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Dear Sirs

My client, Mr Corey Sinclair

I act for the publishers comprising News Corp Australia and their employees, including Mr Sinclair. This letter is a Concerns Notice pursuant to section 14 of the *Defamation Act 2005* (NSW).

The material set out in the annexure to this letter is currently available for readers to download from your website at the URL <https://truecrimenewsweekly.com/2017/08/18/disqualified-samesame-sx-magazine-owner-mark-anthony-banned-by-asic-as-queer-media-implodes-with-crimes-cover-ups/> (the matter complained of). The matter complained of implies that Mr Sinclair:

1. Was a methamphetamine addict;
2. Was so addicted to the drug ice that it required his then employer – the *Star Observer* – to cover up his illegal drug taking behaviour;
3. While working at the *Star Observer*, bullied a number of employees of that publication;

4. While working at the *Star Observer*, would become suddenly violent towards a number of employees of that publication;
5. While working at the *Star Observer*, engaged in bullying of staff of that publication so often as to have become notorious for such conduct;
6. Left employment at the *Star Observer* to avoid being sacked for his unprofessional conduct as an ice addict; and
7. Left employment at the *Star Observer* to avoid being sacked for his bullying conduct toward a number of employees of that publication.

Each of the above imputations is false and defamatory of my client. In particular:

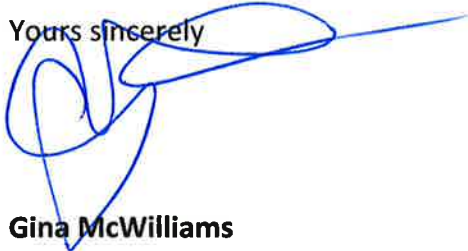
- Mr Sinclair absolutely denies that he has ever been a methamphetamine addict;
- Mr Sinclair absolutely denies bullying staff at the *Star Observer*. During his time at that publication he was required from time to time to question the work of other employees by virtue of his editorial position. While it is clear the unnamed source for your article took offence at Mr Sinclair having done so, such conduct does not constitute bullying, let alone the repeated bullying conduct falsely implied by your article;
- Mr Sinclair was never – at any time – violent towards any staff member of the *Star Observer*;
- Mr Sinclair left his role with the *Star Observer* for the simple reason that he disagreed with the direction the publication was taking and most certainly not under “*under a cloud*”; and
- I am instructed that despite the matter complained of reporting that Mr Sinclair “*would not comment about the allegations made by other staff, or the reasons for his departure from the Star Observer when approached by True Crime News Weekly*” he was not approached before publication at all.

In the circumstances, my client requires the following:

- A. That the matter complained of be immediately removed from your website;
- B. That upon removing the matter complained of from your website, you contact google and request that the page be re-scraped; and
- C. The publication of an apology to Mr Sinclair in terms to be agreed within 28 days of the date of this letter.

As my client is himself a member of the Australian media he is willing to accept the above demands in full and final settlement of his complaint. In the event that your website does not meet these demands, Mr Sinclair reserves his right in full.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Gina McWilliams', written over the text 'Yours sincerely'.

Gina McWilliams
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THE MATTER COMPLAINED OF

Much like the case with Mr Domingo at Evo Media, a number of former employees of the Star Observer have as well contacted **True Crime News Weekly** to unleash on the publication's recently departed editor, **Corey Sinclair**. Some employees have alleged that Mr Sinclair was a volatile bully who had an addiction to methamphetamine. Mr Sinclair, who was the editor of the Star Observer for less than a year between April 2016 until March 2017, is now the editor of the **Centralian Advocate** based in Alice Springs in the Northern Territory.



Recently departed Star Observer editor Corey Sinclair is alleged to have been an "ice junkie" who bullied and intimidated other staff before suddenly leaving under a cloud in March after just 10 tumultuous months in the role

"Corey the last editor was an ice junkie and they covered it up," one former employee said. "He was a horrible human. His bullying behaviour was quite notorious.

"And when one of the staff bravely stood up and made an official complaint, the management then treated that person horribly."

Those sentiments were also backed up by another well-respected former employee.

"Corey and [the former CEO **Daniel Bone**] really were terrible to me," the employee revealed.

Mr Sinclair would not comment about the allegations made by other staff, or, the reasons for his departure from the Star Observer when approached by **True Crime News Weekly**.