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Dear Dr. Dubin:

We are writing to apprise you of highly unethical public statements recently made by Temple University School of Medicine Faculty member Paul J. Fink, MD in the March 2010 issue of the *Clinical Psychiatry News*. Fink writes that family court reform groups seeking to have Parental Alienation Disorder seriously considered for inclusion in DSM V are doing so because they "don't like to be interfered with when they are sexually abusing their children." No, that is not a misprint. Please see enclosed article.

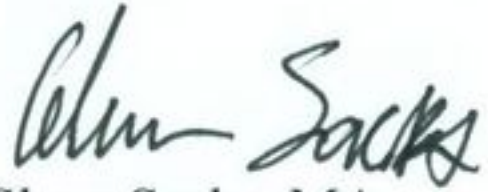
Fink directs the comment at "This group [that] has petitioned the DSM task force to include PAS in the publication," meaning Fathers & Families. As is well known, since December, thousands of letters have been sent from Fathers & Families members to the three leaders of the DSM Task Force as part of our public campaign on the issue.

The purpose of the letters has been to be sure that members of the Task Force understand how prevalent and devastating the effects of PAD are. But we have respectfully left the determination of whether PAD belongs in DSM V to those in the mental health professions. All information concerning our campaign can be seen on our website at http://www.fathersandfamilies.org/?page_id=5372. Fathers & Families has conducted itself responsibly and professionally throughout the campaign, and Fink has absolutely no basis for his assertions.

We have demanded that Fink either publicly provide a documented basis for defaming us as individuals and as an organization or that *Clinical Psychiatry News* print a full retraction of his column. We wonder whether a person so ready to make unsubstantiated accusations of criminal

behavior belongs on the faculty a well respected medical school like Temple University. We also wonder whether such an individual could be a liability to your institution.

Sincerely,



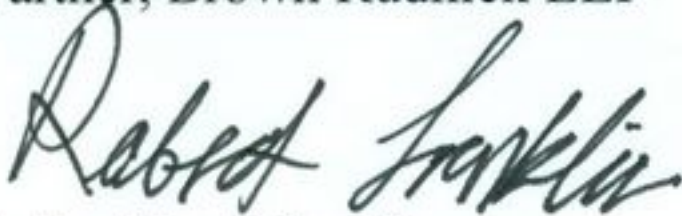
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