

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
FAMILY DIVISION

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KIMBERLY LA PIERRE, : Docket Number: 2018 DRB 00472
Petitioner, :
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vs. :
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BLAKE LA PIERRE, :
Respondent. :
: Monday, April 30, 2018
----- x Washington, D.C.

The above-entitled action came on for a hearing
before the Honorable JULIE BECKER, Associate Judge, in
Courtroom Number 104.

APPEARANCES:

On Behalf of the Petitioner:

AMANDA SOW, Esquire
Washington, D.C.

On Behalf of the Respondent:

Pro se

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THE DEPUTY CLERK: Your Honor, this is the matter of Kimberly La Pierre versus Blake La Pierre, 2018 DRB 472. Parties come forward, plaintiff at the first microphone, defendant at the third microphone.

MR. LA PIERRE: I'm not a defendant in this, I've already told you that. I was marked down as a respondent by the recorder. Have you heard the transcript, Julie Becker?

THE DEPUTY CLERK: Sir, identify, parties identify themselves --

MR. LA PIERRE: Blake La Pierre.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: -- starting with the plaintiff please.

MS. LA PIERRE: Kimberly La Pierre.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: Thank you.

MS. SOW: Amanda Sow for the plaintiff, Kimberly La Pierre.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: Thank you. Sir, your name please?

MR. LA PIERRE: My name?

THE DEPUTY CLERK: Yes, please.

MR. LA PIERRE: My name is Blake La Pierre.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: Thank you. Both parties please raise their right hands.

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(Thereupon, the petitioner was sworn.)

MR. LA PIERRE: I contest that I'm a party.
I'll tell you whatever I think is the truth.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: Do you solemnly -- close
enough --

(Thereupon, the respondent was sworn.)

THE COURT: All right, everybody can have a
seat. Good afternoon everyone.

MR. LA PIERRE: I'd like to stand.

MS. SOW: Good afternoon.

THE COURT: If you'd like to stand, that's fine
too.

MR. LA PIERRE: Have you read the -- you need to
disqualify, Julie Becker.

THE COURT: Okay, we are here for --

MR. LA PIERRE: Julie Becker, you need to
disqualify --

THE COURT: Sir --

THE DEPUTY CLERK: Sir --

MR. LA PIERRE: I --

THE COURT: You can refer to me as Judge Becker
or Your Honor.

MR. LA PIERRE: You have to disqualify.

THE COURT: We are here for a hearing on Ms. La
Pierre's claim for legal separation. The purpose of --

1 MR. LA PIERRE: Julie Becker, you have to
2 disqualify.

3 THE COURT: Sir, please don't interrupt.

4 MR. LA PIERRE: You have to disqualify.

5 THE COURT: And again, you --

6 MR. LA PIERRE: You didn't let me speak last
7 time.

8 THE COURT: And again you may refer to me as
9 Judge Becker or Your Honor.

10 MR. LA PIERRE: You didn't let me speak last
11 time. You have to disqualify.

12 THE COURT: The purpose of today's hearing is
13 for Ms. La Pierre to put on evidence and for Mr. La Pierre
14 to respond regarding the voluntariness of the separation
15 from the marriage.

16 MR. LA PIERRE: You have to disqualify.

17 THE COURT: I have received from Mr. La Pierre,
18 filed I think on Friday, what purports to be an order from
19 him to for that I disqualify myself from this proceeding,
20 so I'll say a couple of things about that. Number one, if
21 you'd like the Court to do anything, sir, you need to file
22 it in a motion, not an order. And second I am not --

23 MR. LA PIERRE: You have to disqualify. I am
24 not required to do that.

25 THE COURT: I am not going to disqualify myself.

1 MR. LA PIERRE: You have to.

2 THE COURT: There are no grounds, there are no
3 grounds for me to disqualify myself.

4 MR. LA PIERRE: Did you read the transcript?

5 THE COURT: There are no grounds for me to
6 disqualify myself from this case.

7 MR. LA PIERRE: Did you read the transcript?
8 You have a personal bias for Sogand Zamani.

9 THE COURT: I do not --

10 MR. LA PIERRE: You expressed personal knowledge
11 regarding a fact at dispute in this case. Mr. La Pierre,
12 I actually don't think Sogand or Amanda should be allowed
13 to represent Kim. They've made a number of false
14 statements. They've proven themselves to not be competent
15 and it's not fair to Kim for her to be represented by
16 them. The Court, that was you, okay, well she's entitled
17 to choose whatever counsel she wants. I don't know Ms.
18 Sow, but I have had Ms. Zamani in other cases and I am
19 quite confident that she is competent to do a complaint
20 for legal separation.

21 THE COURT: Sir, first of all --

22 MR. LA PIERRE: You expressed personal knowledge
23 about a fact in dispute in this case. I dispute it's an
24 actual case, but you expressed, you gave your personal
25 knowledge regard Sogand Zamani, a lawyer in this

1 proceeding.

2 THE COURT: Sir? I'm --

3 MR. LA PIERRE: You have to disqualify.

4 THE COURT: I'm going to speak now. Please
5 don't speak again until I'm done. Whether Ms. Zamani is
6 competent is not a fact in dispute in this case. What is
7 in dispute today is the voluntariness of the separation.
8 If I find that it was voluntary, then further in dispute
9 will be the equitable distribution of marital property. I
10 am not done, sir.

11 I do not have any personal knowledge about this
12 case, I do not have any personal bias toward either side,
13 nor do I have any personal bias toward the plaintiff's
14 lawyers. I am a neutral party in this case, I'm not going
15 to disqualify myself, and that is the end of that. Are
16 you prepared to proceed with the hearing?

17 MR. LA PIERRE: That's not true what you just
18 said. You have already expressed your personal knowledge,
19 you are the one that disputed the fact, you did.

20 THE COURT: Are you prepared to proceed with
21 this hearing, Mr. La Pierre?

22 MR. LA PIERRE: This is not a hearing, you're
23 impersonating a judge.

24 THE COURT: Are you prepared to proceed, Ms.
25 Sow?

1 MS. SOW: Your Honor, we actually wanted -- due
2 to what you can now see is disturbing behavior of Mr. --

3 MR. LA PIERRE: Which behavior are you referring
4 to?

5 THE COURT: Please do not interrupt Ms. Sow, I
6 will --

7 MR. LA PIERRE: I've already been interrupted.

8 THE COURT: Mr. La Pierre, I will let you know
9 when it's your turn to talk again.

10 MR. LA PIERRE: I was already talking and you
11 interrupted me. You ignored it, you've already ignored
12 other things, you already denied my right to speak, you
13 denied the right to a jury trial, and you're biased.

14 THE COURT: What would you like to say, Ms. Sow?

15 MS. SOW: So, as you --

16 MR. LA PIERRE: And you've expressed personal
17 knowledge about a fact in dispute in this case. You have
18 to disqualify. Take your frock off, come on.

19 THE COURT: Mr. La Pierre, I am going to ask you
20 one more time to stop talking until Ms. Sow is done and
21 then I will let you say whatever you like, all right? Go
22 ahead.

23 MS. SOW: Ms. La Pierre stands by every, each
24 and every of the allegations in her complaint for legal
25 separation that was filed in February. However, due to

1 Mr. La Pierre's increasingly harassing and disturbing
2 behavior --

3 MR. LA PIERRE: Objection.

4 MS. SOW: -- and our concerns about his
5 stability and ability --

6 MR. LA PIERRE: Objection.

7 MS. SOW: -- to understand what's going on, Ms.
8 La Pierre would like --

9 MR. LA PIERRE: Objection.

10 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Wait until it's your turn.

11 MS. SOW: -- at this time to withdraw her
12 complaint. Things have just really escalated, I don't
13 know if you follow Twitter or if you have any reason to
14 see it, but Mr. La Pierre has recently been tweeting that
15 the judge and the lawyers in this case must really want to
16 go down hard. He --

17 MR. LA PIERRE: I didn't say that.

18 MS. SOW: -- continues to, I have the Tweet if,
19 Your Honor would like to see it.

20 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, yes, please, please produce
21 it and you'll see I did not say that.

22 MS. SOW: He continues to come to our office
23 uninvited --

24 MR. LA PIERRE: They've made so many false
25 statements.

1 MS. SOW: -- and we've had to involve the police
2 again and most recently he's been asking to access our
3 systems and saying that he will do so even without us
4 being present, as well as our financial accounts.

5 MR. LA PIERRE: Objection.

6 MS. SOW: So, not because Ms. La Pierre does not
7 believe in her case or not because we do not believe in
8 her case, but because we are hoping that by withdrawing
9 the tensions will dial down a bit. It's been extremely
10 distressing to Ms. La Pierre as I'm sure you could imagine
11 and as you can see, so we are just asking at this point to
12 withdraw the pleading.

13 In addition, we would ask that the Court
14 admonish Mr. La Pierre to cease all of this behavior, this
15 tweeting about Ms. Zamani, tweeting to Ms. Zamani,
16 following Ms. La Pierre, threatening to show up at her
17 work. We want to avoid having to seek a protective order,
18 so we would like the Court to instruct Mr. La Pierre as to
19 appropriate behavior in these circumstances.

20 MR. LA PIERRE: Can I speak now?

21 THE COURT: Yes.

22 MR. LA PIERRE: All right, can we please get the
23 transcript of all of everything she said? Most of that is
24 incorrect. Can we have the reporters come down here
25 please?

1 THE COURT: There's no court reporter here, it's
2 being recorded. What else would you like to say?

3 MR. LA PIERRE: Okay. Please produce the tweet
4 so we can see you're lying again.

5 THE COURT: Well, you show him and then it can
6 be passed forward to me.

7 MS. SOW: I have copies.

8 MR. LA PIERRE: All right, and what did you say
9 that I said? You said that I, oh now I see what you're

10 MS. SOW: It says attorneys and Judge looking to
11 go down hard.

12 MR. LA PIERRE: What did you say I said? Please
13 repeat it back.

14 THE COURT: For the record, I am reading what
15 appears to be a screenshot of a Tweet, it says --

16 MR. LA PIERRE: This looks like an email to me.

17 THE COURT: -- produced under duress that the
18 heading of what does appear to be an email says produced
19 under quote duress to benefit all courts, proposed
20 addendum to proposed exhibits produced under quote duress
21 to benefit all courts. It is addressed to Marisa, from
22 Blake La Pierre to Marisa Slifka at Zamani & Associates in
23 addition to at least two other people at Zamani &
24 Associates and then some other people whose names I do not
25 recognize. This appears, and then it appears to be a

1 screenshot of a tweet from Blake La Pierre saying
2 attorneys and quote Judge looking to go down hard comma
3 seems.

4 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, that is not what Amanda
5 just said it said, so another false statement in court
6 after oath. It's a pattern of behavior with them. Like I
7 said before at the very beginning, they're not competent,
8 you claimed that they basically are. It's demonstrated
9 they're not. Come on, this is a joke.

10 THE COURT: Is there anything else you'd like to
11 say?

12 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, let's get back everything
13 she said and go through it.

14 THE COURT: Sir, there is no transcript, you may
15 respond to whatever you like.

16 MR. LA PIERRE: All right, Amanda, please repeat
17 exactly what you said before.

18 THE COURT: Sir, I'm not going to have her
19 repeat it, I was listening --

20 MR. LA PIERRE: You don't have to have her
21 repeat it --

22 THE COURT: I was listening --

23 MR. LA PIERRE: -- she can repeat it herself.

24 THE COURT: Sir, I was listening the first time.
25 You may respond --

1 MR. LA PIERRE: Okay which claims did she make?

2 THE COURT: You may respond to whatever you

3 like --

4 MR. LA PIERRE: All right I don't think that --

5 THE COURT: -- otherwise I'm going to move on.

6 MR. LA PIERRE: I don't think they can withdraw

7 because according to the central intake, I filed a

8 counter-complaint in this, so they can't unilaterally

9 withdraw.

10 THE COURT: Are you aware of Mr. La Pierre

11 filing a counter-complaint or a counter-claim?

12 MS. SOW: Your Honor, I believe he filed a

13 contested answer, but I can check for sure.

14 MR. LA PIERRE: You can go talk to the people at

15 central intake. It's right here, oh and counter-claim, I

16 disagree with my spouse's statements and this Court has

17 authority to decide spousal request regarding the legal

18 separation issue. We're not even separated. You have to

19 disqualify, Julie.

20 THE DEPUTY CLERK: You'll use the word Judge or

21 Your Honor, do you understand that, sir?

22 MR. LA PIERRE: Is that a law, sir?

23 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Yes.

24 MR. LA PIERRE: Which law?

25 THE COURT: The docket does indeed reflect that

1 an answer with counter-claim was filed on February 27th,
2 2018.

3 MS. SOW: Your Honor, I am looking at it, there,
4 it's -- I mean, there is the form and it does, it is
5 titled as such, but I don't see any claims, any counter-
6 claim. It seems to be citing false statements.

7 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Wait your turn. Ask, may I
8 approach?

9 MR. LA PIERRE: She's done. When I took this to
10 Central Intake they said it was a counter-claim and that's
11 why they had me fill this paper out. As it says right
12 there, I had to pay 20 bucks for it, too.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 MR. LA PIERRE: Can I get that back?

15 THE COURT: So, Ms. La Pierre is seeking to
16 withdraw her complaint for legal separation --

17 MR. LA PIERRE: Can we take a break for some
18 water? I've been talking a lot.

19 THE COURT: -- Ms., no not right now. Ms. La
20 Pierre is seeking to withdraw her complaint for legal
21 separation indicating that at this time she's no longer
22 asking me to order a legal separation or divide any of
23 your property.

24 MR. LA PIERRE: Why is that, have you read this?

25 THE COURT: So the question, she's certainly

1 free to withdraw her complaint and I will allow her to do
2 that.

3 MR. LA PIERRE: I don't think so if there is,
4 she can't do it unilaterally if there's already a counter-
5 complaint.

6 THE COURT: So, my question for you, Mr. La
7 Pierre, is whether you are seeking any relief from this
8 Court other than that I disqualify myself?

9 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, I'm seeking water break. I'm
10 seeking a water break. Can we have it please?

11 THE COURT: Fine, five minutes. You can be back
12 at 10 after 2:00 p.m.

13 MR. LA PIERRE: Please don't start early like
14 the last time.

15 (Pause.)

16 MR. LA PIERRE: This is a supposed court, if it
17 is, I'd like to subpoena Marisa Slifka. It seems that she
18 was going to use or claimed that she was going to use like
19 confidential communications gathered from Kim in some type
20 of testimony against me. Spouse is not competent
21 according to the District of Columbia code, to make
22 testimony about a spouse.

23 THE COURT: Well, sir, Ms. La Pierre is no
24 longer seeking to testify because she's seeking to
25 withdraw her complaint for a legal separation.

1 MR. LA PIERRE: Have you read this complaint?
2 This said it was like irreconcilable or something and it
3 had to be done.

4 THE COURT: She is seeking to withdraw her
5 complaint for legal separation. She is no longer asking
6 me for a decree of separation. Do you want --

7 MR. LA PIERRE: I'm telling you, you have to
8 disqualify.

9 THE COURT: Do you want me to enter a decree of
10 legal separation?

11 MR. LA PIERRE: I would like you to disqualify.

12 THE COURT: And I have said I'm not going to do
13 that.

14 MR. LA PIERRE: Well then you're way out, you're
15 out of order, you're in contempt.

16 THE COURT: Do you want me to enter a decree of
17 legal separation?

18 MR. LA PIERRE: No, we're not even separated.

19 THE COURT: Okay.

20 MR. LA PIERRE: I would like you to disqualify.

21 THE COURT: Okay, and that request is denied.

22 Do you have --

23 MR. LA PIERRE: It's not a matter of requesting,
24 it's you have to do it. Do you know what the judicial
25 code of conduct is? Do you follow it?

1 THE COURT: Sir, I am well aware of the judicial
2 code of conduct --

3 MR. LA PIERRE: Rule 2.11.

4 THE COURT: Sir, I am telling you that I have
5 reviewed your order that I disqualify myself. I am
6 treating it as a motion to disqualify myself and I am
7 denying it as without merit. Now, do you have an
8 objection to Ms. La Pierre --

9 MR. LA PIERRE: I have all kinds of objections.

10 THE COURT: -- withdrawing her complaint for
11 legal separation?

12 MR. LA PIERRE: I don't recognize it as a
13 complaint, so how can you withdraw a non-complaint?

14 THE COURT: Do you have an objection to her
15 withdrawing what you characterize as her non-complaint for
16 legal separation?

17 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, she can't do it
18 unilaterally.

19 THE COURT: Yes, that's why I'm, you are correct
20 about that, that is why I am asking you if you have an
21 objection.

22 MR. LA PIERRE: I told you I have objections.

23 THE COURT: What is your objection?

24 MR. LA PIERRE: She can't unilaterally withdraw
25 a complaint because I supposedly have a counter-complaint.

1 THE COURT: Yes, and my question is, is there
2 something that you want to go forward with in this case?

3 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, I'd like to go forward with
4 you denying my right to speak, it's in the transcript.
5 One moment, please.

6 (Pause.)

7 MR. LA PIERRE: So Ms. Zamani talked for quite a
8 while, finally Ms. Zamani says okay, thank you. The Court
9 supposedly you say okay, Mr. La Pierre can I address that?
10 The Court no, I'm going to pick a date. You know what rule
11 that is?

12 THE COURT: Sir, if I dismiss her complaint for
13 legal separation, are you going to have a claim that you
14 want me to adjudicate?

15 MR. LA PIERRE: I just told you.

16 THE COURT: Sir, that is not --

17 MR. LA PIERRE: Want me to repeat it back?

18 THE COURT: Sir?

19 MR. LA PIERRE: Let's go from the beginning with
20 Ms. Zamani.

21 THE COURT: Sir, your complaint about how I
22 handled the previous hearing is not a claim for me to
23 adjudicate in this case.

24 MR. LA PIERRE: Well, it just is more proof that
25 you are not qualified to do what you're doing.

1 THE COURT: Okay, well that's certainly your --

2 MR. LA PIERRE: So, like it's a whole page.

3 THE COURT: -- opinion and you're entitled to
4 it, sir.

5 MR. LA PIERRE: Ms. Zamani, I don't expect to
6 get a response frankly so I'm not quite certain that an
7 order not to be not to do discovery would change the fact
8 that I would like to be able to. First of all, Ms. Zamani
9 has not responded to pretty much anything I sent her. She
10 claims likes 75 phone calls or something. How many did,
11 of those did she respond to? I don't think it's been that
12 many.

13 Let's continue, if needed issue a subpoena to
14 obtain retirement statement or to obtain some information
15 regarding work history. I don't anticipate Mr. La Pierre
16 being cooperative in any regard, so because he's pro se I
17 think discovery is sometimes difficult anyway. I would
18 ask the Court not to prohibit Ms. La Pierre from
19 conducting simple discovery to obtain some simple
20 information.

21 The Court, she's welcome to do that, it's really
22 on my mind a question of cost. If you want to go forward
23 and do that while this question is pending, but this case
24 has gone forward, you don't need my permission to conduct
25 discovery. Mr. Zamani, I think that's a typo, it should

1 be Ms. Zamani, I just wanted to make sure that the Court
2 wasn't preventing it without prior statement.

3 The Court, no but what I will do is this, sorry
4 excuse me, no but what I will do is I'll, I will suspend
5 temporarily Mr. La Pierre's obligation to respond to
6 discovery until I make a decision about voluntariness.
7 Ms. Zamani, okay thank you. The Court, okay? Mr. La
8 Pierre, can I address that?

9 The Court, no, I'm going to pick a date. Ms.
10 Zamani do you anticipate having any witnesses on this
11 question other than your client? Ms. Zamani, could I have
12 the husher for just one moment, the Court, sure. You
13 denied my right to speak.

14 THE COURT: Okay. Is there anything, any sort
15 of relief that you are seeking from this Court that is in
16 the context of what family court can grant?

17 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, I want you to disqualify.

18 THE COURT: Besides that?

19 MR. LA PIERRE: Can you do that?

20 THE COURT: I am not going to disqualify myself,
21 sir.

22 MR. LA PIERRE: You have to disqualify.

23 THE COURT: Other than --

24 MR. LA PIERRE: Are you a member of the so
25 called Bar Association with Zamani and Sow?

1 THE COURT: Other than that, is there any
2 request you would make in this case --

3 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, I want you to put it on
4 hold.

5 THE COURT: -- besides that I disqualify myself.

6 MR. LA PIERRE: Put it on hold till it can be
7 addressed.

8 THE COURT: Until what?

9 MR. LA PIERRE: Until it can be addressed by the
10 Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure and by the
11 Court of Appeals regarding Sow's and Zamani's numerous,
12 numerous false statements, false representations, blah,
13 blah, blah, blah, on and on it goes. Look how many
14 papers I have here now.

15 THE COURT: Okay.

16 MR. LA PIERRE: And subpoenas Marisa so we can
17 get her in here and actually have her answer questions.

18 THE COURT: Okay. I will take the request to
19 withdraw the complaint under advisement. I expect that I
20 will order an issue in writing withdrawing the complaint
21 without prejudice and then --

22 MR. LA PIERRE: You can't do that, I object to
23 that.

24 THE COURT: And then, Mr. La Pierre, the
25 question becomes whether anything remains to be

1 adjudicated in what seems to be titled as a counter-claim.

2 I do not --

3 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes, but did you investigate
4 their false statements yet?

5 THE COURT: I do --

6 MR. LA PIERRE: Let's go over their false
7 statements, let's do that.

8 THE COURT: Sir? Sir?

9 MR. LA PIERRE: Yes?

10 THE COURT: I do not see anything in the
11 pleading that you have filed that actually states a claim
12 for relief from this court and I'm --

13 MR. LA PIERRE: Well then let's go over it, it's
14 right here.

15 THE COURT: And --

16 MR. LA PIERRE: This was already, this was given
17 to me personally to Sogand, I don't know why, do you know
18 why Sogand didn't show up here today to defend this
19 nonsense?

20 THE COURT: I have no information about why an
21 attorney is here or not.

22 MR. LA PIERRE: Okay, let's subpoena the
23 submitter of this.

24 THE COURT: Okay. I do not see anything in your
25 counter-claim that states such as it --

1 MR. LA PIERRE: It's right here, you want to
2 look at it?

3 THE COURT: -- that states a -- sir? Sir?

4 THE MARSHAL: Not unless the Judge asks for it
5 to be handed up.

6 MR. LA PIERRE: It's right here, I don't know
7 what you're talking about.

8 THE COURT: Sir, I have it right in front of me.

9 MR. LA PIERRE: Okay, look at the last page --

10 THE COURT: It does not --

11 MR. LA PIERRE: -- last page, second to last
12 paragraph. I asked this Court to dismiss the complaint
13 and to investigate one, why Sogand Zamani undersigned a
14 statement swearing or affirming under criminal penalties
15 for the making of a false statement, despite the preceding
16 pages of the document containing aforementioned
17 undersigned statement having at least two false
18 statements.

19 And two, why Sogand Zamani allowed Kimberly to
20 undersign the same statement despite the preceding pages
21 having at least two false statements and three, why Sogand
22 Zamani filed a complaint with this court that makes at
23 least two false statements. She also lied under oath last
24 time we were here. Come on, you're not going to do
25 anything about that? You just let all these false

1 statements come before you.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

3 MR. LA PIERRE: That's total disrespect to this
4 court.

5 THE COURT: Sir, you're, you say in there I
6 asked the Court to dismiss the complaint. That I have the
7 power to do.

8 MR. LA PIERRE: Okay, but and --

9 THE COURT: And still --

10 MR. LA PIERRE: -- you didn't do it, you
11 proceeded with a false hearing last time.

12 THE COURT: And if you still want me to dismiss
13 the complaint --

14 MR. LA PIERRE: I've already addressed that.

15 THE COURT: -- that is what I am prepared to do.

16 MR. LA PIERRE: Well, you should've done it last
17 time, I've already addressed, I don't want anything done
18 except for subpoenas on Zamani, subpoenas on Slifka, and
19 otherwise put this on hold.

20 THE COURT: Okay. I will issue an order in
21 writing. I'm not going to issue subpoenas to anybody.

22 MR. LA PIERRE: Are you going to address what I
23 said?

24 THE COURT: Nor am I going to hold another
25 hearing in this case.

1 MR. LA PIERRE: All right, what about the false
2 statements?

3 THE COURT: I will issue an order in writing --

4 MR. LA PIERRE: What about the false statements?

5 THE COURT: -- addressing the request to dismiss
6 from the plaintiff and what appears to be the parallel
7 request to dismiss from the defendant --

8 MR. LA PIERRE: No, no, you're turning this all
9 around. I'm telling you right now, I don't want this
10 dismissed. You could've dismissed it at the very
11 beginning and dealt with this, but you didn't.

12 THE COURT: Okay.

13 MR. LA PIERRE: Now I change it.

14 THE COURT: Okay.

15 MR. LA PIERRE: You've already admitted there
16 was nothing in here asking for anything, so now you're
17 saying that there is. This is a total farce.

18 THE COURT: Okay. Sir, if you have --

19 MR. LA PIERRE: That's a fact.

20 THE COURT: If you have complaints about --

21 MR. LA PIERRE: I have tons of complaints.

22 THE COURT: If you have complaints about the way
23 Ms. Zamani or her firm has conducted itself, I trust you
24 have already figured out that you can make a complaint to
25 the Bar --

1 MR. LA PIERRE: Already done it.

2 THE COURT: If you have a complaint about the
3 way this hearing has gone or the previous hearing, you can
4 certainly file an appeal --

5 MR. LA PIERRE: I'm going to.

6 THE COURT: -- or take other action.

7 MR. LA PIERRE: Zamani needs to be doing it to,
8 Sow needs to be doing it as well. It's part of their code
9 of conduct. Are you a member of the Bar?

10 THE COURT: So, I am --

11 MR. LA PIERRE: Are you a member of the Bar?

12 THE COURT: Sir, I'm not going to continue to
13 answer questions from you of this nature. I'm going to --

14 MR. LA PIERRE: All right, how about dealing
15 with this stuff?

16 THE COURT: I am going to bring this hearing to
17 a close, I will issue an order in writing. I will --

18 MR. LA PIERRE: No, no, no, I'm not done. I'm
19 not done.

20 THE COURT: -- on plaintiff's request to dismiss
21 the complaint.

22 MR. LA PIERRE: No, I want this on hold until
23 somebody else can look at it.

24 THE COURT: I'm not placing this case on hold,
25 sir, but I --

1 MR. LA PIERRE: You have to disqualify.

2 THE COURT: -- will take the request to dismiss
3 under advisement. Yes, sir, I've heard you say many times
4 that you want me to disqualify myself, is there
5 anything --

6 MR. LA PIERRE: You haven't heard me say that,
7 stop lying. Let's get the transcript right now, come on,
8 put it on hold, let's go to the reporter.

9 THE MARSHAL: Sit down, go back, sit down.

10 THE COURT: Okay, sir?

11 MR. LA PIERRE: Let's go to the reporter.

12 THE COURT: Sir, I'm giving you one --

13 MR. LA PIERRE: You're making false statements.

14 THE COURT: Sir, I'm giving you --

15 MR. LA PIERRE: That's a fact.

16 THE COURT: -- one more chance to say anything
17 you'd like to say before I bring this hearing to a close.

18 MR. LA PIERRE: Okay, let's go to the reporter
19 right now, you just made a false statement.

20 THE COURT: Okay. I'm sorry that you --

21 MR. LA PIERRE: Everybody heard it.

22 THE COURT: -- believe that I made a false
23 statement.

24 MR. LA PIERRE: Everybody heard it.

25 THE COURT: All right, I'm bringing this hearing

1 to a close. I will issue an order in writing.

2 MS. SOW: Thank you, Your Honor.

3 MR. LA PIERRE: You're totally out of order,
4 out --

5 THE COURT: Next case?

6 MR. LA PIERRE: You're in contempt.

7 THE COURT: Parties are excused.

8 MR. LA PIERRE: The marshal should be arresting
9 you right now and I don't know why they're not.

10 THE COURT: Parties are excused. Parties are
11 excused.

12 (Thereupon, the proceedings were concluded.)

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