

THE FAST LETTER

FAST, False Allegations Solutions Team

A newsletter about false allegations of child abuse

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Best attitude and approach for contacting the media

Elaine Lehman

Rule #1: BE POLITE! The media is our best hope of reaching the public and the lawmakers.

RULE #2: Do NOT expect results at any given time.

This is very important, because you will not necessarily get results when you want them. So often, people say, "I contacted them, but I didn't get an answer." Then, the person gets frustrated, and gives up.

RULE #3: Take the attitude that you are educating the media over a period of time. Take a "long haul" attitude.

Then, when the media is educated, they will educate the public and politicians.

Each contact counts, even if you do not hear back, and most of the time, you will not. They read their emails and notice new, good ideas for shows. However, if a particular show is not ready to do a segment on false allegations, the producer will

not respond until they are. Then, it can suddenly be rush, rush, rush! They call you on a Thursday, say, and fly you to their city the following Monday, to tape the show on Tuesday. Sometimes, they give you advance notice, but usually, they want you NOW!

You cannot usually change their minds about their list of proposed, up-coming shows. So, your attitude should be "I am educating the media about the problem of false allegations of child sex abuse. This might take awhile and many contacts before I get results, so I cannot expect an immediate response."

RULE #4: Always say you are a member of FAST, include information about FAST, and attach at least one issue of The FAST Letter that seems appropriate.

RULE #5: Include your story, in brief, FIRST, if it is crystal clear that you are innocent, and it is all right for the information to be made public.

If you were acquitted or your case was dismissed, it is fine to include your story, even if it was not crystal clear to begin with. If your loved one is in prison, that information is public record, and you can use his story if it is all right with him.

Many "he said...she said," cases are not crystal clear without going into all of the documentation and other evidence, to prove that you are innocent. Some biased talk show hosts would dearly love to get you on the show and try to show that you are really guilty, even when you are not.

Some talk shows will not touch your case if it is still pending. Others might, if it is crystal clear.

RULE #6: Start with a "grabber;" a couple of sentences that clearly show innocence.

The grabber: (A true FAST story that took place in Connecticut) "My son was falsely accused and convicted of raping twin 11-year-old girls 1200 – 1800 times. Yet, the girls' medical exams showed that they were virgins with intact hymens, and there was no trauma to the entire anal/genital region.

The prosecutor used an unethical nurse as an expert witness, who gave false medical testimony. She said that girls do not lose their hymens when they are penetrated. She quoted a study that reputable medical doctors call "junk science." She even said it is an old wives tale that girls lose their hymens during sexual intercourse! As a matter of fact, the hymen is a membrane like other membranes. Once it has been penetrated, it breaks and cannot grow back."

My attorney did not have a medical expert witness to counter this false medical information. He thought the jury would have common sense, but they did not.

That is all that is needed for a first media contact!

The above information could have won the case, no matter what else took place, with a good, expert witness for the defense, who could counter the false medical testimony.

If they get back to you, you can tell them more.

Have it ready in writing, just in case. Keep it very brief:

le: My son has learning disabilities and processes new information slowly. He did not understand his Miranda Rights. The police interrogated him for 9 hours and he kept denying that he raped the girls. Finally, the police told him that if he signed a confession they had prepared, he could go home to his mother, and the whole thing would be over with. If he did not sign, they would put him in jail, and he would never see his mother, again. So, he signed, saying, "OK, I'll sign it, but I didn't do it!"

At this point, the mother can tell some more facts, if the reporter wants to know more.

RULE #7: Keep dated copies of everything you send to the media.

RULE #8: Continue contacting the same shows, at least once a month. Each time, send a different issue of [The FAST Letter](#).

RULE #9: Contact new shows while you are continuing to contact the previous shows.

RULE #10: Contact one or several shows and newspapers immediately, when a big story of child sex abuse hits the news.

Send letters. Tie in your own story to the news story, information about FAST, and send an issue of [The FAST Letter](#).

RULE #11: If a story about child sex abuse, in which the person was guilty, hits either the national or your own local news, send a letter giving the statistics about innocent people, information about FAST, and an issue of [The FAST Letter](#), immediately.

This helps balance the public's hysteria and keeps on educating the media.

RULE #12: If a story hits the national or local news about an innocent person who was falsely accused of child sex abuse, send a letter tying in your own story, or send information about FAST, and an issue of [The FAST Letter](#), immediately.

RULE #13: Write a letter to the editor when a story about child sex abuse hits your local newspaper.

If the person was guilty, give the statistics on innocent people and give information about FAST.

If the person might be innocent, say that he is innocent until proven guilty, and give the statistics on innocent people, and information about FAST.

You can state that our justice system is supposed to be based on two premises:

1. Innocent until proven guilty.
2. It is better to let 10 guilty people go, than incarcerate one innocent person.

State that the young accuser has not yet been proven a "victim." He or she is an accuser, not a victim, until after the trial.

RULE #14: Always include your contact information, including a phone number. They will not usually pay any attention, or follow through with anything, without contact information.

Contacting the Media

1. Why do FAST people need to contact the media?

To educate the media about the real facts and statistics about child sex abuse.
To help overcome the child abuse hysteria in the western world, and find a better balance.
The media educates and influences the public.
The media educates and influences the lawmakers.
To highlight some clear, easy-to-understand, individual cases.

2. How can FAST people contact the media?

Write letters to the editor.
Write letters to local radio and TV shows.
Call shows that accept callers.
Write letters to national radio and TV shows.
Send appropriate issue(s) of The FAST Letter, with each letter, as attachments, or by US Mail.
Some FAST people will want to appear on local and national radio and TV shows.

NOTE: Even people in jails and prisons can do these things.

3. Media contact information that we have, so far: (Some of these shows might not be on, currently.)

NOTE: For more information about contacting the media, go to:

www.menstuff.org/frameindex.html

Media contact information:

Some of these are duplicated, later on in this article. We do not have all shows or newspapers, yet, but these lists are a good start. Each FAST person needs to find out the contact information on his or her own local newspapers, radio and TV shows.

National TV Talk shows:

Dr. Phil Show: 5482 Wilshire Blvd., #1902, Los Angeles, CA 90036 www.drphil.com
(Or use email form on his website)

Jones, Jenny Show, 454 N Columbus Dr 4th Fl, Chicago, IL 60611, PH: 312-836-9400;
FAX: 312-836-9473 www.jennyjones.com/

Lake, Ricki www.spe.sony.com/tv/shows/ricki/

Live with Regis www.tvplex.com/Mail/

Raphael, Sally Jessy Show, 515 W 57th St, New York, NY 10019, PH: 212-582-1722,
FAX: 212-265-1953 www.universalstudios.com/tv/sally/email.html

Rivera, Geraldo Show: www.geraldodo.com/email.htm

Williams, Montel: 331 W 57th St., New York, NY 10019, PH: 800-437-4721
www.paramount.com/tvmontel/

Winfrey, Oprah Show: 110 N Carpenter, Chicago, IL 60607, PH: 312-591-9595, FAX:
312-633-1515 www.oprahshow.com/

FOX:

FOX News Channel Comments, Comments@foxnews.com

At Large with Geraldo Rivera: Atlarge@foxnews.com

The BIG Story with John Gibson: Myword@foxnews.com

Hannity and Colmes, Sean Hannity: Hannity@foxnews.com

Hannity and Colmes, Alan Colmes: Colmes@foxnews.com

The O'Reilly Factor: Oreilly@foxnews.com

On the Record with Greta: Ontherecord@foxnews.com

Special Report with Brit Hume: Special@foxnews.com

Studio B with Shepard Smith: Studiob@foxnews.com

Your World with Neil Cavuto: Cavuto@foxnews.com

FOX News Watch: Newswatch@foxnews.com

Network Shows & Programs:

ABC

ABC World News Tonight: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

Good Morning America: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

John Stossel Reporting: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

Nightline: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

Oprah Winfrey: www.oprahshow.com/

PrimeTime Live: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

This Week: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

20/20: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

More: www.abcnews.com/onair/email.html

More: www.abc.com/

CBS:

CBS Morning News: www.cbs.com/navbar/feedback.html

CBS Evening News with Dan Rather: www.cbs.com/navbar/feedback.html

48 Hours: www.cbs.com/navbar/feedback.html

Public Eye with Bryant Gumbel: www.cbs.com/navbar/feedback.html

60 Minutes: www.cbs.com/navbar/feedback.html

CNBC:

Equal Time: www.cnbc.com/feedback/

Hardball with Chris Matthews: www.cnbc.com/feedback/

CNN:

Burden of Proof : www.cnn.com/feedback/

CNN & Company: cnn.com/CNN/Programs/CNNCo/index.html

CNN Headline News: Tell.HeadlineNews@Turner.com

CNN Morning News: www.cnn.com/feedback/

Crossfire: www.cnn.com/feedback/

Impact: cnn.com/CNN/Programs/impact/feedback/

Inside Politics: www.cnn.com/feedback/

Larry King Live: www.cnn.com/feedback/

Newsday: www.cnn.com/feedback/

TalkBack Live: www.cnn.com/feedback/

More: www.cnn.com/CNN/Programs/Schedules/cnnregular.html#sunday

MSNBC:

Big Show: www.msnbc.com/feedback.asp

Imus in the Morning: www.msnbc.com/feedback.asp

Internight: www.msnbc.com/feedback.asp

News with Brian Williams: www.msnbc.com/feedback.asp

Time and Again: www.msnbc.com/feedback.asp

More: www.msnbc.com/feedback.asp

NBC:

Dateline NBC: www.nbc.com/email.html

Lateline: www.nbc.com/email.html

Later: www.nbc.com/email.html

Meet the Press: www.msnbc.com/feedback.asp

NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw: www.nbc.com/email.html

Today Show: www.nbc.com/email.html

Major Newspapers

Baltimore Sun: letters@baltsun.com Link to email form at Baltimore Sun website.

Boston Globe: letter@globe.com

Dallas Morning News: Link to form at
www.dallasnews.com/customerservice/HelpCenter.do

Fort Worth Star Telegram: dhouse@star-telegram.com

The Guardian (UK): letters@guardian.co.uk

Houston Chronicle: online@chron.com or readerrep@chron.com

Kansas City Star: letters@kcstar.com

Marin Independent Journal: PH: 415.382.7201 ij@well.com

Miami Herald: HeraldEd@herald.com

Nashua Telegraph: news@telegraph-nh.com

Newsday: letters@newsday.com

New York Times

Portland Oregonian

San Francisco Chronicle: Peninsula Bureau, czinko@sfgate.com PH: 650.961.2499

San Francisco Chronicle: SF Bureau, psimride@sfgate.com PH: 415.382.7201

San Francisco Examiner: sfexaminer@examiner.com PH: 415.777.7858

The State, South Carolina: stateeditor@thestate.com

Philadelphia Inquirer: mflannery@phillynews.com

St. Louis Post Dispatch: pdeditor@post-dispatch.com

Seattle Post Intelligencer: editpage@seattlepi.com or Fax (206) 448-8184

South Florida Sun-Sentinel: letters@sun-sentinel.com Use email form on website.

Tacoma News Tribune: reader.representative@thenewstribune.com

Toronto Sun: editor@tor.sunpub.com

Washington Post

Washington Times: www.washtimes.com and choose "Opinion" for the menu

USA Today editor@usatoday.com Use form at www.usatoday.com

Other Media:

American Journal: www.kingworld.com/ajournal/index.html

KPIX-TV Channel 5: San Francisco, News@kpix.cbs.com

National Public Radio: www.npr.org

Background Information

Bob and Elaine Lehman

Educators, co-authors, co-publishers, co-hosts of radio show, activists

Elaine Lehman is a former teacher from Baltimore, Maryland, with nearly 20 years of teaching experience with all ages, including adults. Bob is a former rocket engine engineer, who worked for 21 years on the Delta Satellite Program at Cape Canaveral before he and Elaine started their two schools for antisocial teens, in 1977. After the schools closed in 1983, Bob became an airplane mechanic.

1977–1983, Elaine and her husband, Bob Lehman, co-founded and directed two schools for antisocial teens. Elaine and Bob developed their own successful courses of study.

The Lehman's two schools ended up with a documented 100% success rate of the graduates, and an 80% success rate of those who did not complete the program. (See "Baltimore Sun" and Carroll County Times, MD, feature articles on our website.)

1989 -1992, Bob and Elaine Lehman co-founded a statewide organization in Oregon, aimed at getting the broad, vague child abuse laws changed to clear, specific laws. BUST also exposed the many dreadful problems of the child service division. "BUST, Break Up System's Troubles," ended up with 500 members, statewide. Because of BUST, the Oregon state legislature had a \$200,000 study done, and the study group wrote a scathing report that said all of the same things the Lehmans had said. The legislature changed some of the laws, but not the right ones, due to federal funding problems, if they did. (See "Stayton Mail" article on website.)

1997, Bob and Elaine co-founded a similar national organization, "SOC, Save Our Children," which quickly led to their radio show.

1997 - 1999, Bob and Elaine co-hosted their own radio show, "The Save Our Children Show," which was simulcast on two 50,000 watt stations in Providence, RI, and Phoenix, AZ. The show was all about antisocial children and teens and false allegations of child sex abuse.

1999, Bob and Elaine Lehman were professional "expert" guests on two national TV talk shows, "The LEEZA Show" and "The QUEEN LATIFAH Show." Both shows were about discipline and antisocial children. Elaine has also appeared on several radio shows and TV shows, and she and Bob have given lectures to community groups.

1995 - 1996 - The couple co-authored two published books, Petey, the Peacock Breaks a Leg, Winston-Derek Pub. Co., Nashville, TN, 1995, and "BIG K, the Kundalini Story." Hara Publishing Group, Seattle, Washington, 1996.

1978 – Present - The couple co-published a newsprint periodical in Oregon, and several international newsletters. These publications were all about antisocial juveniles and false allegations of child abuse. (See "Newsletters" on our website.)

2001 – Present, Bob Lehman's son, Craig Lehman, created and maintains a website, www.beanswers.com There are several categories about antisocial juveniles, the FAST, False Allegations Solutions Team, false allegations of sex abuse, and more.

2004 - Present: Bob and Elaine Lehman and several others co-founded, and Elaine directs, the "FAST, False Allegations Solutions Team," an international, educational email support group for people who have been falsely accused of child sex abuse.

Elaine Lehman is an expert witness

Elaine Lehman can help with false allegation cases by acting as an expert witness about older children and teens lying and making false allegations against innocent adults.

Elaine's background is unique, because of her work with and about antisocial juveniles since 1977, and her work with false allegations of child abuse cases since 1989. She completely understands juveniles with antisocial characteristics who make false allegations of sex abuse. She also understands the western world situation of far too many false allegations of sex abuse. We have never heard of anybody else with this particular combination in his or her background.

Elaine Lehman's fees: \$550.00 per day, for a minimum of two days, because the attorney must prepare the expert witness on a day prior to the trial = \$1100.00, plus travel, motel, food, rental car, parking, gasoline, and any office expenses.

NOTE: If the job requires a day to travel there and a day to travel back, the minimum is three days: \$1650

If the client or his attorney sends documents and recorded interviews with the juvenile to Elaine to analyze at home, prior to the trial = \$90 per hour

Elaine must be paid in full, for the minimum of two days and for all other expenses, at least two weeks in advance of the hearing or trial, so personal checks can clear.

Client may pay with a personal check, money order or cashier's check.