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Transcript of Mikhail Fridman

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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MIKHAIL FRIDMAN, PETR :
AVEN, and GERMAN KHAN, :
Plaintiffs, :
v. : No. 1:17-cv-2041 RJL
BEAN LLC a/k/a FUSION :
GPS, and GLENN SIMPSON, :
Defendants. :
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Deposition of MIKHAIL FRIDMAN
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1 answered, referring to the discussion with
2 BuzzFeed's editor.

3 Q Did you --

4 A No. I --

5 Q -- contact anyone else, Mr. Fridman, to
6 help you correct the public record on what was
7 said in CIR 112?

8 A No, nobody else. You know, we have just
9 a couple of telephone conversation with the
10 BuzzFeed representatives. And when, actually, I
11 made the decision to challenge this publication in
12 the court.

13 Q And in 2016 and 2017 you had the means to
14 tell your version of the events to the public.

15 Correct?

16 A Sorry. It was some kind of echo. This
17 is -- could you repeat it again?

18 Q In 2016 and 2017, did you have the means
19 to tell your version of events to the public?

20 MR. LEWIS: Objection to form. I don't
21 know what "means to tell" is intended to convey.

22 A So exactly what do you mean, means to

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1 tell? Means whether I want -- could you just
2 rephrase your question.

3 Q You have PAR people you pay. Correct?

4 A No. I don't pay personally any PR
5 people.

6 Q The entities in which you have an
7 ownership interest have PR personnel on the
8 payroll. Correct? Like Stuart Bruseth?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q Those entities put out press releases.
11 Correct?

12 A Say it again?

13 Q Those entities and those professionals
14 issue press releases. Correct?

15 A You mean generally or on particular
16 topic?

17 Q Generally.

18 A Generally, yes.

19 Q So you have PR vendors and the ability to
20 talk to the media and issue press releases.

21 Correct?

22 MR. LEWIS: Objection. Asked and

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1 answered. He has already -- he has told you he
2 doesn't personally have any PR vendors.

3 A Not -- not me personal. The LetterOne
4 and Alfa-Bank or any other entity which have
5 relation, related to Alfa Group, would have a
6 chance to issue press releases.

7 Q And you talked to the media --

8 A And I --

9 Q -- from time to time on your own.
10 Correct?

11 MR. LEWIS: Objection to form. When?
12 Is it ever?

13 Q Mr. Fridman, you talk to the media on
14 your own from time to time. Correct?

15 A That's correct.

16 Q And you have the ability, if you want to,
17 to call up a reporter or an editor or a news
18 producer and tell them what you think and what you
19 know. Correct?

20 A In theory, yes. But I am not doing that
21 normally.

22 Q But you've done this in the past.