

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KLICKITAT

Scott Nelson Putnam, Brig Putnam, Soren Putnam, Reidar Putnam,
Plaintiff / Petitioner,

vs.

Lise-Anne Karen (Putnam) Monkhouse, Bryan Monkhouse,
Defendant / Respondent.

NO. _____

**NOTE FOR TRIAL SETTING/
CERTIFICATE OF READINESS/
STATEMENT OF ARBITRABILITY
(NTTSA/NTTSNA)
(Clerk's action required)**

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff Scott Nelson Putnam, in support of his complaint against Defendants Lise-Anne Karen [Putnam] Monkhouse, and her father, Mr. Bryan Ernest Monkhouse hereby state the following:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

- 1 This defamation action arises from a series of crimes by Lise-Anne Karen (Putnam) Monkhouse ("Ms. Karen") beginning in summer of 2017 when Ms. Karen had a mental breakdown with her self-esteem, a "mid-life panic". Her panicked response to the crisis was a series of crimes and fraud which slandered her husband Mr. Putnam to authorities, courts, police and the public. Her slanderous actions are supported and financed by her father Bryan Ernest Monkhouse ("Mr. Monkhouse"). Over the ensuing seven years the Co-Defendants have conspired to further slander and make defamatory statements about Mr.

Putnam. The consequences of their malice has caused grievous injuries to Mr. Putnam and the three children, the Plaintiffs.

- 2 Shortly after her mental breakdown, in the autumn of 2017, Ms. Karen abducted the children from Mr. Putnam – in violation and in contempt of court orders – and attempted to have Mr. Putnam imprisoned on outlandish claims. Her false allegations of violence, drugs, money and guns are all ludicrously absurd – and have all been consistently and conclusively refuted in Courts and by Police. Her defamatory statements that Mr. Putnam is “violent” and a “dead-beat dad” are categorically false. Ms. Karen is actually the perpetrator of child abuse; she took them out of school, kept them locked in the house, canceled social media and forbade them from talking with their father or family.
- 3 Whenever Ms. Karen’s false allegations and hoaxes against Mr. Putnam are exposed in court, she does not retreat in humiliation and issue a *mea culpa*. Instead, Ms. Karen doubles-down and finds another authority or institution to wage her campaign. With extraordinary charm, Ms. Karen allies herself with “a friend” in Child Protective Services, and uses a “a friend” to write false but certified medical reports, and uses “a friend” in the legal system to write “*ex-parte*” legal judgments. These “friends” are captured by her high intelligence, her high status, and her highly emotional narrative. Ms. Karen is highly functioning in a social setting, and is particularly exceptional with charm, persuasion and deception. When Ms. Karen has captured her “next friend”, she moves on the next hoax, and she has learned that the bigger the lie, the less the lie is challenged. The latest hoax in Klickitat County is big.
- 4 In January 2024, Ms. Karen’s brought a new and elaborate hoax against Mr. Putnam to the Klickitat County Courthouse. Ms Karen persuaded the court that Mr. Putnam is “Deceased”, and placed her adult live-at-home son, Brig Putnam to be registered as “Legal Executor of Mr. Putnam’s Estate”. Ms. Karen then quickly filed a monetary claim against Mr. Putnam’s Estate, life insurance and house. The scale of the fraud is breathtaking.

- 5 While it is embarrassing to the Klickitat County Superior Court system that it could begin a Probate Procedure without a formal Death Certificate or even the most basic due diligence, they are only the latest authority to fall for one of her hoaxes.

- 6 Mr. Putnam is clearly alive and breathing, and only learned of this subterfuge after the locks were changed on the family house and he could not enter it. It is an incredible level of deceit, and cruelty. Mr. Putnam recently renewed his Driver's License in Klickitat County. Mr. Putnam also registered a new car in February 2024 – **after** he had apparently been declared "Deceased" by Klickitat County. Furthermore, in late April 2024, **months after** Mr. Putnam was declared "Deceased" he paid the property taxes to Klickitat County on that exact property Ms. Karen is attempting to steal. Ms Karen kept the "fraudulent legal proceedings" concealed from Mr. Putnam by using Brig Putnam as the receiving agent.

- 7 Klickitat County Court naively believed Ms. Karen's fairy-tale stories and proceeded to issue a Probate Procedure, and grant the liquidation of Mr. Putnam's Estate. Notably the "Deceased Mr. Putnam" has a phone number and an email address as well as family (four siblings and his mother), multiple friends – many of them residing in Columbia River Gorge, and yet nobody was contacted to inquire about his alleged death? A complete failure of due diligence. In the past, Mr. Putnam did not consistently "verify" with Klickitat County whether he is alive or dead, but now he has to.

- 8 Ms. Karen has been repeatedly exposed as an outrageous and fraudulent liar. The cumulative effect of her hoaxes and false allegations over the last 7 years has led to life-altering harm. It is established under Washington State Statutes, that false allegations to authorities ("slander") constitute a defamatory crime. Her false statements to the Court additionally represent an "Abuse of Process". These crimes have irreparably harmed Mr. Putnam's role as a Father, Professional, and Civic Citizen, and severely damaged his Reputation, and most painfully his children.

- 9 Predictably, Ms. Karen will avoid responding to this lawsuit, and try to liquidate Mr. Putnam's Estate as soon as possible. Sunshine and transparency is what she is most afraid of. Ms. Karen only files "*ex-parte*" court actions where her narrative is never challenged. Klickitat County Superior Court must immediately enjoin the fake Probate Procedure (Case# 24-4-00005-20) and the fake Foreign Judgement (Case#24-2-00043-20) submitted by Ms. Karen. Motions asking for Emergency Relief have been filed with the court for both of these cases.

- 10 Ms. Karen may attempt to file a new and salacious criminal charges against Mr. Putnam to silence him and delay this lawsuit- a duplicitous action she has taken in the past. The evidence presented in this litigation damages her personal character as a liar, slanderer and fraudster. The foregoing claims severely impugn her character, but it is impossible to layout the facts and evidence without denigrating her character. It is contrary to human nature to criticize a mother, but her actions are overtly wicked and malicious. It is imperative that Ms. Karen appear in Court, and her slanderous dishonesty will be abundantly clear. This defamation action will prove Ms. Karen's reckless disregard for reality and her pursuit of overt malice against Mr. Putnam.

- 11 Mr. Putnam does not seek retribution, or imprisonment of Ms. Karen, although serious charges are plausible for her numerous financial crimes and perjury. Ms. Karen needs mental therapy, not prison. Instead Mr. Putnam seeks an end to the malicious prosecution, harassment and the protection of their children (b2003-2006) from her deceitful and slanderous behavior. The children are included as Plaintiffs in this lawsuit, and will receive with same benefit to launch their lives without the continued threat of her slander and elaborate legal hoaxes. Ms. Karen has threatened the children not to talk with their paternal family including their cousins and grandparents, and most importantly their father. She exercises full control over them. It will be a great release for the children to be relieved of this burden. There is no attempt in this lawsuit at revenge, rather it seeks a penalty of sufficient size to end her reckless disregard for reality, and end the malicious prosecution of Mr. Putnam.

12 This defamation lawsuit **is not** about two spouses engaged in a nasty battle over custody and money. Instead, this lawsuit is about legal slander, fraud, reckless deceit and malicious prosecution. To prove defamation, the evidence must show a reckless disregard for the truth, and the Defendant's statements are not simply an embellishment or exaggeration. The truth is not "somewhere in the middle" between the claims of two spouses, as oftentimes it is the case in family law and divorce disputes. The truth lies with evidence and facts, and not "halfway" between two wildly different narratives. Ms. Karen offers a hysterical narrative to get authorities to act on her malicious campaign. She is a master persuader and sways people to do things outside their normal protocol and rule-book. How else did she get Klickitat County Superior Court to initiate a Probate against Mr. Putnam? Normal people are susceptible to emotional and hysterical persuasion. But Mr. Putnam is not "half-dead" – just as her other statements are not "half-true" or can be excused as allowable embellishments. It is patently absurd that Ms. Karen could accomplish a fraudulent Probate Procedure against Mr. Putnam to drain bank accounts, steal assets and claim life insurance. This defamation lawsuit illuminates the malicious and evil nature of Ms. Karen and seeks compensation for the harm done. This lawsuit comprehensively documents the slander with detailed facts and extensive Exhibits.

13 The Sullivan court stated that the legal basis for "actual malice" means that the defendant said the defamatory statement "with knowledge that it was false, or with reckless disregard of whether it was false or not". Ms. Karen's statements to Klickitat County Superior Court that Mr. Putnam is "Deceased", just as her prior statements to the French Court about child abuse and domestic violence clearly rise to this standard of "actual malice". These statements were deliberate actions to harm, imprison or defraud Mr. Putnam, and were made with malice and a reckless disregard of reality. There is "wickedness" in Ms. Karen behavior, and Mr. Putnam is seeking a remedy for this "wickedness". It is against human nature to question the motives of a mother, but when the crimes against her own children are so outrageous, there must be an inquiry into Ms. Karen's malice.

14 Mr. Putnam is seeking a penalty sufficient to tame this wicked behavior of Ms. Karen. Previous attempts by legal system to censure Ms. Karen have failed, and she continues her campaign of slander, abuse of process, and fraud. Mr. Putnam is seeking relief from the continued torturous interference of her false and slanderous claims.

15 Ms. Karen's statements are defamatory *per se*, and the claims of domestic violence are rise to the level of moral turpitude. If Mr. Putnam was guilty of these reckless statements, it would constitute felonious and criminal activity. .

16 Mr. Putnam brings this defamation action to clear his name and protect his children from similar malice by Ms. Karen. By this civil lawsuit, Mr. Putnam seeks to restore his fatherly reputation, his professional reputation and establish a legal fortress to protect him from continued legal harassment, false allegations to authorities, and further malicious prosecution. Given the willfulness that Ms. Karen and her wealthy father have demonstrated in their multiple campaigns of deceit, Mr. Putnam seeks an award of punitive damages, which meet the exceptional standards in Washington State. The children's loss from being removed from their father is irrevocable and incalculable.

PARTIES

17 Plaintiff Scott Nelson Putnam is an individual and a resident of the State of Washington, maintaining the family residence for over 20 years in Klickitat County. Joining him as parties in this civil lawsuit are his three adult sons, Brig (b2003) , Soren(b2006) and Reidar Putnam (b2006). Mr. Putnam was married to Ms. Karen in 1996, separated in 2017 and has not been divorced to the best of his knowledge (Exhibit 5). Mr. Putnam has lead a successful career in Science and Finance over the last three decades. He has worked for renowned institutions and companies including Dartmouth College, ETH Zurich, RenRe, Koch Trading, Hess Trading, EDF. Starting in 2017, Mr. Putnam was the target of Ms. Karen's false and

defamatory actions – and most recently in 2024, her malicious and torturous interference has spread to the Klickitat County Courthouse.

18 Defendant Lise-Anne Karen Putnam Monkhouse (“Ms Karen”) is an individual and a former resident of the State of Washington, and has a Washington State Driver’s License. Ms. Karen has made two false court filings in Klickitat County, first claiming Mr. Putnam’s is “Deceased”, then claiming that Mr. Putnam owes her money. Ms. Karen’s father, Bryan Ernest Monkhouse, a named defendant is a Canadian Citizen but frequently travels in the USA and visited Klickitat County recently to participate in the Probate/Theft Hoax.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

19 This Court has specific personal jurisdiction over Defendants under Washington’s statute, WA. RCW Code § 2.08. Both the Plaintiff and Defendant are long-time residents of Klickitat County and jointly own real property in Klickitat County. The Defendants initiated a false and injurious Probate Procedure and Foreign Judgment Enforcement in Klickitat County Superior Court, therefore the remediation from such defamation and crime should also be in the same jurisdiction of Klickitat County Superior Court.

20 Under the Due Process Clause of the U.S. Constitution, and the recent decision 2022 in the Supreme Court Thompson v. Clark, which confirmed that victims of false and malicious prosecution, are due compensation and penalty from the perpetrator (“The Defendants”). The Uniform Correction or Clarification of the Defamation Act is listed under WA Chapter 7.96 RCW.

21 Venue is proper in this circuit under Wa. Code RCW § 2.08 because the causes of action asserted herein arose in this Circuit.

FACTS

Ms. Karen's representation of Mr. Putnam as "Deceased" is an elaborate scheme to steal the assets of Scott Nelson Putnam.

22 Mr. Putnam married Ms. Karen on January 16, 1996. They have three sons, Brig (b2003), Soren and Reidar (twins, b2006). They had led a happy and harmonious family life until the mental panic of Ms. Karen in the summer 2017, at her age of 50. Thus began the series of slanderous crimes against Mr. Putnam, with multiple court hearings documenting the crimes herein. The initial legal hearings were in Chamonix, France, where the family was living in 2017, but recently she filed a "Foreign Judgment" in Klickitat County Superior Court (Case#24-2-00043-20) and initiated a false "Probate Procedure" in Klickitat County (Case# 24-4-00005-20). Ms. Karen installed the eldest son Brig Putnam as the Personal Representative of "Scott Nelson Putnam Estate". Mr. Putnam is very much alive, and now suffering another absurdly false allegation by Ms. Karen that he is "Deceased" (Exhibit 1). Ms. Karen has made mockery of the Klickitat County Court system – because they naively fell victim to her pattern of fraud, and the county did not perform the standard protocol to establish his death. In addition, it is necessary to establish that a Will or Last Testament does not exist to begin Probate. Ms. Karen's representation to the Klickitat County that Mr. Putnam does not have a Will or that the "family house" would not be included in his Will is absurd on the face of it, she has a copy of Mr. Putnam's Will.

23 Ms. Karen manipulated her adult and live-at-home son Brig Putnam to become a legal administrator of Scott Nelson Putnam's bank accounts, access his life insurance and steal the money from his estate (Exhibit 2). Ms. Karen falsely alleged that

Mr. Putnam is “Deceased”, and inserted Brig to received her “served” documents and to sign-for and confiscate his assets. Ms. Karen never even filed a missing person report, let alone providing a death certificate. This was a hoax from the beginning as she never contacted Scott’s parents or siblings, or made any obvious effort to contact Mr. Putnam by phone or email. It was a brazen act, and she succeeded. Mr. Putnam is officially recorded as “Deceased” in Klickitat County (Exhibit 1).

24 Ms. Meredith Janet Smith, the attorney representing Brig Putnam in the Probate Procedure is aware the Mr. Putnam is alive and has been contacted directly with this information, but she has refused to respond to these direct communications, and continues to misrepresent to the Klickitat County Superior Court that Mr. Putnam is “Deceased”. It is unknown how much Ms. Meredith Smith has spoken with Brig Putnam, or only with Ms. Karen, and how deeply she is involved in this conspiracy. Either way, Ms. Smith is a conspirator with Ms. Karen to defraud Mr. Putnam, because she knows Mr. Putnam is alive. Ms. Smith is required by law to send notification letters to heirs of Mr. Putnam, or demonstrate that a Will or Last Testament does not exist. Ms. Meredith Smith’s representation that the single largest asset in the estate, “the family house” is not in a Will and subject to Probate is ridiculous. Ms. Meredith Smith deliberately did not follow these standard procedures to defraud Mr. Putnam. And even more bizarrely, called the Police to do a “Welfare Check” on Mr. Putnam AFTER she had successfully initiated a Probate Procedure (Exhibit 3). A legal motion to censure Ms. Smith for ethical and professional conduct will be forthcoming.

25 Mr. Putnam, renewed his drivers’ license in WA state in 2023 (Exhibit 4) and more recently registered a new car at their home in Klickitat county (Lic#CLM9341) has been busy keeping the property maintained, mowed (fire danger) and irrigated. He has also been paying the property taxes, most recently in April of 2024, so that the children can return to the family property when they are released from Ms. Karen’s captivity. Notably, Ms. Karen’s filings to seize the house were submitted in Klickitat County Superior Court on 11-March-2024, a full month before Mr. Putnam went to pay the property taxes. It was possible to change the legal ownership of the house without his

knowledge, because he had been declared “Deceased”, and therefore there was no requirement to inform Mr. Putnam. Very clever subterfuge.

26 Mr. Putnam had no knowledge that Ms. Karen initiated this Probate procedure in January 2024, nor did Mr. Putnam have knowledge that a Foreign Judgment Enforcement had been filed against him. Because Mr. Putnam was declared “Deceased” all the legal documents were served to the adult live-at-home son, Brig Putnam. Therefore all of these legal manipulations by Ms. Karen were concealed from Mr. Putnam.

27 Ms. Karen submitted her “Foreign Judgement Enforcement” (Case#24-2-00043-20) to Klickitat County Superior Court with “actual malice” and fraud (Exhibit 9). Mr. Putnam has never seen this French document before April 2024. The French document is dated as 30-April 2021. Mr. Putnam’s French lawyers have never received this document, nor have they ever heard of, or had the experience of a spouse receiving a divorce “**ex-parte**”, meaning without the other spouse being present. Not only did Mr. Putnam not receive “due process” to defend himself in this creditor claim and divorce by Ms. Karen, but he has also never even been presented with this document before summer 2024. The translation of the foreign document states that Mr. Putnam must receive a copy, but Ms. Karen never sent a copy to him or his lawyers. Thus, the question arises if this document is even real, or another blatant hoax by Ms. Karen?! There certainly is a pattern where Ms. Karen goes to court alone to spin her false narrative, and not have a person to challenge her outrageous claims. Recall she succeeded in concealing the Foreign Judgment from Mr. Putnam by having it “served” to the adult live-at-home son, rather actually be served to the defendant, Mr. Putnam. The audacity by Ms. Karen to obtain a divorce without the spouses knowledge or defense (*ex-parte*) and then submit the money claim in another country is an astonishing level of deceit and deception. This event alone itself is sufficiently slanderous and fraudulent to award Mr. Putnam a significant defamation penalty. This is an **abuse of process**.

28 It completely implausible that Mr. Putnam could be divorced from Ms. Karen in April 2021. He was never invited to his “own divorce proceeding”, nor did he

or his lawyers receive the documents subsequently as requested by the judge in the document (Exhibit 5). It is clearly a false or illegitimate document, following her continued pattern of contempt for due process. How can Ms. Karen get a divorce “*ex-parte*” and make an alimony claim (\$382,339) without the other person’s knowledge or defense? It fits her legal pattern of fraud, deceit and slander. The “Foreign Judgement Enforcement” (Case#24-2-00043-20) is overt fraud, and she engaged in false and slanderous statements to obtain it.

- 29 Ms. Karen hopes the Foreign Judgment case of \$382,339 will cause the Lyle house to be sold and she can liquidate all of Mr. Putnam’s assets, including his life insurance. Ms. Karen is not aiming at “half the money”, but attempting to de-person or kill Mr. Putnam. She has already attempted to destroy his reputation, now she is attempting to destroy everything else.

Ms. Karen earlier engaged in an elaborate HOAX, hoping to obtain a “Restraining Order” against Mr. Putnam

- 30 Before Ms. Karen falsely declared Mr. Putnam “Deceased” to Klickitat County, she attempted to have a “Restraining Order” implemented in France to keep Mr. Putnam removed from her. This demonstrates the escalating pattern of her lies through time, from “restrained” to “dead”.
- 31 In late summer of 2017, just after Ms. Karen’s mental breakdown, she attempted to obtain a “Restraining Order” against Mr. Putnam by making false allegations to Police portraying herself as a victim of domestic violence by Mr. Putnam. Mr. Putnam was arrested suddenly and without any warning, interrogated for hours and threatened with imprisonment. It was a terrible shock to Mr. Putnam.
- 32 The centerpiece of Ms. Karen’s hoax was her claim that Mr. Putnam injured his oldest son with a sharp snow crampon (Exhibit 6). By crafting this hoax she was aiming to generate emotional sympathy in front of the Police and in the Community. However, Ms. Karen was

not a victim of domestic violence, nor was her son Brig. Ms. Karen was actually the perpetrator. It was Ms. Karen who pressed the snow crampon into the arm of the oldest son Brig, 13 years old at the time, and then proceeded to take a picture of his arm with cuts and marks (Exhibit 6). Ms. Karen then submitted the photo to the Police and Courts and claimed that it was caused by the father, Mr. Putnam. Through time stamps contained in the photo and the origin of the photo, it was easily established that Ms. Karen was perpetrator of this hoax – as Mr. Putnam was already removed from the family home at that time and had not seen his children. It is undeniably a crime to file such a false report to authorities, but more importantly it de-legitimizes Ms. Karen as a mother, or even as a human being. Ms. Karen's request for a Restraining Order was REJECTED (Exhibit 7)

- 33 Ms. Karen also provided false “Medical Reports” (Exhibit 8) to support her claims using her close friend and running partner “Dr. Ingrid Millet”. Not only were those medical certificates proven to be fabricated, Ms. Karen herself in a later deposition to Police stated, “**At no time did he [Mr. Putnam] hit me**”, but the doctor [Dr. Ingrid Millet] gave me a medical certificate that “I mentioned to her physical and verbal assault, **but he did not hit me!**” (Exhibit 9). Likewise the oldest son Brig Putnam disproved the medical certificates (Exhibit 10), as per a Police interrogation, stating: “All the scars I have are from when I did something to myself.” Upon which the Police officer asks: “**Those bruises happened to you on your own?**” **Brig confirms: “Yes, when I fell**” (Exhibit 11). Ms. Karen made provably slanderous statements to Dr. Ingrid Miller, and such statements to certified authority cause enormous harm to Mr. Putnam's reputation.
- 34 At no point have Ms. Karen's allegations of violence been described in detail or supported by factual evidence. Rather, she resorts to vague and nebulous allusions using her emotional charm and tears, such as “*I am filing a complaint against [Mr. Putnam] who scares me*” or when pressed for a specific allegation she says “**I have erased these acts of violence from my memory**”. Or another comment: “[Mr. Putnam] is very imposing with his height of 2 meters” and “*I don't remember the details but [Mr. Putnam] is always angry*” (Exhibit 12). Ms. Karen will attempt the same obfuscation of details in this lawsuit with the Superior Court

of Klickitat County. She is likely to say something like, **“Mr. Putnam is dead to me, so therefore you can start a Probate Procedure”**, and perhaps **“I don’t remember Mr. Putnam having a Will, eventhough we have been married for 20 years, have 3 children and a home”** Ms. Karen is highly functioning in these settings, and will use the power of her intelligence to persuade people of anything. It is like a magic trick, or a Jedi mind trick, where Obi-Won says *“move along. These are not the droids you are looking for”*. Do not underestimate Ms. Karen’s ability to deceive. .

35 On 11-November2017, after the Court had an opportunity to examine her allegations, Ms. Karen was ordered to pay the entire court costs for making such obviously false statements, and wasting the resources of the Police and Court (Exhibit 7). The summary judgment states:

- “[The Family Court] **REJECTS** the request Mrs. Lise-Anne MONKHOUSE [Putnam] to be granted a Restraining Order.
- “[The Family Court] **CONDEMNNS** Mrs. Lise-Anne MONKHOUSE [Putnam] to bear the burden of the entire costs of these proceedings.

36 The day after the “Restraining Order” was REJECTED, Ms. Karen became violent with children and physically restrained Brig (Exhibit 13). On this particular day, Mr. Putnam returned to the family home to take the three boys on a hike – since the Restraining Order had been thrown out. However, Ms. Karen did not allow the hike and became violent with Brig. Mr. Putnam could not intervene – as he was just slandered as violent – and it in the end no hike took place. Once again, the actual child abuser Ms. Karen, got her way, and the children were shoved into the house screaming and crying. It is absolutely horrible situation for the children who wanted to see their father.

37 The following week Mr. Putnam tried to intercept with his children at the school, and take them home. The school headmaster informed Mr. Putnam that the children had to leave

school early, because they had a medical appointment, and that he could not release the children to Mr. Putnam. Therefore Mr. Putnam called the medical clinic, and there was no appointment scheduled. It was another lie by Ms. Karen to prevent Mr. Putnam from seeing his children. Her willingness to deceive has no bounds, and was motivated specifically to harm Mr. Putnam.

- 38 Ultimately in 2019, Ms. Karen put a moratorium on all communication with their father, Mr. Putnam. Through slanderous means and surveilling Mr. Putnam's scheduling communication with the children, she succeeded in preventing all physical meetings between Mr. Putnam and his children. Although these actions are obviously in contempt of the Restraining Order Judgment, there was no enforcement. Mr. Putnam's made numerous efforts to have the courts and police intervene with enforcement actions which only made Ms. Karen re-double her deceptive tactics. Ms Karen escalated the removal of Mr. Putnam by prohibiting all communication: phone, text, email between Mr. Putnam and his children. Mr. Putnam resorted to sending pictures to remind them of the experiences with their father, and created photobooks and daily blog writing to his boys. Ms. Karen attempted to have the blog removed from the internet (putnamboys.com)

Mr. Bryan Monkhouse finances his daughter's slanderous activities.

- 39 Mr. Monkhouse, Ms. Karen's father and co-defendant in this lawsuit, is ultra-wealthy and lives on the Caribbean island of St. Kitts – a notorious Tax Haven for wealthy people. Mr. Monkhouse made his large fortune running the largest convenience store chain in the USA, "The Pantry" (Nasdaq: PTRY). Previously he worked at Suncor Oil and was Chief Operating Officer at Irving Oil, which is the majority owner of "The Pantry". He is retired today (69), and is founder and chairman of the luxury sailing and catamaran tour company in the Caribbean, Blue Water Safaris.
- 40 Mr. Putnam reached out to Mr. Monkhouse numerous times discuss the mental panic Ms. Karen was having and the risks to the children in the autumn of 2017. Mr. Monkhouse

postponed any genuine communication with Mr. Putnam, and said “he would like to talk...”, but only after he spent more time comforting Ms. Karen and her mental breakdown. After 2 months of repeated calls by Mr. Putnam to speak with Mr. Monkhouse about the urgency of the situation, Mr. Monkhouse said he “uh... I forgot to call back...”. When Mr. Monkhouse was confronted with the absurdity of his statement in front of Ms. Karen, Mr. Monkhouse withdrew sheepishly and never spoke with Mr. Putnam again. It was obvious that Mr. Monkhouse was under a strict prohibition from Ms. Karen not to speak with Mr. Putnam. Ms. Karen had convinced Mr. Monkhouse not to speak with Mr. Putnam, or allow him to see any evidence which challenges her false narrative. Ms. Karen had instrumentalized the children not to speak with their father, and now she had instrumentalized her own father not to speak with Mr. Putnam.

- 41 Coinciding with Ms. Karen’s mental panic, Mr. Monkhouse started posting on social media positioning himself against domestic violence and child abuse (Exhibit 14). He painted his fingernail blue and posed for multiple pictures, which he then posted online (#nailstoendit). His social media posts were timed exactly when Ms. Karen submitted her “snow crampon hoax” and the request for a Restraining Order against Mr. Putnam. This is a conspiracy and public slander against Mr. Putnam.

- 42 Mr. Monkhouse refused each and every one of Mr. Putnam’s requests for dialogue and refused to respond to any evidence that Ms. Karen’s allegations were a hoax. Even after the Restraining Order was rejected, he did not offer dialogue or mediation with Mr. Putnam. Instead, Mr. Monkhouse also rejected any outreach from friends, family and neighbors that her claims was not truthful. The Paternal Grandparents contacted Mr. Monkhouse, and he refused all and any communication (Exhibit 15). The rejection of the Restraining Order was terribly embarrassing to him, and he became silent with everyone. When a man refuses to talk, particularly about the topic regarding the safety of his grand-children, then you know he has something to hide. This lawsuit will provide transparency about Mr. Monkhouse’s conspiratorial actions. He declared to Ms. Karen “to take over the fees of the lawyer” and therefore it is confirmed through discovery that he is financing the legal hoaxes causing

injury to Mr. Putnam. Perhaps Mr. Monkhouse is also the mastermind behind the “Probate/Theft Hoax” in Klickitat County. This litigation aims to find out.

Ms. Karen engaged in forgery and financial fraud with tax authorities to claim a grossly inflated alimony award.

43 In 2018 Ms. Karen forged Mr. Putnam’s signature and filed French Income taxes with an amount that was 4x times his salary (Exhibit 16). One year later and following an extensive investigation, the French tax authorities concluded that the tax filing was fraudulent. However, this conclusion was delayed sufficiently so that Ms. Karen has already been able to use her forged tax filing to make a claim in family court for 50% of Mr. Putnam’s income. Since Ms. Karen was requesting 50% of his inflated 4-times salary, she was demanding double his actual annual income! This demonstrates, *per se*, Ms. Karen’s detachment from reality. Ultimately the tax authorities corrected the absurd claim, but Ms. Karen faced no legal punishment for her forgery in the Family Court, only chuckles.

44 Since Ms. Karen faced no severe punishment for filing a forged tax return, she attempted another angle to extract money from Mr. Putnam. In the next hearing, Ms. Karen falsified an Employment letter for Mr. Putnam even with a fabricated salary, \$125,000 (Exhibit 17). Mr Putnam received this “piece of evidence” at 6pm on the Friday before the court hearing the following Monday morning- the last moment. Ms. Karen represented to the court that it was Mr. Putnam’s “side-job” which would effectively double his income- and she could get 50% of 2x his income! Yet Mr. Putnam never in his life worked for this company, “Endurance”, and Mr. Putnam managed to get a response letter from the company confirming that not only does he does not work there, he has never worked there. Imagine the scramble-dash Mr. Putnam has to engage in to defend his innocence from these lies and subterfuge. He has to get an official letter from HR, who have never met Mr. Putnam, and produce a letter that he has never worked there- all over the weekend. It is truly bizarre, and outrageous. Without the official letter from Endurance, the court would likely believe Mr. Karen’s fabricated story that Mr. Putnam had “side-job” and was hiding extra income. Ms. Karen is malicious.

45 While Ms. Karen is from a wealthy family and has received an Ivy League education including a Phd in Mathematics (Exhibit 18) she has repeatedly misrepresented herself as a poor single-mother to the courts (Exhibit 19). She even succeeded in receiving money from the French Welfare System (CAF), which helps her spin her “poverty-stricken” narrative to naive strangers. Wealthy or poor, Ms. Karen deludes herself about money and finds it nothing but an irritable nuisance. Ms. Karen has been spoiled by wealth, and lives as if economic reality does not apply to her.

46 In 2018, she blackmailed Mr. Putnam for an extra \$1000/month in child support in return for letting their eldest son Brig spend some time with his father. Ms. Karen had prevented Brig from seeing his father in spite of court orders demanding she do. Mr. Putnam. Exhibit 13 shows how Ms. Karen physically prevented Brig from seeing his father, and Mr. Putnam felt no alternative. In hindsight Mr. Putnam believes he made a poor decision to “negotiate with a terrorist” to see his son, and agree to this blackmail. Ms. Karen got the money, but she never did release Brig to see his father. Brig has not seen nor communicated with his father for almost 6 years now (2076 days)! It is truly barbaric behavior.

47 At this exact moment in time (Aug 2024) while Ms. Karen claims she is a poor-single-mother to Klickitat County, she is currently vacationing in the Caribbean with the three children and boyfriend. You literally cannot make up real life as fiction. Literally while she is sunbathing in the Caribbean she hired someone to change the locks on the Lyle WA house in July 2024. Ms. Karen claims poverty but travels around the world, vacationing in the Canary Islands, Dubai, Sweden, Italy, and the Caribbean just in the past year alone. All this travel is recorded on Instagram (Exhibit 21).

48 Ms. Karen secretly sold a jointly-owned property with Mr. Putnam in Chamonix, France in 2020. She illegally kept 100% of the proceeds. Ms. Karen sold the property without the knowledge of Mr. Putnam, and forged his signature. Mr. Putnam only learned much later after the new owner had taken possession.

Ms. Karen is currently seeking the same subterfuge with selling the property in Lyle, WA (Exhibit 3). She is attempting to sell the Lyle property without Mr. Putnam's knowledge, and using her son as a conspirator as "legal representative of Mr. Putnam's estate". It is the same pattern of theft through deception.

49 Ms. Karen's poverty narrative is also denied by the fact that she enrolled herself for 2 years (2000-2002) in an expensive school in Geneva, Switzerland (Ecolint Institute) with a \$40,000/year tuition (Exhibit 18), while pretending to work as a cleaning woman for \$14/hr (Exhibit 19). It is all so absurd. Her father, and wealthy co-defendant is supporting this lavish lifestyle. There is not a single piece of evidence of poverty, only abundance and the abundance of wealth to pursue this outrageous law-fare.

50 Without Mr. Putnam knowledge, Ms. Karen sold Mr. Putnam's Kubota tractor on their property in Lyle, WA to her friends, Nick and Holly Scott. The tractor has a back-hoe and is worth in excess of \$30,000. She sold the tractor for a ridiculously low price of \$2000, and it had already been removed and hidden from Scott in 2019. Rumors are that the stolen tractor is in Bend, OR, but Nick and Holly Scott refuse to communicate with Mr. Putnam. Mr. Putnam intends to have Nick and Holly Scott called as witnesses in the lawsuit. Ms. Karen does not need the money – with the absurdly low price of the tractor, rather only wishes to inflict pain and complications on Mr. Putnam, who adored his tractor. Her actions are deliberately malicious. Ms. Karen does not need the money from the house either, she is only interested in erasing the family home so the children will not have memories or possibly learn of the reality surrounding their life before her mental breakdown.

51 Ms. Karen has succeeded in banning the children from speaking with Mr. Putnam, and now she seeks to have the house sold, and prevent the children from seeing the house they grew up in. She wants to erase her past, her crimes, and prevent the children from having any attachment or memory of their father.

Ms. Karen doubles-down on her lies when she is exposed and humiliated

52 The humiliation Ms. Karen suffered when when her snow crampon hoax was exposed, did not cause her careful introspection (Exhibit 7). Rather the humiliation triggered her to double-down on the lies and form alliances with other authorities outside the Family Court.

53 Ms. Karen reported to police that Mr. Putnam had possession of a handgun, and was a danger to her. She panicked again! The Police were dispatched immediately and Mr. Putnam was handcuffed and thrown into a Police van. The Police searched Mr. Putnam's single-dad apartment and no gun was found. Soon thereafter, Ms. Karen delivered a handgun to police – a gun which she herself had purchased in Washington State in 2005 and had falsely claimed it was Mr. Putnam's handgun and in his possession. Ms. Karen was the registered owner of this handgun and it was in her possession. Clearly, Ms. Karen was in a state of mental panic and falsely alleged to police about the location and ownership of the gun to maliciously attack Mr. Putnam. Ms. Karen's actions are slanderous, malicious and injurious to Mr. Putnam. His reputation suffered immense harm and emotional distress by being arrested for gun possession.

54 In October of 2017, Mr. Putnam agreed to move out of family home "temporarily" if Ms. Karen would go to joint marriage counseling to navigate Ms. Karen's sudden emotional breakdown and the resulting family crisis. Ms. Karen had already called the Police twice with false allegations, and thus Mr. Putnam thought involving a therapist would be a better route to navigate her mental illness. Mr. Putnam was prepared to do anything and everything to stop the descent into madness. Mr. Putnam still believed Ms. Karen's statements at this moment, but it turns out to be another of her malicious deceptions. The "*Silver Bullet*" as it is known by divorce lawyers/coaches.

- 55 As soon as she got Mr. Putnam to (temporarily) move out of the family home, she changed the locks immediately and removed Mr. Putnam's name from the lease. It was a clever subterfuge to get him to move out. A week later during the first session of joint counseling, Ms. Karen alleged that Mr. Putnam was taking drugs illegally. The therapist then took Mr. Putnam to a private room and asked him to explain what drugs he was taking and requested a drug test, which ended the first joint therapy session. Mr. Putnam agreed to take the drug test, and was flabbergasted at this latest allegation- vigorously defending his innocence. The drug test was clean of course – as he has never consumed illegal drugs, and Mr. Putnam is well-known for his stance against drugs and cigarettes. Unfortunately there was never another marriage counseling session. Voila! One false allegation by Ms. Karen thrown into the room and Mr. Putnam was slandered in front of the therapist and the counseling sessions were ended immediately. Ms. Karen had successfully achieved her goal: 1) She had removed Mr. Putnam from the family home, 2) changed the locks, and 3) slandered him as drug addict. The false allegations in her "*Silver Bullet*" technique were effective, and she physically got Mr. Putnam removed from the house. It turns out this pattern of deceit, repeats over and over and over.
- 56 Whenever Ms. Karen's false allegations are exposed in court, she aborts the process and moves onto the next authority, with a new, often more outrageous allegation. She does not followup and defend her claims, which are ludicrous upon the most facile inspection. Instead, Ms. Karen finds "another friend" in authority to embed her false narrative, and always keeps Mr. Putnam jumping through hoops, who is left scramble-dashing to defend his innocence. Currently, Mr. Putnam is scramble-dashing to inform Klickitat County that he is not "Deceased".
- 57 Ms. Karen took the children to Child Protective Services in 2018 after she lost the Restraining Order, so she could spin a slanderous narrative of Mr. Putnam to a new authority- with extra-judicial power. When Mr. Putnam learned of this event, he immediately went to Child Protective Services, and they yet refused to schedule a meeting with him or speak with him. So once-again, Ms. Karen achieved her aim of an

“*ex-parte*” assessment, namely without Mr. Putnam present to defend himself, or even challenge her narrative and false allegations.

58 Child Protective Services submitted a “Preliminary Report” to the court, making multiple claims about Mr. Putnam with whom they refused to speak to. In the report Ms. Karen paints a very toxic and tyrannical image of Mr. Putnam without any specific facts. Some examples (the full report is available in the appendix):

- “Since he [Mr. Putnam] left home; [Ms. Karen] has been able to receive her friends for dinner or respond to invitations from neighbors and friends.”
- “According to [Ms. Karen], Mr. Putnam has only two friends.”
- “Concerning the organization of life with her husband, [Ms. Karen] describes a particular functioning based on control; almost obsessive control at all levels (like the place of each utensil in the kitchen).”
- “[Ms. Karen] stated that she was afraid of him.”
- “[The children’s] suffering is linked to psychological and physical violence inflicted by their father for years. These facts were reported by [Ms. Karen]”.
- “Even if, with hindsight, she remembers psychological violence, humiliations against her when they were still living in the USA, [Ms. Karen] really became aware of her situation about 4 years ago; hyper control of her husband, high demands on her and on children, humiliating words, denigration ... She understood that she was afraid of him.”
- “He gives me money in an account but he hides his income; he travels a lot, doesn't really have any friends... he has theories on everything: philosophy, economics”
- “I talk a lot with his mother and we spend holidays at his parents' house.”
- “He criticizes me for my trips to [town] for shopping, says I spend too much, he checks the [garbage] bins, the waste, he buys meat in [larger stores] and saves more and more... he is stingy, he checks the budget”
- “He is obsessed with his health.”

- “He was always making itineraries, planning and I couldn’t do anything...there is no music or heating in the house, he controls the food, the books”
- “He’s not a good dad; I’ve never seen him smile, he’s always unhappy, upset!”

59 These statements Mr. Karen made to Child Protective Services are overt slander, and Mr. Putnam had no formal way to challenge them. When Ms. Karen say ridiculously that “Mr. Putnam has only 2 friends”, it is submitted in court as “professional assessment” by a social worker. And such unilateral “*ex-parte*” reports-are used to slander Mr. Putnam, until the “final CPS report is written”. Mr. Putnam doubts a “final report” will ever be written, 6 years later it is clearly part of their strategy. Although the slanderous words in this Child Protective Services report are not extreme, the harm to Mr. Putnam and his children has been immense.

60 The Child Protective Services mentioned “The children’s] suffering is linked to psychological and physical violence inflicted by their father for years. These facts were reported by [Ms. Karen]”, **and yet there is not single “fact” mentioned.** It is a slanderous smear. The preliminary Child Protection Services report emphasizes the nebulous “victim” story Ms. Karen emotionally parlays, without any mentioning any facts. These statements by Ms. Karen to certified Psychiatrists and Social Workers are defamatory-calling Mr. Putnam a “bad father”, and constitute a crime against Mr. Putnam and their children.

61 It took years for Mr. Putnam to understand why Ms. Karen claimed “She is afraid of Mr. Putnam”. It is obvious now, Ms. Karen is afraid the children will learn the facts in this lawsuit and she will “lose face” with the children. She is genuinely afraid of Mr. Putnam, because Mr. Putnam has all the evidence to “expose her fraudulent activities”, and her mountain of lies will crater when her malice is revealed to the children.

62 It is highly unusual for Child Protective Services not to speak with the father, but Ms. Karen achieved this request, like she has accomplished this request with the children and her father Mr. Monkhouse- all of whom are prevented from speaking with Mr. Putnam. Ms. Karen managed to initiate a “Probate Procedure” with Klickitat County without contacting Mr. Putnam, nor his family members. This defamation lawsuit aims to

be a remedy and challenge those defamatory and malicious claims. The defamatory statements have caused grievous harm, particularly to the children.

Justice Delayed is Justice Denied

63 In the winter of 2018, a Family Divorce Court Judge ordered a psychological evaluation of Ms. Karen and the three children (Brig, Soren & Reidar Putnam). Mr. Putnam had filed for divorce soon after the outrageous allegations of violence, drugs and guns which were tossed out in the rejected Restraining Order (Nov 2017) (Exhibit 7). Ms. Karen contested this divorce that Mr. Putnam initiated, fearing she would suffer the same humiliation she suffered in the Restraining Order proceedings, and 100% custody would be granted to Mr. Putnam.

64 The Family Judge in the divorce hearing declared that it was premature for divorce as it was a mental health issue and that it was necessary to get a court ordered psychological evaluation of Ms. Karen and children, to determine if she was fit to parent. The children were evaluated after a few months of delay (April 2018), and the report written two months later by the psychiatrist Dr. Bador (Exhibit 23). However, more than 5 years later the Family Court still has refused to reveal the report, with “dog ate the homework” type excuses. Through discovery Mr. Putnam has unequivocal proof that the report was completed and delivered to the court. It is possible that the report is so damaging to Ms. Karen’s character, that the psychological analysis was “buried” or to prevent more mental distress to Ms. Karen, or perhaps Mr. Karen asked the court to retract it. Mr. Putnam was therefore left hanging, without his children, without a divorce, and without a formal psychological report. He has been alienated from his children for over 6 years, and delayed justice is no justice at all..

65 The Superior Court in Klickitat County is facing the same choice, to kick the can down the road on Ms. Karen’s malicious crimes and order a “third-party

investigation that never ends”, or it can provide Ms. Karen a fair trial and transparent hearing so that she may challenge any of the claims and evidence in this lawsuit. The burden is on the Plaintiff, not on the Defendant, to prove actual malice and defamation beyond a reasonable doubt. Ms. Karen needs only to attend the hearing and be compelled to answer questions under oath.

- 66 Mr Putnam seeks an open and transparent scrutiny of the evidence and an opportunity for Defendants to describe their motivation to cause such harm to Mr. Putnam. While the underlying cause of Ms. Karen’s actions is described as BorderLine Personality Disorder (BPD DSM-5), Mr. Putnam cannot wait for another interminable report by social workers or psychiatrists or financial audit. Mr. Putnam deserves prompt relief. Justice delayed is Justice denied. .

Ms. Karen lies to her children, her husband, police, courts and/or any authority without restraint. She likely lies to herself as well.

67 Mr. Putnam lost his phone in the spring of 2017, or so he thought. It was only months before the marriage breakdown that Mr. Putnam's phone went missing. The phone contained all of Mr. Putnam's emails, text and personal accounts. He assumed he had misplaced his phone somehow, and spent many hours with Ms. Karen and the children looking for the phone. The phone was never found, and Mr. Putnam purchased a new phone. However in winter of 2018, 9 months later and through the court discovery process, it became evident that the phone was not only still around, but that it was currently being used. Ms. Karen had deliberately taken Mr. Putnam's phone to surveil his personal friendships and communication with lawyers and police. Ms. Karen had become jealous of one of his business associates, illustrating another dimension of her mental panic in 2017. It turns out Ms. Karen was actually the one having the adulterous affair – same boyfriend with whom she is currently on holiday in the Caribbean, more on that later with Confession by Projection. Mr. Putnam did not have an affair, and therefore Ms. Karen did not find the damaging evidence she was looking for, but she did use the phone to intercept all of his subsequent communication with lawyers and most importantly scheduling rendezvous with the children. This event demonstrates Ms. Karen's willingness to deliberately deceive her entire family. It took Mr. Putnam many months to finally comprehend the betrayal and scale of Ms. Karen's escalating lies. The lies began with a understandable... perhaps even excusable lie... such as "you lost your phone..." to satisfy a jealous suspicion. And yet somehow, the lies escalate to the current situation in 2024 where, "Mr. Putnam is dead, and I want to collect his life insurance". Her lies are extreme, defamatory and injurious.

68 Another example of Ms. Karen's maliciousness and nearly successful campaign to harm Mr. Putnam was to have him criminally convicted and sentenced to 2 years in prison – in an **Ex-Parte** hearing! Ms. Karen knew she could keep Mr. Putnam away from the children, and not have Mr. Putnam challenge her narrative if Mr. Putnam was in prison. In June of 2021, Ms. Karen had Mr. Putnam criminally

charged and sentenced to two years in a French Prison- without Mr. Putnam even allowed to defend himself. Once again Ms. Karen managed to achieve this feat through a secret trial. But because charges of child abuse were ludicrously absurd it was thrown out the next day when Mr. Putnam's lawyers intervened. Ms. Karen alleged that Mr. Putnam was "violent" to the children in a time window when he no longer had any contact with them. Another demonstration of her reckless disregard for reality.

69 Ms. Karen's ability to get someone sentenced to prison without any due process – such as not even being invited to the criminal court hearing -, demonstrates her remarkable ability to inflame the emotions of a judge or lawyer with her nebulous and emotional narrative. These professionals then use their power to take harmful actions against Mr. Putnam outside of any due process or normal protocol. After multiple examples of this "emotional inflammation in authorities", Ms. Karen's achievement to initiate a Probate Procedure in Klickitat County – when Mr. Putnam is clearly alive – does no longer seem extraordinary but actually fits a consistent pattern of her abuse of legal process.

Confession by Projection

70 Ms. Karen attempted to have Mr. Putnam thrown in jail for alleged domestic violence, because she is projecting her own crimes of domestic violence. This is a well-known phenomenon of mental illness and known colloquially in the legal system as "Confession by Projection". Ms. Karen fabricates her hoaxes not from "white cloth" but actually from her own hand. Ms. Karen had convinced herself that Mr. Putnam was having an affair, when in actuality she was being unfaithful. The palpable fear that Ms. Karen experiences from her own criminal and immoral actions causes her to project the blame on a scapegoat, Mr. Putnam. The projection is a coping mechanism for her fragile mental state.

71 Ms. Karen never has to jump through legal hoops, being arrested or is interrogated in dark rooms with questions about guns, drugs and violence. Now in 2024, it is Mr. Putnam who is again scrambling to draft "Affidavits that he is

alive!", file temporary injunction(s) to keep the house from being sold illegally, and to understand Probate and Death Certificates. It is abuse of process and torturous interference. The injurious harm to Mr. Putnam is not just "emotional distress", but high anxiety, financial burden and intense mental effort to simply avoid being legally-declared dead.

72 The projection of Ms. Karen's crimes onto Mr. Putnam allows her to deny culpability for herself, and avoid all inquiry into her own behavior. She keeps Mr. Putnam jumping through legal hoops, arrest warrants and drug tests to keep the intense focus on HIS behavior, while she skates under the radar. It is essential that Ms. Karen appear in court and have HER behavior under examination.

73 Many, if not all of Ms. Karen's claims against Mr. Putnam are actually crimes she has committed. She is 1) the perpetrator of physical violence against Brig ("snow crampon"), 2) she is the perpetrator of financial fraud ("tax forgery") and 3) she is a thief, "secret and illegal property sale(s)". When she **projects** the crime onto the scapegoat, Mr. Putnam, she is actually **confessing** to a very similar crime. All of her grand hoaxes and slanderous claims to authorities, began as crime she had committed herself. In fact you can almost reverse translate her words, when she makes the common statement about Mr. Putnam- calling him a "psychopath", then you can be certain that is how she fears herself in a moment of panic. It is truly a confession. When you understand Confession by Projection, then you can understand the pattern of all of her behavior.

74 About the only salacious claim that Ms. Karen has not made is that Mr. Putnam sexually abused the children. This absence of this sexual claim is notable, because it can be used to reverse translate her "confessions". Thankfully, Ms. Karen has not sexually abused the children, otherwise it would be part of this docket.

75 "Confession by Projection" provides a powerful understanding. It describes in detail why a highly intelligent, attractive and wealthy mother like Ms. Karen would lie with fantastical abandon and a reckless disregard for reality. .

76 When Ms. Karen projects her illegal activity on Mr. Putnam, she unburdens herself of psychological weight of herself being the actual perpetrator of such crimes, but the relief is temporary. In the longer-term she must enforce a strict boundary of information, and prevent any information which might pierce her delusional narrative. This is why she prevents the children from having any contact with their father Mr. Putnam, or any contact with cousins, aunts, uncles or grandparents, or friends who are attached to reality. This is also why she wants to sell the family home in Lyle: to extinguish all memories of the past and to prevent her lies from resurfacing.

“Parental Alienation” increases each time Ms. Karen’s lies are exposed.

77 Ms. Karen does not allow the children to communicate with their father at all. She does not have any legal means to implement this, but that does not matter to her because she does not care. She will prohibit the children from speaking with anyone that might challenge her delusions. The core problem is Ms. Karen herself and her delusions, not the alleged actions of Mr. Putnam. Ms. Karen does not allow the children to have any contact with their many cousins, aunts, uncles, and also the paternal grandparents. Ms Karen even called the Police to remove the 87-year-old grandmother, Lucia Putnam, from the front door rather than letting the grandmother say hello and deliver gifts to the children. Lucia Putnam flew all the way to France to visit the grand children. She wrote the letter to Mr. Monkhouse, (Exhibit 15) who refused to respond so she felt obligated to make difficult trip to France at her age. And Ms. Karen’s response was to call the Police to remove her from the front steps. Ms. Karen was clearly fearful of having her “delusional narrative” pierced, and her only response was to call the Police. You don’t need a report from a certified psychiatrist that Ms. Karen is mentally-ill. Calling the Police to remove the children’s 87-year-old grandmother from delivering gifts is an unspeakable act.

- 78 The same censorship or prohibition of reality is imposed on all long-term family friends, neighbors and work colleagues who have witnessed the Putnam family life prior to Ms. Karen's mental breakdown starting in 2017. In other words, Ms. Karen is doing whatever she can to erase all memories and links to their previous family life. This behavior is called "Parental Alienation", and is listed as Child Abuse in the official clinical manual (DSM-5).
- 79 Tragically, this "Parental Alienation" is multi-generational as Mr. Monkhouse suffered Parental Alienation when his own wife, Ms. Patti Rosita Graham (married Monkhouse). Ms. Patti abducted both their young daughters (including Ms. Karen) from Canada and prevented Mr. Monkhouse from all contact for multiple years. This trauma considerably impacted Mr. Monkhouse's relationship Ms. Karen, and they were estranged for decades. Only in 2017, when Ms. Karen was having a mental panic did she reach out to her father for support. And sadly the dysfunctional Parental Alienation has become multi-generational. The academic research on Parental Alienation shows that a majority of victims of Parental Alienation end up participating in the Alienation of the next generation, rather than ending the child abuse (Amy Baker 2019). Mr. Putnam hopes this defamation lawsuit with help the children survive their "Parental Alienation" abuse, and end the this multi-generational cycle.
- 80 The extent of the defamatory statements that Ms. Karen has injected into the children is largely unknown at this point. The children are not free actors to speak, but live in the tyrannical control of a predator mother. The children must confirm her "delusional narratives" to regulate her mental balance and to stay safe from the next mental panic- such as when the grandmother was at the front door. It is a dysfunctional household. These poisonous statements that Ms. Karen has made to the children about their father, Mr. Putnam are defamatory and constitute a statutory crime, *per se*.
- 81 The Plaintiffs in this lawsuit include the children of Mr. Putnam (Brig b2003, Soren & Reidar b2006), so that they will have immunity from further attacks by Ms. Karen and receive financial compensation for the abuse they suffered during the past 7 years. The children do have a right to live in truth and reality, and have contact with their Father,

their grandparents, their aunts and uncles. The adult children should actually be allowed to associate with anyone they want.

- 82 The disclosure of her malicious actions against her children and Mr. Putnam over the course of the past seven years will inevitably trigger another mental panic in Ms. Karen as she will do ANYTHING to prevent the delusional narrative from being pierced. It can become physically dangerous for Mr. Putnam and for the children to be in her presence when she is facing questions about her false and defamatory statements in Court. It will be emotionally difficult for Ms. Karen to describe how she declared Mr. Putnam “Deceased” and at the same time asking for “Welfare Checks” when he is sitting across from her. The Idaho murder of an alienated father is instructive when understanding the degree to which a Alienating Parent will go to when their delusional narrative is pierced (<https://liesdestroylives.substack.com/p/the-murder-of-john-mast>)

Nobody is willing to defend Ms. Karen’s statements under oath

- 83 Mr. Putnam assembled more than 30 letters of reference attesting to his character (putnamboys.com) and providing witness to their previous harmonious family life, when Ms. Karen began her slanderous claims in 2017. All those testimonies corroborate Mr. Putnam’s statements.
- 84 By contrast, Ms. Karen could not produce a single person willing to vouch for her claims. Actually, Ms. Karen is widely known as a notorious liar. Mr. Putnam even offered \$1000 to anyone to make a claim “under oath” against him with respect to Ms. Karen’s claims. Nobody took Mr. Putnam up on his offer, as the financial penalty for legal perjury is higher at \$10,000. Ms. Karen is without any support, except for silent conspirators like her father Mr. Monkhouse who refuse to speak, and cowards who don’t want to get involved because they run the risk of stirring the “wrath of Lise-Anne” against them.
- 85 Rich and Rosemary Hoyt, who live next door in Lyle, WA spoke with Ms. Karen in 2023 and they told her that Mr. Putnam is very much alive and present in Klickitat County. Ms. Karen response was “**Well... he is dead to me**”, and then changed the subject.

There is literally no boundary to Ms. Karen's delusions, and demonstrates her ability to lie to herself, and her persuasive ability to convince lawyers and a Probate Court that Mr. Putnam is "Deceased". Ms. Karen likely told the Klickitat County Court that "**She believes Mr. Putnam is dead**", and that is sufficient evidence for Ms. Karen. Ms. Karen lies to herself, and is capable of believing anything she wants to be true.

86 Lee and Feliza Greenwald, residents of Odell OR and close, long-term family friends who visited the family regularly in France tried repeatedly to mediate a negotiated settlement. Ms. Karen however simply shut them down, and today refuses to talk with them, just as she has shut down communication with all friends and family, and actually anyone who might challenge her or only ask a single question about her behavior.

87 It will be instructive to this court if Ms. Karen can produce a witness that will attest to her overall honesty and integrity. Mr. Putnam's Reputation and Career Suffered As A Result Of Ms. Karen's Slanderous and False Allegations

88 As a result of Ms. Karen's false abuse and violence allegations, Mr. Putnam's reputation and career sustained immense damage.

89 Mr. Putnam, a Scientist, was required to tell his employer in 2021 that he was charged with a felony, and sentenced to 2 years in prison. The employer immediately dismissed him, as professional liability insurance require them to have employees without any criminal history.

90 Ms. Karen, a PhD mathematician herself, is well aware of the negative effect that false abuse and violence allegations culminating in a false conviction have on Mr. Putnam's career and reputation.

91 Mr. Putnam has been prevented from any contact with his children – through Ms. Karen's malicious actions. For the last 6 years the children have not been allowed by Ms. Karen to communicate, see or interact with their father. Mr. Putnam – missing his three sons terribly – went to enormous efforts to keep the communication and connection.

- Mr. Putnam wrote a daily blogpost to his three sons for many years (MountainDreamers.net), which has hundreds of entries and counting the days of being wrongfully separated.
- Mr. Putnam created and published a short film “Papa Movie” online expressing his love for his three sons and that he will always wait for them. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OFy901cv5jE>)
- Mr. Putnam is listed on ParentsMissingTheirKids.com and can be contacted there.
- Mr. Putnam has an interview of his long ordeal on FindMyParent-Podcast, which is accessible on Spotify and AppleMusic.)
- Mr. Putnam is also present the standard social media channels including Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and TikTok.
- Mr. Putnam created physical photobooks, because Mr. Karen prevented any communication with the children. He preserved their memories in long format available on putnamboys.com

92 Yet, Ms. Karen relentlessly calls him a “dead-beat dad” and continues to isolate Brig, Soren and Reidar from Mr. Putnam as well as Mr. Putnam’s family and friends. This forbiddance of all communication as well as the continuous denigration of their paternal family heritage is shown to have devastating impact on the children’s development. Both Mr. Putnam and the children have suffered a cost that can never be reconstituted. Their childhood has been spoiled irreversibly.

93 Highly illustrative of Ms. Karen’s malice is the fact that she forced the children to throw away or return all gifts from Mr. Putnam, including Christmas presents and birthday presents. Ms. Karen even had the children post images of gifts being disposed or she had the gifts returned to the front door of Mr. Putnam’s apartment. The emotional coercion to enforce such actions in children must be immense.

DEFAMATION INJURY AND PENALTY

- 94 The substantial injury to Mr. Putnam's reputation from Ms. Karen's false statements is readily apparent. Such statements would tend to so harm the reputation of another as to lower him in the estimation of the community or to deter third persons from associating or dealing with him.
- 95 By making false statements to Police and having him criminally-charged (but immediately "stayed") Ms. Karen caused to Mr. Putnam to lose his employment. Furthermore, all future opportunities of employment in this profession are lost forever, as they require an impeccable criminal record. Ms. Karen's false allegations have bemired Mr. Putnam's work opportunities forever.
- 96 Ms. Karen knew exactly her statements were false. They were made with "actual malice" and a reckless disregard for reality.
- 97 Ms. Karen's false statements are defamatory *per se* because they impute to Mr. Putnam the commission of a crime involving moral turpitude for which Mr. Putnam, if the charge was true, could be indicted and punished. Moreover, Ms. Karen's false statements prejudice Mr. Putnam in his profession as a Scientist, prejudice his role as Father, and prejudice his virtue in the community.
- 98 As a direct and proximate result of these false statements by Ms. Karen, Mr. Putnam has suffered damage to his reputation, harm to his ability to carry on his profession, embarrassment, humiliation, and emotional distress, in an amount to be determined at trial.
- 99 Ms. Karen's actions were malicious, willful, and wanton with a deliberate disregard for Mr. Putnam's rights. Accordingly, punitive damages are appropriate.
- 100 THEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court enter an award in Plaintiffs favor, and against Defendant, as follows:

- Awarding Mr. Putnam compensatory damages of 7 year of salary, \$875,000, or in such amount to be proven at trial.
- Awarding Mr. Putnam compensatory damage for the loss of reputation, and emotional distress of \$100,000.
- Awarding Brig Putnam for \$1,000,000 for being Alienated from his father and the emotional distress of being forced to confirm delusions detached from reality.
- Awarding Soren Putnam for \$1,000,000 for being Alienated from his father and the emotional distress of being forced to confirm delusions detached from reality.
- Awarding Reidar Putnam for \$1,000,000 for being Alienated from his father and the emotional distress of being forced to confirm delusions detached from reality.
- Awarding Mr. Putnam punitive damages of not less than \$5,000,000 or the maximum extent permitted by the laws of Washington State
- Awarding Mr. Putnam all expenses and costs, including attorneys' fees

JURY TRIAL DEMAND

101 Plaintiff Scott Nelson Putnam hereby demands a jury trial on all issues so triable.

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