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Statement of Gloria Allred

While it is a positive sign that the Los Angeles City Ethics Commission imposed the maximum fine against Les Moonves, unfortunately, that fine is still minimal and does not serve to deter others or punish Mr. Moonves in any significant manner.

The law needs to be changed to impose more significant punishments in the future for ethics violations in the City of Los Angeles.

In addition, the Ethics Commission and the City of Los Angeles should issue a formal apology to my clients, Cathy Weiss and Jim Gottlieb, who are the children of Phyllis Golden-Gottlieb. Phyllis was the victim of this violation, and she is now deceased.

The Ethics Commission should have contacted Cathy and Jim to learn the impact of this violation on their mother, but they failed to do so which means they failed to respect the victim of the misconduct by former L.A.P.D. Captain and now retired Commander Cory Palka and Les Moonves.

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