Date: Fri, 2 Jul 2010 17:27:09 -0400

From: Halsey Minor

Subject: Re: your arbitration

To: Hawes Spencer <editor@readthehook.com>

Hawes you are the \$7.5 mm man -- so far. If it was not for you printing the outrageous comments from Lee and SFG I would not have done so well in court. You have clearly destroyed the value of the hotel with your series of inaccurate and in inflammatory stories based on completely false facts. SFG was horrible, and Lee was just as bad but with the hook accepting falsehood after falsehood as gospel you have made obvious the damages the bad actors can have in undermining a project and an important economic driver to a city like Charlottelsville.

As I said. Christies down \$12.5.mm for fraud. Lee bankrupt. SFG bankrupt. You write one more story that is libelous and I have no choice but to go after the third leg of the stool, the Hook. Tell your people to quite inventing facts. Say you are sorry. Haas, I am suing you plain and simple to clear my name with one more nasty false story. Christies can afford to underestimate me. You cannot.

-----Original Message-----

From: Hawes Spencer <editor@readthehook.com>

Subject: your arbitration Sent: Jul 1, 2010 1:03 PM

Dear Halsey,

I hear you've got some big news. Can you send me something?

--hawes