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We are here today to explain why Demaris Meyer has filed a lawsuit against Morgan Freeman and to provide an opportunity for her to tell the truth about her relationship with Mr. Freeman.

On or before July 31, 2008, Ms. Meyer was invited to attend a dinner at Bayou Bend Golf and Country Club between Sumner and Webb Mississippi at the invitation of William Lockett, an attorney, friend and business partner of Mr. Freeman. On August 3, 2008, Ms. Meyer drove to Mr. Lockett's home in Clarksdale, Mississippi. Shortly before 6:00 p.m., Ms. Meyer rode with Mr. Lockett's wife to Bayou Bend where they met Mr. Lockett and Mr. Freeman for dinner. At approximately 9 p.m. Ms. Meyer rode back to Mr. Lockett's home with Mr. Lockett. Mr. Freeman followed in his own vehicle.

While at Mr. Lockett's home Mr. Freeman invited Ms. Meyer to stay for the night at one of three houses at his ranch, indicating that not only would Ms. Meyer have her own bedroom in which to stay she would have her "own house". With this in mind and because it would be much closer to travel to her place of employment

the next morning from Mr. Freeman's home, she agreed. Mr. Freeman and Ms. Meyer left Mr. Lockett's home in Ms. Meyers 1997 Nissan Maxima en route to Mr. Freeman's home in Charleston, Mississippi. Mr. Freeman drove and Ms. Meyer was in the front passenger seat.

At approximately 11:30 pm while traveling east on Mississippi Highway 32 Mr. Freeman lost control of the car and ran off the right side of the highway. The car traveled into the ditch struck the embankment of a private drive way and flipped three times before finally coming to rest facing south. No other car was on the highway near them when the accident occurred.

As a result of the collision, Ms. Meyer was airlifted to The Med in Memphis, TN with serious and disabling injuries including a broken left wrist and right scapula, a torn labrum in her right shoulder, pulmonary contusions, cervical strain and numerous bruises and lacerations. She also sustained a significant blow to the head and closed head injury which has resulted in cognitive difficulties and short term memory loss. Further, she has suffered severe mental anguish and emotional distress since the incident. Because of her injuries, Ms. Meyer has been unable to return to work since the accident.

In his next movie Morgan Freeman will be playing the role of Nelson Mandela, a great leader and an inspiration to the world. The film is entitled "The

Human Factor”. It is a film that undoubtedly will provide hope to many.

We are happy that Mr. Freeman has been able to continue with his successful career as a motion picture actor despite whatever injuries he has sustained in the accident.

Unfortunately, our client who is not a famous actress has not been able to continue with her career and does not have the financial resources or wherewithal to pay the many bills that she has been forced to incur for her injuries as a result of the accident.

Therefore, we have filed this lawsuit today in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi to be sure that she receives fair compensation for the injuries which she has suffered. The amount of her damages will be decided by a jury in Mississippi based on the laws of that state.

Mr. Freeman is focused on the “human factor” in his upcoming film but he also needs to focus on the human factor of the woman who was sitting next to him in the car which he was driving - a woman who had to be cut out of the car after it flipped over three times and who then had to be extricated by the jaws of life, who was then taken by Medvac helicopter to a hospital trauma center where she spent 4 days in ICU and who as a result has suffered potentially life long injuries and for whom Mr. Freeman has provided extremely minimal financial assistance.

Mr. Freeman has a reputation in Hollywood for being a very decent human being. It is time for him to live up to that reputation in this case.

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I want to clear my name from the rumors and false accusations that have been made about me and my relationship with Mr. Morgan Freeman in the press.

I was not and never have been his mistress, nor was I the cause of his marital breakup. I am also not “Miss Daisy” as I have been referred to in the press.

At the time of the accident I was a professional Executive Assistant who had been continuously employed with the same Fortune 500 company for 25 years. I was also very actively involved in many local charities in the Memphis area where I am well known and respected.

I met Mr. Freeman on the night of the accident at a dinner party at a country club to which I had been invited by his attorney, and long time friend, Mr. Bill Lockett, who I had known for approximately 6 years. It had been prearranged that following the dinner that I would stay as a guest at the home of Bill and Francine Lockett (Bill’s wife). The next morning was a Monday and I had to be at work at 8:00 a.m. Mr. Freeman lived much closer to the interstate and offered to allow me to stay at one of his three homes on his ranch so that I would have an easier drive to work the next morning. He was a perfect gentleman and I accepted his kind offer.

The accident occurred on the way to his home.

The accident and its aftermath has literally changed my life in every respect. I sustained numerous injuries. I was unconscious following the accident and taken by Medvac to the trauma center in Memphis, I was in ICU for approximately 4 days and when I came home from the hospital I could not take care of myself for several months, I have not been able to go back to work and still am suffering both physically and emotionally as a result of the accident.

In addition, it is important for me to set the record straight about my relationship with Morgan Freeman. I have been labeled as the “other woman” and have been accused of having caused the breakup of Mr. Freeman’s marriage. Nothing could be further from the truth.

I had hoped and prayed that Mr. Freeman or his representatives would have set the record straight and cleared my name, but they have not done so and that is why I have chosen to come forward to tell the truth about our relationship.

Demaris Meyer

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