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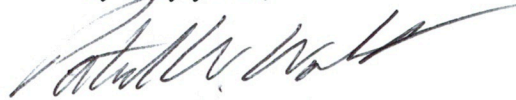
RE: Representative James Durkin

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

Please let this letter confirm that I represent James Durkin in connection with your story "about Representative Durkin and David Donahue and mob ties". Representative Durkin did not and does not represent Mr. Donahue. Further, Representative Durkin does not have "mob ties". You have no factual or good faith basis to run any story stating or implying wrongdoing or "mob ties" relating to Representative Durkin.

Further, your prior article <https://prairiestatewire.com/stories/511231764-horrible-conflict-of-interest-for-house-republican-leader-durkin> published in another LGIS/Timpone political propaganda site, holding itself out as a news organization, is replete with false statements and inappropriate innuendos. You are hereby put on notice that you personally and your principals can be held liable for publication of the underlying defamatory allegation(s). You are notified to cease and desist from publishing false and defamatory "stories", directly or through innuendo, about Representative Durkin. Both are actionable in Illinois. Whether you write defamatory pieces in Florida, Pennsylvania or anywhere else, you will be subject to the jurisdiction of the State or Federal Courts in Chicago, Illinois.

Very truly yours,



Patrick W. Walsh

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Cc: Brian Timpone

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