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Dear Ms. Sinclair,

First, I would like welcome you back to the world of journalism. I know you have been sorely missed by many, and I wish you much success with the Huffington Post in France.

I am sorry that your return has been under such difficult circumstances for you and your family, and at such a great loss to France, and Europe, and its political and economic future. Not only are the circumstances of your husband's case cause for serious concern within democratic electoral processes, but expose some of the very troubling issues that are prevalent within our judicial systems.

In spring of 2010, at a luncheon of the IMF Family Association (IMFFA) and again on your blog, *Deux ou trois choses vues sur l'Amérique*, we briefly spoke about some of these issues, particularly regarding civil liberties. The erosion of these liberties within the past few decades (on both sides of the Atlantic) is very disconcerting with growing ramifications at all levels of societies, particularly the integrity of our judicial branches.

The focus of my own work in the past few years has been on family courts, and the wide-spread failure of these courts to address the problem of domestic abuse. It is in fact my knowledge and extensive research into the reality of court systems, that I have maintained the innocence of your husband from the beginning. The more recent media attention has only confirmed my contentions.

Unfortunately, a large part of the problem in addressing the issues within the courts is the press's reticence to expose cases of judicial corruption as well as expose the wide-spread negligence of government agencies to effectively regulate judicial actors. The problems and issues involved are well-documented, by many different national and international sources, but have yet to attract the attention of major media outlets.

Another major problem has been women's rights groups, whose political agendas for too long have exclusively concentrated on the rights of working women and related issues. Their focus on the woman's right to work outside the home in the past 30 years has created a void for issues related to women within the home and marriage; even creating discriminatory and derogatory views towards the "homemaker".

This brings me to the motive of my letter. I was hoping that the Huffington Post might be interested in covering a story which would explain and expose the different issues that I have touched upon. While my own case, which implicates Spanish, French and American jurisdictions, has human interest appeal, it involves serious legal issues under national and international law, which include the following:

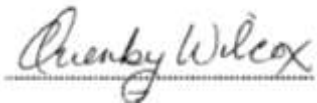
- The right of homemakers to have their work and contribution to society recognized as such
- Equal rights for women within the marriage, and the courts obligation to recognize that right
- The right to privacy (this covers many different domains)
- Due diligence of governments to respect the rights of citizens and due process of law
- The right of women to enjoy the fruits of their labor in regards to their entrepreneurial efforts (ie. in my case, Global Expats, modeled after IMFFA, etc.).¹

In regards to Global Expats/www.global-expats.com, I have found a certain poetic justice to my entire story and legal battles; my life is living proof that there is a dire need for the organization I am trying to create. Global Expats will not only produce a structure that can, and will, defend and promote the rights and interests of *trailing spouses* (and homemakers in general), but also enable these women to maintain careers and financial independence during their stance abroad.

While I have included a synopsis of the facts surrounding my case, all pertinent information and documentation of those facts, is posted on <http://worldpulse.com/user/2759/journal>. The reports and other documents posted there, provide a comprehensive, in-depth examination of the issues at hand from a sociological, economical and political perspective, reflecting the results of my research.

Once again, I wish you and your family all the best for the future, and hope that the Huffington Post-France will take the initiative in covering a story which will bring public awareness to one of the most important issues of our times; the rampant civil rights violations and lack of due process occurring within our judicial systems.

Sincerely,



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¹ Global Expats is modeled after present *trailing spouse* organizations (Federation of American Women's Club Overseas-FAWCO and Fédération Internationale des Accueils Français et francophones à l'Etranger-FIAFE, IMFFA, WBFN, etc.), but turns the concept into a for-profit organization (revenues generated from advertising on website), which as well as assisting expat families, remunerates its *trailing spouses* managers, and assists *trailing spouses* develop careers while living abroad. (See presentation below.)

González de Alcalá vs. Wilcox

Time line from June 2007 to present

An in depth examination of my case, documenting all human, civil, and constitutional rights violations, discriminatory practices and decisions, as well as criminal infractions and liability of State and non-State actors (including my legal counsel) is posted on <http://worldpulse.com/user/2759/journal>, along with supporting documentation and studies.

June 2007 – My ex-husband (Señor Javier González de Alcalá – alias, M. Xavier Gonzalez under his French nationality) threatened to take away my children, all of my money and throw me onto the streets with nothing, if I did not stop my work on Global Expats (www.global-expats.com). He assured me that everything had been “planned” and he would and could do exactly as promised. At the time I responded “*Don’t be ridiculous Spain is now a democracy, you can’t do that!*” Since then I have learned not only did he have the power to do as he said, but that my case is not as uncommon as one might assume; with reports by Amnesty International¹ demonstrating that the problems I have encountered within the Spanish system are widespread for victims of domestic abuse.

July 2007 – I found bank statements indicating that my ex-husband was irresponsibly invested in the stock market. He had lost all of the family savings 10 years before in reckless investments, wiping us out financially. Once again he was risking not only all of our liquid capital, but our home. I knew that the financial market collapse was inevitable and that it would be globally felt. I instructed my ex-husband to get out of the market and even proposed investing in short positions, but as usual he ignored my advice and wishes.

I was panicked; until Global Expats started producing an income for me and my children we were totally dependent on my ex-husband, whose behavior was becoming increasingly erratic and violent. I consulted several lawyers who assured me that my only recourse in protecting the family assets was through a divorce.

August 2007 – EVERYTHING in Europe closes in August, so I spent the entire month waiting and writing. My writing, my children, the support of a few friends, and hours in the gym are the only thing that has kept me going in the past years.

¹ By Amnesty International - *More Rights, The Same Obstacles* – 2006; *HAY QUE ACTUAR A TIEMPO DETECCIÓN DE LA VIOLENCIA DE GÉNERO Y ATENCIÓN A LAS VÍCTIMAS EN EL ÁMBITO SANITARIO ESPAÑOL*- 2006; *The Law Against Gender Violence: Two Years After Victims Continue to Encounter Obstacles* – 2007; *MÁS RIESGOS Y MENOS PROTECCIÓN MUJERES INMIGRANTES EN ESPAÑA FRENTE A LA VIOLENCIA DE GÉNERO* – 2007; *ENCUENTRO LEY CONTRA LA VIOLENCIA DE GÉNERO_ DOS AÑOS DESPUÉS LAS VÍCTIMAS SIGUEN ENFRENTANDO OBSTÁCULOS*, Resumen de las ponencias- 2007; *Obstinada Realidades*, Inter alia.

September 2007 – My ex-husband’s violent out-breaks escalated to the point that he spent an entire day pursuing me and threatening to kill me before ever letting me leave him. I knew the violence would just escalate in the ensuing months, and that in one of his violent rages he was capable of carrying out his threats.

My ex-husband moved out of our home that day as he also realized that he was completely out of control. The next day I filed a formal complaint against him for his threats in hopes that someone might finally start listening to me. I had repeatedly requested that members of his family, our marriage counselor, and even some long-time friends speak with him about seeking help for his emotional problems, but no one wanted to become involved.

A Spanish lawyer, found on the American Embassy’s website, Señor Gonzalo Martinez de Haro of Vinander, Carlos y Asociados, and with whom I had met in July “defended” me in the trial the next day. Upon leaving the court house he informed me that I would lose custody of my children, because my ex-husband had accused me of being an alcoholic and drug addict. I found this ridiculous and knew I had to look for a new lawyer.

September – November 2007 - I visited the local Domestic Abuse Crisis Center, requesting assistance. For 3 months the civil servants of this Center sent me to meeting after meeting with everyone “reading me my rights” and quoting law after law, but failed to offer any concrete assistance in obtaining a lawyer. I also asked anyone and everyone I knew if they could recommend a lawyer from the private sector; all to no avail.

I presented myself 3 times to the American and French Consulates requesting assistance under The Convention of Consular Affairs, but was told that it was not their job to assist me.

As I refused to renounce my quest for a lawyer and initiate divorce proceedings in October 2007 my ex-husband filed for divorce, and in his petition he accused me of being a drug-addict and alcoholic. The petition was filled with “testimonies” from friends of my ex-husband who barely knew me, a neighbor, and our Brazilian maid with whom I have reason to believe he was intimately involved. I was later to learn that he had gone to absolutely everyone in the neighborhood asking for letters defaming me.

The petition was also filled with references to 20 different divorce cases of institutionalized drug-addicts and psychotics, which had no bearing or similarity to my own case or divorce. As I examined it, I thought “This is ridiculous. It is just more proof of how abusive and deranged my ex-husband is!!!!”

My immediate concern, however, was that it stated that if I did not present myself to the courts in the presence of a defending lawyer, I was in effect admitting to being a drug-addict and alcoholic, and in contempt of court.

Not only had I not been able to find a lawyer in the past 6 months, but I had no funds with which to pay them. My ex-husband had cancelled all of my credit cards, and had set up all of our bank accounts, so that I could not access any of our funds. This fact is more than substantial proof of abuse. Financial control is THE first sign of an abusive relationship.

In my desperation, I returned to the list of lawyers from the American Embassy website and called the only American name on the list. He did not handle divorce cases, but recommended a lawyer, Señora Belen Garcia Martin, who specialized in international divorce. I sold everything of value I owned to pay her retainer fee.

I was informed that during the *medias a la previa* my lawyer would solicit temporary alimony and sufficient funds to cover future legal expenses. I produced bank statements, monthly bills and prepared a detailed financial analysis of household expenses for this lawyer.

The day before the hearing my lawyer presented me with the *contestacion* (Document #1), which she would be presenting to the courts, and which explained the facts of the case as they were. However, during the hearing my lawyer failed to present all of the facts of the case. She established that there was no evidence or basis to me being a drug-addict or alcoholic, but failed to establish any abuse on the part of my ex-husband. I did not expect her to depose all evidence during a pre-trial hearing, but I did expect her to establish the fact.

January 2008- My lawyer refused to return my repeated phone calls, requesting when I could expect a decision from the judge. Luckily, I called the court asking when the courts resumed after the holidays, and could expect a decision from the judge. I was informed that my lawyer had already been served with the judge's decision. I subsequently went down to the court house to obtain a copy of the decision. I learned that the *contestacion* from my lawyer had not been drafted in a legal form, and therefore was inadmissible, basically leaving me with no defense to the accusations of my ex-husband or request for transference of funds with which I could pay future legal fees. (At this point Senora Garcia Martin is communicating that the judge refused to accept the written contestation, so exactly why the written contestation was not accepted is unclear).

In the hearing decision, the judge granted me a living allowance of €500/month with responsibility for all of the household expenses (€3-4,000/month) even though my ex-husband recognized that his monthly income was apx. €8,200 (in 2006). Under common property law, ½ of my ex-husband's income is mine; therefore this judge and lawyer effectively misappropriated €75,000 (€7,500/month in 2007) of my money during 2008. I was awarded custody of my children, but was not enough funds with which to pay for their daily expenses.

I informed the courts that I was dismissing my present lawyer and petitioning a court-appointed lawyer as well as a “stay” on the legal proceedings.

The file clerk handling my case repeatedly produced incorrect paperwork, and provided false information as to clerical procedures for the stay. My petition for a court appointed lawyer was refused by the local *colegio de abogados*, under the false contention that it was not complete. It was not accepted until presented in the presence of 2 witnesses and at 2 different offices in Madrid.

I was then presented with incorrect paperwork for the stay on my case by the file clerk handling my case in the local courthouse (*juzgado de Mostoles*). Additionally, my petition for a court-appointed lawyer was not properly registered with *colegio de abogados* in Madrid until I returned insisting that it be done properly. It was only due to my diligence in reading all of the fine print, double checking all procedures, and my repeated insistence, that I was finally granted a court-appointed lawyer within the time limit under the law.

If I was not fluent in Spanish and do not allow civil servants to give me the run around, my paperwork would have never been processed in the time allotted. Once again, I would have been without legal representation for my divorce, and in effect admitting to being a drug-addict/alcoholic and in contempt of court.

During all of these months my ex-husband was stalking me and constantly screaming threats of incarceration. “*You’ll see we are going to lock you up and dope you up for the rest of your life!!! “It’s all been planned! We do this all of the time....!!!”* After 17 years of marriage I know my ex-husband and his ranting and raving; these were not idle threats. (Unfortunately, testimonies in Abbott vs. Abbott, Amnesty International, inter alia, demonstrate that my case is far from unique).

February 2008 –I could not understand why I was having so many problems within the entire judicial system until a local lawyer unwittingly told me that the *juzgado de Mostoles* works under a tight-knit, nepotistic, networking system. Within this jurisdiction corruption scandals are a daily occurrence involving local government officials, law enforcement and judicial civil servants.

My ex-husband’s cousin is a member of the police force of Mostoles, ex-military, and whose wife divorced him for his violence and abuse of her many years ago. He would truly enjoy using his influence to hurt me as I am the only woman in the family who has ever dared to stand up to the degrading way that he treats the immigrant woman that lives with him.

At this point I realized that my ex-husband had the power to carry out his repeated threats of the past 8 months. I had found that no one in Spain, including my Consulates (I have dual American/French nationality), were ever going to help me, and I would be forced to return to the USA in order to continue my battles. I also knew that I could not leave Spain until the

courts literally threw me out onto the streets with nothing. If I left before then I would have been accused of abandoning my children, and if I attempted to leave with them, I would have ended up in prison under international child abduction charges.

As to why my lawyers had consistently failed to protect my interests, and that of my children, is a matter of speculation, and a question that only they can answer.

March – June 2008 During those months the stalking and threats of my ex-husband continued to escalate; I was harassed by local police, and custody of my children was illegally taken from me. I filed official complaints against all of my ex-husband's infractions of the law, but they were always absolved in subsequent judicial proceedings.

Additionally, I received repeated reports from friends and family around the world of phone calls and emails from my ex-husband accusing me of psychosis, alcoholism, drug-addiction, and suicidal tendencies. (My ex-husband "rantings and ravings" at the time included "It's not my fault if you have an accident or commit suicide.") They all told me that his dialogues were obsessive and so well rehearsed that they would have believed him if they had not known me all of these years. I even learned that he had been spreading these rumors to anyone who would listen since our arrival in Spain in 2004.

June 2008 – By this time my neighbors and friends finally recognized that my case was not "normal" and a neighbor recommended a lawyer-friend, Señor Jorge Capell of the law firm Cuatro Casas, even offering to loan me the money to hire him. As I walked into my first meeting, I learned that this lawyer had gotten custody of his own children and could not help thinking "Did he play this same game with his ex-wife?" (Statistics demonstrate that 70+% of abusive men who seek custody of their children obtain it, with the percentage being even higher with those who work within the judicial system).

I had no choice, but to accept his services. If I had refused this new lawyer's services, under the contention that I could not trust him, I would have appeared to have been the paranoid idiot that my ex-husband was trying to make everyone believe.

Also, this new lawyer is a partner in one of the most prestigious and expensive international law firms in Madrid. I thought he would hardly jeopardize his and the law firm's reputation over a simple divorce and international scandal.

July 2008 - His negligence's in my divorce proceedings were as follows:

1. He informed me that there exists a special domestic abuse court in Mostoles, but failed to petition a transfer for my case.
2. When I insisted on presenting drug-tests as part of my defense, he informed me that tests for drugs or dope do not exist. Anyone who owns a TV or reads tabloids knows that this is not true.

3. He failed to inform my forensic psychiatrist as to the date of my hearing. It was only by chance that I called this doctor 3 days before my hearing, and he was flabbergasted, informing that he would not have time to properly prepare his report. His testimony and several articles written by me in 2006 more than clearly document the abuse of my ex-husband and his family.
4. He failed to cross-examine the court-appointed psychologist, even admitting to me (in an email) that he had not even read the report or prepared a defense. The testimony of this psychologist was key in the judge's custodial decision, and it was imperative that his testimony be questioned and contested.
5. In March my court-appointed lawyer had refused to introduce written testimony from Astrid Betancourt (Document #3) (sister of Ingrid Betancourt, former Colombian presidential candidate and FARC captive), and written testimony of another long-time friend and psychiatrist, Piedad Rojas Gil, Phd (Document #2) documenting not only my excellence as a mother, but their concern for my safety. Senor Capell told me that he would introduce these documents during my divorce hearing, but failed to do so.
6. The judge refused to allow introduction of testimonies from my neighbors and friends during the divorce hearing, but my lawyer failed to protest to this violation of my rights under due process.
7. From the beginning I was more than clear if custody of my children was awarded to my ex-husband, I would appeal the decision. Senor Capell refused to appeal. **When I insisted he sent me an email on November 14th requesting payment of €5.800 in order to appeal the case. The *sentencia* had been received by him on November 5th (which he forwarded to me by email, with 5 days to file an appeal, ie. November 13th), therefore impossible for him to appeal the case after that date. Why Senor Capell would request a payment of €5.800 for a service he knew was impossible, aggravating his already negligent conduct of having refused to file the appeal in the first place, is an answer only he can provide.**
8. He had refused to initiate liquidation of my assets from the onset, as provided for under the law, and is also why I lacked funds to pay him and proceed with my appeal. (To this day I do not understand how in almost 5 years, not one of my lawyers has petitioned the courts for a subpoena demanding all financial records of Senor Gonzalez de Alcala during our marriage, and my property under common property law.(?)
9. I would find out 1 ½ years after my divorce decree, and 2 lawyers later, that under the divorce decree, I am responsible for the mortgage on our home. Effectively, after 20 years of marriage, and having given up a career to follow my ex-husband around the world, I was thrown on the street with nothing and a court order to pay €1,800/month (net) to my ex-husband. This decision in essence relegates my status to that of a slave; obligated to pay for my "liberation". Yet Senor Capell did not believe this decision should be appealed?!?

At the time Senor Capell informed me that he had filed an appeal for my alimony, but not the custody of my children. It is my understanding that he never filed any appeal what-so-ever. Since this time access to court documents pertaining to my case has been denied to me by legal counsel, therefore, I am unaware of what has transpired.

September 2008 - I was without any legal representation, and was recommended another lawyer, Senor Alberto Fontes, who agreed to represent me, without requesting an advance. He was hired under the condition that he would initiate liquidation of my assets and assure that my ex-husband paid his monthly alimony.

I returned to the USA with the intention of initiating legal proceedings against my Florida based web-designers, “liberate” my website, get my Global Expats project moving forward again, and return to my children in Spain as soon as possible. In July 2007, my web designers had disabled membership registration, as well as CMS and advertising functionality, but due to my legal battles in Spain, I had been unable to do anything about it. I have reason to believe that my ex-husband is involved in the contractual problems with my web designers, but will not know for sure except through pending litigation.

November 2008 – February 2009 - I hired Señor Alberto Fontes, arranged my affairs in Spain, and told my children that I was obligated to return to the USA for a little while, but would return to Spain as soon as possible. My children are totally unaware of the circumstances surrounding my case, other than their parents have gotten a divorce and all of a sudden they are not allowed to see their mother.

I further explained to them that I would do everything in my power to assure that what happened to us would not happen to other women and children. One of the few things that has sustained me in the past years, is that my children, more than anyone in this world, know who I am, what I stand for, to what extent they are the center of my existence, and how deep and undying my love for them is. At present all I live for is the day that I might once again be re-united with them; they have always been the greatest joy of my life.

2009 - During 2009 Señor Fontes consistently failed to inform the courts of Señor Gonzalez de Alcala’s refusal to pay alimony, nor initiate liquidation of common property assets. I provided him with all pertinent documentation necessary to do this. His only response was been “*send me money!*” and “*bank statements are not admissible evidence in Spanish judicial proceedings.*” I have repeatedly requested a detailed billing for services rendered, informing him that I could not pay a debt for which I have no receipt or explanation of services.

I have since learned that in order to petition unpaid alimony through the courts, one requires a statement from one's bank (€12 charge), which Señor Fontes did make allusions to in our conversations. I sent several emails to my bank, Banco Santander in Majadahonda, requesting such a letter, but never any response from them. I find it difficult to believe that I am the first woman in Spain who has been required to petition back alimony through a lawyer, and that Señor Fontes would not have sent a letter to my bank informing them that if they did not comply with my instructions, he would initiate legal actions against them (?).

June 2009 – I requested that the Spanish Consulate assist me in procuring a court-appointed lawyer, as well as assistance from the US State Department in assuring that the Spanish Consulate complies with their legal obligations, as defined under the Spanish Constitution and Convention of Consular Affairs. The Spanish Consulate has returned my petition unread, and the US State Department has failed to respond to my correspondence.

August 2009 - I noticed that liens of €800 were ordered against my bank account in Spain by the courts. The only logical explanation is that my ex-husband had informed the courts that I have failed to pay him child support; a criminal offense. I immediately transferred funds into my Spanish bank account and sent instructions to pay this lien. The debt was never paid and now the lien no longer exists on my account. Once again speculation on my part, but this appears to me to be improper procedure.

In the past months, my lawyer has insisted that I must present myself IMMEDIATELY to his office; otherwise he will renounce my case. Once again only speculation, but is it possible that he is unaware of my possible incarceration if I return to Spain, under present circumstances?

While incarceration for non-payment of child-support and/or alimony is considered rare, abusers are increasingly using the courts and prison systems with any pretext to harass their victims; **and, are increasingly successful due to the widespread failure of legal counsel to defend their clients and the courts negligence in examining facts and proof.**

November 2009 - The American Overseas Domestic Crisis Center (AODCC – www.866uswomen.org) contacted the State Department in my behalf, but the State Department never provided any assistance.

My ex-husband petitioned the courts to remove responsibility for any further alimony under the contention that he was fired from his job. The judge reduced alimony obligations to €350 /month, stating that I am in **perfect mental and physical health**, therefore, capable of supporting myself financially. Once again, my lawyer failed to appeal this decision, asking

for proof as to my ex-husband's unemployed status as well as presenting evidence as to my own precarious employment and financial situation in the USA.

The veracity of my ex-husband unemployment has yet to be proved. In Europe it is only under extreme cases of incompetence, negligence, or illegal activity that a life-long employee could be fired without an extremely generous severance package. If he was fired after more than 25 years of employment with the same European bank, Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria (BBVA), within the year following our divorce and without substantial financial benefits, this constitutes further proof as to his unstable emotional state and capacity to care for our children.

Additionally, does this judicial decision not once again put into question the impartiality of judicial decisions during my entire divorce? Is it reasonable to believe that before and during my divorce, my alleged precarious mental state and substance abuse constituted an imminent danger to my children, yet now I am of **perfect mental and physical health?** Logic and reason would dictate that after the extreme emotional strains under which I have lived for the past 4 years, my psychological and physical state would have deteriorated rather than “miraculously” disappeared.

December 2009 – February 2010 – Since the Spanish Consulate refused to comply with their obligation under the Spanish Constitution to assist me in procuring a court-appointed lawyer in Spain, I finally found yet another lawyer, Señor Ignacio Gonzalez Martinez and his partner Señor Miguel Martinez Lopez de Asiain, in Spain to take my case.

It took the entire year for paperwork transfers, petitions, etc. to occur and for my lawyer in Spain to inform me that he finally had received all necessary documents.

February 2010 – February 2011 - Since 2008 I have been investigating the realities of judicial systems, divorce courts, and domestic abuse. I have read through thousands and thousands of pages of reports, statistics, amicus briefs, advocacy group websites, national and international legislation, constitutions, civil codes, penal codes, human rights law, UN recommendations, government agency websites, personal testimonies on the Internet, etc., etc. examining every single aspect of how our systems (and societies) are failing to protect victims of domestic abuse. (See <http://worldpulse.com/user/2759/journal> for the results of my research).

Also, since I was receiving very little effective assistance or communication from my present lawyers in Spain as to what was occurring in my case or how they proposed to defend me, I prepared a proposal for them. While my proposal is admittedly “non-traditional,” it is primarily based on recommendations laid down in *Project on a Mechanism to Address Laws*

that Discriminate Against Women, by the Women and Gender Rights Unit of the United Nations as well as international law precedents set by *Velasquez vs. Honduras, A vs. UK and Gonzales vs. USA*, international treaties (particularly Convention on Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)), and the newly passed Spanish *Acto de Igualdad* 2007.

In February 2011, I sent this proposal to my lawyers in Spain, but never received any response from them in spite of numerous emails and telephone calls.

2011 – I was finally able to return to the creation of Global Expats / www.global-expats.com, and develop a promotional campaign on LinkedIn and Facebook in preparation for the “inauguration” of my new website. The response from those in the global mobility industry (executive and HR directors of multinationals, relocations companies, cross-cultural coaches, “trailing spouses,” members of “Expat wives associations,” etc.) has been absolutely spectacular, showing great interest and praise for the project.

The new website will cost approximately \$20,000 to build, and in order to cover these expenses I have repeatedly requested that my lawyers in Spain reclaim back alimony from my ex-husband (\$20,000+). These monies are the only portion of funds owed to me that cannot be contested and/or tied up in litigation for years to come, but my lawyers have refused to comply with my instructions.

At present, Señor Miguel Martinez Lopez de Asiain has informed me that reclaiming back alimony is no more complicated than notifying Señor Gonzalez de Alcala’s lawyer, and after one year of my continual emails to him and Señor Ignacio Gonzalez Martinez, he contacted Señor Gonzalez de Alcala’s lawyer in March 2012, but to date he has received no response.

Other venues that I am pursuing in order to procure the funds necessary are as follows:

1. A micro-loan through the Washington Women’s Business Center, operated by the National Community Reinvestment Coalition. (I have no credit history in the USA and all of my assets are in Spain, so traditional loans are unavailable to me).
2. “Seed money” from prospective sponsors (See Business Plan and Presentation for Sponsors <http://www.worldpulse.com/node/44543>).
3. Prospective investors and/or partners.

November 2011 – Present - Señor Miguel Martinez Lopez de Asiain informed me that he had initiated liquidations of my assets under common property law, for savings account deposits and stock which amount to slightly over €200,000, indicating this would be the first of several petitions for liquidation of assets, with no indication of what would be included in future petitions, nor when they would take place.

Given all of the criminal activity of Señor Gonzalez de Alcala (and other actors implicated); his continual attempts to defraud me, continual human, civil, and constitutional rights violations, and criminal negligence etc., etc., and my desire to put an end to this never ending battle, this is not an acceptable proposition or financial settlement.

Therefore, my only recourse is to now file complaints with Spanish government regulatory agencies, requesting not only a full investigation, but reparations for all monetary damages to me personally, as well as Global Expats, which are estimated at €2.027.132,00 and €13.470.000,00; respectively.

Along with my complaint to Spanish authorities, I will be petitioning the US State Department, Consular Affairs Division and the French Ministère des Affaires étrangères et européennes to contact said Spanish authorities, requesting that they comply with my request for a full investigation into my case, as provided for under art. 5 of the Convention of Consular Affairs.

Failure of Spanish authorities to effectively investigate and take appropriate action against responsible parties, will give rise to the necessity to present my case to international tribunals under international law.

CONCLUSION

My personal claims to assets in Spain amount to over €2 million, but due to the continual lack of due diligence by State and non-State actors during my divorce, and/or litigation related thereto, I have been unable to liberate any of these funds. As a consequence I have also been unable to create Global Expats and provide financial security for me and my children's future.

All I have ever desired, and continue to desire, is to be able to live and work in peace, while taking care of and providing for my children. This I believe is a fundamental right, which has not only been denied to me, but is also being consistently denied to citizens around the world, due to rampant corruption within our judicial systems.

In the past 4 years I have been consistently told that my case is nothing more than a "civil" dispute and of no importance or consequence, a contention I have continually denied and contested. Civil, constitutional and human rights violations, as well as the perpetual failure of the due process within the courts go to the very heart of what a democracy is and democratic process (see <http://www.worldpulse.com/node/52011>). Until, and unless, judicial actors, as well as the government agencies responsible for regulating those actors, understand that it is their job and responsibility to uphold the rights of citizens (nationals and foreign nationals), our democracies are no more than a simple slip of paper upon which empty words and rhetoric are transcribed.

In conclusion, I quote:

“Corruption in the judicial system undermines democracy and human rights as well as diminishing economic growth and human development. The judicial system is the cornerstone of democracy: the enforcer and interpreter of the law passed by the legislature and implemented by the executive. It is also the final arbiter of disputes between parties. If a justice system is corrupt public officials and special interest groups can act in the knowledge that, if exposed, their corrupt and illegal acts will go unpunished. Public confidence in governance and the institutions of state is eroded as judicial corruption facilitates corruption across all sectors of government and society. Human rights are debased as citizens are not afforded their rights of equal access to the courts, nor are they treated equally by the courts. The international business community is reluctant to invest in countries – often developing countries that most need investment – where there is no certainty in the rule of law and no guarantee that contracts will be respected because the judicial system is in the service of those in power or with the deepest pockets rather than in service to the rule of law.”

The Relationship between Human Rights and Corruption: the Impact of Corruption on the Rights to Equal Access to Justice and Effective Remedy by Victoria Jennett

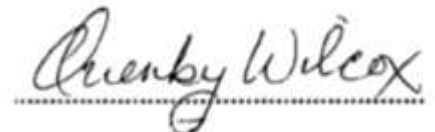
“If the human race wishes to have a prolonged and indefinite period of material prosperity, they have only to behave in a peaceful and helpful way toward one another.”

Winston Churchill

“In a democracy, dissent is an act of faith.”

Senator William J. Fulbright

This is the true challenge of the 21st century, and why my complaint is not a simple “dispute” of no consequence or importance.



Quenby Wilcox



Global Expats' website, www.global-expats.com, is an information-based, tri-lingual, networking portal which provides comprehensive, hands-on assistance to expatriated families around the world, concentrating on the expat homemaker. Studies consistently show that it is she (or he) who is responsible for the success of the expatriation experience, as well as **the primary decision-maker in family consumer-spending**.

Expatriated families (50 million people) **generate global spending of \$14.8 trillion/year, with the organizations that employ them spending another \$400 billion/year within the global mobility industry**. Advertising opportunities on our website will provide international, national and local advertisers the opportunity to reach these affluent, high-spending markets worldwide.

Internet advertising is the fastest growing form of advertising, with a growth rate in the past 10 years at 75%, global sales in 2010 at \$72 billion, and explosive sales projections for the future. Sales of sponsor and advertising space on www.global-expats.com will be optimized not only because of high traffic rates, but by the fact that consumer-spending, niche-markets are easily identifiable and accessible.

In addition to its website, Global Expats will provide assistance to expatriated families through Global Expats, LLC which is modeled after present *trailing spouse* associations. In the past 80 years “Expat Wives Clubs” such as Federation of American Woman’s Clubs Overseas (FAWCO), Fédération Internationale des Accueils Français à l’Etranger (FIAFE), World Bank Family Network (WBFN), International Monetary Fund Family Association (IMFFA), etc., have been created in an attempt to fill an important need; the adaptation of the expatriated family.

However, these organizations are increasingly challenged by their volunteer/non-profit structures and the rapidly changing profile of the expat family and expat spouse. With Global Expats **the “tried and true” aspects of these organizations have been integrated into an innovative, imaginative solution, transforming the concept into a revenue-generating entity.**

The two biggest challenges for expat employers from the private and public sector are dual-career marriages and adaptation of expatriated families, and as such the project has received enormous praise and interest from Executive Directors and HR departments of multinationals, global relocation companies, expat *trailing spouses*, and global vendors who service the expat industry. These organizations and their support will be instrumental in optimizing traffic rates on our website as well as an important source of sponsorship revenue.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Global mobility is a growing phenomenon which translates into an ever-expanding market of expatriated (expat) citizens in search of a wide variety of consumer goods. Global Expats concentrates its efforts on optimally reaching that market and retaining the clientele through a myriad of services designed to meet their evolving needs.

Not only do members of expat communities need easy-to-access information available in their native language, but need the opportunity to meet and inter-connect with others in their area who share common interests and concerns. The various sections of www.global-expats.com as well as the products and services offered by Global Expats enable expats to do just that. Expat family members of all ages will be drawn to the website and its on-line communities for the simple reason that it fills their needs.

During her 35 years as a globally mobile citizen (Third Culture Kid, international student, *au pair*, cross-cultural *trailing spouse*, and expat divorcée) Quenby Wilcox has had the opportunity to learn about and understand the challenges faced by the expat family. Her extensive work and involvement with expat communities has been drawn upon in designing a comprehensive solution to a complex challenge.

She is passionately dedicated to family issues and promoting socio-economic development as a means to building an economically stable, global society. Global Expats is not a “quick fix” solution, but will grow over time in order to adapt to the changing needs of the expat family, as well as provide stable employment opportunities for *trailing spouses*.

At the same time advertisers of consumer goods and services, whether large, small, international, national, or local are provided with the unique opportunity to reach their target markets with cost-effective solutions.

Advertising on www.global-expats.com enable:

- Local businesses the opportunity to reach customers with low, fixed-cost advertising
- National/regional companies to target their markets with cost-effective advertising
- Multi-nationals to build brand recognition and promote corporate goodwill.

For a detailed Business Plan, Market Surveys of targeted audience and advertisers, and additional information please visit www.worldpulse.com/node/44543.

www.global-expats.com

- Initial languages: English, French, and Spanish
- Free Directories of products & services needed by expats
- Networking & on-line communities which provide support & assistance to expat families of all nationalities
- Destination-by-destination Expat Survival guidebooks & articles related to living abroad
- Free on-line cookbooks & entertaining guides
- Free country-by-country General Facts and Q&A sections
- Links to expat blogs, websites and useful information worldwide.

Directories Section

- Country-by-country directories for every country in the world. Larger countries divided into regions or cities
- Comprehensive directories (“local search” model/ie. www.citysearch.com) compiled of companies offering the products and services needed by the expat family. Only selected addresses will be included in Directories.
- Database of 10,000+ addresses per destination, concentrating on neighborhoods where the targeted expats live. Initial worldwide data-base consists of 350,000 addresses with final data-base estimated at 3 million.
- Each category and subcategory (ie. Education/Pre-schools) contains helpful hints or links to related articles.
- Revenues will be generated by Sponsor and Banner Ads; Ad Words; Androids; descriptive texts; email inclusions; web links; video ads; and newsletters.



"FAWCO (Federation of American Women's Clubs Overseas, Inc.) was founded in 1931 by Caroline Curtis Brown, then President of the American Women's Club in London, who believed that enlightened women, working cooperatively throughout the world, could do much to help achieve international peace. Its objectives, defined at a meeting of seven clubs in London, were to "work towards international goodwill and the preservation of world peace, to help one another solve problems common to them all and to aid women whose citizenship rights were being ignored or restricted." FAWCO is a non-partisan and not-for-profit U.S. corporation, with over 75 Member Clubs representing more than 15,000 individuals throughout the world. It is the largest network of independent American and international volunteer organizations representing private-sector American citizens overseas."

www.fawco.org



"The FIAFE (Fédération Internationale des Accueils Français et francophones à l'Etranger) was created in 1984 in order to facilitate the adaptation of expatriated franco-phone families around the world. It is comprised of 194 chapters in 5 continents."

www.fiafe.org



"The Associates of the American Foreign Service Worldwide (AAFSW) is a non-profit organization that has been representing Foreign Service spouses, employees and retirees since 1960. AAFSW is an independent advocate for its membership, giving members a stronger voice when working on common concerns and a chance to enjoy shared interests."

www.aafsw.org



A few women with a will, a vision and courage enter the picture: they recognize a need and push for a solution. In January 1972, WIVES (Women's Information and Volunteer Services) is born, with the blessing of President McNamara, an office, and an activities budget of \$2,000. The response is overwhelming and within weeks over 300 women come forward to volunteer with welcoming newcomers and other programs. "Wives helping wives" is now a reality. Margaret McNamara, wife of the president, was very much a part of these early beginnings. Today, the World Bank Family Network (WBFN) reaches out to 4,500 families from all corners of the world. Thanks to this community, members (both women and men) enjoy new friendships, learn new skills, and can face their challenges with a lighter heart.

Our activities range from classes to develop essential skills (language, computer, financial) to information seminars to book clubs, quilting, and family picnics. The community also provides support in times of crisis, be it difficulties with transition or even cases of domestic abuse. And, of course, our children are not forgotten, with weekly playgroups, a holiday party, a teen summer program, and more. Yes, the WBFN is a place for learning and friendship and it thrives with the creativity, dedication and participation of its members.

www.wbfn.org

IMFFA

The IMF Family Association (IMFFA) is a volunteer organization comprising the spouses and partners of IMF staff. Its members are from the over 187 countries represented at the Fund. The mission of the IMFFA is to provide a welcoming, supportive community for IMF families through cultural, social, educational, and career-related activities. IMFFA programs and services are designed to foster and support friendships, provide support during lifetime transitions, share cultural knowledge, create a mutually supportive atmosphere, and inform spouses, partners, and families of resources and opportunities available to them both within the IMF and throughout the Washington, DC area.

Global Expats - Founder Quenby Wilcox

35 Years of Expatriate Experience

Trilingual: English- French- Spanish

EXPATRIATE MANAGERIAL EXPERIENCE

2011 - 2012 Global Expats, Washington, DC – Founder

- Prepared marketing and promotion material for Global Expats
- Conducted promotional campaigns on LinkedIn, Facebook & Twitter in preparation of the inauguration of newly constructed website
- Procurement of the initial financing for project

2009-2011 International Monetary Fund Family Association (IMFFA), Wash., DC – Administrative Assistant/Office Manager

- Reduced annual administrative cost by \$10,000
- Re-organization of administrative office, creating and organizing an information system, data-base and membership list
- Examined and made recommendations on procedural policies and norms
- Coordinated the organization of monthly and annual activities
- Designed and produced the weekly newsletter
- Assisted in publication of the monthly magazine and annual information booklet
- Trouble-shot technical difficulties and provided general office support

2005-2007 Global-Expats, Madrid, Spain – Founder

- Handled all R&D for www.global-expats.com as well as administrative duties, marketing, and financing of project
- Developed the framework for an association/company designed to provide assistance to expatriated families living abroad, as well as provide them with employment and career opportunities
- Published a series of articles on global challenges
- Wrote a guide book, serving as a blue-print for a global series of travel guides for the expatriated family

1999-2004

Bogotá Accueil (FIAFE) Bogotá, Colombia - Président

- Directed the management team and monthly board meetings
- Represented the French community of Bogotá at official functions and Embassies
- Organized monthly cultural visits, educational seminars, guided tours of museums and art expositions, dinners and formal functions, parties and manual arts classes for children, and English classes
- Organized a conference for Ingrid Betancourt, Colombian Presidential candidate for 2002, within the French community of Bogotá

International Group of Bogotá – Bogotá, Colombia - Secretary to the Board of Directors

- Assisted in the formation and development of this cross-cultural group whose mission was to coordinate communication and cooperation between the various expatriate clubs and communities in Bogotá

Bogotá Accueil (FIAFE) – Bogotá, Columbia - Membre du Bureau

- Organized monthly cultural visits, educational seminars, guided tours of museums and art expositions, dinners and formal functions, parties and manual arts classes for children, and English classes

American Women's Club of Bogotá (FAWCO) - Bogotá, Colombia- Secretary to Board of Directors

- Maintained administrative records, participated in organization of annual Bazaars and cooking club

1991-2007 Gourmet Chef & Party Organizer - Brussels, Paris, Bogota, and Madrid

- Organized and prepared receptions for up to 200 people as well as conducted cooking demonstrations

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTOR

2011- 2012 - International Monetary Fund (IMF) – Administrative Assistant

- Administrative assignments in the Western Hemisphere, African, Monetary and Capital Markets, European, Legal (Financial Integrity Group,) and External Relations divisions.

1990 Dean Witter Reynolds – Miami, Florida - Executive Assistant

- Managed the clerical office of twenty employees; handling client complaints, administrative problems, & accounts payable

1987 Shearson Lehman Bros., Wash., D.C - Stock Trader and Program Coordinator

- Managed approximately \$10 million within a \$20 million blue-chip stock trading program
- Monitored the movements of 200 stocks and option, maintaining at least a 10% profit margin on all trades
- Compiled financial reports and analysis
- Developed an organizational system for stocks and options trading

1986 E.F. Hutton, Wash., D.C. - Sales Assistant to Financial Planners

- Handled all administrative work and client contact, executed trades and processed legal documents

1981-1985 Senator J. Bennett Johnston (D) LA., Wash., D.C. – Assistant to the Executive Assistant / Intern

- Responsible for a total re-organization of the clerical office and training of new personnel
- Supervised the summer interns in the Senators' internship program, and organized in-coming correspondence
- Researched and wrote thesis on nuclear non-proliferation

PHILANTROPIC EXPERIENCE & PROJECTS

2008-2011 Safe Child International - Founder

- Researched the global phenomenon of domestic abuse and violence, examining legislative solutions and government action campaigns, judicial implications and challenges, and social trends from a cross-cultural, transnational perspective
- Created an activist webpage on facebook/www.causes.com/causes/497298
- Researched and prepared case study of domestic violence under the Convention of Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), Convention of Elimination of Violence Against Women, and human and civil rights violations

2001-2004 Niñas de Vera Cruz - Bogotá, Colombia - Volunteer English Teacher in school for abandoned girls

2002-2004

Association of Padre Nicolo of Bogotá, Colombia – Examined their rehabilitation program for street children of Bogotá, with eventual application of methods within local educational systems. Padre Nicolo's work of the past 30 years has won international awards and is recognized by UNESCO.

Fundación Canguro of Bogotá, Colombia – Examined and promoted the work of the foundation whose purpose is to provide high-quality, cost-effective health care for LBW (low birth weight) infants. The work, developed by Dr. Rey in 1978, is recognized by the World Health Organization (WHO,) with centers in over 15 countries around the world.

EDUCATION

1981-1985 BBA (major in International Marketing, minor in Political Science) George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

1979-1981 Foxcroft School, Middleburg, VA

1977-1978 Cobham Hall, Cobham, Kent, England

EDUCATIONAL COURSES

1988-2004

- Jewellery fabrication and gemmology - France and Colombia
- Spanish and French language courses – France, Belgium, and Spain
- Conferences on various international and national political issues - U.S.A., France, Belgium, Spain, and Colombia

HOBBIES / INTERESTS

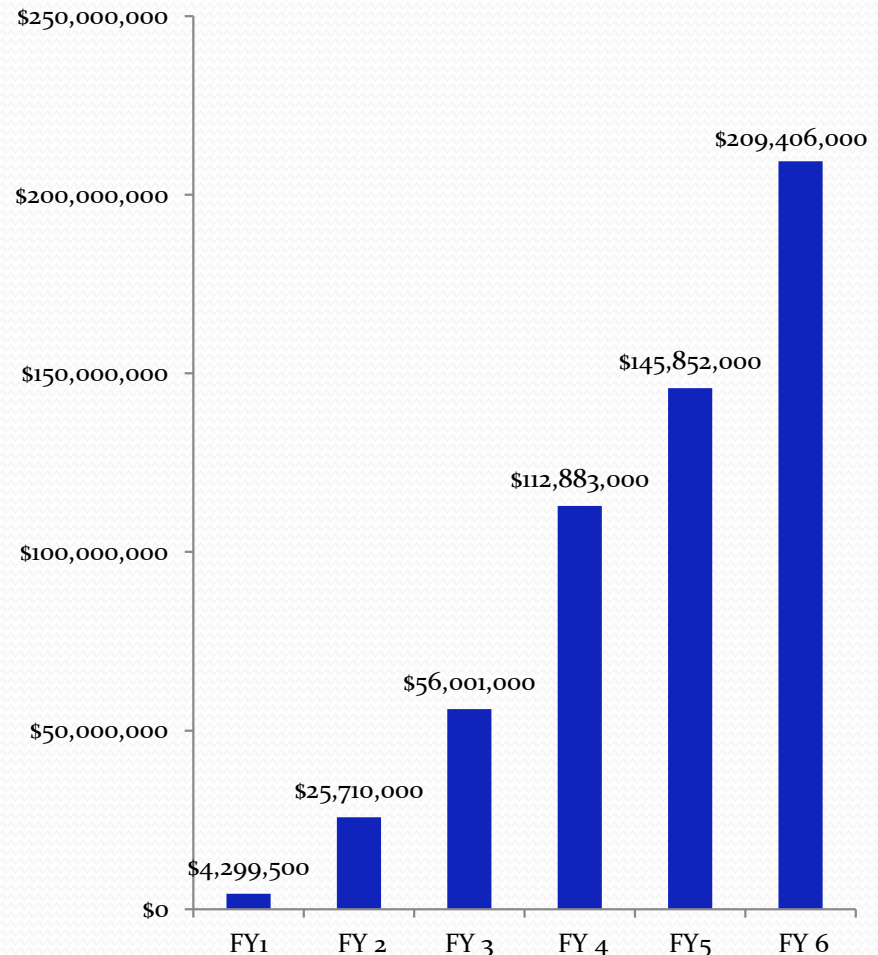
Travelling, Reading, Writing, Equitation, Jewelry Design, Cooking, Fitness Sports and Padel / Anthropology, Sociology, Psychology, Economics, Cross-Cultural Diversity, and Politics (global socio-economic trends, and children's and women's rights issues)

Sponsor and Banner Ad Pricing Structure

Quantity		Top of Page	Right side of Page	Left Side of Page	TOTAL
1	Sponsorship Ads - Home	\$100,000	\$85,000	\$75,000	\$260,000
300	Destination Home Page	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$37,500,000
300	Sponsorship Ads - General Directory	\$25,000	\$20,000	\$15,000	\$18,000,000
6,000	Directory Page (ie Education)	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$3,000	\$72,000,000
24,000	Subcategory Page (ie. Intl Primary and Secondary Schools)	\$1,500	\$1,250	\$1,000	\$90,000,000
300	Survival Guides Home Page	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$37,500,000
300	Sponsorship Ads - General Info. Page	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$37,500,000
1	Sponsor Ads - Articles / Home Page	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$125,000
50	Banners Ads - Articles / Individual Article	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$120,000
300	Sponsor Ads - Q&A / Homepage	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$37,500,000
300	Banner Ads - Q&A / Healthcare	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$720,000
1500	Banner Ads - Q&A / Healthcare - Topic	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$3,600,000
300	Banner Ads - Q&A / Education	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$720,000
1500	Banner Ads - Q&A / Education - Topic	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$3,600,000
300	Banner Ads - Q&A / Leisure Activities	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$720,000
1500	Leisure Activities - Topic	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$3,600,000
300	Banner Ads - Q&A / Shopping	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$720,000
1500	Banner Ads - Q&A / Shopping - Topic	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$3,600,000
1	Expats Net / Home - Search Page	\$100,000	\$85,000	\$75,000	\$260,000
10,000,000	Expats Net / User Page (10,000,000)	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$4,500,000,000
3,000,000	Directory Listings	\$200			\$600,000,000
	TOTAL				\$5,448,045,000

* Totals based on 300 Destinations at full advertising capacity

Sales Projections FY1 – FY6



Payroll & Operating Projections FY1 - FY6

	FY1	FY2	FY3	FY4	FY5	FY6
SALES COMMISSION	\$1,289,850	\$7,713,000	\$16,800,300	\$33,864,900	\$43,755,600	\$62,821,800
SALARY/ CONTRACTUALS	\$1,289,850	\$12,855,000	\$28,000,500	\$56,441,500	\$72,926,000	\$104,703,000
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$859,900	\$3,856,500	\$8,400,150	\$16,932,450	\$21,877,800	\$31,410,900

