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It is with much debate and now that I have the strength and courage, that I am sending this email, because I feel that it is necessary and my responsibility to ensure that no woman shall ever go through what I have at the hands of Bo Ryan.

Nearly 6 years ago, I met Bo, at which time he took an interest in me and pursued me romantically. While I did not entertain him immediately, eventually his persistence and the things he said to me, won me over. He said he loved me, that we would be together someday, that I'd make a great wife, he would have children with me and even went as far as to call me his soul mate in front of his friends. Yes, many of the people in his life were aware of what was going on including his former coach, Sharif Chambliss, as well as everyone in my life. It takes a village to help someone keep things a secret when they are so prominent in the community.

Unfortunately, it became a very unhealthy situation for me to the point that I nearly ended my life, and while Bo was aware of this, multiple times when I tried to end the relationship or move away, on his hands and knees he begged me to stay, pleading with me to not leave him. Telling me he needed me and continually asking me to just be patient. As much as I loved him, I could no longer settle nor tolerate the mental abuse and realized that his talk of being together, marriage, etc., were just words.

While he put up a good fight, I ended the relationship a couple months ago to save my own life and his family is now aware of his infidelity. I believe they have a right to know the caliber of the man they call "husband", "father" and "grandfather". Particularly the fact that he spoke negatively about his wife to me, saying that thanking her in public was "just part of the job and expected of him" and that a quote in his book about winning the lottery with Kelly, were "just words for a book".

His university issued phone was used to communicate with me and is public record, so his texts and voicemails can be retrieved, along with his email, to ensure to you that what I say is truthful. He also brought me on numerous basketball recruiting trips to stay with him, including Kansas City, Las Vegas, Chicago and Minneapolis.

I am not sending this to you for attention nor gain or for anyone to feel sorry for me. I take full responsibility for my actions and unfortunately I believed the things he said to me. However, I do feel and I believe most in the community would agree with me that a man who is manipulative, a liar, cheater and deceptive, should not be coaching and mentoring or be a role model to the young men on the basketball team. He lied and deceived me, his family and the University of Wisconsin. A university that prides itself on excellence. I've never even received an apology from him nor an explanation for the mental abuse and the roller coaster he put me on, which speaks volumes about his character.

Whatever action is taken against him is in your hands, but I wanted the university to be aware of who the real Bo Ryan is. While I strongly believe he should no longer be at the UW or any university for that matter, I am not sure what will happen. I do however ask that at the very least, he and his phone be monitored more closely. We all know how charming and charismatic he is and I fear he will do this again and next time lives may be ended because of his recklessness. Bo Ryan is a predator and I do not wish any other woman to fall

prey to him and outside of our relationship, I've seen him in action before, staring down a young woman's unzipped pants in a bar.

I am happy to answer any questions or offer any clarification that is necessary. I have nothing to hide and I am not ashamed of falling in love with Bo. It's just unfortunate for me that I trusted him, but clearly I am not the only one he bamboozled.

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