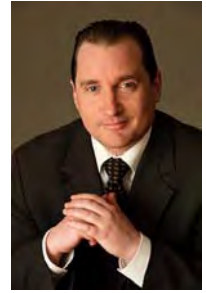


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**16 December 2015**

**ATTENTION:**

**The Hon JUDGE JUDITH GIBSON**

NSW District Court

Civil Registry

Level 4 John Maddison Tower

86 Goulburn Street

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Dear Judge Gibson,

We have an opportunity to show the Australian community how non-litigious amends can be achieved between us.

I understand that your Honour is an expert in defamation law.

This made it even more surprising when your Honour published a false statement about me in your conference paper titled:

***"From McLibel to eLibel: Recent issues and recurrent problems in defamation law"***

In that paper, which your Honour delivered to the March 2015 NSW State Legal Conference, your Honour **wrote falsely that I was bankrupt.**

The paper was then published and republished numerous times, including on the NSW District Court website and via a link from your own personal [@Alesia148](#) Twitter account.

Judge Gibson, I must say clearly: **I am not now, nor have I ever been bankrupt. Nor have bankruptcy proceedings ever been issued against me; nor do I expect that any will be.**

Further, I am a CPA Accountant. Understandably, it is a requirement of my membership of CPA Australia that I must not be bankrupt.

As your Honour knows, it is a simple matter to consult the publicly available National Personal Insolvency Index to confirm whether someone is indeed bankrupt before falsely publishing this to the world.

One can also do a simple search of the online Federal Circuit Court proceedings to confirm if a bankruptcy "sequestration order" has been made – as well as just contact me directly.

I note it is your Honour's view in the *Hunt v Radio 2SM* defamation proceeding that in every case where a defence of an offer of amends is pleaded that mediation ought to be compulsory.

I agree this is a good idea, and I invite your Honour to fly down to Melbourne so that we may have a mediation to search for agreement as to **how your Honour is going to make this all right.**

**I would value a better understanding of the view your Honour seemed to express in the paper "*From McLibel to eLibel: Recent issues and recurrent problems in defamation law*" that the Courts are not a place for citizens to represent ourselves. Your Honour wrote of a "do it yourself approach" and the "Wikipedia solution" with some disdain it seemed to me of citizens looking up material on the Internet to educate ourselves and perhaps even challenge professionals, such as lawyers, whom claim to have "the relevant qualifications and expertise" (as your Honour put it).**

Given that your Honour has caused a false statement that I am '**now bankrupt**' to be published to the world at large, and your Honour's standing as a defamation expert, I believe the outcome of our situation should be made public. And as I opened to you in this letter, we have the potential to be a showcase of how non-litigious amends can be achieved.

I look forward to your Honour's response.

Yours sincerely,



David C. Barrow

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