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**To:** [REDACTED]

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Great opening Anne. Way to catch the tone. First line is you are humiliating yourself and you are stupid. Good stuff. I know the difference between assignment and release. The attached contract is what the Portland office gave me a month ago after you spoke to them. If you want to make changes, or would like to propose a different agreement, take it up with them. I simply attached what they gave me and what you had discussed with them. So you want something better, draft it up and see if they will agree. But it will not be a contingency on me.

I trusted you and was ready to sign the agreement. Now I know you planned on taking all the Portland furniture and stripping the place. That is not high cooperation. That is you plotting. I have to consider every edit was a concern for what you were going to do to me. I am glad I had an attorney look at it and work on it with me. I want timelines and want to not work with you going forward. All the changes assure that.

If you want to litigate, bring it. I am not afraid of the lies. You want to see some dirty laundry? We can do that too. I would also welcome a receiver taking the company over. Since you have removed me from management the company has gone from a 60k surplus to nothing. So we have that as a going concern.

Read it. Edit the things that matter, provide notes, with explanations, and send it back. That is how people negotiate Anne. On your best day, you will not get me to sign the previous version. Too many variables and I no longer trust your motives. The way I wrote the edits, I am gone and the company is yours in 9 days.

FYI, we have both written and agreed that no money would be contributed or loaned to the company without both our consent. You do not have my consent to sink the company further in debt by covering payroll. If we do not have funds for payroll, after billing, we should discuss our options. You loaning the company money is not one of them.

- Aaron

On Feb 20, 2018, at 11:25 PM, Anne van Leynseele [REDACTED] wrote:

You are humiliating yourself. I spent an hour listening to my attorney tell me how stupid your edits are and that you don't understand the difference between an assignment of the lease and releasing liability. Last time, you proposed things that are illegal. I fired the mediator for saying the same about you.

Please don't make your shortcomings public in front of a judge, I am desperately trying to let you leave with your dignity intact.

I know you need to get away from me. You asked to leave, it is time for you to move on. No one will ever know what the settlement was and we both need to get back to work. There is no money left, check Salal. I'm going to have to cover payroll.