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## RESPONSE

Dear Ms. Denevi,

You could have written to management but you chose to attempt to intimidate and threaten one of our writers. You failed. We too are familiar with the laws that protect the press from lawsuits and from harassment. That is why we will share this with over 22,000 subscribers.

We have corrected your typographical error.

Your dissertation about the handler with the sneezing dog and your conclusion that it was the OWNER'S fault shows your lack of knowledge about the dog sport.

I would brush you off as well intended but misled by a friend/client except that you persist in trying to argue your "case" by slandering our company, to wit: "sloppy, malicious journalism". You then show unprofessional conduct in threatening me personally.

I won't waste my time correcting your erroneous perceptions of a sport which I have professionally represented since 1972. The only thing you said with which I

agree is holding "breeders who continue to breed dogs and bitches with known health issues and deplorable temperaments" in contempt. Those contemptible breeders have as bad a public image as do attorneys.

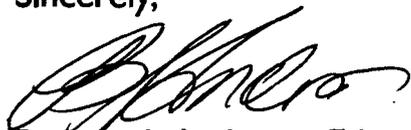
Your warning to "check your sources, discontinue using misleading photos which have nothing to do with the content of your articles, and realize that professional handlers are not the parties to focus on when dealing out blame for the poor state and condition of our breed" contains many erroneous statements but ironically, seems to slam your breed. I'm sure you didn't mean it that way so it is taken with a smile.

I appreciate that you know next to nothing about photo rights and use as it gives me opportunity to point out that particular photo was used because it is real, it relates to the same handlers, and clearly illustrates why they were expelled from the American Boxer Club. You might want to check the *Ref 1* link which we provided in the article.

The point is we have a file of complaints on these handlers and they have in fact been suspended by the national parent club. That they were not suspended by AKC speaks to their clients, connections, and admittedly, their handling skills. I have no axe to grind with you or the Steele family. I admire your rapid defense of friends. As one professional to another, I suggest that in the future you do what you would do in prepping a case. Check the public record before you develop a defense for the indefensible.

I thank you for providing the basis for a great follow-up story. Some readers will agree with you, some will learn from this, and everyone will talk about it at ringside.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barbara J. Andrews". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "B" and "A".

Barbara J. Andrews, Editor In Chief