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Via Facsimile and U. S. Mail

American Media, Inc.
1 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Re: Star Jones Reynolds and Al Reynolds

Gentlemen:

This firm represents Star Jones Reynolds and Al Reynolds. We have reviewed the October 2, 2006 edition of the National Enquirer and specifically the article entitled "Star Jones' Husband Walks Out!" written by Alexander Hitchen. The headline along with the article are false and defamatory concerning our clients and have already caused them massive damage. Mr. Reynolds' profession as a banker requires that he maintain a reputation for honesty and veracity. Mrs. Reynolds' position as a public figure and commentator requires a similar reputation for veracity. Nonetheless, your publication has accused my clients of perpetrating a fraud on the public and being dishonest concerning their personal lives and marriage. As you well know, the charges in your article are completely false.

The true facts are that Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds are happily married. Mr. Reynolds has not moved out of the home he shares with his wife. Mr. Reynolds is currently out of the state working on a short term project. His absence from the family home has to do solely with his work. Contrary to the statements in your article, he does not live with, share an apartment with, nor is he visiting a man. My clients are not separated, they are not considering getting a divorce, and there have been no such statements by either Mr. or Mrs. Reynolds. You have already been informed by the Reynolds' publicist that there was nothing wrong with the marriage and yet you have chosen to make public statements to the contrary.

You have also chosen to state that Mr. Reynolds is gay. While Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds believe that everyone should be free to make their own choice concerning sexual preference and that there is nothing wrong with being gay, you have nonetheless chosen to falsely state that Mr. Reynolds is gay. Once again, this directly impacts his reputation for honesty and veracity. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds engaged in a highly publicized wedding, they are happily married, and to

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falsely state that Mr. Reynolds is gay is akin to stating that the marriage itself is a sham. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

My clients have already suffered grave damage to their reputations, both publicly and privately. You have knowingly made false and defamatory statements about them and that knowing falsity subjects your publication to a claim for punitive damages. To partially mitigate the damage already caused, my clients demand that you print a full and complete front page retraction, the substance of which has to be approved by them. Your failure to do so will only further exacerbate the harm you have already caused and increase the amount of punitive damages to which you will be subjected.

Very truly yours,



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cc via email: Star Jones Reynolds and Al Reynolds