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J. B. Handley

RE: Handley v. Columbia University Press and Paul A. Offit

On page 145 of my book, Autism's False Prophets: Bad Science, Risky Medicine, and the Search for a Cure, I may have conveyed the impression that J.B. Handley directed an internet posting, which was addressed to "Neurodiverse folks" on a public message board, as a response to Kathleen Seidel, and as a continuation of a prior exchange of posts between Mr. Handley and Ms. Seidel. After publication, Mr. Handley brought additional information to my attention confirming that, in fact, the post quoted in the book related to a different topic, and was intended to address individuals he believed may have been harassing members of Generation Rescue. I have agreed to make revisions to the text of the book in subsequent printings to address this issue. I regret any mistaken impression the original language may have created.

Sincerely,

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