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EDITORS' NOTE

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Lawyers in California

LITIGATION

PATRICIA L. GLASER

GLASER WEIL FINK HOWARD AVCHEN & SHAPIRO LLP | LOS ANGELES

SPECIALTIES: complex commercial disputes

Among her high-profile cases, Glaser has been defending David Neuman, a writer and former entertainment executive, against sexual assault charges.

At issue, Michael Egan alleges that Neuman, and three other Hollywood figures, had sexually preyed on him as a 15-year-old minor. *Egan v. Neuman*, 14-cv-00190 (D. Hawaii, filed April 21, 2014).

In June, the charges, which were filed in Hawaii, were dismissed.

"We did a careful investigation and discovered that these allegations were made up out of whole cloth," Glaser said. "We had sworn testimony that the allegations were not true. David Neuman is completely wrongfully accused."

Chiding the opposing attorney for "not

doing his homework," she added, "The fact that there was no due diligence is beyond the pale."

She added, "This is not like a breach of contract case. These accusations are horrific and they ruin people's lives, especially if they are not true."

In another highly publicized case, Glaser is representing American Apparel founder and deposed CEO Dov Charney, who was fired by his board of directors this year.

While Glaser declined to comment on the ongoing matter, she did say that an arbitration proceeding has been stayed, pending a determination from the company of whether or not Charney should be reinstated.

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