

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11<sup>TH</sup>  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MIAMI-  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO. 09-68539 CA25

JOHN GIORDANO, individually, and G&G  
ADDICTION TREATMENT, INC., a Florida  
corporation,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

DONNA L. ROMEO, and XCENTRIC  
VENTURES, LLC, an Arizona Limited  
Liability Corporation,

Defendants.

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**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT XCENTRIC VENTURES, LLC'S MOTION TO  
DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT WITH PREJUDICE**

**THIS CAUSE** having come before the Court on February 7, 2011 on the Motion to Dismiss the Plaintiff's Amended Complaint (the "Motion to Dismiss") filed by Defendant XCENTRIC VENTURES, LLC ("Xcentric"). The Court, having considered the Motion to Dismiss filed by Xcentric, having heard argument from the parties, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises;

The Court finds that the cause of action of the Plaintiffs, JOHN GIORDANO and G&G ADDICTION TREATMENT, INC. (collectively, "Plaintiffs") against Xcentric for injunctive relief is barred by the Communications Decency Act, 47 U.S.C. § 230; the Court bases this decision on 47 U.S.C. § 230 as well as the case law, including, *Doe v. America Online, Inc.*, 783 So. 2d 1010 (2001); *Almedia v. Amazon.com, Inc.*, 456 F.3d 1316, 1321 (11<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2006); *Noah v. AOL Time Warner, Inc.*, 261 F.Supp.2d 523 (E.D.Va. 2003); *Zeran v. America Online, Inc.*, 129 F.3d 327, 330 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1997); *Whitney Information Network, Inc. v. Xcentric Ventures, LLC*, 2008 WL 450095 (M.D.Fla. 2008); *Global Royalties, Ltd. v. Xcentric Ventures, LLC*, 544

F.Supp.2d 929 (D.Ariz. 2008); *GW Equity, LLC v. Xcentric Ventures, LLC*, 2009 WL 62173 (N.D.Tex. 2009); *Intellect Act Multimedia v. Milewski*, 2009 WL 2915273 (N.Y.Sup. 2009); and *Ben Ezra, Weinstein, & Co. v. America Online, Inc.*, 206 F.3d 980, 983–86 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2000).

**ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that Xcentric's Motion to Dismiss is GRANTED with prejudice. This action against Xcentric is hereby dismissed with prejudice. Plaintiffs shall take nothing by this action against Xcentric and Xcentric shall go hence without day. The Court hereby retains jurisdiction to determine fees, if allowable, and costs in favor of Xcentric and against Plaintiffs.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that this Court's Order dated December 28, 2010 enjoining Xcentric from maintaining the statements about Plaintiffs posted on www.ripoffreport.com is dissolved.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers, in Miami-Dade, Miami-Dade County, Florida, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2011.

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Beatrice Butchko  
Circuit Court Judge

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BEATRICE BUTCHKO  
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