

# Exhibit 253

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[redacted] Sage Steele  
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[redacted] Sage Steele  
 Sage - Take 1  
 Have at it.

Recording today - tone, etc will be better understood at that time.  
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[redacted] Steve Sarowitz  
 It's a good start. Should she also point out that other women were hurt by Nlake included the assistant director and editors and the wives of the men Blake falsely accused?  
 1/5/2025 6:28:49 AM

[redacted] Steve Sarowitz  
 Also should Sage address the fact that the Times recklessly included personal information that endangered the safety of Jen and Melissa?  
 1/5/2025 6:30:10 AM

[redacted] Steve Sarowitz  
 Lastly what about the Times doubling down on its lies and calumny EVEN after we provided detailed proof that the allegations it had previously published were false?  
 1/5/2025 6:31:56 AM

[redacted] Sage Steele  
 I think it's good to add that the NYT included their personal information... which goes along with the death threats that I mentioned.  
 1/5/2025 6:51:50 AM



**[REDACTED] Sage Steele**  
And I can add "many women who are part of the production ..."  
  
not sure I should go too much deeper there based on trying to make it look organic / like I don't have too much insider info  
1/5/2025 6:54:59 AM

**[REDACTED] Sage Steele**  
And yes to NYT doubling down  
1/5/2025 6:55:19 AM

**[REDACTED] Steve Sarowitz**  
Sounds good  
1/5/2025 6:55:27 AM

**[REDACTED] Steve Sarowitz**  
I agree on other women being vague  
1/5/2025 6:55:48 AM

**[REDACTED] Sage Steele**  
Sage - V2  
1/5/2025 7:24:14 AM

**[REDACTED] Sage Steele**  
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**[REDACTED] Steve Sarowitz**  
Looking good. A few minor suggestions. Instead of team blake, change to Blake's team. Also do you want to add the wives of the men who were falsely accused as well?  
1/5/2025 8:26:03 AM

**[REDACTED] Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
Sharing some notes as well  
1/5/2025 9:16:59 AM

**[REDACTED] Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
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1/5/2025 9:17:29 AM

**[REDACTED] Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
Made a few notes in red— completely up to you to include, of course rewrite in your own words.  
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**Jamey Heath**

I think leave the wives out. It feels too manipulative.

Also, I think you change  
"Blakes team has alleged there was an "invasion of privacy" ... suggesting that Justin & Jamey would barge into Blake's trailer while she was breastfeeding. Again, look at the texts - BL INVITED THEM into her trailer — so they could keep working while she was feeding her baby! The text messages prove it - text messages that the NYT CHOSE to omit.

1/5/2025 9:18:07 AM

**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
I edited this part as well— need to make the distinction that she invited him in while PUMPING  
1/5/2025 9:20:17 AM

**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
women are calling this out online  
1/5/2025 9:20:27 AM

**Steve Sarowitz**

Looks good to me  
1/5/2025 10:12:13 AM

**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
Sharing sages video here for the team to review:  
1/5/2025 6:53:17 PM

**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
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**Steve Sarowitz**

Can you resend not playing for me  
1/5/2025 6:57:03 PM

**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
It takes a while to load. Sage do you mind sending directly here in case me copying is slowing this down  
1/5/2025 6:57:29 PM

**Sage Steele**

Sure  
1/5/2025 6:57:38 PM

**Sage Steele**

Wonder if it is slower bc it's an iCloud link and not everyone has iPhones  
1/5/2025 6:57:55 PM

**Sage Steele**  
I'm a tech idiot though. Who knows .  
1/5/2025 6:58:10 PM

**Sage Steele**  
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/w3z57b8q7zhzdn5umaxhy/Video-Jan-05-2025-6-22-42-PM.mov?rlkey=y3enfyy6cjev88qc8zz2oe8vk&st=6i3hrxpm&dl=0>  
  
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**Sage Steele**  
Let me know if you guys got the dropbox link I sent instead  
1/5/2025 7:12:34 PM

**Steve Sarowitz**  
I can see it now it just took a bit  
1/5/2025 7:13:05 PM

**Steve Sarowitz**  
Looks good to me. I defer to Jen and Melissa  
1/5/2025 7:31:59 PM

**Sage Steele**  
Happy to tweak/re-record after I get back from dinner...  
1/5/2025 7:35:58 PM

**Jason Sunshine**  
I really like it  
1/5/2025 7:48:11 PM

**Jason Sunshine**  
It's very genuine  
1/5/2025 7:48:21 PM

**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
Hi sorry juggling globes but just watched and wow sage thank you so much for doing this. I definitely want to get everyone's collective thoughts especially justin and jamey, but just a couple things— I almost think it would be good with you opening with more about your heart, being a mother, why this resonates with you and of course what you already say being a journalist and having your own experience being up against giants, etc right at the top. Knowing people's short attention span, that connection I think will be important. I also just want to clarify the point about Kjersti Flaa, the NYT did correct this within the article after she contacted them about this, but they didn't run a retraction, and just quietly changed within the article. In her words, the damage was already done by the times not doing their due diligence nor running a proper retraction which is why she got death threats etc. a small thing but wanted to flag.

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**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
And I also defer to legal if you need to mention that you have a connection with bryan if that's something that viewers will call out and so if best to get ahead of? Not sure if necessary but wanted to ask the q

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**Jason Sunshine**  
*Reply*  
Yes, so important. Multiple women getting death threats due to zeal of NYT/BL to "stand up for women"

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**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
Liked "Yes, so important. Multiple women getting death th..."

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**Jason Sunshine**  
*Reply*  
BL totally comfortable destroying the lives of women who don't have bodyguards and gated estates

1/5/2025 8:01:04 PM

**Sage Steele**  
I like starting with the woman/mom side

1/5/2025 8:01:57 PM

**Jennifer Abel (Owner)**  
Loved "I like starting with the woman/mom side "

1/5/2025 8:02:11 PM

**[REDACTED] Mitra**

Fantastic. Sage. Re: legal, will let Bryan give the final answer. To me the most important part is your \*why\* as a woman and journalist. If you don't mind me giving a few notes I listed and jotted down a few things.

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**[REDACTED] Mitra**

(Not the most important part of the video, but most important as in why you're speaking on it)

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