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Defendant next "objects" on the basis that "Mr. Goodhue inadvertently informed Defendant that he intended to violate FRCP Rule 26(f)(2) by not honoring my demand that Paul Duffy attend." (ECF No. 31 at 1). As Plaintiff has pointed out in previous filings, Paul Duffy *is not counsel of record for Plaintiff*. The undersigned is counsel of record for Plaintiff, and the undersigned was present at the agreed-upon time and place for the meet and confer. Thus, despite Defendant's repeated protestations to the contrary, Paul Duffy was not obligated to attend the meet and confer by Fed. R. Civ. Proc. 26(f)(2), nor by any other rule or court order. Defendant relatedly asserts that Paul Duffy "has appeared in this case." (ECF No. 31 at 2.) Defendant's assertion is incorrect. Rather, the Declaration of Paul Duffy to which Defendant refers merely indicates that Paul Duffy is *national counsel* for Plaintiff and that his office served the Court's October 19th Order on Defendant. (*See* ECF No. 12-1, Declaration of Paul Duffy). These statements do not amount to an appearance by Paul Duffy in this action in any manner.

Defendant's next objects on the basis that "Plaintiff has in order to avoid Defendant filing a claim against him personally with the State Bar has impeached his own witness, Mr. Peter Hansmeier." (ECF No. 31 at 2). Defendant's argument amounts to the assertion that Mr. Hansmeier cannot present evidence in this case because he is not licensed as in investigator in the State of Arizona. The illegal activity engaged in by Defendant, however, took place over the Internet; as such, one can imagine that detection of that activity could take place outside the state of Arizona. Plaintiff never represented that Mr. Hansmeier is a licensed investigator in the State of Arizona, and

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there is no statutory or common law requirement that he be licensed as such in order to present evidence in this case.

Defendant also objects that "Plaintiff does (sic) not own the copyright at the time of the alleged infringement." (ECF No. 31 at 3). Defendant asserts that, because of that fact, "Plaintiff has no grounds to bring this suit against the Defendant." (ECF No. 31 at 3). As Plaintiff noted in a previous filing:

The agreement assigned to Plaintiff "all right, title and interest worldwide in and to that certain work titled 'Sexual Obsession'...and all proprietary rights therein, including, without limitation, all copyrights, trademarks, design patents, trade secret rights, moral rights, and all contract and licensing rights, and all claims and causes of action of respect to any of the foregoing, whether now known or hereafter to become known." (See Plaintiff's Complaint at Exhibit B ¶ 1) (Emphasis added.). Plaintiff thus acquired the entirety of the copyright, including the right to sue Defendant for his infringement of Plaintiff's copyright, by virtue of the aforementioned assignment agreement. This transfer of ownership of a copyright is provided for by 17 U.S.C. §201(d), which states that "the ownership of a copyright may be transferred in whole or in party by any means of conveyance...." 17 U.S.C. §201(d).

(ECF No. 22 at 4-5.) Defendant's assertion is thus irrelevant.

Defendant asserts that "it would be a travesty of justice to let Mr. Goodhue get away with this kind of behavior." (ECF No. 31 at 3). In reality, the only potential travesty of justice present here is that Defendant may be allowed to have conducted himself in the manner he has without any consequences. Defendant's behavior, as more fully described in Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions, is simply unacceptable, and Plaintiff resubmits its contention that Defendant should be sanctioned in order to deter him from continuing his unacceptable behavior.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 2013

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