

Title: Evidence: How hedge fund short sellers pay journalists for FUD and file BS law suits to profit.
(Spoiler: they got caught) ■
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We all know that the fud media articles will only increase and hedge funds will use any fraudulent tactic they can find to

A) discredit us and

B) discredit GME/RC

There have been multiple post about their tactics, how they work in order to spread their narrative and align it with significant price drops. The best way to be prepared is (in my opinion) to learn more about what could be coming at us next.

****TLDR:** The following post shows how a hedge fund managed to pay journalists (both were short on the stock) for fake articles that caused a companies share price to drop 50% and was followed by a class action lawsuit against the victim company- in which the hedge fund and the journalist were caught.**

I started looking into lawsuits filed where the companies/management were accused of wrongdoing/market manipulation etc. (I know that there already was one (BCG) this is not about that lawsuit.)

Looking into the "Go-To law firm" in these cases I found them:

****Brabar Eagrl & Squire (you already know their google reviews from previous posts)****

Next I found a class action law suit filed against a US company, it's management and shareholders in 2018. ****It wasn't until May 2022 that the lawsuit was ended and until then it had cost the company millions in legal fees and the shareholders millions in share price!****

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But why was the lawsuit filed?

It was filed because of media articles (seeking alpha) that accused the company and the management of wrongdoing The journalist claimed that the company manipulated its publicly filed financial statements, misstated cash flows, its ability to cover its dividend, faced insolvency, and failed to properly disclosed purported related party transactions in the company's audited financial statements and more.

****After the article was published and widespread online and in print papers, the stock fell around 40% in one day(!)****

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1st point: article was published, 2nd point lawsuit was filed

The securities fraud class action lawsuit followed the article and was actively advertised in several financial newspapers and blogs. The companies shareholders and management were wildly discredited and the company share price plunged again over the next 6 months to around -50% of the pre article price.

But the company fought back and what came to light is just blatant fraud and manipulation at the cost of fair companies and shareholders like you and I.

[They filed a lawsuit against the journalist](<https://www.courtlistener.com/docket/8341740/3/farmland-partners-inc-v-fortunae/>).

During the lawsuit it was **revealed that the journalist was paid by a Hedgefund to write these fraudulent articles and discredit the company because the hedge fund had a big short position (Sabrepoint Capital).**

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So did the journalist! and both profited of these, of course! He was paid 100k by the fund and he said that this fund was his biggest client and that he wrote several articles "in the funds interest".

After this came out, Seeking Alpha had to publish a [statement](<https://seekingalpha.com/instablog/47800059-rota-fortunae/5605955-mathews-settlement-press-release>) by the journalist going by the name **Rota Fortunaes.**

Read it here and have your mind blown:

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This statement was posted in **June 2021** and it took until **April 2022** to get the lawsuit dismissed!

>"After nearly four years, this judgment on the merits should finally slam the door on the baseless attacks against our company, its leadership, and most importantly its shareholders," said FPI Chairman and CEO Paul Pittman, who was named in the class action lawsuit.*

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>"We were the target of short-sellers who knowingly published false information about our company to manipulate FPI's stock price in order to earn large profits for themselves and at the expense of our shareholders," he explained. "Even though we were successful in unmasking the perpetrators and the falsity of this blatantly manipulative scheme, we nevertheless have had to continue to defend the resulting class action lawsuit at significant corporate expense. We are thankful that the court rightly ruled in our favor and put an end to this frivolous litigation and its continuing cost to our shareholders."

FPI is still pursuing litigation against the hedge fund that hired Mathews (until this day).

While the journalist paid back his "profits" from the manipulative trades and also paid back the profits his business partner made, **the hedge fund has not paid a single \$ nor has the fund been investigated by the SEC or the DOJ!**

It is still [very active](<https://sec.report/CIK/0001731530>) so are all its subsidiaries.

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I believe that this is not even a big hedge fund, but seeing that it could cause this 4-year long frenzy and buying off the media for 100k shows, that we will be facing way worse!

This is common practice, they know how to do it and they sure as hell WILL DO things like this.

Something else I found in relation to this:

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Guess who was against any disclosure?

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I hope this post was interesting to read and for anyone having info to add: please contact me and I'll be happy to add it. Especially if someone can connect this hedge fund or the journalist to GME!

(Note: this has absolutely nothing to do with that other company we don't wanna talk about. This post/research took a lot of time and effort and I don't want it to get deleted because of people starting to talk about that company in the comment section. This is solely about Hedgefunds short tactics and manipulation)

I tried posting this three times, but it always showed as "deleted" immediately after. Then I realized that I had "left" the sub and had to join again. (I did not leave the sub! super weird)