

Correspondence With
Stewart & Marilyn Blusson
February 20 – March 25, 2024

From: Melody Yiu MYiu@connectlaw.ca

Subject: RE: Request for Meeting with Dr. & Mrs. Blusson, RE: Parcel A & Lot 12

Date: March 25, 2024 at 12:19:45 AM

To: Vivian Krause vivian.krause@me.com

Cc: Ralph Sultan ralph.sultan.mla@leg.bc.ca, Peter Gordon peter@cascadiaconsulting.ca

Dear all,

Dr. and Mrs. Blusson respectfully decline to attend the proposed meeting. They have no desire to revive Quest University.

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From: Vivian Krause <vivian.krause@me.com>
Sent: Friday, March 22, 2024 9:49 AM
To: Melody Yiu <MYiu@connectlaw.ca>
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Subject: Request for Meeting with Dr. & Mrs. Blusson, RE: Parcel A & Lot 12

Dear Ms. Yiu,

I have received confirmation from Canada Post that my letters to Dr. & Mrs. Blusson were received on February 29, 2024. I have not received a reply from them nor do I seem to have received any reply from you since I wrote to you three weeks ago. If I have missed an e-mail or a phone call, please let me know.

We would appreciate it if you would please acknowledge receipt of the letters (copies attached) that Dr. Ralph Sultan and Peter Gordon have sent to you, with cc to me. Kindly please let us know that their letters to you have been received.

As stated in our letters, our request is for an in-person meeting with the Blussons, Dr. Sultan, Peter Gordon and myself. We would be most grateful if you would help to facilitate such a meeting. As I said in my initial letter, this meeting would be without prejudice.

Hoping to hear from you.

Sincerely,
Vivian

Vivian Krause
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On Feb 28, 2024, at 5:22 PM, VIVIAN KRAUSE <vivian.krause@me.com> wrote:

Dear Ms. Yiu,

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Both Ralph & Peter are copied on this email.

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From: VIVIAN KRAUSE vivian.krause@me.com

Subject: Letters to Dr. & Mrs. Blusson RE: Parcel A & Lot 12

Date: February 28, 2024 at 5:22:00 PM

To: Melody Yiu MYiu@connectlaw.ca

Cc: Ralph Sultan ralph.sultan@gmail.com, Peter Gordon peter@cascadiaconsulting.ca

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Vivian Krause, M.Sc.

February 20, 2024

WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Dr. Stewart Blusson
Suite 2801, 323 Jervis Street
Vancouver BC V6C 3P8

Dear Dr. Blusson,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Over the past year, I have been researching the financial history of Quest University in the hope of saving the innovative, academic program that you helped to pioneer. To this end, I have been involved in a series of meetings with Quest alumni, Mayor Armand Hurford of Squamish, MLA, Jordan Sturdy and MP Patrick Weiler. Also involved in these meetings are Dr. Ralph Sultan who introduced the legislation to create Quest, and Peter Gordon, a long-time resident of Squamish who is volunteering his time to help find a path forward.

From the CRA audit report on Eden Glen Foundation, we have learned that you are the owner of Lot 12. We have also learned that you are the owner of Parcel A.

We would like to meet in person with you and Mrs. Blusson regarding the future of Parcel A and Lot 12. In particular, we would like to inquire as to whether you would consider contributing Parcel A and Lot 12 towards the re-establishment of the innovative program that Dr. Blusson helped to pioneer. This would accomplish the original vision. This initial meeting would involve me, Dr. Ralph Sultan and Peter Gordon. This meeting would be without prejudice. If you would like to have Ms. Yiu join the meeting, that's fine with us. We would be pleased to meet her.

I can be contacted at (604) 618-8110 or vivian.krause@mac.com

I look forward to hearing from you and I wish you and Mrs. Blusson the very best.

Sincerely,

Vivian

c.c. Mrs. Marilyn Blusson

Ms. Melody Yiu

Dr. Ralph Sultan, Retired RBC Chief Economist and MLA, West Vancouver - Capilano

Mr. Peter Gordon

Vivian Krause, M.Sc.

February 20, 2024

WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Mrs. Marilyn Blusson
Suite 2801, 323 Jervis Street
Vancouver BC V6C 3P8

Dear Mrs. Blusson,

I hope this letter finds you well and that 2024 is off to a good start for you and Dr. Blusson.

After we first spoke, I had several conversations with Ms. Melody Yiu, as you requested.

My hope is that we can find a way to resuscitate the innovative academic program that Dr. Blusson helped to pioneer. To this end, I have also had meetings with Quest alumni, Mayor Armand Hurford of Squamish, MLA, Jordan Sturdy and MP Patrick Weiler. Also involved in these meetings are Dr. Ralph Sultan who introduced the legislation to create Quest in the first place and Peter Gordon, a long-time Squamish resident who is volunteering his time.

From the CRA audit report on Eden Glen Foundation, we learned that Dr. Blusson is the owner of Lot 12. We have also learned that he is the owner of Parcel A under beneficial ownership.

We would like to meet in person with you and Dr. Blusson regarding the future of Parcel A and Lot 12. In particular, we would like to inquire as to whether you would consider contributing Parcel A and Lot 12 towards the re-establishment of the innovative program that Dr. Blusson helped to pioneer. This would accomplish the original vision. This initial meeting would involve me, Dr. Ralph Sultan and Peter Gordon. This meeting would be without prejudice. If you would like to have Ms. Yiu join the meeting, that's fine with us. We would be pleased to meet her.

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Ms. Melody Yiu
Dr. Ralph Sultan, Retired Chief Economist at RBC, and MLA, West Vancouver- Capilano
Mr. Peter Gordon, Cascadia Consulting Ltd.

February 29, 2024

Ralph G. M. Sultan
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ralph.sultan@gmail.com

Hello Ms. Yiu/Melody,

We would appreciate your help in arranging an in-person meeting with the Blussons.

As Vivian Krause mentioned in previous correspondence, I was the MLA for West Vancouver Sea-to-Sky when Quest was first conceived. Working closely with David Strangway, President of UBC, I sponsored the Sea to Sky Act in the BC Legislature. This Act created Quest as a degree-granting University.

I have met Stewart and Marilyn Blusson in the past. One event stands out in my memory. After Quest's first convocation ceremony, before a crowd of faculty, students, and friends, and to generous and appreciative applause, Stewart and Marion shared a waltz on the plaza on a beautiful summer afternoon. It was an emotional and touching moment.

Quest's innovative model promised the type of pioneering approach -- breaking new ground, -- that an explorationist and prospector such as Stewart could support. And Quest delivered.

After such an auspicious beginning, it was with great dismay that I watched Quest struggle financially, mystified as to why it was in difficulty, having supposedly received a \$100 million gift from the Blussons.

Vivian Krause, whom I have known and respected for many years, researched the extraordinary background circumstances impacting Quest's financial underpinnings. As a Founder, I followed her step-by-step findings closely. Her forensic reports are thorough and beyond reproach. I understand from the records she has obtained, that Stewart now owns most of the undeveloped land in the vicinity of Quest's original campus.

I would like to speak with Stewart and Marilyn to understand what their plans are for these lands and whether they would consider contributing the land towards a re-start of Quest, possibly as an Institute within Capilano University. This would help perpetuate the original vision which Stewart and Marilyn espoused years ago – a vision remarkably successful, but financially derailed.

I am writing my personal memoirs for publication, describing my twenty years in public life. As former Minister of Advanced Education in the Government, I will describe the Quest story in detail – both its academic success and its financial failure. It will be a no-holds-barred account.

And I would like my memoir to have a happy ending.

I will leave it to Vivian to organize a time when we can meet with Stewart & Marilyn. I look forward to meeting you as well.

Yours truly,



Ralph Sultan
Retired Member of the British Columbia Legislature
Former Senior VP and Chief Economist, Royal Bank of Canada

From: Ralph Sultan ralph.sultan@gmail.com

Subject: request for meeting

Date: February 29, 2024 at 7:26:05 PM

To: MYiu@connectlaw.ca

Cc: VIVIAN KRAUSE vivian.krause@me.com, Ralph Sultan ralph.sultan@gmail.com

Melody it would be wonderful if you could help us as outlined in my attached letter.
Ralph Sultan



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Peter V. Gordon
PO Box 1572
Squamish, BC V8B 0B2

March 06, 2024

Hello Ms. Yiu,

As a long-time resident of Squamish, I have participated in community affairs for many years, and as a citizen was involved in helping Quest University Canada receive its various approvals from city hall. In particular, I helped the university attain the rezoning for the housing subdivisions on the strength the university would sell the individual lots and use the profits to help pay for and fund the university.

I consider myself an early supporter of Dr. Strangway's original vision for Quest University.

I remember when it was announced that Dr. Blusson had donated a very large sum of money to the university (initially announced to be \$65M, then increased), we were all very excited.

To now hear that Dr. Blusson did not actually donate the very large amount (for which he undoubtedly received tax receipts), that there were loans instead of gifts, and that Dr. Blusson is now the owner of two large tracks of Quest's original land, is both puzzling and disturbing, particularly given that the university failed due to a burden of debt. Having contributed to help get Quest started, this is a disappointment to me personally. Even more so though, the closure of the university is a huge tragedy for our community and the students/faculty at Quest, and a lost opportunity for innovative improvement to post-secondary education.

I wish to join Dr. Sultan and Ms. Krause in a meeting with Dr. & Mrs. Blusson to seek ways of recovering the land and make this situation whole again. We must look ahead to the future and find the means to once again restore Dr. Strangway's worthy vision.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Gordon', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Peter Gordon



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