

# EXHIBIT K

Key Excerpts Transcribed from over 3 hours of voice calls on Signal Messenger between Tara Walsh and Stephen Russell on November 6th and 7th and 8th. (Documented and witnessed.)

ON COCAINE:

Steve: "Tara in all the time we have been together, have you ever seen me use cocaine."

Tara: "No, but..."

Steve: "Have you ever seen me on the effects of cocaine?"

Tara: "No, but...that's because you knew if you did I would break up with you because of my last boyfriend who used cocaine."

Steve: "In any of those dozen trips to the hospital or my doctors, did I ever test positive for cocaine? Ever, even a little?"

Tara: "No but you can fake that, you need to have a hair test. Did they give you a hair test?"

Steve: "Tara you have never seen me do cocaine. You have never seen me be on the effects of cocaine. Not a single of a dozen tests shows cocaine in my system and yet you are somehow comfortable calling me a cocaine "addict," not just a user, but an addict to the Court, to my family, to my co-workers? That is a lie Tara. A flat lie and it's wrong.

Tara: "You did take me to house where people were using cocaine."

Steve: "When?"

Tara: There was that investment banker [Redacted] in the Marina that was doing cocaine and I saw you go into the bathroom once with [Redacted] and I assumed you did it then.

Steve: Well I didn't. Any other times?

Tara: No.

Steve: So you have never seen me do cocaine, BUT on two occasions you saw other people at house parties doing cocaine, well one you saw and the other you just saw go into a bathroom with me and assumed. That is crazy Tara. You have called me an addict in many many court papers and you have prevented me from seeing Evie because of it. **You have no problem letting your sister watch Evie and she has a real drug problem, your sister does heroin for \*bleeps\* sake and her best friend is legitimated hardcore cocaine user. My god your ex boyfriend was a cocaine DEALER...A DEALER Tara.**

ON VIOLENCE:

Steve: Your attorney in the Civil case claims that I regularly threatened to hit you. I never threatened you. I never threatened violence. I never hit you. These are totally new accusations and not consistent with anything you have said before. I am probably the least violent person you have ever met!

Tara: That's true, you are not violent and I never said you were a threat to Evie, but things were very hard for me San Francisco.

Steve: Tara if I am not violent and not a threat to Evie, why do you keep asking I be supervised, why is your attorney writing that I hit you and repeatedly "threatened you with an open hand."

Tara: I didn't see that. He wrote that on his own from the court papers. I just signed it. This is all public you know. You are sooooo stupid. My lawyers all say you are so stupid. I have been nice to you, I haven't shared all the videos I have.

Steve: Yes, Tara I get the message loud and clear. **Give you what you want or will show embarrassing videos of me from the times when you drugged and I was scared. That's pretty gross.**

Tara: I am not threatening you Steve and I did not drug you.

Steve: You said you did so in court papers and on the stand. You told Dan "you had been doing it for a while."

Tara: I just did it a few times to help you.

Steve: I don't believe that. And it is never okay to drug someone against their will. Who thinks that way? That's what your mother did you...forced psychiatric medication on you as a kid... it's what she is doing to your sisters. It's wrong Tara.

ON RELATIONSHIP:

Tara: You are dating someone? Is it serious.

Steve: Yes, she is a wonderful person and she's been very supportive throughout all of this.

Tara: Well don't get too serious, I still think we should probably have a second child.

Steve: You want to have another child with me Tara? You were explicitly asked that on the stand in California. They read your text message saying you wanted to have another child and you they asked you if you still felt that way. You said "I did once, but not anymore."

Tara: I had to say that Steve.

Steve: Tara we have texts of you and your bf Matan talking about coming out to San Francisco to get my money...and "sweet revenge."

Tara: **Stop calling him my boyfriend. He is not my boyfriend. {Sobbing} I am so sorry I said that, I didn't mean it. I was joking. I talked to Matan about it, he says obviously we were joking.**

MATAN  
OBVIOUSLY  
BS JUST  
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Steve: I didn't read it as a joke. I don't think it was a joke Tara. If you wanted to have another child you should have stayed in San Francisco instead of running and lying about me.

Tara: You don't understand. Things were crazy in San Francisco. It was very hard on me. I did what I had to.

ON LYING

Steve: Your thing is a lie.

Tara: Well, what you are saying is a lie too.

Steve: Tara you are lying to the court. I am not a cocaine addict. I never beat or threatened you. You did not run away because you were scared of me. You left, and it's in your texts, that you were just scared that because of your diagnoses you might lose Evie.

Tara: You are lying too!

Steve: Tara I am saying things I believe or seem strongly supported by the evidence. You are just making things up to manipulate people. There is a big difference. You completely lied about why you left San Francisco.

Tara: I moved to NY because I was having a very hard time San Francisco with all of the moving around and workmen in the house.

Steve: Well...that's not what you told the court, you said you left because I was abusive and did cocaine.

#### ON TARAS PARENTS

Steve: I am really concerned about Evie living at your parents house given your family's history of physical and other abuse.

Tara: My dad is in AA and isn't bad anymore.

Steve: **Your father beat your mother and that is why your mother beat you and your sister and threw you around by the hair and forced you to take all those drugs. He a bully. He beat his wife and she passed it on to you. The only time I ever hit a person in my life was in 4th grade and it was the school bully. He was a foot taller than me. Your Dad hits women...for real...He is a bully.**

Tara: How do you know he beat my mom?

Steve: Oh we know. It wasn't that hard to find out. **Why do you think a guy suddenly checks himself int AA and Anger Management when he did? Everyone with half a brain knows what happened even without your sister sharing every detail of your home-life and childhood on her blog. Thank her for that. It's taken down now, but we have copies. The boxing, the meds he's on now. Come on.**

Tara: I would never let anyone hurt Evie.

Steve: You hurt Evie. You dropped her when you became upset. You hurt your niece Cleo when you let her eat your Adderal. And you are hurting Evie by keeping her away from her Dad. **No one in my family ever hit anyone, never had to go to AA, and never had a mental disorder.** If you stay at that house, old patterns are destined to repeat. My G-d, Tara you sent me text messages saying you were being starved and things were horrible. Am I supposed to take on faith that things are magically different now despite all evidence to the contrary. Come to San Francisco and let my family help raise Evie. You spent more time with my mother in the past 3 years than your entire family combined.

Tara: Your mother said your grandfather used to hit your uncle when they were growing up.

Steve: Well Grandpa is dead and that was long long time ago. But if that is the best you can, do it should tell you something about my family. We don't hit people and we have pretty good track record of raising good people. **Every child you parents have raised, despite the benefits of wealth and genetics is a train wreck with the exception of Brendan who doesn't drink. How your parents were allowed to adopt your two younger sisters, is beyond me. Come to San Francisco.** You have me, a home, my mother, my brother and his wife and Adley. My goodness Adley and Evie should be best friends.

MY NOTE- ITS VERY ODD HE SAID THE ONLY EXCEPTION IS BRENDAN- HE ALWAYS SAID MEAN THINGS ABOUT HIM- MAYBE HES AFRAID OF HIM???? LOL

- A. **Tara's UCCJEA Custody Petition, dated July 12, 2018.** Tara's custody petition sought for the New York Court to determine that New York State has jurisdiction over custody of Evie and requested that Tara be awarded sole temporary legal and physical custody of Evie.
- B. **Affidavit of Stephen Russell, dated August 7, 2018.** Submitted in opposition to Tara's July 16, 2018 motion and in support of my Cross Motion for temporary custody, dismissal of Tara's New York State Custody action and requesting an order deeming California the home state under the UCCJEA and directing the release of Tara's mental health records in connection with a custody action. This affidavit details the history of our relationship, Tara's mental health history and Tara's actions against me, including her surreptitiously drugging me, manipulating me into agreeing to her returning to New York with our daughter and gaslighting me.
- C. **Affidavit of Tara Walsh, dated August 13, 2018.** Submitted in further support of Tara's July 16<sup>th</sup> motion for temporary custody and in opposition to my cross motion for custody and that the Court return the custody action to California.
- D. **Affidavit of Stephen Russell, dated September 10, 2018.** Submitted in further support of my cross motion and refuting all of Tara's false allegations against me.
- E. **Affidavit of Stephen Russell, dated October 22, 2018.** Submitted in connection with a motion I filed on October 23<sup>rd</sup> after the supervisor, who was ordered by the Court, had clearly aligned herself with Tara and refused to follow the order. The supervisor was insisting that my visits take place at Tara's residence and that Tara be present for either all or part of my visits. As part of that motion, I requested that my visits be supervised by either my mother or a nanny, rather than the supervisor that Court appointed. I also asked the Court to look into safety concerns about Evie's safety at Tara's parenting house after Tara complained about her parents refusing to feed her this past summer, Tara's attempt to emancipate from her parents when she was a teenager and serious concerns about the mental health treatment of Tara's two younger adopted sisters.
- F. **Affidavit of Tara Walsh, dated November 14, 2018.** Submitted in response to my October 22, 2018 motion and to renew her request for counsel fees.
- G. **Affidavit of Stephen Russell, dated November 23, 2018.** Submitted in further support of my October 23<sup>rd</sup> motion and explaining the reason I elected not to proceed with supervised visits after going over the supervisor's report to the court with regurgitated the myriad of allegations Tara had made against me and which evidenced that the supervisor was manipulated by Tara to be biased against me. This affidavit also outlined the ways in which Tara and her family have interfered with my ability to foster and maintain a meaningful relationship with Evie since Tara ran away with Evie to New York back in June 2018.
- H. **Affidavit of Tara dated November 29, 2018.** Submitted in further support of Tara's November 14<sup>th</sup> Cross Motion for fees and wherein Tara admits that she has commenced proceedings against Dr. Gopal in California to prevent him from releasing her medical records in connection with this custody proceeding.