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# EXTORTION RACKET WEBSITES: MUGSHOT & SEXOFFENDER SITES

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*“Can I get my name removed from the Web? What if my information wrongly ends up on a sex offender website? Can I get my picture removed from a mug shot website?”*

Answer: Yes, you can – under certain circumstances.

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## TWO MEN, ONE EXTORTION RACKET WEBSITE?

Charles “chuck” Rodrick and Brent Oesterblad had each fiddled in fraud. Cable de-scrambling, Alaskan Ponzi schemes, frequent flier scams – that kind of thing. By the noughties, they’d found each other, and subsequently started an online records subscription service. But the Internet is fueled on free information, and by 2006, subscription record services had gone the way of the print Yellow Pages.

But the relationship didn’t end with the tanked online venture. Several years later, Rodrick and Oesterblad once again found each other and started another enterprise. Or, at least according to Oesterblad that’s what happened.

The site was called offendex.com – with an accompanying microsite, sexoffenderrecord.com – and the operators’ stated goal was to save the world from sex offenders – of course. The real impetus? Offendex had very little to do with good citizenry and everything to do with greed. Because according to one of the operators, the site was nothing more than a shame and pay scheme. People who refused to pay to get their info removed said they had to deal with harassing calls, aggressive emails, lawsuits threats, doxing incidents and various social media headaches. Some

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Offendex targets reported paying only to have their information remain published.

At its peak, the online racket was raking in about \$30,000 a month.

You’re thinking: “Who cares if sex offenders are being extorted! They’re sex offenders!” And you have a point. But here’s the rub: the data used to populate the website wasn’t accurate. In fact, people who’d never been arrested or charged with any sexual deviancy or crime were showing up on the site. Innocent people.

Word got out; authorities got involved; Rodrick and Oesterblad had to wrestle with a new set of legal problems. But the two men were on the outs over an \$800-ish unpaid invoice – and Oesterblad was more than willing to sing dirges of online fraud about his former friend.

Upon arrest, Rodrick double-dog swore that he had nothing to do with Offendex or any sex offender site. But Brent Oesterblad is now confessing to police that he helped his buddy, Rodrick, evade traceable ownership interest in the sex offender sites by using foreign banks, overseas domain registrars and proxy servers.

But Rodrick is not backing down. Instead, he decided to file a rash of defamation lawsuits against anybody who said he was involved in the sextortion sites.

OK, so, maybe you're thinking: "Well, if Rodrick's name wasn't associated with the website or business paperwork, then how can he be linked to the extortion websites? It's just hearsay!"

Except that a financial forensic specialist followed the money, which led to.....you got it: Rodrick.

## THE COURTS FOLLOW THE MONEY IN WEBSITE EXTORTION CASES

Not having your name "officially" associated with a company isn't a legal invisibility cloak; the absence of your name on documents doesn't necessarily mean you're free of liability. Why? Because prosecutors follow the money. And if all pecuniary paths point back to you and yours, there's a good chance the lack of formal paperwork won't save you. Especially in a case like this where one of the ne'er do wells is talking.

Juan Lorenzana, a computer forensic specialist who testified at the hearings, explained:

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*"Whoever is receiving money would have control over the websites. Revenue is flowing to him through the websites."*

At points during proceedings, credit-card receipts, bank account data and checks were entered into evidence.

## THE COURT TV "WTFLOL" TWIST: FELON LAWYER / POLYGRAPH EXPERT / PR ANTI-SPECIALIST

*(\*And now for the "Jerry Springer" potion of our website extortion tale. \*)*

For reasons that can only be speculated about, Rodrick didn't hire a lawyer. Instead, he enlisted the help of Kelley Bradbury, who deserves a lifetime achievement award in being ballsy. Why? Because according to reports:

She served eight years in a Colorado prison for thieving and now works at a lie detector school. After taking a handful of paralegal courses, she added the honorific, J.D. to her signature. But she did earn a certificate in "airline operations." Which, who knows, maybe she's qualified to run Delta.

Bradbury helped Rodrick prepare for court. She's also left pro-Rodrick messages around the Web, but was forced to remove them.

## EXTORTION SITES WON'T BE MAKING MONEY IN THE NEAR FUTURE;

# INTERNET SHAKEDOWN INDUSTRY WILL SOON BE A THING OF THE PAST

The Internet will eventually shutter extortion websites, organically. Mastercard, Visa, Discover and PayPal have already stopped taking transactions

from racket sites. Plus, Google has tweaked its algorithm so those types of sites don't show in the results.

At this point, the case is a civil one. Maricopa County Attorney, Bill Montgomery, conducted an investigation, but opted not to file criminal charges.

So, if Rodrick loses, he won't have to do prison time, but he will probably have to pay a hefty fine.