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Re: Dateline Report on Doug Copp

Dear Mr. Karasik:

I am writing because I feel that certain statements I made to NBC about Mr. Copp were misrepresented in their Dateline piece, and I want to set the record straight. I also want to make it clear that you did not ask me to write this letter.

On September 25, 2004, Mr. Rayner Ramirez, NBC's executive producer for Dateline, interviewed me in my Berkeley office for a total of four hours. This included about an hour on camera and the rest off. The principal focus of Mr. Ramirez's questions had to do with why Mr. Copp was ill, whether it was possible that he had preexisting illness, and whether he could be faking illness.

I explained, in great detail, the seriousness of Mr. Copp's disorders to Mr. Ramirez. I provided many details as to Mr. Copp's history, examinations, and lab tests. This information should have removed any serious doubt as to whether Mr. Copp's injuries were caused at the World Trade Center. I provided Mr. Ramirez with detailed information as to how I knew Mr. Copp was healthy prior to September 11, 2001, how the medical records and testing proved he was ill (other "medical experts" notwithstanding), and why his illnesses seemed different than those of other workers at the WTC site.

Here is a summary of those conversations:

Healthy prior to 9/11/01

In the interview on September 25, 2004 Mr. Ramirez asked how I knew that Mr. Copp had been healthy prior to 9/11/01. In other words, how could I say that he didn't have these health problems before 9/11/01?

I explained to Mr. Ramirez that prior to 9/11/01, Mr. Copp had been perfectly healthy. With the exception of some acute gastroenteritis contracted at rescue sites in third world countries, he had had no significant medical problems prior to 9/11/01.

I further explained that Mr. Copp had been pursuing his rescue work full time, and had been at rescue sites at the earthquake and landslide in El Salvador in 2001. Any person with the kinds of impairments Mr. Copp demonstrated after 9/11/01 would not have been able to perform this way. Prior to 9/11/01 he was regularly leading rescue teams in foreign lands including an earthquake in Peru in 2001, floods and mudslides in Venezuela in 2000, and the earthquakes in Taiwan and Turkey in 1999. After 9/11 he was unable to climb a full flight of stairs or walk 40 feet without stopping to catch his breath. Prior to 9/11/01 he was leading complex and stressful rescue efforts; after 9/11 he was diagnosed with organic brain syndrome, was severely cognitively impaired, unable to think clearly, and had severe memory problems.

I mentioned Dr. Kreuch's report indicating Mr. Copp had brain damage.

I told Mr. Ramirez that the record is very clear on this: anyone who studied Mr. Copp's activities and health evaluations before and after the WTC exposure would know that shortly after 9/11/01 he became unable to function normally.

Evidence of serious illness

In the interview, Mr. Ramirez asked me how I responded to the fact that other doctors had looked at Mr. Copp's medical reports and had said, on the basis of these alone, that he "didn't look that sick."

I explained that Mr. Copp's immunology and toxicology test results showed beyond any question that Mr. Copp's immune system had been seriously damaged.

It is important to note that immunotoxicology is a very specialized field. If the reviewing physicians had no expertise in this area, they would not have been qualified to interpret these lab test results. For this reason I consulted with Aristo Vojdani, Ph.D. a leading expert in immune system disease and testing. Upon reviewing the results of Mr. Copp's immunological testing, Dr. Vojdani stated that he had sustained major damage to the immune system, and went on to comment in great detail about the exact nature of the damage.

Hair and blood test results show clearly that his body had been exposed to potentially lethal levels of toxins.

Psychological testing by Tony J. Kreuch, Ph.D. clearly shows that Mr. Copp suffered brain damage. Prior to 9/11/01 he had full access to his cognitive resources,

while after 9/11/01 his ability to learn, remember, concentrate and problem solve had plummeted.

By way of challenging my assessment of Mr. Copp's illness, Mr. Ramirez told me that other physicians who had reviewed Mr. Copp's medical records had stated that he was not seriously ill. I asked Mr. Ramirez if any of these doctors had examined Mr. Copp in person, and he indicated that these doctors had offered their opinions solely from a review of the medical records. I explained to Mr. Ramirez that there is no way a physician can assess this kind of disability from medical records alone. A physician must actually see and examine the patient. I told him that I felt it was irresponsible for them to have rendered opinions on the basis of the chart alone. One reason that a physician must have actually examined the patient is this: the reactive airway disease that Mr. Copp suffers is episodic. This means that sometimes breathing is relatively normal while at other times an exposure to allergens (in Copp's case that would be smoke, perfume, gasoline, the shampoo aisle at K-Mart, and most other odors from volatile chemicals) triggers an acute asthmatic reaction, causing bronchospasm, swelling of the bronchial mucosa, mucus production and severely impaired breathing. There is currently no lab test that can quantify reactive airway disease and respiratory failure of this type, unless it is done at the time of an attack. (It is my understanding that Mr. Ramirez actually did once observe Mr. Copp when he was experiencing such an allergic reaction.)

Why Mr. Copp's illness was not more common among WTC rescue workers

Mr. Ramirez also asked me why, when so many others had been exposed, would Mr. Copp be the only one to get ill this way? There were three parts to my answer.

First I explained that Mr. Copp went six stories below the WTC fires, where the black smoke and toxic soup was orders of magnitude more concentrated than at ground level. Because there was no ventilation below, i.e., no fresh air, the air he was inhaling was far more smoky and polluted than that at ground level. The water he was wading and working in came from the fire hoses that had flushed a great many toxins down into the subterranean area. Thus Mr. Copp was exposed to far more toxins and a more concentrated mixture of toxins than were ground level workers. Even though Mr. Ramirez and Mr. Hockenberry had this information, they chose to report that the 800 other rescue workers with documented WTC related respiratory disease had worked in the rubble much longer than Mr. Copp, implying--even though I had explained the nature of Copp's huge exposure--that the shorter duration of his exposure couldn't possibly have caused his illness.

Second, I explained that we are all immunologically genetically different, which means that some individuals are more likely to sustain immune damage than others. (Of four hours of interview, this was the only fact I provided that actually was aired.) I went on to explain that with identical exposures to immunotoxins, only a certain small percent of patients--and this group includes Mr. Copp--will sustain

permanent immune system damage and go on to develop environmental illness and immune hypersensitization. Members of this group will manifest a wide variety of chronic symptoms of immune dysfunction, and some, again like Mr. Copp, will subsequently manifest respiratory and cerebral allergic hyperreactivity. In other words, Mr. Copp's immune system was not programmed to handle the toxic burden to which it was exposed, and it was severely damaged. One manifestation of this damage is hypersensitization of his immune cells (e.g., those in his bronchioles, stomach, and cerebral tissues), such that now Mr. Copp is hyperreactive to allergic stimuli that he was not reactive to before the exposure. This is why he now has developed multiple chemical sensitivities, and it is why he now has reactive airway disease (asthmatic breathing), cerebral malfunction, and feels sick a lot of the time. The allergic reactivity is compounded by the fact that his body is gradually releasing allergenic toxins, stored in fatty tissue as a response to the overwhelming exposure, back into his bloodstream.

Third, I explained to Mr. Ramirez that because the adverse effects of this kind of exposure are often delayed, it is reasonable to expect that over time, many more victims will surface. This now appears to be happening. On January 5, 2006, NYPD detective James Zadroga died from illnesses very closely resembling those we have documented in Mr. Copp: respiratory disease and toxic metal exposure. Mr. Zadroga was breathing (a less concentrated version of) the same air that Mr. Copp was breathing, described this way in one press report: "Ground Zero inhalation tests of ambient air showed WTC dust consisted predominantly (95 per cent) of coarse particles and pulverized cement, with glass fibres, asbestos, lead, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and polychlorinated furans and dioxins."

As many as twenty other WTC workers have died, and several thousands are sick. Robin Herbert, M.D., director of Mount Sinai Hospital's World Trade Center Monitoring Program in New York City, who has examined thousands of workers over the past four years, states that the program's medical staff are "very surprised" about the severity and persistence of the respiratory illnesses in their patient population. "There's no question that emergency responders were in contact with quite toxic exposures—a toxic soup of combustion particles and dust." One survey of 1138 responders, from July to December 2002, showed that 60 percent reported lower airway breathing problems and 74 percent reported upper airway breathing problems. The number of afflicted workers has risen so dramatically that the New York congressional delegation this month called on the federal government to appoint a 9/11 "health czar," whose responsibility would be to track and treat the victims. Mr. Copp is one of many.

With the one noted exception, none of the foregoing information appeared in NBC's aired report. In fact, it seemed to me that the show had been edited in such a way as to completely disregard the facts I had presented to Mr. Ramirez. I had presented a thorough and well-supported set of facts demonstrating that it was impossible for Mr. Copp to have had these ailments before 9/11, why the physicians (who never

saw him) were wrong, and why Doug Copp had become a very sick man.

From the nature of his questions, it appeared to me that Mr. Rainer Ramirez was not particularly interested in understanding the medical facts in Mr. Copp's case. He seemed more interested in information that might suggest Copp misled the 9/11 Commission by feigning illness. I therefore emphasized the medical science explaining Mr. Copp's injuries while expressing my hope that NBC would avoid the "hit piece" mentality and attempt to give a balanced picture. Mr. Ramirez reassured me, saying that he would do his best to see that all the facts would be presented fairly.

Why, in a segment questioning the medical credibility of Mr. Copp's claims, did NBC focus almost exclusively on comments by individuals who barely knew Copp and who were thoroughly unfamiliar with his medical circumstances, while committing just a few seconds to comments from me, the health worker who knew him best? It is my impression that they did this because I was providing extensive information about the scientific basis for Copp's medical condition that they didn't want to hear, and that these real facts spoiled the sensational nature of the story line.

At the time of the interview, I had worked closely with Doug Copp for two full years, and had spent literally hundreds of hours attempting to help him overcome the disabling injuries he sustained at the WTC. I have to admit that the Dateline show was very upsetting and depressing to me--and it made me angry--because I knew that the picture NBC was painting of Copp was simply untrue. In thirty-five years of working closely with people who find themselves in life or death situations, I can categorically state that Doug Copp is one of the most courageous and devoted individuals I have ever met. The Doug Copp I had come to know works at the highest moral and ethical levels at all times. He is honest, brave, and fearless almost to a fault. Twenty years ago he consciously committed his life--in the deepest sense of those words--to saving lives, and every day since that vow, he has lived it. I can't think of anything more commendable. Sure he can be brash, egotistic, and irritating, but he is also forceful, outspoken, and determined, and these qualities are what make him the kind of person you want leading a rescue team.

Any unbiased in depth analysis of his life would have to show that since his commitment to saving lives 16 years before 9/11/01--and in a single-minded pursuit of the goal of saving lives--Mr. Copp has traveled to every major world disaster and risked his own life innumerable times. The story NBC created simply didn't make sense. Why would a man who crawled into over 800 collapsed buildings (more than any other human being) to find survivors suddenly voluntarily morph into a wimp who complains of fabricated injuries? His is not the lifestyle of a malingerer. It is disappointment enough to be sick and disabled, but then he found himself publicly accused, on national television, of faking his injuries.

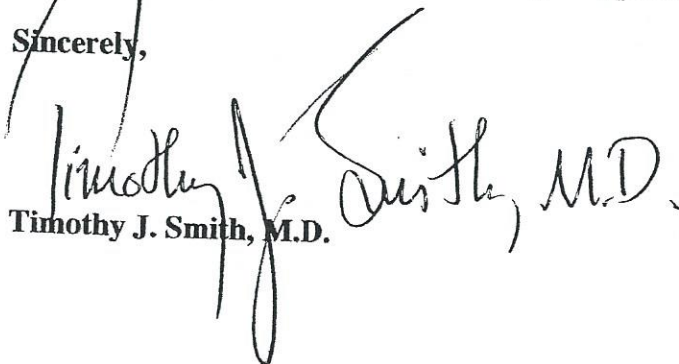
An especially disturbing example of this kind of inappropriately malicious attack on

Mr. Copp's character was when Dateline suggested that he wanted the government to pay for him to have "liposuction," suggesting that he wanted it for cosmetic purposes. Mr. Copp did at one point consider liposuction as a possible therapy when he learned that it had the potential to remove toxins and thus help him feel better. However, he never suggested--nor did I, as the physician who recommended his treatment program--that the U.S. government pay for it. Dateline seized this opportunity to distort the truth and ridicule Copp, implying that he frivolously wanted liposuction for cosmetic purposes, and suggesting that he expected the government to pay for it. The psychic damage to Mr. Copp of this kind of character assassination was unmistakable. To me, as a physician, it appeared even more devastating than the physical injuries.

Finally, I did not appreciate the misrepresentation of my credentials. NBC introduced me only as an "anti-aging doctor," implying that an "anti-aging doctor" would be flakey and unqualified to be a medical expert in this kind of situation. Though it is true that I published a book on the molecular medicine of aging, even a cursory inspection of my resume would have established that I am qualified as an expert witness in Copp's case. Experts agree that a deep understanding of molecular and cell biology forms the theoretical framework for "anti-aging medicine." One of the most dramatically life-shortening events a cell can endure is exposure to toxins like those that are trapped in Mr. Copp's body, and an understanding of the biochemical mechanisms by which the various toxins do their damage is key to understanding why Mr. Copp is so sick. Much of this damage affects immune cells, whose job it is to contain the damage and clean up the mess, and it is in this arena that my consultations with Dr. Vojdani were so helpful. For NBC to have perverted the scientific basis for a deeper understanding of Mr. Copp's illness appeared to be a part of the overall pattern of the piece--that is, to discredit Copp by marginalizing and discrediting me.

A video documentary was presented at the World Trade Center Victim's Compensation Fund hearings. It showed Mr. Copp directing rescue efforts--and actually pulling out people trapped in rubble--at numerous disaster sites around the world. This was followed by an extensive medical review of Mr. Copp's WTC injuries. At the conclusion of the proceedings, the Commissioner, Special Master Kenneth Fineberg, came over to Mr. Copp and hugged him, saying, "You are a great American hero." This is the Doug Copp I know.

Sincerely,


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