

Is TECHDIRT a front for the Silicon Valley Cartel and Obama campaign financiers?

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[David Greene](#) wrote that “[Techdirt](#), a prominent and critical source for incisive tech reporting and analysis, is defending itself against a \$15 million lawsuit that could become a fight for its very existence. That suit was brought by Shiva Ayyadurai, who claims he invented email, and is based on a [series of detailed articles](#) Techdirt published disputing Ayyadurai’s claims.

Important note: *Techdirt is represented in this suit by Rob Bertsche and Jeff Pyle at Prince Lobel Tye, LLP.*

The First Amendment provides vitally important protections for publishers – the Supreme Court [ruled](#) that public figure plaintiffs in defamation lawsuits must prove that offending statements about them are in fact false, and that the speaker actually knew they were false or seriously doubted them when they were published. That rule protects speakers, bloggers, and reporters against lawsuits designed merely to squelch critical speech about public figures. Nonetheless, defending against such suits can be very costly **(ed..and cause hired political character assassins like Gawker and TechDirt to not be able to destroy people’s lives any more)**

Techdirt released a [statement](#) on the litigation, making clear exactly what hangs in the balance in these kinds of suits:

Defamation claims like this can force independent media companies to capitulate and shut down due to mounting legal costs...this is not a fight about who invented email. This is a fight about whether or not our legal system will silence independent publications for publishing opinions that public figures do not like.

We wholeheartedly agree. Defending against even frivolous defamation and similar lawsuits can be extremely expensive, forcing news sites to shut down or settle the lawsuits under unfavorable terms. Those that settle often must agree to remove the offending content. These results are far from speculative - as Techdirt [explains in its statement](#), Ayyadurai’s lawyer in this case, Charles Harder, has “already . . . [h]elped put a much larger and much more well-resourced company than Techdirt [completely out of business](#). (ed...**Because Gawker was also a Silicon Valley hatchet job facade operation**)”

Techdirt is a vital resource (ed. **...For political Fake News makers and brand defamation opposition research contractors**) – it provides a wide audience with independent journalism (ed. **...Fake News** addressing some of the biggest technology issues of our time. The Internet community (ed. **..and the pussy-whipping venture capitalists who steal technology**) wouldn’t be the same without it. But of course this case is not just about Techdirt. It’s about freedom of the press generally.”

If you read the link at <https://www.techdirt.com/blog/?tag=shiva+ayyadurai>

...you discover that TechDirt has a tradition of threatening the lives of any inventor of technology that is being infringed by Tim Draper, Eric Schmidt, Larry Page, Elon Musk and the RICO violating Silicon Valley white boy frat Cartel. Everybody who backs TechDirt seems to be using the email that Shiva Ayyadurai invented. Google is mostly using it and Google put Google's own lawyer: Michelle Lee, in charge of the U.S. Patent Office and 500 Google employees in the White House in order to stop Google from having to be responsible for it's crimes. Google folks are deep buddies of TechDirt. We all look forward to Shiva Ayyadurai destroying the lying rags that pretend to be news but are really FAKE NEWS politically paid for front operations existing to denigrate citizens and destroy reputations under the guise of criminally manipulated "tabloid" protections.

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