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Statement of Nathan Goldberg

My law partners, Dolores Leal, Renee Mochkatel and I, were very proud to represent Ms. Lauren Reeves in her trial victory against Alki David. Trials are a team effort and this win could never have been accomplished without the team of lawyers and other individuals in our office who worked tirelessly to achieve our victory.

The jury in this case found in favor of Ms. Reeves on all three of her claims for battery, sexual battery, and sexual harassment. They also found that Mr. David acted with malice and awarded Ms. Reeves \$4 million three hundred fifty thousand dollars as punitive damages in addition to the \$650,000 they awarded to her for compensatory damages.

The trial lasted for approximately 3 weeks. Every issue was hotly contested by Mr. David. Although he admitted engaging in a number of the incidents that Ms. Reeves alleged occurred, he tried to convince the jury that everything he did was in jest and that his actions could not and should not be taken seriously. The jury rejected Mr. David' arguments. Sexual battery and sexual harassment are not laughing matters. Women are entitled to be respected in the workplace and do not have to put up with the behaviors that Mr. David engaged in which included placing his hands around her neck, sucking her finger, doing the "Mangina", talking about a rape room, etc.

The most serious incident which the jury found, which Mr. David denied, was taking Ms. Reeves' head and placing it onto his crotch in his office in the middle of a workday. Mr. David admitted dropping his pants and pretending that Ms. Reeves was engaging in fellatio although he denied that her head made contact with his crotch.

Mr. David admitted that he did the "Mangina" at work where he took off his clothes, tucked his penis and scrotum between his legs and that he did it in

front of Ms. Reeves and others in the workplace. He offered to show the jury the “Mangina” in Court but the judge declined his invitation.

Throughout the trial Mr. David engaged in numerous outbursts during which he insulted Ms. Reeves and her attorneys. But that didn’t deflect the jury from its task of doing a careful analysis of each claim and finding against him on all counts.

We presented evidence from Dr. Buf Meyer, a psychologist, that as a result of Mr. David’s conduct Ms. Reeves suffered from PTSD and major depression, and that although her symptoms had largely abated after years of therapy that she still suffered as a result of his behavior and still needed therapy.

We applaud the jury for its careful attention to this case and for understanding what Ms. Reeves went through and finding malice and awarding her damages of \$5 million dollars.

Mr. David has publicly stated that she will never see any money from him. We have news for Mr. David. He is wrong. She will receive every penny that the jury awarded, plus interest, plus attorneys’ fees.

Nathan Goldberg
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Representing Lauren Reeves