

The Toronto Star 1 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M5E 1E6

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RE: "Federal Court asked to spare former clients of immigration consultant fraudster."

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants (CAPIC), I want to provide some information to you that may be helpful in your reporting on immigration fraud.

The Toronto Star article "Federal Court asked to spare former clients of immigration consultant fraudster," dated March 10, 2018, falsely applies the term "immigration consultant" to Xun "Sunny" Wang. From 2006 onward, Mr. Wang was not a member of the Canadian Society of Immigration Consultants (CSIC) and has not since become a member of the Immigration Consultants of Canada Regulatory Council (ICCRC); during <u>court proceedings</u> the judge never referred to Mr. Wang as either an unlicensed or licensed immigration consultant.

Please issue an erratum and retract this information immediately, as it causes severe harm to the over 4500 Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultants who contribute to the integrity of the Canadian immigration system and the betterment of Canadian society.

We feel that the term "unauthorized representative" is more appropriate, as the term "authorized representatives" is used by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada and appears throughout the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations (IRPR). The Law Society of Ontario also uses the term "unauthorized practitioner," which is broader but nevertheless denotes a nonprofessional, unlike the word "consultant."

CAPIC fully supports the successful resolution of this case and the efforts of law enforcement agencies in bringing the perpetrator to justice. I trust that the above clarification is helpful to the Star's ongoing coverage of this important issue.

Yours Truly,

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