Response to the Allegations by Fernanda Lopez Aguilar

The internet is not a suitable place for adjudicating claims of misconduct for at least two reasons.

First, there are substantial limitations on the presentation of evidence. There is no opportunity, for instance, to interrogate the protagonists or witnesses. In the present case, additionally, I am not permitted to cite materials that Lopez Aguilar had presented to Yale’s University-Wide Committee on Sexual Misconduct (including various provable falsehoods and inconsistencies that undermine her credibility), I must avoid anything that might be construed as retaliation against my accuser and I must respect the privacy of third parties who do not wish to be identified by name. Given these limitations, I focus here exclusively on alleged misconduct against Lopez Aguilar which, in any case, constitutes the bulk of the Buzzfeed article.

Second, participants in internet discussions often respond emotionally to the inherent feel and plausibility of a speed-read story without a substantial effort to look critically and impartially at the evidence presented by both sides. In this regard, each participant in an internet proceeding such as this bears an important responsibility not unlike that of a juror in a court room trial. We owe to feminists the crucial insight that some very important social rules and practices – for example, those governing the distribution of domestic work – are not codified in the law but rather consist in, and evolve through, myriad particular decisions of individual participants. Trial by internet will always be a greatly suboptimal procedure. But our individual contributions determine how far it falls short. At its worst, trial by internet is as haphazard and unfair as stonings in Afghanistan. At its best, it can clarify the issues and achieve at least a partial weighing of the evidence.

It is in the hope for as fair a trial as the internet can facilitate that I here submit my response to Lopez Aguilar’s allegations. My response, in brief, is that none of the alleged misconduct ever took place. I doubt I will be able fully to convince many of you in this forum. But I can provide a substantial amount of evidence that should easily suffice to convince you to at least suspend belief until these allegations can once more be adjudicated in a proper judicial forum.

I understand why many people reading about the allegations on the internet rush to the conclusion that they must be true. We are only too familiar with the theme of older men making unwanted sexual advances to much younger women. There are frequent reports of sexual misconduct and assault in academia. We know that sexual
harassment often goes unreported and that there is a high price to pay in reporting it – which gives us all the more reason to believe them when they are reported. But all this does not entail that any particular allegation must be true. There are other familiar phenomena that can explain false allegations: we know of law firms going after rich institutions for the sake of winning large financial settlements, which can often be obtained through the extreme embarrassment of a media frenzy even without court proceedings in which the evidence could be carefully and critically examined. And we know that false charges and rumors can be highly effective weapons in the intensely competitive worlds of academia and university politics. The idea that there can be no motive for false misconduct accusations is far from true.

What reasons can I offer you for disbelieving Lopez Aguilar’s allegations? I here highlight five such reasons in particular. First, after the time of all my alleged misconduct, Lopez Aguilar spontaneously wrote me enthusiastic e-mails (“thank you for an amazing trip and for gracing us with your presence these past few days. I'm still ecstatic and sometimes pinch myself thinking about all the doors that you've lately opened” – 23 June 2010) and asked me to let her join me on a trip to Argentina: “Also, is the offer to accompany you in your foray to Argentina still standing? If by chance it is, please do let me know; I'd love to go” (5 July 2010). (The e-mail correspondence of the three relevant months is appended to this document.) Second, Lopez Aguilar has given four very different versions of the alleged misconduct. Third, one version of her allegations was thoroughly investigated in quasi-judicial proceedings by a Yale committee of five faculty members and one Federal Judge, who found her charges of sexual harassment to be not credible. Fourth, I have taken a polygraph test on some of her later specific allegations, and have passed this test. I stand ready to subject our conflicting claims to another polygraph test with a mutually agreeable expert, and I am prepared to cover the cost of this test for both parties. Fifth, I offer a plausible alternative explanation of Lopez Aguilar’s belated allegations of sexual misconduct by reference to our serious falling-out at the end of August 2010, which left both of us hurt and angry, and left her determined to take me down and, after her loss in the Yale proceedings, to win a financial settlement from Yale.

Lopez Aguilar’s allegations have changed considerably over time. The initial version (fall 2010) of her sexual misconduct claim was that I had rescinded a job offer to her because she had a boyfriend or because she had rejected my sexual advances. This claim makes no sense because we barely communicated between the date of the job offer – 21 July 2010 – and (what she calls) the rescinding of this offer at the end of August 2010. We exchanged a few emails long-distance, but nothing that could remotely be construed as a (rejected) sexual advance. And I had known about her
boyfriend all along and had stayed with both of them overnight in June. Had I been displeased in any way on either of these counts, I would surely have declined to write her the job offer rather than going through the trouble of first making and then withdrawing it.

The second version of her sexual misconduct claim (spring 2011) was that I had made various unwanted sexual advances toward her during her senior year (2009-10) and during the following June, when we traveled together to participate in several events in Santiago, Chile. This version was thoroughly investigated by five Yale faculty members and a retired Federal Judge in the proceedings of Yale’s University-Wide Committee on Sexual Misconduct, reaching the conclusion that her allegations of sexual harassment were not credible. In these proceedings, even under extensive questioning, Lopez Aguilar never alleged that I had forced myself upon her physically in any way.

The third version of her sexual misconduct claim (April 2014) was that she “was attacked during our senior year by her thesis adviser, a renowned professor of ethics and human rights. His brutal, sadistic attempt at rape was the culmination of months of escalating harassment that she endured because she feared retaliation if she did not.” It is inexplicable why, after such a horrible experience, Lopez Aguilar would, after her graduation, have gone on a trip with me to Chile. This same fundraising appeal also alleged that I am a “known rapist” and that there is a “substantiated case” of an equally horrible violent crime I have supposedly committed. These wild accusations are palpably false – and not believed by their purveyors, none of whom bothered to bring these supposed crimes to the attention of the police. They did nonetheless raise the full amount they sought for their lawsuit against Yale.

The fourth version of the sexual misconduct claim makes no mention of a physical attack during Lopez Aguilar’s time as a student but instead describes such an attack in mid-June 2010. Confronted with this new allegation, explicitly confirmed by Lopez Aguilar “under oath and under penalty of perjury,” I took and passed a polygraph test denying this and various other accusations. I propose and offer to pay for additional polygraph tests of both parties’ conflicting claims with a mutually agreeable expert. I also point out that, after this alleged attack in June 2010, Lopez Aguilar took the initiative to ask to accompany me on a professional trip to Argentina: “Also, is the offer to accompany you in your foray to Argentina still standing? If by chance it is, please do let me know; I'd love to go” (5 July 2010). I never responded to this suggestion and traveled there alone.
The just-mentioned sworn statement by Lopez Aguilar was executed in July 2014 and transmitted to Yale University as part of a larger law-firm submission whose evident purpose it was to convince Yale of the strength of the legal case against it and thereby to oblige Yale to settle out of court. Yale did not settle; and Lopez Aguilar and her law firm/employer then had until December 2014 to file their case. They chose not to bring legal action, and the statute of limitations for challenging the decision of Yale’s University-Wide Committee on Sexual Misconduct then expired. The Buzzfeed article speaks of another lawsuit she might file (without saying where and against whom such a suit would still be possible) and of a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Education. I would welcome the opportunity to challenge her allegations in a proper judicial forum. But I fear that such talk of legal action is no more than a cover for legally extorting a financial settlement.

Let me in conclusion comment on how this friendly and constructive student-teacher relationship went so horribly wrong four months after Lopez Aguilar’s graduation. (I append the preserved emails from this period of June till September 2010.) In retrospect, I believe that both of us were unnecessarily confrontational in our dispute and could and should have parted ways in a more civil manner.

I first met Lopez Aguilar when she was a student in a large lecture class I taught in the fall of 2008. In the fall of 2009, I agreed to supervise her senior thesis, which I did mostly by email, with a few face-to-face meetings. During this senior year (2009-2010), she told me that she would very much like to remain in the U.S. for a year of “optional practical training” (OPT). We agreed that I would write evaluation letters in support of her applications for suitable posts and also that, should no suitable position materialize, she could be affiliated with my Global Justice Program. She initially indicated that she would be happy with such an unpaid affiliation, but later expressed a desire to be financially independent of her parents by making at least $1300 a month to cover “food, rent and utilities” because “I feel a bit bad about making my parents pay” (2 May 2010). I responded that I would help her: “we’ll make it work out, don’t worry.” I believe that I knew when I wrote this that she comes from a wealthy family but that she told me only later that her family is among the five richest in Honduras.

On 26 June 2010 she wrote me: “The good thing is that I’m actually quite comfortable financially.” My optimism was vindicated in July 2010 when, with the help of my evaluations, she found “a job as a Senior Research Assistant” with the Brookings Institute “at a fine salary” (21 July 2010), which would give her OPT status and also relieve her from having to ask her parents for money.
But Brookings could not provide an offer letter to secure her lease of the apartment she wanted — or so she told me in the same email (21 July 2010). She asked me to step in with a Yale offer letter. I asked her to formulate such a letter and she sent me back a draft with the words “I drafted a theoretical offer of employment. We can rip it to shreds after I send it to the Taft if you like. I just wrote down something that they could be appeased with, as far as the salary figure was concerned.” I revised the draft offer letter (but not the salary figure of $2000 per month which she had declared to be necessary for securing her lease) and returned it to her promptly with my signature.

Writing her a fake job offer letter was obviously wrong. I had no right to involve Yale, without its knowledge or consent, in securing an apartment lease for Lopez Aguilar. And there was no need for it, as I could have guaranteed her timely rent payments with my own resources, had I wanted to. Yale’s reprimand for my lapse of judgment here is entirely deserved.

On 30 August 2010, Lopez Aguilar presented herself with my fake job offer letter at Yale. This was remarkable for four reasons. First, she had never accepted the position by signing and returning the offer letter as the text of this letter clearly prescribed. Second, she showed up for work two days before the starting date specified in the offer letter, just before I would return from Latin America as she well knew. Third, she had a concurrent full-time job at the Brookings Institute and thus was not available for a second full-time job. Fourth, she obviously knew that she had asked for this letter to secure an apartment lease and had offered to “rip it to shreds” (21 July 2010) after it had served that purpose.

On the basis of Lopez Aguilar’s conduct and subsequent communications, I inferred that her plan was to force me into paying her a second full-time salary for the 2010-11 year. My alternative to somehow finding the money to pay her was to confess to Yale that I had provided her with a fake offer letter. Finding her totally transformed in the way she communicated with me, I also became mindful of the risk that she might make up some sexual harassment complaint if I refused to pay. She had once told me about a dorm room conversation among a few women students about how easy it would be to “take down” any professor in this way.

I nonetheless decided not to give in to her demands for a yearlong salary, instead confessing my transgression and sharing the relevant correspondence that clearly showed that the letter was meant strictly as a stand-in for the delayed Brookings offer. Lopes Aguilar then demanded a one-time payment of $2000 for work supposedly done
over the summer of 2010. Not having asked her to do any significant work over the summer, not aware of her having done any and not having agreed to any paid summer work, I asked her to specify what she had done and to show me any work products. She gave various unsatisfactory answers and lied about having retyped a lengthy PDF document into Word when she had instead asked my assistant to convert it for her. Somewhat exasperated, I turned the case over to the relevant human resources department, which quickly decided that $2000 wasn’t worth the substantial hassle of a potential EEOC complaint. So Lopez Aguilar was paid what she asked for from my research account. I don’t know what sort of statement Yale asked her to sign in exchange, but I know she had the services of a lawyer when she signed it.

Since that time, Lopez Aguilar has worked hard to take down this professor, first with her complaint to Yale’s University-Wide Committee on Sexual Misconduct, then with a well-orchestrated internet campaign. Here she was aided by the Olivarius law firm, which also employed her (https://www.linkedin.com/in/fernanda-lopez-aguilar-esq-2098664a), by “Aye”, whose secret recordings of our conversations and unauthorized copy of my hard drive ended up with Olivarius, and by a number of prominent philosophers some of whom have publicly denounced me as a rapist. They all have tried hard to find victims of my sexual misconduct – Jason Stanley by publishing this appeal on the internet where it has been near the top of “Thomas Pogge” search results for over two years: “Anyone with information that may be relevant to violation of university policy, i.e. that involves his professional behavior towards other philosophers in his status as a Yale Professor, even students in his areas at other universities, is encouraged to contact Deputy Provost Spangler at her personal email, stephanie.spangler@yale.edu. All comments will be kept in absolute strictest confidence.” This appeal has produced no new allegations or new purported victims in two years. I am deeply grateful that, despite all the excoriation, no one else has brought forward a false charge – no one at Yale and no one at the 600+ academic venues I have visited since joining Yale. I will continue to do what I can do, under the circumstances, to put these allegations to rest.
Subject: Re: The 20,876.1453 Email of the Day
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 6/23/10, 6:47 PM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Scout, I will! I'm not sure you received the whole thing (email), my apartment's internet is bizarrely erratic. I'm re-sending!

Dear Professor Pogge,

I hope you've just arrived in a much less humid St. Louis. How was your White House meeting? Were there trumpets and confetti galore?! My day at was considerably less exciting, though extremely comical and borderline hilarious. outfit is suicidal, and bereft of any logic to it -- when I questioned on the risk to innovation that CL engenders, he replied blandly with some half-mumbled and barely concealed comment about how didn't try to preach philosophy. It's scary how far the delusion goes in the CL world.

BUT, and this is a very good "but," I've scoured out some contacts in Latin America and Africa that will prove useful to us already, and am supposed to be in touch with them in the coming days as the AIDS Conference starts being planned. I of course will speak with total neutrality and lackluster language about the compulsory licensing approach, though I will indicate to these contacts that alternative schemes are currently being worked out -- this way when we reach out to them in the fall, I'll already have established their friendship and won't appear to be inconsistent.

Also, thank you for an amazing trip and for gracing us with your presence these past few days. I'm still ecstatic and sometimes pinch myself thinking about all the doors that you've lately opened (philosophically, I mean) in terms of better structuring my notions and convictions about the Latin American continent, institutional design and the world's other manifold issues. Many thanks for that, as you would say.

I've attached the list of ARC panelists and their respective life bios. Please let me know if you need further information from any of these individuals. I'll also be sending you the Spanish translations of those PDF files you sent me VERY shortly!

Cheers,

Fernanda

P.S. I'm sending an email to about the fellowship proposal you and I discussed right after this, and will also get back to you on that as soon as possible. Please let me know if there's anything else I can do to assist in the coming weeks.
Subject: Re: (no subject)
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 6/26/10, 5:39 PM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Thank you so much...it's wonderful that you said that. The good thing is I'm actually quite comfortable financially; it simply would be nice to get something out of these people, especially given the completely petty nature of their [redacted]. The Harvard Law guy yesterday told me that since it was a fixed term contract, there really would be hardly any grounds for [redacted] that even if there was a perceived conflict of interest, [redacted] would not be legal. I'll probably go in Monday with a friend of mine who's Yale Law or a "posse" of other Yalies in Washington...I'm not too worried about the stipend. I'm really just astonished that the access-to-medicines community allows itself to be split asunder from within, by petty politics and egos, to such a weakening extent. It's ridiculous.

On the up side, this gives me a lot more time to work on other projects, and to get a head start (planning, support-building, grant-writing, alliance-making wise for the Global Justice Program) before I start in the fall. Also, writing a piece like you describe or sumitting a number of other op-eds to be circulated in the Latin American press (right now is a good time, since the many EU-Latin America FTA partnership agreements are just now about to get ratified, and place a premium of patenting that extends far and beyond the rigor of the US FTAs).

But of course, merci! Many times merci. It's always wonderful to know I have your support. When I told [redacted] this had been an unjustified decision yesterday afternoon during our first conversation, he lectured me on how [redacted] was not centered on "philosophy" and nor was it a "classroom." Hence the mindlessness of their projects.

On Sat, Jun 26, 2010 at 9:48 AM, thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu> wrote:
I can get some informal advice from our law people (they should have some expertise in-house).
I can also give you some money if you're in trouble financially.
Cheers, tp

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Fernanda Lopez wrote:
Lovely! Lady Clairvoyance tells me you mastered the interview yesterday. Now it's just a relatively short wait, during which time we hope and humbly plan for the best.

Also, is the offer to accompany you in your foray to Argentina still standing? If by chance it is, please do let me know; I'd love to go. If not, worry not -- I'm working on an op-ed for the trip as it is, and that's exciting enough work for me.

Atentamente!

Fernanda

On Mon, Jul 5, 2010 at 4:17 PM, thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu> wrote:

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Subject: Fwd: The Taft Apartments
From: Fernanda Lopez [REDACTED]
Date: 7/21/10, 4:31 AM
To: [REDACTED]

Dear Thomas,

Before anything else, let me tell you: I've spent the past 24 hours thinking about human trafficking and the dearth of knowledge out there on the topic. I rang a security official, a tipster, in Honduras who hinted that the cartels who publicly smuggle narcotics are almost always involved in the trafficking of persons -- the corridor in Latin America is essentially the same for drugs and persons. I think this might be instrumental to investigating the topic, since little is known about the identity of traffickers if at all, when I formally tackle the subject as a Global Justice Program initiative. I feel that I'm armed and ready to broach the issue cleverly and seriously -- when you look at how little is written on the issue, you discover that you're hard-pressed to find either in the field.

Also, I met with [REDACTED] (the fellow from Brookings who's offered me a job as Senior Research Assistant) and now I need only to interview with two other Brookings people, for the more bureaucratic aspects of the process. In any case, he's let me know that Brookings would have no problem with my living in New Haven and would still hire me with a fine salary. I've already reserved an apartment at the Taft, and received this letter in my Inbox this weekend. Would it be possible for you to write me a letter offering me the position and an estimate salary? This doesn't need to be my actual salary, just a document and figure which I can scan/email them soon. I would ask [REDACTED] but Brookings would not officially hire me for the position until early September, and I need a document/statement sooner than that. Please let me know if this is doable on your end!

Cheers and Safe Travels!

Fernanda

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Taft Apartments <taft@snet.net>
Date: Sat, Jul 17, 2010 at 10:27 AM
Subject: The Taft Apartments
To: [REDACTED]

Dear Fernanda,

Just a reminder, we still have not received a copy of your passport and an I-20/visa. We will
also need an official document that verifies your income. This can be a letter from your employer offering you the position and stating your yearly salary, a copy of a W-2 or pay stub, or a copy of a recent income tax return. Please try to send us these documents as soon as possible prior to your desired move in date. Please let us know if you have any further questions or concerns. Have a wonderful day!

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

Leasing/ Service Coordinator

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203-495-8238
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www.taftapartments.com
Re: The Taft Apartments

Subject: Re: The Taft Apartments
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 7/21/10, 3:26 PM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Ni Hao!

My mother would have been delighted had she been copied on your message yesterday evening: "You should not investigate, you'll just get yourself killed needlessly." As I may have noted, she thinks me to be unnecessarily reckless in matters such as these! And you no doubt agree. As often as I at one point came to frequent the penitentiaries, to do research on Honduras' "maras" (mega-gangs), she never ceased to despise it, for fear of my being injured. In any case, I understand your point, and agree; still, I believe there may be room for institutional analysis of my fact-finding endeavors thus far. For instance, a lot of work can be done to abstractly address the current methodology used to track human trafficking -- the U.S. is already well-aware of the drug corridors, but fails to take full advantage of this geographic data. If governments understood the actual magnitude of these underground corridors, and their incredible relevance to the trading of persons, it could have profound legal and institutional repercussions. This, then, might be a better way for me to look at the issue. But first I will correspond and speak with Ms. [redacted] you did mention her, I had 'til yesterday forgotten to inquire with her is all.

Also, I drafted a theoretical offer of employment. We can rip it to shreds after I send it to the Taft if you like. I just wrote down something that they could be appeased with, as far as the salary figure was concerned.

Talk soon,

Fernanda

On Jul 20, 2010, at 10:25 PM, thomas pogge wrote:

| Hi from Beijing, Fernanda. You should not investigate,
you'll just get yourself killed needlessly. What we can meaningfully do here is not to duplicate police efforts (no matter how unsatisfactory they may be), but to think about what legal and other institutional changes would curb this business. I think I mentioned [redacted] as a possible source of thoughts on this.

What sort of pay per month would satisfy these apartment people? Can you formulate a draft letter?

Cheers, tp

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Re: Happy Birthday!

Subject: Re: Happy Birthday!
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 8/14/10, 9:45 PM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Of course, dear Thomas! Also, I thought you'd enjoy this:

I'll also just give you the links directly. From an old favorite: http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2010/08/13/novel_ideas?page=0.0


Enjoy!

Fernanda

On Fri, Aug 13, 2010 at 7:31 PM, thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu> wrote:

Many thanks, Fernanda, it's already all over in Korea, but good to know you guys are still celebrating!!

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Fernanda Lopez wrote:

Hello Thomas,

Just thought I'd write to say: Happy Birthday. Please enjoy this, a sampling of our Honduran birthday chants: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Tb90k1xHMQ

Best and see you soon,

Fernanda
Subject: Re: Building Access aka Bureaucracy at MacMillan!

Date: Tue, 31 Aug 2010 09:31:45 -0400

From: Fernanda Lopez

To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Of course, I did not know nor did I intend for you to suffer a huge amount of trouble yesterday, in correspondence with the MacMillan center. I suspect a lot was exaggerated or distorted in the process of my conversing with them and their emailing you, because I honestly cannot yet comprehend what could have prompted such a backlash. But I think the accusations below are out of proportion with what I did - have a conversation with... I asked on Sunday whether I had access to Yale property, right? How could I have known that Yale was not supposed to know about me? When the people at MacMillan told me I had essentially no right to be "here," I didn't even think to doubt your word that I was: I simply told them they must be mistaken, and showed them as much written proof that you and I had been communicating about this as I had, to prove I was not some random stranger off the street.

I think we'd be better served by an in-person conversation. I'm going to be at 230 Prospect, if that is OK with you, today. Is there a chance you will be visiting the office today? Or we could maybe have a phone conversation. My phone number is...

On Mon, Aug 30, 2010 at 11:40 PM, thomas.pogge@yale.edu wrote:
You got me into a huge amount of trouble, Fernanda, as I am not authorized to give out jobs to people on my own. I sent you that letter, as drafted by you, strictly for the Tafts Apartments because, so you said at the time, you could not get a letter from Brookings fast enough to secure the apartment you wanted. This was strictly as a favor to you so you could get this apartment. Now you are taking this "offer" to the Yale people and creating a huge storm about how I could have made you promises like this and so on. These are people I need to deal with for the rest of my professional life, people whose good-will I need for everything I want to do through Yale, and you don't even have the courtesy to e-mail me before you do all this. I am just amazed. You manage to destroy in an hour as much as I manage to build in months. For what? To get into the building with your own card on Tuesday?

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Fernanda Lopez wrote:

Dear Thomas,

Just to let you know, I wrote you a brief job description earlier because when I tried to get building access to 230 Prospect, I bluntly informed me that I lacked an official appointment, and consequently, access privileges. Fortunately, the MacMillan associate I spoke to after... was much gentler and helped me to move along my paperwork, to gain access and to count as an employee for the program. Until then, and... have kindly offered to escort me in.

So now you have a sense of why I sent you the "job description" email. Another FYI is that I will be out on Wednesday (and Wednesday only) because I'm moving into my apartment on that day. In the meantime, I'll be working on looking up prospective grant-makers for the HIF.

Best and see you soon,

Fernanda
Subject: Please Respond

Date: Tue, 31 Aug 2010 21:10:05 -0400

From: Fernanda Lopez
To: Thomas Pogge

I can swear to you, honest to everything that I hold dear, that I do not understand this sorry state of affairs. Today I arose and have since remained privy to pure ennui... I have no words better than the ones you just used -- "hurt and confused" -- to describe my current state. All day, I've been a complete wreck. But I did nothing, nor have I ever thought to or meant to do anything, that could possibly be perceived as hurtful to you. I have been extremely loyal, and incredibly well-disposed to all your projects. And now, I find that you have declared me guilty, indicting me with charges beyond my purview or realm of comprehension -- I have spent all day trying to be in touch with you only to discover that you've all but disowned me. My mother called excited tonight to ask how my first few days were going, and I broke down completely.

You have trivialized me and my actions Monday, under the false claim that I "just wanted to get into the building with my own card." No! I was instructed to report to MacMillan, as per your request (which you read), and after I had asked if you or anyone else knew about my status/if I had permission to obtain access, to no avail. Once there, I tried to prove that I was at Yale legitimately, and not utterly delusional. I showed the letter of employment I drafted for the Taft because I honestly believed that you would be employing me; and had you told me that my presence at Yale was to be clandestine, I would have never, ever done so. I would have asked you why, certainly, but I would not have shown them the letter. I only used it to prove that you and I had been in correspondence about my working at the Global Justice Program.

And yes, I sincerely thought you would be employing me, by way of a monthly stipend. I thought the only thing that was indeterminate was the monthly amount, which is why I had specified that this document would be worthless in September, when we would determine an amount that you thought more appropriate.

I wish you would let me in, Thomas. How is it that you get to feel sad and confused here, while I'm left feeling like unwelcome, smuggled goods?

Please do not ignore me. I'm right here, and I'm terrified and shocked by everything that's happened these past 36 hours. I need you to help me: talk to me.

Fernanda
Subject: Re: Back at Yale, together
From: Fernanda Lopez Aguilar
Date: 9/3/10, 6:48 AM
To: "thomas.pogge@yale.edu"

I know how I may have caused offense; but I don't know what is keeping you from speaking to me.

As for my loss, well: I feel wrongly accused, for something that's not proportionate to the charge; hurt that you've jumped to conclusions without even affording me the right to talk; confused about why you didn't warn me against speaking to the people at MacMillan when you knew from Sunday's correspondence I had been instructed to; and what is infinitely worse, broken-hearted by your acrimonious tone with me, even as I try to refocus the conversation.

I can call now if you like.

On Sep 2, 2010, at 10:38 PM, thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu> wrote:

Dear Fernanda,
You being sacrificed for you–know–not–what! This is why there's no point in communicating, because you don't absorb what I say and are so committed to being completely in the right that you don't even recognize that there might possibly be another side of the story. If someone asked you how what you did might possibly have given offense, you would look them straight in the eyes and profess to have no idea, no idea at all.
As for you being sacrificed, what loss exactly have you suffered?
Cheers, Thomas

Fernanda Lopez wrote:
Re: Back at Yale, together

I'm extremely concerned, Thomas. I feel like I'm being put at the center of a maelstrom, sacrificed for I don't know what.

I'll attempt to call you again later today.

My best,

Fernanda

On Sep 1, 2010, at 11:50 PM, thomas pogge wrote:

Dear All,
Sunday is best for all. It's also the day with the best weather. My suggestion is that we meet at [ ] at around 3:30 to 4pm. Walk around and behind the building, there's a nice garden. We can sit, have a drink there, then go up nearby East Rock if this seems fun. Note that we're 17, actually, though at least one of us [ ] is not yet in residence here in New Haven. I had missed two wonderful people in my last letter: [ ] and [ ]. If you canNOT make it, kindly let me know so we won't wait around for you. And if it's inconvenient, don't worry, we'll do it again another time. If I don't hear back from you, I assume you'll be there!

Cheers,

Thomas

thomas pogge wrote:

Dear All,
We seem to be 15 people this term in the GJ program. <<< please note that [ ] should be added to our website as "junior" and "undergraduate" GJ Fellow, respectively.
Thanks! >>
How about we try to get together this coming weekend? I am completely free Fri, Sat, Sun. If there's a time you cannot make, just let me know. If you are equally free, you need do nothing. On Thursday I will write to all of you again with the time slot. By then we should also have a decent weather forecast. We might trek up East Rock if the weather is good or else meet for some wine and cheese in our offices if the weather is lousy. Anyway, for now all we need is feedback on your availability. And, if you miss it, don't worry, we'll try to do it again before too long.
And, btw, welcome to New Haven!
Thomas
Re: Fwd: Back at Yale

Subject: Re: Fwd: Back at Yale
From: Thomas. Pogue
Date: 8/3/10, 3:35 PM
To: Fernanda Lopez Aguilar

Dear Fernanda!

As I tried to explain yesterday on the phone, there's nothing wrong with you working at 230 Prospect. Your being there, and being let in by [redacted] is entirely harmless.

Also, there is nothing wrong with the question you asked. I could predict the answer to it, but I had no idea about you or your status.

Also, there is nothing wrong with you going to Whitney or MacMillan or to any Yale office of your choice to ask for building access. Everyone would have politely told you that you are not on their system and that you need to speak with me first about any such arrangement, as you could then have done this week or next.

What was wrong is that you then asserted that you had such an existing formal arrangement and produced as proof the letter that I had written you strictly for another purpose as you very well knew. It is this piece of conduct that I did not foresee. And it is this piece of conduct that caused the problem.

I am sorry, I cannot make it any clearer.

Thomas

Thomas Pogue

Dear Thomas,

Whatever I mention is only to show you that you know I was going to be there.

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If I'm wrong, then I respectfully apologize for assuming as such.

Best,

Fernanda

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Date: August 29, 2010 12:32 PM
To: [redacted]
CC: thomas.pogue@yale.edu
Subject: Re: Back at Yale

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Looking forward to meeting you!

From: thomas.pogue@yale.edu
Sent: Sun, August 29, 2010 6:16 AM
To: Fernanda Lopez Aguilar
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Back at Yale
Subject: Fwd: Back at Yale
From: Fernando Lopez Aquilla
Date: 9/3/10, 1:59 PM
To: Thomas Pogge

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From: Fernando Lopez Aquilla
Date: August 29, 2010 12:32:42 PM EDT
To: [Redacted]
Reply-To: Fernando Lopez Aquilla
Subject: Re: Back at Yale

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On Sat, Aug 29, 2010 at 9:35 AM, [Redacted] wrote:

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From: Thomas Pogge
Sent: Sun, Aug 30, 2010 4:19 AM
To: Fernando Lopez Aquilla
CC: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: Back at Yale

I won't get in till Wed, Fernando, the key people to talk are those who are actually working there now and expected to be working there soon. We've been poorly treated with office space this year: more people, less space, so I just don't know how things will work out. My office is available to work in. Cheers, Thomas

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Fernando Lopez Aquilla wrote:

Dear Thomas,

Good evening! I've just today arrived on campus: I hope your own travels back are going smoothly.

I wanted to ask you if you would like me to start working at the beginning of this week. I would enjoy coming in to work at the Prospect St. office this Monday, but I'm not sure whether this is feasible for you or if there's space for me there.

Awaiting your instructions, quite eagerly, Saludos!

Fernando
Subject: Remuneration for ASAP Application
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 9/6/10, 4:42 AM
To: Thomas Pogge

Hi Thomas -- I spent approximately a month and a half working on this application and some of my own money purchasing books for Global Justice Program work. It is fine if you pay me $2000 for my work doing the ASAP assignment this summer.
Subject: Re: Moving Forward
From: Fernanda Lopez (masked)
Date: 9/7/10, 3:09 PM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Dear Thomas,

1 & 3) That sounds good. As I mentioned already, I cannot and will not try to recover the money I spent consulting with the lawyer-in-training -- technically, he was not in a position to be granting legal advice of any sort, since he is not yet a licensed lawyer. As for everything else, please let me know if I can be of help in the meantime.

2) There are two ways of interpreting this. I would at this point prefer not to be compensated for my work. As we discussed yesterday, I can continue to volunteer my help without pay, and intend to keep doing so throughout the year.

Thanks,

Fernanda

On Tue, Sep 7, 2010 at 12:01 AM, thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu> wrote:

Dear Fernanda,

1&3) I have looked at the attached documents. They will need to be vetted to ensure that all the language you kept from California carries over to Connecticut and that the few modifications you made are appropriate. Please tell me the name of the person you consulted. I will also need to remove inconsistencies, e.g. about the number and identity of the proposed directors. I'll check out the third document asap. I will get back to you about payment thereafter. The invoice will need to be from you to me.

2) I do not want you to do unremunerated work for the Global Justice Program.

All the best,
Fernanda Lopez wrote:

P.S. Please get back to me on this sometime today or in the evening, since I’m hoping to meet with [redacted] tomorrow morning.

On Mon, Sep 6, 2010 at 4:31 PM, Fernanda Lopez [redacted] wrote:

Hi Thomas,

As I understood from our conversation today, here are the next steps we need to take to move forward:

1) I must submit to you all the requisite final documents needed to file to incorporate, and then to file for 501 (c)(3) status. I’ve attached 2 out of the 3 to this email, but the third one is on your desk at the QJP. It has a post-it on it indicating to you what else you need to include in the envelope (already has postage), namely your signature and a $50 check.

2) I will continue my work for the Global Justice Program, without remuneration, but you should ask the MacMillan Center to please grant me status as an "unpaid casual," that I may gain access to the 230 Prospect St. building and the Yale campus more generally. [redacted] said you could do this as soon as Tuesday (tomorrow).

3) You can pay me for the ASAP work at whatever price you think fair, although, as I have already made clear to you — my estimates (of time, energy spent) place that assignment's work value at $2000. Whatever price you ultimately decide on, please send me along an invoice as soon as possible, so that we can clear the air.

Finally, I ask that, as we proceed, you please refrain from insulting me with any further accusations — that I am using you as a "cash cow," for instance. Those remarks are completely unnecessary, out of line, and disrespectful, period. I don't want to keep having to do this dance and prolonging this conversation any further — I've grown weary of it, and am far too preoccupied with other things to keep perpetuating it, truth be told.

So, let’s please just get on with our lives, and try to remedy the situation in accordance with the measures we discussed earlier today and which I have transcribed above, for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Fernanda
Subject: Re: Moving Forward
From: Fernanda Lopez [redacted]
Date: 9/7/10, 4:29 PM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Dear Thomas,

I'm afraid that I cannot disclose his name -- as I said, I do not want him to get in trouble for providing legal advice, without having yet obtained his license to practice. As for the other two points, you continue to surprise me with your erratic behavior and inconsistency; at this point, I'm not sure whether to file a claims report or simply speak to the situation in greater detail with MacMillan, to clear up the whole issue.

Best,

Fernanda

On Tue, Sep 7, 2010 at 9:04 AM, thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu> wrote:

Dear Fernanda,

1&3) This is not about recovering money. This is about talking to her/him briefly so I understand what s/he has done. I ran a compare versions on the IGH and ASAP documents and found a few changes. I want to understand whether these changes do all that's needed to adjust to CT rules and requirements. If I'm not sure, then I'll have to hand it over to someone else to ensure conformity. And this would mean that whatever you did would have had no point. I would be starting from scratch.

2) I have corresponded with [redacted]. She says that there is no "unpaid casual" category, that you must have misunderstood. Also, to repeat, after what happened I do not want GJP to receive further help from you, paid or unpaid.

All the best,
Thomas
Subject: Acknowledgment Email (Reminder)
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 9/14/10, 3:07 AM
To: Thomas Pogge

Dear Thomas,

Please remember to send to me proof of my summer employment for you, vis-a-vis ASAP.

FYI, you would, within 30 days of filing articles of incorporation with CT, go through the steps as outlined in the attached document. You now have all the forms; all you need do now is submit them to their respective entities and addresses. The next thing to submit, which you ought to send as soon as possible, are the remaining three documents: you submit those to the same address.

Again, let me reiterate that I would much prefer to receive payment for this work now — this is a process which takes quite some time, as you may well see in the document I've attached. If you write me a letter analogous to the one you're about to write me now, you can include a retroactive clause which binds me to return payment if ASAP status does not clear. Having done all or most of the work for ASAP at this point, and given that I do have bills to pay, I'd appreciate your giving this further thought.

Best,

Fernanda

Attachments:

p_l_s_initial_ct.pdf

87.3 KB
Subject: Re: incorporation
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 9/20/10, 12:39 AM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

That's fine -- you have my permission to deduct $50 from my fee.

On Sep 19, 2010, at 5:36 PM, thomas pogge wrote:

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Cheers,
Thomas

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pantheon.yale.edu/~tp4 www.healthimpactfund.org
Subject: Re: incorporation
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 9/20/10, 12:47 AM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

On a related note, I meant to ask a favor of you. My apartment building had neglected to inform me that my deposit would not be counted toward this month's coming rent, due the 1st. This is an urgent matter that I had not accounted for in my earlier conversation with you. So I entreat you to reconsider the time parameters you had set on compensating me for my work.

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Subject: Re: [Fwd: Acknowledgment]
From: Fernanda Lopez
Date: 9/20/10, 11:17 PM
To: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Dear Thomas,

I would be happy with email — although you may seriously want to reconsider your tone with me in writing. As in, please refrain from making snide, sarcastic, and hurtful remarks. You can be an adult, can you not?

As for the binding nature of the agreement, well, it is there. As I said before, you are welcome to subtract $50 from my fee. Also, my boyfriend (you have met him right?) was sitting outside the room, and heard you promise to pay my $2000 fee.

On the matter of being paid for OTHER, non-ASAP work, I would prefer not to be. Knowing you, this would ultimately mean my having to withstand further abuse from you, and I would rather not keep going through that, if you do not mind. Also, I’ve not submitted anything to...

Please send me the check for ASAP work. It honestly sickens me to my stomach each time I receive an email from you, and would rather stop all communication — so the sooner you send the check (minus the $50 for extra filing charges), the better.

Thank you,

Fernanda

On Sep 20, 2010, at 4:04 PM, thomas pogge wrote:

Dear Fernanda,
I assume this below is the e-mail which, according to you, promises to pay you $2000. If there is another e-mail you have in mind, please send it (or explain where the promise is in this e-mail).
With apologies, I prefer from now on to conduct communications by e-mail. I am just afraid of further misunderstandings between us. I hope you don't mind.
If you have done work you want to bill us for, then please send me copies of this work. I will not pay you for
telling me what work you did, as (no doubt humorously) you've just asked me to do on the phone. I will ask about work you have submitted to her.

Cheers,
Thomas

Dear Fernanda,

In response to your requests today in person, by e-mail and by phone, I am hereby acknowledging the following:

1. You have over the summer of 2010 filled in a two-page application form for incorporation of ASAP in the State of Connecticut.

2. You have over the summer of 2010 modified the bylaws of IGH to adapt them to ASAP in preparation for submission, after incorporation, to the Internal Revenue Service for purposes of obtaining 501(c)(3) status for ASAP.

3. You have on September 5, 2010, asked to be paid $2,000 for these services and for unspecified books that you have purchased.
4. I reiterated today that you would need to write an invoice to bill us for these services.

5. I asked you whether you were in urgent need of money, and you answered that you were not.

6. I said that I had sent the application for incorporation in Connecticut last week and that we should wait for completion of the 501(c)(3) transaction to pay you.

I would like to add to the above points that I did not expect you to charge for this work $2000, which seems rather a lot compared with what professional firms (e.g., www.mynewcompany.com/oms/corp_order_1.php?state=8&entity=1) are charging for such a service.

All the best,
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Subject: Re: Progress?
From: thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu>
Date: 9/21/10, 7:52 AM
To: Fernanda Lopez

I prefer to keep a record of our conversations, Fernanda, hence e-mail.
We cannot write an invoice "ASAP work $2000." We need to itemize what you actually produced for such a large amount of money. What would you say if a garage just sent you a bill saying "repair work $2000"? If you're like most people, you would ask to be told what exactly was done on the car. Well, Yale is like most people, they want to know what they're paying for. So that's where we are.
Cheers, thomas

Fernanda Lopez wrote:

Thank you for writing so reasonably. As I said before, I am not asking to be compensated or reimbursed for other GJP work -- if I were to do so, I would be in a position to request payment tantamount to the apartment fees I will have to pay until the month of December. If you are comfortable with that, I can have my landlord send you various invoices over the course of the next few months. If you do not consider my moving here and laying down a deposit to remain in New Haven for the next six months proof enough of my commitment to the work I would have been conducting this year, had you not so abruptly dismissed me without a legitimate explanation for so doing, then I suppose I have nothing to charge you for on that account -- including fundraising attempts I made during the summer.

But as for being reimbursed for ASAP work, my rate remains the same: $2000.00 I can send you an invoice which states precisely that, if you need it for record-keeping purposes.

Best,

Fernanda

P.S. It is very uncomfortable for me to read your emails (although this one represented a very welcome departure from your earlier abusive style). So please do call me if you'd like to speak. I feel that I can better defend myself from your verbal attacks when we are having an actual conversation. My phone number is... I'm happy to
talk to you tomorrow from 6 AM onward -- although I'll be busy in the early afternoon ('til 4).

On Sep 20, 2010, at 9:06 PM, thomas pogge wrote:

OK, Fernanda, to make progress on this, may I suggest that you send me a full list of your contributions over the summer (to ASAP or to other GJP projects) that you want to charge us for. You may suggest a fee for each, if you like, but it would be good to have the full list. We can then work our way through the list and prepare a reasonable invoice, which we need in order to pay you anything. I cannot pay you (or anyone else) without an invoice that states what work has been performed.

Cheers,
Thomas

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Subject: Invoice  
From: Fernanda Lopez  
Date: 9/22/10, 9:32 PM  
To: Thomas Pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu>

Hello Thomas,

Thank you for your last email. I appreciated your cordiality, and am grateful that we can move forward in a more civil fashion from here on out. I've attached the invoice for ASAP; please examine it closely, and note that the check should be made out to Fernanda Lopez by 30 September 2010.

My best,

Fernanda Lopez

Attachments:

Invoice_ASAP.pdf  
74.6 KB
INVOICE: 1/1: PREPARING "ASAP" DOCUMENTATION FOR 501(C)(3) STATUS.

BILL TO:

Mr. Thomas Pogge  
344 College St  
New Haven  
CT, 06511

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Tax $0.00  
Total $1964.00

Payment Information  
Amount Paid $0.00  
Amount Due $1964.00

Please make check payable to: Fernanda Lopez
Due Date for payment is: 09/30/10
Subject: Re: Invoice
Date: Thu, 23 Sep 2010 08:34:23 -0400
From: Fernanda Lopez
to: thomas.pogge@yale.edu

Please do send me the name of the individual who I shall be communicating with from this point onward. I look forward to receiving it as soon as possible.

On Thu, Sep 23, 2010 at 8:04 AM, Fernanda Lopez wrote:
Hi Thomas,

Those services are well-specified within the invoice. However, thanks very much for referring this matter to the MacMillan Center -- I suspect they shall be of greater help.

Best,

Fernanda

On Thu, Sep 23, 2010 at 8:00 AM, thomas pogge <thomas.pogge@yale.edu> wrote:
Hi Fernanda,

Many thanks for your invoice. I cannot approve a payment for "such services rendered" without information about what these services were. We've been over this ground before, so I'll turn the matter over to the MacMillan Center where my research budget is administered. I'll let you know who'll be handling this, and you can then speak with her or him.

All the best,

Thomas

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