

**Retracted and Re-Written Sentences from the Article “*Duffy Diaries Indicate Senator Coordinated Efforts with Krause and Levant to Attack Charities,*”**  
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**Retracted Sentences**

These 15 sentences were entirely retracted by The Vancouver Observer. Most of these sentences were in the original version, written on April 10, 2015. Some were in the revision of April 11, 2015:

- “Duffy diaries indicate Senator coordinated efforts with Krause and Levant to attack charities.” (This was the original headline).
- “How Vivian Krause's attack on charities moved from her North Vancouver basement to the halls of power in Ottawa has long been a mystery. Duffy's diaries reveal clues.”
- “On June 8, 2012, Vivian Krause alleged a conspiracy between American financial interests and Canadian environmental groups. She said the collusion was meant to ensure Canadian energy resources would remain destined for American markets rather than exported east to meet the growing demand in China.”
- “Krause, a self-described North Vancouver independent researcher and “B.C. girl at heart,” is named 11 times in Duffy's diary between February and December of 2012, 12 in all.”
- “Krause is named 14 times in Duffy's diary. [Correction: We erroneously stated in our first version of this story that Krause was mentioned only 12 times.]”
- “The diary also mentions a meeting with “Kory”, presumably then-Sun News executive and current Conservative Party staff member Kory Teneycke.”
- “Court documents revealed these facts on Wednesday.”
- “Levant's personal lawyer, Thomas Ross, is a partner at Mclennan Ross.”
- “The May 9, 2012 episode of Levant's program The Source featured a report tying environmental activists with extremism and money laundering. Sun News Network followed up with a piece in August claiming one in two people were afraid of eco-terrorist attacks.”
- “References to this have now removed from both Krause and the Conservative Party's websites.”
- “Tides Canada is one of 7 environmental charities which submitted to a CRA audit after the Harper government allocated \$8 million to closely monitor their political activities.”

## Re-Written Sentences

The text in yellow is what was removed or re-written:

- She had tears in her eyes as she told the Senate National Finance Committee she had sold her house **to fund her research on environmental charities.**
- The document, admitted as evidence before the court in Duffy's trial, states Duffy met with **controversial researcher and writer Vivian Krause on numerous occasions after teleconferencing with ex-Sun News personality Ezra Levant and exchanging emails under the heading "re: Vivian Krause" in early 2011.**
- In the same time frame, Krause received significant funding from the oil, gas and mining industries and has admitted 90% of her income in 2012, 2013 and 2014 was drawn from speaking fees and honorariums funded by energy industry giants - though **she has not declared who or how much she was paid.**
- Reached by phone on Saturday, **Krause said she had lunch with Duffy in Ottawa,** and that she spoke to him again in the lobby of a hotel.
- Her website, **Fairquestions.org** has also become a favorite resource **of Fox News** and the now defunct Sun News Network.
- Peter Kent **formalized the claims of alleged money-laundering** amongst environmental charities and then Finance Minister Jim Flaherty used the stories to justify audits of Tides Canada and other associations.
- According to **prominent Vancouver business leader** and Observer contributor Sandy Garossino, Krause's accusations leave out the fact that "the majority of the \$425 million that U.S. foundations donated to Canada in the last 15 years went toward habitat conservation in the Great Bear Rainforest and Boreal Forest Initiatives projects," **which was then a partnership with the Harper government.**
- She said her research was being "misused" by people like Ezra Levant, and that **he could not be trusted with the facts.**