

Stalking A Diva the Leandra Ramm Story

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To be featured on the Lifetime Network® program 'My Life Is A Lifetime Movie' and in her upcoming book, 'Stalking A Diva' Leandra Ramm shares the chilling story of a cyber stalking experience which left her feeling imprisoned, helpless and getting no protection through the U.S. legal system. Despite seemingly insurmountable obstacles, Leandra's perseverance and determination led her to eventually win the case.

Leandra Ramm, renowned singer and performer, has experienced her share of heartache over the past few years, as she battled an international cyber stalker that could not be prosecuted by U.S. or international law. Wracked with fear and hesitant as to how to move forward, Leandra began the 6 year ordeal to rid her life of the cyber stalker.

It all began when she was featured on Anderson Cooper 360 to discuss her unique origin from the Repository of Germinal Choice - otherwise known as The Genius Sperm Bank. After the show, a man contacted the New Jersey Opera Theatre posing as the director of the prestigious Singapore Music Festival. Gradually, he revealed his true intentions and expressed a romantic interest in Leandra via email. When he found out that she had a boyfriend, the rejection prompted him to begin cyber stalking Leandra and her boyfriend. He sent cryptic love letters which eventually turned to death threats, stole her identity, used other people to harass her, contacted employers pretending to be her, created slanderous blogs against her, and even sent a personal friend to deliver flowers to her home. He was a cyber stalker that would invest countless hours, which turned into days, months, and years, attempting to ruin Leandra's reputation, shatter her self worth, destroy her credibility, and threaten not only her but her family and friends as well. He did all of this from behind a laptop on the other side of the world.

In the beginning, Leandra understandably thought that the convincing and conniving Mr. Colin Mak was a legitimate businessman that wanted to help her book performances internationally. After a few months, it became clear that his intentions were very different. He began emailing her several times a day and demanded a response. It was at this point that Leandra discovered that Mr. Mak was a fraud, convicted arms dealer and a cyber stalker. By the time she found out that he had no ties to the organization that he claimed to be part of, it was too late. The correspondence went on for several months

before Leandra realized that she was the victim of a clever cyber stalker, and the incident would soon turn into a nightmare. (See attached emails.)

Once the death threats began to pour in, Colin had accelerated to cyber-terrorist. Leandra contacted authorities including the NYPD, the FBI, the U.N., and the Singapore Police Force, but no one would help her because her cyber stalker was located in Singapore, and she was in America. She was instructed to ignore the threats and try to go on with her life. With the realization that there were no Mutual Law Enforcement Treaties to protect her and that ignoring him was only encouraging his behavior, Leandra began communicating with him desperate to stop the threats of violence against her and her family after exhausting government resources. He continued to send death threats and threats of physical violence to her and her family and ceaselessly tormented her any time she refused to communicate with him.

Leandra decided to find a solution because she was not going to allow the lack of laws to force her to remain a victim. She ceased all communications with the cyber stalker and became determined to fight for her life and win. At this point, one connection led to

another, and all of the right people and resources entered into her life including the right media contacts, a wonderful New York attorney, and Mr. A.J. Fardella - an expert in cyber crime and digital forensics. Leandra had made it a point in her life to put everything else aside and focus on the case until she won, and with the help of a team of experts, the threats eventually stopped, and the stalker was arrested and imprisoned. "A.J. worked tirelessly on my case and was immediately in contact with the Singapore police who responded

promptly within 48 hours. When I

contacted [the Singapore police], they ignored me completely. Because of A.J., I was able to win the case and move on with my life," says Leandra.

Looking back on her experience, Leandra says, "I'm incredibly happy and grateful to get [the cyber stalker] out of my life. I got my freedom back. I feel like I was living in a virtual prison for 6 years. I feel like I couldn't be myself, and it took a toll on me. I woke up petrified in the morning scared to look at my phone and see the emails that I would get. I was a victim. Every single day, I lived in fear. I am so glad

"We have got to provide Law Enforcement with Tools, Training and Treaties so they can effectively protect US citizens from International Cyber-Criminals" - A. J. Fardella

that is over now. I am so grateful that I can move on with my life. However, I'm still a bit sad that I was only able to help myself. I want to help others that are going through a similar situation. I want to do something about this. I want to bring attention to the fact that there are problems in this area and that something really needs to be done."

"My goal is to save people from going through this by helping to create

[international cyber stalking] laws," Leandra says. This incident has changed her life

completely, and she is now much stronger and more courageous. "If I can go through that, I can go through anything," she says about how empowered she feels after overcoming this seemingly insurmountable situation.

Leandra now advocates for cyber stalking victims around the world and would like to see international laws put in place to protect victims that may be experiencing the same circumstances

that she once found herself in. She is coauthoring a tell-all book titled "Stalking a Diva" with D. Rocca that will reveal the intimate details surrounding this cyber stalking incident and the government's lack of interest in protecting her until their hand was forced to act on her behalf. Leandra's book will be released November 8th, and her story will also be featured on a Lifetime Networks[®] new hit show "My Life Is A Lifetime Movie" in the episode which will broadcast November 28th.

A. J. Fardella

Leandra Ramm is available for interviews, either live or for print media about her book, 'Stalking A Diva' and related episode of "My Life Is A Lifetime Movie," on November 28th 2012. Mr. Fardella is also available as an expert in the "Stalking a Diva" case.



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A clip of Leandra's Episode can be provided for live interview programs who book Leandra.



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EMAIL EXAMPLE ONE:

Subject: Leandra Ramm's Sister Courtney Ramm and autistic

brother Logan Ramm to be beaten.

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2011 9:46:44 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Stormo Rochalie

To: Leandra Ramm, Leandra Ramm, Leandra Ramm

CC: Adrienne and David Ramm, Courtney Mighan Ramm, Mike

Hogan, Deborah Karpel, bearsax..., aaronoliveira...

Dear Leandra (Leandra's parents David and Adrienne Ramm take note) Unless I get an apology via email from you, and all offensive material is taken down. (I head to NYC next week) (you called me a money scammer----- when I was the one who pumped in thousands of dollars to get contacts for you and your emergency cash when requested all in 24 hours) I would want COURTNEY RAMM your little sister to be raped and beaten and your autistic brother LOGAN RAMM to suffer the same fate. I know autistic people have very very low IQ hence his self---defence capabilities are non---existent. Courtney Ramm works at YogaWorks in NYC.

I know where to find her. You love them enough to know that they should NOT be suffering the results of your sins against me yes? I have very little regard for autistic people and people who lack loyalty and integrity.

----- "Experience Knows The Weather Always Changes. A Purposeful Leader Ensures The Calm Never Does."

EMAIL EXAMPLE TWO:

Subject: believe me when I tell you Leandra Fat Cunt Ramm will be beaten to death by me. On strike to the head with a lead pipe is all is takes to end this shit bitch's life

Date: Thursday, April 7, 2011 4:15:49 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: MiGGY MiGGY

To: rammda..., courtneyramm..., leandraopera...., Leandra Ramm... CC: debkarpel..., gnuvox..., publicity..., Raleigh..., galemartin08...

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EMAIL EXAMPLE THREE:

Subject: Jim Schaeffer----- I am going to beat up Leandra Ramm with a nightstick-----

Date: Monday, June 25, 2007 11:17:42 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: MiGGY II Pell

To: js...

CC: leandraramm...

Dear Jim Schaeffer I am going to beat up Leandra Ramm on your premises with a nightstick she is attending Jake Heggie's masterclass. she has cheated people of money and is on the FBI's wanted list now. Leandra----- I am out to smash your f****ng head.

EMAIL EXAMPLE FOUR:

Subject: I regret I have to CC you guys about Leandra----- but I am right in doing so. beatings coming soon. proposal for reconciliation

and imminent combat

Date: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 11:10:45 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Stormo Rochalie To: Leandra Ramm

CC: Adrienne and David Ramm, Courtney Ramm, Leandra Ramm, Rebecca Marks, David Plotz, info..., Carina Scott, Deborah Karpel Leandra (and to her family----- Adrienne, David, Courtney and Logan)

I am on the same ship as you now. You owe me a meeting on this ship because you asked me to buy tickets for it, yet I am treated harshly and unjustly. Why you choose to act like this I do not know. You promised there would be no incidents on this ship and you would meet me and we would have a good time on the ship. I have been here for 2 weeks and nothing of that sort has happened. I have spent 17 000 USD already on this ship trip which I did not need to have in the first place. Add this to the fact that I have sponsored you before and did you plenty of financial favors and made contacts for you.

In fact you have been ignoring my emails. I am beginning to lose complete trust in you and as you can imagine I am boiling with rage. Why is this? Are you such an ingrate, a b***h, a complete c**t and a degenerate punk or a beautiful, kind pleasant girl that I have always thought you were up till now?

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But you have to send me an email within 24 hours to invite me to meet you at the Murano restaurant. You are allowed to bring up to 3 friends along if you don't trust me (It should be the other way round) If I were to find you there would definitely be a confrontation with weapons classes not seen before. It will be disastrous for both of us given this . I can really damage you and your career. I can even damage your family. I will damage your friend Michael Wade Lee who is croaking up an opera in Birmingham, England right now. Eryn Pola is getting married soon to her boyfriend and since she was unjust and rude to me before that makes a lucrative high value target too. You are attempting to ruin my happiness, so let me ruin those of you, your family, your friends and in exchange. You will live through to release your single and music video on the internet----- at a huge cost to yourself and personal well being.

Your family lives at 531 Main Street, #213 New York, NY 10044 do they?

HOWEVER if you were to send me an invitation to meet with you without incident I will forget the last 2 weeks since I boarded and we can reconcile I promise. All I need is Don't f**k around with destiny Leandra. You are still a great girl with a lot going for you. I will never forgive you for this slight Leandra. We will be at war with plenty of hurt on your side because you have hurt me enough already.

----- Colin M! ~~~~~ ~~ "There Is Always Some Madness In Love. But There Is Also Always Some Reason In Madness." Friedrich Nietzsche ~~~

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EMAIL EXAMPLE FIVE:

Subject: video of Leandra Ramm's beating.

Date: Friday, September 3, 2010 9:44:12 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: MiGGY MIGGY

To: scott...

CC: leandraramm..., leandraramm..., rammda..., courtneyramm..., info..., bearsax...

HI Scott

I see no reasons why I should not contact you ever again-- because this mezzo soprano is going to be harassed till I get an apology and taht redneck child molesterDustin Bear the same as well or when she gets injured-- pictures and a youtube video will be sent to you. no one --friend or foe gets involved with Leandra Ramm gets involved with her. All I need is an apology from her-- she can then fuck off and not be friends with me. I don't give a damn.

Let this be known.. I come from the military-- whatever I say I will do. This CUNT will be dealt with.

- > From: scott...
- > To: spitzers50...
- > Subject: Re: HI Toledo Opera
- > Date: Fri, 3 Sep 2010 15:49:19 -0400 >
- > Do not contact me ever again. >>>
- > On Sep 3, 2010, at 12:00 AM, MiGGY MIGGY <spitzers50...> wrote: >
- >> HI Toledo Opera and NJ opera Theatre >> > I do have a major disagreement with your former employee and

Young ArtistLeandra Ramm right now. >>

> I believe 3 years ago you were contacted with regards to my éngaging of Leandra Ramm ---

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- >> she had taken huge sums of money from me and right now she has refused to apologize after posting pictures of me and endangering my life as a security consultant. This is a violation of federal law.
- >> She had collaborated with a saxophonist to create a fake webpage about me
- >> > please see DivasGoneWild.blogspot.com >>
- > all the facts listed on Leandra including her financial fraud are true. She is not to be trusted with any contract or money and should be dropped from any paid opera roles.

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> I wish to ask publicly for a reconciliation-- because if I do not have a reconciliation-- I will have to do whatever I see fit as in my warnings 3 years ago with you.

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>> Leandra I know I promised you never to contact your employers again-- but this are a special set of circumstances-- you are harassing me and endangering people's lives.

>> I want a reconciliation. >>

The Economist

Cyber-stalking

Creepy crawlies

The internet allows the malicious to menace their victims

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LEANDRA RAMM (pictured) is a mezzosoprano with more on her mind than
music. Someone—a deranged
Singaporean cyber-stalker, she
claims—has posted around 4,000
internet messages in the past five years,
depicting her as a talentless, sex-crazed
swindler. He has also created a blog
under her name and has left obscene
messages on her own website.

Ms Ramm, who lives in New York, has had scant help from the American police, who say the offence is committed



in Singapore. But she says the police in Singapore have shown no interest. Ms Ramm says her career, social life and emotional well-being have all suffered. Not only does she get daily death threats, but so do all those associated with her: friends, family, colleagues and boss. She says she feels "humiliated, helpless and abused".

Police and prosecutors say that cyber-stalking—the persistent use of the internet, e-mail, social networks, instant messaging or related digital devices to annoy, harass or threaten—is growing, and that they lack the legal tools to combat it.

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A study by the Bureau of Justice Statistics in America estimates that cyber-stalking afflicted around a quarter of the 3.4m stalking victims it has tallied over the age of 18 in the United States in 2006. Mike Proctor, a detective based in California with over 20 years of experience in dealing with stalking cases, says that more and more include internet harassment. He describes the crime as "woefully underprosecuted". Barack Obama highlighted the issue in a Presidential Proclamation in December to mark Stalking Awareness Month. "Increasingly, stalkers use modern technology to monitor and torment their victims, and one in four victims reports some form of cyber-stalking—such as threatening e-mails or instant messaging—as part of their harassment," it said.

Rachel MacKenzie, a psychologist who runs a behaviour programme for stalkers in the Australian state of Victoria, says that many now harass their victims through the internet. For some stalkers, the internet is just a tool of the trade. Others deploy it exclusively. But the victims of both kinds of stalker may be as frightened as those threatened physically. "There is always the fear that the stalking will enter the real world," she says. In Germany a senior detective specialising in cybercrime in Frankfurt am Main, Birgit Roth, says that internet harassment is present in some 40% of stalking cases that her force investigates. She says that victims are as traumatised as the survivors of a plane crash.

The misery they inflict seems to motivate cyber-stalkers. A pregnant victim says she barricades herself in her home and has "morbid thoughts" every day: whether her child will be born or grow up without one of its parents. Her stalker, an ex-colleague with a military background, harasses her through social-networking sites, threatening physical attack on her family.

As with many internet crimes, the law is struggling to keep up. As Ms Ramm's case demonstrates, many stalkers threaten their victims from abroad, often from countries without stalking laws. American-based internet service providers (ISPs) and firms such as Google, Yahoo! and Facebook, require court orders for information about stalkers to be served in the country of their headquarters. That can be costly and time-consuming.

Nazir Afzal, an expert on stalking at Britain's Crown Prosecution Service, says such requests can mean delays of up to three months. A real-world

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COMPUTER FORENSICS

Tech-savvy sleuth fights for cybercrime victims

Specialist helps singer regain Internet identity

By Robert Salonga

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PITTSBURG — In a realm where international boundaries create barriers that help Internet criminals avoid prosecution, there's a fight going on to close these loopholes.
One of the battlefields, it turns out,

is a nondescript three-room back office in Old Town Pittsburg.

It's nearly impossible to tell that there is a computer-laden nerve center nestled within, run by A.J. Fardella of Black Diamond Data.

The computer forensics expert specializes in mining systems for data and auditing their security, but his job has also taken on a crime-fighting component.

"I can tell if someone's lying through their computers," Fardella said.

That's where Leandra Ramm, an accomplished opera singer, enters the story. Ramm has spent the past six years in a virtual prison built by a stalker living in another hemisphere.

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A.J. Fardella runs Black Diamond Data, a computer forensics firm in Pittsburg.

Fardella

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In the United States, a quarter of the 3.4 million stalking victims recorded in 2006 — the most recent year for which statistics were available — were the targets of cyberstalking, according to the federal Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Harassing emails are involved in 83 percent of those cases. In Ramm's case, she received 4,917.

According to affidavits filed with authorities in Singapore, Ramm has been the victim of an online smear campaign by a man who became obsessed with her since watching a 2005 CNN appearance.

The man gained her trust, purporting to be a director for a Singapore music theater offering work for Ramm. But when his false promises were exposed by friends and colleagues, they along with Ramm saw an ugly side of the Internet they felt powerless to stop.

A series of websites tarnishing Ramm's reputation began popping up in Internet searches. The virtual assailant harassed Ramm, her friends and potential employers, who decided that signing her on was not worth the baggage that he

had created for her.

"I was a liability," Ramm said. "They didn't want to deal with the stress and drama."

Ramm turned to authorities in New York — where she was living — and the FBI, all of whom considered themselves hamstrung by the suspected culprit be-ing on the other side of the world. Earlier this year, The Economist, an international newsmagazine, wrote an item about her plight. But the man remained at large and untouched.

"The whole thing was a living nightmare," Ramm said. "Nothing could be done for years. These were dark times.

"I felt trapped in my own life, and everybody in my life was affected."

Through a chance connection, a mutual friend of

Ramm and Fardella introduced the two this year and suggested he might be able to help her. Fardella, who has contracted work with the federal government including the Secret Service, immediately saw a lot he comfort of their could do where others had failed by either lack of aptitude or thoroughness.

Fardella's office is a clash of high-end computer hardware and forensic tools - think "CSI" but swap laptops and desktops for dead bodies and shooting scenes and a scattered collection of pop culture knickknacks, San Francisco Giants memorabilia, training certificates and photos of him with people ranging from Vice President Joseph Biden to rapper and actor Ice-T.

Then there are the piles and piles of backstage concert passes from his work as a stage manager and band technician, a calling from a previous life that included stints working for Journey and which he continues as a side pursuit.

Fardella is a known political figure in segments of the county, where he is a Pittsburg planning commissioner and has been active in school politics in the Mt. Diablo Unified School District, where his children attend school. Both roles, he says, attest to his passion for both his adopted home — he hails from San Francisco — and his children.

When he took on Ramm's case, he scanned the websites created to embarrass her. He pored through the nearly 5,000 emails and additional chat messages, creating a program that would meticulously examine and document his findings to preserve a chain of evidence.

What resulted was a massive packet of information Fardella shipped to the same Singapore investigators who had not responded to Ramm. It didn't hurt that Fardella tapped a Secret Service connection, which happens to have a training center in the strictly ruled city-state.

On July 21, Singapore police arrested Colin Mak Yew Loong and later released him while they continued their investigation, warning

"We need to nail down a structure because people can the comfort of their computer."

> — A.J. Fardella, Black Diamond Data

him to not make any contact with Ramm and at least four other people he's accused of terrorizing via the Internet.

Fardella took on the task of getting Loong prosecuted for two reasons: to free Ramm from his wrath and to call attention to the lack of mutual law-enforcement treaties between countries that he believes will become vital as crime migrates from the streets to the Web, which blurs international lines that bind existing police agen-

"The lack of them is what took six years for action," he said.

Fardella also advocates that comprehensive computer training should be-come standard down to the beat officer level, to ensure consistency in tasks like preserving computer evidence.

"People have no idea. There has been a 900 percent increase in cyber-crime," he said, citing a figure from the 2009 Global Security Conference. "We need to nail down a structure because people can rip people off from the comfort of their computer.'

Ramm, who for the past two years has performed on a cruise ship to keep working and regain her privacy, feels her life slowly falling back into place after finally getting some movement on her case.

The day she got word of Loong's arrest remains vivid in her mind.

"I'll never forget that day in a coffee shop in Greece. I've been waiting for that email for six years," she said. "And I haven't heard from him since. I have my life back."

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