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At 2:30 pm today, the Phoenix New Times contacted the Paul Babeu for Congress campaign via email asking for a response to a long series of allegations for a story they had been working on for two months from an anonymous source.

The allegations referred to an incident that occurred on September 6, 2011, when the campaign's website, Twitter account, and online financial transaction system were illegally hacked. A cease and desist letter was sent to the suspected perpetrator who promptly returned access to the campaign. This individual was asked to sign an agreement refraining from similar activity in the future, but at no time were any threats made. At that time, the individual's attorney assured the campaign that he was not interested in causing further trouble, which was accepted as true.

We strongly deny the sensationalist headline published by the Phoenix New Times.

Please see the attached documents for a copy of the cease and desist letter, as well as the response from the perpetrator, for more details on this incident.