

Libel Cases Type 1

McCann vs. Tal & Qual

McCann Libel Suits	
McCann's v Tal & Qual	31 August 2007
McCann's v 24 Horas	October 2007
McCann's v Media	19 March 2008
McCann's v Paulo Reis, Portuguese journalist	2008
McCann's v Goncalo Amaral & TVI	June/July 2009
McCann's v Tony Bennett & Debbie Butler	27 August 2009
McCann's v Pamalam	2009
McCann's v Madeleine Foundation	January 2010
McCann's v Madeleine Foundation	February 2010
McCann's & Jon Corner v McCann Exposure & Wordpress	2 June 2011
McCann's v Paulo Sargento Hermani Carvalho Manuel Luis Goucha & TVI	15 June 2011
McCann's v Pat Brown, Criminal Profiler	July 2011
McCann's v Tony Bennett	12 August 2011

Costs for all Libel suits were paid out of Madeleine's Fund "leaving no stone unturned"
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"The McCanns announced on 31 August that they were suing the Portuguese tabloid Tal & Qual for libel. The newspaper reported that the "police believe" that the McCanns killed Madeleine, suggesting she may have died in an accident or from a drugs overdose.[53] The McCanns' lawyer, Carlos Pinto de Abreu, said the couple's image had been "dragged through the dirt" by "character-assassinating, tabloid-style" news reports, adding that the press "has engaged in a horrific exercise in scandal-mongering, replete with rumours and lurid commentaries...to sell more TV time and newspaper space to advertisers". The police stressed that the McCanns were not suspects.[54] Tal & Qual stood by the story. The journalist who wrote the article, Catarina Vaz Guerreiro, said "I can't reveal my source, but I have complete trust in them. I strongly believe that the person that gave us this information is telling the truth."[55] The paper ceased publication after 28 September 2007, because of a drop in circulation.[56]"

The McCann's vs. Newspapers

"In March 2008, the McCanns launched a libel suit against the Daily Express and its sister newspaper, the Daily Star, as well as their Sunday equivalents, following the newspapers' coverage of the case. The action concerned more than 100 stories across the four newspapers, which accused the McCanns of causing Madeleine's death and then covering it up.[58] One immediate consequence of the action was that Express Newspapers pulled all references to Madeleine from its websites.[59] In a settlement reached at the High Court of Justice, the newspapers agreed to run a front-page apology to the McCanns on 19 March 2008, publish another apology on the front pages of the Sunday editions of 23 March and make a statement of apology at the High Court.[58] Guardian media commentator Roy Greenslade said it was "unprecedented" for four major newspapers to offer front-page apologies, but also said that it was more than warranted given that the papers had committed "a substantial libel" that shamed the entire British press.[60] In its apology, the Express stated that "a number of articles in the newspaper have suggested that the couple caused the death of their missing daughter Madeleine and then covered it up. We acknowledge that there is no evidence whatsoever to support this theory and that Kate and Gerry are completely innocent of any involvement in their daughter's disappearance."[61] The McCanns also accepted £550,000 (\$1.1 million) damages and costs.[62] They promised to pay the damages into Madeleine's Fund.[58]"

The **Tapas 7** vs. Newspapers

“The friends of the McCanns, known as the Tapas Seven, were awarded around £375,000 in damages and secured printed apologies from Express Newspapers. The friends have donated the settlement monies to the Fund. The apologies, printed in both the Daily Express and Daily Star, said “In articles ... we suggested that the holiday companions of Kate and Gerry McCann might have covered up the true facts concerning Madeleine McCann's disappearance and/or misled the authorities investigating her disappearance. We also reported speculation that ... Dr Russell O'Brien, was suspected of involvement with Madeleine's abduction. We now accept that these suggestions should never have been made and were completely untrue. ...”[66]”

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McCann vs. Amaral

“The McCanns applied for an injunction, on 8 December 2009, prohibiting sale of the book, written by Gonçalo Amaral, Maddie, a Verdade da Mentira (Maddie, the Truth of the Lie), and launched a libel suit against Amaral.[67]”

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McCann vs. Bennet Libel Suit

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