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January 29, 1972

Mr. Paul Rubinstein
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Dear Paul:

Enclosed is a bill, which for some reason I keep receiving, from Dr. Leon Arnold for Jason FROM LAST MAY.

Your failture to pay Jason's doctor bills has now reached serious proportions. Dr. Nathan Saint-Emand, the allergy doctor, now refuses -- BECAUSE YOU OWE HIM SINCE LAST SPRING -- to send Jason's allergy shots to Aspen or any medical information.

You do recall that your son is asthmatic. Has had 4 operations in 4 years. And it is the opinions of every doctor who has ever examined Jason that allergy prevention is one vital step in treatment.

Reporting Dr. Saint-Emand for what is considered by doctors at the Aspen Clinic here to be irregular ethical behavior, does no good.

Jason has had asthmatic bronchitis, severe allergic eye reactions, and at present another disease caused by allergic symptoms (you are free to check with Dr. Barbara M. Greuter at the Aspen Clinic for verification). His shots would have been beneficial. Sickness could possibly have been avoided and his body built up if he had those allergy shots. Now Jason is sick, unhappy, and most uncomfortable.

There is no allergy doctor here. To expose Jason to another battery of tests is unkind. It also means traveling to and from Denver, weekly, at great expense at about $60 per week for the two of us . And it keeps Jason out of local school.

You make protestations about your feelings for your son. YES, YOU COULD NOT FIND TIME TO SAY GOODBYE TO HIM IN PERSON BEFORE WE LEFT.

YOU DID NOT SEND HIM A CHRISTMAS CARD. OR PRESENT. OR CALL. OR TELEGRAM.

I told you our address, box number, phone number, and before we left, asked you to please remember Jason in some way.

ON JASON'S BIRTHDAY, JANUARY 21st, HE RECEIVED PRESENTS. BUT NOT FROM YOU. NOT A WORD. HE ASKED ME POINT BLANK, WHY HIS BABYSITTER FROM NEW YORK SENT HIM A PRESENT BUT NOT HIS FATHER.

What do you want me to say to this child? What do you want me to do?

Paul, you seem oblivious to the feelings of a five-year-old. Do you really want him to grow up with severe emotional problems? No divorce is easy for any child, but you are making it worse by virtually ignoring the child when he is away, not remembering him on important occasions, making a scene when he draws reference to

a step-father he calls "Daddy Herbert" (OUT OF A SEVERE NEED FOR A FATHER FIGURE), especially when your own step-daughter calls you "Daddy".

Your parents have been generous financially and emotionally. My parents have been good friends to Jason and very loving. Jason's step-father does what he can.

What do you demand from the outside world and what are you prepared to give?

PARK AVENUE CHRISTIAN CHURCH DAY SCHOOL writes that YOU OWE THEM, AGAIN THIS YEAR, JASON'S TUITION FROM LAST SEPTEMBER. They are angry. Obviously not as well disposed to Jason given these circumstances. Infuriated with you. I don't even know if they will accept him back in September if you go another year without paying his school bill.

How does that affect school bills in the future? The amount of money your parents give Jason as interest from his trust fund CANNOT pay for schools, doctors here in Aspen, food, clothing, general expenses, summer camps, sports, travel tickets, etc. After taxes it will be somewhere around $2,000. Jason's expenses are higher than that.

YOU WILL OWE ME, BY THE TIME YOU RECEIVE THIS LETTER, $2,300.

I am not working. I need this money. Whatever expenses I pay for your son are from my savings.

You leave me no choice but to go through a stupid lawsuit again. We have discussed the foolishness and greediness of most lawyers and the futility and waste of time and money when it comes to legal cases of this nature. Your parents and I have discussed this, too. A lawsuit involving us is bound to be sensational just because you have the name Rubinstein. It will cost everyone money. It involves hours and hours of tedium and so much anger.

You promised me, at Thanksgiving time, that you would pay me what you owed me for 2 1/2 years. You paid me everything but $1500. You still owe me that, plus child support since then that continues to build up. And I continue to need.

You are either playing games, completely, Paul -- at the emotional expense of your son. Or you relish having your salary "garnisheed". Or you have lost complete sense of humanity and responsibility towards other people.

You promised me, in mid-December, that by January you'd be able to pay me the back money.

You have given me no feeling that you particularly care about your son or supporting him. You are playing very poor games. And I frankly do not know what to tell a little boy who asks cogent questions.

I feel sad. I feel discouraged. And I don't know how I can believe you again when you tell me you will pay up doctors, schools, and myself in just a short time. From the reports I receive you have not altered your life style.

So we now enter into a legal situation which is ultimately harmful to everyone concerned. Including your child. But I know of no other way to handle this than to institute a lawsuit, Paul.

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Your lack of feeling for Jason, lack ofinterest, and basic responsibility to me is incomprehensible.

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Paul Rubinstein

FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED: 5/14/71

Jason

past due $35.—

Please!

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JASON

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