

Dear Judge Kobayashi,

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I have been the Secretary of the Kuau Bayview at Paia Homeowners' Association for the last three years and I have know Darlene Brothers for 8 years. While I have never met the Bouchers in person, I can certainly attest to how much trouble the Bouchers have caused the Board and the Association. For example, in February last year they didn't want to pay \$35 of their annual dues so they called up the Treasurer and threatened to get a TRO if we didn't waive the fees because they claimed that Darlene's address on the invoice constituted harassment! Darlene is the bookkeeper for the HOA so we use her address as the official HOA address. As we were all aware of the horrible things they had done to Darlene previously, we all felt intimidated and considered calling a Board meeting to go into executive session to discuss how to deal with these people. Who makes such a fuss over \$35?! Our Treasurer wanted to waive the fees, but I have dealt with bullies before and knew that if we did what they demanded, they would just keep on and on with the bullying. So we refused to waive the fees. I can't see why the Bouchers should get special treatment. And now filing another TRO on Darlene for doing the job she was hired to do by the Board is just ridiculous. The before and after photos will certainly attest to the fantastic job she achieved for us in cleaning up the Boucher's landscaping. The Boucher's "beautiful foliage" was a huge, embarrassing eyesore of weeds and cane grass in the neighborhood. It looked like a slum along their property. The sidewalk was impassable and dangerous. Multiple owners on the street had complained and, according to our HOA rules, we are required to respond to complaints that violate our CC&R's. The Bouchers were sent three email notices and one mailed letter. There was no response, so after the 30 days, we had to act to protect the other owners.

Everything Bouchers claim in the petition about Darlene is untrue and libelous. They should be charged with defamation of character and for malicious prosecution for using the courts to wage their own personal vendetta. As a Board member I can assure you that Darlene has never been ejected from any HOA meetings. In fact, the Board awarded her with a plaque for "Outstanding Service" for her hard work and she is well liked by the majority of homeowners. I find it beyond credulity that Darlene could possibly be a drug user considering how hard she works and the quality of her work. Or that Darlene could ever physically harm anyone. From what I understand, it is the Bouchers who have been harassing Darlene for over ten years. Enough already!

This TRO petition itself is harassment of Darlene and also the Board. Darlene has had no contact with the Bouchers in almost 5 years. The other day they harassed Darlene by doing drive-bys taking photos of her while she was working on the community landscaping, and Mr Boucher even made a gun shooting motion with his hand, pointing it at Darlene. These people are vicious liars who delight in targeting certain people and then making their lives as miserable as possible. They are evil and all of us on the Board, defending our friend and employee Darlene Brothers, are concerned about reprisals from these hateful people.

We ask that the court take into account the testimony of those of us who support Darlene Brothers, who we know to be reasonable and of sound mind, not to mention brilliant and very hard working, and sanction the Bouchers so that they can never bother Darlene or the rest of us again. Frankly, we all wish they would sell their Kuau Bayview house and leave the island so that we could all sleep nights. None of us wants to become their next target. Until then, we can only hope that you, Judge Kobayashi, will recognize the distress inflicted on so many by the lies the Bouchers spin and move to grant us an injunction against harassment.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully Yours,
Shelley Mack