

ANNEX C

Case# **FA1411001591261 Samblis v. FriendsOfPNCH**

Exhibits E41 through 51

Note: images are best viewed electronically at 150-200%. Or more for some.

E41



The screenshot shows a Wikipedia article page. At the top left is the Wikipedia logo with the text "WIKIPEDIA No fear. No censorship." Below it are links for "Main page", "Contents", "Frequently asked questions", "Community portal", "Random article", and "Help". The article title is "Strategic lawsuit against public participation". Below the title is the text "From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia". The main body of the article begins with a yellow-highlighted sentence: "A **strategic lawsuit against public participation** (SLAPP) is a lawsuit that is intended to harass, intimidate, and silence critics by burdening them with the cost of a legal defense until they abandon their criticism or opposition."^[k] The following paragraph explains that the typical SLAPP plaintiff does not normally expect to win the lawsuit; the plaintiff's goals are accomplished if the defendant is compelled to "take" substantial, protracted legal costs or simple exhaustion and abandons the criticism. It notes that in some cases, repeated litigation against a defendant may have the cost of directors and officers liability insurance for that party, reducing with an organization's ability to operate.^[l] A SLAPP may also intimidate others from participating in the debate. A SLAPP is often preceded by a legal threat. The difficulty is that plaintiffs do not present themselves to the court admitting that their intent is to harass, intimidate or silence their critics. Hence, the difficulty of admitting SLAPP litigation, and of applying it to a court an approach which affects an early termination to avoid abusive suits, without directing a high-tech day or week to valid good faith claims.

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Samblis e-mail thread:

Steven Samblis

To Larry Larryg

Jul 30 2013

Larry,

Take down the StevenSamblis.net website at once. Also, remove all of our photos from your sites. They are not public domain. I have sent you a request already through the site.

From: Larry

To Steven Samblis

Jul 30 2013

Help me understand why they are not public domain... they are IN the public domain. Also, there are clear disclosures notifying viewers that any of the sites are not affiliated with, or sanctioned by, IC Punch Media.

If you want to fight with someone why not go after the bashers over on LieHub?

From: Steven Samblis

To: Larry

Jul 30 2013

You can't run a website with my name any more than you can have one called Ford.com. All our photos are owned by us. We own the copyright on all our photos. These are our property.

Please take these down at once.

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon

Steven Samblis

Editor in Chief

IC Places Entertainment

From: Larry

To Steven Samblis

Jul 30 2013

"You can't run a website with my name any more than you can have one called Ford.com."

Well, actually I could, provided the domain name was available, and there was no intent to mislead the viewing public that the site represented Ford, the company, in any way. Regarding the domain name(s) stevensamblis.com and .net, I think I am on stable legal ground under 15 USC 1129(a&b), in that there was, and is, no intent to profit from the action. I have not, and did not, contact you in a effort to threaten, persuade, or otherwise extort money from you for the domain name and/or rights thereto. And likewise, you never contacted me to inquire about a possible purchase of such. In fact, I believe you once owned the .com instance of your name and let it lapse. Additionally, the site is being used in affiliation with the group of sites I own and maintain related to a work of authorship protected under title 17, United States Code.

Now... having said that... I would like to work this out amicably, as I am in support of you and your company and its efforts to succeed. Surely there must be common ground we can agree on relative to the content on the site. If you don't want me using those pictures, send me some, or authorize ones I can use. As I just recently acquired those domain names, the site has not been fully developed yet. In fact I haven't spent much time at all on it.

The decision on how this dispute is resolved is up to you. You can go the adversarial route, or the amicable route. Hopefully you can see the benefit to the amicable route.

From: Steven Samblis

To: Larry

Jul 31 2013

Larry you have our copyrighted photos and photos of our copyrighted websites. I will ask one last time to remove these. I will give you until the morning.

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon

Steven Samblis

Editor in Chief

IC Places Entertainment

From: Larry

To Steven Samblis

Jul 31 2013

OK... if that's the way you want to handle it, so be it. But remember... I gave you an opportunity to settle this amicably.

From: Steven Samblis

To: Larry

Aug 2 2013

Larry,

You took our copyrighted photos and thought it was ok to use them on your site which it was not. Now you put this face photo which was placed on lie hub and put it on these pages? Click the link and you will see this is fake. There is no such page.

This photo you have on the sites are false and put me in a false light. They are damaging to me. Remove them at once.

From: Larry

To: Steven Samblis

Aug 2 2013

Although I disagree with you on my right to post those pictures based on research I have done on the topic of the "Fair Use" doctrine, it wasn't worth a protracted fight to assert those rights. So the act of removing them was not a act of stipulating to your assertion of Copyright Infringement.

Regarding the picture that is there now, I am simply reporting what was (and still is) being reported on another site (Investors Hub). The link in the site I am reporting on (link for Mugshots.com) displays no picture as you state, but the post indicates the photo was recovered with a FOIA request. Just because the picture is not available to the casual viewer today on Mugshots.com, does not mean its "fake", or that it never existed there. The picture appears to carry a "mugshots.com" identification mark, and therefore appears valid. I would be happy to post your rebuttal to the picture if you provide one, however I will not be removing the picture, or the link to the post in Investors Hub that carries it, without a suitable alternative.

Steve, I offered you a solution but you turned me down. I am not your enemy, I think my posting history supports such, however your resistance to authorizing a few pictures, I feel, was a display of arrogance. I am now beginning to see why you have so many haters over on LieHub, and a growing number on the Hangout.

Again, I am only reporting on current reported information found on another site. Please offer me an alternative.

And a P.S. if I might... why is it that you let so many posters on Investors Hangout use your company logo in their signature lines and posts? Isn't your company logo copyrighted as your pictures are? Posters also re-post pictures from your Facebook page and websites also, and yet I have never seen any enforcement action taken against such. This seems to indicate selective enforcement of your copyright rights. Selective enforcement of your rights weakens your argument of infringement against me.

From: Steven Samblis

To: Larry

Aug 2 2013

I am not playing games with you. You think you can take my name and play these games with it? I'll give you one hour to take these sites down.

From: Larry

To: Steven Samblis

Aug 2 2013

My position and resolute remains firm.

From: Steven Samblis

To: Larry

Aug 13 2013

What ever your name is. Please remove the fake mugshot photo off of the site under my name. That photo is a fake and there is no mugshot page of me. Today I lost a employee because of your bullshit posting of the fake photo. I am asking you to remove this before it causes any more damage to me or the company. Tell me what ever you want from me to remove this fake photo and you got it.

From: Larry

To: Steven Samblis

Aug 14 2013

Mr. Samblis;

I mean you no harm, and am truly sorry if you have suffered any inconvenience as a result of this photo. I have no knowledge that this photo in question is fake as you state. In fact, there is evidence to the contrary. However, as the record will show I offered you an alternative very early on in this exchange, that was, to allow me to use some of your photos that you post publically on your Facebook page and that can also be found when searching Google Images. As you may remember, there were what I thought were very favorable pictures of you on the website to begin with, and you ordered me to take them down. I complied

simply because it wasn't worth the protracted fight. Although I believed then, as I do now, that limited use of those publically available photos were appropriate under the Fair Use guidelines.

I am not attempting to extort anything from you in exchange for your cooperation in authorizing the use of some more favorable photos. Also I might add, I am not profiting on any of those photos, as the site offers no advertising, and is supported entirely from my own personal funds, and I derive no income from the site. Perhaps you disagree, but the intent of my sites is the betterment of the company, and your cooperation would be greatly appreciated. This needs to be your choice to allow me to use the photos, just as it was your choice to order me to remove them.

Thank you...

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 14 2013

Use what you want just please take this down as so as possible.
Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis
Editor in Chief
IC Places Entertainment

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 14 2013
Mr. Samblis;

I understand your attached reply to give me authorization to use publically available pictures on any of my sites. If I have misunderstood your reply, please advise at once. Thank you.

Please feel free to suggest any photos that you would prefer be there instead of the ones originally there that you ordered me to remove. And if you would like to share any other content, please feel free to suggest such.

Thank you...

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 14 2013

yes you are correct please remove the mug shot and links to my personal Brevard county links of civil cases.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 14 2013

That link to Samblis History talks about my divorce and private matters which have nothing to do with the company. Please remove that as well.

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 14 2013

Done ! Refresh and you can verify the updates.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 14 2013

Thank you.

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 14 2013

Its been removed. Please refresh your browser page to verify.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 21 2013

Would you sell me the domains with my name? I owned the one and for some reason it slipped through auto renewal.

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 21 2013

I would consider it. I'll make you a deal. Get the PPS to .05 and I'll GIVE them to you. Win/Win !

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 21 2013

In the mean time. We have some broke links with one of my apps because it went through StevenSamblis.com.I can't get in the code of the app so need the site back to load the database through. Would you sell it to me?
Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis
Editor in Chief
IC Places Entertainment

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 21 2013

That will take some time.

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis
Editor in Chief
IC Places Entertainment

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 21 2013

Can you help me understand this reasoning? StevenSamblis.com was simply pointed to IC Places.com. If I pointed the site back to IC Places.com, would that solve your immediate problem of loading whatever it is you need loaded? Just looking for something that may help you out in the short term for now. And yes, I would consider selling it.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 21 2013

The app when developed pushed through the my name website. I have the app but cannot change the code on it. Yes if you pointed that would fix the problem but I'm not going to launch it unless we control the domain because I can't risk anyone else being able to change the link and shutting the app down. So that is my issue.

From: Larry
To Steven Samblis
Aug 22 2013

I understand, that is a reasonable concern.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 30 2013

Larry,

I really need my site back. Will you sell it to me?

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis
Editor in Chief
IC Places Entertainment

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 30 2013

Yes. \$1500. total for both the .com and .net names.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 30 2013

They cost you \$10 each. Do you need to make that much off of me?

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis
Editor in Chief
IC Places Entertainment

From: Steven Samblis

To: Larry
Aug 30 2013

Ill give you \$500.00 for both.

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis
Editor in Chief
IC Places Entertainment

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 31 2013

No thanks.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Aug 31 2013

Larry,

It my name. Do you really think its ok for you to make a profit off of my name?

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis
Editor in Chief
IC Places Entertainment

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Aug 31 2013

Mr. Samblis... I apologize for being blunt... this is not a debate, nor is it a negotiation. No amount of aggression be it direct or passive, nor your attempt at making me feel guilty will change the facts. You asked if I would consider selling you the domain names, I said yes. I had no intention of selling the names, and only considered such as a courtesy to you upon your request. A price was established, and now this is YOUR decision to buy or not. It really makes no difference to me if you buy them or not. I am not the bad guy here... simply someone who has an item you expressed an interest in. YOU decide what you are willing to pay for that item, and then act, or don't act. Its really that simple. I suggest not buying them if doing so will cause you resentment or discomfort.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Sep 10 2013

I have thought more about it and you got me. You know I need to name to make my app work so I will pay the \$1500.00. Who do I send the money to?

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Sep 10 2013

Mr. Samblis;

It pains me to say this, but unfortunately I do not feel entirely confident providing my personal identity to you. Therefore in order to make this deal work I would like payment in the form of a Visa Gift Card. Please purchase a Visa Gift Card in the amount of \$1500.00, and send it to the following address:

Larry Larryg

Address deleted

Attn:Larry_ICPA

Let me know once you have sent it so I can be aware of its arrival. Once I receive it, and the balance is verified, I will immediately process the transfer of both the StevenSamblis.com and .net addresses. I am aware you may be thinking... what's to stop me from drawing down the balance on the card and not transferring the domains. All I can say is... if I were out to screw you I would have been asking for a lot more for the names. This is a simple business transaction, and I will carry through with my responsibility for transferring the domain over. I have no reason to screw you over on this small amount of money.

Thank you.

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Sep 10 2013

Sorry... one other thing. I am out of town till Friday of this week, and most of the next. However I will be back home over the weekends for both these weeks. If paid, I will transfer the domains asap. Actually, I can transfer the domains from the road, but I can't pick up the payment until I'm back in town. So, if you sent the payment first thing tomorrow, I might get it by Saturday. Of course you could always sent it next-day air to be sure.

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Sep 10 2013

Keep your money... the domain names just came off the market.

“He is a cyber squatter dirt bag that every time we make an announcement he buys every domain close to the project name we are doing. He even owns my name StevenSamblis.com which expired and due to a mistake on my account was not renewed even though I have owned it for years. He is using copyrighted photos of ours on this and his other sites because if we did not allow him to use them he was putting up false information about me at StevenSamblis.com pointing to some of the lie-hub pages. I recently asked him if I could have my name back and he wants \$1500.00 for my domain. I think it is disgusting that somebody would ransom my name.

He is also one of the posters here on this board.”

Source - Read More: <http://investorshangout.com/post/970479/He-is-a-cyber-squatter-dirt-bag-that-every-time-we#ixzz2eXUFVVjz>

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Sep 10 2013

Ok, Sound good. See you in court.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Sep 20 2013

Larry,

Your squatter claim a copyright. You do not have a copyright on our images. You also no longer have permission to use them. Please remove them.

"2013 | Friends of VU Television Network - Copyright. All rights Reserved. <http://www.my-icpunchmedia.com>"

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Sep 20 2013

No problem. Be change by tonight.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Sep 22 2013

Remove the email thread from your squatter site. As you can see your the notice on the bottom you are not allowed to reprint my emails.

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From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Sep 22 2013

You might want to read your own notification... it states "If" you are not the intended recipient bla bla bla they could not be disseminated, etc. As you know I was the intended recipient, therefore they are mine to do as I please. They stay.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Sep 22 2013

You are wrong. Just remove them. My emails are privileged information. I understand that you are a dirt bag that tries to make money off other peoples names and ideas. I got that. But you need to stop breaking the law. I can't wait to see you in court.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Oct 27 2013

I just lost one of my studios because of the shit you out on the site in my name. What do I need to pay you to take this shit down so you don't cost me any more money? I can't afford for you to hurt me any more so tell me what you want.

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Oct 27 2013

Mr. Samblis;

First off, I reject the implication that "I" have caused your pain and any hardship. The "shit" as you call it, is information that is available to anyone who would care to look for such, aside from my site. I am simply reporting on the information... I did not create the information, or the events that are documented within such information.

Secondly, I have been very clear, from the beginning, when you first contacted me, and ordered me to remove what you call "copyrighted" pictures from my sites. I offered you an alternative, and you declined. Then, recently you posted on Investors Hangout that I was a "dirtbag" and a "cyber squatter", indicated I was lying about you regarding the Mugshots.com photo, and finally, indicated I was an extortionist by "ransoming" your name.

I do not want your money! YOUR actions have made the situation un-salvageable at this point. I suspect your arrogance and stubbornness has led this situation to where it stands today. Unfortunately, arrogance and stubbornness is many times an unintended negative consequence of a personality that is ambitious and driven. Ambition and drive are good qualities to have, however you have let your arrogance sour this situation and impede common sense judgement.

At this point, NO deal could be consummated without a full, complete, and sincere public apology, in advance of any such negotiations, on Investors Hangout, where you so blatantly disrespected me. However, I suspect that would be a price you are not willing to pay.... ever.

From: Steven Samblis
To: Larry
Oct 27 2013

I will give you 5000 in stock for the sites in my name which you have.

Sent via electronic carrier pigeon
Steven Samblis

From: Larry
To: Steven Samblis
Oct 28 2013

Like I said... I don't want your money. No thanks.

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1. The company is a public corporation with a total of 10,000 shares outstanding. The shares are held by 1,000 shareholders.

| Item | Value |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Cash | 100,000 |
| 2. Accounts receivable | 200,000 |
| 3. Inventory | 300,000 |
| 4. Property, plant, and equipment | 400,000 |
| 5. Intangible assets | 500,000 |
| 6. Total assets | 1,500,000 |

| Item | Value |
|----------------------|-----------|
| 1. Accounts payable | 100,000 |
| 2. Long-term debt | 200,000 |
| 3. Total liabilities | 300,000 |
| 4. Total equity | 1,200,000 |

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| 6. Total assets | 1,500,000 |

| Item | Value |
|----------------------|-----------|
| 1. Accounts payable | 100,000 |
| 2. Long-term debt | 200,000 |
| 3. Total liabilities | 300,000 |
| 4. Total equity | 1,200,000 |

7. The company is a public corporation with a total of 10,000 shares outstanding. The shares are held by 1,000 shareholders.

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Friends Of Imaginative TV' & Steven Lambé

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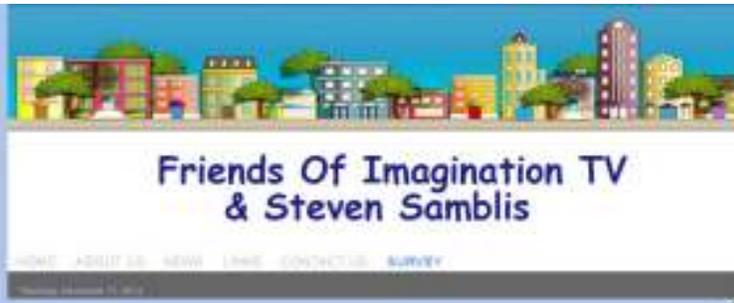
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Message Boards 101

Message boards... can you trust them?

The short answer... no.

However... you can get some useful information from message boards, but be careful. There is a lot of information available, but you will need to sift through it and do your own follow up. (Eve DeGeorge on "TD", a researcher on the information. There is a abundance of information on message boards, posted by anonymous posters using an alias to identify themselves (anonymous alias... if that isn't a recipe for deception we don't know what it is), so you need to be extremely careful about using or relying on any of this information unless you do your DD on the info first. These boards are loaded with "experts" and stock gurus that make a determined effort to make you believe they know what they are talking about. After just a few minutes on any message board you will be able to spot the guff talkers by their all-knowing attitude and excessive number of posts on any given subject... however, even they can provide some useful information once in a while, and that is why it is so important to do your research. As the saying goes... even a blind squirrel finds a nut once in a while.

If you follow any message board regularly you will tend to recognize the obvious asset frequently. Some posters are prolific posters, posting several thousands of posts yearly, while some post less often. On most message boards there is a function that allows for the reader to view the poster's vital statistics, such as creation date (more on that in a minute), number of messages to date, if they moderate any other boards, and any personal information they wanted to share. Take special note of the alias creation date, as this could alert you to potential credibility issues. Not to say a newly created alias is a bad thing, however it could be a person who is regulated or has been banned, trying to disguise or start an old alias. Doing so would give the appearance that they are new and have an unbiased opinion or concern, when in fact they could be attempting to influence other new members with the same old tired information (or misinformation) they were out using their old alias. Always remember... you never know who you are really dealing with, and you never know what their hidden agenda may be.

Pumpers, and flashers, like no one else about it... everyone on a message board has an agenda. Some are owners of the stock and want to see it increase in value, while others do not own the stock, or are shorting the stock, and want to see the value go down. And then some just hate something about the stock or company and we'll see it soon enough. Perhaps this tool comes at one time on the stock, or perhaps worked for the company at one time and felt they were wronged somehow. Pumpers say good things about the stock, when flashers say bad things about the stock ([you can read a primer](#)). Pumping, in our opinion, is somewhat harmless, and in fact can point out facts that could rightly influence you to become involved in the company. An intended result of a pumper's action is to increase the value of the stock. When the value of a stock increases, investors are rewarded. This is a good thing, however on the other hand, flashers attempt to decrease the stock, causing most investors to lose value in their investment. Unless an investor short at the stock, this is a bad thing for most investors, certainly the company. Pumpers will inflate the value of the stock they are promoting, while flashers will flat out lie and distort info... Take a few minutes to see [this video](#) on the damaging effects of buying on commission and stockholders. You will quickly understand the negative effects of trading, and why the position is so despised by most investors.

Another critical aspect on message boards is a moderator. Message boards are primarily run by people called "MOD's" or moderators. There are also "Admin's" or Administrators who own the MOD's. Both have one right and control of what you see, and what you don't see. It's the MOD's that primarily control the results by minute (and day to day) review of the posted messages. They monitor the message for any violations of the "Terms of Service" (a long legal document that describes the rules for using the message service). These TOG's as they are called, are fully displayed across all message boards. Most TOG's are what is called "banned phrase language", i.e., much of the rules stated are straightforward. Of course monitoring posted messages for vulgar and personal character assessments is a much needed service, as some posters just can't be cut when discussing issues in a public forum.

However... there is a common practice (on some boards) by some MOD's (and supported by some Admin's) of deleting messages that are not favorable to the message board's cause, or perhaps the MOD's personal opinions. Message that don't conform to the MOD's personal opinions, by their pay or on the stock/company... are summarily deleted. You can determine if this practice is happening by viewing the message number (usually located to the left of the header) to do a site check... Look for any missing numbers in reference to the our weekly numbers to see if any messages have been deleted. Here... all you can determine by viewing numbers are that messages have been deleted... you cannot tell WHY they were deleted. Perhaps they were deleted because they contained violations of the TOG and were rightly deleted. You can get a sense of the violation for TOG violations on each board by reading the other messages on the board. If you see other violations in messages that are visible, then it's likely that the TOG is not strictly followed to, and the likelihood of the missing messages having been deleted as a result of a TOG violation has been greatly reduced. When it's a fairly accurate assumption that the message was deleted as a result of someone not wanting you to see the information contained within the message. That... is censorship plain and simple. We do attempt to withhold information from you, with the arrogant attitude that the deleting person can make judgments about what you can and do see in order for you to make prudent investment decisions. This... we believe is the most heinous act any message board can practice. Heinous because it is so subtle at times, when you specifically suspect this may be happening and are aware of how to spot the practice, you will not even know it's happening. You don't check for this when you rely on what's happening on the board, or you don't realize this happens, so we will voluntarily become influenced by the MOD's and/or Admin's personal positions and opinions.

Private Messages... or PM's as they are called. Depending on the message board you follow there may be PM's allowed, while other boards you need to be a paying member to be able to use PM's. PM's can be a double edge sword as they say. Using PM's posters can draw our conversations out of the view of others... While this is useful at times for discussing off topic subjects with another poster, the use of PM's by others could be deceptive. There could be collusion between one or more posters to plot something that you may not be aware. That set of mind discussions could be nothing for you to be concerned with... or maybe not. That's the point, you never know what is being discussed behind your back. In the case of insiders, they could be conspiring to plan to start a lawsuit or plan for one to spread lies about the company. A PM could be sent to you in order to tell you in a convincing way to vote for you for admin, or tell you to support their cause, or tell you to quit your confidence in order to learn personal information about you. (Detailed post here being... [see PM's VERY CAREFULLY](#), and remember that others are likely jumping from between others out of your view. Also, don't believe "private" messages are private either. If you PM another user, that user could copy and paste your private message into a public post. So, don't say anything in a "private" message that you would be embarrassed by if it went public. The closest analogy we can think of to explain PM messages is... office memos that you send back with overalls, and then this next section you do some TOG. Things you said in private, being you were quoting in confidence, were now being repeated to others behind your back. That would be a real disappointing wouldn't it?

So, what about news? As you become more experienced using message boards you will become more aware of how to use the information contained within them, without getting burned in the process. Never lose sight of the author's beginning advice... never trust anyone, and always do your research on any information you might find interesting. Consider if insiders and inaccurate information will push you that you have established.

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The screenshot shows the IMDb Contributor Zone for the movie "Exodus: Gods and Kings". The page is titled "Contributor Zone" and features a search bar at the top with the text "Find Movies, TV shows, Celebrities and more...". Below the search bar are navigation tabs for "Movies, TV & Showtimes", "Celebs, Events & Photos", "News & Community", and "Watchlist".

The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Welcome!**: A paragraph explaining that since 1990, a diverse range of people have been adding, refining, and correcting data on IMDb pages. It invites users to become contributors.
- What is a Contributor?**: A section explaining that a contributor is anyone who submits information for display on the site. It lists various types of data that can be added, such as titles, names, and release dates.
- Adding Data to the IMDb**: A section detailing the simple process of adding information to the site.
- Contributors Charter**: A link to a page explaining how to work with contributors.
- Getting Started**: A link to a step-by-step guide for adding data to IMDb.
- How to Add a New Title**: A link to a guide for adding new titles, including movies, shorts, documentaries, TV episodes, and video games.
- Adding/Correcting Names**: A link to a guide for adding, correcting, and merging names.
- Submissions Guides**: A link to all of the guides for submitting data.
- How to Correct Existing Data**: A link to a guide for correcting existing data.
- Contributor Tips & Tricks**: A link to a page with tips for making things quicker and easier.
- Frequently Asked Questions**: A link to a page with answers to common questions about adding data.
- Get Help from the Community**: A link to a page where users can ask questions or get help.
- Contributors Help Board**: A link to a page where active and senior contributors work together to develop policy recommendations.
- Processing Times**: A link to a page that keeps track of the processing progress.

On the right side of the page, there are several "Quick Links" and "Data Research" sections, including "Submission Guides", "Contributor Hall of Fame", "Data Research", and "Data Research Projects".

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The screenshot shows the IMDb Help page for the movie "Exodus: Gods and Kings". The page is titled "Help" and features a search bar at the top with the text "Search Help". Below the search bar are navigation tabs for "Movies, TV & Showtimes", "Celebs, Events & Photos", "News & Community", and "Watchlist".

The main content area is titled "How/where do you get your information? How accurate/reliable is it?" and contains the following text:

The information in the Internet Movie Database comes from various sources. While we actively gather information from and verify items with studios and filmmakers, **the bulk of our information is submitted by people in the industry and visitors like you.**

In addition to using as many sources as we can, our data goes through consistency checks to ensure it's as accurate and reliable as possible. However, there's absolutely no substitute for an international team of movie buffs with an encyclopedic knowledge of trivia and a large assortment of reference works (and we include in this group many of our loyal contributors). Our sources of information include, but are not limited to, on-screen credits, press kits, official bios, autobiographies, and interviews.

Given the sheer volume and the nature of the information we list, occasional mistakes are inevitable and, when spotted/reported, they are promptly verified and fixed. That's why we welcome corrections and submissions.

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At the bottom of the page, there is a section titled "Did this answer your question?" with two options: "Yes: Return to the IMDb homepage" and "No: Back to previous choice - Top help menu".