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United States District Court RE: Case No.: 2:10-cv-01672 Lance S. Wilson, Deputy Clerk District of Nevada 333 S. Las Vegas Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89101

Civil Action No 2:10-CV-01672-GMM-LRN

June 9, 2011

United States District Court,

Responding *pro se* to:

Plaintiff Righthaven LLC's Response to Defendant Denise Nichols motion for Attorney's Fees and Costs [Righthaven LLC v. Michael Leon, Nichols et al; Civil Action No 2:10-CV-01672-GMM-LRN].

Displaying the same stubborn posture Righthaven LLC has shown this Court and the same reckless disregard for facts, Righthaven again distorts the record in this matter.

On April 20, due to Righthaven's carelessness admitted to in its STATUS REPORT TO HEARING ... for April 20 [FILED 04-18-2011], this Court declared at the beginning of the hearing that the cases against defendant Leon and co-defendant Nichols would be dismissed. The Court did not predicate this directive upon whether Righthaven "would consent to dismissal with or without prejudice." It made the directive and order clear at the April 20 hearing, irrespective of what Righthaven wished.

This Court left it to the defendants – as prevailing parties - to decide whether the dismissal would be with or without prejudice.

Facing life-threatening medical issues, I entered into good-faith negotiations with the plaintiff who admits in its April 20 Status Report that "Righthaven's Complaint apparently did not name Denise Nichols ('Nichols') as a defendant in this action."

I had retained the counsel of Attorney John Arsenault and Mike Kimbrell who appeared for me at the April 20 hearing. Together this cost me \$1,600, though both attorneys fairly donated *pro bono* their considerable time put in due to Righthaven intransigent posture before, during and after negotiations regarding a complaint served upon me, and yet it bears repeating a complaint that failed to mention me once, as admitted to by Righthaven.

Righthaven took this Court's ruling as an opportunity to engage in bad-faith negotiations before terminating the frivolous suit on May 6, through its Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, and then opposing my effort to obtain the very low amount of \$1,600 in attorneys' fees, which I now request.

To review Righthaven's behavior in this case, it bears noting the following facts:

- 1 Righthaven served Denise Nichols with a complaint that fails to mention Nichols
- 2 Righthaven's cookie cutter lawsuits made misrepresentations in this case against multiple co-defendants, arguing two separate Venues for alleged infringements that are simply not credible. In one complaint against co-defendant Medbillz, Righthaven names the United States District Court for the Southern District of California as venue. In another complaint served on Leon, Righthaven says the proper venue is the United States District Court, District of Nevada.
- 3 Righthaven failed to serve defendant Leon within 120 days

Reading Righthaven's tortured April 20 Report, Righthaven also claims that "Righthaven filed the Amended Complaint in this action by mistake." (p.2)

Righthaven says I am attempting to ask the Court for a sum to which I am not entitled, though in its opposition Righthaven admits the mistakes are Righthaven's not mine.

The reason I am responding *pro se* is I simply cannot afford money for another attorney and Righthaven as made it clear in my co-defendant's *pro bono* case that it will oppose any and all claims for attorneys' fees and costs.

As Leon's *pro bono* attorney has written [Doc 48], "As an organization that has been characterized as a lawsuit mill that profits off of quick settlements, Righthaven's opposition is unsurprising as the payment of attorney's fees throws a sizable wrench into the working of the Righthaven lawsuit machine."

I am arguing that this Court has within in its authority and discretion to award me attorneys' fees and costs incurred for Righthaven's admitted mistakes and outright dishonesty demonstrated in this matter.

And I conclude by objecting to Righthaven's statement, "Nichols' Motion should also be denied because it is nothing short of an attempt at trying to extract blood money in the form of an attorney's fee award to which she in (sic) not entitled."

This is an offensive and foolish statement that deserves condemnation. Righthaven caused me great stress while I am dealing with critical medical issues that are serious! Righthaven's actions caused me to have to hire attorneys and even though the cost is reasonable 1600 dollars is still a cost that was not needed while I face other needs. My wish is to at least regain the costs that Righthaven's actions have cost me directly, it certainly does not cover all costs involved.

Very Truly Yours,

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# Wessels & Arsenault, LLC

INVOICE

1001 W. 120th Ave ste. 214 Westminster, Colorado 80234 Invoice # 2053 Date: 06/02/2011 Due On: 07/02/2011

Denise Nichols 4050 Cody Street Wheatridge, Colorado 80033

### 2011-4-00060

## copyright infringement - RH

Type	Date	Description	Quantity	Rate	Total
Service	04/09/2011	Communication - Client: Visit with client initial strategy	0.4	\$175.00	\$70.00
Service	04/09/2011	Communication - Opposing: Call to RH - S. Ganim	0.1	\$175.00	\$17.50
Service	04/09/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call to MK	0.1	\$175.00	\$17.50
Service	04/09/2011	Communication - Client: Call from DN	0.3	\$175.00	\$52.50
Service	04/11/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call to MK	0.3	\$175.00	\$52.50
Service	04/13/2011	Communication - Client: Call to DN	0.2	\$175.00	\$35.00
Service	04/13/2011	Communication - Opposing: Call to RH - S. Ganim	0.3	\$175.00	\$52.50
Service	04/13/2011	Communication - Client: Call to DN	0.3	\$175.00	\$52.50
Service	04/14/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call to MK	0.3	\$175.00	\$52.50
Service	04/14/2011	Communication - Client: Call to DN	0.3	\$175.00	\$52.50
Service	04/14/2011	Communication - Opposing: Call to RH	0.2	\$175.00	\$35.00
Service	04/14/2011	Communication - Opposing: Email to RH	0.1	\$175.00	\$17.50
Service	04/14/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call to D. Kerr	0.3	\$175.00	\$52.50
Service	04/14/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call to MK	0.1	\$175.00	\$17.50
Service	04/14/2011	Communication - Third Party: Talk with S. Mangano	0.5	\$175.00	\$87.50
Service	04/19/2011	Communication - Client: Email to DN	0.1	\$175.00	\$17.50
Service	04/19/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call to MK	0.1	\$175.00	\$17.50
Service	04/21/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call from MK	0.2	\$175.00	\$35.00
Service	04/22/2011	Communication - Opposing: Talk with S. Mangano	0.8	\$175.00	\$140.00
Service	04/26/2011	Communication - Opposing: Talk with S. Mangano	0.6	\$175.00	\$105.00

			Balance Owing		\$0.00
			Payment (06/02/2011)		\$-1,000.00
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Expense	06/02/2011	Reimbursable expense: not billing these hours	1.0	\$-225.00	\$-225.00
Service	05/04/2011	Communication - Opposing: Talk with S. Mangano	0.3	\$175.00	
Service	05/04/2011	Communication - Client: Call to DN	0.2	\$175.00	\$35.00
Service	05/04/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call to MK	0.2	\$175.00	
Service	04/27/2011	Communication - Client: Call and email to DN	0.1		\$35.00
Service	04/27/2011	Communication - Third Party: Call from D. Kerr		\$175.00	\$17.50
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	0.410710044	Communication - Third Party: Call to and from MK	0.4	\$175.00	\$70.00

### **Detailed Statement of Account**

### **Current Invoice**

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Invoice Number	Due On	Amount Due Paym	ents Received Bal	ance Due
2053	07/02/2011	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00

Please make all amounts payable to: Wessels & Arsenault, LLC

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

### I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I have e-mailed a copy of:

#### REPLY TO OPPOSITION FOR MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS

To Atty Shawn Mangano representing Righthaven LLC

And served motion for mailing in the United States Mail, in a sealed envelope addressed to the following:

13 June 2011

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