

Good evening Dan. I am pulling an all-nighter trying to write a legal brief I have no business writing. I thought I would take a moment and reach out to you once more and ask you to please drop this lawsuit.

Have I not suffered enough already? I am bankrupt. I have no savings. I cannot even take my children on vacation. I am fortunate to have a job at all, and only barely after your friend Thomas Gordon almost got me fired a few weeks ago.

I wish I could have had the money to have paid you off when all this first started. I am even more broke now.

Surely you know Dan that I have four children. That one of them is only eight years old. That one of my boys is in special education. I ask you for their sake and that of my long-suffering wife to please leave us alone. Please let me get back to raising my family in peace.

I know you don't like my activism but you know I have been fighting racists all of my life. I was taken out of public school after the first grade because I got my ass kicked so much, by older kids in the fourth grade. I always stood my ground and tried to defend my classmates and I paid a heavy price for it. My parents then put me in a private school and for the next ten years or so I was called a wetback and a beaner on a daily basis. It was brutal.

So now I oppose the racist Republicans with every fiber of my being. I tried to change their party and failed. Now I just want to make sure they don't win any offices if I can help it.

I know I did wrong a few good people over the years Dan and I have apologized to them. I have deleted so many posts I lost count. But I won't apologize for fighting those who demonize Latino immigrants.

I bear no ill will towards you or any of the plaintiffs. I just ask that you please have mercy and let me move on. I have talked to Vern about giving you the www.orangejuiceblog.com url. He is willing to do so. I have had it valued as high as \$85K. I believe the orange juice beverage industry would be mighty interested.

You and your wife have had such blessed lives. I wish my wife and I had finished college when we first met. I was actually studying communications back then, at CSUF. Well, our lives took a different turn. We have never had it easy. But I have always tried to do the best for my family. You cannot imagine how many times I have had to not just change jobs but change industries. I am not lamenting my past mind you. It has made me who I am. But holding me to your standards isn't fair.

Dan you have always seemed to me to be a good guy. Please, please just consider having mercy. That is all I ask.

All of the BS out there is the work of just a handful of people. You know who they are. (actually, we don't-- Dan) Rest assured that they will chill out and stop this nonsense when they see that the lawsuit is over. I pray that will happen. Wouldn't it be nice to be on the same side after all these years? I won't ever be as good a writer as you, or have your experience in PR. But I am pretty good at what I do. And I love nothing better than sticking it to the GOP.

Thank you,

Art Pedroza