



Misrepresentation of facts on Mamanda's advertisement

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Dear Zulkarnine,

Thank you for your response. Here are my rejoinders.

1. As an NMP, Faizah Jamal does not take sides or abuse her position, she merely pointed out what she deemed as unfair and incorrect. You are undermining her ability to make rational remarks based on her observations and historical facts.
2. As a business running in a historic home under the purview of the Malay Heritage Foundation (MHF), you have the obligation to uphold the accuracies of Singapore's history. While it is noble that you support many charities, you must also not forget why you are doing business in a heritage building than in other places, say Orchard Road.

As you have accused me of using this matter as an attack to discredit you and that you "have stopped all communication with Hidayah", I will have to put forth evidence so that the relevant people in this email will know that it is **you** who have acted unprofessionally and without integrity.

1. All my past correspondences to you were addressed to only you and/or Julina from the MHF, as she was the liaison between MHF and us. However, there were many a time when you and/or Julina chose to ignore my emails, and that 'forced' me to contact the higher authority and/or the press just to solicit a response from you and/or Julina.
2. You (Mamanda) have done many things to discredit me namely:
 - a. Twisting and turning facts to put you in a favourable light and blaming me for most things including suggesting collaborative efforts.

See <Emails_15-16_April_2012.pdf>

b. Cutting down my mango tree (a decision taken with MHF, I assume) and informing me only afterwards. I do not have to explain the whole saga, as most of Singapore would have probably read it on the social network websites as well as <www.gedungkuning.com/mangotree> and in The Mango Tree book.

c. Plagiarising the content of my website (though I had informed you earlier on 13 May 2012 that the content is copyrighted) and did not apologise for "overlook on the matter". I could have sued you for copyright infringement (had already consulted a lawyer) but as Mamanda had just started out then, I was sympathetic towards you and refrained from taking legal actions against you.

See <Content on the Mamanda website.pdf> & <Reply_to_Content_on_the_Mamanda_website.pdf>

d. Changing the name 'Gedung Kuning' to 'Rumah Bendahara' and blaming this mistake on others such as the National Heritage Board (NHB) and my Gedung Kuning book. You also stated to Berita Harian that "kami di sini bukanlah mahu menampilkan warisan keluarga" (we are here not to promote family legacy).

<www.gedungkuning.com/factualdisputes>

And you are blaming me for discrediting you when you have but acted in the most nasty and unprofessional manner towards me? Very gentlemanly indeed. The latest passive-aggressive behaviour (together with Julina) would be refusing to reply to my email of 21 May 2013 when I asked about the artefacts that our family had donated and where they are located at Mamanda. Even though I had stated that I have legal rights to inquire about this, there was no response from you, and Julina merely pointed me to my own uncle who would probably not know what and where the current artefacts are stored at Mamanda (as least Alvin of NHB has replied to my query about the artefacts that are at the Malay Heritage Centre).

In conclusion, I will not hesitate to take this matter to a much higher authority (this time, I will not be considerate and kind) should you and/or the MHF continue to defame my reputation. At the end of the day, even the courts will look at the facts and not baseless ranting.

Thank you.


Yours sincerely,

Hidayah


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