## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ARLENE C. MIRANDA,

Plaintiff,

v.

CASE NO. 2015-CA-11240-O Division: 40

ORLANDO BAPTIST CHURCH INCORPORATED,

Defendant.

## AMENDED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, Arlene C. Miranda, hereby sues Defendant, Orlando Baptist Church Incorporated ("OBC, Inc."), and for her causes of action states:

## **Facts and Allegations**

## A. Parties, Jurisdiction and Venue

- 1. Plaintiff is an individual residing in Orange County, Florida.
- 2. OBC, Inc. is a Florida not-for-profit corporation with its principal place of business in Orange County, Florida. OBC, Inc. operates the Orlando Baptist Church.
- 3. This is an action for declaratory judgment regarding a non-disclosure agreement (the "NDA"), signed by the Parties on December 2, 2015, and alternatively, an action for breach of the NDA.
- 4. The parties have a present dispute over the requirements and validity of the NDA, as well as Plaintiff's continuing obligations under the NDA.
- 5. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to Art. V., §§ 5(b) and 20(c)(3), *Fla. Const.*, and §§ 26.012 and 86.011, *Fla. Stat.* (2011).

- 6. Venue properly lies in Orange County, Florida, because both parties reside in Orange County, Florida, and the NDA was executed and must be performed in Orange County, Florida.
- 7. All conditions precedent to the filing of this action have occurred, have been performed or have been waived.

### B. Background

- David C. Janney is the senior pastor at Orlando Baptist Church, the president of OBC, Inc., 8. and the president of World Hope, Inc., a non-profit ministry run by the Orlando Baptist Church. He is married.
- Plaintiff has been a member of Orlando Baptist Church since 2008, frequently volunteers 9. for World Hope, Inc. and other church ministries, and has been otherwise highly involved and active in the Orlando Baptist Church community.
- 10. In early September, 2015, David Janney started making sexual advances towards Plaintiff. David Janney texted Plaintiff about his sexual fantasies about her.<sup>1</sup>
- 11. Over Labor Day Weekend, 2015, David Janney asked Plaintiff to meet him at the offices of World Hope, Inc., a house located on or near the campus of Orlando Baptist Church, where the Parties engaged in sexual intercourse.
- 12. Immediately following the affair, Defendant continued to text Plaintiff regarding the incident and its effect on him.<sup>2</sup>
- 13. Stricken with guilt, Plaintiff approached Pastor Don Norman, the senior adults pastor of Orlando Baptist Church, seeking religious and practical guidance and explained she had

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> *See* Composite Ex. "A," pp. 1-3. <sup>2</sup> *Id.* at pp. 4-8.

been involved in an extra-marital affair. Initially, Pastor Don advised Plaintiff to seek Biblical guidance.

- 14. Once he learned that the person in this affair was David Janney, Pastor Don told Plaintiff that she had a religious duty to protect Defendant, the church, and the Orlando Baptist Church community by keeping the affair quiet and silently repenting and praying.<sup>3</sup>
- 15. When David Janney learned Plaintiff disclosed the affair to Pastor Don, he sent her threatening text messages regarding her and her children, and demanded she keep quiet about the affair.<sup>4</sup>

C. The NDA

- 16. On December 2, 2015, David Janney and other officers of OBC, Inc., as well as a Florida attorney, Alisha S. Jimenez, asked Plaintiff to meet with them in the church office.
- 17. Ms. Jimenez currently represents Plaintiff in a paternity matter regarding one of her children, and Plaintiff reasonably believed Ms. Jimenez was at the meeting to represent her interests.<sup>5</sup>
- 18. Instead, David Janney and other officers of OBC, Inc. presented Plaintiff with the NDA, which provided that OBC, Inc. would fund a trust to make weekly payments to Plaintiff in the amount of \$375.00 starting December 4, 2015. In return, Plaintiff would not disparage David Janney, OBC, Inc., or otherwise disclose her affair with David Janney. Ms. Jimenez counselled Plaintiff to sign the NDA.
- 19. Based on David Janney's threatening messages directed at her and her family, the religious guidance offered by OBC, Inc.'s officers and employees, and because Plaintiff believed Ms.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* at pp. 26-28.

 $<sup>^{4}</sup>$  *Id.* at pp. 9-25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See In re: Miranda & Edds, Orange County Case Number 2005-DR-020813.

Jimenez, her current lawyer, was present to represent her interests, Plaintiff signed the NDA on December 2, 2015.

- 20. OBC, Inc. did not execute the NDA in Plaintiff's presence, and her request for a copy was refused.
- 21. OBC, Inc. did not pay Plaintiff \$3,000.00 on or before December 4, 2015. To date, Plaintiff has not received any payments pursuant to the NDA.
- 22. On December 7, 2015, Plaintiff requested that Ms. Jimenez provide her with a copy of the NDA. Ms. Jimenez stated that she "mediated the issue," and therefore could not provide Plaintiff with a copy as the document was part of her confidential mediation records.
- 23. On December 8, 2015, the undersigned sent an email to Ms. Jimenez formally requesting a copy of the NDA on Plaintiff's behalf.<sup>6</sup> As of this filing of this lawsuit, Ms. Jimenez did not respond or provide a copy of the NDA.
- 24. On December 11, 2015, Ms. Jimenez produced a copy of the NDA, which was signed only by Plaintiff. A copy is attached as Exhibit "C."
- 25. Hours later, the undersigned revoked, on behalf of Plaintiff, her offer and agreement to the NDA.<sup>7</sup>
- 26. After Plaintiff's revocation, counsel for OBC, Inc. produced a counter-signed copy of the NDA, which was purportedly signed by Vice President, Dallas McLaurin, on December 2, 2015. A copy is attached as Exhibit "F."

#### <u>Count I – Declaratory Relief</u>

27. This count is brought pursuant to Chapter 86, Fla. Stat., for a declaration that the NDA is voidable and Plaintiff is not bound by its terms.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Ex. "B."
 <sup>7</sup> See email correspondence from Ms. Downs to Mr. Janney, dated December 11, 2015, attached as Exhibit "D," and email correspondence from Ms. Downs to Mr. Brewer, dated December 11, 2015, attached as Exhibit "E."

- Plaintiff re-incorporates her allegations, exhibits and statements contained in Paragraphs 1 through 26 above.
- 29. Plaintiff was under duress and coerced into signing the NDA.
- 30. Plaintiff would not have signed the NDA but for David Janney's threats, and the counsel of her lawyer, Ms. Jimenez, who Plaintiff believed represented her interests in counseling her to sign the NDA.
- 31. Moreover, OBC, Inc.'s failure to fund a trust and make weekly payments in the amount of \$375.00 to Plaintiff starting December 4, 2015, voids the agreement because OBC, Inc.'s obligation to pay Plaintiff was a condition precedent of the NDA.
- 32. Finally, Plaintiff did not receive a counter-signed copy of the NDA until after filing this lawsuit. To the extent the NDA was not executed by OBC, Inc. before her revocation, the NDA is void.
- 33. There is an immediate and present controversy between Plaintiff and OBC, Inc., and there is doubt concerning the nature of their legal relations and their respective rights related to the NDA.
- 34. Under these facts and circumstances, Plaintiff is in doubt concerning her legal rights and obligations regarding the NDA and its validity and enforceability.
- 35. There is a present need for declaratory and injunctive relief because Plaintiff is unsure if the NDA is valid and enforceable, and the Parties are entitled to a resolution of these issues finally declared and established.
- 36. There is a bona fide, actual, present, practical need for a declaration, which will deal with a present, ascertained state of facts and controversy.

### **Count II – Breach of Contract (In the Alternative to Count I)**

- 37. If the NDA is a valid contract, this claim is brought alternatively for breach of the NDA.
- Plaintiff re-incorporates her allegations, exhibits and statements contained in Paragraphs 1 through 26 above.
- Plaintiff signed the NDA on December 2, 2015, and OBC purportedly executed it on December 2, 2015.
- 40. The NDA required OBC, Inc. to fund a trust for Plaintiff, and pay to plaintiff \$375.00 weekly starting December 4, 2015.
- 41. In return for the payment, Plaintiff promised not to disparage David Janney, OBC, Inc. or otherwise disclose her affair with David Janney.
- 42. OBC, Inc. materially breached the NDA by failing to pay Plaintiff on or before December4, 2015.
- 43. Based on OBC, Inc.'s material breach of the NDA, Plaintiff is entitled to rescind the contract, and it cannot be enforced against her.
- 44. Plaintiff is entitled to her reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in this action to interpret or enforce the NDA.

#### **Prayer for Relief**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Arlene C. Miranda, respectfully requests this Honorable Court to render an Order and Final Judgment awarding the following relief in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendant, Orlando Baptist Church, Inc.:

- A. Declaring the NDA is voidable and unenforceable; or
- B. Declaring OBC, Inc. breached the NDA and Plaintiff is entitled to rescind the agreement, and awarding Plaintiff her reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in bringing this action to interpret or enforce the NDA; and

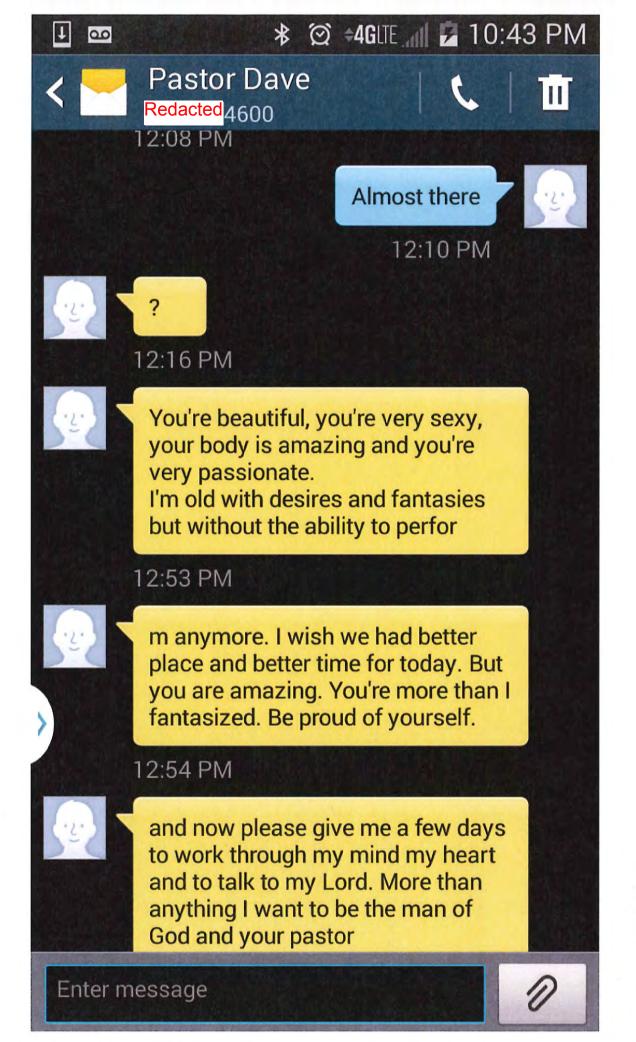
C. Awarding all other relief the Court deems just and proper under the facts and circumstances of this case.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of December, 2015,

/s/ Mayanne Downs **Mayanne Downs** Florida Bar No. 754900 Primary Email Address: mayanne.downs@gray-robinson.com Secondary Email Address: kathy.savage@gray-robinson.com Jason Zimmerman, Esq. Florida Bar No. 104392 Primary Email Address: jason.zimmerman@gray-robinson.com Secondary Email Address: darlene.dallas@gray-robinson.com Brock Magruder, Esq. Florida Bar No. 112614 Primary Email Address: brock.magruder@gray-robinson.com Secondary Email Address: shawna.tucker@gray-robinson.com GrayRobinson, P.A. 301 East Pine Street, Suite 1400 Orlando, FL 32801 Telephone: (407) 843-8880 Facsimile: (407) 244-5690

Attorneys for Plaintiff

# **COMPOSITE EXHIBIT "A"**



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**Pastor Dave** 

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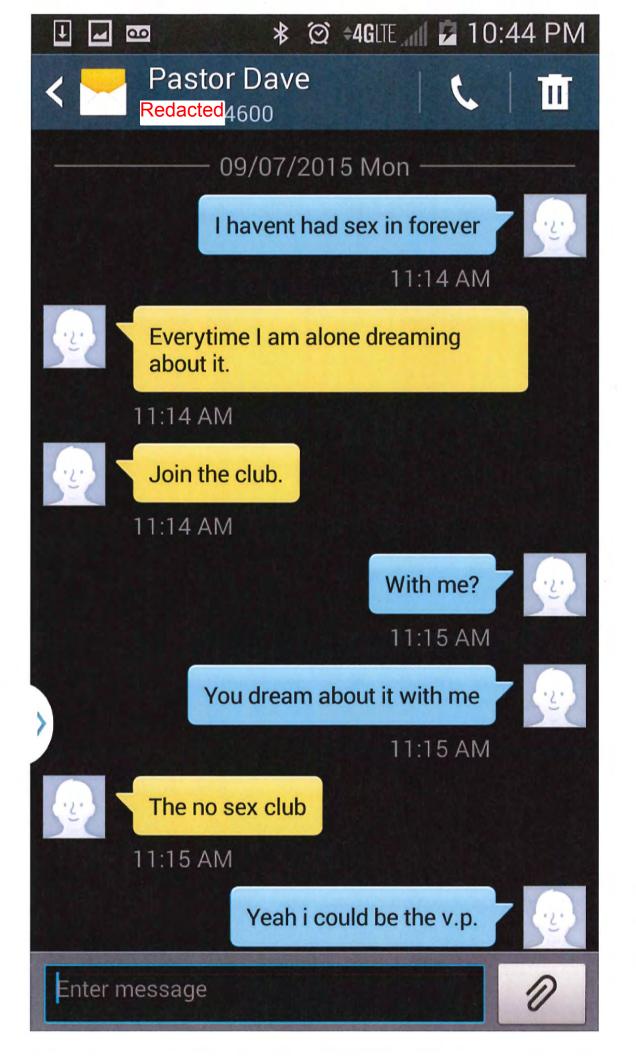
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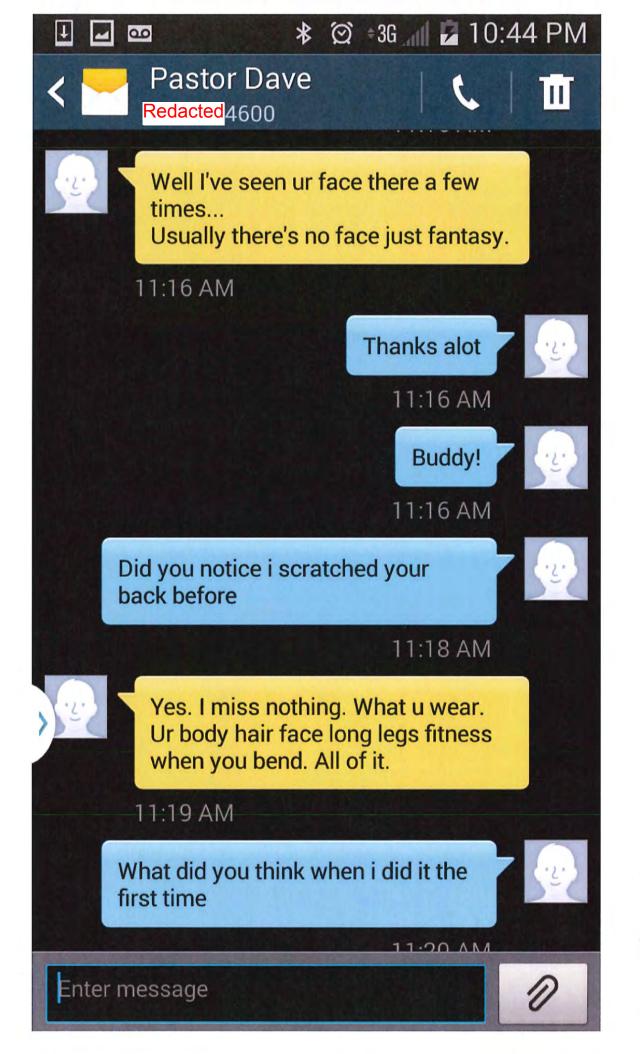
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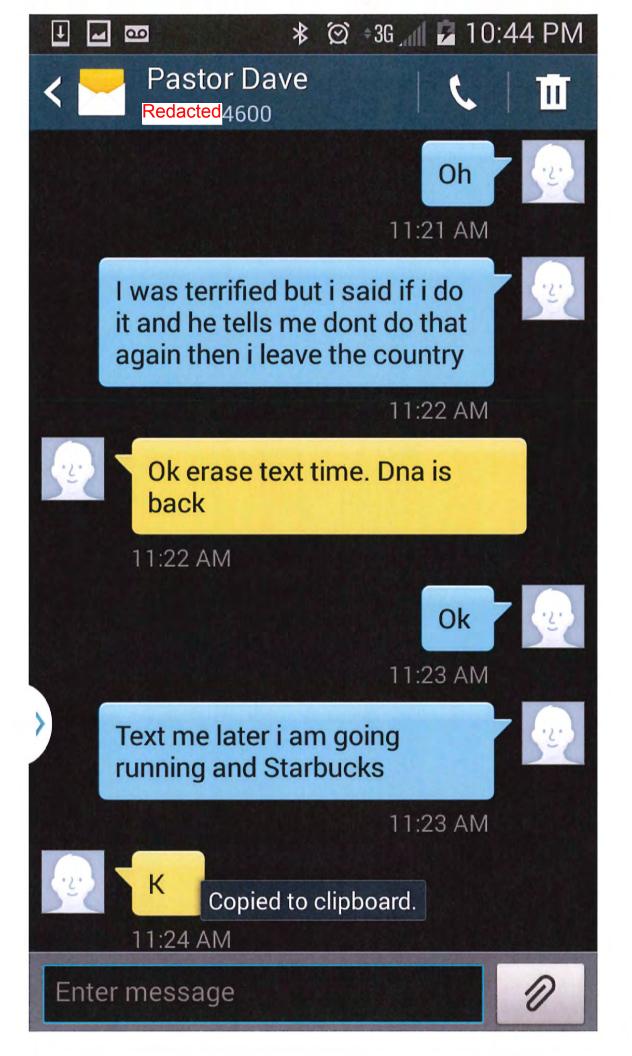
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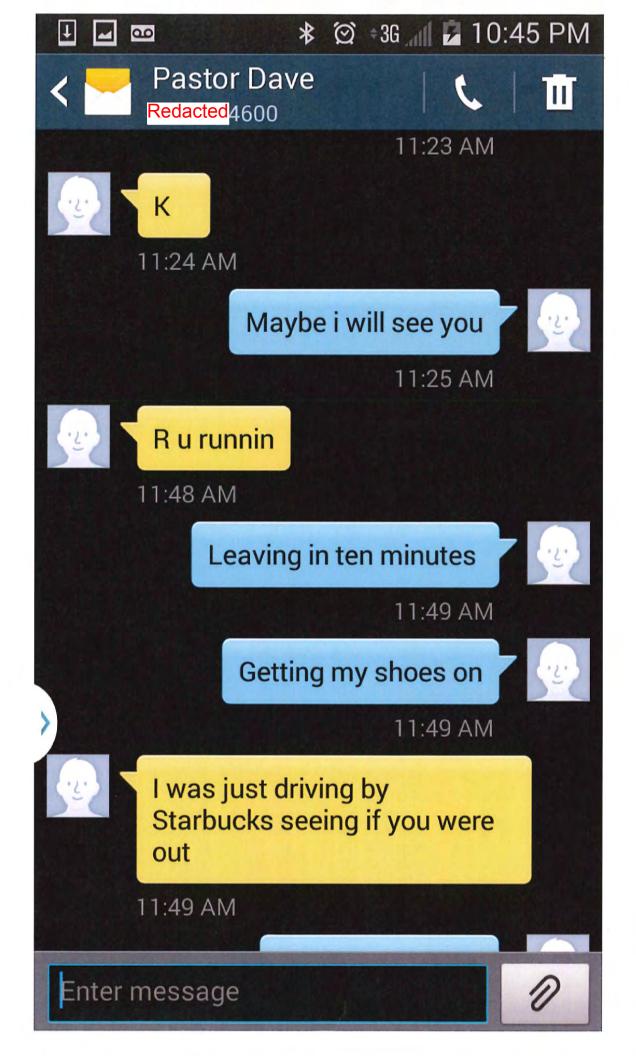
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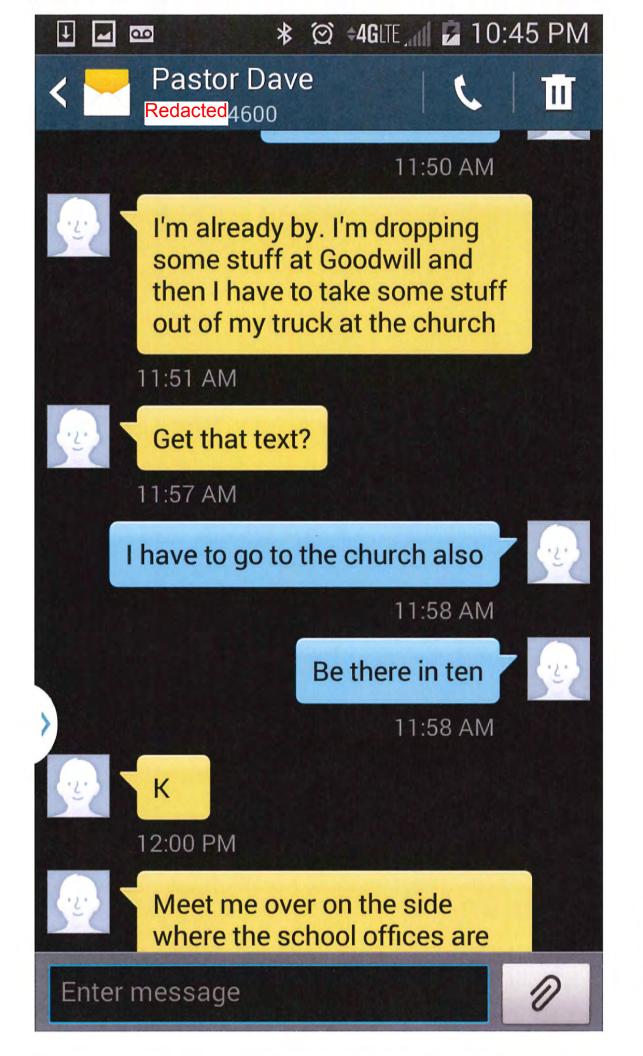


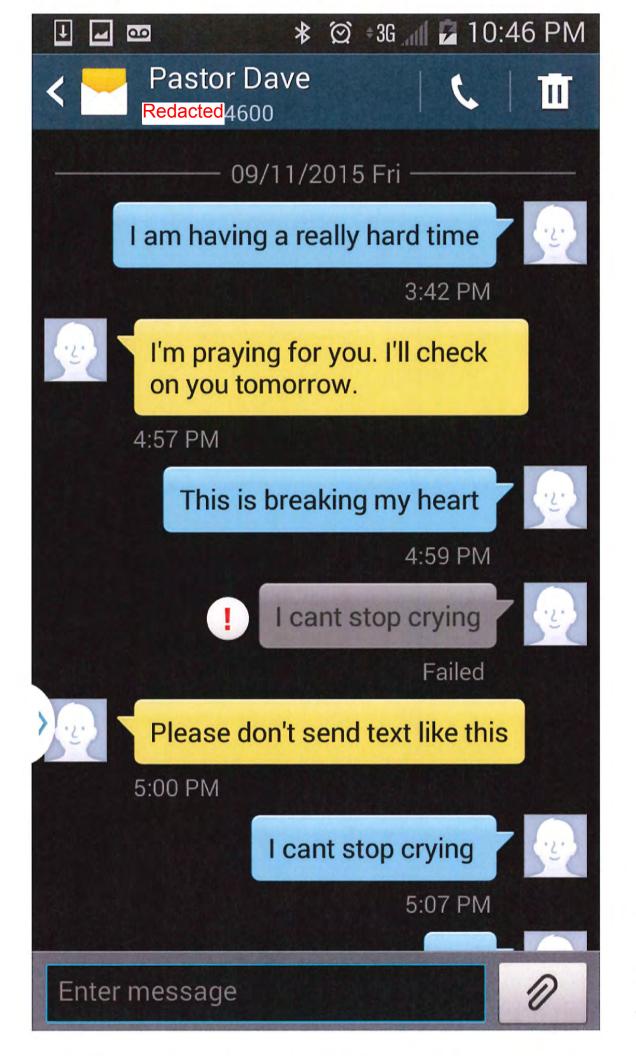


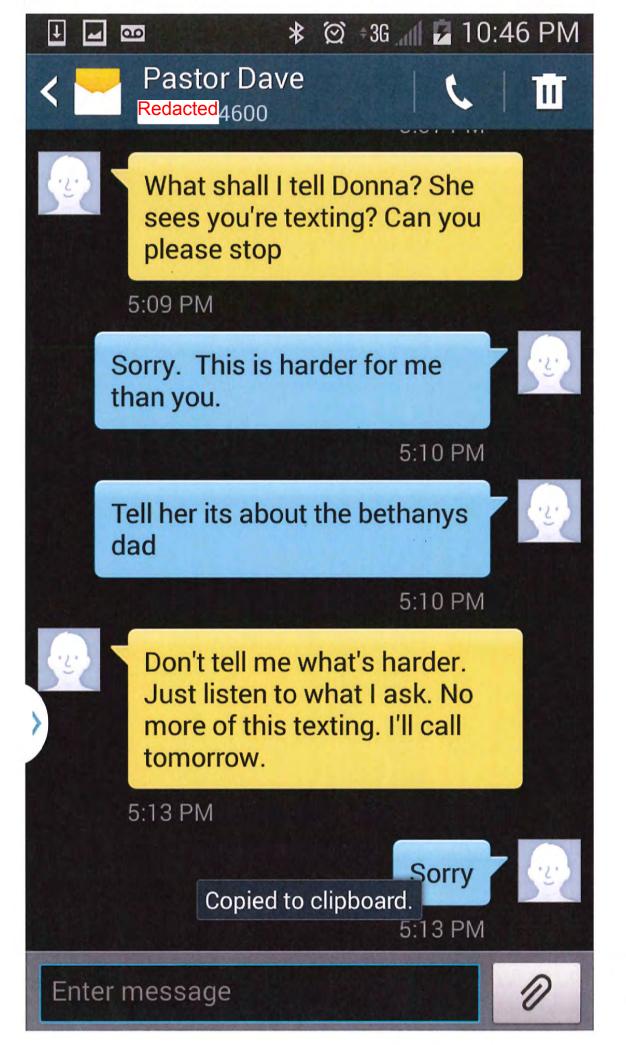


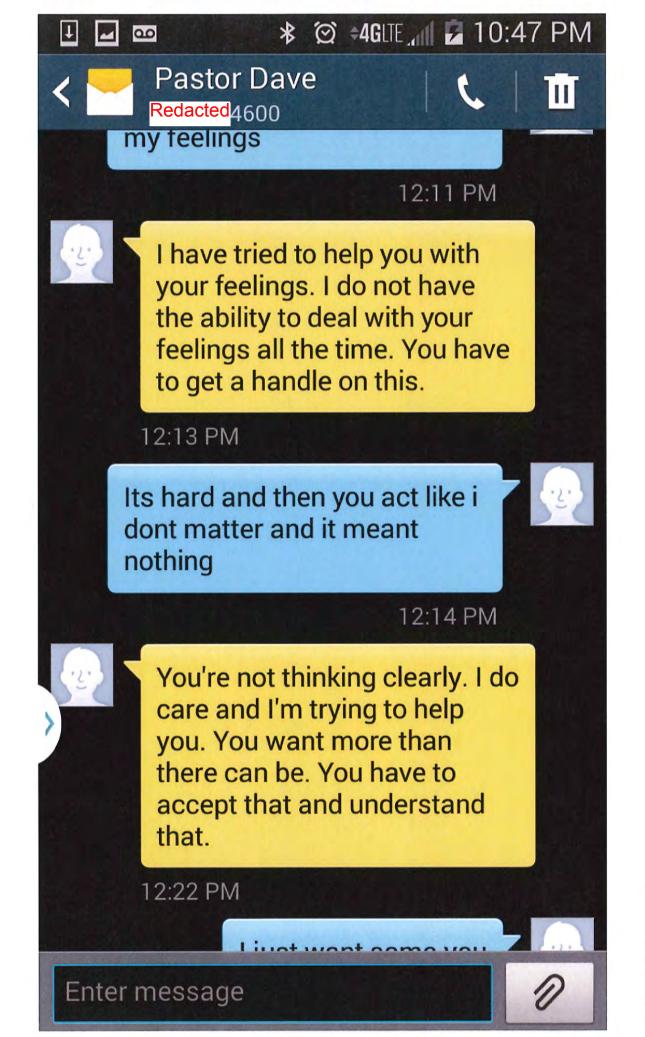


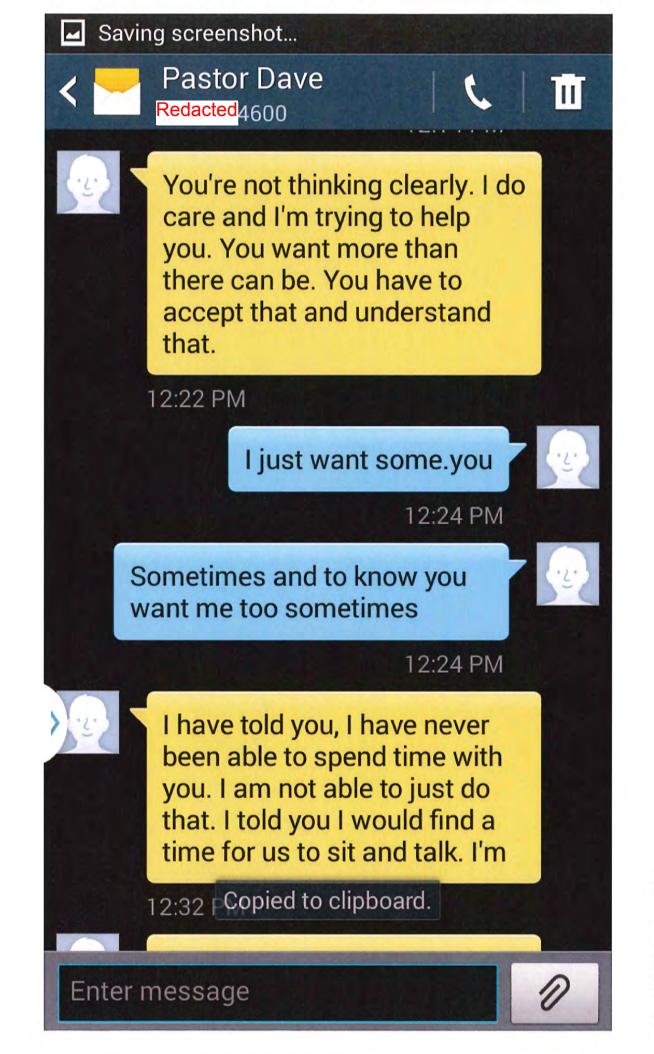


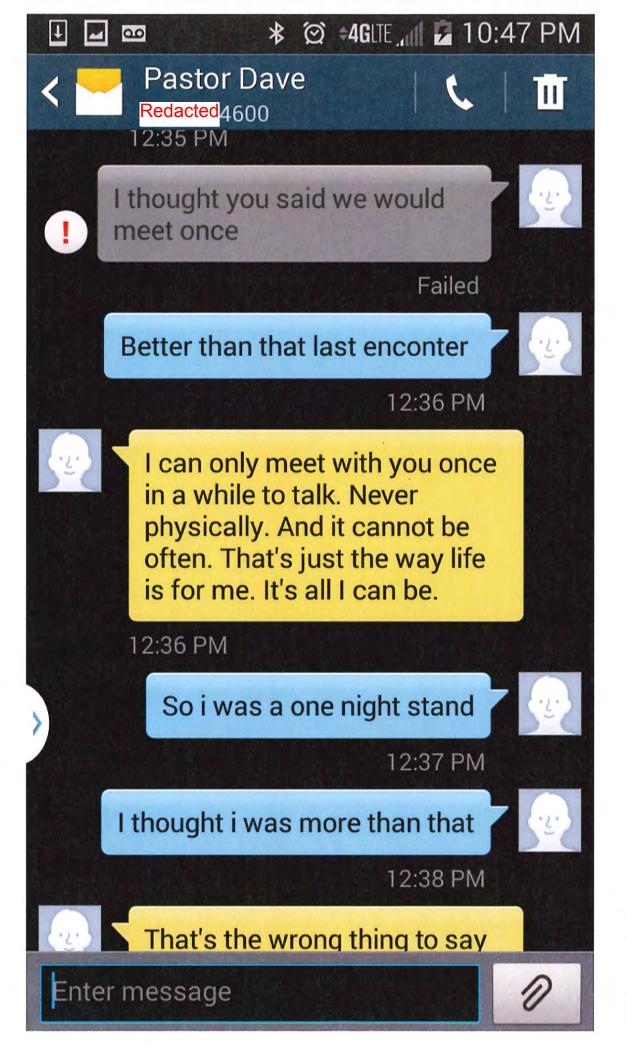


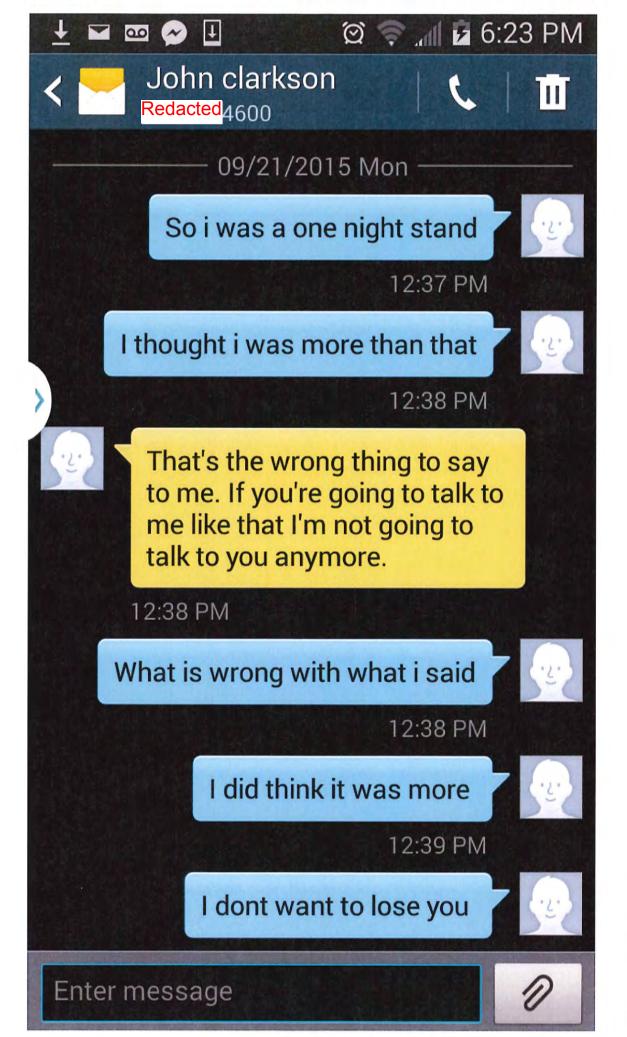


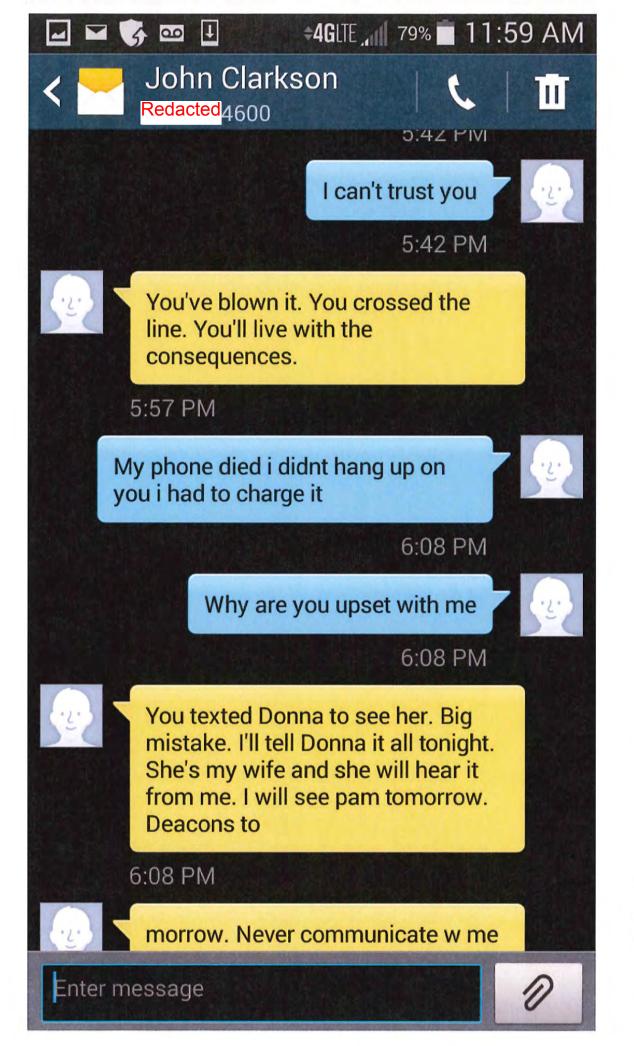






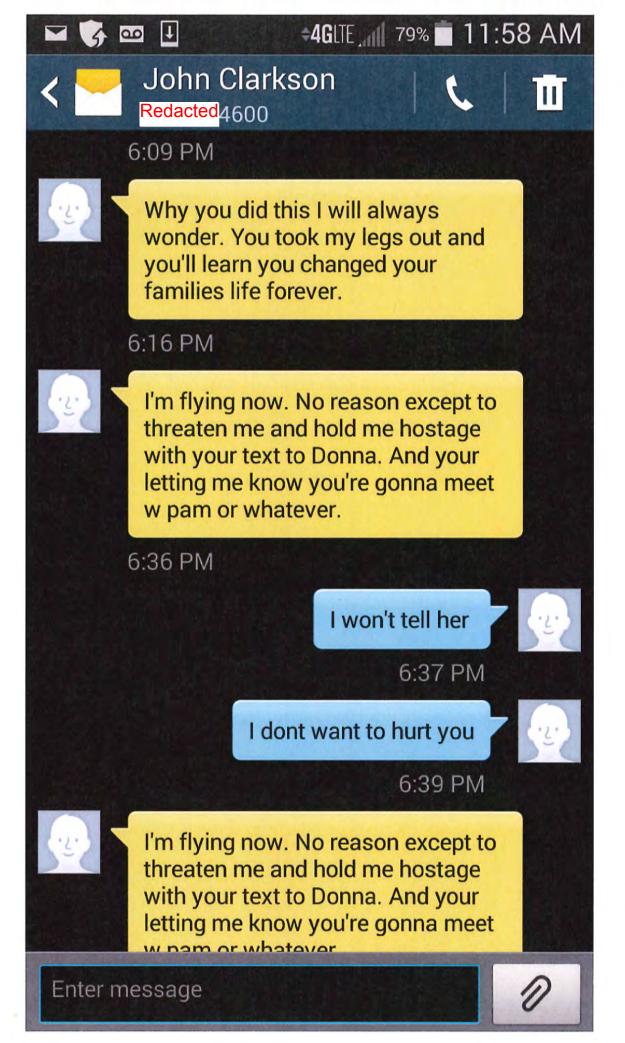


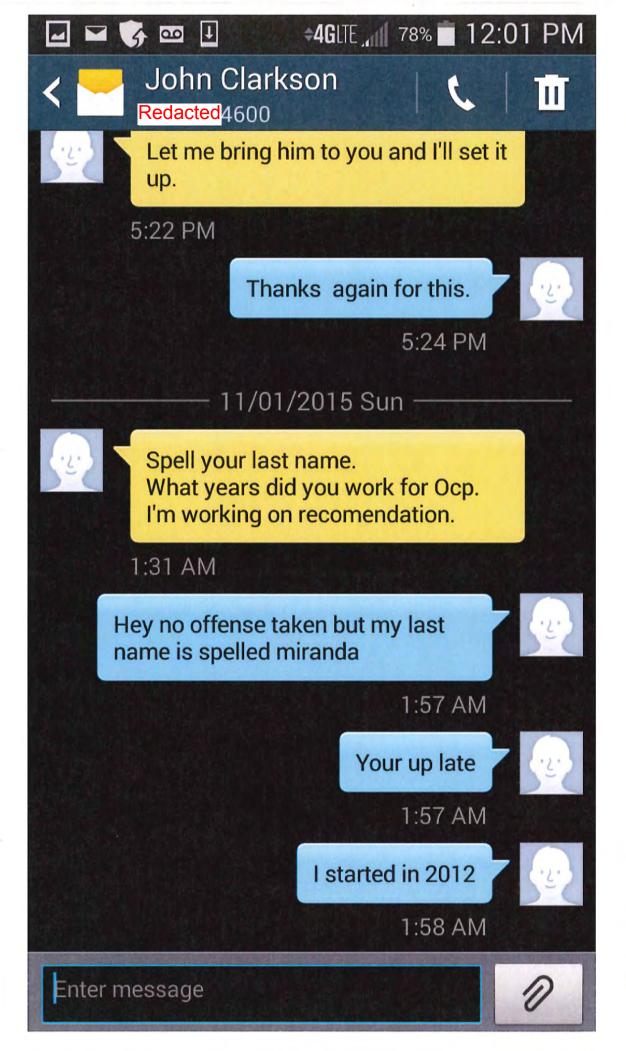


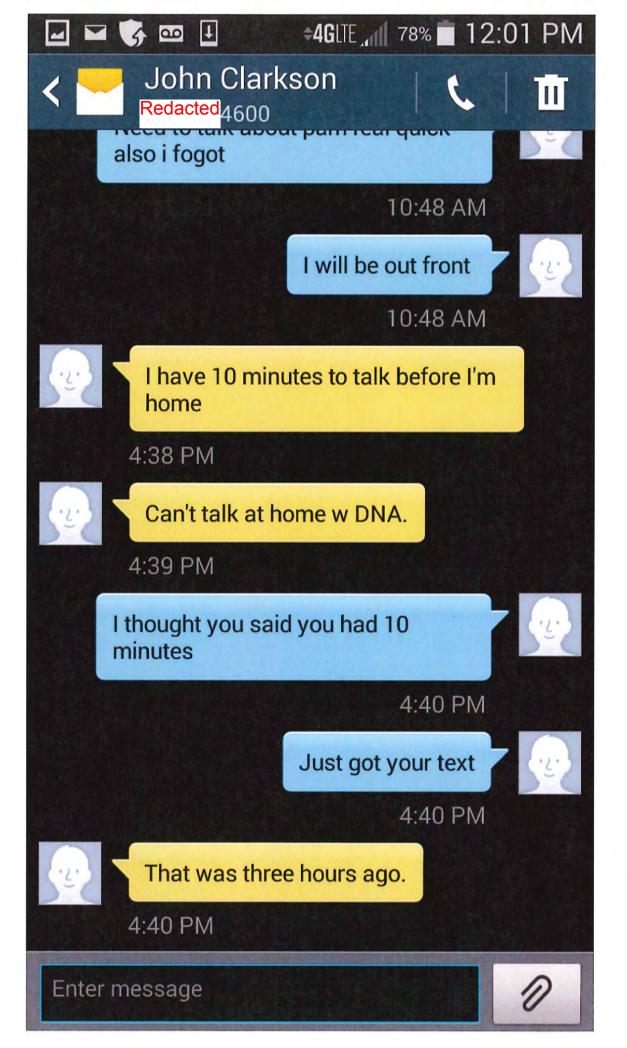


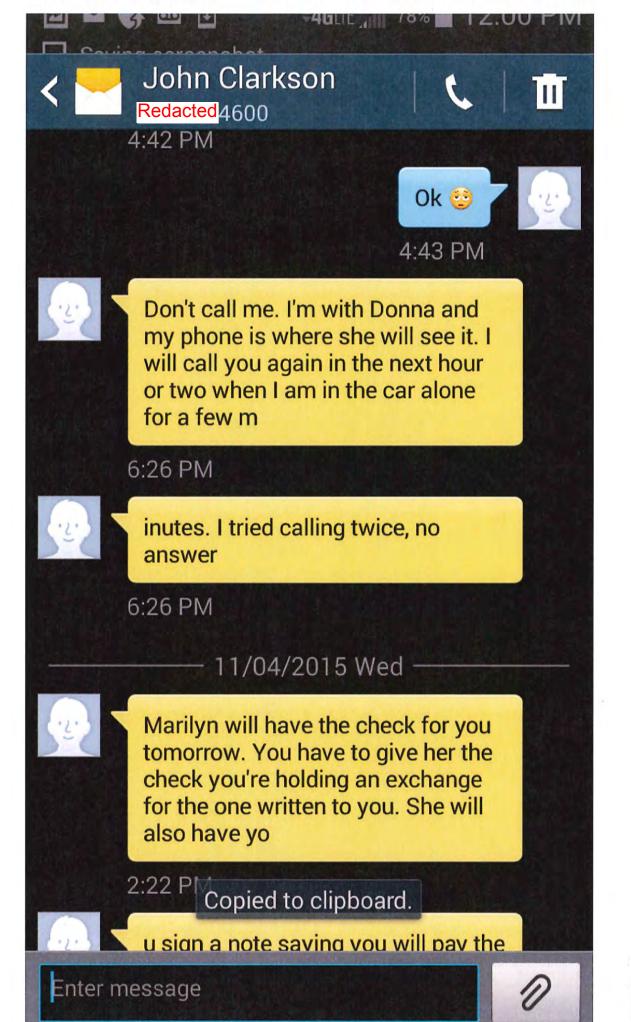
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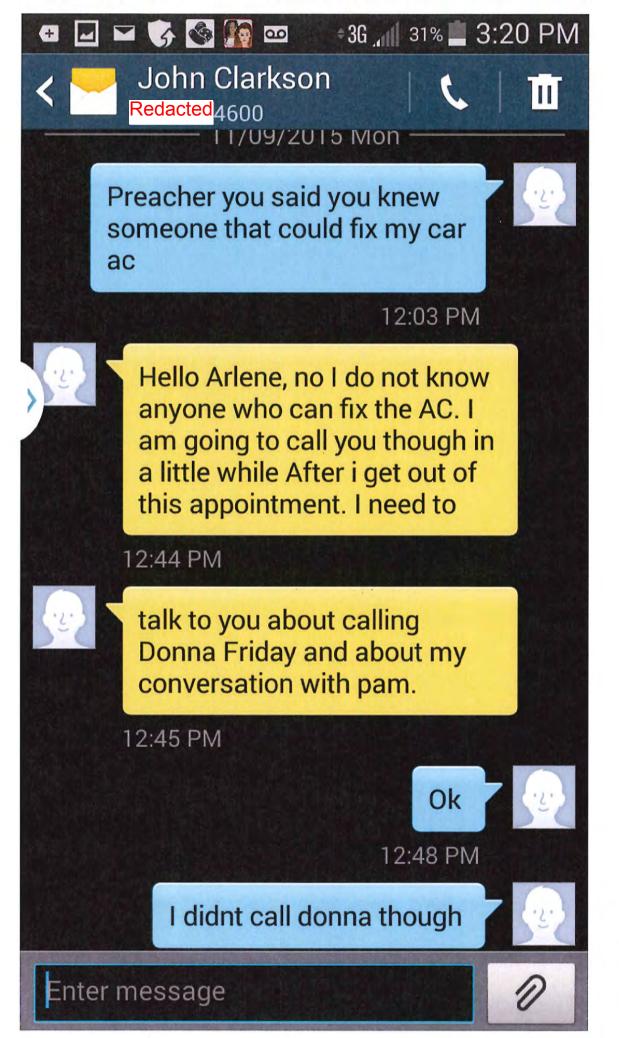
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She will have the check for you after 12 o'clock tomorrow.

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Just called to check in on you and see how you're doing. I hope you're doing good. I really think you should visit the missions conference. It's going re

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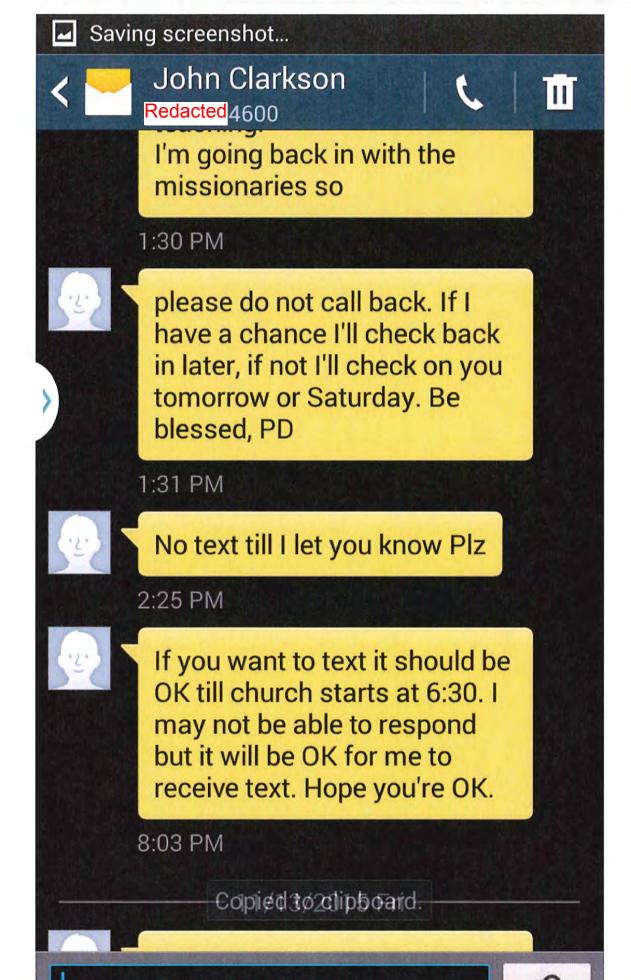
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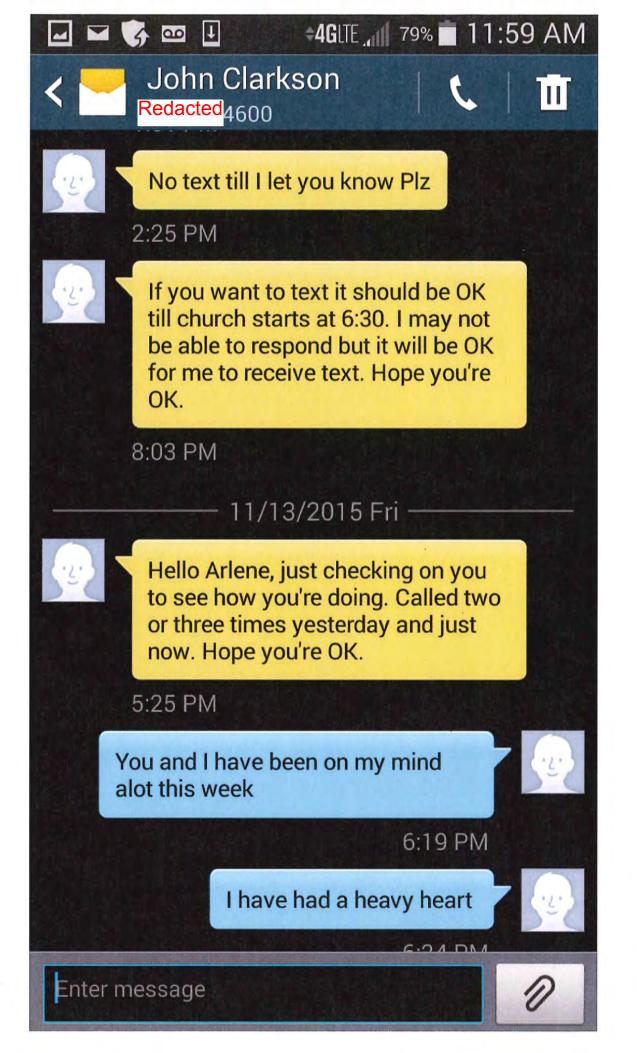
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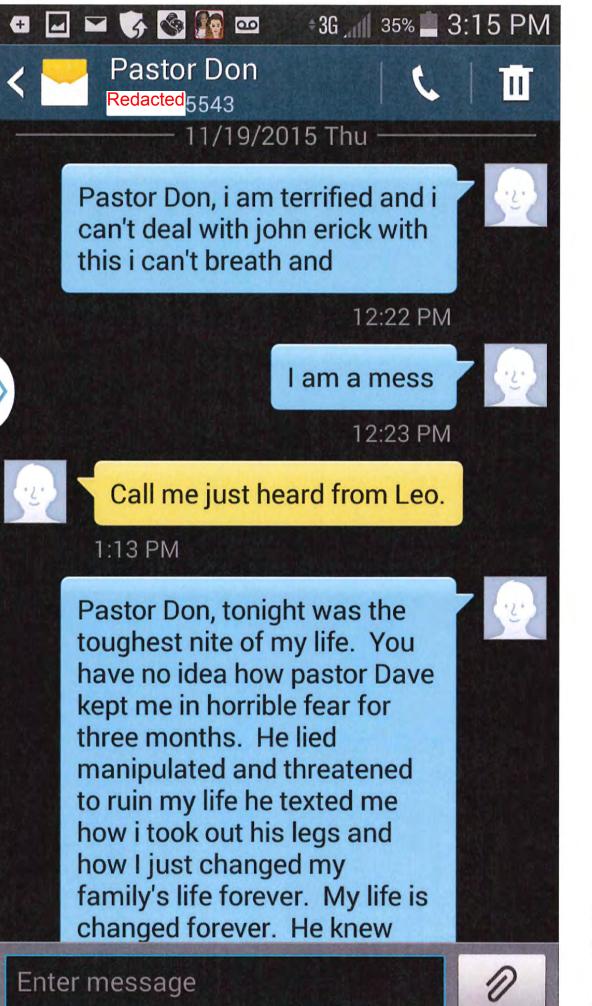
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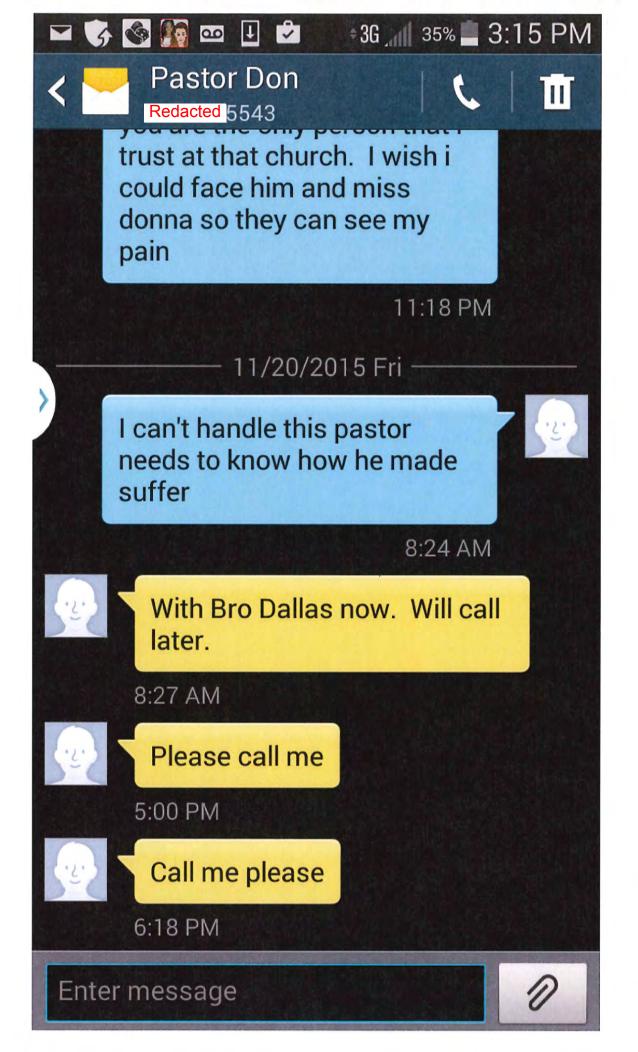
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I have no peace about how the church wants to handle this.

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# EXHIBIT "B"

 From:
 Brock Magruder

 Sent:
 Tuesday, December 08, 2015 3:00 PM

 To:
 Alisha@ Redacted ; Info@ Redacted

 Cc:
 Mayanne Downs; Nicole Park; Jason A. Zimmerman; Kathy Savage

 Subject:
 Urgent - Request for Documents - Arlene Miranda

Importance:

High

#### Ms. Jimenez,

We have the pleasure of representing Arlene Miranda. This is to confirm our phone call with you yesterday regarding a document Ms. Miranda signed relating to Mr. Janney, and to confirm our firm's representation of Ms. Miranda in this matter. We also wanted to clarify several issues:

First, please accept this email as a formal demand for a copy of the executed document between our client and Mr. Janney. Please provide a copy before close of business today.

Second, Ms. Miranda, our current client and your former client, explicitly requested a copy of this document on the call yesterday, and you said you would not provide it. You stated that because you were the mediator of the dispute that culminated in the document, it is confidential and you could not provide her with a copy. There is no law, rule or regulation prohibiting the disclosure of a document to one of its signatories based on confidentiality. If you are aware of any such authority, please provide it immediately.

Finally, during yesterday's conversation you indicated you planned to bill Ms. Miranda for your time incurred on the call, as well as other time incurred representing her. Please send us any invoices of time you have billed representing Ms. Miranda in the last three years, as well as any receipts for payments made to you for that representation, and for yesterday's call. Please also provide copies of any executed engagement letters between you or your firm and Ms. Miranda.

Sincerely, Brock

Brock Magruder | Associate Attorney GRAY | ROBINSON

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## EXHIBIT "C"

### AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made on December 2, 2015 (the "Effective Date"), between ORLANDO BAPTIST CHURCH INCORPORATED ("OBC"), and ARLENE C. MIRANDA ("MIRANDA").

In consideration of the terms of this Agreement, OBC (which, for purposes of this Agreement, includes OBC's employees, officers and affiliates) and Miranda agree as follows:

1. <u>Financial Assistance for Miranda</u>. Provided that there is no breach of the terms of this Agreement by Miranda, one of OBC's generous donors will fund a trust facility or escrow fund for the benefit of Miranda (the "<u>Trust</u>"). Funds from the Trust will be paid on a weekly basis in the amount of \$375.00 per week beginning December 4, 2015 and continuing through May 27, 2016. Funds from the Trust will then be paid on a weekly basis in the amount of \$200.00 per week beginning June 3, 2016 and ending on July 29, 2016. Any funds remaining in escrow or trust as of July 30, 2016 will be donated to OBC's general fund.

Funds from the Trust must be used exclusively for the Trust purpose.

2. <u>Reliable Transportation</u>. \$3,000 will be allocated to the Trust for the purposes of repair or purchase of reliable transportation. Additionally, \$700 will be allocated to secure Miranda vehicle from impound.

3. <u>Separation from OBC</u>. Miranda agrees to remove and separate herself permanently from all involvement and association with OBC, including all OBC properties and OBC services, functions, activities or events hosted or sponsored by OBC. For purposes of this paragraph, "OBC" includes its affiliated entities to include Orlando Christian Prep, Inc. and World Hope, Inc. Miranda further agrees to cease all contact with OBC's officers, staff members and their respective families. This agreement to separate does not apply to Miranda's children, provided that Miranda's children are transported to OBC or its affiliates' events and properties by someone other than Miranda. Miranda also agrees that she will not solicit any funds or loans from any OBC member or affiliate.

4. <u>Mandatory Counseling Requirement</u>. Miranda is required to undergo mandatory counseling through the Veterans Administration or a duly licensed psychiatrist (MD) or psychologist (Ph.d) during the pendency of the financial assistance provided to Miranda. Counseling will be reimbursed to the Trust no more than two times per month from December 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016 and no more than once per month beginning March 1, 2016 to July 29, 2016.

5. <u>Gainful Employment Required by January 31, 2016</u>. Miranda is required to search diligently and use best efforts to obtain gainful employment on or before January 31, 2016. For purposes of this Agreement, "gainful employment" means a part-time and permanent position comprising at least 25 hours of work per week.

6. <u>General Release by OBC</u>. Except for matters arising after the date of this Agreement, OBC hereby remises, releases, acquits, satisfies and forever discharges Miranda of any and from all manner of actions, causes of action, lawsuits, debts, sums of money, bills, liens, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, variances, damages, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, in law or in equity, of which OBC ever had or now has, or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of OBC ever had, now has or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of OBC hereafter can, shall or may have against Miranda, for, upon or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, from the beginning of the world to the date of this Release.

7. <u>General Release by Miranda</u>. Miranda hereby remises, releases, acquits, satisfies and forever discharges OBC of any and from all manner of claims, actions, causes of action, lawsuits, debts, sums of money, bills, liens, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, variances, damages, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, in law or in equity, of which Miranda ever had or now has, or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of Miranda ever had, now has or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of Miranda hereafter can, shall or may have against OBC, for, upon or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, from the beginning of the world to the date of this Release. For purposes of this Agreement, "OBC" includes all of its employees, agents, contractors, officers and affiliates to include Orlando Christian Prep, Inc. and World Hope, Inc.

8. <u>Confidentiality & Non-disparagement</u>. The terms of this Agreement and the association between the parties is absolutely confidential unless subject to subpoena or other legal or governmental proceeding. All aspects of Miranda's and OBC's dealings with each other to include all dealings between Miranda and OBC's members, congregants, employees, officers and OBC's affiliates, which include Orlando Christian Prep, Inc. and World Hope, Inc. (and the employees, agents and officers of all OBC affiliates) will remain absolutely confidential. Neither OBC (or its employees, officers and agents) nor Miranda will be permitted to discuss or disclose any negative information, disparaging remarks or business practices with any third party with the exception of the respective parties' attorneys or if required by legal or governmental process. OBC is absolutely prohibited from mentioning or discussing Miranda in any negative or disparaging way, and Miranda is absolutely prohibited from mentioning or discussing OBC in any negative or disparaging way.

9. <u>Dispute Resolution via Arbitration</u>. Any controversy or claim arising from this Agreement is to be settled by binding arbitration governed by the rules set forth in the Florida Arbitration Code. The arbitration proceeding shall be administered according to the rules promulgated by the appointed arbitrator. Any judgment rendered by the arbitrator shall be entered into any court of competent jurisdiction.

For purposes of this Agreement, the following rules apply:

a) <u>Time Limitation</u>: Any arbitration proceeding under this Agreement must begin no later than THIRTY (30) days after the controversy or claim arises. Arbitration of the controversy must be completed no later than 75 days after arbitration begins. Failure

Page 2 of 5 OBC / Miranda Agreement to commence an arbitration proceeding within the THIRTY (30) day period is an absolute bar to the commencement of arbitration proceedings with respect to the controversy or claim and a waiver of the controversy or claim.

- b) <u>Rules for Discovery</u>: To the extent that the rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") provide for a more expeditious discovery procedure, the arbitrator shall adopt the AAA rules for discovery. Discovery will be absolutely limited in time to THIRTY (30) days. The Arbitrator will be required to impose EXTREMELY LIMITED options for discovery with rapid turnaround times for discovery items. The failure by any party to abuse discovery or fail to comply with discovery requests will result in the non-complying party's payment of the complying party's discovery costs to include legal fees.
- c) <u>Limitations on Relief</u>: No party to this Agreement is entitled to obtain interim or provisional relief before the final decision of the arbitrator. The arbitrator will have no authority to award punitive or other damages not measured by the prevailing party's actual damages, except as may be required by statute. The arbitrator will otherwise be permitted to render a complete and final judgment regarding the matter in controversy including remedies at law or in equity.
- d) Payment of Fees and Expenses: All fees and expenses of arbitration will be borne by the non-prevailing party. If the arbitrator finds that more than one party has some degree of fault relative to the other parties (comparative fault), the substantially prevailing shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any fees and expenses associated with the arbitration process, including attorneys' fees, arbitrator fees, courts costs and any other expense related to the arbitration.
- e) <u>Enforcement</u>: Each party shall submit to any court of competent jurisdiction for purposes of the enforcement of any award, order or judgment. Any award, order or judgment pursuant to arbitration is final and may be entered and enforced in any court of competent jurisdiction.

10. <u>Breach of Agreement</u>. If Miranda breaches this Agreement, OBC may seek the immediate return of all funds loaned to or paid on behalf of Miranda. If such a breach occurs, the general release from OBC in favor of Miranda will not bar OBC's claims against Miranda for the return of funds or OBC's claims for any other damages arising from a breach of this Agreement.

11. Miscellaneous Provisions.

a) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior written and oral and all contemporaneous oral agreements and understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof.

b) <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida, excluding its conflict of law rules. The Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County shall have jurisdiction and venue over all disputes between the Parties that are brought or entered in a court of law pursuant regarding this Agreement.

c) <u>Binding Effect; Assignment</u>. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of the parties' legal representatives and successors. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any other person any rights or remedies of any nature. No party may assign this Agreement or any of its rights or obligations without the prior written consent of the other party. Any purported assignment without written consent shall be void.

d) <u>Severability</u>. If any term or other provision of this Agreement is determined by a court, administrative agency or arbitrator to be invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any rule of law or public policy, all other conditions and provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to either party. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties will negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible.

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SIGNED this day of December, 2015.

ORLANDO BAPTIST CHURCH INCORPORATED, a Florida not for profit corporation

By:

Dallas McLaurin, Vice President

ARLENE C. MIRANDA

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# EXHIBIT "D"

From: Sent: To: Subject: Mayanne Downs Friday, December 11, 2015 3:43 PM pastordave@ Redacted Miranda/Orlando Baptist Church, Inc.

Dear Mr. Janney:

This email is being sent to you in your capacity as President of Orlando Baptist Church, Inc., and as Senior Pastor of the Church.

I represent Ms. Arlene Miranda. We were provided today, by Ms. Jimenez -- whose role in this matter is unclear but a matter of grave concern, a copy of a document entitled "Agreement," dated December 2, 2015. We filed suit in connection with this document when she refused to discuss and/or attempt to resolve this matter.

The document we were provided today is not signed, nor has a signed copy of it been delivered to Ms. Miranda.

We do not believe this "Agreement" is binding (for all the reasons set forth in our lawsuit), but in an abundance of caution we hereby revoke, on behalf of our client, any willingness on her part to execute the agreement.

Mayanne Downs

Mayanne Downs | Shareholder G R A Y | R O B I N S O N

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# EXHIBIT "E"

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Mayanne Downs Friday, December 11, 2015 4:54 PM kurtbrewerlaw@ Redacted Jason A. Zimmerman; Shawna L. Tucker; Brock Magruder Fwd: Miranda/Orlando Baptist Church, Inc.

Mr. Brewer:

Mr. Magruder forwarded your email to me. Attached below is our revocation, on behalf of our client, Ms. Miranda, which was sent in light of Orlando Baptist Church, Inc.'s failure to perform and/or to deliver an executed copy of the "Agreement." There is no binding agreement between our clients.

Mayanne

Mayanne Downs GrayRobinson PA 407-810-5560 Forgive my typos as you would have me forgive yours

## Mayanne Downs | Shareholder

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### AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made on December 2015 (the "Effective Date"), between ORLANDO BAPTIST CHURCH INCORPORATED ("OBC"), and ARLENE C. MIRANDA ("MIRANDA").

In consideration of the terms of this Agreement, OBC (which, for purposes of this Agreement, includes OBC's employees, officers and affiliates) and Miranda agree as follows:

1. <u>Financial Assistance for Miranda</u>. Provided that there is no breach of the terms of this Agreement by Miranda, one of OBC's generous donors will fund a trust facility or escrow fund for the benefit of Miranda (the "<u>Trust</u>"). Funds from the Trust will be paid on a weekly basis in the amount of \$375.00 per week beginning December 4, 2015 and continuing through May 27, 2016. Funds from the Trust will then be paid on a weekly basis in the amount of \$200.00 per week beginning June 3, 2016 and ending on July 29, 2016. Any funds remaining in escrow or trust as of July 30, 2016 will be donated to OBC's general fund.

Funds from the Trust must be used exclusively for the Trust purpose.

2. <u>Reliable Transportation</u>. \$3,000 will be allocated to the Trust for the purposes of repair or purchase of reliable transportation. Additionally, \$700 will be allocated to secure Miranda vehicle from impound.

3. <u>Separation from OBC</u>. Miranda agrees to remove and separate herself permanently from all involvement and association with OBC, including all OBC properties and OBC services, functions, activities or events hosted or sponsored by OBC. For purposes of this paragraph, "OBC" includes its affiliated entities to include Orlando Christian Prep, Inc. and World Hope, Inc. Miranda further agrees to cease all contact with OBC's officers, staff members and their respective families. This agreement to separate does not apply to Miranda's children, provided that Miranda's children are transported to OBC or its affiliates' events and properties by someone other than Miranda. Miranda also agrees that she will not solicit any funds or loans from any OBC member or affiliate.

4. <u>Mandatory Counseling Requirement</u>. Miranda is required to undergo mandatory counseling through the Veterans Administration or a duly licensed psychiatrist (MD) or psychologist (Ph.d) during the pendency of the financial assistance provided to Miranda. Counseling will be reimbursed to the Trust no more than two times per month from December 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016 and no more than once per month beginning March 1, 2016 to July 29, 2016.

5. Gainful Employment Required by January 31, 2016. Miranda is required to search diligently and use best efforts to obtain gainful employment on or before January 31, 2016. For purposes of this Agreement, "gainful employment" means a part-time and permanent position comprising at least 25 hours of work per week.

6. <u>General Release by OBC</u>. Except for matters arising after the date of this Agreement, OBC hereby remises, releases, acquits, satisfies and forever discharges Miranda of any and from all manner of actions, causes of action, lawsuits, debts, sums of money, bills, liens, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, variances, damages, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, in law or in equity, of which OBC ever had or now has, or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of OBC ever had, now has or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of OBC hereafter can, shall or may have against Miranda, for, upon or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, from the beginning of the world to the date of this Release.

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8. <u>Confidentiality & Non-disparagement</u>. The terms of this Agreement and the association between the parties is absolutely confidential unless subject to subpoena or other legal or governmental proceeding. All aspects of Miranda's and OBC's dealings with each other to include all dealings between Miranda and OBC's members, congregants, employees, officers and OBC's affiliates, which include Orlando Christian Prep, Inc. and World Hope, Inc. (and the employees, agents and officers of all OBC affiliates) will remain absolutely confidential. Neither OBC (or its employees, officers and agents) nor Miranda will be permitted to discuss or disclose any negative information, disparaging remarks or business practices with any third party with the exception of the respective parties' attorneys or if required by legal or governmental process. OBC is absolutely prohibited from mentioning or discussing Miranda in any negative or disparaging way, and Miranda is absolutely prohibited from mentioning or discussing OBC in any negative or disparaging way.

9. Dispute Resolution via Arbitration. Any controversy or claim arising from this Agreement is to be settled by binding arbitration governed by the rules set forth in the Florida Arbitration Code. The arbitration proceeding shall be administered according to the rules promulgated by the appointed arbitrator. Any judgment rendered by the arbitrator shall be entered into any court of competent jurisdiction.

For purposes of this Agreement, the following rules apply:

a) Time Limitation: Any arbitration proceeding under this Agreement must begin no later than THIRTY (30) days after the controversy or claim arises. Arbitration of the controversy must be completed no later than 75 days after arbitration begins. Failure

to commence an arbitration proceeding within the THIRTY (30) day period is an absolute bar to the commencement of arbitration proceedings with respect to the controversy or claim and a waiver of the controversy or claim.

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