

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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VIRGINIA L. GIUFFRE,
Plaintiff,
v.
GHISLAINE MAXWELL,
Defendant.
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15-cv-07433-RWS

DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A SUR-REPLY
OR, ALTERNATIVELY, TO STRIKE
PLAINTIFF'S MISREPRESENTATIONS OF FACT TO THE COURT

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2. “*Ms. Giuffre was the child victim of sexual abuse, which is undisputed.*” (Reply at 9) If there is one thing this litigation makes clear, it is heavily disputed that Ms. Giuffre was the child victim of sexual abuse. Ms. Maxwell has absolutely no evidence whatsoever that Ms. Giuffre was the child victim of any sexual abuse. As she testified at her deposition:

Q. Do you know what happened during the massage appointments with Jeffrey Epstein and Virginia Roberts?

A. No.

Q. Were you ever present to view a massage between Jeffrey Epstein and Virginia Roberts?

A. I don't recollect ever seeing Virginia and Jeffrey in a massage situation.

Q. Do you ever recollect seeing them in a sexual situation?

A. I never saw them in a sexual situation.

Q. Did you ever participate in sex with Virginia Roberts and Jeffrey Epstein?

A. I never ever at any single time at any point ever at all participated in anything with Virginia and Jeffrey. And for the record, she is an absolute total liar and you all know she lied on multiple things and that is just one other disgusting thing she added.

(4/22/16 Tr. at 75-76). The Palm Beach State's Attorney's Office, the Palm Beach Police Department and the Royal Palm Beach Police Departments all likewise have never concluded that Plaintiff was a "child victim of sexual abuse." Rather their reports reflect Plaintiff's false allegations of being a "child victim of sexual abuse" in situations such as getting in trouble for running away from home, getting in trouble for not attending school, getting in trouble for using alcohol and marijuana. There is absolutely nothing "undisputed" about Plaintiff's claim of victimhood.

Furthermore, Plaintiff left unredacted her assertion that it is "undisputed" that Ms. Roberts was the child victim of sexual abuse, leaving the mis-impression with the public that Ms. Maxwell has in some way conceded that to be true. She has not.

3. *"Detective Joseph Recarey ... testified that Defendant procured underage girls for Epstein"* (Reply at 3, n.4). In fact, Detective Recarey testified that *none* of the underage girls interviewed in connection with his investigation into Epstein claimed to have been hired by Maxwell; in fact, none of them mentioned Ms. Maxwell at all. The two *women* he interviewed who were hired by Ms. Maxwell both said they gave professional, adult massages to Epstein.

Q. So out of your entire report, the only two people who ever said anything about Ms. Maxwell were [REDACTED], who I believe was 23 when you interviewed her?

A. Right, but she was -- She was -- she had worked there for quite some time, so you would have to back up, I think, a year or two.

Q. She was an adult when she worked there?

A. Right. She was over the age of 18, right, let's put it that way.

Q. And she was not listed by you as a victim as part of this case, right?

A. Correct, because it was between two consenting adults.

Q. Exactly. And so that's [REDACTED], and then the other individual, I think you said [REDACTED]; is that right?

A. [REDACTED]. She's a --

Q. Adult masseuse, correct?

A. Yes. I remember she had lots of tattoos.

Q. Tatts, right. But the 17 individuals that you listed in Exhibit 1, none of those individuals ever said the word -- the words "Ghislaine Maxwell" during the course of this investigation to you, correct?

A. I don't believe so. It would be on the tapes if they did.

(Tr. 194-195).

4. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

5. *"Mr. Rizzo's testimony about how Defendant took the passport of a 15-year-old Swedish girl and threatened her when she refused to have sex with Epstein"* (Reply at 4).

Plaintiff's continued reliance on the testimony of Mr. Rizzo is tantamount to suborning perjury.

Mr. Rizzo's testimony is vehemently denied by all individuals involved, including his former employers, a respected medical professional and her husband a well-respected businessman. His account does not accord with *any* reports made to law enforcement (Mr. Rizzo himself did not make any reports to law enforcement regarding the events that he says occurred 12 years ago). Further, Mr. Rizzo said the events were so "shocking" that he quit his job, but he later admitted he returned to the same job a short time later. Mr. Rizzo has been in litigation against his employers and admitted he contacted Mr. Edwards to represent him hoping he could make more money from this case.

6. *"Mr. Alessi's testimony about how Defendant brought girls over for Epstein"*

(Reply at 4). In truth, Mr. Alessi testified that the massage therapists for Mr. Epstein were over the age of 18 and that he only assisted Ms. Maxwell in hiring *adult* massage therapists from high end spas such as Breakers Hotel, Mar-a-Lago, or Boca Raton Resort and Hotel. The only underage person he saw at the house was [REDACTED] and she was never naked or participating in massages. (Tr. at 165, 182, 188).

7. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

independent reports of Plaintiff's false allegations of sexual assault and sent that information to Ms. Maxwell. There is nothing in [REDACTED] email then or afterwards which suggests *he* or Ms. Maxwell or anyone else they know "leaked" the story. Indeed, there is nothing to suggest that Ms. Maxwell had access to Plaintiff's police reports in February 2015. The police reports were obtained, by Plaintiff's admission, in April 2016. This is pure unsupported speculation and slander on the part of Plaintiff's counsel, ironically, the very people who misrepresented to the press the contents of the police reports and hid from production all of the other instances of Plaintiff's contact with law enforcement.

ARGUMENT

None of these factual assertions bear on the issue before the Court -- whether Plaintiff's publicly available criminal files should be deemed "confidential" under the Protective Order. None of the witnesses has anything to do with Plaintiff's false claims of sexual assault as a child, nor her domestic violence. Indeed, in what is an almost daily occurrence in this case, Plaintiff has selectively misquoted portions of deposition transcript testimony in an effort to mislead the Court into believing there is evidence of Ms. Maxwell's guilt, a topic in the exclusive province of the jury, so as to improperly influence the Court's discovery rulings.

Ms. Maxwell cannot stand idly by while Plaintiff *misrepresents to the Court* and says, for example, that she [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] It is a violation of candor to the Court to claim otherwise. Likewise, Detective Recarey never concluded in his investigation that Ms. Maxwell "procured underage girls for Epstein." In fact, quite the opposite, Detective Recarey found no evidence that Ms. Maxwell ever even met any of the underage girls he interviewed.

Ms. Maxwell seeks leave of the Court to file a Sur-Reply to refute these baseless, false misrepresentations to the Court that Plaintiff included within her Reply, if Plaintiff does not honor her obligations under Rule of Professional Conduct 3.3 to withdraw them of her own accord.

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Respectfully submitted,

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