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DOCKET NUMBER 24:2109

A Civil Case by the University of Louisiana at Monroe Mock Trial Team

Available Witnesses

PLAINTIFF:

Plaintiff: Red Faber Lefty Williams Possum Whitted- Expert on Use of Steroids in Sports

DEFENSE:

Defendant: Ginger Beaumont

Happy Roan

Shano Collins- Expert on Use of Steroids in Sports

The first name of any of the available witnesses can be selected by the team calling that witness. At captains meeting, each team must identify the first name of each witness and provide a proper pronunciation of that witnesses first name to the opposing counsel.

Exhibit List

- Exhibit 1: Red Faber's LHSAA Medical History Evaluation Form (11th grade)
- Exhibit 2: Red Faber's LHSAA Medical History Evaluation Form (12th grade)
- Exhibit 3: Newspaper Article from "The Bar" Newspaper, dated Monday September 2, 2013
- Exhibit 4: Podcast Transcript of Ginger's Downsville Dramas Episode 1834, dated May 20, 2024
- Exhibit 5: Financial Records of Big Reds Rides from March 25, 2024 through June 14, 2024
- Exhibit 6: Reviews of Big Reds Rides from May 10, 2024 (Review Wizard)

Summary of Facts

Ginger Beaumont is a podcaster hosting a nightly podcast originating from home. Ten years ago, Ginger was a senior at West Downsville High School. Ginger was always playing second fiddle to Red Faber, a popular student who captained the tennis team and was elected President of the Senior Class in a close election over Ginger. The animosity between the two is legendary.

At the ten-year reunion, the two almost came to blows. The following week, Ginger's podcast launched a weeklong series of attacks on Red. The first two nights were devoted to steroid use on the West Downsville tennis team during Ginger's Captaincy. Ginger outlined the use of HGH, prohibited under Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) rules. Red won sets much more frequently that season and suffered from severe acne and sudden growth spurts.

The last three nights were devoted to accusations that the SGA election was rigged. Happy Roan supposedly saw the ballot box being stuffed the night before the election. Happy also claims that two Bosco students were overheard talking about a group from their school voting in West Downsville's Election.

Red hired a lawyer and immediately filed suit claiming defamation. Ginger responded by claiming truth as a defense.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF UNION
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

RED FABER, PLAINTIFF

FILED: <u>August 1, 2024</u>

V.

NO. 8675309

GINGER BEAUMONT, DEFENDANT

BY: MADDOX VAUGHN
DEPUTY CLERK

COMPLAINT

NOW INTO COURT, through undersigned counsel, come Red Faber ("Plaintiff"), who files this complaint against Ginger Beaumont ("Defendant"), and in support thereof would show unto the Court the following matters and facts:

1.

The Plaintiff is domiciled in Downsville, Louisiana.

2.

From May 20th to May 25th, 2024, the Defendant did use the Defendant's podcast, known as "Ginger's Downsville Dramas", to make claims that during the Plaintiff's time in high school, the Plaintiff used illegal performance enhancing drugs, and the Plaintiff successfully plotted to steal an election to the position of the West Downsville High School senior class president from the Defendant.

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The Plaintiff represents that the forementioned claims were false in nature.

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By recording, editing, and posting these claims to the Defendant's online podcast, the Defendant publicized said claims to the audience of the Defendant's podcast which constitutes a

third party.

5.

The Plaintiff represents that the claims were both made with malicious intent, and had a significant negative impact on the Plaintiff's reputation amongst the community that the Plaintiff both lives and conducts business in.

For the reasons listed above, the Plaintiff prays that this Honorable Court order that a date be set for a jury trial to resolve this matter.

(STUDENT PLAYING PLAINTIFF ATTORNEY'S NAME)

PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF UNION
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

RED FABER, PLAINTIFF

FILED: <u>August 15, 2024</u>

V.

NO. 8675309

GINGER BEAUMONT, DEFENDANT

BY: MADDOX VAUGHN
DEPUTY CLERK

RESPONSE TO COMPLAINT

NOW INTO COURT, through undersigned counsel, come Ginger Beaumont ("Defendant"), who represents the following in response to Red Faber's ("Plaintiff") complaint filed on August 1, 2024:

1.

The Defendant does not dispute the fact that the Defendant made claims about the Plaintiff using performance enhancing substances while on the West Downsville High School tennis team and the Defendant engaging in election rigging for the West Downsville High School senior class president.

2.

The Defendant denies that the claims made were defamatory on the basis that the claims made were truthful in nature.

For the reason stated above, the Defendant makes no objection to this Honorable Court setting a date for trial, but reserves the right to a defense based on the Defendant's claims being true as laid out in Louisiana's Revised Statutes Article 13 §3602.

Respectfully submitted,
(insert name of student playing defense attorney)
ATTORNEY FOR DENDANT

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LAW

Civil Code article 2315 Article 2315. Liability for acts causing damages

Every act whatever of man that causes damage to another obliges him by whose fault it happened to repair it.

To prove defamation in Louisiana, a party must establish the following:

- A false and defamatory statement
- The statement was published to a third party without privilege
- The publisher was at fault, either through negligence or something greater
- The statement caused injuries

RS 13:3602

§3602. Pleading and proof of truth as justification for defamation

Whenever any civil suit for slander, defamation, or for a libel, shall be instituted in any court of this state, it shall be lawful for the defendant to plead in justification the truth of the slanderous, defamatory or libelous words or matter, for the uttering or publishing of which he may be sued; and in the trial of the issue in such suit, to maintain and prove his plea by all legal evidence.

RED FABER

My name is Red Faber, but some folks know me as "Big Red" since that's the name I use in the commercials for my used car lot, "Big Red's Rides". I am 29 years old and have lived in Downsville my entire life.

I got into the used car game 10 years ago after I graduated from West Downsville High School. I started out working for a cranky old drunk named Frank Plath. Frank was eager to hire the star captain of the most dominant mixed doubles high school tennis team that Downsville had ever seen. With my notoriety from tennis and being the former student body president of the local high school I was able to bring in quite a few buyers to Frank's car lot. But, sadly as the years went on Frank kept showing up drunk and unable to actually run the place, so I stepped up and bought the place from Frank during the pandemic as a way to let the old kook retire. Once I got the place, I renamed it to "Big Red's Rides".

I didn't have enough money to buy out Frank on my own, so I had to take out a loan from the bank. I was able to keep up regular payments on the loan until August 2023 when there was a fire in the lot's office building. We had to spend the business's savings on rebuilding and we couldn't sell any cars until we had a new office so I renegotiated the terms of the loan. We accepted a higher interest rate going forward in exchange for the bank to pause on payments until late October 20233 when we reopened the lot. After the reopening sales were steady enough that we were able to keep up with the higher rates on the bank payments, until Ginger decided to start all this mess on that silly little podcast.

I've been unlucky enough to know Ginger Beaumont since freshman year of high school. Ginger has been obsessed since we met at the tryouts for the West Downsville High Gar tennis team, probably because I absolutely embarrassed Ginger on the court. Ginger's ego and mouth

were writing checks that Ginger couldn't cash in front of my defense. Honestly, if Ginger had kept talking about how great Ginger was then we probably could have gotten along a lot better, but as soon as Ginger got beat Ginger started accusing me of cheating, started claiming the racket was faulty, and started claiming whatever Ginger could think of to save face. Honestly, it was kinda sad.

To tell the truth I wasn't the best tennis player when I joined the team, unlike Ginger I like to be honest about that kind of thing. My friend Lefty Williams was the only person at those freshman tryouts that really knew their way around the court, Lefty's back hand was really nasty to deal with. Lefty was the only freshman that year that the coach let play at the state tournament, which I was fine with because it was really cool to see my friend compete at such a high level. I knew that with practice and hard work that I would catch up to Lefty, but Ginger on the other had spent the entire tournament sulking and complaining that Ginger wasn't picked to represent the school.

After I proved to my Dad that tennis wasn't just a phase by signing up for the team my sophomore year, he decided to build a tennis court in our backyard. It was hard for him to come to terms with me playing tennis since he dealt with a lot of injured athletes at his job as a sports endocrinologist. Our sophomore year Lefty would come over to my house every weekend we didn't have a game and we would practice. It took a lot of hard work and getting beat by lefty, but I eventually started to see improvement, and our coach did too. I got put in a few early season games, but still fell short of making it onto the line up for the big state tournament. Lefty obviously made the cut, but I had my ego checked when Ginger took the last spot that I had assumed I was going to take.

I couldn't let Ginger get the better of me two years in a row, so Junior year I was relentless in my training. I made state that year and held my own pretty well considering it was my first time at competition at that level. I ended the year behind Lefty but above Ginger. That was also the year that the Louisiana High School Athletic Association started requiring us to get physical examinations, examinations I have dug up from my medical records and given to my lawyers in order to prove how silly Ginger's claims about me taking growth hormones are (Exhibits 1 and 2).

The summer before my senior year, I got extremely lucky when one of my dad's clients, a retired tennis announcer, suggested that I sign up for William Whittaker's tennis camp. William was considered the greatest North American mixed doubles player to ever step onto red clay. In high school I ate, slept, and breathed William Whittaker, so when my dad casually asked if that was something I would be interested in, I ran and packed my bags immediately. I spent two months constantly drilling, learning, playing against other camp attendees, and improving. It also helped that this was the exact time that I started to hit the largest growth spurt of my teen years. The time I spent at that camp completely changed how I practiced, how I played, and how I thought about tennis. But unfortunately, the old saying to 'never meet your idols' proved to be true. Halfway through my senior year's tennis season, I learned from an article in *The Tennis Player's Almanac* that William Whittaker had tested positive for the human growth hormone and was stripped of all of his titles. I even read that his wife divorced him. The betrayal I felt when I read that is beyond expression. I thought I had met a truly respectable athlete, but he just turned out to be a sleazy cheater.

Throughout high school, Ginger would take whatever opportunity to try to one up me, and I'm not just talking about tennis. I remember one Friday I came to school in some new sneakers that everybody started asking about at practice. When I came to practice the following Monday, I

saw Ginger in a brand-new pair of sneakers trying to show them off. It was little petty things like that which caused me to really resent Ginger. To be completely transparent, the petty drama wasn't one sided. I participated in the pettiness. I'm not exactly proud to admit it, but the truth is the only reason I ran for senior class president was because I had overheard Ginger telling Happy Roan that Ginger intended to run. I figured the world would be a better place if no one had to listen to Ginger. I campaigned hard for the two weeks before election day and won. Honestly, me winning wasn't surprising, what was surprising was that anyone voted for Ginger in the first place. Honestly, I might have gloated a little too much in my interview with the school newspaper *The Gar*. We were high school kids so of course it ended up devolving into a back and forth, but what really gets to me is the fact that Ginger is still bitter over a decade later.

I ran into Ginger at the ten-year high school reunion. I attempted to make small talk and see if maybe Ginger had grown up and gotten over all the petty drama, but I was greeted with the same old Ginger. It really was remarkable how quickly Ginger devolved into cussing me out and making silly accusations that I had cheated at tennis and stole the SGA election. Naturally I wasn't going to take that kind of abuse lying down, so I told Ginger that "It's good you've started that little podcast. You've always had a face for radio". Ginger was always skin deep so that really got to Ginger, and we almost ended up in a fist fight right there in the old high school gym. Thankfully some folks stepped in before I had to embarrass Ginger on the court again.

I went home that night and assumed that would be the end of it, but unfortunately, I was dealing with Ginger Beaumont so it couldn't end that easily. I come into work the day after the reunion and several of my employees are gathered around a computer. When I asked what the fuss was about, they showed me what Ginger had decided to get up to. Ginger was ranting and raving

to their thousands of listeners about me. I started to laugh and told my employees to ignore the fool, I figured that nobody would listen to Ginger. I was sorely mistaken.

Ginger didn't just post one episode about me, they dedicated an entire week solely to me. I don't even understand how they were able to produce episodes that fast, they were doing this every night of the week! What really made me mad was the fact that Ginger was spreading lies about my tennis career just like Ginger did in high school. Plus, the fact that Ginger was saying I was on growth hormones was absurd, after all my dad worked with those kinds of hormones for a living so I grew up hearing all the horror stories about former athletes coming to him after taking hormones they didn't need and getting seriously injured. Besides I never would have wanted to give Ginger the satisfaction of getting to honestly call me a cheater. But despite the fact I never touched those hormones I still had to deal with the consequences of Ginger's actions. Some of these episodes received over 30,000 listens, and we live in a small town so that was quite a substantial amount of people being fed lies about me. My business even started to receive negative reviews on our website from people that nobody at the dealership had ever seen, let alone sold a car to. We didn't get a single customer to come that week. I remember going to the grocery store halfway through this week of attacks, and everywhere I went in the store I could hear people whispering about "growth hormones" and "rigged elections".

My very livelihood depends on my reputation in the community, after all who wants to buy a car from a dishonest used car salesperson, so by the end of the week I knew I had to act. I went to my lawyers and got them to file suit. I have worked hard over the past decade to build my reputation in the community, and fully intend to protect it from these false accusations.

I am familiar with the following exhibits:

Exhibits 1 and 2 are my physical examination forms from my 2013 and 2014 Junior and senior year. I obtained them from my old physician Dr. P. Micheal

Exhibit 3 is a segment from the school newspaper on September 2nd. It's about the SGA election. I used to read the newspaper at times, and I read this article obviously. I was asked for a quote in it and provided.

Exhibit 4 is a transcript from Gingers podcast. Specifically, the first episode aired about me.

Exhibit 5 is a record of the sales from the financial records system I use. It's from the end of March to the beginning of June.

Exhibit 6 is a screencap I took on May 30th of my Review Wizard site. The main page my business receives reviews upon.

GINGER BEAUMONT

My name is Ginger Beaumont, and I am a proud resident of Downsville, Louisiana. I attended West Downsville High School and graduated 10 years ago.

By day, I am an electrician at my dad's shop, "Franklin's Wiring Works" where I have been for the past 8 years. I applied to college, went for a semester but it just wasn't for me, so I returned to Downsville. I started studying with my dad, Franklin Beaumont, to become an electrician. Being an electrician was never my passion.

My real passion is spreading news and talking to people. I host a nightly podcast to inform my community and followers of all the goings on in the world they may have missed, if not for Ginger's Downsville Dramas. It started as a simple passion project. Whenever I got the urge, I would get off of work, sit down, crack a beer open, and just talk about things I'd heard. Over the years, traction picked up, and I now take my cast a little more seriously. I now post nightly and draft out a plan each week. I now get a steady 10,000 or so viewers per episode, with the occasional episode catching 50,000. It's not particularly lucrative, but it's where my heart lies.

During my time at WDHS, I was a star member of the tennis team. I tried for the captain position during my time on the team, I was never successful. My old classmate, Red Faber, got the role. I first met Red back in Freshman year, but we were never friends. Red and I were always racing for number one, but unfortunately, I always fell behind Red. It always seemed like Red had a leg up. When I tried for captain, I was just barely beat out by Red. About a month later when I ran for SGA president, I was not the winner, despite my promising campaign. Red was running against me, and Red won.

We recently met again at the West Downsville High School class of 2014 ten-year reunion. Seeing Red reminded me of our time in school and all the times Red got the best of me. I will say that things got a little heated and a few words were exchanged. Interacting with Faber again just had me stewing on all my high school memories. As I was thinking some peculiar things stuck out to me about Red Faber.

The first was that during Red's time as captain that stuck out to me is his rapid progression in skill. At one point, Red was averaging over 20 points a game, I had never seen a score like that in my time on the WDHS tennis team. The real odd thing is that it wasn't only Red, it was Red's friend Lefty too. Then at the same time, both Red and Lefty had severe acne that I had seen on neither of them in the previous year's going to school together. Then as I was thinking back, I realized both had a sudden growth spurt around the same time. Red was never the nicest, but in senior year Red was on a bit of a mean streak. Red also kept coming back from injuries faster than I ever could. This was too much for me. I needed to tell the people my thoughts. To me, it sounded like Red had a little extra help. There had been rumors back in the day about some people on the team using steroids, but that was not my priority at the time. My focus was winning games, the honest way.

As I was pouring over my memories, I was reminded of the old SGA election. The night before the election, I had talked to Happy Roan, and Happy said some real strange stuff. I decided to call up Happy and have a chat with my old classmate to make sure everything was remembered right.

When I met Happy for lunch, my suspicions were confirmed. Happy said the same thing I remember from all those years back. Happy saw the ballot box being messed with the night before the election. There were also some students from our rival Bosco saying they voted for Red. At this point, enough was enough, and I had to let the people know what Red Saber had been up to back in the day.

I scheduled next week's posting schedule. The first two days would be in depth dives on steroid usage in sports, and Red's possible usage. The rest of the week would be about the election, and the suspicious happenings around it. West Downsville isn't a big town, and the people in it all know each other. That's why people like me who spread stories and news do so well, the people always want to hear what I have to say.

I recorded my episodes and posted them as I always do. They really hit it off. Views were doing well. People wanted to hear what Ginger on the Ginger's Downsville Dramas show had to say about the old class president and tennis captain folks are buying their cars from nowadays. I went on with my life as normal, talking about people tends to ruffle a few feathers. When I heard Red was upset by my podcast, I was unsurprised as nobody wants their secrets revealed, but I didn't say anything I don't believe to be true. I simply shared what I've heard and seen.

I am familiar with the following Exhibits:

Exhibit 3 is a segment from The Gar, the WDHS school newspaper. I read this segment back when the election had first been decided.

Exhibit 4 is a transcript from episode 1834 of my podcast Gingers Downsville Dramas. It's my introduction to the episode, and the latter is a middle section of the podcast. It's accurate to what I said.

Lefty Williams

My name is Lefty Williams, and I'm a lifelong resident of Downsville, LA. I graduated from West Downsville High School back in 2014, and now I work at the local butcher's shop, cutting meat. It isn't pretty, but it's got to get done, and it pays the bills.

Back in high school, I was good friends with Red Faber. We played tennis together; we'd hit the court after school when we were younger, and we got pretty good at it. High school really let us develop those skills, and we thrived playing competitively against other schools. Not much feels better than getting a win, especially after a losing streak—though we never really had a long one. Tennis was a sport we both loved, and the competition motivated us to improve.

For a while, I was even better than Red, until one summer Red went to a camp hosted by William Whitacre, where he learned from the best. William Whitacre was world-renowned tennis champ—emphasis on *was*—because not long after Red attended the camp, it came out that William had been using HGH to recover from injuries and help train. He got completely dishonored, and all his achievements were stripped from him. This really discouraged Red, who looked up to William. Red told me he felt "almost betrayed by it." But that didn't stop Red from improving, and after that camp, Red was already better than me. No shame in it, though—I was still pretty good.

Red had one major rival: Ginger Beaumont. That kid hated Red with a bitter passion. In sports, you learn early to show good sportsmanship. You don't rub a win in the losing team's face, and you don't want to be a sore loser. Apparently, Ginger missed that lesson. They went toe-to-toe both on and off the court, and every time Ginger lost, Ginger claimed there was some sort of cheating or fraud going on.

Throughout high school, Red and I kept playing together. We were like siblings. I'd go to Red's house, and we'd play tennis in the backyard—Red's dad had a private court built. It seemed a little much, but Red's dad is a doctor, and I can only wish to make that kind of money. Speaking of Red's doctor dad, I vaguely remember seeing Red with small prescription bottles in his backpack. There were sterile needles around the house, but I figured it was just surplus from his dad's job. Looking back, I'm not sure if the two were related or not.

High school is awkward for everyone, including me, Red, and Ginger. Your body changes in all sorts of ways, especially during those teenage years. Instead of going for something petty like calling us "pepperoni face" or some silly insult, Ginger used our growth spurts and acne to suggest we were taking steroids to enhance our performance. It almost seemed like Ginger was the one affected by the excessive mood swings he accused us of having, considering how often Ginger accused us of cheating. Ginger just couldn't accept that we were better, and he never used those losses as motivation to practice harder. Red and I, on the other hand, were always the type of athletes to get back up on our feet and keep going, something Ginger never seemed to grasp.

Like in sports, Red took the opportunity to run for a student leadership position, and that only inflamed Ginger's hatred. Apparently, Ginger also wanted the role, but since it was an elected position, it was a bit of a popularity contest. And nobody wants a pathetic, sore loser in leadership. Red won by a landslide, and deservedly so—there's no way Ginger could have handled failing the student body in both sports and leadership. Of course, Ginger claimed the election wasn't fair and that there was some sort of election fraud. Ginger even got a friend to back up these claims.

All of this happened over 10 years ago, and it's been in the past since we graduated. I don't know why it's resurfacing now—who cares? It's decade-old high school drama, and we all have better things to focus on. I know our 10-year high school reunion brought back some of these

conflicts, and Ginger started a podcast a few years ago where he's decided to air his skeletons on-air. I'll give Ginger credit—he's kept the same story all these years. I've stayed in touch with Red since graduation, and the stuff Ginger's been saying on the podcast has been spreading around town, really hurting Red's sales at the dealership.

I am familiar with the following exhibits:

Exhibit 4 is a transcript of an episode of "Ginger's Downsville Dramas", which discusses Red, and the claims Ginger makes. I listened to this episode, and the others in the series, though I am not a regular listener.

Happy Roan

My name is Happy Roan, and I'm a resident of Downsville, LA. I attended West Downsville High School along with Ginger Beaumont and Red Faber. For the last few years, I've been working at the local grocery store. While working in that store isn't the best, most customers love my people skills—I've got to live up to my name somehow!

Back in high school, I was good friends with Ginger, as we took most of our classes together. We would spend most of the day hanging out before Ginger had to go off to tennis practice. I never got into the whole high school athlete thing since I was more of a theater person. I ran the school newspaper, "The Gar", and wrote about various events happening in and around the school. Even now, I serve as the adult supervisor for the school newspaper, as my niece now attends WDHS and writes for it just like I did back in my day. I loved getting the latest scoop on everything happening, and sometimes Ginger would give me stories from the sports world to write about. Back then, Ginger would talk about how he was going to get a scholarship to play in college. Throughout high school, Ginger would try out to be the captain of the team but always fell short to our classmate Red Faber.

There has always been a bitter rivalry between Ginger and Red. It seemed like whatever Ginger tried to do; Red was always better. First, it was the tennis team, and then it was the SGA elections. The SGA president was a very important position at our school. They helped plan every event, and everyone wanted that role. When the election came around, Red once again got the upper hand on Ginger. Normally, after the results were announced, everyone would go about their day, but Ginger took it hard. He got up in his seat and yelled that Red must have rigged the election or cheated in some way. After that, Ginger stormed out of the room, and being the good friend I was, I chased after him.

When I caught up to Ginger, he told me it wasn't fair that Red always found a way to cheat in everything. Ginger told me he suspected Red of using steroids to improve his performance in tennis. He even said that Red was "going to pay for cheating all these times." While I had no clue whether Red was using steroids, I did believe Ginger's claim that Red cheated in the SGA elections. The night before the votes were counted, I was staying late at school for practice for our yearly play, where I had the lead role. While taking a break from practice, I decided to grab a snack from the vending machine in front of the cafeteria, where the ballot box containing the election votes was stored. I was just about to leave when I heard whispering coming from inside the cafeteria.

When I looked inside, I saw two figures I couldn't quite make out, but I thought they were Red Faber and his friend Lefty Williams. They were talking about needing to fill the ballot box with just enough votes to ensure they won the election. Not wanting to get caught, I slowly left the cafeteria and walked back to the theater to continue with practice. At the time, I didn't tell Ginger what I had heard because I didn't want him to go off on Red when I wasn't sure it was even Red in the first place. It wasn't until years later that I told Ginger what I'd overheard.

Ginger and I went to lunch a few weeks after our high school reunion, and for some reason, Ginger brought up the SGA election. He mentioned hearing that some students from our rival school, Bosco, had voted in our election. That's when I told him that I'd overheard what I thought was Red stuffing the ballot box before the results were announced. I also mentioned that I wasn't entirely sure it was Red, but it looked and sounded like him. When Ginger heard this, he almost flew out of his seat, yelling that he "needed to get this information out" and that it was going to "ruin Red." It wasn't until the podcast episodes about Red were released that I understood exactly what Ginger meant.

I heard about the podcast episodes from Ginger himself, who texted me to check out his podcast, saying I would love the new episodes all about Red's "skeletons." Once the episodes dropped, the news spread around town. Ever since then, I've seen fewer and fewer people going to Red's car dealership. As much as I feel for Red, Ginger's story checks out with what I've seen and heard.

I am familiar with the following exhibits:

Exhibit 3 is the newspaper article I wrote about the SGA election. It features a quote from Red Faber regarding the election.

Exhibit 4 is a transcript from Ginger's first podcast episode about Red Faber.

Possum Whitted

My name is Dr. Possum Whitted. I currently work at Acadiana Pharmaceutics, concentrating in sports medicine research. I graduated from the University of Louisiana Monroe with a B.S. in Toxicology, with which I earned my PhD. in pharmacology and toxicology as well as my Pharm. D. from the University of Michigan. Since then, I moved back home here in Louisiana and then worked at the Midland's State Hospital of Acadiana as a pharmacist. In that position, I compounded medications and consulted patients and physicians on prescriptions to ensure that the patient was receiving a proper level of care. I now work in a laboratory, researching performance-enhancing pharmaceutics relating to sports. I've been doing this for a little over 3 decades now, specifically researching hormonal supplementation.

In between research projects, I've been called before to testify as an expert on the subject. It doesn't happen often though. This is only my fourth time in court and each time was for the prosecution like this case. I get these opportunities through the company I work for. We have a relationship with some of the local sports organizations that gives me and my coworkers the opportunity to earn a bit extra gaining courtroom experience.

HGH

HGH, or human growth hormone, is a hormone naturally found in the human body that stimulates the growth of the body and cells. It can act as an anabolic agent, which is prescribed as an injection to children experiencing growth disorders or growth hormone deficiency. Anabolic agents build tissues and organs, including muscle and bone, that can be helpful in enhancing sports performance. Recent studies have posed HGH to potentially increase vitality in the older populations, though nothing has clinically been tried yet.

In sports, the International Tennis Federation's (ITF) banned substances list includes all anabolic agents. Because HGH is naturally found in the body, there is an acceptable limit to how much HGH can be in a person's blood, as well as tests to find synthetic HGH. However, there are only very limited scientifically valid studies showing that HGH enhances athletic performance, and a lot of the current information being spread confirming the benefits of HGH in sports is false. Long term, athletes face various side effects from excessive HGH including enlargement and swelling of the hands and feet.

I have reviewed the physical reports of Red Faber from 11th and 12th grade and was asked to provide my insight on the changes in health as well as the potential for doping. In between these years, it is noted that Faber suffered from heart irregularities and rapid weight loss/gain. In my experience as a hospital pharmacist, I would suggest that heart irregularities combined with a family history of high blood pressure could signify developing heart problems, potentially made worse by rapid weight change. However, I am not Red Faber's physician and am only making assumptions based on the evidence provided to me.

These health changes do not warrant concern for doping, though it is not exclusionary. In a case where the patient is using HGH, the most common side effects we see include malignant pituitary tumors causing headaches, vision impairment, and deficiency of other hormones produced by the pituitary gland. These symptoms are not present in Red Faber's medical records. I cannot say with any degree of certainty that Red Faber did not dope with HGH, but the medical records reviewed do not suggest the usage of HGH.

I have also reviewed all affidavits presented in this case and was asked to provide insight on concerns surrounding rapid growth, increased acne, heightened performance, and possible mood swings. At the time, Red Faber would have been approximately 16-18 years of age. Acne,

mood swings, weight change, and growth spurts are typical symptoms of kids that age. To say that any of these symptoms occurred excessively without further testing is nothing more than a shot in the dark, especially considering that so many factors influence these features. Heightened performance usually comes with practice, which would seem likely in this case. This evidence does not point to Red Faber using HGH, especially considering that these symptoms are not typical of HGH, though it does not rule it out.

HGH, or human growth hormone, is a naturally occurring hormone in the human body that contributes to the growth and development of the human body. It can be supplemented with prescription injection to treat certain disorders and does not strongly appear to enhance athletic performance. Red Faber's symptoms including heart irregularities, rapid weight change, acne, growth spurts, mood swings, and increased performance do not point to the use of HGH. This does not mean Red Faber did not use HGH, but rather that excessive HGH does not appear to be a factor.

Shano Collins

My name is Dr. Shano Collins. I am a sports medicine doctor. I am from the great state of Texas. I attended Texas Tech University and received a Bachelor of Science with a major in kinesiology and a minor in chemistry. I then went up to the University of Michigan for their medical school. I graduated and did my residency in sports medicine. I found my calling in sports medicine, unsurprisingly. I was a gymnast both in high school, and during my time at Texas Tech. I have a practice as a sports medicine physician, and I review cases during the off seasons.

After 5 years as a practitioner in the field of sports medicine I applied for a position with the NSMB, National Sports Medicine Board, to further my career. I am a member of their youth board. I am also involved with the USADA, United States Anti-Doping Agency, I am a volunteer on their consulting board. I am involved in various other professional associations, but the above mentioned are most relevant to my review.

I received all documents, and statements provided in this case. I was asked to review the provided materials and opine the possibility of doping, or anabolic steroid usage.

Doping, and anabolic steroid usage are terms often used interchangeably. Doping is the specific usage for an advantage within sports. This practice is banned by the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA), and most other athletic and sporting bodies.

The proper way to monitor usage is random and routine testing of athletes; this practice is often used in professional leagues, but it is not preferred in high school settings. This process can be considered invasive, especially when professional stakes are not at play.

Generally, in high school settings doping is not a common problem, these drugs are difficult for most to access, but it is not unheard of or rare. Often it becomes a factor when there are heightened stakes, such as approaching collegiate try-outs, finals, or competitive positions on

a team. Although usage is not entirely common, watching for signs of using anabolic steroids, such as HGH, is a recommended course of action. Such signs can include, but are not limited to, heightened performance in sports, rapid growth, protruding veins, mood swings, increased acne, hair loss, and more.

In this case I observed rapid growth, increased acne, heightened performance, and possible mood swings. Some of these signs can be confused with typical teenage development. The typical difference is that when coming from steroids, the symptoms are exaggerated and rapidly onset.

The most noticeable sign to me was marked increased performance, from both Red Faber and Lefty Williams. A nearly perfect winning streak at the high school level from more than one player on the same team raises an eyebrow for altered performance. When consulting the WDHS tennis teams' history, neither player had a low scoring past, but the jump is cause for concern.

Physical changes observed by Ginger Beaumont, and Happy Roan, and noted by Lefty Williams include severe acne and growth spurts. These are in line with possible usage of anabolic steroids. When looking at Red's annual physicals from 11th and 12th grade (Exhibits 1 and 2) the sudden presence of height and weight abnormalities in Red's 12 grade physical exam stands out to me.

In tennis specifically there have been many scandals involving HGH; tennis is a high injury, and a large issue in tennis is slow recovery times. There has been little development in this avenue of the sport. HGH can help with quickening recovery times for injuries sustained on the court. In the statements I read there were mentions of Red never stopping, and always getting back on his feet quickly. This quick recovery time may be an indication that there was interference in Red's recovery.

This signals possible doping, but I cannot conclude definitively as neither a blood nor urine sample was tested at the time of the alleged usage. Proper protocol would have been testing around alleged time of usage, but we cannot change the past. I was not involved with this case at the time of the alleged usage. At this time, I cannot draw a definitive conclusion on if usage occurred, but I cannot rule out the possibility.

EXHIBITS

1. PHYSICAL FORMS 11TH GRADE

LHSAA MEDICAL HISTORY EVALUATION

IMPORTANT: This form must be completed annually, kept on file with the school, and is subject to inspection by the Rules Compliance Team.

Grade: 11 Date: 6/20/12 Name: Red Faber School: West Downsville High School Sport(s): Tennis Date of Birth: Cell Phone: (318)-555-3489 Age: City: Downsville State: LA Zip Code:71234 Home Address: 573 Dusk Berry Ave Home Phone: (318)-555-4569 Parent / Guardian: Dr. Carl Faber Employer: Work Phone:
 FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY:

 Yes No Condition
 Whom
 Yes No Condition
 Whom

 □ Ø Heart Attack/Disease
 □ Ø Sudden Death

 □ Ø Diabetes
 □ Ø Sickle Cell Trait/Anemia

| Grands Yes No Condition Whom ☐ Arthritis
☐ Kidney D
☐ Epilepsy N 00 Arthritis Kidney Disease Grandmother Grandfather ATHLETE ORTHOPAEDIC HISTORY: Has the athlete had any of the following injuries? | Yes No Condition | 2 | Head Injury / Concussion | 2 | Elbow L / R | 2 | Lower Leg L / R | 2 | Lower Leg L / R | 2 | Chest | e had any of the following injunes?

Yes No Condition

Be Neck Injury / Stinger

Arm / Wrist / Hand L / R

Thigh L / R

Severe Muscle Strain Yes No Condition

Z Shoulder L / R

Back

Knee L / R

Ankle L / R Date Date ✓ Knee L/R

☐ Ankle L/B

✓ Pinched Nerve 4/22/2011 3/4/2010 ATHLETE MEDICAL HISTORY: Has the athlete had any of these conditions? Yes No Condition Yes No Condition

☐ Ø Heart Murmur / Chest Pain / Tightness □ Z Height Irregularities
□ Z Rapid weight loss / gain
□ Z Take supplements/vitamins
□ Z Heat related problems ☐ ☑ Seizures
☐ ☑ Kidney Disease
☐ ☑ Irregular Heartb Irregular Heartbeat Irregular Heartbeat
 Z Asthma
 Z High Blood Pressure
 Z Dizzy / Fainting
 Z Organ Loss (kidney, spleen, etc)
 Z Surgery
 Medications Recent Mononucleosi Enlarged Spleen Sickle Cell Trait/Anemia Overnight in hospital Allergies (Food, Drugs) Kiwi PARENTS' WAIVER FORM To the best of our knowledge, we have given true & accurate information & hereby grant permission for the physical screening evaluation. We understand the evaluation involves a limited examination and the screening is not intended to nor will it prevent injury or sudden death. We further understand that if the examination is provided without expectation of payment, there shall be no cause of action pursuant to Louisiana R.S. 9:2798 against the team volunteer healthcare provider and/or employer under Louisiana law. I will notify limite principal or the statistic trainer to release information concerning my child's injuries to the head coach/athletic director/principal of his/her school.

I by my signature below, I am agreeing to allow my child's medical history/exam form and all eligibility forms to be reviewed by the LHSAA or its representative(s) or the associated medical personnel. CYOS T CYES 6/23/12 C. Faber Carl Faber

Typed or Printed Name of Parent

Signature of Parent

Date Signed by Parent

2. PHYSICAL FORM 12TH GRADE

LHSAA MEDICAL HISTORY EVALUATION

IMPORTANT: This form must be completed annually, kept on file with the school, and is subject to inspection by the Rules Compliance Team.

School: West Downsville High School Grade: 12 Date: 6/20/13 Name: Red Faber Date of Birth: Sport(s): Tennis Age: Cell Phone: (318)-555-3489 Home Address: 573 Dusk Berry Ave City: Downsville State: LA Zip Code:71234 Home Phone: (318)-555-4569 Parent / Guardian: Dr. Carl Faber Employer: Work Phone: FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY: Has any member of your family under age 50 had these conditions? Yes No Condition Whom Yes No Condition Whom Whom ☐ Z Heart Attack/Disease ☐ Z Stroke ☐ Z Diabetes Arthritis

Arthritis

Kidney Disease

Epilepsy □ ☑ Sudden Death
☑ □ High Blood Pressure
□ ☑ Sickle Cell Trait/Anemia Grandmother Grandfather Has the athlete had any of the following injuries? ATHLETE ORTHOPAEDIC HISTORY: Date Yes No Condition Date Date Condition

2 Neck Injury / Stinger

2 Arm / Wrist / Hand L / R

2 Thigh L / R

Chronic Shin Splints Shoulder L / R Back Knee L / R Ankle L / R 4/22/2011 3/4/2010 ☐ Ø Severe Muscle Strain 0 2 Pinched Nerve Previous Surgeries: ATHLETE MEDICAL HISTORY: Has the athlete had any of these conditions? Yes No Condition

| Height Irregularities | Height Irregularities | Rapid weight loss / gain | Take supplements/vitamins | Z Heat related problems | Rapid Particle | Yes No Condition

☐ Ø Heart Murmur / Chest Pain / Tightness □ Z Seizures
□ Z Kidney Disease
□ Z Irregular Heartbeat
□ Z Asthma
□ Z High Blood Pressur
□ Z Dizzy / Fainting High Blood Pressure ☐ ☑ Dizzy / Fai
☐ ☑ Organ Los
☐ ☑ Surgery
☐ ☑ Medication Dizzy / Fainting Organ Loss (kidney, spleen, etc) PARENTS' WAIVER FORM To the best of our knowledge, we have given true & accurate information & hereby grant permission for the physical screening evaluation. We understand the evaluation involves a limited examination and the screening is not intended to nor will it prevent injury or sudden death. We further understand that if the examination is provided without expectation of payment, there shall be no cause of action pursuant to Louisiana R.S. 9:2798 against the team volunteer healthcare provider and/or employer under Louisiana law. 3. I give my permission for the athletic trainer to release information concerning my child's injuries to the head coach/athletic director/principal of his/her school..... CVac T No director/princips of hismer school.

By my signature below, I am agreeing to allow my child's medical history/exam form and all eligibility forms to be reviewed by the LHSAA or its representative(s) or the associated medical personnel. Yes No 6/25/13 C. Faber Carl Faber Date Signed by Parent Signature of Parent Typed or Printed Name of Parent

3. NEWSPAPER ABOUT ELECTION

The Gar

Monday, September 2, 2013

The Results are in!!

There has been plenty of Fear and Loathing on this campaign trial, but final after two weeks of hard campaigning by both candidates the results are in. With a narrow lead of three votes Red Faber has managed to bet rival Ginger Beaumont, securing Red the position of senior class president.

When reached out to for comment President Faber had the following to say: "I'm a winner. People love winners. Everybody knows that I will do absolutely anything I have to win, it doesn't matter if its on the tennis court or in the ballot box. That's the kind of person that that the senior class wants as president"

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4. PODCAST TRANSCRIPT

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	Transcript of Ginger's Downsville Dramas Episode 1834
	Date May 20, 2024
	0:00:00 Ginger: Welcome to another enthralling episode of Ginger's Downsville Drama. Today is episode 1834.
	This week on my show I'll be talking about a person near, but not so dear to my heart.
	Red Faber.
	My old teammate.
	I'm sure y'all know Red might've even bought a car from "Big Red's Rides". What a name folks.
	I saw Red at our ten-year high school reunion the other day and uh let's uh just saw that some people uh never change.
	But I was given a good bit of inspiration from Red so maybe y'all can thank Faber from that.
25 26 27	This week we'll be covering some stories of Red back from the good old days at WDHS.
28 29	My first story is of Red's shocking rise to tennis team captain and the assistance Red may have had in their rise to the top.
30 31 32	[]
33 34 35 36 37 38	Ginger: So now that I've told y'all at home how I knew Red I'd like to spend the rest of this episode on why Red's performance our senior year was suspicious to me. I don't want to spoil anything, but I think Faber may have been on the good ol HGH.
	I'm not a doctor or anything but stay with me people and you'll
39 40 41	see like I see that Red was likely receiving a little assistance.
42 43 44	I'll be walking y'all through this story until Wednesday, and with all my reasons I hope y'all will see the true nature of Red.
45 46 47 48	On Thursday we start part 2 of Faber week and I invite y'all to join me as I discuss the possible rigging of the WDHS class of 2014 SGA election.

5. FINANCIAL RECORDS

Sales records of Big Reds Rides from March 25, 2024, to June 14, 2024

Week	Number of Cars Sold	Raw Sales Price Sum	
March 25-29	7	\$	82,075.00
April 1-5	6	\$	80,514.00
April 8-12	4	\$	32,131.00
April 15-19	6	\$	60,250.00
April 22-26	3	\$	44,041.00
April 29- May 3	4	\$	55,197.00
May 6-10	5	\$	66,315.00
May 13-17	6	\$	76,057.00
May 20-24	0	NA	
May 27-31	0	NA	
Jun 3-7	1	\$	9,250.00
Jun 10-14	0	NA	

^{*}ALL NUMBERS AUTOMATED IN TABLE USING AUTOSALES KEEPER PRO ACT NUM 623483 ID BIG REDS RIDES

6. REVIEW WIZARDNREVIEWS of BIG REDS RIDES FROM MAY 10 2024

REVIEW WIZARD



IEWS FOR BIG REDS RIDES

OVERALL REVIEWS



FEATURED REVIEWS



WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING RECENTLY

→ → → → → Just cant trust Red anymore May 30, 2024

☆☆☆☆ Shocked

May 30, 2024

Never thought I would hear this about Red of all people. I always thought Red was a good member of the community

May 30, 2024

Always used to be my go to. Don't feel comfortable giving Red's my money anymore. Wish I still was.

★ ★ ★ ★ Not my first choice anymore May 30, 2024 With all the scandal I just think theres less controvercial shops in town