NAC is a kangaroo court controlled by FINRA staff, a total gimmick for innocent people to fail."*

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"Chris Brummer is a dumb academic and a disgrace to the African American community," speaking in the Rayburn House Office Building after meeting with congressional representatives, American hero Talman Harris had a lot to say about FINRA, which is headed by its CEO Richard Ketchum. FINRA is a "non-profit" government entity that pays Rick Ketchum \$300,000 a month. Richard Ketchum is the highest paid "non-profit" government employee in America. Read more: DOES FINRA CEO RICK KETCHUM FACE RACISM CHARGES IN CONGRESS BEFORE DISGRACED RETIREMENT?

## CHRIS BRUMMER, CORRUPT FINRA ARBITRATOR IMPLICATED IN MICHAEL MILKEN STOCK FRAUD

Other than the lust for money and the color of Brummer's dark skin as a FINRA "flower vase," no one could explain the bizarre reason why FINRA has hired Brummer, the "chef in a German kitchen" as well as a notorious mouthpiece for the convicted stock criminal Michael Milken as a member of its FINRA NAC.

Exposed by the *New York Times* in an article titled [Chris Brummer, Michael Milken – Banned From Street](#), Michael Milken is an ex-convict and junk bond king, banned for life by the SEC, exposed by the *Los Angeles Times* in [MILKEN'S GUILTY PLEA : Milken's Future: Prison, Then Back to Finance?](#)

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*"Despite Michael Milken's nasty background as a convicted stock criminal, FINRA appointed Brummer to FINRA NAC – a supposedly "independent" agency that reins in crooks just like Michael Milken on Wall Street."*

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## CONGRESSIONAL ACTIONS AGAINST FINRA RACISM, CORRUPTION

"The American public and Congress deserve to know the **secret bribes and hush money** CHRIS BRUMMER has received from the convicted criminal **Michael Milken**," reported by **The New York Times**.

*"We are troubled by FINRA's abuse of power and we are monitoring the situation closely for possible legislative actions," said a senior staffer with Congressman Scott Garrett's office.*

Congressman **Scott Garrett** is the Chairman of the Financial Services Committee in the U.S. Congress. Garrett has a distinguished record of reining in rogue FINRA regulators.



CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL  
PROFESSOR, IMPLICATED IN FRAUD, ALLEGED BRIBERY,  
SECRET PAYMENTS FROM A CRIMINAL



## CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR IMPLICATED IN MULTIPLE FRAUD, EXAGGERATED BIOGRAPHY

CHRIS BRUMMER is a bizarre Georgetown Law School “professor” and a public figure who makes money off convicted felons, according to public records. Brummer is a Georgetown Law School “professor” (Tel: 202-662-4191, email: [cjb84@law.georgetown.edu](mailto:cjb84@law.georgetown.edu), Source: Brummer’s own website) with an almost “perfect” profile that could charm the pants off any living creature on earth as well as on Mars. Brummer has the groomed goatee, the Georgetown Law School teaching job and even the right tone in his voice. According to a source, Chris Brummer laid his eyes on a young female student’s pair of naked legs – a waitress working at Saxbys Coffee, a popular coffee joint near Georgetown University in D.C.:

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*“This is Professor Chris Brummer, what can I do for you, and what’s there for me?” asked the soft-spoken Chris Brummer who sounds like a teenage boy barely going through puberty.*

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**CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN PROFESSOR DUPED BY  
CRIMINAL RONEN ZAKAI**

The truth behind the smiling face and brown teeth of this Georgetown Law School “Professor” Brummer is quite troubling as the obscure academic has screwed up the lives of innocent people while selling himself out to a convicted felon, Michael Milken, according to [public records](#) and sources.

**READ MORE: FINRA BARRED TWO INNOCENT BLACK  
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CHRIS BRUMMER is a public figure. With enough bragging to make even a donkey blush, Chris Brummer enjoys blowing up his questionable academic credentials on his [website](#) and spreading it all over the internet like some hot air balloon flying over Somalia. Here is the Chris Brummer bullshit:

*“Chris Brummer is an expert in international financial regulation ... lectures widely on finance and global governance, as well as on public and private international law, market microstructure and international trade.”*

Is this true? It sure sounded like some cheap ads put up by an egoistic, heavy self-promotional “expert” beating the drum,

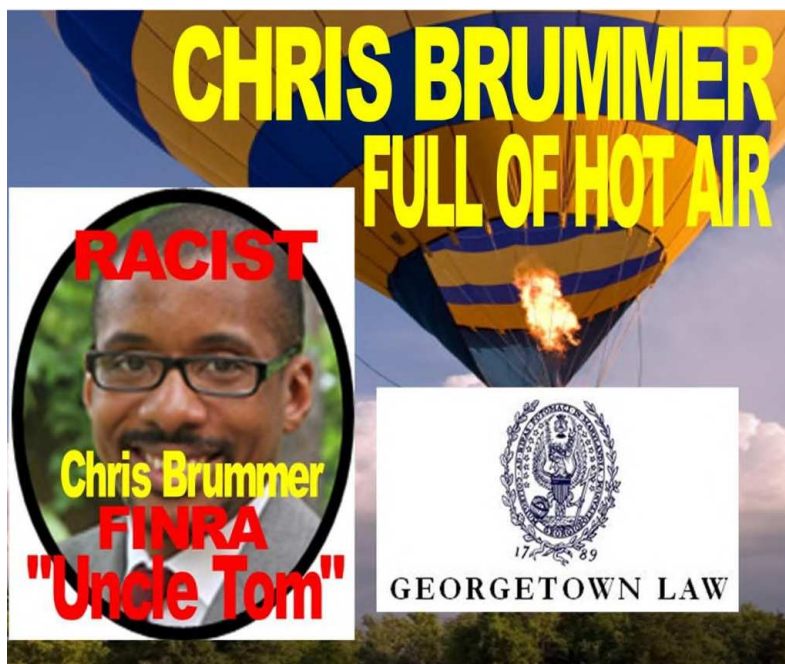
shamelessly seeking public attention, jumping up and down like a gorilla pounding on the chest in a zoo...

## **“PROFESSOR” CHRIS BRUMMER, THE \$500-PER-HOUR SALESMAN SOLD OUT TO A CRIMINAL**

The reality is revealed, in our opinion: Chris Brummer is all about making a pile of cash quickly, somehow, somewhere. Billing himself out at a shocking rate of \$500 per hour as a “consultant” that adds no tangible value to anything, Chris Brummer is a busy man, like a clumsy washing machine salesman peddling junk gadgets door to door...

Brummer sounded like a cheap salesman – with an exaggerated biography too good to be true for someone who has failed nearly every job in the real life, according to sources. Correct, Chris Brummer’s biography, puffed like a pillow, is almost entirely bullshit. Brummer is all about making money, and it doesn’t matter how he makes the buck, even from a criminal. Before long, Chris Brummer fell in love with the deep pockets of a convicted criminal, the notorious Michael Milken – the junk bond peddler behind some of the most heinous crimes ever committed in human history, according to the *New York Times*: Chris Brummer gets paid from the stock fraudster Michael Milken: **MILKEN SET TO PAY A \$600 MILLION FINE IN WALL ST. FRAUD.**

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### GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL CHRIS BRUMMER CAUGHT LYING, EXAGGERATED BIOGRAPHY

## CHRIS BRUMMER, A COLLAPSED LEGAL CAREER, A “HOT AIR BALLOON FLYING OVER SOMALIA”

Chris Brummer was unable to get into a decent law school on a normal schedule, according to sources. Instead, Chris Brummer squeezed himself into a program by waiving the flag of “affirmative action,” according to a source.

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*“Damn it, I am black. I deserve to get into a law school... Black Lives Matter!” Chris Brummer allegedly barked at a college admissions officer*

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After struggling through school, he was unable to land a single corporate client willing to pay for his poor legal work.

Deeply buried in debt, Chris Brummer’s short venture into the real life abruptly collapsed. Struggling to make a living, Chris Brummer obtained a laughable PhD in “Germanic Studies” – the learning of German dances with girls and grilling Bratwurst

sausages, turned himself into an academic “vacuum brain” by swimming in the world of theories that could never survive a day in the real life. Teaching people senseless, useless legal jargon is never a path to prosperity. Chris Brummer had to find a way to make a living, somewhere, somehow... Until he got “lucky” selling out to the convicted criminal Michael Milken as Milken’s “senior fellow”, according to [a public source](#).

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**“SHOW ME THE MONEY!”**

Desperation over money took Brummer to the darkest corners of America’s long forgotten past. According to various sources, Chris Brummer is paid more than \$200,000 per year as a “research fellow” at an obscure “institute” founded by [Michael Milken](#), the convicted felon who was arrested, [criminally indicted](#) and served a lengthy federal prison sentence as the culprit of the biggest junk bond fraud in the U.S. history, [according to The New York Times](#). Milken was also barred for life by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) from associating with anyone in the U.S. financial markets, according to the SEC’s own website, as reported in the New York Times: [Former Junk-Bond Manager Agrees to a Bar for Life by the S.E.C.](#)

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**CHRIS BRUMMER, A MOUTHPIECE WITHOUT THE LIPSTICK**

By 2011, Brummer was named a “[senior fellow](#)” ([cbrummer@milkeninstitute.org](mailto:cbrummer@milkeninstitute.org)) of the Michael Milken Institute, a paid mouthpiece for the convicted criminal Michael Milken. Two years later, the convicted felon Milken was under government investigations, again, by the Securities and Exchange Commission for violating a [bar order that prohibits him](#) from

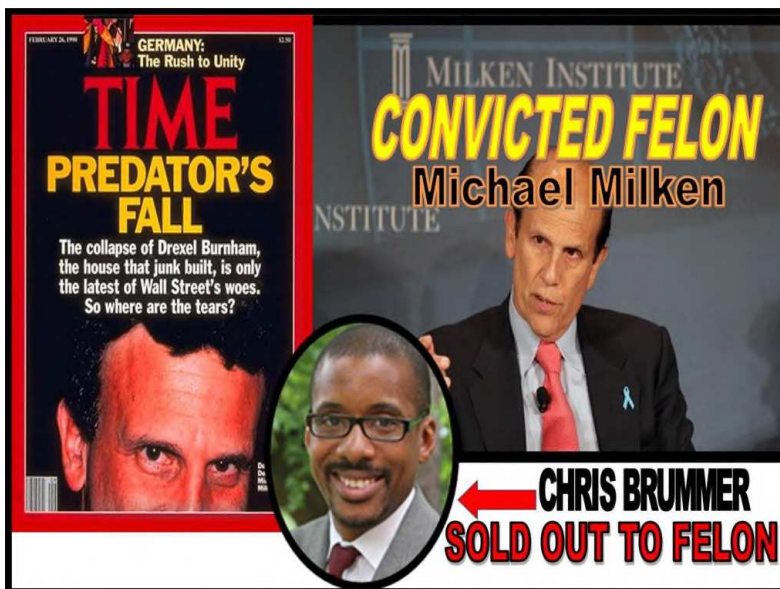
engaging in any investment-related activities for life. An SEC spokesperson declined to comment further. The SEC subsequently sued Michael Milken again several times for Milken's violation of his life time bar. The public record against Michael Milken is here on the SEC's website: [SEC bars criminal Michael Milken for life, Milken's repeated violations.](#)

According to investigations conducted by the highly credible [Fortune Magazine](#) and [TheBlot Magazine](#), the SEC accused Milken of violating his lifetime bar — for the third time in the past 15 years. The government's fraud investigations against Milken also implicated Chris Brummer and Guggenheim Partners, a hedge fund outfit.

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According to public records, Michael Milken, 68, has spent years and millions of dollars buying access to public relations and rehabilitating his image following a long prison stint in the early 1990s after he pleaded guilty to federal charges of securities and tax fraud. He also accepted a ban from the investment industry as part of an SEC plea bargain agreement. A few years after he left prison, the SEC alleged that Milken had violated his ban by advising investors on deals. In 1998, Milken settled the SEC's claim and paid \$47 million in restitution.





**CHRIS BRUMMER, GEOERGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR  
IMPLICATED IN MICHAEL MILKEN FRAUD, BRIBERY  
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## **CHRIS BRUMMER, A CRIMINAL'S BUGLE BOY**

While Michael Milken's lawyers wrestled with the SEC investigators, Chris Brummer was busy counting cash and courting the criminal fraud, adding "lipsticks" to the Milken Institute.

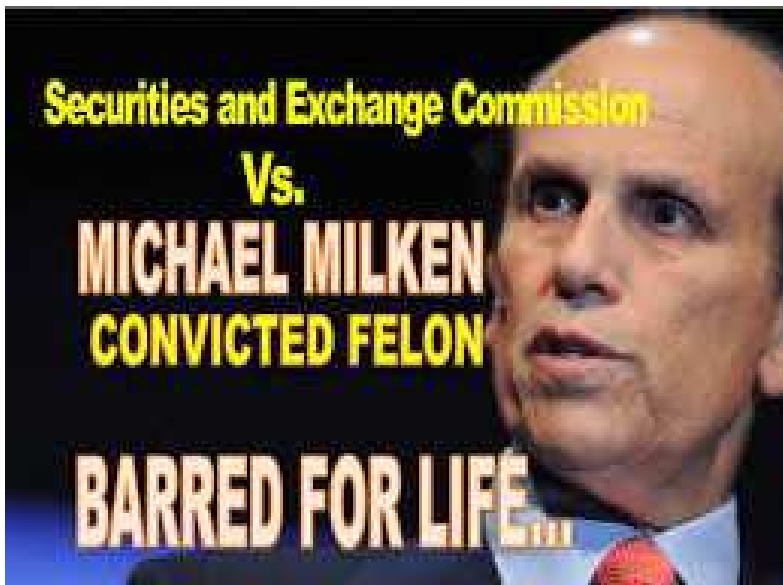
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*"When a man needed money, he had to do what he had to do ...When is my next pay check?" Chris Brummer reportedly said.*

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As told to a senior staffer at the Milken Institute, investigations revealed, according to sources.

No one knows exactly what Chris Brummer has been ordered to promote his convicted criminal boss Michael Milken. One thing is clear as the blue sky: Chris Brummer surely has become the criminal's bugle boy – a paid "mouthpiece" appearing in several PR events selling Michael Milken as an "American hero."



**CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN PROFESSOR IMPLICATED  
IN MICHAEL MILKEN FRAUD**

As of January 2015, [Chris Brummer](#) is still on the payroll of the convicted felon [Michael Milken](#), according to the [Milken Institute website](#).

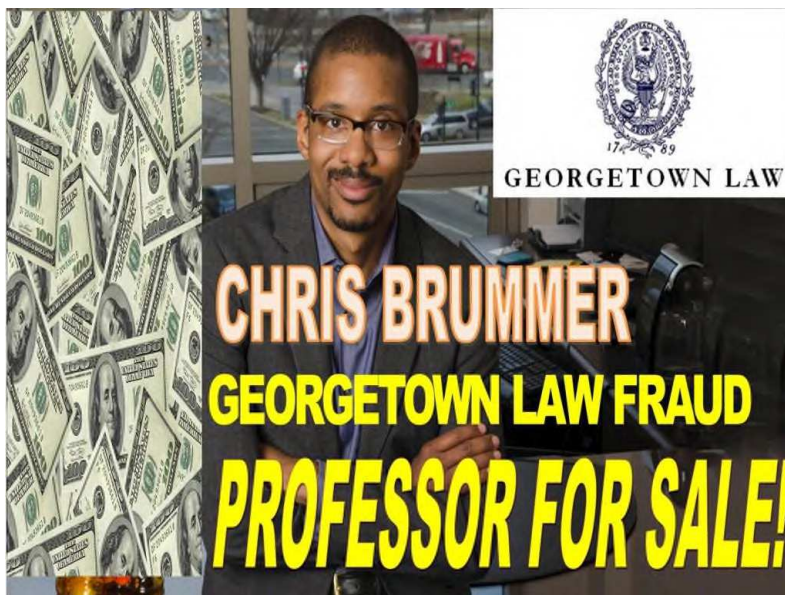
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*“Chris Brummer, money talks, bullshit walks, a criminal’s “lipstick”*

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Chris Brummer enjoys bragging about his close affiliations with Michael Milken, one of the most notorious Wall Street felons in the American history. [According to The New York Times](#), after his release from prison, Milken put up money and set up the “Milken Institute,” desperately seeking to redeem himself from his ugly and lengthy criminal past.





**CHRIS BRUMMER, CAUGHT IN MULTIPLE FRAUD, DUMB  
GEORGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR DUPED**

Chris Brummer was carefully chosen to fit the color of the Milken “lipstick,” and Chris Brummer was happy just to get paid from Milken, according to sources. The prestigious UCLA, however, was so concerned about any affiliations with the Milken brothers by turning down their huge endowment:

***“Michael Milken and his brother Lowell Milken’s role in the rise of junk bonds helped make them rich. That wasn’t enough for UCLA to turn down Lowell Milken’s \$10 million donation — or even acknowledge his family’s checkered past.”***

***– The New York Times***

According to an article published by **The New York Times**, “In the 1990s, Michael Milken pleaded guilty to six felonies and agreed to put up \$600 million, \$200 million of that in fines, to settle the biggest fraud case in the history of the securities industry ... Milken was sentenced to 10 years in prison.”



**CHRIS-BRUMMER-GEORGETOWN-LAW-SCHOOL-ABUSER-  
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The U.S. Attorney's office in New York calls Milken the "biggest criminal ever landed in the junk bond world." Despite such a heavy cloud over the tainted Michael Milken fraud, Georgetown "professor" Brummer could care less about his criminal affiliation — as long as the money keeps filling up his pocket ...

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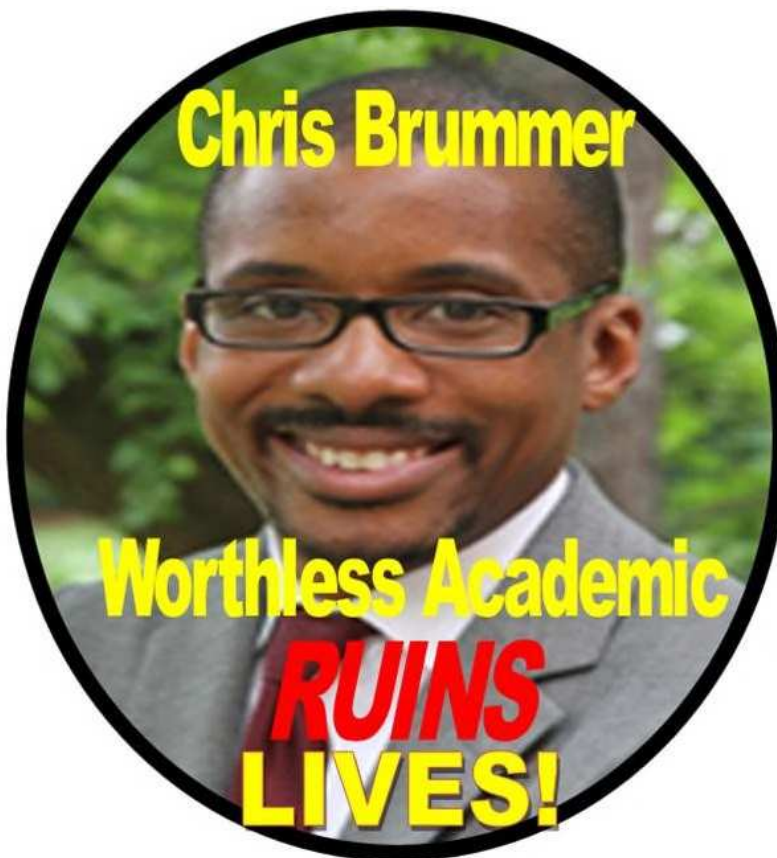
*"Professor Brummer calls felon Michael Milken a  
"master" of his universe. Is there still slavery in  
America?"*

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**CHRIS BRUMMER, THE STOCK PUMPER  
AND THE DUMPER GOT CAUGHT**

Soon after Michael Milken got out of prison, he started “reforming” himself with cash. Among the many recruits, Brummer jumped onto the cash wagon in 2011 as a “senior fellow” of the “Milken Institute” — a biotech industry “pumper and dumper” that makes bundles of cash by selling highly risky biotech stocks — making empty promises and creating dreams of drug wonders while draining the life savings of grandmas and grandpas across America. Many investors lost their life savings, thanks to endorsement by Brummer.

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**“CHRIS BRUMMER, REGULATORY ABUSER,  
FINRA “UNCLE TOM”**

Brummer is the typical bookworm who can't survive a day in the real life, until he joined FINRA's notorious **National Adjudicatory Council** to further supplement his income. FINRA is the murky world of sleepy securities "watchdog" called the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. By joining FINRA's rubber stamp **National Adjudicatory Council**, Brummer became the 21<sup>st</sup> century "Uncle Tom" ruining the lives of innocent men and women in the world of finance.

IN OCTOBER 2014, MAUREEN GEARTY'S LONG TERM LOVER, FAKE FACEBOOK FRAUDSTER **RONEN ZAKAI** PLEADED GUILTY TO 11 COUNTS OF CRIMINAL CONDUCTS AND IS NOW SERVING TIME IN A NEW YORK PRISON. The Manhattan District Attorney arrested and **indicted Ronen Zakai for fraud**. Under Chris Brummer, FINRA has missed **Ronen Zakai** and cost investors millions of dollars, again.

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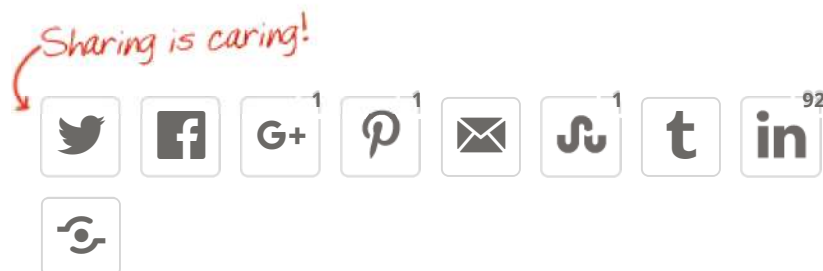
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*"Brummer and his FINRA cronies have targeted me only because I am a BLACK AMERICAN."*

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RONEN ZAKAI INDICTED, CONVICTED FOR 11 COUNTS  
OF FRAUD, SENT TO PRISON**

In December 2014, Chris Brummer was caught messing with another man's life ... Stay tuned, the **Brummer saga** will continue...



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This is quite interesting how puppets with academic degrees and no hands-on experience model themselves as leaders. Please reach out to me as I would love to cover this story.



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I would like to know how many times Brummer went against FINRA's decision. The NAC is supposed to be an independent body of FINRA, but somehow Chris Brummer manages to side with FINRA's decisions "100%" of the time.



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Expose the Rubber Stamper please.




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I worked for FINRA – and Brummer. He is not so bad, just a sexist.

 JoAnne | April 19, 2015 [Reply](#)


Hey Carrie, me toooooooooo. How are you. Email me.

 Sofia | April 26, 2015 [Reply](#)


I never knew chris Brummer is paid by convicted felons.  
What a shameless man disguised as a Georgetown  
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A black professor discriminated against another black man? I  
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Me too. Hello Finra uncle tom, Chris Brummer.

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Chris Brummer is a black racist against black men? We  
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It is universally out of order to slander people. You really feel threatened.



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Chris Brummer is a lying son of a bitch. I am glad this stupid rotten apple is exposed. God bless free speech in America.



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Chris brummer is a sick bastard. How could a black man like him destroy the lives of other black men? What a disgusting loser.



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Chris Brummer looks like a total idiot. What a fraud.



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Chris Brummer is shameless. How could a black man like Chris Brummer have the conscience to destroy other black men? Black lives don't matter for blacks in the eyes of Chris Brummer?



Jackie | October 20, 2015

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I think this "professor" Chris Brummer has either autism or ADD. He sounds like an idiot.



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As the only black man on the racist FINRA NAC panel, Chris Brummer was handpicked by FINRA to adjudicate the lives of two black men, despite the fact that Chris Brummer was not qualified.



Anonymous | October 21, 2015

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Chris brummer is a sick bastard. Well said here: "CHRIS BRUMMER has screwed up my life; CHRIS BRUMMER has screwed over my pregnant wife, and CHRIS BRUMMER has screwed up the future of my unborn child! "



Jeff | October 22, 2015

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Is it true that Chris Brummer gets paid from the convicted stock criminal Michael Milken's outfit? It's true! Chris Brummer is listed as a Milken fellow on Milken's website: <http://www.milkeninstitute.org/about/our-team/view/70>



keira | October 31, 2015

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How much was chris brummer bribed by Michael milken the criminal? A million dollars?



Jason | November 15, 2015

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CHRIS BRUMMER IS A TOTAL CRYPT. A SICK NIGGA.



Michael E | November 15, 2015

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Chris Brummer is a loser. A professor of what?! He doesn't appear to know anything about law. What an idiot.



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Chris brummer is just another stupid idiot trying to make a living. A dumb ass.



sean | November 25, 2015

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How much does chris brummer get paid from criminal michael milken? Shameless.



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Chris Brummer is a dumb hypocrite trying to make some money. A loser.



Anonymous | February 11, 2016

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Who is this MICHAEL J. BRONSON, an obscure Ohio "country lawyer"? Perhaps just another idiot? #chrisbrummer is sick loser. Loser + loser = two losers.



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This Chris Brummer is a wild dude. What's wrong with him? He serves for FINRA at the same time he collects a paycheck from a convicted stock criminal? What a hypocrite.



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CHRIS BRUMMER is a total fraud, a hypocrite.



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Chris brummer is shameless idiot. His actions against people of his own race is deplorable. Uncle tom chris brummer is a good fit.



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Chris brummer is a product of the failed policies on affirmative actions that promote incompetent people simply because they are the minorities. Chris brummer is a complete loser.



Anonymous | April 27, 2016

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CHRIS BRUMMER IS JUST ANOTHER NIGGA TRYING TO GET INTO THE PANTS OF A WHITE CHICK. German study? What the fuck is that? Chris Brummer is BS.



Anonymous | May 14, 2016

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This is a shady and nutty professor. Hilarious. Professor Chris Brummer the Bratwurst sausage. Where is the mustard sauce?



Bob | May 15, 2016

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Chris brummer is a black man's injustice on other black men.  
A psycho.



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Hello Dr. BRATWURST SAUSAGE CHRIS BRUMMER. FUNNY AS  
HELL.



Scott Emory | June 14, 2016

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Just saw chris brummer. He was chewing on a Bratwurst  
sausage with his girlfriend Maureen Gearty. Forgot to call  
him Uncle Tom Chris.

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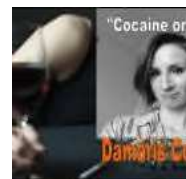
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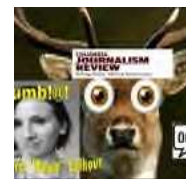
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# PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, CREEPY GEORGETOWN LAW ACADEMIC WANTS TO SHUT DOWN THE INTERNET, CHOKE FREE SPEECH

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PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW  
PROFESSOR WANTS TO SHUT DOWN THE INTERNET

PROFESSOR **CHRIS BRUMMER**, a notorious Georgetown Law School academic has a new theory in play for the hot summer: The shameless Professor **Chris Brummer** doesn't like postings about him online that have exposed his peculiar financial arrangements with the stock criminal Michael Milken. Chris Brummer wants to shut down the internet! **Read more: PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, AN UNQUALIFIED CFTC NOMINEE IN A SECRET DARK CLOSET.**

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***“Georgetown Law “professor” Chris Brummer likes screwing people over, not being outed for it.”cftc***



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That's why **CHRIS BRUMMER**, a rubber stamp paid by the notorious **FINRA National Adjudicatory Council (NAC)** — the racist body that oversees decisions of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) — is crying foul like a baby holding an empty milk bottle over opinions that have exposed his shady dealings with the convicted criminal **Michael Milken**. **Chris Brummer** claims the Internet posts constitute defamation and alleges they are actionable for recovery in court because they have inflicted upon Chris Brummer “emotional distress” that have cost him about \$500 in “actual damage” to “clean up” himself.

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***THE LATEST UPDATES: PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER WAS DEFEATED IN A FRIVOLOUS LAWSUIT AGAINST REPORTERS, WAS REBUKED BY A NEW YORK COURT, A WIN FOR FREE SPEECH.***

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## **CHRIS BRUMMER: “PAY ME THE \$20 MILLION IN RANSOM OR I WILL SHUT DOWN THE INTERNET!”**

The creepy Georgetown University “professor” **Chris Brummer** is suing the internet posts for \$20 million and has threatened to shut down the internet posts unless he is paid the outrageous ransom. **Read more: CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR IMPLICATED IN MULTIPLE FRAUDS, ABUSER GOT CAUGHT.**

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*“\$500 in actual damage vs. \$20 million in emotional suffering? Chris Brummer must be a very emotional man.”*

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**Chris Brummer** filed a lawsuit against the alleged internet posts early this summer. The defendants’ motion to dismiss the case

was submitted in New York Supreme Court in August 2015. Since then, Chris Brummer has had a very tough time churning out garbage legal theories to justify a frivolous lawsuit. "Get Brummer some Prozac to calm him down. He needs that," a medical professional laughed.

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*"Chris Brummer has a better chance of suing a light pole than going after someone's First Amendment right to free speech."*

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"Those imbecile lawyers representing Brummer know it's a BS case," said a legal expert. "Pounding on a Gorilla's chest is useless. Chris Brummer is the only 'turkey' with a head in the sand. What a stupid idiot."

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**Oved & Oved LLP**, a New York media law powerhouse represents the brave voices that have simply exercised their First Amendment rights to free speech. The case is represented by Edward Wipper, a renowned litigator. An obscure Ohio country lawyer **Michael J. Bronson** makes money off Chris Brummer. Investigations have revealed that the obscure **Michael J. Bronson** never graduated law school in New York and neither has he ever passed the New York Bar...



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**CHRIS BRUMMER, A COLLEGE  
“PROFESSOR” WITHOUT INTELLECT, IT’S  
ALL “BLA, BLA, BLA...”**

“Chris Brummer acted in an official capacity when he ‘slaved’ for FINRA and was paid money for that. Chris Brummer’s wrecked intellect destroyed the professional lives of two innocent black Americans,” said an attorney familiar with the Chris Brummer frivolous lawsuit. “Chris Brummer hardly has any work experience and Brummer is all about bla, bla with nonsense – a useless academic.”

With a “near perfect” goatee growing out of a creepy smile, Georgetown law “professor” Chris Brummer has a lot to worry about these days. His efforts to shut down the internet were met with some serious legal hurdles, experts say.

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***“It’s an uphill battle to choke someone’s throat to stop her from speaking. Chris Brummer is losing sleep like a baby wetting its bed.”***

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**CHRIS BRUMMER, FINRA’S “TOY” FOR  
“MINORITY REPRESENTATION”**

The dust-up between Chris Brummer and the internet began when Brummer co-authored a 36-page affirmation of an earlier FINRA decision that barred for life two highly successful Wall Street investment brokers William Scholander and Talman Harris, who are, unfortunately, African-Americans in a FINRA world dominated by white, pale faces.

In June 2015, the American heroes William Scholander and Talman Harris filed a petition with the Securities and Exchange

Commission (SEC) to overturn FINRA's racially charged decision: The SEC filing strongly rebukes Chris Brummer, FINRA's racist decisions based on a single testimony from Brummer's alleged lover.

Despite the key testimony that had led to the lifetime ban emanating from an obscure Maureen Gearty, a 300 pound bisexual woman who had admitted to altering her sworn testimony and description of events several times, Chris Brummer was aware of these facts however did not object to the affirmation decision and went further to uphold it – Brummer was in an alleged extramarital affair with Maureen Gearty.

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***“As the only black dude on the racist FINRA NAC panel, Chris Brummer was handpicked to shoot at two black men, Chris Brummer pulled the trigger...”***

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Research shows the FINRA NAC is a kangaroo court that affirms FINRA enforcement staff's decisions 100% of the time. Myles Edwards, another impotent FINRA panel member has declined repeated requests for comment.

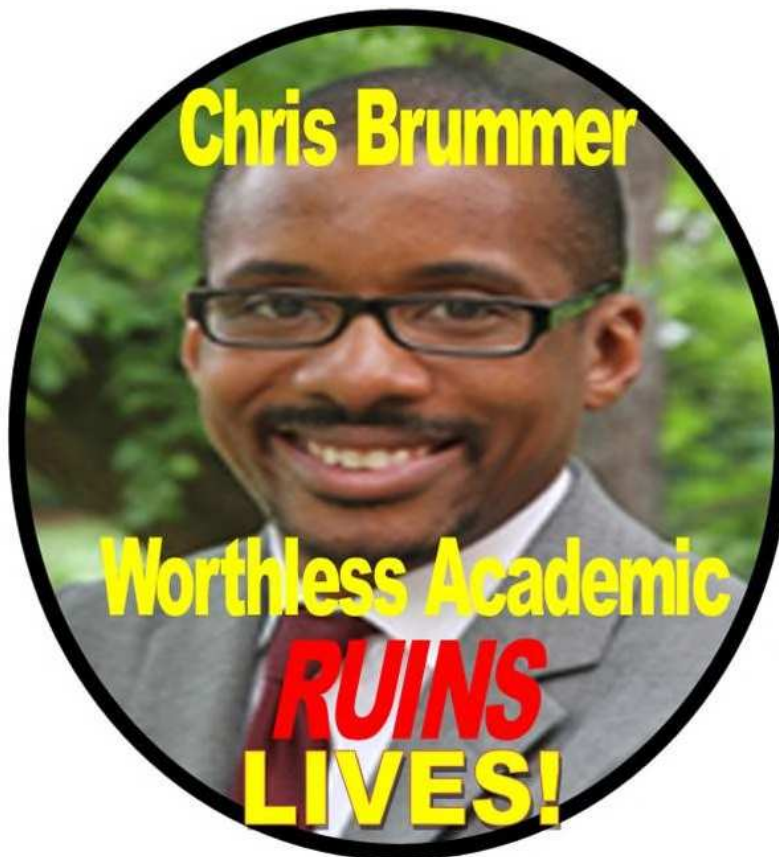
“Chris Brummer is like a piece of LEGO toy for FINRA's superficial racial diversity program,” a source said. “No one could understand why Chris Brummer has hurt fellow black men. Black lives matter?” That is a question “professor” Chris Brummer is the 21st century “FINRA Uncle Tom.”

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## **CHRIS BRUMMER, SEX, LIES, LOVE AFFAIR**

Maureen Gearty had engaged in a steamy extramarital affair with her criminal boyfriend Ronen Zakai, a married Jewish man convicted of a massive Ponzi scheme in a conspiracy with Gearty. Ronen Zakai is currently serving a multi-year prison sentence,

according to an announcement from the Manhattan District Attorney's office.



CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR,  
WORTHLESS ACADEMIC

Under heavy pressure from Chris Brummer and a racist FINRA enforcement staffer Jeffrey Bloom, Maureen Gearty shifted the blame of criminal conduct from her lover Ronen Zakai to Harris and Scholander, who had nothing to do with Maureen Gearty's Ponzi scheme with Zakai. In the fraudulent securities offering document, Ronen Zakai and Maureen Gearty were listed as the sole managers for the Ronen Zakai Ponzi scheme.

Steven Susswein, a notorious SEC "enforcement" staffer declined to comment on why he has endorsed Maureen Gearty and her fraudulent lover boy Ronen Zakai for their criminal activities. In 2014, Ronen Zakai was sent to prison for running a Ponzi scheme, declared by Manhattan's renowned district attorney.

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Chris Brummer, FINRA took the Ronen Zakai criminal bait like a catfish. Chris Brummer, the FINRA "Uncle Tom" sent Harris and Scholander to their "electric chairs", "burned these black men into charcoal" and barred them from working in the securities industry.

The result of this decision was the complete denial of legal due process for Harris and Scholander. Further, the livelihoods of both men were taken away despite the two never having been targeted for enforcement by FINRA or the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Each with about 20 years of professional accomplishments without a single customer complaint, Talman Harris and William Scholander were railroaded by the FINRA power abusers who were championed by Chris Brummer.

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***"Chris Brummer was duped and played  
like an impotent gorilla in the DC zoo."***

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"I don't like those black brokers in New York, we have to burn them..." Jeffrey Bloom, a notorious FINRA staffer allegedly said to an unconfirmed source.

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## **CHRIS BRUMMER, A FRIVOLOUS LAWSUIT, A HYPOCRITE DROWNING IN LEGAL HOT WATER**

The motion to dismiss the frivolous **Chris Brummer** case makes a cogent legal argument for it to be thrown out and stands on several sound precedents of case law including the Communication Decency Act of 1996. Any basis for defamation claims must first start with the compelling imperative of whether an action to recover for a plaintiff would infringe on media, individual or organizational free speech.

According to the motion to dismiss, “**Chris Brummer**’s complaint is an attempt to chill the free speech rights afforded by both the United States and New York State Constitutions to individuals who voice their opinions in protest of unjust decisions, matters of public concern, and the individuals responsible for such injustice.”



Perhaps this country's most sacred building block of freedom and most unique feature of the U.S. Constitution is the First Amendment that guarantees free speech. It says in part, "Congress shall make no law ... abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press."



And because the ideas expressed in pieces to which Chris Brummer objects are clearly opinions and not statements of fact he — despite a fancy and expensive legal education and a top position at one of the most-prestigious law schools in the country — seems to not understand basic law or just completely glosses over these simple concepts that any first-year Juris Doctor candidate would know by rote.

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Additionally, instead of Brummer actually demonstrating how the statements about him constitute malice, he only concludes that they do. That's a lot like a parent telling a child, "No, because I said so." This dubious reasoning and logic is fine between parents and their children, but cannot be allowed to stand on matters of the law. There is simply too much at stake, and freedom would suffer as a result.

Therefore, the New York State court must dismiss all of Brummer's claims as a matter of basic protection to the individual citizens of this country.

"All of Chris Brummer's false claims must be dismissed because all of the statements posted are constitutionally protected statements of opinion and many of the statements are not about Brummer at all," the motion states.

In this case, there is no legal wiggle room or way around the law. There is simply too much to lose for Chris Brummer.

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***"Chris Brummer is an airhead. He had no clue about the First Amendment right to free speech." said a legal expert.***

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"A law 'professor' in a futile attempt to stop people from speaking? What an idiot."

Someone very smart and accomplished once wrote, "We hold these truths to be self-evident." And in that vein, God bless America for the wise judges who preside over and work inside the halls of justice for upholding our cherished and special freedom from tyranny, like those threats from Chris Brummer.

The last word for professor **Chris Brummer**: Chris Brummer's stupidity does not make him a qualified jurist for FINRA or anywhere else. Chris Brummer is a detriment to Georgetown Law School, a harm to the American society and a completely unqualified jurist for FINRA.

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Neither FINRA nor Georgetown Law School has agreed to comment on this story. Readers are curious what they are running away from. The truth? Yes, that's the answer.

When faced with the truth, Georgetown Law School professor  
**Chris Brummer** was caught swimming naked.



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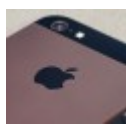
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Chris Brummer is just another loser totally lost in the jungle. This shady character is full of bull shit. Wonder what Geoergetown law school kids say about Chris Brummer's hot air.



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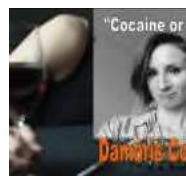
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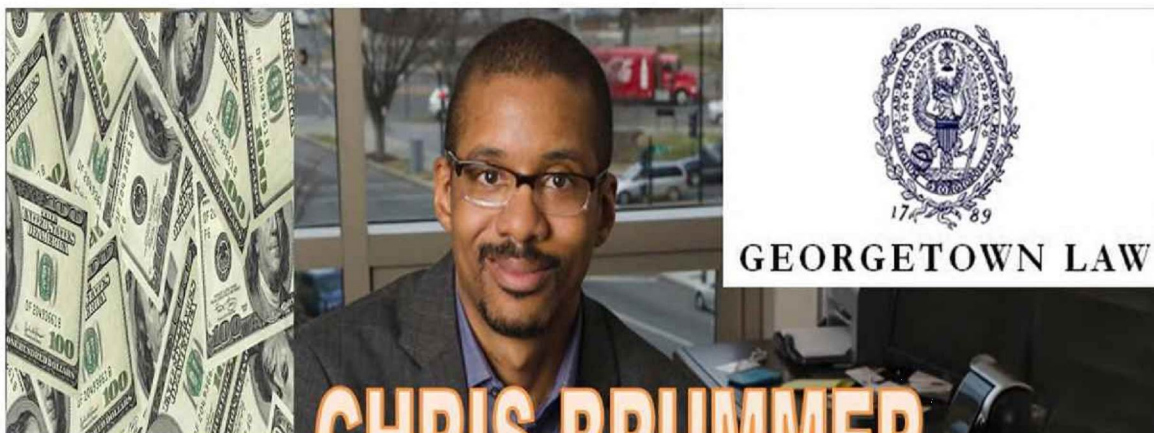
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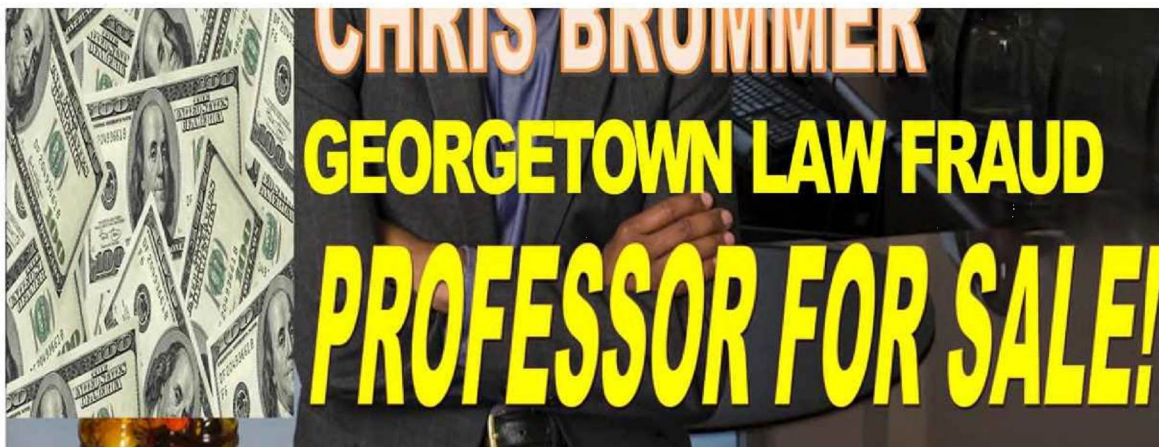
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## PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER RUINED MY LIFE!



***PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL AIRHEAD HAS COMPLETED DESTROYED MY 20 YEAR, SPOTLESS PROFESSIONAL REPUTATION - ONLY BECAUSE I AM AN AFRICAN AMERICAN. DO BLACK LIVES MATTER? NOT FOR CHRIS BRUMMER... MY LIFE, MY WIFE ARE RUINED...***

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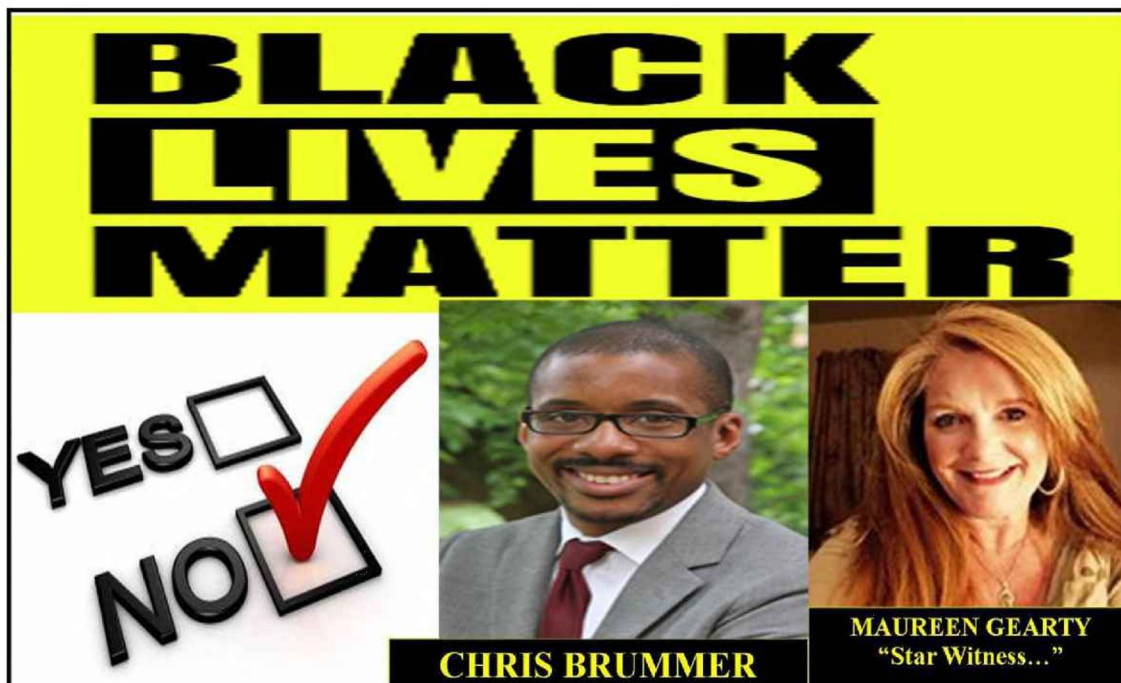
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**BRUMMER BARRED TWO INNOCENT BLACK BROKERS BASED ON BS, RACISM,  
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“The imbecile CHRIS BRUMMER has destroyed our lives. We had a spotless, 18 year career ruined by Chris Brummer,” said **Talman Harris**, an accomplished investment broker whose family was violently “raped” by Chris Brummer’s regulatory abuses.

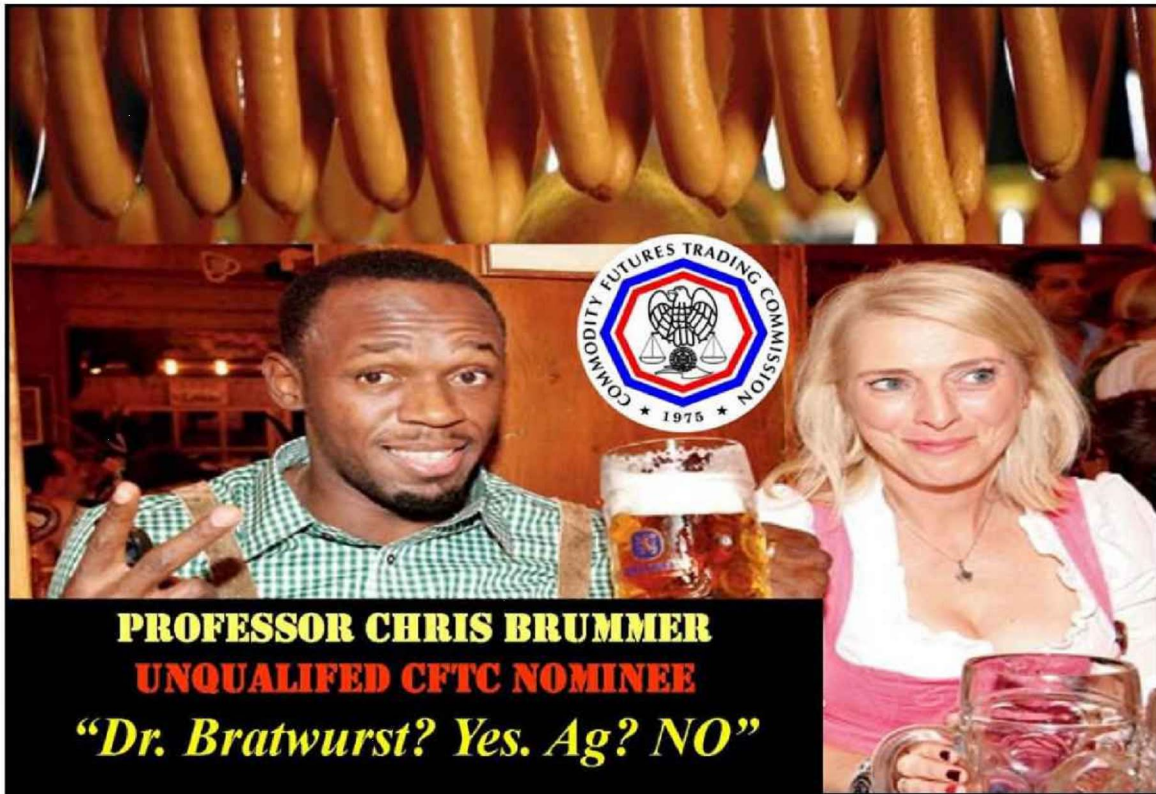
*“CHRIS BRUMMER has defrauded us. No doubt, he will defraud America.”*

In 2015, **Talman Harris** sued Chris Brummer for **fraud**. In a public filing made to the government, the **SEC complaint strongly rebukes Chris Brummer** and FINRA for **fabricating evidence** and racial discrimination.

**William Scholander**, the other victim of Chris Brummer’s regulatory abuse agreed. “Chris Brummer is a phony, a shameless hypocrite. We are suing Chris Brummer for **fraud...**”



## CFTC NOMINEE CHRIS BRUMMER, TASTY GERMAN BRATWURST SAUSAGES, BUT NO AG



### CHRIS BRUMMER, UNQUALIFIED CFTC NOMINEES, NO AG EXPERIENCE

In the twilight of the Obama era, an obscure Georgetown Law **PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER** was one of the nominees to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), subject to Senate confirmation hearing, which is seemingly good news at first for America's farmers. However, as the old saying goes, "the devil is in the details."

Readers may conclude the "devil" among the CFTC political nominees is **Chris Brummer**, a shady Georgetown Law School academic who has failed pretty much in every job in the private sector. Not surprised. Broadly known as "**Dr. Bratwurst**", **Professor Chris Brummer** has a PhD in the bizarre "**Germanic Studies**" – the learning of the German language, German music, dances with half-naked European women as well as grilling Bratwurst sausages during Oktoberfest. What about Chris Brummer's ag experience? Unfortunately he has none, zero.



A CFTC position is about regulating America's commodity markets, making sure America's well deserved farmers get the best possible prices for their farm products while consumers enjoy safe and high quality foods proudly "Grown in the USA."

"Chris Brummer is highly unqualified for a CFTC position," the leading Ag industry publication **Feedstuffs** also pointed fingers squarely at Brummer's clear deficiency as a man with "no ag experience."

Since the Brummer nomination, farmers across the nation have raised hell over **Professor Chris Brummer's** weak credentials. Don't blame the farmers. It is their livelihood on the line:

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"The farm folks just don't understand how the Dr. Bratwurst – **Professor Chris Brummer's** background in making Bratwurst sausages, drinking German beer during Oktoberfest and cheering with barely dressed European girls have anything to do with regulating America's agriculture!" Sounds like a fair question from a corn farmer in Iowa.

"What's the connection between America's farms and Chris Brummer's German opera and folklore? Is it because Bratwurst sausages are made out of hog meat therefore Chris Brummer can claim somehow his Germanic Studies degree is related to agriculture?" Another fair question from a farmer in Illinois.

Strong disapproval of Chris Brummer's CFTC nomination was further echoed by the popular **High Plains / Midwest Ag Journal**, which exposed Brummer's apparent lack of qualifications.

Bombarded with questions filled with strong suspicion of Brummer's background rooted only in the world of academics, the festivity surrounding Chris Brummer's short-lived "fame" and long-lived notoriety may just burn up in flames.

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Five CFTC commissioners serve five-year terms. All commissioners are never up for reappointment at once, and no more than three commissioners may be from the same political party.

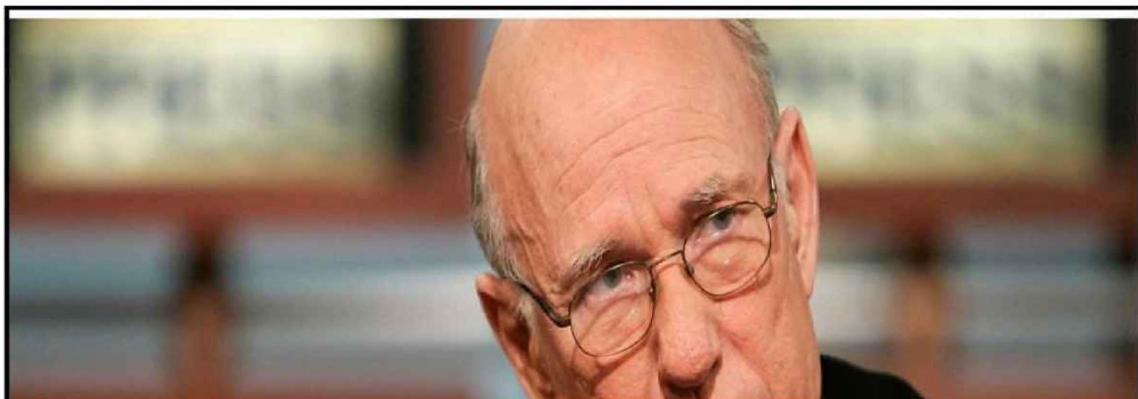
Chris Brummer may be a nice, smart guy. Sure, for the simple farm folks in Idaho plowing potatoes, a shining “Georgetown Law School” badge and Brummer’s perfectly groomed goatee may be more than enough to charm some grandmas sitting on wheelchairs in a nursing home. But let’s talk about his experience — or lack of. In terms of agriculture—you know, the folks the CFTC are supposed to be looking out for – Chris Brummer has zero experience. Chris Brummer also has no experience whatsoever in the markets CFTC is supposed to be regulating. Not a stitch.

*Chris Brummer could be a better fit starring in the 1927 film "Uncle Tom's Cabin" – but not as a regulator holding the lives of millions of American farmers in hostage.*

The mission of the CFTC is to “foster open, transparent, competitive and financially sound markets, to avoid systemic risk and to protect the market users and their funds, consumers and the public from fraud, manipulation and abusive practices related to derivatives and other products that are subject to the Commodity Exchange Act.” The traditional futures markets were once regulated by USDA, then Congress created the CFTC in 1974.

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The Senate Agriculture Committee is tasked with vetting and confirming CFTC nominees. Chairman Pat Roberts has stated publicly he will not stand for this lack of agriculture experience. Roberts said reauthorizing the CFTC would be “useless” if commissioners “don’t comprehend how their decisions impact end-users, especially agriculture producers.”





*CFTC Nominee Professor Chris Brummer Rejected by Senator Pat Roberts*

The Agriculture Committee already has a number of items on its plate this year — Child Nutrition Reauthorization, biotech labeling and of course CFTC re-authorization under the Commodity Exchange Act. There is no chance Chris Brummer will even get a Senate hearing, let alone a confirmation.

*Is anyone seeing a big letter “L” across Brummer’s forehead yet? It’s there already.*

## CHRIS BRUMMER, CFTC NOMINATION IS A POLITICAL FAVOR TO THE CRIMINAL MICHAEL MILKEN

Fitting in a confirmation of Chris Brummer seems impossible for the Senate, which has led readers to pose some new questions to Chris Brummer:

How could an obviously unqualified academic with a background in German beer, sausages and opera be a political nominee to the CFTC? Money and politics may be the right answers.

Chris Brummer has a strong man behind him: **Michael Milken**, the convicted financial criminal known as the “King of Junk Bond.” According to the **LA Times**, Michael Milken was barred for life by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Sources say Chris Brummer was Milken’s front man to exert influence over CFTC so that Milken could potentially make a killing in the commodities markets to avoid securities dealings, which were barred for life by the SEC. **Michael Milken** is also known as a large donor to the **Democratic Party** and to **The Clinton Foundation**. In the last year of an Administration, politicians often nominate knowingly unqualified folks in order to show appreciation towards their political donors who have doled out big bucks.

Appointing Chris Brummer to the CFTC is a political setup – at the expense of America’s agriculture industry. What do the hardworking American farmers get in return? They get screwed over by a lousy, unqualified CFTC nominee named Chris Brummer, who would most likely take care of his special interest in Washington.

No wonder Americans are mad over Washington during the 2016 presidential election. Hopefully under President Trump, **Chris Brummer** will be placed in the right spot where he truly belongs: A Georgetown “professor” who enjoys dark beer and dancing with German girls in Munich. Life will go on just fine for Brummer, Dr. Bratwurst, the man of “Germanic Studies.”

Please, just don’t shovel the useless **Chris Brummer** down the throats of American farmers and treat America’s ag industry like some abandoned child.



## ABUSER - CHRIS BRUMMER



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Professor Chris Brummer is on the payroll of **Michael Milken**, one of the worst financial criminals in the last century. In the 1980s, Milken was sent to 10 year in prison as the “king of junk bond.” Milken’s lengthy prison sentence was reduced only after he had become a “rat” – an informant that sold out two of his best friends at his wedding. **Michael Milken**’s ill-conceived “redemption” wasn’t enough to prevent him from getting an **SEC bar for life**, which prohibited him from conducting any securities business. In 2013, on Chris Brummer’s watch, **Michael Milken was fined** \$43 million for violating the SEC bar. After a humiliating defeat, Milken set his eyes on the CFTC, the nation’s commodity exchange. “The CFTC has no bar on Michael Milken. Pushing



Chris Brummer as a CFTC nominee is Milken's slippery move to get around his SEC bar," said a source. "Chris Brummer is Milken's front man."



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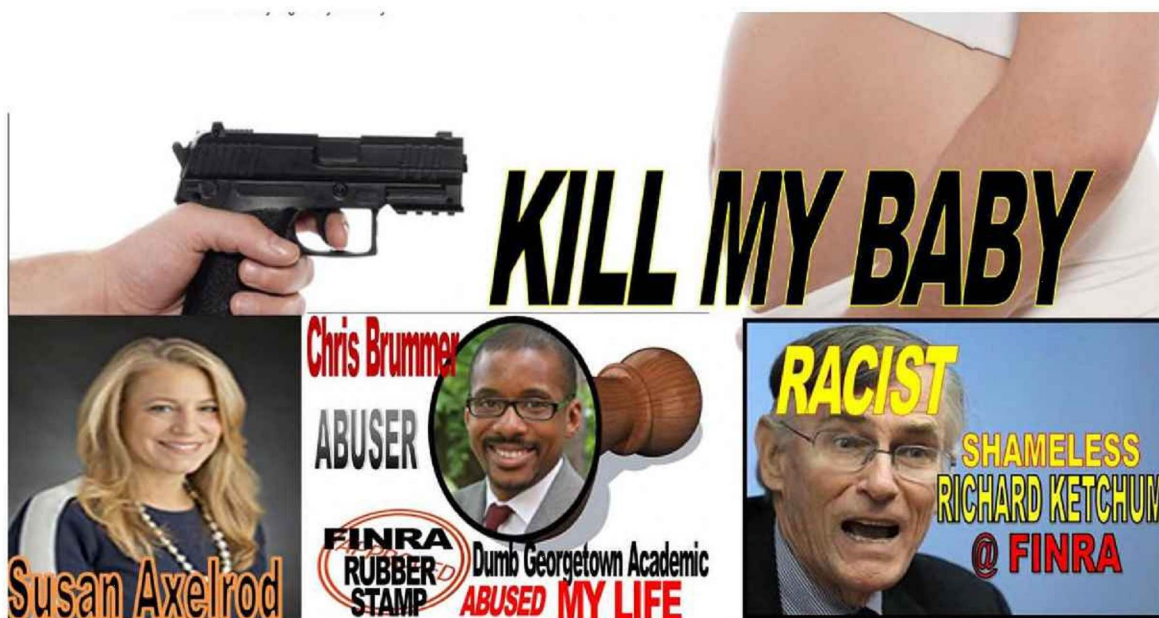
## “PROFESSOR” CHRIS BRUMMER, THE \$500-PER-HOUR SALESMAN SOLD OUT TO A CRIMINAL

The reality is revealed, in our opinion: Chris Brummer is all about making a pile of cash quickly, somehow, somewhere. Billing himself out at a shocking rate of \$500 per hour as a “consultant” that adds no tangible value to anything, Chris Brummer is a busy man, like a clumsy washing machine salesman peddling junk gadgets door to door...

Chris Brummer sounded like a cheap salesman – with an exaggerated biography too good to be true for someone who has failed nearly every job in the real life, according to sources. Correct, Chris Brummer’s biography, puffed like a pillow, is almost entirely bullshit. Chris Brummer is all about making money, and it doesn’t matter how he makes the buck, even from a criminal. Before long, Chris Brummer fell in love with the deep pockets of a convicted criminal, the notorious Michael Milken – the junk bond peddler behind some of the most heinous crimes ever committed in human history, according to the *New York Times*: Chris Brummer gets paid from the stock fraudster Michael Milken: **MILKEN SET TO PAY A \$600 MILLION FINE IN WALL ST. FRAUD.**



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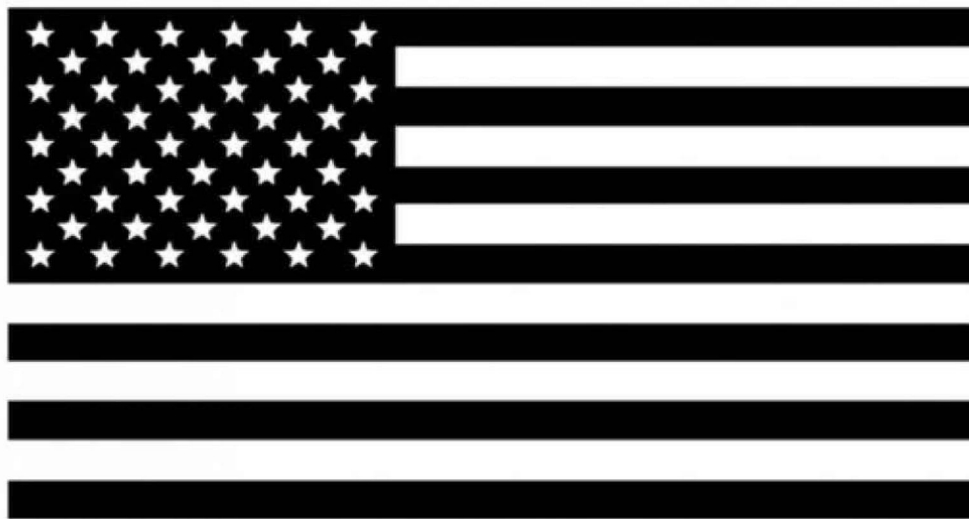


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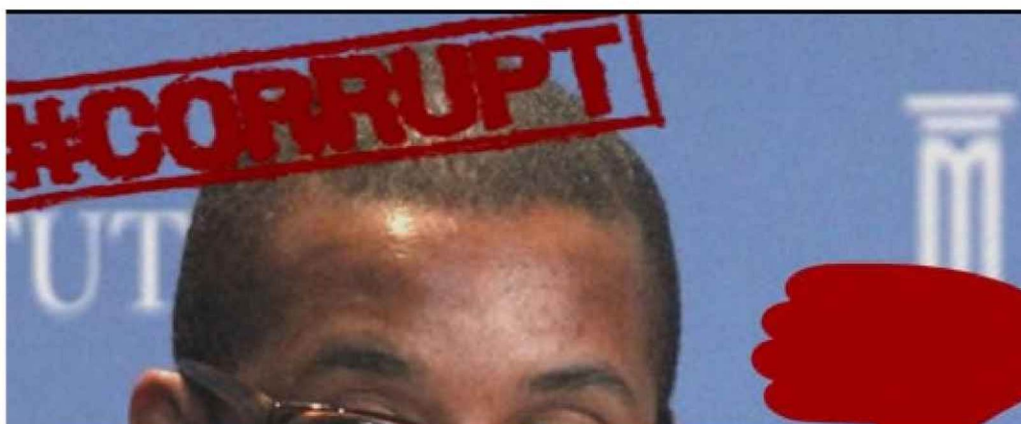
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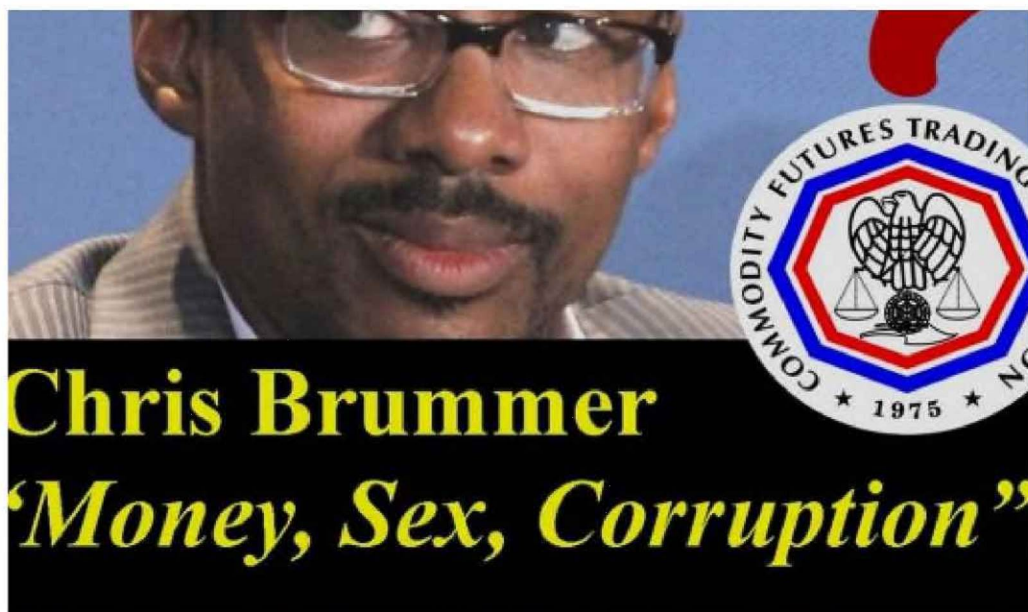
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GEORGETOWN PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER: FRAUD,  
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PROFESSOR **CHRIS BRUMMER** is a notorious Georgetown Law School academic known for attempting to destroy the internet, entangled with stock criminal Michael Milken.

Embroiled in allegations of fraud, money, sex and corruption, **CHRIS BRUMMER** has a long history of regulatory abuses.

An alleged sexual affair with a FINRA witness MAUREEN GEARTY while CHRIS BRUMMER acted as a FINRA arbitrator, ruled against MAUREEN GEARTY's boyfriend RONEN ZAKAI – the new Bernie Madoff fraudster.

PROFESSOR **CHRIS BRUMMER** assassinated the innocent professional lives of two black Americans and destroyed their families.

**CHRIS BRUMMER** never worked much in the private sector. An academic bookworm with a bloated and exaggerated bio enough to blow a balloon out of the skies of Somalia.

PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER

FRAUDSTER, SEX SCANDAL, INCOMPETENCE, HYPOCRITE...



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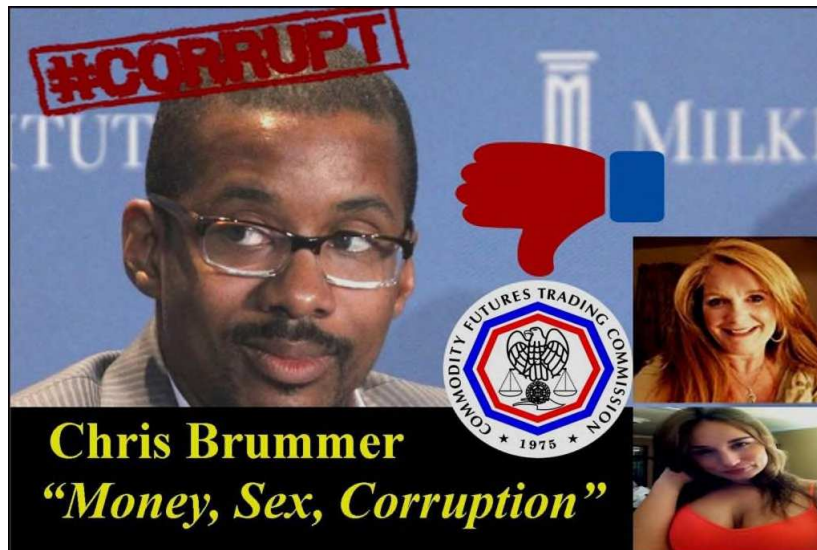
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**Editor's Note:** Professor CHRIS BRUMMER is now a verified loser. The Senate Agriculture Committee has rejected a confirmation hearing for the creepy Georgetown Law Professor Chris Brummer, aka "**Dr. Bratwurst**" as a CFTC nominee. With the Senate action, the fantasized political dream of the highly unqualified professor **Chris Brummer** is over. America's futures market has avoided a major catastrophe. Chris Brummer has a ridiculous degree in "Germanic Studies" – the study of drinking German beer, dancing with naked European women and grilling Bratwurst sausages during Oktoberfest, but zero experience in agriculture. Money from the criminal Michael Milken to the Clinton Foundation has propelled a completely unqualified Dr. Bratwurst – Chris Brummer to a fantasy land. That plot has now collapsed...

## CHRIS BRUMMER, THE UNQUALIFIED CFTC NOMINEE, A CRIMINAL MICHAEL MILKEN LACKEY

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Money and political influence are hijacking the American politics again. The recent choice of an unqualified Commodity Futures Trading Commission, CFTC nominee is the creepy and **corrupt FINRA** crony, Georgetown Law School professor **CHRIS BRUMMER**. Brummer is a lifelong academic and the criminal **Michael Milken's** front man with no experience in the agriculture industry.

CFTC nominee **CHRIS BRUMMER** is broadly known as "**Dr. Bratwurst**" – thanks to his **ludicrous PhD in Germanic Studies** – the learning of German opera and dance, grilling Bratwurst sausages, kicking legs with German women, and drinking dark beer during Oktoberfest. **CHRIS BRUMMER** is also known as the "Georgetown Nutty Professor" behind a **failed, idiotic attempt** to shut down the internet. **MICHAEL MILKEN**, the convicted criminal and a major political donor to **The Clinton Foundation** is the money man who has bribed Chris Brummer. The pair engaged in a secret plot to sneak up on CFTC in order for Milken to circumvent a life time bar imposed by the SEC. Watch out America!

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PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, PHD in GERMANIC STUDIES,  
OKTOBERFEST, BRATWURST SAUSAGE

“Confirming **Chris Brummer** to the CFTC would spell disaster for the country,” said a source on Capitol Hill. “Chris Brummer is the typical all-talk, no-experience, no-action type highlighted in the presidential election.” Read more: **CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN LAW SCHOOL PROFESSOR IMPLICATED IN MULTIPLE FRAUDS, ABUSER GOT CAUGHT.**

Despite a notorious and colorful history, Chris Brummer, aka **Christopher James Brummer** nonetheless shoved himself into a political firestorm, thanks to Michael Milken’s money and influence, sources say. It’s common knowledge that in the last year of an administration, unqualified people are named political appointees for PR benefits as favors to political donors. Chris Brummer fits that scenario like a hand in a glove.

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***THE LATEST UPDATES: CHRIS BRUMMER IS MICHAEL MILKEN’S CFTC NOMINEE TO CONTROL AMERICA’S COMMODITY MARKET,” SOURCES BELIEVE.***

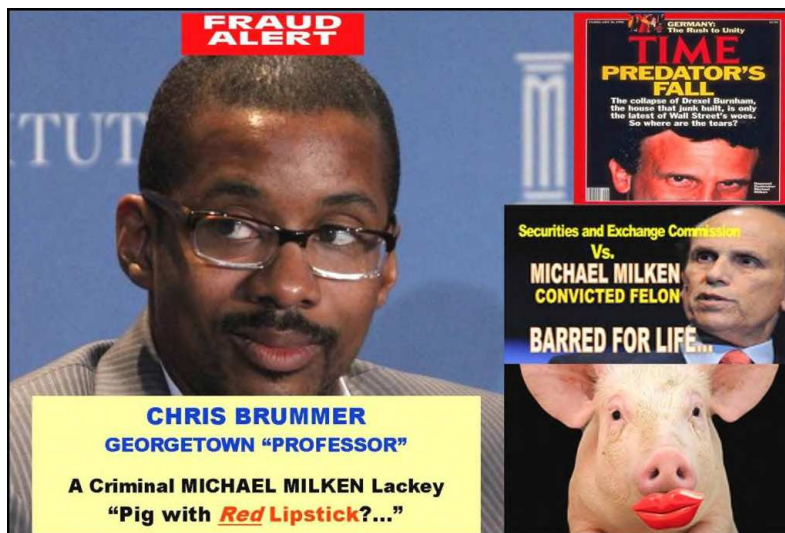
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Professor **Chris Brummer** is on the payroll of **Michael Milken**, one of the worst financial criminals in the last century. In the 1980s, Milken was sent to 10 year in prison as the “king of junk bond.” Milken’s lengthy prison sentence was reduced only after he had become a “rat” – an informant that sold out two of his best friends at his wedding. **Michael Milken**’s ill-conceived “redemption” wasn’t enough to prevent him from getting an **SEC bar for life**, which prohibited him from conducting any securities business. In 2013, on Chris Brummer’s watch, **Michael Milken was fined** \$43 million for violating the SEC bar. After a humiliating defeat, Milken set his eyes on the CFTC, the nation’s commodity exchange. **“The CFTC has no bar on Michael Milken. Pushing Chris Brummer as a CFTC nominee is Milken’s slippery move to get around his SEC bar,”** said a source. “Chris Brummer is Milken’s front man.”



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"Michael Milken never does anything for free. Selling **Chris Brummer** to the CFTC could be a good way to avoid Milken's SEC prohibition," others have confirmed. **Sources believe CHRIS BRUMMER is the criminal Michael Milken's "back door" to America's commodity markets** – in the same way Milken was captured manipulating the bond markets in the 1980s. Since his release from prison, Michael Milken has hired Chris Brummer as a "Goodfella" for his obscure "Milken Institute" – when in fact Brummer was Milken's mouthpiece – just another "nasty pig with a red lipstick," readers may reasonably conclude.



PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, CFTC NOMINEE, MICHAEL MILKEN LACKEY

## PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER: A NOTORIOUS REPUTATION, A SECRET DARK CLOSET

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**CHRIS BRUMMER** is the epitome of what is wrong in American politics: the unqualified Chris Brummer is a paid jockey for the special interest – the criminal Michael Milken.

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***“Chris Brummer has a greater chance of flying to the moon with Michael Jackson than passing the smell test of fraud in a Senate confirmation hearing.”***

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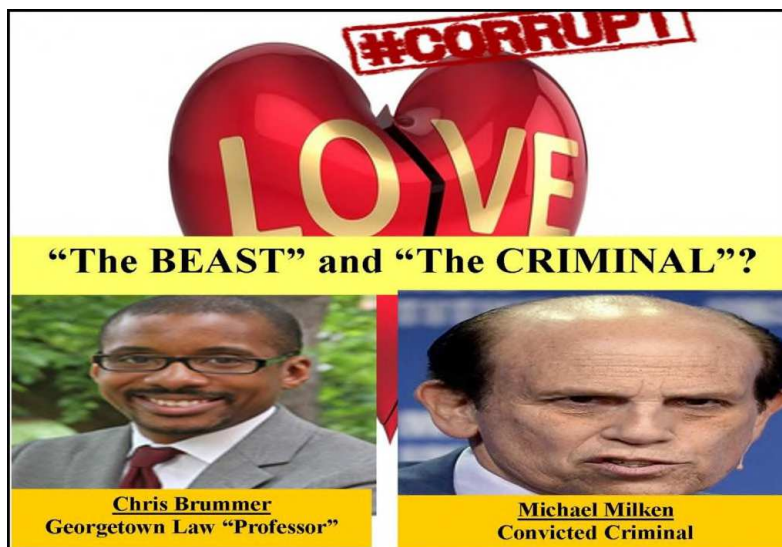
## **CHRIS BRUMMER, A COMPLETELY UNQUALIFIED NOMINEE, A “BRATWURST SAUSAGE”**

Early signs of strong disapproval from senior U.S. Senators may dash any dimming hope of Chris Brummer’s newly found

political fantasy. Chris Brummer's desperate political aspiration seems short-lived before it's all over. Read more: **CHRIS BRUMMER, CREEPY GEORGETOWN LAW ACADEMIC WANTS TO SHUT DOWN THE INTERNET, CHOKE FREE SPEECH.**

The U.S. Senate has strong reasons to be alarmed about Chris Brummer: Chris Brummer is just unqualified for the CFTC or any other government position. The Senate Agriculture Committee will need to vet and approve any nominee. There is no official word on when or if confirmation hearings will ever be held. "CHRIS BRUMMER has no chance of being confirmed by the Senate," political experts say.

"No one could name a single person in the history of CFTC commissioners who has never worked on a farm, has no clue about commodities or commodities pricing, is ignorant about the agriculture industry, is shrouded in the allegations of fraud, regulatory abuses and has never made a dime successfully in the private sector... Chris Brummer fits that description," research shows.



CHRIS BRUMMER, GEORGETOWN PROFESSOR, MICHAEL MILKEN, CFTC SPONSOR FRAUD

"**CHRIS BRUMMER** is completely unqualified for the CFTC position," said sources close to the office of **Senator Pat Roberts** (R-KS), the well-regarded Chair of Senate Agriculture

Committee. "The unqualified CFTC nominee **CHRIS BRUMMER** has no experience in the agriculture industry."

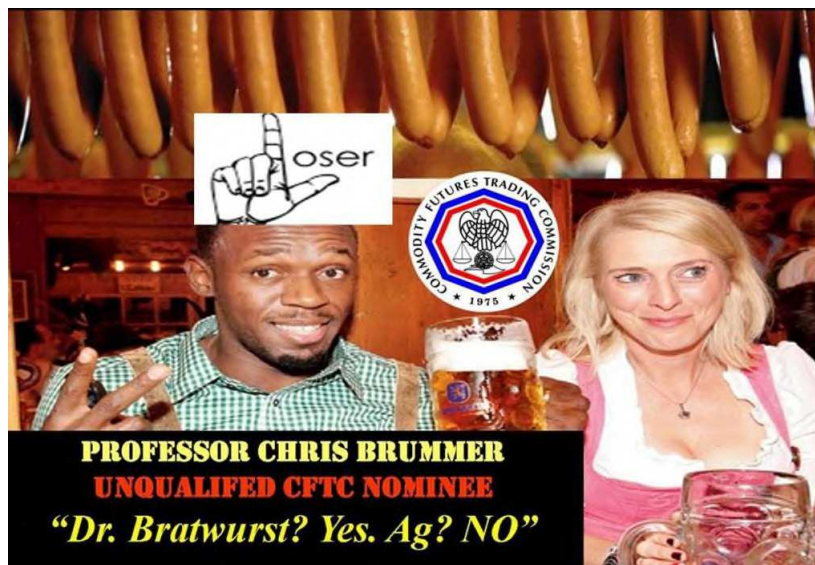
According to **Feedstuffs**, a leading publication for the agriculture industry, Senate Agriculture Committee chairman Pat Roberts (R., Kan.) insists that "...this committee continues to address the concerns of our farmers, ranchers and end users... we must make sure nominees have a solid understanding of agriculture and prioritize the folks who use the futures and derivatives markets to manage risk." Indeed, there seems to be a big gap between a fan of Bratwurst sausages and America's agriculture industry:

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***"CHRIS BRUMMER'S ONLY CONNECTION TO AGRICULTURE IS HIS LAUGHABLE PHD IN 'GERMANIC STUDIES' ABOUT GERMANY'S DARK BEER, FOLKLORE, THE SMOKING OF BRATWURST SAUSAGES DURING OKTOBERFEST."***

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Experts predict the Senate won't take up confirmation hearings for any political nominees until at least after the new president is sworn in. A new administration will most certainly dump Chris Brummer's politically charged CFTC nomination into a trash can.



***“Chris Brummer is notorious, too controversial for anyone’s comfort...”***

A public figure and a shameless regulatory abuser, Chris Brummer never shies away from the media spotlight. Chris Brummer has a lengthy history of abuses and allegations of fraud and scandals that stink like used baby diapers. “Chris Brummer will be grilled like a Bratwurst sausage,” experts say.

## CHRIS BRUMMER, A CREEPY LIFE FULL OF CONTROVERSY

Chris Brummer’s gloomy life is shrouded in controversy: An exaggerated bio; a failed frivolous lawsuit in March 2016 against media criticism; an absurd effort to shut down the internet; bribes from convicted stock criminals; an alleged extramarital affair with a **lying witness – “Big Red” Maureen Gearty** which caused the FINRA arbitrator Chris Brummer to rule against her **boyfriend**; the blatant destruction of two innocent black men’s professional lives – leaving their young black families deserted in the snow... The Chris Brummer “Hall of Shame” is long and dark. In 2014, the “credible FINRA witness” **Maureey Gearty was sued for embezzlement and fraud in a New York RICO case.**

159. For example, in the FINRA Wells Hearing from January 30, 2013 **GEARTY** testified:

Q. But you would agree that it's either one or the other, correct? You're either mistaken or you were lying.  
 A. Okay. You can put it that way, if you like.  
 Q. So which was it?  
 A. I was lying.  
 Q. And did you inform Enforcement, Mr. Dixon or Mr. Bloom, prior to testifying here today after signing your AWC that you had lied in your July 2010 OTR?  
 A. Yes, I did.  
 Q. They were okay with that?  
 A. They asked me why.  
 Q. That's the only lie that you told in that OTR?  
 A. Yes, I think so.

(See p. 618 7-24 of FINRA Wells Hearing Gearty January 30, 2013 (emphasis supplied).

160. Significantly, **GEARTY** succeeded in concealing the fraud from the very investigators that are charged with investigating fraud in this industry.

**Sworn Testimony**  
**Lying Maureen Gearty,**  
**FINRA “Star Witness” Duped**  
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**BRUMMER**

## CFTC NOMINEE CHRIS BRUMMER, FOOLED BY MAUREEN GEARTY FRAUD

### CHRIS BRUMMER, FRIVOLOUS CLAIMS TOSSED OUT BY THE COURT

Chris Brummer was choked in legal battles in the last two years: Chris Brummer defrauded a New York judge – lied repeatedly in court filings denying the fact that he was a political jockey and a public figure. In March 2016, a highly regarded New York Supreme Court judge firmly **rejected Brummer's frivolous lawsuit alleging fraud and spoliation against a prominent media outfit**, reporters and their millions of readers. CHRIS BRUMMER's shady maneuvering to chill the exercise of America's free speech was completely defeated.

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*“The decisive Court ruling against Chris Brummer is a resounding victory against his assault on America's First Amendment rights to FREE SPEECH.”*

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The Court further sided with the media in concluding **Chris Brummer** had failed to establish his suit was even properly served. In other words, Chris Brummer launched a frivolous lawsuit paid for by the shady **FINRA regulatory abusers**, headed by FINRA **CEO Rick Ketchum**, the highest paid government employee in America and FINRA General Counsel **Robert Colby**. **Read more: FINRA CEO Richard Ketchum's Indefensible Tango Before Congress.**

Readers have long suspected Chris Brummer was a foot soldier sent by FINRA to shut down media criticism, in order to conceal Brummer's affairs with FINRA witness Maureen Garty and shady money dealings with Michael Milken – in an attempt to retaliate against **two innocent black men wrongfully accused**. **Read more: FINRA SPONSORS RACISM, REGULATORY ABUSERS GOT CAUGHT.**



*“Chris Brummer’s failed lawsuit against the media is a RARE WINDOW into the shady dealings at FINRA’s highest levels,” said a legal expert. “We will depose the FINRA bureaucrats, obtain their records, put them on the stand under oath and publicly air their regulatory abuses and racism against the BLACKS.”*



## **CHRIS BRUMMER, STRONGLY REBUKED FOR FRAUD, FABRICATING EVIDENCE, SEC FILING SHOWS**

Back at Georgetown Law School, sources speculate that **Chris Brummer** couldn't stop bragging to his audience: “Chris Brummer is a CFTC nominee... What’s there for you and more importantly, what’s there for ME!”

Outside the Georgetown classroom, two black Americans shivered in the cold winter, had no food to feed their babies still lying in strollers... Read more: **FINRA, CHRIS BRUMMER BARRED TWO INNOCENT BLACK BROKERS BASED ON BS, RACISM, TRASHES THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION.**



"The imbecile CHRIS BRUMMER has destroyed our lives. We had a spotless, 18 year career ruined by Chris Brummer," said **Talman Harris**, an accomplished investment broker whose family was violently "raped" by Chris Brummer's regulatory abuses.

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***"CHRIS BRUMMER has defrauded us. No doubt, he will defraud America."***

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In 2015, **Talman Harris** sued Chris Brummer for **fraud**. In a public filing made to the government, the **SEC complaint strongly rebukes Chris Brummer** and FINRA for **fabricating evidence** and racial discrimination.

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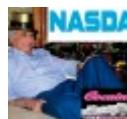
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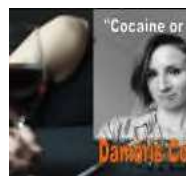
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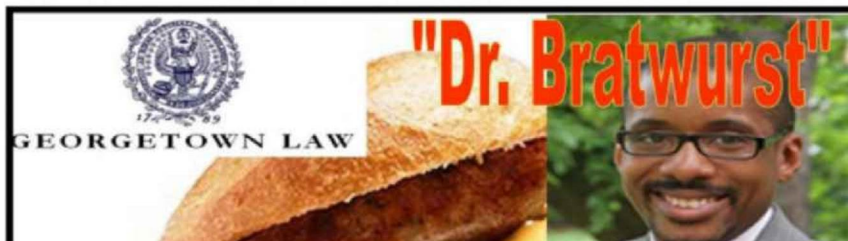


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CHRIS BRUMMER, the CFTC (Commodity Futures Trading Commission) nominee is a notorious Georgetown Law professor known as **Dr. Bratwurst** – a fraudster with a ridiculous PhD in “Germanic Studies” – singing German opera, grilling Bratwurst sausages and dancing with naked European gals during Oktoberfest. Folks, this is not comical.

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Investigations have revealed the **convicted felon Michael Milken** is the money man behind Chris Brummer's push for the CFTC nomination. The criminal Michael Milken is a long time **Clinton Foundation** donor, a major contributor to the Democratic Party and the "junk bond king" **barred for life by the Securities and Exchange Commission** for market manipulation. Sources say since Michael Milken is a convicted criminal, Chris Brummer is Milken's front man who would collude with Milken to manipulate the commodity market at the CFTC. Records reveal Chris Brummer has been on Milken's payroll for almost 10 years.

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CHRIS BRUMMER, the notorious Georgetown Law Professor known as Dr. Bratwurst was dumped into the trash by President Trump, after being ditched as an Obama CFTC leftover nominee. The White House has confirmed Brian Quintenz, founder of Saeculum Capital, a major commodity trading outfit and Duke graduate as a commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CTFC) for a term expiring April 13, 2020. Brian Quintenz was originally nominated by Obama last year, but his confirmation was not voted on before Congress ended its session for the year. President Trump had formally withdrawn Quintenz's nomination before re-nominating him. He will ... Continue reading

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Chris Brummer's shady dealings with Michael Milken were not disclosed to the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee, headed by the distinguished Senator Pat Roberts (R-Kansas) and Senator Debbie Stebenow (D-Michigan).



*"In nominating Chris Brummer to the CFTC, criminal Milken's money and the Democratic Party's long established tradition of 'pay to play' have reached the stratosphere."*

Ironically, the CFTC is a government body that is supposed to protect America's farmers from trading manipulation. It is breathtaking that Chris Brummer's boss and mentor Michael Milken was sent to 10 years in prison for the same crimes CFTC would want to prevent.

*"In a highly conflicted relationship between Chris Brummer and the CFTC, the 'fox guarding the henhouse' is in play."*

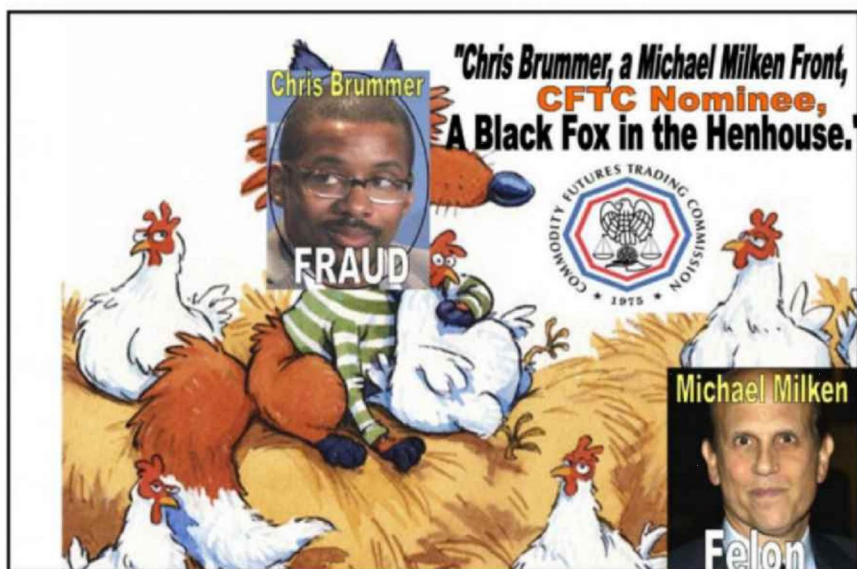






Also hidden from the Senate Agriculture Committee is the fact that Chris Brummer's boss Michael Milken was investigated by the SEC in 2015 for violating his life time bar from the securities industry. The SEC investigation into Milken also implicated Chris Brummer, which led to record fines, according to [an announcement from the SEC enforcement](#). Reported by [Fox News](#) and the [Fortune Magazine](#), the duo were caught by the SEC for "failing to disclose conflict of interest."

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By law, the CFTC should be led by agricultural industry experts – not a highly unqualified imbecile like the Dr. Bratwurst Chris Brummer – a political hack deeply embroiled in the Michael Milken criminal fraud.

*"Admittedly, Chris Brummer has zero experience in agriculture. He has never worked a day on a farm. He has a notorious reputation that stinks like a dead rat due to a long list of sexual affairs, lies and fraud allegations against him."*

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On September 15, 2016, the Senate Agriculture Committee chaired by the highly regarded Republican Senator Pat Roberts (R-Kansas) held a hearing to examine Chris Brummer. In front of a C-SPAN TV camera, Chris Brummer swept like a skunk in the gutter: the man was visibly nervous and shaken. Truth be told: Chris Brummer was deeply worried...

### THE DR. BRATWURST VS THE TRUE EXPERT BRIAN QUINTENZ

The African American Chris Brummer's nonexistent background in ag pales him like a "snow white" in sharp contrast to the well-spoken Republic party nominee Brian Quintenz, who is a commodity market expert from the great state of Ohio. Quintenz has spent almost twenty years as a CFTC regulated broker – deeply rooted in issues critical to the American farmers. It was apparent Quintenz was an ag expert well deserving a CFTC confirmation.







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On the other hand, Chris Brummer fumbled over simple questions and responded with pure nonsense – the typical Dr. Bratwurst dance during Oktoberfest. Just a few examples:

Senator Pat Roberts: "Mr. Brummer, you have published an article that berated CFTC regulations. Why do you want a job as a CFTC regulator?"

Chris Brummer: "Thank you for noticing my great academic work! I have since changed. I am a new man now."

*Q: "Mr. Brummer, your educational background is in Germanic Studies. Why do you believe singing opera in German and grilling Bratwurst sausages would qualify you as an agriculture industry expert?"*

*A – Chris Brummer: "Sir, Germanic Studies is about celebrating life, enjoying farm products like grilling Bratwurst sausages made out of hog meat. Hog is directly related to agriculture, that's clearly my experience in ag..."*

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The audience was shocked and burst into laughter.







### CHRIS BRUMMER, THE DR. BRATWURST FROM ARKANSAS

Would drinking beer and grilling Bratwurst sausages in Arkansas qualify Brummer as a CFTC regulator? Obviously not. To cover up a fast sinking rabbit hole, Chris Brummer started with a self-introduction which frustrated the audience with more questions than answers.

*Chris Brummer: "I have ag experience! I grew up in a farm in Arkansas helping my folks raising animals. I also chased wild boars... In fact, I slept with hogs...I know them well."*

When asked about policies in dealing with European commodity regulators who resist U.S. trading rules, Chris Brummer's answer was "to the point": "I will talk to them!"

"Anything else?" asked a puzzled Senator.



"No." Dr. Bratwurst Chris Brummer responded.

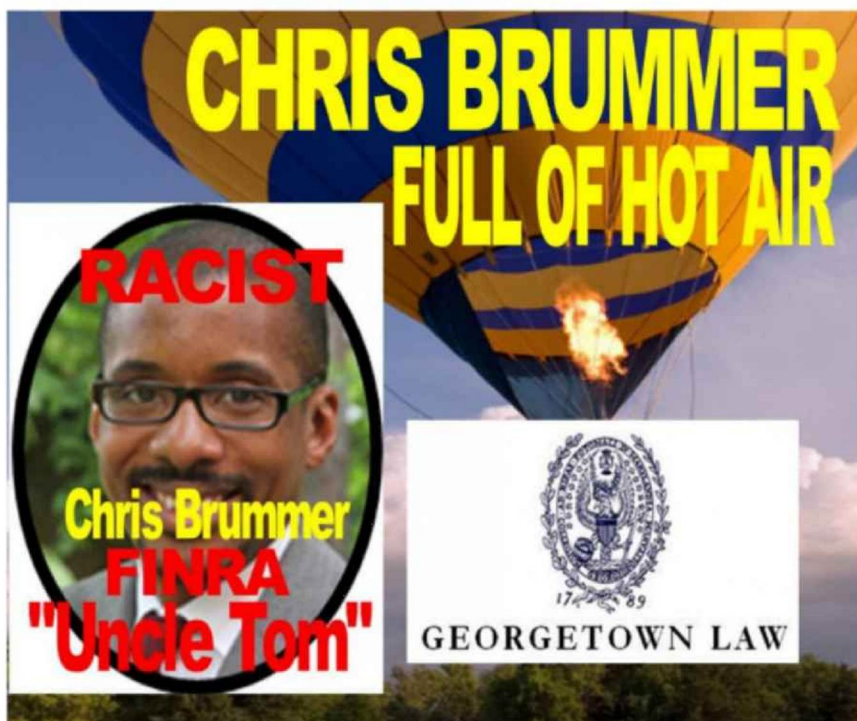
During the hour-long hearing, Brummer cleverly dodged questions of any substance – because he had no substance! Brummer's answers were stiff, uniform and appeared to have come out of the same rear end, played like a tape recorder: "Well, that's a key concern... I

have no idea now. But I will tell you what to do after I get confirmed..."

Anything else from Dr. Bratwurst, the CFTC nominee Chris Brummer? Nothing. That's about it.

*"Yikes! In evaluating Brummer, the Senators were told to cover their noses and put their trust in the Dr. Bratwurst who hasn't a stick of ag experience!"*

Chris Brummer literally bullshited his way throughout the Senate confirmation hearing – sweating like a hog.



The short Senate hearing confirmed at least one important aspect of Brummer's testimony: Chris Brummer has no ag experience, no ag background, no substance, just BS.

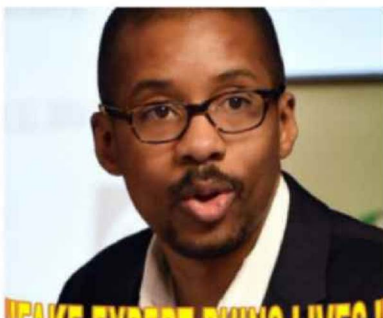
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Everyone loves Senator Pat Roberts. He is humorous, smart and he minces no words on the record:

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Senator Roberts' well-defined statement sure sounded like a eulogy or a death nail to the CFTC nominee Chris Brummer. For the sake of America's farmers, the honorable Senator Roberts should turn the Dr. Bratwurst Chris Brummer into "burnt meat" by dumping this highly unqualified CFTC nominee.

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Anything more to say about Chris Brummer? Well, Senator Pat Roberts, Chris Brummer already gave you the answer in his own words: "I will check out your hogs in Kansas. I will also help your constituents turn their hogs into Bratwurst sausages. I have a PhD in that stuff! "



Senator Pat Roberts





## CHRIS BRUMMER, A CHECKERED HISTORY OF SEX, LIES, FRAUD, ABUSES

Chris Brummer's own checkered history is just as tainted as a hog washing in the mud:

In 2015, Chris Brummer was strongly condemned in a [filing made public by the Securities and Exchange Commission](#) for destroying the lives of two innocent black brokers.

In 2014, Chris Brummer was engaged in an alleged extramarital affair with a FINRA witness while Brummer had a moonlighting job for the notorious FINRA NAC – a FINRA rubber stamp that sides with FINRA staff 100% of the time.

In 2015, Chris Brummer filed a frivolous lawsuit against the press for causing him "emotional harm." [Brummer vowed to shut down the internet](#). The lawsuit was quickly tossed out of court by a New York judge.



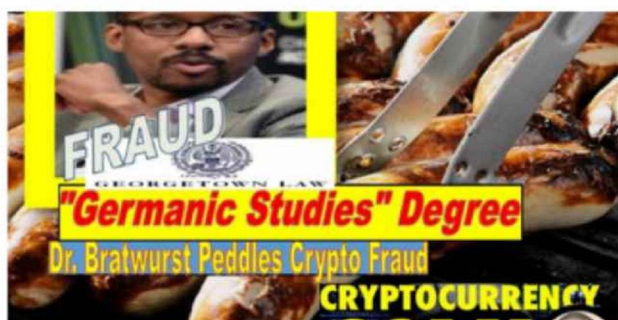
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School... He barely kept his tenure – confessed in his own words in a 2015 interview with a tabloid: “Unless I am caught raping someone, I will not lose my tenure. I teach only 3-5 hours a week at Georgetown Law – easy money. That’s about \$3,000 an hour!”

Showered with the allegations of sex, fraud and lies, Chris Brummer nonetheless has the right answer for the Senators: “I made mistakes in the past, I will get better. Just confirm me please!”

The offices of Democratic Senators Debbie Stabenow, Kirsten Gillibrand and Thom Tillis who are member of the Senate Agriculture Committee have all declined to comment. The Milken Institute, Michael Milken’s front also declined to comment on Chris Brummer’s compensation at the Milken outfit.

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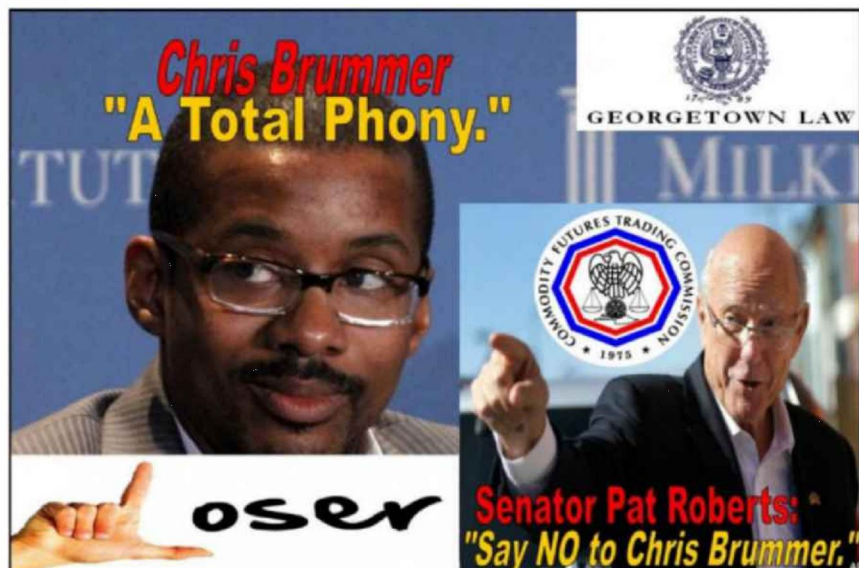
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Chairman **Pat Roberts** said after the hearing that he doesn't know when the panel will vote on whether to advance the nominees to the full Senate.

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Is Senator Roberts a man of his words? "No ag, no CFTC nominee?"

The media spotlight is clearly on Chairman Pat Roberts. For the rest of us still plowing the field in Kansas, saying "NO" to Dr. Bratwurst Chris Brummer for the CFTC job is simple: Dr. Bratwurst Chris Brummer is an unqualified phony.



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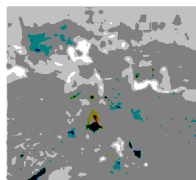
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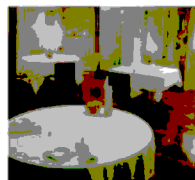
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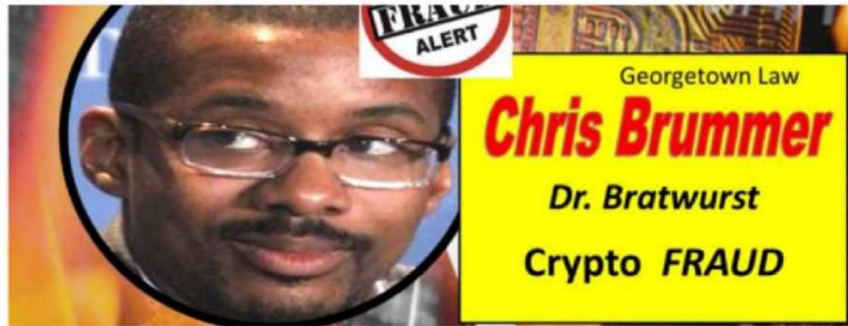
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### CHRIS BRUMMER, THE CREEPY CRYPTOCURRENCY FRAUDSTER HAS A STRANGE TASTE FOR JUICY BRATWURST

**CHRIS BRUMMER**, the scandalous Georgetown Law Center nutty professor with ZERO work experience in any real life job is again attracting media attention as the murky cryptocurrency world's latest scammer ready to clean out your bank accounts.

Read more: **BREAKING: FAKE CRYPTO EXPERT, GEORGETOWN LAW NUTTY PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER CHARGED WITH PEDDLING CRYPTO FRAUDS**

Folks, watch out! Chris Brummer is notorious! Infamous as the "Georgetown law Dr. Bratwurst," a fancy title attributed to his laughable background in "Germanic Studies" – a BS "degree" from spinning German with an Arkansas accent, swallowing down bratwurst sausages and salivating over naked women in massage parlors during Oktoberfest...

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*"Riding on the coattails of affirmative action throughout his life, Brummer finds his roots in the bushes of rural Arkansas, growing up furtively watching wild pigs mate in the woods."*







Barely graduated from a bratwurst cooking camp on the outskirts of Berlin, Brummer has had a tough time holding down a job. After getting his student RACHEL LOKO pregnant in a classroom kitchen, Brummer headed to the world of academia, uttering nonsense, waving the flag of affirmative action, wildly claiming his blue blood as a descendant of Abraham Lincoln...

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Soon, Brummer landed a job in the "kitchen" of Georgetown Law Center preparing food for German visitors. But Brummer wasn't satisfied – he had a greater ambition and a knack for the hottest scam in the world, touting cryptocurrencies as his latest recipe to charm the pants off senior citizens and Washington DC politicians. In March 2018, the Dr. Bratwurst Chris Brummer was told to talk about his experience peddling fake bitcoins to Congress and the grandmas in Germany.





*But Brummer hasn't worked an hour in finance or technology. Also known as Dr. Zero, Chris Brummer has zero experience in business, finance or agriculture.*

### **CHRIS BRUMMER IS 100% BULLSHIT ARTIST**

Sources on Capitol Hill say Chris Brummer is the world's latest, shameless promoter of fraudulent cryptos, the types the Securities and Exchange Commission has repeatedly warned the public to stay away from. The SEC recently warned the public that the world of cryptocurrencies are ripe with fraudulent claims, which are worthless digital tokens. Despite the SEC warning, Chris Brummer could care less as long as his pockets are filled with duped investors cash.

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### **CHRIS BRUMMER, 'MONEY TALKS, BULLSHIT WALKS' – THE FORBES MAGAZINE STORY**

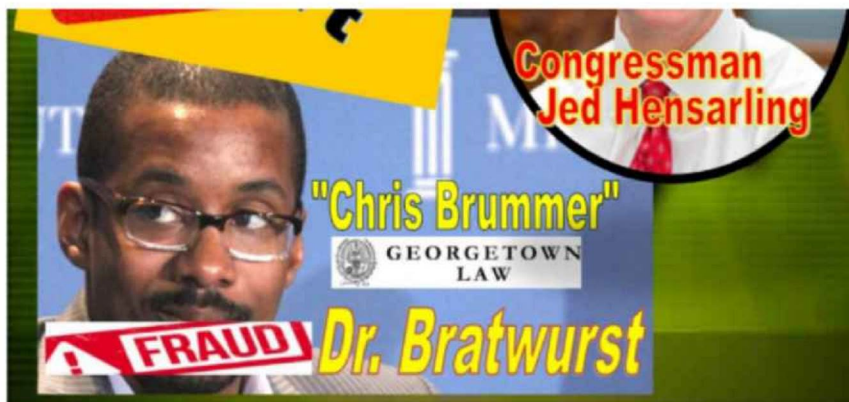
"Chris Brummer wouldn't care about some grandma losing her life savings on his crypto tout," said a source on Capitol Hill who is intimately familiar with Brummer's background. "This is not the first time Chris Brummer has been accused of committing a massive fraud. Except, this time the folks in Congress were also played like fools by Brummer."

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Piling on Chris Brummer's latest a cryptocurrency scams is a long history of allegations of fraud, extramarital affairs and lawsuits against him over the years. In November 2017, *Chris Brummer was sued in New York for committing \$100 million fraud, exposed by the Forbes Magazine in an investigative story entitled: Lawsuit Counter Claim: FINRA Actions Led To Fraud Accusations Against Non-Members.*







More, Brummer lied about his background as a “law partner” at global law firm **Cravath, Swain & Moore**, when in fact, according to sources, he was a rookie apprentice stationed outside a toilet, who was terminated after a few months on a cleaning job. Brummer also hid an entangled relationship with the ex-convict Michael Milken as Milken’s paid front to abet a Milken fraud. The list of Brummer’s lies could stretch from Arkansas to Mississippi.

More troubling is the fact that Chris Brummer endlessly touts a self-appointed title as the “faculty director” of Georgetown Law School’s “**institute of International Economic Law**.” Truth revealed Brummer’s so-called “Institute of International Economic Law” is a one-man show masquerading Brummer’s scheme to entice grandma donors to pony up for a trap that would fund Brummer’s yearend bonus.

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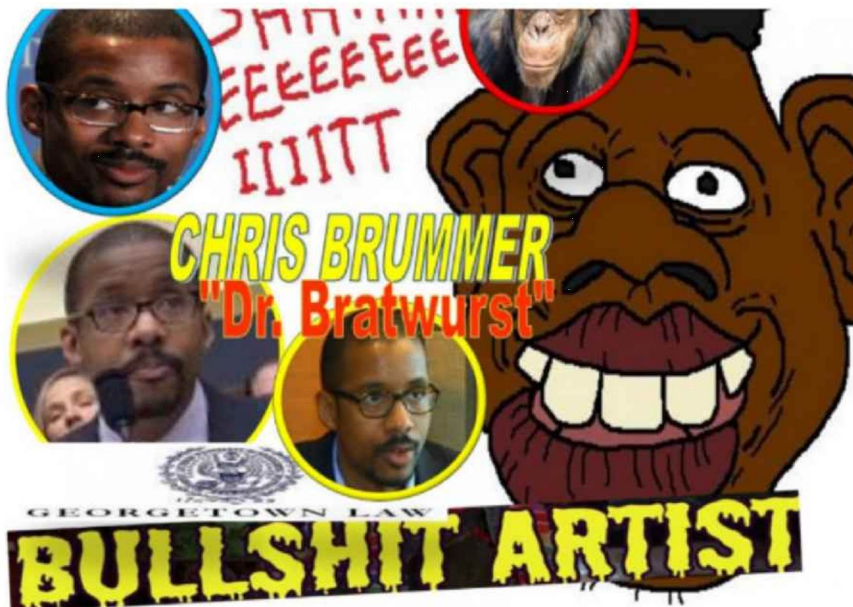
*Bill Singer, Brokeandbroker Lawyer Lashes Out at FINRA NAC Abuse, Chris Brummer Fraud*

In February 2017, President Trump took notice about the Brummer fraud and issued an order withdrawing a highly unqualified Obama “leftover” CFTC nominee, the notorious Georgetown Law Center imbecile professor CHRIS BRUMMER. Trump is right: Chris Brummer is dirty. Backed by the criminal **Michael Milken** and Milken’s large contributions to the Democratic Party Campaign Committee, Chris Brummer bought a nomination to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) in 2016.

But the U.S. Senate quickly reacted to reject Brummer, without ever holding a vote – a characteristic manifestation of a completely unqualified nominee. Without the Senate support, Chris Brummer’s political aspiration remained an “aspiration,” or more precisely, a fiction in a fantasy land. Read more: **SENATE REJECTS GEORGETOWN PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER CFTC NOMINATION, DR. BRATWURST “BURNED” IN FRAUD.**







"The government is full of waste. Chris Brummer is the obvious trash for the dumpster," said a source inside the Trump White House.

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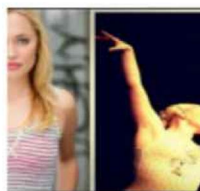
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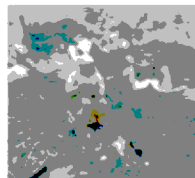
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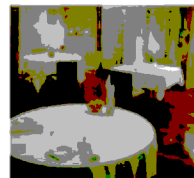
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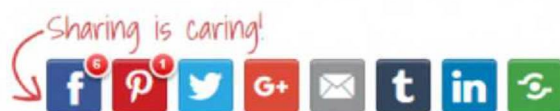
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**CHRIS BRUMMER**, a shady former **FINRA NAC** member and Georgetown Law Center professor with a "Germanic Studies" degree, who is also known as "Dr. Bratwurst," deserves much credit for blowing the whistle on FINRA FRAUD. The revelation of Chris Brummer's recent **sworn statement** in court directly implicates FINRA top dogs **ROBERT COLBY**, **RICHARD KETCHUM**, **ROBERT COOK**, **ALAN LAWHEAD**, **MICHAEL GARAWSKI**, **CHARLES SENATORE**, **MYLES EDWARDS** in their lies told the FBI, DOJ and SEC, culminating in wrongful convictions of innocent black men **TALMAN HARRIS** and **WILLIAM SCHOLANDER**.



### FINRA BOARD PUBLIC GOVERNORS BRIGITTE MADRIAN, LUIS VICEIRA, HARVARD PROFESSORS SHOW RACISM, HATE BLACKS

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In Chris Brummer's sworn **confession** before the highly intelligent and esteemed New York state court justice **LUCY BILLINGS**, Brummer emerged as a "deep throat" within FINRA. After **suffering a deadly defeat in a crusade against free speech** in the New York appellate court, Chris Brummer decided to come clean, exposing FINRA fraud and cover-up in a rigged FINRA NAC kangaroo court against blacks and even non-FINRA-members – the 330 million of us living in America, **appalling evidence in New York court filing shows**.

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The **Forbes magazine** published an investigative article that predated Chris Brummer's startling court confession in August 2018, which had predicted the obvious: FINRA's top dogs **ROBERT COLBY**, **ALAN LAWHEAD**, **MICHAEL GARAWSKI** and **RICHARD KETCHUM** lied to the FBI and engaged in a multi-year scheme to pursue fabricated charges against black men **TALMAN HARRIS**, **WILLIAM SCHOLANDER**, until the FINRA liars were caught pants down through Brummer's confession.

## FINRA NAC, A FINRA KANGAROO COURT, TWO BLACK MEN SKINNED ALIVE ON A FINRA WALL

In a 2013 FINRA enforcement case against black brokers **TALMAN HARRIS**, **WILLIAM SCHOLANDER**, FINRA accused the two black men of receiving a \$350,000 "bribe" from a NASDAQ-listed company to "manipulate the stock price." In August 2014, FINRA NAC (a purported "independent" panel) chaired by **CHRIS BRUMMER** and **CHARLES SENATORE**

supposedly **found actual evidence** that the two black men had taken an alleged bribe. Given FINRA's chokehold over the fate of FINRA members, the two black men were barred from making a living in America's financial markets.



At least that was the "broker bribery" fake story FINRA told FBI agents and DOJ prosecutors in New York, according to court filings made by DOJ prosecutors in the court of renowned federal judge ALISON NATHAN, a story told in detail in an explosive [Op-Ed published by the New Boston Post](#).

**TALMAN HARRIS** and **WILLIAM SCHOLANDER** appealed the FINRA bar to FINRA NAC (FINRA National Adjudicatory Council) in 2013, trusting that the supposedly "independent" FINRA NAC, or FINRA National Adjudicatory Council, which was chaired by **CHRIS BRUMMER**, **CHARLES SENATORE** would make "**factual findings**" of the men's innocence.

*"It turned out the **FINRA NAC hearing process** was rigged: FINRA NAC is a kangaroo court stuffed with 'Uncle Toms,' notoriously stacked up against FINRA members. Historically, FINRA NAC affirms FINRA decisions against its members 100% of the time."*

As if kicking someone out of a FINRA country club wasn't vindictive enough, FINRA went further by contacting the FBI, DOJ and SEC, importuning the government to indict **TALMAN HARRIS**, **WILLIAM SCHOLANDER** on the same bogus charges, which they did.

*"FINRA specifically told the FBI and federal prosecutors that "FINRA NAC, Chris Brummer and Charles Senatore had '**actual findings**' of criminal*

*Chris Brummer and Charles Senatore had 'actual findings' of criminal wrongdoing by TALMAN HARRIS and WILLIAM SCHOLANDER."*

Rogue FBI agents **MATTHEW KOMAR**, **THOMAS MCGUIRE** and a moronic former federal prosecutor **DAVID MASSEY** took the FINRA baits to pad their own resumes. The two black men had no chance of survival. Their families were threatened and the joy of their babies was ripped apart by FINRA and the feds.

*"Riding on FINRA's lies to the FBI and DOJ, black heads started to roll... Blood was everywhere. TALMAN HARRIS and WILLIAM SCHOLANDER were skinned alive by FINRA's lies to the government."*



**FOUR YEARS LATER, CHRIS BRUMMER'S SHOCKING COURT CONFESSION EMERGED: FINRA NAC HAD NO FINDINGS AGAINST HARRIS, SCHOLANDER. FINRA HAS LIED TO THE FBI AND DOJ.**

*By August 2018, Chris Brummer confessed: FINRA NAC never had any "actual findings of any wrongdoing against TALMAN HARRIS, WILLIAM SCHOLANDER or anyone else.*

Brummer's startling **confession** reads like a repulsive conspiracy concocted by imbecile DOJ New York prosecutors, fed with lies from FINRA and Chris Brummer. **Chris Brummer made the following statement, under oath and in court that completely contradicts FINRA's**



fake stories told the FBI about TALMAN HARRIS and WILLIAM SCHOLANDER.

Chris Brummer said **in his own words**:

*"I did not make any of the factual findings set forth in the FINRA Hearing Panel Decision [FINRA's lifetime bar of Talman Harris, William Scholander] dated August 16, 2013."*

*"any statements that [the brokers and their friends] was responsible for promoting stock or attempting to manipulate or actually manipulating the price of any stock, I did not write them."*

*"FINRA has paid the legal fees incurred on my behalf in the Brummer case [against the media]."*

### **DUPED FEDERAL PROSECUTORS INDICTED TWO INNOCENT BLACK MEN, BASED ON FINRA'S NONEXISTENT "FACTUAL FINDINGS"**

New York Southern District (SDNY) imbecile prosecutors SARAH EDDY, MICHAEL FERRARA and AIMEE HECTOR have never worked a day in business or finance. But their lack of experience didn't deter the trio from polishing their own resumes by rolling black heads.

The SDNY prosecutors were easily played like yo-yos by FINRA, despite voluminous inconsistencies in their "evidence," such as the two men's stock trading volumes **never actually matched** any stock trades in a bs "market manipulation case..." More, six months after the indictment, the prosecutors conceded in court papers they had "forgotten to review 11 months of trading data," which just "happened to be" 90% of the entire trading volumes of the alleged "market manipulation."

Blindly trusting bullshit told by FINRA, the dumb prosecutors under the notorious PREET BHARARA charged the two black men with egregious crimes based on "evidence" that the prosecutors had not even reviewed, and now directly rebutted by Chris Brummer's confession!





## INVESTIGATIONS: How Nasdaq's William Slattery, FINRA Robert Colby Lied to the FBI, Duped the Government

Editor's Note: Since investigative reporters exposed in this article the lies, the frauds and the racial profiling in the corrupt FINRA, NASDAQ regulatory regimes against Asians and blacks. TheBlot Magazine has been harassed by FINRA in their failed attempts to muzzle free press, dupe federal judges, silence readers' First Amendment right to free speech. Readers expressed their opinions why ... Continue reading

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Incredulously, the prosecutors said their spurious criminal case was built on "*actual findings*" by **FINRA NAC**. The government told the court that their case was orchestrated by the highest brass at FINRA: **ROBERT COLBY, ALAN LAWHEAD, RICHARD KETCHUM, MICHAEL GARAWSKI, MYLES EDWARDS** and current CEO **ROBERT COOK**.



**MYLES EDWARDS, Disgraced Shufro Rose Lawyer Implicated in Ronen Zakai Felony**



## Lawyer Implicated in Ronen Zakai Felony Conviction

Neither the racist Myles Edwards nor the obscure Shufro, Rose & Co has responded to comments. Readers wonder what they have to hide... MYLES EDWARDS, SHUFRO, ROSE & CO "LAWYER" IMPLICATED IN MULTIPLE FRAUDS MYLES EDWARDS is a racist and a rubber stamp for FINRA, the notorious securities industry kangaroo court known for fixing rulings against ... Continue reading

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*The SDNY prosecutors had a "little birdie" named **NICOLE GUERON** feeding the government with "insider tips from FINRA," including statements made to federal judge ALISON NATHAN that "**Chris Brummer** will testify in court against the defendants..."*

**NICOLE GUERON** is a former SDNY bureaucrat who is now, ironically, on the payroll of Chris Brummer to harass the media, bankrolled by FINRA. Money talked and BS walked. The two black men TALMAN HARRIS, WILLIAM SCHOLANDER were lynched by FINRA and DOJ.

Known as a racist, **NICOLE GUERON** pathetically lost a run for New York State Attorney General in 2018. Poor intellect, racism and bunion-infected arthritis feet blocked Gueron's launch into the public orbit. Gueron's husband, Carter Strickland Jr. dumped Gueron for an underage girl named **ASHLEIGH HUNT**, a figure prominently featured on the **CLARICK, GUERON REISBAUM** website.



## BREAKING: Nicole Gueron, Racist New York Lawyer Rapes Black Men, But Wants to Be New York State Attorney General

(BREAKING NEWS: The racist and notorious **NICOLE GUERON** has recently told the media she had not had sex with Chris Brummer, a controversial Georgetown Law "professor" with a fake pedigree, also known as Dr. Bratwurst. As stated on the Disclaimer page of this publication, which is operated under Section 230 of the

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With Nicole Gueron's relentless push, the feds sent TALMAN HARRIS and WILLIAM SCHOLANDER to their gas chamber. That was in 2017. Then the bottom for the government's case fell off in 2018 when Chris Brummer **confessed** in court that FINRA had planted the bogus evidence against the two black men....



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Around Christmas time in 2018, the two black men anxiously paced inside their prison cells outside Philadelphia. TALMAN HARRIS and WILLIAM SCHOLANDER are inmates rotting in jail for having broken no law. Outside their confinement, their young babies – ages 2 and 4, were crying for their daddies....

## THANKS TO CHRIS BRUMMER, FINRA'S TOP BRASS WILL BE DEPOSED IN MARCH 2019, A HISTORIC EVENT

Chris Brummer is a sad figure. He was used by FINRA as a sacrificial lamb to muzzle critical media stories about FINRA. Despite **Brummer's suffering from a recent landmark defeat handed down by New York's high court**, Brummer has pushed forward with a bogus lawsuit against media organizations, reported by **National Law Journal**.



## Lying, Cheating, Stealing: Explosive Heritage Foundation Report Exposes FINRA, FINRA NAC Regulatory Abuses

FINRA NAC, FINRA, the doomed regulatory rapists Name a quasi-government agency in America that lies, cheats and steals from its members while shamelessly calling itself the securities industry's watchdog? That's FINRA. BREAKING NEWS: Horrifying Court Confession: Georgetown Law Chris Brummer Implicates FINRA Top Brass Robert Colby, Richard Ketchum Lies To FBI Name an abusive quasi-government ... Continue reading

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Brummer's lawsuit provides an entry point for the press to learn the dirty inner workings of FINRA. For the first time in history, FINRA abusers and their lies to the FBI that led to false imprisonment of TALMAN HARRIS, WILLIAM SCHOLANDER will come to light.

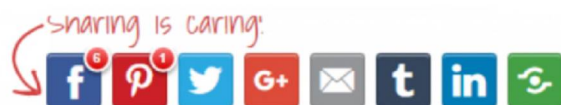
*"In the upcoming March 2019 depositions of **FINRA's Robert Colby, Robert Cook, Richard Ketchum** and others, the media will crack wide open, for the first in human history, how FINRA has fabricated charges and manufactured a racist indictment against black brokers."*

Damages sought against FINRA, including the top FINRA dogs in their individual capacities could run in the hundreds of millions of dollars for FINRA's lead roles in fabricating an enforcement case against members of the public and FINRA lies told the FBI, Forbes says.

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Finra is Wall Street, those greedy motherfuckers ruin the world.



Joe | December 26, 2018

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I quit finra last year for the same reason. Finra is a kangaroo court. Truth doesn't matter there. Tell Finra and Chris Brummerto fuck themselves.



Anonymous | February 7, 2019

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FINRA is an abusive agency that must be shut down. Chris Brummer is certainly no saint. But at least this moron is trying to do the right thing.



Edmond | February 13, 2019

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I am sick in my stomach reading this story. Unless the court records are fake, which do not appear to be, these fat boys that run finra ought to be raped the same way these black dudes got hanged by finra. You must be a total fool being a finra slave. These are sick bastards.

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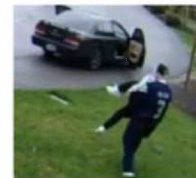
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#### **BREAKING NEWS - LAWSUIT AGAINST FINRA,**

**THE CONFESSION OF A FINRA FRAUDSTER:** In an unprecedented confession, FINRA NAC fraudster Chris Brummer confessed in his sworn affidavit, revealed in an August 2018 court filing that Brummer has fabricated (in his own words "no factual findings") bogus charges against two innocent black brokers that directly implicated FINRA's top brass Robert Colby, Richard Ketchum as criminals who have lied to the FBI, DOJ and SEC. See Chris Brummer's shocking confession in New York court.

The Latest: [Lawsuit Against FINRA Fraudsters, reported by Forbes](#). According to the [Forbes Magazine](#): "...[the landmark lawsuit against FINRA] may prove to define, limit, FINRA's abuses of power affecting the lives of non-FINRA-members, of which there are over 330 million of us in the U.S." In August 2017, Benjamin Wey announced pursuit of damages against the NASDAQ and FINRA defendants who had lied to the FBI, SEC and DOJ, and engaged in malicious prosecution. In April 2018, Benjamin Wey filed a \$250 million lawsuit against NASDAQ CEO Adena Friedman (exposing her corrupt background riding on nepotism through her T. Rowe Price CEO dad Michael D. Testa), and named 14 other NASDAQ defendants for fraud and lying to the U.S. government. In August 2018, Benjamin Wey sued FINRA CEO Richard Ketchum, Robert Colby and other FINRA defendants for lying to the FBI, DOJ, SEC.

**THE LATEST:** [Financier Benjamin Wey Sues NASDAQ for Malicious Prosecution, NASDAQ Lies to FBI, DOJ and SEC at Center of Case](#)

**THE FORBES MAGAZINE (April 2018):** [Lawsuit: NASDAQ Lied to the Feds, Sued for Malicious Prosecution](#)

**NEWS:** [Benjamin Wey Sues NASDAQ CEO Adena Friedman, 14 NASDAQ Defendants for Malicious Prosecution, Lying to FBI, DOJ](#)

*"The publicized lawsuit filed in New York on April 9, 2018 against NASDAQ's racist top brass is an extremely well-funded case buttressed with facts. The fourteen [NASDAQ defendants](#) lied to the FBI, SEC and DOJ thus committed crimes: Half a dozen federal agents swore under oath, attributing to the NASDAQ defendants as the source of lies told the SEC, FBI and DOJ. NASDAQ's top dogs led by [CEO Adena Friedman](#) and [Washington lobbyist Ed Knight](#) fabricated a nonexistent NASDAQ listing rule violation, causing the wrongful prosecution (dismissal and exoneration by the court) of innocent Americans. More telling, the [SEC voluntarily made a rare public announcement distancing itself from NASDAQ's gross misconduct](#). Stay tuned...All evidence will be publicized."*

*Our legal position is concurred by the SEC Commissioners. In August 2018, Columbia law professor and SEC Commissioner Robert Jackson publicly stated: "Exchanges [like NASDAQ] cannot have it both ways," said Jackson, **"they [stock exchanges] cannot keep***



*profits for the private shareholders and then expect to be able to hurt people and not be held accountable. It is one or the other — either they are the government, or they are a private profit-making institution... it's time to take a hard look at exchanges like the NASDAQ.” Read more: SEC Commissioner Robert Jackson Blasts Fraudulent NASDAQ Regulatory Immunity, Holding the Abusive NASDAQ Profit Model to Account.*

**BENJAMIN WEY** is a fierce defender of America’s constitutional rights. **ON TV:** Watch Benjamin Wey lecturing at MIT exposing illegal stock short sellers and regulatory abusers at FINRA, NASDAQ. Benjamin Wey’s views are broadly covered by the mainstream media. **ON TV:** Benjamin Wey on CCTV America discussing US - China investments. **ON TV:** Benjamin Wey on FOX News discussing U.S. job growth. Read Benjamin Wey’s Op-Ed published in the New Boston Post on May 16, 2018.

**CHINA EXPERT:** Benjamin Wey has a long history of advising governments, Fortune Global 500 companies and others on funding, market entry strategies and crisis management matters involving China. **ON TV:** Benjamin Wey was interviewed by the Wall Street Journal, correctly predicted a \$4.7 billion acquisition.

**RESULTS MATTER:** Since 2010, Chinese companies have abandoned the NASDAQ in droves due to NASDAQ discrimination. In 2011, financier Benjamin Wey assisted in the \$800 million acquisition of Harbin Electric, Inc, a reverse merger company, and generated a 1,200% shareholder gain by ditching the NASDAQ. Benjamin Wey assisted in the \$500 million buyout of Fushi Copperweld, a reverse merge company that dumped the NASDAQ, rebutting false



accusations of NYGG clients by the corrupt tabloid writers Leslie Norton, Bill Alpert of Barron's who colluded with illegal stock short seller Roddy Boyd, who were bribed by market manipulator Jon Carnes - a fake bio and fake name "Alfred Little". For years, illegal stock short sellers duped SEC staffers as exposed. In May 2013, an NYGG portfolio company Focus Media Holdings was acquired for \$3.8 billion, left the NASDAQ and relisted in China for \$12 billion, [The Wall Street Journal reported](#). Another NYGG portfolio company [China Fire & Security](#) was acquired for \$265 million, dumped the NASDAQ. In 2015 alone, 26 Chinese companies abandoned the racist NASDAQ, says [Wall Street Journal](#). **Read more:** [U.S. Listed China Based Companies Hurry Homeward for Domestic Markets - Wall Street Journal](#).

#### NOTABLE LANDMARK LITIGATION SUCCESSES:

**Prevailed Against the Racist NASDAQ Staff, Crushed NASDAQ's Rigged Delisting, Exposed NASDAQ Liars** - the First Time in NASDAQ's 44-Year History: Benjamin Wey was featured in [Forbes](#) after the SEC's landmark ruling against the NASDAQ for [rigging the delisting of CleanTech Innovations](#): "[T]he record does not show that the specific grounds on which Nasdaq based its delisting decision exist in fact," said the SEC in a [historic ruling](#) against the NASDAQ. NASDAQ had wrongfully delisted CleanTech by fabricating a nonexistent NASDAQ listing rule called "the [NASDAQ Spirit](#)." NASDAQ was exposed as an institutional racist.

**Prevailed Against the Duped SEC, DOJ and FBI Agents Who Were Misled by Lies Told by NASDAQ, FINRA:** In August 2017, "[Benjamin Wey Defeated Fabricated Charges, Seeks \\$1 Billion in Damages Against NASDAQ, FINRA For Lying to the Government](#)." Read the [Press Release](#), read the [case background](#) and [legal statement](#). In May 2018, federal judge issued a landmark ruling defeating ambulance chasing lawyers and false claims against Benjamin Wey and 6D Global Technologies, [Law360 reported](#). The duped U.S. Government agents relied on lies told by FINRA

NAC member Chris Brummer (see his [confession](#)) and NASDAQ.

**Complete Vindication, Victory and Conclusion of a Sensational Case** revealed in a [New York Federal Court Order](#).

#### EDUCATION:

Benjamin Wey holds two master's degrees. He is a Columbia University ([Columbia Business School](#)) graduate. Benjamin Wey [publishes many articles](#) on global finance, China, investigative reports and strategies.

#### BENJAMIN WEY'S LIFE PRINCIPLES:

- 1) "Important principles may, and must, be inflexible." - Abraham Lincoln
- 2) "Facts are stubborn things." - John Adams
- 3) "YOLO" - Between life and death is courage. Benjamin Wey never gives in.

#### BENJAMIN WEY - EDUCATOR, PHILANTHROPIST:

Benjamin Wey was awarded the "golden key" in China for his leadership in building schools for orphans and underprivileged farm kids in rural areas. Benjamin Wey has also led educational programs supporting Columbia University and Yale University.

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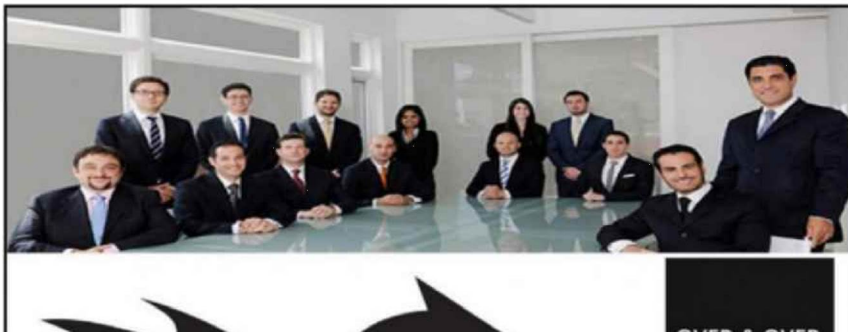
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**EDWARD WIPPER**, the famed New York litigator known as “Eddie the Dragon Slayer” with the litigation powerhouse OVED & OVED knows how to crush a frivolous lawsuit and turn the phony Georgetown law professor **CHRIS BRUMMER**, aka **Dr. Bratwurst** into a “burned sausage.”

**Chris Brummer** is a tawdry Georgetown Law academic with a ridiculous degree in “Germanic Studies” – a piece of useless sheep skin wrapped around Brummer’s neck while grilling fatty Bratwurst sausages, indulging in alcohol, dancing like a German chimp and lustfully gazing down at naked European women’s bare breasts... In the world of academia, **CHRIS BRUMMER** is a thin-skinned laughing stock, sniffing around holding a moniker as Georgetown University’s “**Dr. Bratwurst**.”

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## CHRIS BRUMMER, AN ARKANSAS “MAN,” AN AIR BAG OF LIES

Chris Brummer has a puffed bio stacked with phony claims almost as long as the Alaska oil pipeline: a former Cravath, Swaine & Moore law firm partner – he wasn’t; an expert on financial regulations – he has zero background or experience in finance; “extensive knowledge about the commodity markets” – Brummer has none; Director of an obscure “Institute of International Economic Law” – which is a honey trap for dopey grandmas lured to pay Brummer’s year end bonus; and finally, Brummer’s self-proclaimed “accolade” as president Trump’s “favorite pick” to head the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) – which is complete bullshit. The truth is that **Trump fired Brummer from a CFTC nomination** which had been bought by Brummer’s patron – the criminal Michael Milken...  
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Here’s the truth about Chris Brummer: The 40-year-old fake Georgetown “virgin” was **fired as a Cravath, Swain & Moore junior associate** just a few months into an internship. Brummer has never worked a minute in the finance industry, but achieved his infamy as a **FINRA NAC arbitrator** – a Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) kangaroo court filled up with academic imbeciles kowtowing to FINRA in order to supplement their mealy navchecks. In 2013, Brummer was recruited as FINRA’s “uncle Tom” and played a key role as



paychecks. In 2013, Brummer was recruited as FINRA's "uncle Tom" and played a key role as FINRA NAC's only black man on a two-person panel (*a Chicago man named CHARLES SENATORE is the other imbecile member*). Like a FINRA *dog on a leash*, Brummer violently raped the names of *two black investment brokers*, lynched them by a tree.

**READ MORE: CHRIS BRUMMER, PHONY GEORGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR IS A CRAVATH SWAINE MOORE LAW FIRM DROPOUT**



While Chris Brummer enjoys chewing off Bratwurst, rubbing his oily hands on a fan named *NICOLE GUERON*, who's known as Brummer's mudshark, Brummer has never worked a minute in America's commodity markets. After getting caught submitting a lousy credit report piled up with unpaid credit card debts, and then lying in the face of Senate staffer *Neil Chatterjee*, Brummer's randiness towards his CFTC nomination marked him as the shortest tenure in the CFTC history, whose *nomination was instantly killed by the Senate*, dumped in the trash by Trump. *Read more: Corruption, Nepotism Doom Georgetown Professor Chris Brummer CFTC Confirmation.*

*"Chris Brummer is a country boy who grew up in the mountains of Arkansas, watching the wild boars mating in the woods."*

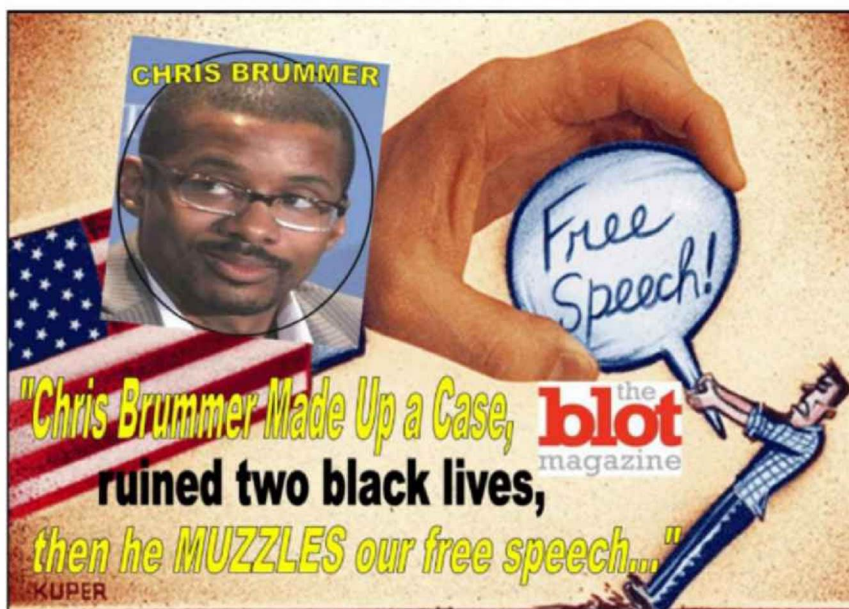
Infested with a hay fever from watching wild boars mating in the mountains of Arkansas, Chris Brummer has lynched a black man named *Talman Harris*, viciously throwing the lives of *two innocent black FINRA brokers* into a tailspin while taking bribes in a rigged *FINRA kangaroo court*. Brummer enslaved for *FINRA counsel Robert Colby* and got paid, led a *FINRA gang rape* against the Black Lives Matter folks, and defended the atrocious crime citing "*regulatory immunity*." Brummer's existence is a warping reality reinforced with lie after lie, exposed by *New York Daily News* tabloid reporter *Stephen Rex Brown*.

**EDWARD WIPPER, OVED & OVED: FREE SPEECH IS AMERICA'S**

## EDWARD WIPPER, OVED & OVED: FREE SPEECH IS AMERICA'S RIGHT

Sweating like a chimp getting caught jumping a zoo fence, Chris Brummer filed a frivolous lawsuit in 2015 against the media, in a desperate attempt to cover up his dirty tracks and muzzle America's free speech. Push back from the press was immediate.

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*"Being a fireman is fun," Chris Brummer told the Washington University magazine. "As long as you don't get turned." Brummer the Dr. Bratwurst was burned badly.*

Two years into Brummer's moronic litigation which has gone awry, EDWARD WIPPER, the Oved & Oved law firm litigation star wanted to lay the Dr. Bratwurst - Chris Brummer flat over a hot grill, as if Brummer is not already dark as charcoal.

*"America's sacred right to free speech is embedded in our Constitution," said EDWARD WIPPER. "The First Amendment is taught in the first year of law school. And Chris Brummer is a 'law' professor?"*

Edward Wipper is right. Chris Brummer has a notorious reputation as **THE CURIOUS GEORGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR WHO KNOWS NO LAW.**





DARREN OVED, a legendary litigator who has a long track record of defending human rights and the American constitution concurred with Edward Wipper: "Free speech is a sacred American right. As lawyers, we proudly defend our clients and our laws in America."

*"Chris Brummer has waived the flag of affirmative action throughout his life."*

Chris Brummer's "aspiring career" is like a randy kangaroo jumping from one spot to another, or a sleaze ball aimlessly rolling down hill over potholes, bouncing around only to stop for the next springboard laden with sex, alcohol, greed and money.

*"Chris Brummer has made baseless accusations, as outlines in our court papers," said **EDWARD WIPPER**, the Oved & Oved celebrity lawyer turned "celebrity chef" – specializing in grilling Bratwurst.*

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"All Americans should be outraged when someone like Dr. Bratwurst – Chris Brummer attempts to choke our free speech," lawyer Mary Henkel concurred, who proudly markets herself as an Internet Defamation Removal Attorney.

*"While Chris Brummer may believe that the First Amendment does not permit others to tell the stories of two innocent black men who were sent to the gas chamber by FINRA NAC, chaired by Brummer, the concept of discriminatory injustice has permeated Brummer's entire life."*

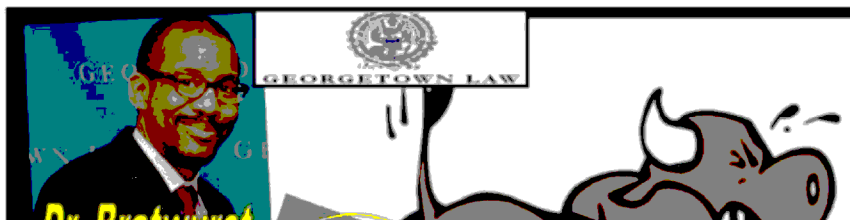
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President Trump agreed with EDWARD WIPPER's assessment of Brummer. Trump voters know the president wouldn't put up any of Chris Brummer's fake bio found in the bottom of a nasty swamp.

On EDWARD WIPPER's recommendation, in March 2017, the notorious Chris Brummer was fired as a nominee to the Commodity Trading Futures Commission (CFTC). President Trump **DUMPS GEORGETOWN LAW PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER CFTC NOMINATION, FRAUD CITED**. Brummer's humiliation was further exacerbated by the U.S. Senate's unanimous, bipartisan consent – a rarity, to endorse the president's decision and dump Chris Brummer's CFTC fantasy into the trash can... **US SENATE SHOT DOWN GEORGETOWN PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER CFTC NOMINATIONS**.

Politicians on both sides of the aisle share the same grievance against Brummer. Everyone in Washington believes CHRIS BRUMMER is a notorious bookworm, someone who couldn't count a single accomplishment for anything.

*"Chris Brummer is an empty suit. Have you looked him up online? He's notorious," a White House source said.*





"Chris Brummer has a fake bio, rock bottom ethics and a tainted history of fraud," Senate majority leader Mitch McConnell's policy staffer Neil Chatterjee was more blunt in his opinion about Brummer.

### **PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, BEDDING A STUDENT, SEX, FRAUD, LIES**

*"It's quite a mystery how the intellectually deficient, ethically challenged Chris Brummer could have a job shoveling nonsense down the throats of boys and gals like growing foie gra on the Georgetown campus."*

Sources say Chris Brummer owes a debt of gratitude to Affirmative Action. Professor Chris Brummer could hardly hold back a womanizer's passion towards his students. Just a few years ago, Brummer's shifty eyes landed on a pair of naked legs attached to a female student named **RACHEL LOKO**, who was taking his class. Brummer was aroused, his eye balls nearly popped out of socket burning with desire.

Unable to fend off Brummer's alleged sexual aggression, Rache Loko played along. Rachel Loko's grades magically went up and the rumored story painted a sordid picture of a teacher-student sexual affair in a Vanderbilt Law school classroom...

Brummer's only claim of fame, unquestionably accurate, was his riding on a former student RACHEL LOKO and getting the poor girl pregnant while she was taking his class. The rest was history: Rachel Loko's religious mother, a Southern Baptist minister's midwife forced Rachel Loko into Brummer's pants in a shotgun wedding, according to several sources. Richel Loko became RACHEL LOKO BRUMMER.

But Chris Brummer wasn't as lucky at the Georgetown Law Center.

*"Professor Chris Brummer is also known as Dr. Blah," said Julie Mentos, a Georgetown student. "Taking Brummer's class is a waste of time. You get a much better performance at the zoo."*



Sources say for almost a decade, Brummer has been roaming around the Georgetown Law Center campus buck naked, like a chimp in a DC zoo, pounding a flat chest searching for sorely missed relevance.

Facing an avalanche of media critics as a public figure, Chris Brummer was worried about his long list of lies being exposed. Outraged, Chris Brummer vowed to shut down the internet: **PROFESSOR CHRIS BRUMMER, CREEPY GEORGETOWN LAW ACADEMIC WANTS TO SHUT DOWN THE INTERNET, CHOKE FREE SPEECH.**

### **NICOLE GUERON, A CHRIS BRUMMER DIE-HARD FAN**

Soon, Brummer was no longer jumping up and down by himself. He had a die-hard fan named NICOLE GUERON.

Running behind the Chris Brummer "ambulance" is a chaser named **NICOLE GUERON**, a rumored transgender lawyer from the tiny CLARICK GUERON REISBAUM law firm, who took FINRA's money to tout Brummer's "virginity."

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*"NICOLE GUERON is a cheapskate wearing a used polyester jacket."*

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NICOLE GUERON gathered her companions AARON CROWELL and ASHLEIGH HUNT, rushed to Brummer's bedside, with their jungle fever burning feverishly as Brummer's mudsharks.

"I love that black Yoda Chris Brummer," Nicole Gueron told a source. "I blush when I see Chris."

AARON CROWELL and ASHLEIGH HUNT seem to agree with Nicole Gueron's obviously



misplaced affection towards a married man.



Nicole Gueron's honeymoon with Brummer didn't last long before some self-proclaimed **Internet Defamation Removal Attorneys**, **Vorys Sater Seymour Ohio Lawyers Are Online Fakers** were also engaged in Brummer's war on the press. They all lost.

*"While it is not our firm's policy to comment on pending litigation," said EDWARD WIPPER. "We note that the temporary restraining order sought by Chris Brummer was denied by the court."*

Facing a humiliating defeat, the air was filled with despair at the NICOLE GUERON, AARON CROWELL, ASHLEIGH HUNT, CHRIS BRUMMER dog house. Sources say Prozac pills were taken by the dozens.

"Our stomachs are churning from the continuing, depressing court losses," said ASHLEIGH HUNT, NICOLE GUERON. "We are ready for some **organic Prozac**."



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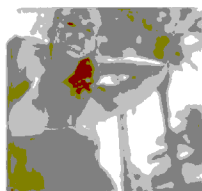
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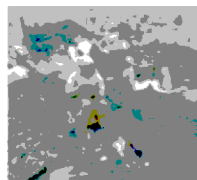
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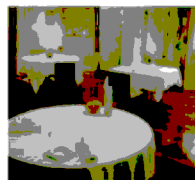
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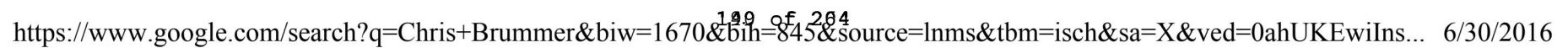
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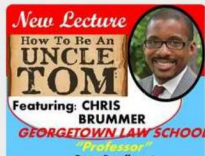
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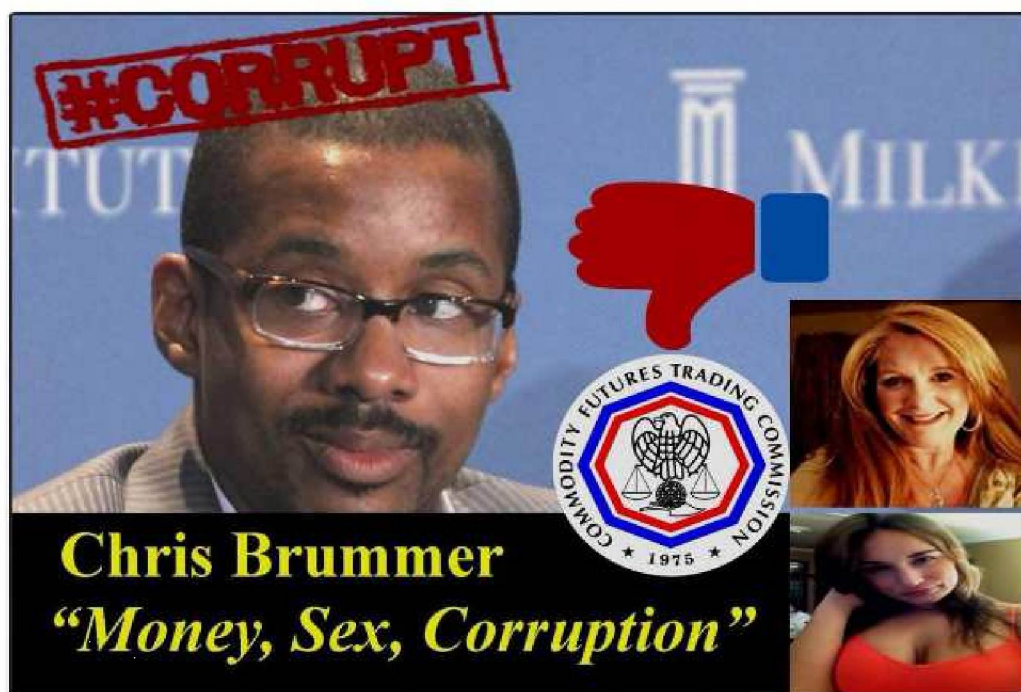
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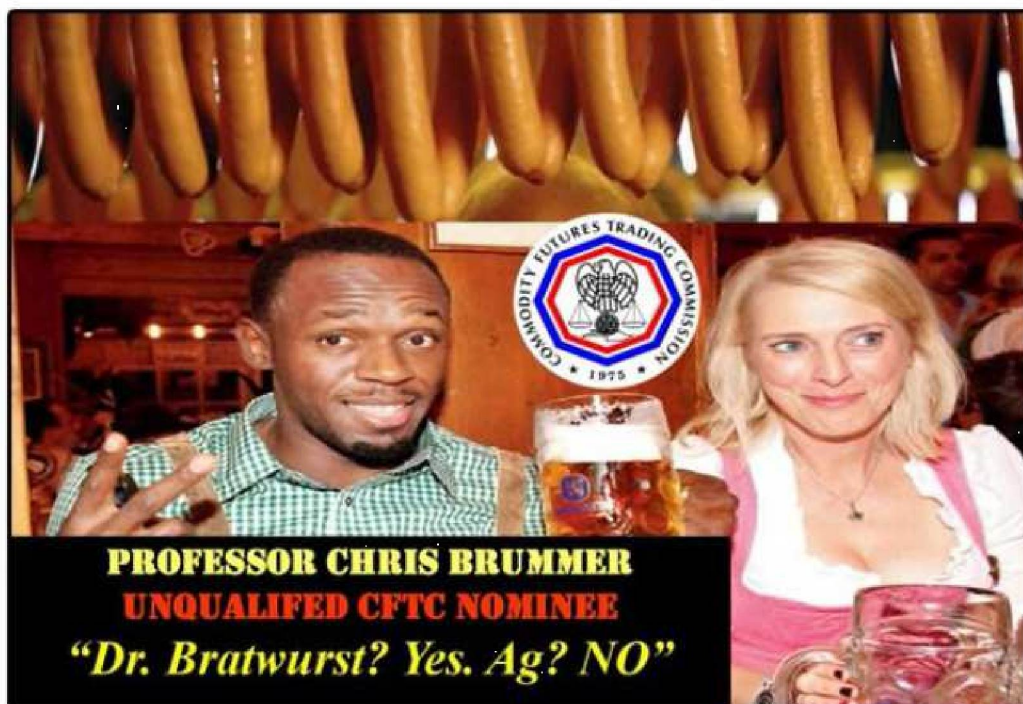


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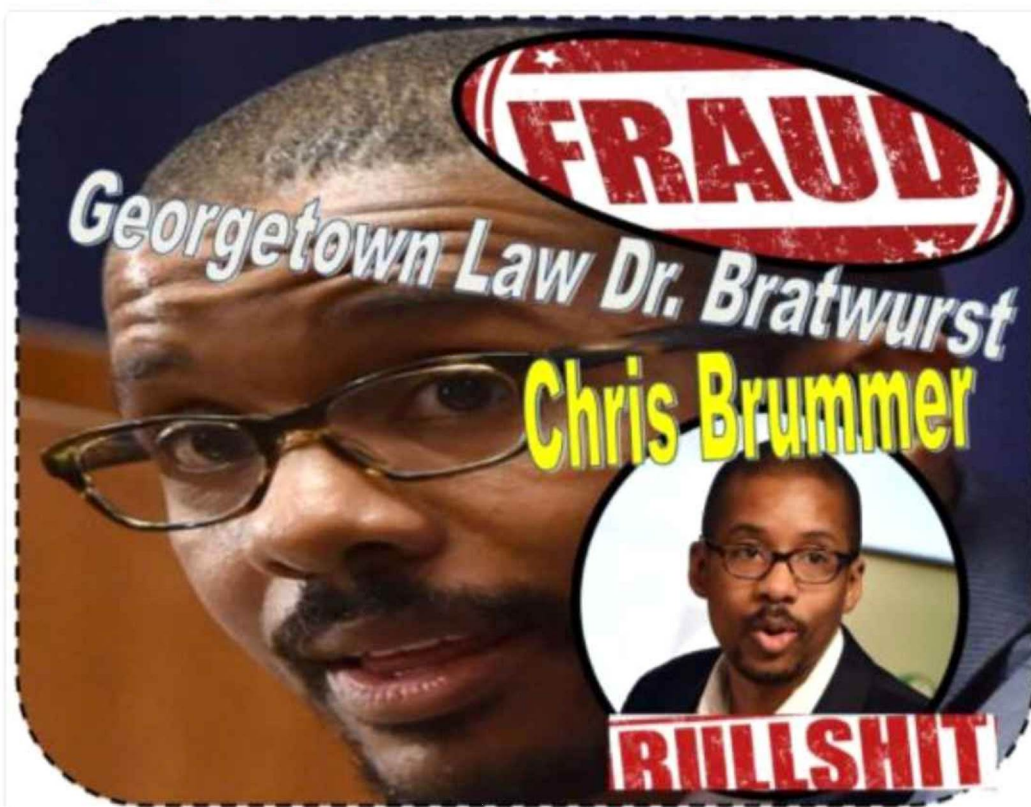
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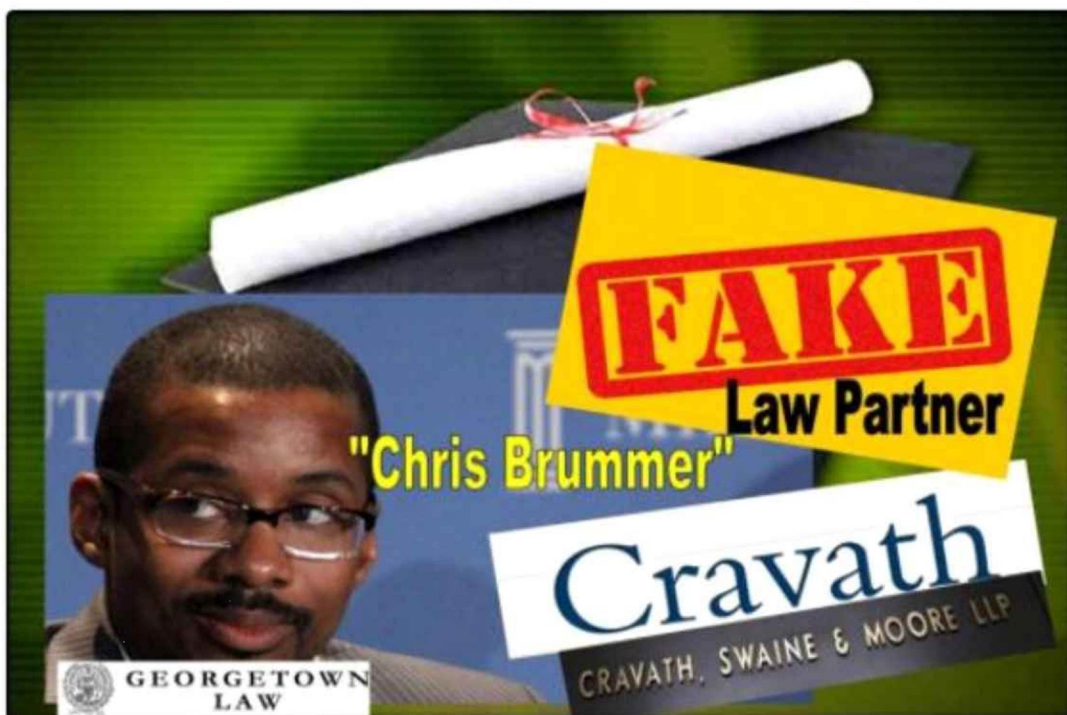
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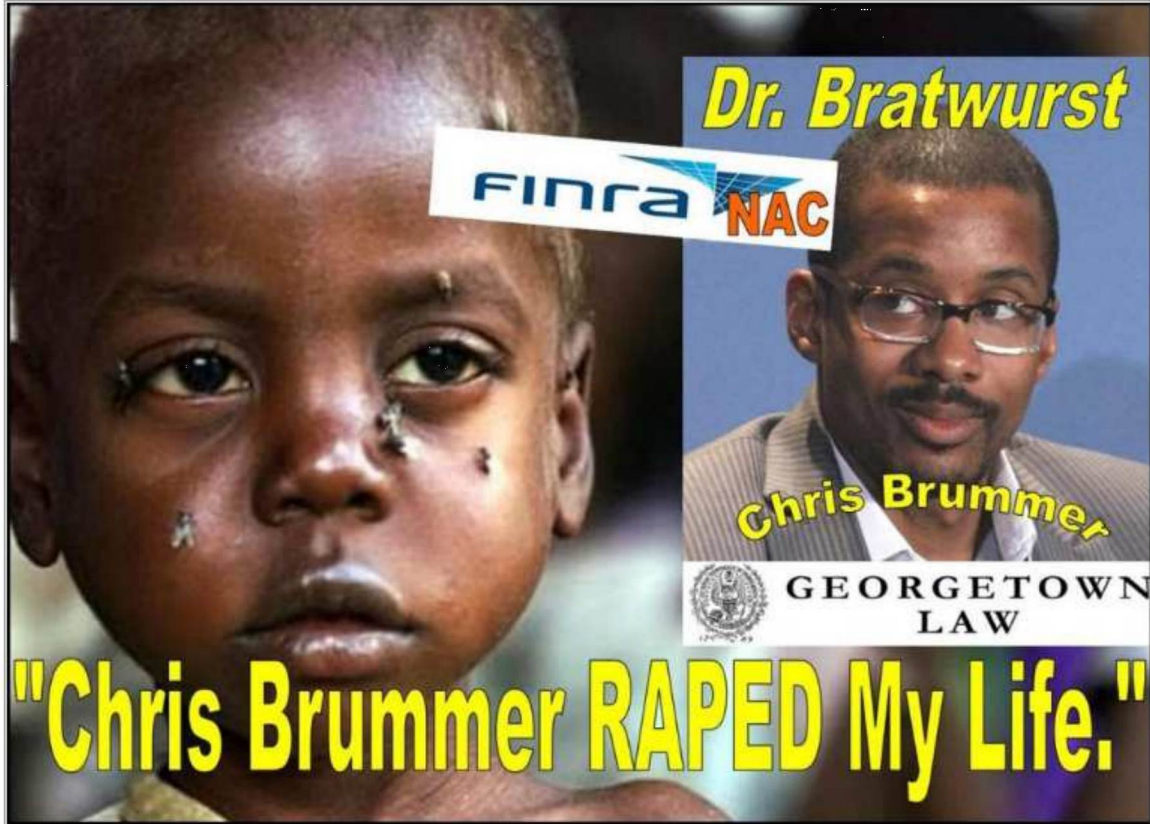
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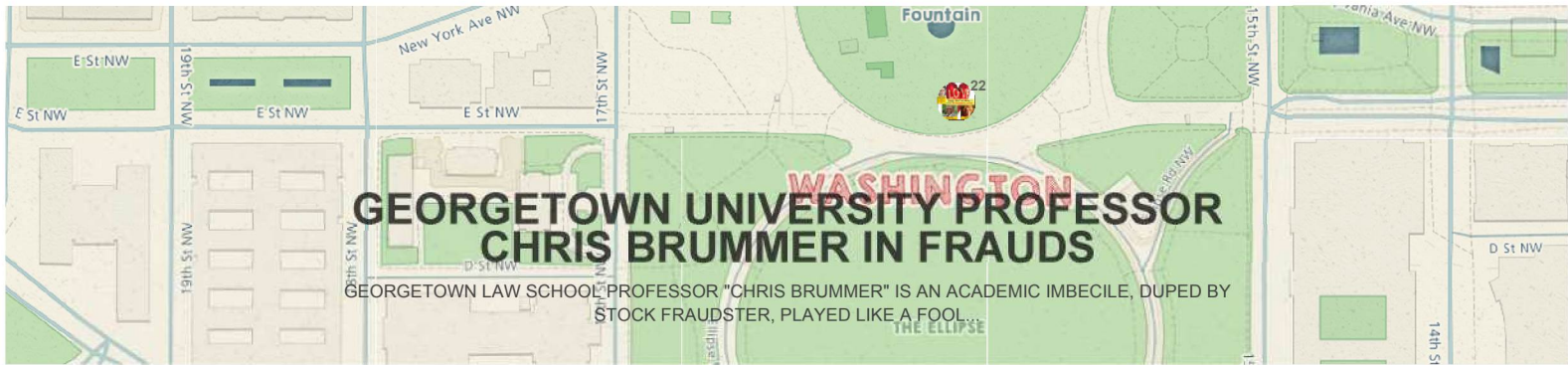
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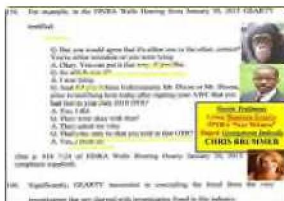
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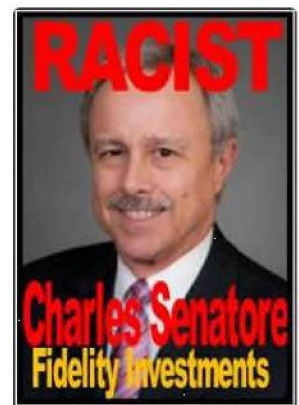


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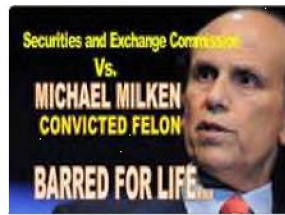
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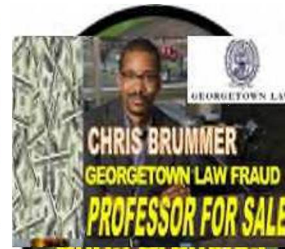


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An obscure and racist SEC staffer Steven A. Susswein was duped and implicated in multiple short seller stock frauds.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

## ED KNIGHT, NASDAQ GENERAL COUNSEL CAUGHT IN RIGGING NASDAQ LISTING SCANDAL... ›

TheTruth

Ed Knight, #nasdaq #generalcounsel was caught in multiple frauds, listing scandals, sued for racism, discrimination.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

## Meet BENAJMIN WEY, Journalist, Financier ›

New York Global Group

January 2016

BENJAMIN WEY, courageous investigative journalist, CEO, American financier.

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## LEGAL EXPERT: Fraud Short Sellers Trigger American Regulators' Misunderstanding of Reverse Mergers ›

TheBlot Magazine

April 2014

The facts are clear and the conclusions are self-evident.

- 1) About 40% of all companies listed on the Australian Stock Exchange are reverse merger companies.
- 2) About 40% of all companies listed on the Canadian markets are reverse merger companies.
- 3) About 20% of all companies listed on the U.S. markets (NYSE, NASDAQ, OTC) are reverse merger companies, with the most recent and the largest reverse merger deal being Burger King on the NYSE.
- 4) About 40% of all companies listed on the Hong Kong markets are reverse merger companies.

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## Live TV Interview - Benjamin Wey on CCTV America Discussing U.S. China Investment ›



CCTV America  
May 2014

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China expert Benjamin Wey discusses U.S. - China investment and regulatory environment on CCTV -America, May 2014.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

### Chinese Reverse Merger Companies Outperform U.S. Counterparts ›

STANFORD UNIVERSITY RESEARCH - AUGUST 2014

August 2014

Abstract: Stanford University researchers examined the financial health and performance of reverse mergers (RMs) that became active on U.S. stock markets between 2001 and 2010, particularly those from China (around 85% of all foreign RMs). As a group, RMs are early-stage companies that typically trade over-the-counter. Chinese RMs (CRMs), however, tend to be more mature and less speculative than either their U.S. counterparts or a group of exchange-industry-size matched firms. As a group, CRMs outperformed their matched peers from inception through the end of 2013, even after including most of the firms accused of accounting fraud. CRMs that receive private-equity (PIPE) financing from sophisticated investors perform particularly well. Overall, despite the negative publicity, we find little evidence that CRMs are inherently toxic investments. Our results shed light on the risk-performance trade-off for CRMs, as well as the delicate balance between credibility and access in well-functioning markets.

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### TOP 10 WINNING TIPS FOR ENTREPRENEURS FROM FINANCIER BENJAMIN WEY ›

TheBlot Magazine

Benjamin Wey has an amazing story of entrepreneurial success as an American: from a teenage boy in China to accepting a Valedictorian and full scholarship to study at an American university and only \$62 in his pocket, to earning two master's degrees in business administration. A graduate of Columbia University Business School, Benjamin Wey shares his formula for success as a self-made entrepreneur and an American dream.

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### TV Interview - THE WALL STREET JOURNAL - New York Global Group CEO Benjamin Wey Correctly Predicted the \$3.8 Billion Acquisition of Smithfield by Chinese Food Company ›

Wall Street Journal Live TV

June 2013

Wall Street Journal Live TV interview 06-06-2013: China Expert, New York Global Group CEO Benjamin Wey discusses U.S.-China Summit. (www.nygggroup.com)

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

### STANFORD UNIVERSITY Research: Chinese Reverse Mergers Are Not Toxic ›

CNBC

2013

Reverse merger is a simple mechanism whereby a private company may seek capital in the public markets. Short sellers and ignorant writers have manipulated this concept and portrayed the approach as negative.

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**WARNING - Tabloid Writer and Short Seller Roddy Boyd and His Hedge Fund Father Michael Boyd Lost Millions Betting Against Goldman Sachs and a NYGG Client Harbin Electric In An \$850 Million Acquisition** ›

PR Newswire

Illegal short seller and tabloid writer Roddy Boyd writes trash about a company to help his hedge fund father Michael Boyd sell short against the same company - an illegal act the SEC terms "short and distort". Harbin Electric was the most heavily shorted China based company in the US markets in 2011. Roddy Boyd, his father Michael Boyd and others lost about \$150 million betting against Harbin which was taken private by Goldman Sachs in an \$850 million acquisition.

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[What is LinkedIn?](#) [Join Today](#) [Sign In](#)**Nailed by Securities Regulators: Short Seller Fraud Jon Carnes, Tabloid Writers Roddy Boyd and Dune Lawrence Implicated** ›

REUTERS, FINANCIAL POST

January 2014

The British Columbia Securities Commission has made explosive fraud allegations against short seller Jon Carnes, accusing Jon Carnes of making false claims and fabricating records regarding Silvercorp Metals Inc and many other companies, in various coordinated "short and distort" illegal acts. Bloomberg's sensational writer Dune Lawrence and tabloid writer Roddy Boyd were implicated in the frauds.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

**CleanTech Innovations, Inc. Announces SEC Decision Setting Aside 2011 NASDAQ Wrongful Delisting of CleanTech Common Stock** ›

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

July 2013

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) ruled against the NASDAQ Stock Market for rigging its listing appeal process in its wrongful delisting of a New York Global Group client CleanTech Innovations, Inc. (symbol: CTEK). The SEC's unanimous decision by all of its 5 commissioners agreed with CleanTech and found there was no evidence in the record to support NASDAQ's delisting of CleanTech in 2011. NASDAQ's General Counsel's office had manufactured the data.

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**Gushan, First of NYSE-Delisted China Stocks Relists in Hong Kong** ›

WALL STREET JOURNAL

February 2014

Two years ago, as Chinese companies listed in the U.S. battled a perception for being weak, or were tainted with fraud, many Chinese companies were taken private by their owners. Now, 15 months after it was bought out by its founder, the former New York-listed Gushan Environmental Energy Ltd. is raising up to US\$96 million in a Hong Kong initial public offering.

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**Benjamin Wey: U.S. GDP Shrank in First Quarter, But Don't Panic** ›

TheBlot Magazine

June 2014

A published article by Benjamin Wey on macro economic trends and GDP growth in the United States.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

## Jon Carnes Fraud Nailed by Law Enforcement, Fraud Co-Conspirator Roddy Boyd Implicated ›

British Columbia Securities Commission - Canadian Regulators

January 2014

The British Columbia Securities Commission has issued a notice alleging that Jon Richard Carnes, a man who ran a hedge fund and operated the "Alfred Little" financial blog, committed fraud. Press: <http://www.bccsc.bc.ca/release.aspx?id=18774> . Tabloid writer Roddy Boyd implicated.

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## New York Global Group Portfolio Company Focus Media Acquired for \$3.8 Billion, Dumped the NASDAQ Stock Market ›

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, THE BUSINESS REVIEW

May 2013

Focus Media, previously listed on the NASDAQ Stock Market, was one of the investment portfolio companies of New York Global Group. Focus Media ditched the NASDAQ in May 2013 in search of a better market and a fair listing venue.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

## TV INTERVIEW: New York Global Group Portfolio Company Acquired for \$1 Billion - Interview of Benjamin Wey and NYGG Executives ›

China Central Television (CCTV)

February 2013

A few months after the interview of NYGG executives, the referenced company was acquired for \$1 billion, advised by Goldman Sachs.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

## FOX TV INTERVIEW - China Expert Benjamin Wey Discusses Job Creation in America ›

FOX TV

February 2013

"Jobs are created through constant innovation and advancement in productivity." - China expert Benjamin Wey discusses economic relations between United States and China on FOX TV.

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## New York Global Group Chairman James Baxter Named a Leader of The Association of Corporate Counsel ›

PR NEWswire

New York Global Group Executive Chairman James Baxter has more than 30 years of Wall Street and legal experience. A graduate of Yale University and Harvard Law School, NYGG Chairman James Baxter leads New York Global Group.

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## Benjamin Wey: Here's Everything You Need to Know About Index Funds ›

Institutional Research

March 2014

A research piece about investing in index funds: An 80% chance of a higher profit sounds better than a 20% chance, right? Yes, everyone else in the world thinks so too. This is why index funds...

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## SEC - Public Comment Letter to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Rule Changes ▸

Jamex Baxter Esq. - New York Global Group Chairman

New York Global Group Chairman James Baxter Esq. responded to a public comment request from the Securities and Exchange Commission related to an SEC rule change about reverse mergers. This is an insightful article packed with facts and data.

Authors: Benjamin Wey ®

## Benjamin Wey's Expert View on Options Investment: Don't Be Intimidated! ▸

Benjamin Wey's academic piece: Stocks are basically buying a piece of a company. Bonds are loans. Mutual funds are investments in companies that make investments.

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## Babson College: New York Global Group CEO China Expert Benjamin Wey Keynote Speaker at Babson Entrepreneurship Forum ▸

PR Newswire

November 2013

At the invitation of Babson College, the No.1 ranked U.S. university by U.S. News & World Report in the study of entrepreneurship for the past 20 years, Benjamin Wey, the China expert and CEO of global private equity investment firm New York Global Group, was a keynote speaker at the 2013 Babson Asia Entrepreneurship Forum among a standing-room-only audience on Saturday, November 2, 2013 at the Babson College Olin Graduate School of Business.

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## Benjamin Wey — Top 3 Cultural Lessons on Doing Business in China ▸

Research

China expert Benjamin Wey describes top 3 lessons on doing business in China.

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## Benjamin Wey: The 1% Aren't the (Economic) Problem ▸

Institutional Research

The top 1% of Americans generate many job opportunities.

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## PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Senator Arlen Specter and CleanTech Innovations, Inc. Sued the NASDAQ Stock Market for Racism and Discrimination ▸

PR Newswire

Arlen Specter, Esq., the former United States Senator and former Chairman of the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary, who represents CleanTech, commented, "As noted in my letters of January 12, 2012 to Secretary of Commerce Bryson and Trade Representative Kirk, I have undertaken representation of CleanTech because of evidence of racist discrimination against the Company because it is Chinese. NASDAQ's delisting of CleanTech has resulted in losses of more than \$200 million in CleanTech's shareholders' value and loss of opportunities to bid on more than \$100 million in contracts for wind energy towers on New Jersey's coast, which would have resulted in U.S. jobs. This matter involves more than a private dispute against two litigants and impacts on U.S. diplomatic relations with China."

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TheTruth

@nadsaq official Michael Emen, Ed Knight caught in rigging listing programs, implicated in stock frauds.

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**VIDEO - China Expert Benjamin Wey Teaches at MIT on Short Sellers and Cross Border M&As** ›

MIT - Massachusetts Institute of Technology

China expert and private equity investor New York Global Group Benjamin Wey teaches at MIT.

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**Benjamin Wey: Epic Cultural Marketing Fails** ›

Marketing Research

June 2014

Doing business requires you to know your customer and to market your product to suit his or her needs and desires. Sometimes, the results are hilarious, and sometimes, they are just cringe worthy...

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**Benjamin Wey - A China Expert's Views on Understanding SAIC and SEC Filing Discrepancies for U.S. Listed China Based Companies** ›

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**Benjamin Wey Answers: What's a Yield Curve and Why Should You Care?** ›

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April 2014

Professor Benjamin Wey teaches a basic course on finance and macroeconomics.

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**Benjamin Wey — The Greatest Rogues in the Wall Street Trading Game** ›

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July 2014

The Top 10 Worst Traders on Wall Street that Take Down Firms.

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**Benjamin Wey on Leadership Lessons – Not Live A Life Like a Coward ! ›**

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Benjamin Wey, journalist and financier discusses leadership lessons.

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**Benjamin Wey: How a Financier Correctly Predicted the Outcome of the Ukrainian Crisis ›**

Institutional Research

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**New York Global Group CEO and China Expert Benjamin Wey Present at the Carnegie Mellon University US - China Summit ›**

Carnegie Mellon University

New York Global Group's China Expert Benjamin Wey Joins the Advisory Board of Carnegie Mellon University U.S. – China Summit

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**REUTERS - New York Global Group China Experts James Baxter and Benjamin Wey Featured Speakers at MIT ›**

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**Benjamin Wey: Musk's Tesla Patent Giveaway Is Genius ›**

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**CORPORATE COMPLIANCE MAGAZINE - Identifying Sound U.S. Listed, China-Based Companies ›**

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**MARKETWIRE - China University of Petroleum Names New York Global Group President Benjamin Wey a Distinguished Visiting Professor ›**

MarketWire

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PR NEWSWIRE

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TheTruth

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### BURNED: SWEDISH PARTY GIRL HANNA BOUVENG SWIMS IN CRIMINAL HOT WATER ›

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Office and corporate environment can be inflexible.

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### Steve Susswein, SEC staffer implicated in illegal stock short seller frauds ›

NYGG

Steven Susswein is an obscure SEC "enforcement staff". Research reveals that Steve Susswein is in the pockets of illegal stock short sellers.

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### Columbia University - Columbia Business School

Master of Science (MS), Columbia Business School, (本杰明卫 - 美国哥伦比亚大学商学院研究生院硕士)

Benjamin Wey obtained his 2nd master's degree. As the business school of Columbia University, Columbia Business School is ranked among the best business schools in the United States and around the world. Columbia University's alumni include 3 U.S. presidents (including Barack Obama), 9 U.S. supreme court Justices, 29 heads of state and investment legends Warren Buffett, Henry Kravis and many others.

### University of Central Oklahoma

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

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### University of Maryland College Park

Guest Lecturer Benjamin Wey - global capital markets and corporate finance, 客座讲师 (国际资本市场上市与融资) - 美国马里兰州立大学商学院研究生院

Benjamin Wey shares insightful knowledge in dual languages with accomplished global executives on the subjects of global capital markets, venture capital, private equity investments, investment banking and corporate finance. Executive Program, Graduate School of Business.

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1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK  
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3 HANNA BOUVENG,  
4 Plaintiff,  
5 v. 14 CV 5474 (PGG)  
6 NYG CAPITAL LLG, ET AL.,  
7 Defendants.  
8 -----x

9 New York, N.Y.  
June 16, 2015  
9:20 a.m.

10 Before:  
11 HON. PAUL G. GARDEPHE  
12 District Judge

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1 possible on the list of search results from a search engine.  
2 3. Neither side will inquire into or put before the  
3 jury the text and substance of the comments.  
4 There is also a footnote, your Honor, that says the  
5 following: Unless Mr. Wey either himself during testimony, or  
6 through counsel, denies the facts stipulated hereto,  
7 plaintiff's counsel will not examine him or any other witness  
8 regarding the comments to the article on The Blot.com  
9 referenced in this stipulation. This stipulation resolves the  
10 issue of what comments get blacked out and the parties have  
11 agreed that all comments to all six of the exhibits being  
12 placed before the jury from The Blot will be without comments.  
13 And there is no reason to make the substance in any way or text  
14 of those comments an issue in the trial.  
15 THE COURT: I take it that the issues that are set  
16 forth in the brief that defendants filed yesterday, docket  
17 number 205, with the exception of comments, the rest of those  
18 issues remain in play?  
19 MR. RATNER: That's correct, your Honor.  
20 THE COURT: I'm prepared to address those now. As I  
21 said, the defendants filed their brief yesterday, which is  
22 docket number 205, raising issues about principally material  
23 that they believe should be redacted from articles, Blot  
24 articles that will be introduced at the trial. So I am going  
25 to address those issues now.

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1 (Trial resumed; jury not present)  
2 THE COURT: Mr. Ratner, something you want to say?  
3 MR. RATNER: Yes, your Honor. Before your Honor  
4 begins, Mr. Colton and I have worked out a stipulation  
5 concerning the comments. So we don't feel it necessary for the  
6 Court to rule on that issue.  
7 THE COURT: What does the stipulation say?  
8 MR. COLTON: Your Honor, unfortunately, we made some  
9 handwritten notes. I can read it for the record, if the Court  
10 would like that.  
11 THE COURT: Yes.  
12 MR. COLTON: It is hereby stipulated by and between  
13 the parties hereto that in order to simplify the trial of the  
14 above-captioned matter, the following facts shall be deemed  
15 established for the purposes of the trial:  
16 1. Defendants caused comments to be added to some or  
17 all of the articles on The Blot.com regarding plaintiff which  
18 (a) appeared under the names of people associated with  
19 plaintiff, such as her attorneys, friends, or family or under  
20 the names of well-known people and (b) were not actually  
21 authored by the listed people associated with plaintiff or  
22 well-known people.  
23 2. The comments referenced in paragraph 1 above were  
24 caused to be added to the articles about plaintiff in an  
25 attempt to have the links to the articles appear as high as

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1 The first exhibit at issue is Plaintiff's Exhibit 61.  
2 On the page that's Bates stamped DEFS002586 the plaintiffs wish  
3 to introduce the paragraph at the top of that page which refers  
4 to Hanna Bouveng's alleged willingness to pose nude as well as  
5 statements about her relationship with James Chauvet. The  
6 first statement I've already ruled on, the statement about  
7 modeling. I've already ruled that that doesn't constitute  
8 defamation per se.  
9 The second statement, my understanding was that the  
10 plaintiff had withdrawn. In any event, the second statement in  
11 that paragraph does not constitute defamation per se. It  
12 doesn't accuse Ms. Bouveng of having committed a serious crime  
13 nor does it fit with any of the other categories of defamation  
14 per se. Accordingly, that paragraph on the top of the page  
15 marked DEFS002586 is not admissible. I believe that that's the  
16 only statement other than comments that are at issue in  
17 Plaintiff's Exhibit 61, so I am going to turn to the next  
18 exhibit.  
19 The next exhibit is Plaintiff's Exhibit 63. According  
20 to my notes, the only issues with respect to Plaintiff's  
21 Exhibit 63 are comments, so there appears to be nothing left to  
22 address with respect to Plaintiff's Exhibit 63.  
23 Plaintiff's Exhibit 64 is an issue about the page  
24 that's Bates stamped DEFS002442. There is nothing on this page  
25 that constitutes defamation per se. There is nothing on the

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<p>F6G9BOU2 Lu - direct Page 142</p> <p>1 Q. What did you do after that?</p> <p>2 A. Then I worked at TheBlot.</p> <p>3 Q. And how long did you work at TheBlot?</p> <p>4 A. From September 2013 to April 2014.</p> <p>5 Q. Did you work -- when you left TheBlot did you leave</p> <p>6 voluntarily or were you let go?</p> <p>7 A. I left voluntarily.</p> <p>8 Q. Are you employed at the present time?</p> <p>9 A. Yes.</p> <p>10 Q. What do you do now?</p> <p>11 A. I'm a news writer at Bustle.com and I also work on several</p> <p>12 freelance projects.</p> <p>13 Q. Now, how did it come about that you got a job at TheBlot?</p> <p>14 A. After I left POPSUGAR I was trying to be a freelance writer</p> <p>15 and write more full time because I was copy editing at</p> <p>16 POPSUGAR. And I saw a listing on craigslist for a new website</p> <p>17 looking for a celebrity and entertainment news writer. So I</p> <p>18 decided to apply. And then I was hired.</p> <p>19 Q. Were you interviewed?</p> <p>20 A. I was interviewed on the phone -- over the phone by the</p> <p>21 previous editor in chief, Mr. Alex Geana.</p> <p>22 Q. And after you were interviewed on the phone by Mr. Geana,</p> <p>23 were you interviewed in person by anyone?</p> <p>24 A. Then I met with Mr. Geana and Mr. Wey, Mr. Baxter, in</p> <p>25 person.</p>	<p>F6G9BOU2 Lu - direct Page 144</p> <p>1 MR. MEYERHOFF: What Mr. Geana said?</p> <p>2 THE COURT: Why isn't this hearsay.</p> <p>3 MR. RATNER: I withdraw the question, your Honor.</p> <p>4 BY MR. RATNER:</p> <p>5 Q. When did you start working at TheBlot?</p> <p>6 A. September 2013.</p> <p>7 Q. And when you started what was your position?</p> <p>8 A. I was a freelance writer.</p> <p>9 Q. Did you go to TheBlot offices or work some place else?</p> <p>10 A. I started by working from home and then we started working</p> <p>11 in the offices in October, I believe.</p> <p>12 Q. Where were TheBlot offices at that time?</p> <p>13 A. Forty Wall Street.</p> <p>14 Q. And when you started at TheBlot -- in TheBlot offices, did</p> <p>15 your position change at all?</p> <p>16 A. Yes. I became associate editor.</p> <p>17 Q. As associate editor, what were your duties and</p> <p>18 responsibilities?</p> <p>19 A. I had to liaise with the freelance writers and coordinate</p> <p>20 articles and publication of articles, and I edited all the</p> <p>21 articles before they were published.</p> <p>22 Q. When you started at TheBlot was Hanna Bouveng employed at</p> <p>23 40 Wall Street?</p> <p>24 A. Yes.</p> <p>25 Q. And during your tenure at TheBlot did you see Ms. Bouveng</p>
<p>F6G9BOU2 Lu - direct Page 143</p> <p>1 Q. Where did that take place?</p> <p>2 A. On Stone Street in the financial district.</p> <p>3 Q. Was it -- where on Stone Street? Was it in an office, in a</p> <p>4 restaurant?</p> <p>5 A. It was at a restaurant.</p> <p>6 Q. At that time did Mr. Wey tell you anything about TheBlot?</p> <p>7 A. He said that he -- you know, it was a very serious online</p> <p>8 publication. He wanted to get as much traffic as possible and</p> <p>9 get as much readership -- and I'm trying to think what else.</p> <p>10 He told me what kind of topics they wanted to cover.</p> <p>11 And -- I'm trying to think if at that time if he told me about</p> <p>12 the specific articles that he wanted to publish.</p> <p>13 Q. Okay. Did he tell you anything about his relationship to</p> <p>14 TheBlot?</p> <p>15 A. Yes.</p> <p>16 Q. What did he say?</p> <p>17 A. He said he was the owner of TheBlot basically.</p> <p>18 Q. Did he tell you anything at that time about any articles he</p> <p>19 writes for TheBlot?</p> <p>20 A. I was aware of them from Mr. Geana. I can't remember if</p> <p>21 Mr. Wey told me anything himself.</p> <p>22 Q. What did Mr. Geana tell you about Mr. Wey's involvement</p> <p>23 with TheBlot?</p> <p>24 MR. MEYERHOFF: Objection, your Honor.</p> <p>25 THE COURT: Why isn't this hearsay?</p>	<p>F6G9BOU2 Lu - direct Page 145</p> <p>1 regularly in the offices there?</p> <p>2 A. Yes. Pretty regularly.</p> <p>3 Q. When you were introduced -- were you introduced to</p> <p>4 Ms. Bouveng?</p> <p>5 A. Yes.</p> <p>6 Q. How were you introduced to Ms. Bouveng?</p> <p>7 A. It was during a meeting and Mr. Wey introduced her as his</p> <p>8 director of communications.</p> <p>9 Q. Did he tell -- at that meeting did he say anything else</p> <p>10 about Ms. Bouveng?</p> <p>11 A. Just that she was the director of communications and I</p> <p>12 think that she was from Sweden. I can't remember anything</p> <p>13 else.</p> <p>14 Q. Now, as associate editor of TheBlot did you have any</p> <p>15 interaction with Mr. Wey?</p> <p>16 A. Yes.</p> <p>17 Q. How often would that occur?</p> <p>18 A. Very regularly, pretty much everyday.</p> <p>19 Q. And can you describe for the jury what that interaction</p> <p>20 consisted of.</p> <p>21 A. We would discuss everything from articles, to writers, to</p> <p>22 hiring new writers, to the budget, to ideas on how to market.</p> <p>23 And he would give me certain articles he wanted me to publish.</p> <p>24 And I had to edit them -- just everything basically.</p> <p>25 Q. Can you please describe for us the articles that Mr. Wey</p>

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1	gave you to publish.		1	Dorri Olds. D-O-R-R-I. Olds O-L-D-S.	
2	A. They were, I would call them attack articles on certain		2	Matthew Clary. C-L-A-R-Y.	
3	people -- individuals that he considered his enemies.		3	Matthew Keys. K-E-Y-S.	
4	Q. How would he give you these articles?		4	Q. Okay.	
5	A. Usually on a USB drive.		5	A. I'm sorry.	
6	Q. What would he say to you when he handed you this USB drive?		6	Q. All right. And these were real people?	
7	A. He would say: Please get this published as soon as		7	A. Yes.	
8	possible. This is very important. Make it, you know, make it		8	Q. Was there an author by the name of Sam Patterson that you	
9	as strong as possible.		9	were aware of?	
10	Q. How did you as associate editor view these articles?		10	A. That was a pseudonym.	
11	A. I thought that they were pretty unethical, possibly		11	Q. When you say a pseudonym, what do you mean?	
12	libelous, poorly written.		12	A. That was Mr. Wey's pseudonym for when he wrote some of the	
13	MR. MEYERHOFF: Objection, your Honor.		13	attack articles. He had several pseudonyms and that was one of	
14	THE COURT: Grounds.		14	them.	
15	MR. MEYERHOFF: Legal opinion.		15	Q. What about Thomas Greenfeld?	
16	THE COURT: I'll sustain the objection as to the word		16	A. That was also one of them.	
17	"libelous."		17	Q. Another pseudonym for Mr. Wey?	
18	MR. MEYERHOFF: Move to strike it.		18	A. Yes.	
19	THE COURT: And that motion is granted.		19	Q. Now, after you edited some -- and we're talking now when	
20	So the jury will ignore the reference to libelous.		20	you're associate editor of TheBlot.	
21	That is a legal conclusion. So the objection is sustained and		21	After you edited some of these what you called attack	
22	the reference to libelous is stricken from the record.		22	articles would you discuss them further with Mr. Wey?	
23	Go ahead, Mr. Ratner.		23	A. Yes.	
24	BY MR. RATNER:		24	MR. MEYERHOFF: Objection, your Honor.	
25	Q. How else did you view these articles?		25	THE COURT: Just a moment.	
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1	A. I thought that they were just -- I personally did not want		1	What are the grounds?	
2	to publish them because they made the website seem less serious		2	MR. MEYERHOFF: He's saying "would." Seems	
3	and it was just very -- seemed very personal and not		3	hypothetical. He hasn't asked about anything specifically.	
4	professional, in my opinion.		4	THE COURT: Overruled.	
5	Q. Did Mr. Wey ever tell you what, if anything, he had to do		5	You can answer the question.	
6	with writing these articles?		6	THE WITNESS: Yes, your Honor. Yes, I did talk to	
7	A. He would say this is another one from, you know, one of my		7	Mr. Wey after editing them.	
8	guys. But I never knew who his people were. I never met them.		8	Q. And this would be -- would this be on a regular basis?	
9	Q. Did you ever have any interaction with writers who did		9	A. Semiregularly.	
10	write for TheBlot?		10	Q. And what would you say to him? What would he say to you?	
11	A. Yes.		11	A. I would say I really strongly advise not publishing this.	
12	Q. And who were they?		12	But here's what I did to make it a little more ethical, put in,	
13	A. We had about 30 freelance writers. From all different		13	you know, sources instead of just stating things as fact	
14	backgrounds.		14	because oftentimes it would call people racist or say that they	
15	Do you want me to list their names?		15	certified certain things and I would say "reportedly" or	
16	Q. Sure.		16	"according to sources" just to make it a little more ethical, I	
17	A. There was Ned Hepburn.		17	guess, and more publishable.	
18	THE COURT: You'll have to spell the names for us.		18	And then he would sometimes fight back and resist and	
19	A. N-E-D H-E-P-B-U-R-N.		19	say: No, just make it as strong as possible. We want to paint	
20	Do you want me to list all 30, like all of them?		20	this person to be bad. You know, that was the point.	
21	Q. Yes.		21	Q. Did Mr. Wey -- what, if anything, did Mr. Tell you --	
22	A. There was a girl named Julie Andrews. A-N-D-R-E-W-S.		22	excuse me.	
23	There was -- I'm starting to forget their names now.		23	What, if anything, did Mr. Wey tell you about his	
24	Jeff Myers, I think.		24	relationship to TheBlot and these particular articles?	
25	There was Kristen Koza. K-O-Z-A, I think.		25	A. He said that this was basically the reason why he bought	



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1	TheBlot, bought a media company, because this was his mission,		1	we enter the articles and edit the articles there is a specific	
2	to, in his words, get justice basically for what they had done		2	SEO widget in different fields where you enter key words and	
3	to him in his career.		3	metadata and things like that to make it more relevant to	
4	Q. And do you remember the names of any of the people that		4	Google and help it rank higher in Google.	
5	these attack articles were written about?		5	Q. What's a widget?	
6	A. Yes.		6	A. I'm sorry. It's something that's like a field that the	
7	Q. Who were they?		7	developer builds into the system that helps -- it helps you to	
8	A. It was Dune Lawrence.		8	increase your article. And it's basically how Google	
9	THE COURT: You'll have to spell the name.		9	communicates with your article behind the scenes.	
10	A. D-U-N-E. L-A-W-R-E-N-C-E.		10	Q. And what's a key word?	
11	Roddy Boyd R-O-D-D-Y. B-O-Y-D.		11	A. A key word is a relevant word in the article that either	
12	Maureen Gearty. M-A-U-R-E-E-N. G-E-A-R-T-Y.		12	describes the article, sums up the article, or appears several	
13	Ronan Zakai. R-O-N-A-N. Z-A-K-A-I.		13	times in the article.	
14	Jeffrey Bloom. BLOOM.		14	Q. So, what would be done in connection with key words and	
15	Michael Emen. E-M-I-N, I believe or E-M-E-N. I don't		15	widgets? How does that whole thing work?	
16	remember. I'm sorry.		16	A. Basically just enter the key words into the widget, as many	
17	Jon Carnes. J-O-N. C-A-R-N-E-S.		17	relevant key words as you can. And then -- before you publish	
18	Francine McKenna. F-R-A-N-C-I-N-E. M-C-K-E-N-N-A.		18	it. And then that's the data that Google will read.	
19	Q. Ms. Lu, do you know why these individuals became the		19	Q. So, if, for example, Mr. Wey -- you said he wrote an attack	
20	subject of these particular attack articles?		20	article on someone by the name of Jon Carnes. What types of	
21	A. Yes.		21	information would go -- what key -- types of key words would go	
22	Q. Tell us.		22	into the widget that would get this high ranking in Google?	
23	A. They had all hurt Mr. Wey's career in some way or hurt his		23	A. First of all his name and any information from the	
24	reputation in some way over the years.		24	article -- well the article specifically was saying that he was	
25	Q. Now, was there anything that was done at TheBlot to --		25	a fraud. So, we would say fraud. We would say, you know, it	
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1	well, let me withdraw that.		1	was also about short selling. So we -- short selling would be	
2	What was, to your knowledge back in October, November,		2	another key word. It can be like a phrase. And, you know,	
3	December 2013, the readership of TheBlot?		3	finance. And things like that.	
4	A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat the dates.		4	Q. So things that would be relevant to the topic of the Jon	
5	Q. In October -- in 2013, when you were there, what was the		5	Carnes article?	
6	readership of TheBlot?		6	A. Yes.	
7	A. It hovered around an average of maybe 50,000 viewers a		7	Q. Did, to your knowledge, TheBlot and Mr. Wey hire anyone to	
8	month, I believe.		8	help with search engine optimization?	
9	Q. And how do you know that?		9	A. Yes.	
10	A. Through Google Analytics.		10	Q. Who was that?	
11	Q. What are Google Analytics?		11	A. A man by the you name of Charles Highsmith, I believe.	
12	A. It's an online tool used to track statistics and your		12	Q. How do you know that he was hired for that purpose?	
13	readership and traffic to your site.		13	A. Mr. Wey told me and then I had a phone conference with	
14	Q. Did TheBlot do anything to either increase readership or		14	Mr. Highsmith.	
15	increase exposure for the particular attack articles that		15	Q. And what was the topic of that phone conference --	
16	Mr. Wey wrote?		16	conversation. Don't tell us what Mr. Highsmith said. But what	
17	A. Yes.		17	was the topic of the conversation?	
18	Q. What did it do?		18	A. How to improve our SEO for TheBlot.	
19	A. We tried to increase the SEO, just make them as search		19	Q. And after that conversation did you have some sort of	
20	engine optimized as possible.		20	information that would help you improve the SEO?	
21	THE COURT: So when you say SEO that means search		21	A. Yes.	
22	engine optimization?		22	Q. Did you use that information to improve the SEO?	
23	THE WITNESS: Yes.		23	A. Yes.	
24	THE COURT: Go ahead.		24	Q. How long were you associate at editor of TheBlot?	
25	THE WITNESS: So in the back end of our system where		25	A. About October 2013 to very beginning of January 2014.	

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1	something along the lines -- I'm sorry, Mr. Ratner.		1	(In open court)	
2	MR. RATNER: I'm sorry.		2	BY MR. RATNER:	
3	THE COURT: I think it's something along the lines of		3	Q. The question was, Ms. Lu, what, if anything, would Mr. Wey	
4	did Mr. Wey do anything else to increase search engine		4	do to increase the visibility of these articles through search	
5	optimization.		5	engine optimization? Other than the key words and widgets?	
6	MR. RATNER: Correct.		6	THE COURT: And this is in relationship to the attack	
7	THE COURT: And then she's going to say that there was		7	articles, right?	
8	a pattern and practice of sticking in phony comments, right?		8	MR. RATNER: Correct.	
9	MR. RATNER: Yes. That's it.		9	THE COURT: You may answer the question.	
10	THE COURT: All right. Do you want to say anything		10	THE WITNESS: Mr. Wey would write comments for the	
11	else before I rule?		11	articles under different names because the more comments a	
12	(Pause)		12	story has, the more relevant it seems to Google and it ranks	
13	MR. MEYERHOFF: We thought we had a stipulation that		13	higher. And I would sometimes edit these comments because they	
14	neither side was going to inquire into these issues before the		14	seemed very fake, like, you know, unrealistic.	
15	jury.		15	THE COURT: Now, when these comments were posted were	
16	THE COURT: Well, you don't even have a written		16	they posted with Mr. Wey's name or another name?	
17	stipulation so I don't even know. What do you claim your		17	THE WITNESS: Another name.	
18	agreement was on this?		18	THE COURT: Okay. Go ahead.	
19	MR. MEYERHOFF: This language, your Honor, even though		19	BY MR. RATNER:	
20	it's not typed. It says neither side will inquire into or put		20	Q. Do you know who James Baxter is?	
21	before the jury the text and substance of the comments.		21	A. Yes.	
22	THE COURT: Well that doesn't have anything to do with		22	Q. Who is James Baxter?	
23	this issue at all.		23	A. He is the general counsel of New York Global Group.	
24	MR. RATNER: Exactly.		24	Q. Did he have anything to do with TheBlot also?	
25	THE COURT: All right. The objection is overruled.		25	A. Yes.	
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1	You can ask the one question and one answer.		1	Q. What was his role with TheBlot?	
2	MR. RATNER: That's it.		2	A. He would sit in on meetings and he would help with the	
3	(Continued on next page)		3	payroll and issuing payment to the writers.	
4			4	Q. Did TheBlot have any other -- you mentioned several writers	
5			5	while you were editor in chief. Did TheBlot have any other	
6			6	people who worked for it?	
7			7	A. We had -- besides the SEO contractor, I guess, we also	
8			8	worked briefly with a public relations company. We also	
9			9	collaborated with a coffee chain that was also partly owned by	
10			10	Mr. Wey.	
11			11	Q. What chain was that?	
12			12	A. FIKA. F-I-K-A.	
13			13	Q. What else?	
14			14	A. I believe that was it.	
15			15	Q. Were there any copy editors or were there any graphic	
16			16	designers who worked for TheBlot?	
17			17	A. Oh, yes. Mr. Yoni Weiss -- Y-O-N-I W-E-I-S-S -- was a	
18			18	full-time graphic designer there. And in the beginning Mr. Ned	
19			19	Hepburn was also working in the office as a writer.	
20			20	Q. Did Ms. Bouveng, while you were there and she was there,	
21			21	have anything to do with TheBlot?	
22			22	A. Yes. She would sometimes sit in on meetings as well. She	
23			23	would introduce some writers that she knew from Sweden. I met	
24			24	with them to see if they could collaborate with us and write.	
25			25	And we would discuss just story ideas and possible promotion	

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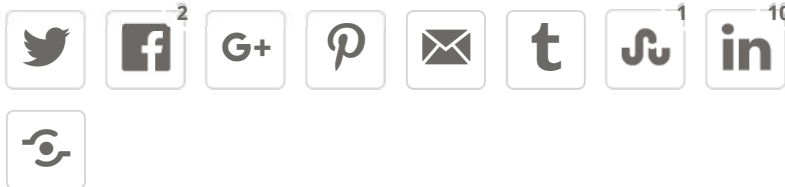
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It was a lucky break for Chris Brown on Thursday when his misdemeanor hit and run case was dismissed after he and the victim came to a "civil compromise." Despite protests from the prosecutors, the judge dismissed the case, which stems back to a May car accident, and the R&B singer was able to avoid jail time.

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Since Chris Brown is not reachable, a gay name YONI WEISS comes handy.

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*"I can have Yoni Weiss instead," Alicia Lu said to a friend. "Who cares YONI WEISS is a gay man. He is a man, right? Let me check him out... OMG!?!@#! MOFO!!"*



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## DEPRESSED, ALICIA LU DREAMED OF SUICIDE

The victory was short-lived, however, as Breezy went back to court the next day to discuss new terms for his probation related to another famous incident (you all know the one), which he violated by the misdemeanor hit and run charge and by reportedly fudging his community service hours (what a class act). He may have escaped life behind bars, but he won't be escaping the neon vest, as the judge ordered him to do an additional 1,000 hours of community labor. His choices are highway cleanup, beach cleanup, graffiti removal, or probation alternative work services. On the bright side, he probably has a baseball cap in the same shade of neon yellow to pull together a pretty decent outfit.



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Since Alicia Lu woke up, ever since Brown dug his knuckles into Rihanna's face in 2009, he hasn't exactly been dedicated to winning the public over. Yes, he apologized. Yes, he hasn't beaten any women since, including Rihanna who he briefly reunited with at the end of 2012. But he's also thrown temper tantrums on live television, throwing things through windows and getting shirtless (what's up with these **tightly wound man-boys always getting shirtless?**), he's had very public altercations with Drake and hip-hop darling Frank Ocean, and most recently, the car incident.

The May 21 hit and run incident was a basic, run-of-the-mill fender bender, but Brown had to get all sassy and throw a fit. According to the victim, Olga Aleksandrovna-Gure, Brown rear-ended her at a red light and then refused to hand over his driver's license. He was with his on-again, off-again girlfriend, Karrueche Tran, at the time, who offered her driver's license. Before Brown drove away, Gure tried to take a picture of him to document the scene, and that's when he unleashed his the infamous Chris Brown wrath. Gure said Brown shouted at her: "You are a bitch!" According to her report, he also shouted: "Who do you think you are, bitch? Do you think if you driving a Mercedes so you got money, bitch? Do you think I am just a black n—r? I got more money than you, beech!"

OK, you need to calm your ass down. It's a fender bender, not an assassination attempt. All you have to do is give her your information and let Geico handle the rest. So she tried to take a picture of you. Is this so shocking that you're now clenching your fists and on the verge of taking off your shirt? You're Chris Brown and you just banged up her Mercedes, not to mention refused to hand her your license. You're lucky she didn't call up TMZ right then and there. I would have.

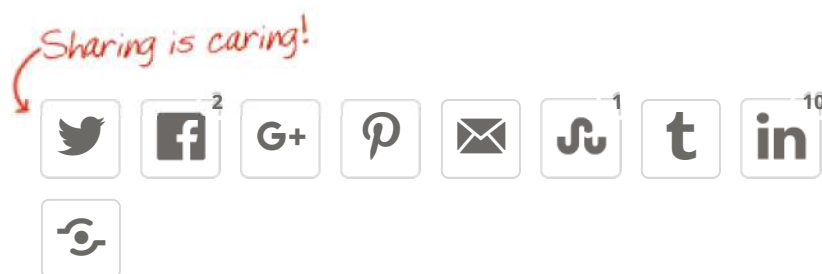
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But Gure eventually grew tired of all the drama and decided to drop the case without seeking any compensation for the damages, despite the LA City Attorney's protests. After the judge officially dismissed the case, Brown's attorney, Mark Geragos, told CNN, "It's unfortunate that Chris had to go through this in the first place. Sometimes I get the impression that he's prosecuted for who he is as opposed to what he's done, and that's unfortunate." Well, when who you are is a guy with a history of violence who refuses to handle a minor car accident like a grown-ass man, then yeah, he'll probably continue to be prosecuted (at least by the public) for who he is.

In a move that was not at all dramatic, Brown tweeted his lawyer's sentiment on Aug. 6: "Don't worry mainstream America. After this X album, it'll probably be my last album." And later: "Being famous is amazing when it's for ur music and talent. I'm tired of being famous for a mistake I made when i was 18. I'm cool & over it!" Hey, let's not forget about when you brawled with Drake and caused Tony Parker to almost lose an eye, and that time you brawled with Frank Ocean over a parking space and then bounced before the cops showed up, oh, and that time you brawled with Robin Roberts. . . . Yes, it's unfortunate that the Rihanna incident will forever taint your record with the public, but how about proving that that's not how you roll, that it was truly a horrible mistake and an isolated incident, not proving to them over and over again that you seriously need anger management. Because now *you* are choosing what makes you famous, and the audience is just sitting back and watching. The retirement tweets have since been deleted.

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Immediately after Thursday's hearing, Alicia Lu dream boy Brown partied it up at Hooray Henry's nightclub in Hollywood. On his way out of the club, he told the paparazzi that he might get his lawyer "one of these," as he got into his bright orange Lamborghini and drove away. God help us all.



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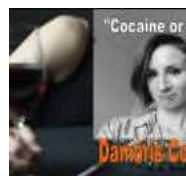
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In the Matter of the Applications of

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For Review of Disciplinary Action Taken by  
  
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OPINION OF THE COMMISSION

REGISTERED SECURITIES ASSOCIATION—REVIEW OF DISCIPLINARY  
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**Fraudulent Omissions**

**Failure to Provide Written Notice to Firm of Outside Business Activities**

**Conduct Inconsistent with Just and Equitable Principles of Trade**

Registered representatives omitted material facts when recommending securities and engaged in outside business activities without providing prompt written notice to member firm. *Held*, association's findings of violations and sanctions imposed are *sustained*.

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*Alan Lawhead and Michael Garawski*, for FINRA.

Appeal filed: January 28, 2015  
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William Scholander and Talman Harris ("Applicants") appeal from a FINRA disciplinary action in which FINRA found that they violated Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Rule 10b-5 thereunder, and FINRA Rules 2020 and 2010 when they recommended that customers buy the securities of Deer Consumer Products, Inc. ("DEER") without disclosing to those customers that a few months earlier DEER had paid them \$350,000.<sup>1</sup> FINRA also found that Scholander and Harris violated NASD Rule 3030 and FINRA Rule 2010 when they engaged in outside business activities without providing prompt written notice to Seaboard Securities, Inc. ("Seaboard"), their FINRA member firm employer at the time.<sup>2</sup> For the fraud violations, FINRA barred Applicants from associating with FINRA member firms in any capacity. For the Rule 3030 violations, FINRA found that a \$15,000 fine and a three-month suspension would be an appropriate sanction for each Applicant, but declined to impose those sanctions in light of the bars.

In their appeal of FINRA's findings of fraud, Applicants claim that they lacked scienter and had no obligation to disclose to customers their receipt of the \$350,000 payment. Based on our independent review of the record, we reject Applicants' contentions and sustain FINRA's findings of violations and imposition of sanctions.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Scholander and Harris entered the securities industry in the 1990s, and have been associated over the course of their careers with thirteen and sixteen FINRA member firms, respectively. Their most recent employer terminated their registrations on January 20, 2015, and neither Applicant is currently registered with a FINRA member firm.

<sup>2</sup> At the time of the conduct at issue, NASD Rule 3030 provided that "[n]o person associated with a member in any registered capacity shall be employed by, or accept compensation from, any other person as a result of any business activity . . . outside the scope of his relationship with his employer firm, unless he has provided prompt written notice to the member."

On July 26, 2007, the Commission approved a proposed rule change that NASD filed seeking to amend its Certificate of Incorporation to reflect its name change to the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA"), in connection with the consolidation of its member firm regulatory functions with NYSE Regulation, Inc. *See* Securities Exchange Act Release No. 56148, 2007 WL 2159604, at \*2 (July 26, 2007). Following the consolidation, FINRA began developing a new "Consolidated Rulebook" of FINRA Rules. The first phase of the new consolidated rules became effective on December 15, 2008. *See* Exchange Act Release No. 58643 (Sept. 25, 2008), 73 Fed. Reg. 57,174 (Oct. 1, 2008). In December 2010, after the conduct at issue, the Commission approved the new FINRA Rule 3270, which replaced NASD Rule 3030. The new rule, among other things, clarified the types of positions an associated person could not hold with an outside business, and it specifically required that the associated person provide written notice to the member *before* engaging in outside business activities. *See FINRA Regulatory Notice 10-49* (Dec. 2010).

<sup>3</sup> In addition to the bars FINRA imposed, it also ordered Applicants to pay hearing costs totaling \$7,089.79 (with each Applicant paying one half of this amount) and appeal costs of \$1,319.04 each.

## I. Facts

### A. Applicants' Connections to DEER

Applicants first learned of DEER from Benjamin Wey ("Wey") and Wey's company, New York Global Group ("NYGG"). Wey and NYGG were in the business of locating U.S.-listed public shell companies for Chinese issuers so that the Chinese issuers could complete a "reverse merger" into the listed company.<sup>4</sup> Between 2002 and 2010, Applicants worked closely with Wey and Robert Newman ("Newman"), outside counsel for the Chinese issuers, to sell private placement shares for some of the issuers that had completed reverse mergers. Beginning in March and May 2009, respectively, Scholander and Harris were associated with Seaboard and continued their work with Chinese issuers to which Wey and Newman introduced them.

DEER was one of those issuers. DEER purported to be a designer and manufacturer of home and kitchen electrical appliances, and its stock was listed on the NASDAQ stock market. Applicants first sold DEER securities to customers in 2008.<sup>5</sup> In November 2009, Wey and Newman suggested that Scholander visit DEER's corporate offices in China. Scholander visited China for two days, accompanied by Maureen Gearty. Gearty had been helping Applicants and Ronen Zakai ("Zakai"), a representative at a different member firm, purchase a broker-dealer firm. According to Gearty's hearing testimony, Scholander and Gearty spent "two hours tops" at DEER's offices and performed some consulting work during those two hours concerning DEER's products and DEER's investment banking advisors.<sup>6</sup> In his on-the-record interview, Scholander

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<sup>4</sup> In a "reverse merger," a private company arranges to be acquired by a public shell company, with the shell company surviving and the former shareholders of the private business receiving shares of the shell and controlling that surviving entity. *See Use of Form S-8, Form 8-K, and Form 20-F by Shell Companies*, Securities Act of 1933 Release No. 8587, 2005 WL 1667452, at \*2 (July 15, 2005); *see also SEC v. Cavanagh*, 445 F.3d 105, 108 n.4 (2d Cir. 2006) (discussing mechanics of a reverse merger).

On September 10, 2015, we filed a complaint in federal district court alleging that Wey and New York Global Group, as well as several affiliated persons, violated the antifraud and reporting provisions of the federal securities laws, in that they "obtain[ed] control of and manipulate[ed] the stock of Chinese companies they were purportedly guiding through the process of raising capital and becoming publicly-traded in the United States." *SEC v. Benjamin Wey*, Civil Action No. 15-cv-7116 (S.D.N.Y. Sept. 10, 2015), Litigation Release No. 23342, 2015 WL 5258844, at \*1 (Sept. 10, 2015). One of the issuers whose stock we alleged that Wey manipulated was DEER. In a parallel action, the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York concurrently filed criminal charges against Wey. As of the date of this opinion, the civil and criminal matters were still pending.

<sup>5</sup> The Applicants' sales of DEER securities in 2008 were private placements. Scholander testified that Applicants received compensation for their participation in these private placements of "10 percent cash and 10 percent warrants [to purchase DEER securities]."

<sup>6</sup> Gearty testified at the hearing that she and Scholander looked at coffee and waffle makers at DEER's offices, that a DEER official's driver "took us to the mall to see the DEER Consumer products display" at a "[Chinese] J.C. Penney," and that they "went to a flea market and

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stated that Applicants provided additional advice to DEER during "a couple of calls" and referred to the fee as an "advisory fee," which was to be paid to First Merger for "giving . . . opinions [on] the company and what they can do to improve and appeal to the investors." When asked why First Merger received the fee, Scholander explained that he had discussed with DEER officials in China "how they're going to grow" and that Scholander supported DEER's decision to choose a certain investment bank.

On December 17, 2009, after Scholander and Gearty returned from China, DEER paid \$350,000 into a bank account for an entity named First Merger Delaware that had been created by Gearty for the purpose of receiving the payment.<sup>7</sup> Although the payment was made to First Merger Delaware, the Applicants and Zakai directed Gearty to use the money to pay expenses associated with the acquisition of the broker-dealer firm and the opening of a new branch office for that firm. Between December 21, 2009 and February 4, 2010, Applicants and Zakai used the entire \$350,000.

### **B. Applicants' Recommendation of DEER Securities to Customers**

On February 9, 2010, Applicants left Seaboard and shortly thereafter became registered with the broker-dealer firm that was their acquisition target (First Merger, Inc.). From February through November 2010, First Merger brokers, including Applicants, recommended that customers buy DEER securities and sold \$2,942,299 of DEER securities to 132 First Merger customers.<sup>8</sup> One or both Applicants were listed as the registered representatives for 42 of the 132 accounts that purchased DEER securities. Sales of DEER securities to those 42 accounts totaled \$961,852.68 and generated \$13,700 in commissions. Scholander and Harris both acknowledged in their hearing testimony that when they recommended DEER securities to customers, they did not disclose the \$350,000 payment or their business relationship with DEER.

### **C. Applicants' Outside Business Activities**

Applicants did not disclose to Seaboard the limited consulting services that they provided to DEER in China and on a "couple of calls" while they were associated with Seaboard; nor did

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shopped." Gearty testified at a continuing membership interview that the consulting services she provided consisted of telling DEER which products she liked and didn't like. She stated that she had no other meetings with DEER officials.

Scholander similarly testified at an on-the-record interview that when they were in China, he and Gearty provided advice to DEER about their products and how to market them. Scholander later claimed during the hearing that only Gearty had provided advice and that the \$350,000 fee belonged to Gearty.

<sup>7</sup> Given that Scholander and Gearty spent very little time with DEER officials and provided minimal advice related to the company's growth and its strategy in adding investors, Gearty testified at the hearing that the attitude of Applicants was "like a big giggle" because "[Gearty and Scholander] went there and it was the easiest [money] ever."

<sup>8</sup> Applicants do not dispute that they used the telephone to recommend and sell DEER securities to customers.



they disclose to Seaboard the \$350,000 wired to the First Merger Delaware account for their benefit.

Scholander did not disclose to Seaboard that he provided consulting services to DEER during his trip to China. In fact, Scholander testified at the hearing that he orally told the Seaboard compliance officer in November 2009 only that he was "going to China on a due diligence road show." Neither Scholander nor Harris disclosed to Seaboard that they provided consulting services in conference calls with DEER. And neither Applicant disclosed to Seaboard that DEER had compensated them.

#### **D. Procedural History**

A FINRA Hearing Panel found Scholander and Harris liable on two of the three counts charged in FINRA's January 31, 2012 complaint: (i) that Applicants sold DEER securities to First Merger customers while misleadingly omitting to disclose their business relationship with DEER or DEER's payment to them of \$350,000, in violation of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act, Rule 10b-5 thereunder, and FINRA Rules 2020 and 2010; and (ii) that Applicants engaged in undisclosed outside business activities during their employment at Seaboard, in violation of NASD Rule 3030 and FINRA Rule 2010.<sup>9</sup> The Hearing Panel barred Applicants in all capacities for their fraudulent omissions. In light of the bars it imposed, the Hearing Panel declined to impose any additional sanctions for Applicants' outside business activities violations, but stated that a \$10,000 fine for each Applicant would have been an appropriate sanction.

Scholander and Harris appealed the Hearing Panel's decision to FINRA's National Adjudicatory Council. The NAC affirmed the Hearing Panel's decision and the bars imposed for the fraudulent omissions. The NAC found that Applicants' outside business activities violations were not egregious, but noted the presence of certain aggravating factors and stated that it would have fined each Applicant \$15,000 and suspended them in all capacities for three months for those violations. Like the Hearing Panel, the NAC declined to impose those sanctions in light of the bars it imposed for their fraudulent omissions. Applicants subsequently filed this timely appeal.

### **II. Analysis**

#### **A. Standard of Review**

We base our findings on an independent review of the record and apply the preponderance of the evidence standard for self-regulatory organization disciplinary actions.<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>9</sup> The Hearing Panel dismissed a third cause of action against Applicants, which charged that they had caused First Merger to commit books and records violations because Applicants "were paid their commissions in an unorthodox manner through another individual's personal account," finding that FINRA's Department of Enforcement had failed to prove this charge by a preponderance of the evidence. The FINRA Department of Enforcement did not appeal this portion of the Hearing Panel's decision to FINRA's National Adjudicatory Council, and it is not at issue in this appeal.

<sup>10</sup> See *David M. Levine*, Exchange Act Release No. 48760, 2003 WL 22570694, at \*9 n.42 (Nov. 7, 2003).

Under Exchange Act Section 19(e)(1), in reviewing an SRO disciplinary action, we determine whether the aggrieved person engaged in the conduct found by the SRO, whether such conduct violates the relevant statutes and rules as found by the SRO, and whether such SRO rules are, and were applied in a manner, consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act.<sup>11</sup>

## **B. Conduct found by FINRA**

We find that Scholander and Harris engaged in the conduct found by FINRA. As described above, the evidence in the record establishes that Applicants had a business relationship with and received a \$350,000 payment from DEER. Scholander traveled to DEER's headquarters in China and purportedly provided approximately two hours of consulting services during that trip, and Applicants provided additional consulting services during two conference calls before and after the China trip. The record also establishes that DEER paid \$350,000 into an account that Applicants used for expenses related to their own business venture. Applicants admit that less than two months later, they recommended that their customers buy DEER securities, and that they did not disclose to these customers that they had received the payment or had a business relationship with DEER. Applicants sold \$961,852.68 worth of DEER securities to 42 customers over the course of ten months in 2010.

In the context of Applicants' later recommendation of DEER securities to customers at First Merger, it appears that DEER's \$350,000 payment compensated Applicants for both the limited consulting services<sup>12</sup> and their recommendation that customers buy DEER securities.<sup>13</sup>

## **C. Fraudulent omissions**

Based on these facts, we sustain FINRA's findings that Applicants violated Exchange Act Section 10(b), Rule 10b-5 thereunder. To establish a violation of Exchange Act Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5(b) thereunder, FINRA must show that Applicants: (1) used any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce or of the mails;<sup>14</sup> (2) to make any untrue statement of material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;<sup>15</sup> (3) with scienter;<sup>16</sup> (4) in connection with the purchase or sale of securities.<sup>17</sup>

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<sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 78s(e)(1).

<sup>12</sup> If the payment really was intended to compensate Applicants solely for their consulting services, which totaled four hours at most, DEER paid Applicants at a rate of \$87,500 per hour.

<sup>13</sup> Applicants' business relationship with DEER extended beyond the trip to China and the conference calls. In 2008, Applicants had handled two private placements for DEER, and in November 2009, while associated with Seaboard, they attempted to negotiate a contract to provide DEER with advisory services in connection with DEER's follow-on offering. *See supra* note 5.

<sup>14</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 78j(b).

<sup>15</sup> 17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5(b).

<sup>16</sup> *See Aaron v. SEC*, 446 U.S. 680, 697 (1980).

<sup>17</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 78j(b); 17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5.

A violation of Exchange Act Section 10(b) is sufficient to establish a violation of FINRA Rule 2010. FINRA Rule 2010 requires members and their associated persons to observe "high standards of commercial honor and just and equitable principles of trade," and a violation of the Exchange Act or any FINRA rule constitutes a violation of Rule 2010.<sup>18</sup> A violation of Exchange Act Section 10(b) also constitutes a violation of FINRA Rule 2020, which prohibits FINRA members from "effect[ing] any transaction in, or induc[ing] the purchase or sale of, any security by means of any manipulative, deceptive or other fraudulent device or contrivance."<sup>19</sup>

### 1. Instrumentality of interstate commerce

Applicants do not dispute that they used the telephone to place calls to customers when recommending DEER securities. Their use of the telephone satisfies the interstate commerce jurisdictional element of Exchange Act Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5.<sup>20</sup>

### 2. Omission of material fact

"When recommending securities to a prospective investor, a securities professional must not only avoid affirmative misstatements but also must disclose 'material adverse facts,' including any self-interest that could influence the salesman's recommendation."<sup>21</sup> Investors "must be permitted to evaluate overlapping motivations through appropriate disclosures, especially where one motivation is economic self-interest."<sup>22</sup> Applicants recommended that customers buy DEER securities while omitting the fact that DEER had paid them \$350,000.

We reject Applicants' contention that they had no obligation to disclose any information, including the \$350,000 payment, unless it was related to the narrow task of consummating purchases of DEER securities by Applicants' customers. Applicants' violation does not turn on whether the payment was related to the purchases of DEER securities, but rather on their failure

<sup>18</sup> See, e.g., *E. Magnus Oppenheim & Co.*, Exchange Act Release No. 51479, 2005 WL 770880, at \*2 (Apr. 6, 2005) (finding that violation of Exchange Act or other FINRA Rules constitutes a violation of Rule 2010's predecessor, NASD Rule 2110).

<sup>19</sup> See, e.g., *Donner Corp. Int'l*, Exchange Act Release No. 55313, 2007 WL 516282, at \*13 (Feb. 20, 2007) (finding that the same conduct—omissions of material facts in research reports that rendered the reports misleading—violated both Section 10(b) and FINRA Rule 2020's predecessor, NASD Rule 2120).

<sup>20</sup> See *SEC v. Softpoint, Inc.*, 958 F. Supp. 846, 865 (S.D.N.Y. 1997) (finding that even intrastate telephone calls satisfy the interstate commerce jurisdictional requirements of the federal antifraud provisions), *aff'd*, 159 F.3d 1348 (2d Cir. 1998).

<sup>21</sup> *Richard H. Morrow*, Exchange Act Release No. 40392, 1998 WL 556560, at \*6 & n.16 (Sept. 2, 1998) (citing *Gilbert A. Zwetsch*, Exchange Act Release No. 30092, 50 SEC 816, 1991 WL 288614, at \*2 (Dec. 18, 1991)).

<sup>22</sup> *Chasins v. Smith, Barney & Co.*, 438 F.2d 1167, 1171-72 (2d Cir. 1970). Cf. *SEC v. Hasho*, 784 F. Supp. 1059, 1107 (S.D.N.Y. 1992) (citing *Hanly v. SEC*, 415 F.2d 589, 597 (2d Cir. 1969) ("By making a recommendation, a securities dealer implicitly represents to a buyer of securities that he has an adequate basis for the recommendation.")).

to disclose the self-interested transaction they had entered into with the issuer prior to recommending and selling its securities. "When a broker-dealer has a self-interest (other than the regular expectation of a commission) in serving the issuer that could influence its recommendation, it is material and should be disclosed."<sup>23</sup> The failure to disclose the \$350,000 payment is, on its own, sufficient to support FINRA's finding of fraud.<sup>24</sup> Applicants' failure to disclose their business relationship with DEER also violated their duty to disclose a conflict of interest to their customers.<sup>25</sup>

Applicants rely on *Press v. Chemical Investment Services Corp.* in support of their argument.<sup>26</sup> In *Press*, the Second Circuit sustained the district court's finding that the markup on a transaction in Treasury bills was not excessive and that the defendant broker was not required to disclose the markup where the broker's relationship with the customer was limited to the consummation of that one transaction.<sup>27</sup> The Second Circuit recognized that, although a broker does not owe a fiduciary duty to a customer in an ordinary broker-customer relationship, the broker does owe an obligation to the customer as to matters entrusted to the broker.<sup>28</sup> For those matters, the broker must use reasonable efforts to provide the customer with significant relevant information.<sup>29</sup> Instead of supporting Applicants' contention, *Press* lends support to a finding of violation because the Applicants failed to provide significant information that was relevant to the specific recommendation that Applicants made to customers.

As to the materiality of the omissions, under the basic test of materiality—whether there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable investor would have considered the fact important in making an investment decision<sup>30</sup>—the payment was a material fact in the context of Applicants'

<sup>23</sup> *Kevin D. Kunz*, Exchange Act Release No. 45290, 55 SEC 551, 2002 WL 54819, at \*6 & n.30 (Jan. 16, 2002).

<sup>24</sup> *See, e.g., United States v. Nouri*, 711 F.3d 129, 142 (2d Cir. 2013) ("If a broker has been bribed by the issuer of a security to get his customers to buy that security, the broker's failure to tell the customer of the fact of the bribe offer while recommending the purchase of the security . . . is, as a matter of law, the omission of a material fact, which the broker is under a duty to reveal."); *Derek L. DuBois*, Exchange Act Release No. 48332, 2003 WL 21946858, at \*3 (Aug. 13, 2003) (finding antifraud violations where a broker recommended securities but failed to disclose that he was being compensated by the promoter of the stock).

<sup>25</sup> *Kunz*, 2002 WL 54819, at \*4 (finding anti-fraud violation where the broker failed to disclose, among other things, a consulting relationship the broker had with the issuer of securities he recommended).

<sup>26</sup> *Press v. Chem. Inv. Servs. Corp.*, 166 F.3d 529, 536 (2d Cir. 1999).

<sup>27</sup> *Id.*

<sup>28</sup> *Id.*

<sup>29</sup> *Id.*

<sup>30</sup> *Basic, Inc. v. Levinson*, 485 U.S. 224, 231-32 (1988). The question of materiality is objective and is not dependent on whether the specific investors affected considered the information to be material. *See TSC Indus., Inc. v. Northway*, 426 U.S. 438, 445 (1976).

affirmative recommendation that customers buy DEER securities. There is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable investor would have considered DEER's payment of \$350,000 to Applicants important to an evaluation of Applicants' recommendation to buy DEER securities and, ultimately, to an investment decision.<sup>31</sup> At a minimum, the payment from DEER had the potential to influence Applicants' recommendation of DEER securities, and it casts doubt on the sincerity of Applicants' recommendation to buy DEER stock.<sup>32</sup>

The payment from DEER provided Applicants with an economic self-interest that created a conflict because it may have motivated their later recommendation that customers purchase DEER securities. Therefore, we find that in the context of their recommendations to buy DEER securities, Applicants were required to disclose the payment. Their nondisclosure was an omission of material fact.

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<sup>31</sup> See, e.g., *Nouri*, 711 F.3d at 142 (stating that an issuer's bribe in exchange for a broker's recommendation is material because "[a]t the very least it suggests the customer should seriously question the genuineness or reliability of the recommendation"); *Chasins*, 438 F.2d at 1171 ("In this situation, failure to inform the customer fully of [Smith, Barney's] possible conflict of interest, in that it was a market maker in the securities which it strongly recommended for purchase by [the plaintiff], was an omission of material fact in violation of Rule 10b-5, 17 C.F.R. 240.10b-5.").

<sup>32</sup> FINRA stated that "respondents have offered no proof that the \$350,000 was compensation for selling stock" and that the DEER payment "reflected a single, substantial, non-transaction-based payment from an issuer in exchange for consulting services," FINRA decision at 23, but FINRA also noted that "it is reasonable to infer that DEER did not make the \$350,000 payment for no reason at all, and that the limited 'advisory services' that Scholander and Harris provided were not the only services that DEER expected for its money." FINRA Decision at 20-21.

The \$350,000 payment occurred prior to the Applicants' recommendations of DEER securities and, as a result, was not tied to a specific transaction (and was not a "transaction-based payment"), but it nevertheless should have been disclosed to customers. Based on the circumstances and limited advisory services provided by Applicants, it appears that the payment was a form of *quid pro quo* for later, general recommendations of DEER securities by Applicants.

We agree with FINRA that even if the \$350,000 was not "transaction-based compensation," it is also not in the same category as employer compensation that an associated person is not required to disclose absent a fiduciary duty (such as transaction-based commissions on principal trades). FINRA decision at 23-24 n.31. Customers would not expect their broker to receive such substantial compensation from the issuer of the securities that the broker recommends.



### 3. Scienter

Scienter is "a mental state embracing intent to deceive, manipulate, or defraud."<sup>33</sup> Scienter includes recklessness, conduct that is "an extreme departure from the standards of ordinary care ... to the extent that the danger [of deceiving investors] was either known to the [applicant] or so obvious that the [applicant] must have been aware of it."<sup>34</sup>

Applicants acted at least recklessly. Applicants knew that DEER had wired \$350,000 into the account of First Merger Delaware for their benefit. Applicants directed Gearty to spend the money on expenses related to their own business venture. When Applicants began to recommend that customers buy DEER securities within just a couple of months after receiving the payment, they knew or were reckless in not knowing that the fact of the payment, and their relationship with DEER, would be material to customers who were evaluating Applicants' recommendation.

Applicants claim that they did not act with scienter because their material omissions fall into what they describe as a "grey area" of the law and thus their conduct was not an "extreme departure." Applicants claim that "no one at First Merger or acting on behalf of First Merger who was aware of the fee—which included a securities lawyer and the Chief Compliance Officer at the firm who held a Series 24 license and was also the supervisor of the trades—thought that it needed to be disclosed."

To the extent that Applicants refer to the chief compliance officer's purported awareness of the \$350,000 payment, Applicants cite no evidence, and we find none in the record, to suggest that the chief compliance officer knew Applicants were not disclosing the payment to customers. Moreover, we have held that associated persons are responsible for their own compliance and cannot shift that responsibility to a supervisor or to FINRA.<sup>35</sup> Further, even if the chief compliance officer had known about, or even acquiesced to, Applicants' omissions, this would not defeat a finding of scienter because Applicants, as experienced securities industry professionals, knew or were reckless in not knowing that the omitted information would be material to a reasonable investor.<sup>36</sup>

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<sup>33</sup> *Aaron*, 446 U.S. at 686 n.5 (quoting *Ernst & Ernst v. Hochfelder*, 425 U.S. 185, 194 n.12 (1976)).

<sup>34</sup> *Dolphin & Bradbury, Inc. v. SEC*, 512 F.3d 634, 639 (D.C. Cir. 2008) (quoting *SEC v. Steadman*, 967 F.2d 636, 641-42 (D.C. Cir. 1992)). Scienter may be demonstrated by circumstantial evidence. *Herman & MacLean v. Huddleston*, 459 U.S. 375, 390 n.30 (1983); *Valicenti Advisory Servs., Inc. v. SEC*, 198 F.3d 62, 65 (2d Cir. 1999).

<sup>35</sup> *Scott Epstein*, Exchange Act Release No. 59328, 2009 WL 223611, at \*21 (Jan. 30, 2009) ("We have repeatedly held that a 'respondent cannot shift his or her responsibility for compliance with an applicable requirement to a supervisor or to the NASD.'" (citation omitted), *aff'd*, 416 F. App'x 142 (3d Cir. 2010).

<sup>36</sup> *See Orlando Joseph Jett*, Exchange Act Release No. 49366, 2004 WL 2809317, at \*20 (Mar. 5, 2004) (rejecting applicant's claim that he lacked scienter because, among other reasons, he provided "full access to his desk and traders during the internal audit" and stating that even if

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Applicants also assert that a securities attorney who assisted Applicants with the purchase of First Merger was aware of the \$350,000 payment. Applicants argue that the attorney did not tell them to disclose the \$350,000 payment. But Applicants do not claim to have consulted this attorney about their disclosure obligations when selling DEER securities to customers. If Applicants seek to assert that they lacked scienter because they relied on advice of counsel,<sup>37</sup> Applicants must show: (1) that they made complete disclosure to counsel; (2) that they sought advice on the legality of the intended conduct; (3) that they received advice that the intended conduct was legal; and (4) that they relied in good faith on counsel's advice.<sup>38</sup> Applicants have not satisfied any of these requirements. Applicants knew that they received the \$350,000 payment and failed to disclose it to their customers when recommending DEER securities, and knew or were reckless in not knowing that the omitted information would be material to their customers.

We therefore find that Applicants acted with the requisite scienter to sustain a violation of the antifraud provisions.

#### **4. In connection with the purchase or sale of securities**

The Commission has "consistently adopted a broad reading of the 'in connection with' requirement."<sup>39</sup> We find that Applicants' omissions were in the context of recommending that customers purchase DEER securities, and, as a result, those omissions were "in connection with" the customers' purchases of securities.<sup>40</sup>

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applicant's "supervisors and co-workers knew about his fraud on the firm—indeed even if they ordered him to commit it—that would not relieve Jett of responsibility for what he knew or was reckless in not knowing and for what he did").

<sup>37</sup> *SEC v. Howard*, 376 F.3d 1136, 1147 (D.C. Cir. 2004) (stating that "reliance on the advice of counsel need not be a formal defense; it is simply evidence of good faith, a relevant consideration in evaluating a defendant's scienter") (citing *Bisno v. United States*, 299 F.2d 711, 719 (9th Cir. 1961)).

<sup>38</sup> *Zacharias v. SEC*, 569 F.3d 458, 467 (D.C. Cir. 2009); *Markowski v. SEC*, 34 F.3d 99, 105 (2d Cir. 1994); *C.E. Carlson v. SEC*, 859 F.2d 1429, 1436 (10th Cir. 1988); *SEC v. Goldfield Deep Mines Co. of Nevada*, 758 F.2d 459, 467 (9th Cir. 1985); *SEC v. Savoy Indus., Inc.*, 665 F.2d 1310, 1314 n.28 (D.C. Cir. 1981). See also *Joseph J. Vastano*, Exchange Act Release No. 50219, 2004 WL 1857139, at \*5 & n.22 (Aug. 19, 2004); *Anthony H. Barkate*, Exchange Act Release No. 49542, 2004 WL 762434, at \*4 & nn.19-20 (Apr. 8, 2004); *Toni Valentino*, Exchange Act Release No. 49255, 57 SEC 330, 2004 WL 300098, at \*5 & n.11 (Feb. 13, 2004).

<sup>39</sup> *SEC v. Zandford*, 535 U.S. 813, 819 (2002) (explaining that "the statute should be construed not technically and restrictively, but flexibly to effectuate its remedial purposes") (internal quotation marks omitted).

<sup>40</sup> Applicants do not dispute that their omissions were in connection with the purchase of securities.

Based on our findings above, we sustain FINRA's determination that Applicants' conduct violated Exchange Act Section 10(b), Rule 10b-5 thereunder, and FINRA Rules 2020 and 2010.

## **5. Applicants' other contentions**

### **a. Fiduciary Duty**

Applicants' argument that they did not owe their customers a fiduciary duty is irrelevant. Applicants' liability for fraud violations does not turn on whether they owed their customers a fiduciary duty. Their liability is based on the fact that they recommended that customers purchase DEER securities while omitting material facts concerning their recommendation.

Applicants rely on *United States v. Skelly*, in which the Second Circuit affirmed respondents' convictions for securities fraud, including violations of Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5, as a result of their pump-and-dump scheme.<sup>41</sup> The *Skelly* court also found that a secondary theory of liability had failed. This secondary theory turned on the respondents' failure to disclose that the broker was paying its registered representatives high commissions for selling the relevant security. The court found that the district court failed properly to instruct the jury on the elements of a fiduciary duty, which was required to impose liability for the secondary theory of liability.<sup>42</sup>

But *Skelly* is not applicable to this case. Unlike in *Skelly*, Applicants received compensation from the *issuer* of the securities they recommended, rather than from their employer. As the Second Circuit made clear in *Nouri*, a *quid pro quo* payment from an issuer must be disclosed in the context of a recommendation that a customer buy that issuer's securities.<sup>43</sup> Applicants cite to no case to suggest the kinds of payments they received from DEER need not be disclosed, and for the reasons stated above, even in the absence of fiduciary duty, Applicants should have disclosed the \$350,000 payment from DEER to their customers.

### **b. Gearty's testimony**

In their reply brief, Applicants complain about FINRA's reliance on Gearty's testimony, stating that Gearty "lied under oath to FINRA." All of FINRA's findings are corroborated by evidence other than Gearty's testimony, including by Applicants' own admissions. Gearty's testimony is not essential to our decision to sustain FINRA's findings. But we also find that the record supports FINRA's credibility findings as to the testimony of Applicants and Gearty.<sup>44</sup> We

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<sup>41</sup> *United States v. Skelly*, 442 F.3d 94, 97 (2d Cir. 2006).

<sup>42</sup> The court affirmed the convictions, finding that the defendants had not objected to the jury instructions during the trial, and the court's failure to instruct the jury on all elements did not constitute plain error because the primary theory of liability was supported by "overwhelming proof." *Id.* at 98-99.

<sup>43</sup> *Nouri*, 711 F.3d at 142-43.

<sup>44</sup> With respect to Gearty's testimony, the Hearing Panel was aware that during her OTR she failed to acknowledge that Wey suggested that she and Scholander visit DEER in China, but determined that overall she was a credible witness based on her demeanor and the level of detail she provided, as well as her testimony's consistency with other evidence.

agree with FINRA that Applicants' testimony regarding the timing of the China trip and what they did in exchange for the \$350,000 payment was not credible. We will not disturb FINRA's credibility findings.<sup>45</sup>

#### **D. Outside Business Activities**

NASD Rule 3030 stated that, "[n]o person associated with a member in any registered capacity shall be employed by, or accept compensation from, any other person as a result of any business activity . . . outside the scope of his relationship with his employer firm, unless he has provided prompt written notice to the member."

Applicants admit that they failed to provide Seaboard with any written notice of the consulting services they provided to DEER or their receipt of the \$350,000 payment. To the extent that Applicants contend that they provided oral notice of their activities to Seaboard, their purported oral notice did not disclose any outside business activity or compensation. Applicants only told Seaboard that they were going to China on a "due diligence" trip, which would be related to their employment at Seaboard. In any event, constructive or oral notice of outside business activities does not satisfy the requirements of Rule 3030 that registered representatives provide their member firms with prompt written notice of such activities.<sup>46</sup> We therefore sustain FINRA's finding that Applicants violated NASD Rule 3030 by engaging in undisclosed outside business activities.<sup>47</sup>

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<sup>45</sup> Such determinations, based on hearing the witness's testimony and observing demeanor, are entitled to considerable deference. *See Wanda P. Sears*, Exchange Act Release No. 58075, 2008 WL 2597567, at \*2 (July 1, 2008) (quoting *Jon R. Butzen*, Exchange Act Release No. 36512, 52 SEC 512, 1995 WL 699189, at \*2 & n.7 (Nov. 27, 1995) ("[T]he credibility determination of the initial decision maker [in a FINRA disciplinary proceeding] is entitled to considerable weight and deference, since it is based on hearing the witnesses' testimony and observing their demeanor.")).

<sup>46</sup> *See id.* at \*4 & n.24.

<sup>47</sup> *See Kent M. Houston*, Exchange Act Release No. 66014, 2011 WL 6392264, at \*7 (Dec. 20, 2011) (finding violations of NASD Rules 3030 and 2110 where representative failed to provide written notice to member firm of his service as a trustee and his receipt of compensation for that role); *Sears*, 2008 WL 2597567, at \*5 (finding violations of NASD Rules 3030 and 2110 where representative prepared tax returns for clients for compensation without providing written notice to member firm). These violations also constitute violations of FINRA Rule 2010, which require members to observe "high standards of commercial honor and just and equitable principles of trade." *See supra* note 18.

**E. The relevant FINRA and NASD Rules are, and were applied in a manner, consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act.**

We find that the relevant FINRA and NASD Rules are, and were applied in a manner, consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act. FINRA Rule 2020 protects investors by prohibiting the same type of conduct that is prohibited by Exchange Act Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5. We therefore find that Rule 2020 is consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act. FINRA applied FINRA Rule 2020 in a manner consistent with the Exchange Act. As described above, FINRA's findings that the Applicants' conduct violated FINRA Rule 2020 are supported by a preponderance of the evidence.

NASD Rule 3030 is consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act because requiring prompt written disclosure of outside business activities allows member firms to raise any objections in a timely manner and to exercise appropriate supervision of the activities of registered persons.<sup>48</sup> FINRA's determination that the Applicants violated Rule 3030 is supported by a preponderance of the evidence and, thus, was applied in a manner consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act.

Finally, we find that FINRA Rule 2010 is consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act because it reflects the mandate of Exchange Act Section 15A(b)(6), which requires, among other things, that FINRA design its rules to "promote just and equitable principles of trade."<sup>49</sup> This standard "provides more flexibility than prescriptive regulations and legal requirements" and, thus, prohibits dishonest practices even if those practices may not be illegal or violate a specific rule.<sup>50</sup> Therefore, Rule 2010 is consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act. We find that FINRA also applied Rule 2010 in a manner consistent with the purposes of the Exchange Act. The same conduct that violated FINRA Rule 2020 and NASD Rule 3030 also violated FINRA Rule 2010.

### **III. Sanctions**

#### **A. Standard of Review**

Exchange Act Section 19(e)(2) directs us to sustain FINRA's sanctions unless we find, having due regard for the public interest and the protection of investors, that the sanctions are

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<sup>48</sup> See *Order Approving Proposed Rule Change Relating to Outside Business Activities of Associated Persons of Member Firms*, Exchange Act Release No. 26178, 1988 WL 902783, at \*1 (Oct. 13, 1988) (approving NASD's enactment of Rule 3030 to address the securities industry's growing concern about preventing harm to the investing public or a firm's entanglement in legal difficulties based on an associated person's unmonitored outside business activities).

<sup>49</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 78o-3(b)(6).

<sup>50</sup> *Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change*, Exchange Act Release No. 58095, 2008 WL 2971979, at \*2 (July 3, 2008); see also *Rule Change Approved Without Modification*, Exchange Act Release No. 58643, 2008 WL 4468749, at \*2 (Sept. 25, 2008).



excessive or oppressive or impose an unnecessary or inappropriate burden on competition.<sup>51</sup> As part of this review, we must consider any aggravating or mitigating factors<sup>52</sup> and whether the sanctions imposed by FINRA are remedial in nature and not punitive.<sup>53</sup> Although the Commission is not bound by FINRA's Sanction Guidelines, we use them as a benchmark in conducting our review under Section 19(e)(2).<sup>54</sup> As discussed below, we find the sanctions imposed on Applicants to be consistent with the statutory requirements and sustain them.

**B. The bars are neither excessive nor oppressive.**

Fraud violations such as those at issue here are "especially serious and subject to the severest of sanctions under the securities laws."<sup>55</sup> For intentional or reckless material omissions, the Guidelines recommend a fine between \$10,000 and \$100,000, a suspension in any and all capacities of ten business days to two years, and, in egregious cases, a bar.<sup>56</sup>

We find, as did FINRA, that several aggravating factors demonstrate that Applicants' misconduct is egregious and warrants a bar. Specifically, Applicants: (1) sold nearly \$1 million in DEER securities to 42 customers over a nine-month period, acting at least recklessly in failing to disclose the payment;<sup>57</sup> (2) engaged in misconduct that provided them with a monetary gain;<sup>58</sup> and (3) provided inaccurate or misleading testimony to FINRA investigators regarding the receipt of the \$350,000 payment, the timing of the visit to DEER's facilities in China, and, in

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<sup>51</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 78s(e)(2). Applicants do not allege, and the record does not show, that FINRA's sanctions imposed an undue burden on competition.

<sup>52</sup> *Saad v. SEC*, 718 F.3d 904, 906 (D.C. Cir. 2013); *PAZ Sec., Inc. v. SEC*, 494 F.3d 1059, 1064-65 (D.C. Cir. 2007).

<sup>53</sup> *PAZ Sec.*, 494 F.3d at 1065 ("The purpose of the order [must be] remedial, not penal.") (quoting *Wright v. SEC*, 112 F.2d 89, 94 (2d Cir. 1940)); *see also* FINRA Sanction Guidelines at 2 ("Disciplinary sanctions are remedial in nature and should be designed to deter future misconduct and to improve overall business standards in the securities industry.").

<sup>54</sup> *See, e.g., John Joseph Plunkett*, Exchange Act Release No. 69766, 2013 WL 2898033, at \*11 (June 14, 2013).

<sup>55</sup> *Marshall E. Melton*, Investment Advisers Act of 1940 Act Release No. 2151, 56 SEC 695, 2003 WL 21729839, at \*9 (July 25, 2003).

<sup>56</sup> *See* FINRA Sanction Guidelines, at 88.

<sup>57</sup> *See id.* at 6, 7 (providing that principal considerations in the determination of sanctions include the number, size, and character of the transactions at issue; whether the conduct occurred over an extended period of time; and whether the misconduct was the result of an intentional act, recklessness, or negligence).

<sup>58</sup> *Id.* at 7 (providing that a principal consideration in the determination of sanctions is whether the respondent's misconduct resulted in the potential for respondent's monetary or other gain).

Harris's case, about whether he knew that the \$350,000 was spent on expenses related to opening First Merger.<sup>59</sup>

Applicants claim that FINRA should not have considered the number and dollar amount of their customers' purchases of DEER securities as an aggravating factor, arguing that FINRA should have treated their misconduct as a "single, isolated incident." As Applicants note, the Sanction Guidelines authorize the aggregation or "batching" of violations for purposes of determining sanctions if, among other things, the violations result from a single systemic problem or cause.<sup>60</sup> But by imposing a unitary sanction, FINRA did in fact batch Applicants' violations, rather than imposing a separate sanction for each fraudulent sale of DEER securities.

Applicants argue that FINRA failed to consider certain factors they claim are mitigating, including their claims that: (1) they lack prior disciplinary history; (2) the violations stem from a single incident (the \$350,000 DEER payment); (3) although they did not disclose the \$350,000 payment to their customers, they did not actively conceal the DEER payment from anyone; (4) no customers were harmed by their failure to disclose the information; (5) their conduct was not reckless; and (6) they had not ignored warnings from FINRA or another regulator that they were obligated to disclose the information. Applicants additionally claim that FINRA imposed considerably lesser sanctions in *Kunz* and in its settlement agreement with First Merger's chief compliance officer for similar violations.

We find that each of Applicants' arguments is without merit. As we have held consistently in our review of FINRA proceedings, a lack of disciplinary history is not mitigating for sanctions purposes.<sup>61</sup> And the violations do not stem from a single incident because Applicants engaged in a large number of separate transactions over a nine-month period. We find that, contrary to Applicants' claim that they did not conceal the \$350,000 payment from anyone, Applicants concealed the payment from the most important persons, their customers, who had no reason to expect that their broker had received a \$350,000 payment from an issuer shortly before recommending that issuer's securities. Further, Applicants concealed their misconduct by providing inaccurate and misleading information to FINRA investigators about the timing of the China trip, the receipt of the \$350,000, and whether they benefited from the use of those funds.<sup>62</sup> Even if Applicants' assertion about the alleged lack of customer harm is correct

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<sup>59</sup> *Id.* at 7 (providing that a principal consideration in determining sanctions is whether respondent "attempted to conceal information from FINRA, or to provide inaccurate or misleading testimony . . . to FINRA").

<sup>60</sup> *See id.* at 4 (General Principles Applicable to All Sanctions Determinations, No. 4).

<sup>61</sup> *See, e.g., John B. Busacca III*, Exchange Act Release No. 63312, 2010 WL 5092726, at \*16 & n.77 (Nov. 12, 2010) (citing *Rooms v. SEC*, 444 F.3d 1208, 1214 (10th Cir. 2006); and *Philippe N. Keyes*, Exchange Act Release No. 54723, 2006 WL 3313843, at \*6 (Nov. 8, 2006) ("[L]ack of disciplinary history is not mitigating for purposes of sanctions because an associated person should not be rewarded for acting in accordance with his duties as a securities professional.")).

<sup>62</sup> *See supra* note 59 and accompanying text.

(a question on which the record is silent), such a finding would not be mitigating.<sup>63</sup> Finally, we reject Applicants' contention that the failure of FINRA or compliance officers at Seaboard or First Merger to advise them of their duty to disclose the \$350,000 payment is mitigating. We have held that associated persons are responsible for their own compliance with FINRA Rules and cannot shift that responsibility to another individual or to FINRA.<sup>64</sup>

Applicants' comparisons of their sanctions to sanctions imposed in other cases are unavailing. "[T]he appropriateness of the sanctions imposed depends on the facts and circumstances of the particular case and cannot be determined precisely by comparison with action taken in other cases."<sup>65</sup> Here, FINRA determined Applicants' sanctions based on the presence of the aggravating factors and the absence of mitigating factors with respect to Applicants' specific misconduct.

Separately, Applicants' reliance on the lesser sanctions imposed in a settled proceeding against First Merger's compliance officer is misplaced. The Commission has observed that "comparisons to sanctions in settled cases are inappropriate" because pragmatic considerations "such as the avoidance of time-and-manpower-consuming adversary proceedings" justify imposing lower sanctions in negotiating a settlement.<sup>66</sup> Further, "[l]itigated cases typically present a fuller, more developed record of facts and circumstances for purposes of assessing appropriate sanctions than do settled matters."<sup>67</sup>

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<sup>63</sup> *Edward S. Brokaw*, Exchange Act Release No. 70883, 2013 WL 6044123, at \*18 & n.137 (Nov. 15, 2013) ("[T]he absence of . . . customer harm is not mitigating, as our public interest analysis focus[es] . . . on the welfare of investors generally.") (citing *Howard Braff*, Exchange Act Release No. 66467, 2012 WL 601003, at \*7 & n.25 (Feb. 24, 2012) (internal quotations omitted); *PAZ Sec., Inc.*, Exchange Act Release No. 57656, 2008 WL 1697153, at \*5 (Apr. 11, 2008) (holding that applicants' failures to comply with NASD rules "are not mitigated because those failures did not, in themselves, produce a monetary benefit to Applicants or result in injury to the investing public"), *petition denied*, 566 F.3d 1172 (D.C. Cir. 2009); *Coastline Fin., Inc.*, Exchange Act Release No. 41989, 54 SEC 388, 1999 WL 798874, at \*5 (Oct. 7, 1999) (rejecting absence of customer harm as a mitigating factor for sanctions)).

<sup>64</sup> *See supra* note 35.

<sup>65</sup> *Dennis S. Kaminski*, Exchange Act Release No. 65347, 2011 WL 4336702, at \*13 (Sept. 16, 2011); *see also Butz v. Glover Livestock Comm'n Co., Inc.*, 411 U.S. 182, 187 (1973) (holding that "[t]he employment of a sanction within the authority of an administrative agency is . . . not rendered invalid in a particular case because it is more severe than sanctions imposed in other cases"); *Geiger v. SEC*, 363 F.3d 481, 488 (D.C. Cir. 2004) (holding that, because the "Commission is not obligated to make its sanctions uniform," court would not compare sanction imposed in case to those imposed in previous case).

<sup>66</sup> *Kent M. Houston*, Exchange Act Release No. 71589, 2014 WL 651953, at \*7 (Feb. 20, 2014).

<sup>67</sup> *Id.*

For the reasons discussed above, we sustain FINRA's imposition of bars in all capacities against both Applicants for their antifraud violations. The bars FINRA imposed on Applicants are remedial because they will protect the investing public by encouraging brokers to disclose all material adverse facts and conflicts of interest when they recommend securities to their customers. The bars also will deter others from selling securities to investors without disclosing all information necessary to avoid misleading those customers regarding the soundness and objectivity of their recommendations. We find the sanctions imposed on Scholander and Harris to be neither excessive nor oppressive.<sup>68</sup>

An appropriate order will issue.<sup>69</sup>

By the Commission (Chair WHITE and Commissioners STEIN and PIWOWAR).

Brent J. Fields  
Secretary

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<sup>68</sup> Because we find that the sanctions FINRA imposed were appropriately tailored to the violations at issue, we likewise sustain its imposition of costs.

FINRA stated that it would have fined each Applicant \$15,000 and suspended them in all capacities for three months for their Rule 3030 violations, but FINRA did not impose these sanctions in light of the bars it imposed for Applicants' antifraud violations. Applicants challenged these findings in their opening brief "to the extent the SEC imposes any sanction" for the Rule 3030 violations. Under Exchange Act Section 19(e)(2), our review of sanctions is limited to whether the sanctions imposed are excessive or oppressive. Because FINRA did not impose sanctions for the Rule 3030 violations, we do not make findings as to whether the sanctions FINRA would have imposed (absent the bars) were excessive or oppressive.

<sup>69</sup> We have considered all of the parties' contentions. We have rejected or sustained them to the extent that they are inconsistent or in accord with the views expressed in this opinion.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
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In the Matter of the Applications of  
  
WILLIAM SCHOLANDER  
and  
TALMAN HARRIS  
  
For Review of Disciplinary Action Taken by  
  
FINRA

ORDER SUSTAINING DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN BY FINRA

On the basis of the Commission's opinion issued this day, it is  
ORDERED that the disciplinary action taken by FINRA against William Scholander and  
Talman Harris be, and it hereby is, sustained.  
By the Commission.

Brent J. Fields  
Secretary