



NOMINEES : EUROPEAN SLAPP CONTEST 2026

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NOMINEE 1:

Millennium Team d.o.o.

COUNTRY:

Serbia



DETAILS

In June 2025, the construction company Millennium Team filed a private criminal complaint against artist, writer, and activist Dejan Atanacković regarding his statements about their controversial demolition of Hotel Jugoslavija, the Sava Mala case (where an entire street in Belgrade was demolished to make way for a UAE-funded luxury real estate project), construction waste disposal, and other dealings of the company. The complaint demands that the First Municipal Court in Belgrade impose a prison sentence of one year on Atanacković.

Previously, in November 2024, the company had threatened activists protesting the demolition of Hotel Jugoslavija with lawsuits. At that time, citizens highlighted suspicions that the building was being demolished illegally – potentially releasing large amounts of harmful asbestos – and that the company in question was carrying out the demolition.

REMEDY SOUGHT:

€20,000

STATUS:

Ongoing.

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NOMINEE 2:

Starting d.o.o.

COUNTRY:

Serbia



DETAILS

Starting is a construction company that was hired as a subcontractor for the reconstruction of the Railway Station in Novi Sad, whose canopy collapsed in 2014 killing 16 people. The company, whose profits in 2024 reach 100 million euro, is suing seven individuals for defamation under the criminal code for “damaging business reputation and creditworthiness”. These defendants are lawyer Ivan Ninić, professor Dejan Mirović, civil engineers Danijel Dašić and Zoran Đajić, architect Slobodan Maldini, MP Đorđe Stanković and journalist Sofija Bogosavljev. Common to all the defendants is that they publicly questioned the role of this company in the reconstruction of the railway station in Novi Sad and that they pointed to failures in the company’s work that continue to go unpunished.

See also:

- [Starting v. multiple people](#)
- [Starting v. Ivan Ninić](#)
- [Starting v. Sofija Bogosavljev](#)

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REMEDY SOUGHT:

The company demanded that journalist Sofija Bogosavljev be fined 300,000 dinars (approx €2,500). It is not known what amount is claimed from the other defendants, but in accordance with the Criminal Code, a fine or a prison sentence of up to one year is provided for.

STATUS:

Ongoing.



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NOMINEE 3:

Hell Energy LTD

COUNTRY:

Hungary



DETAILS

Deja vu? Maybe! Since 2019, Hell Energy LTD, a Hungarian energy drink company run by brothers Ernő Barabás Jr. and Zsolt Barabás has initiated more than 30 proceedings across 10 separate cases against Forbes — including personality rights claims, DPA proceedings based on the GDPR, and numerous press rectification lawsuits — with the aim of preventing anything about them from appearing in the public sphere. In 2025 they struck again but this time, things got meta.

The Hungarian Civil Liberties Union (HCLU) represented Forbes in a case concerning the brothers' inclusion in the magazine's "richest 50" list. After Forbes won that case in September 2025, the Barabás brothers brought a new lawsuit — this time against HCLU itself — alleging slander. That case was dismissed at first instance.

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On 2 June 2025, the brothers launched yet another proceeding against HCLU before the Budapest-Capital Regional Court. This time, the claim was triggered by HCLU's public statements describing Hell's litigation strategy against Forbes as SLAPPs. They challenged 71 different statements made on HCLU's website and social media channels, even going as far as objecting to HCLU's case-related mission statement, that: "The HCLU works to ensure that journalists' work cannot be censored."



REMEDY SOUGHT :

The plaintiffs initially sought damages of 10,000,000 HUF (€ 26,400).

STATUS :

The first instance judgment was delivered on 15 October 2025. The court dismissed the claim in its entirety. The Plaintiffs appealed against the judgment, but only in respect of nine of the contested statements, and they withdrew their claim for damages (non-pecuniary compensation). The second instance proceeding is still ongoing.

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**NOMINEES:
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SLAPP POLITICIAN OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 1:

Jelena Tanaskovic

COUNTRY:

Serbia



DETAILS

Jelena Tanasković, former Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management and director of "Railway Infrastructure" and one of the suspects in the case of the canopy collapse in Novi Sad, sued the editor and journalist of KRIK and is demanding compensation of one million dinars (approx €8,515) for alleged harm to her reputation and violation of the presumption of innocence.

The lawsuit concerns a [KRIK article](#) reporting that a private company where Tanasković previously worked filed a criminal complaint against her for suspected financial misconduct causing damages of around 200 million dinars. The article also points out that this complaint was later dismissed by the Prosecutor's Office for Organized Crime after a police report signed by Ninoslav Cmolić, who is married to longtime associate of Tanasković, minister Irene Vujović – information which is already publicly available. Tanasković claims the reporting injured her honor and falsely implies misconduct, even attributing statements to the article that were not published, like calling her a "murderer", when in reality the article only states "[she] was arrested two weeks ago due to the fall of the station canopy in Novi Sad when 15 people died."

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Additionally, Tanasković is suing KRIK for a second time for publishing the information that she sued them. This practically seeks to prohibit public information and reporting on malicious actions conducted against the media. Tanasković also states that she is presented as a criminal because she is written about by KRIK, which deals with crime and corruption, which indicates the baseless and unfounded argumentation of the filed lawsuit.



REMEDY SOUGHT :

one million dinars (approx €8,515) in each case.

STATUS :

Ongoing.

Nominee 1

SLAPP POLITICIAN OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 2:

Giorgia Meloni

COUNTRY:

Italy



DETAILS

The Italian Prime Minister strikes again. Giorgia Meloni, who previously won SLAPP Politician of the Year in the 2024 European SLAPP Contest, has sued Daniele Fabbri, a comedian and cartoonist, for defamation following statements Fabbri made during a YouTube podcast "Contains Bad Words". In his satirical podcast, Fabbri criticised the sexist insults that had previously been directed at Giorgia Meloni, emphasizing that "many non-discriminatory, yet still satisfactory, words could be used in their place." While the incident dates back to 2021 when the podcast was released, the first hearing took place in November 2025, when the judge watched the incriminating video and asked Meloni's lawyer if he really wanted to pursue the complaint. (The answer was yes). Meloni is seeking €20,000 for psychological damages.

REMEDY SOUGHT:

€20,000

STATUS:

Ongoing.

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SLAPP POLITICIAN OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 3:

Mayor Claude Eerdekens

COUNTRY:

Belgium



DETAILS

On 11 October 2024, Claude Eerdekens, then socialist mayor of Andenne, summoned journalist Mélanie De Groote following a critical profile published on 3 October in Belgian political magazine, Wilfried magazine. The article, titled "Claude Eerdekens, the old beast of Andenne," examined his political career ahead of local elections and included testimonies from 33 witnesses alleging moral harassment and sexist behavior.

Eerdekens denied the allegations, calling them part of an orchestrated pre-election campaign.

After publication, Eerdekens and the City of Andenne filed lawsuits before the Namur Court of First Instance, accusing De Groote of violating privacy, breaching professional ethics, and making defamatory and insulting statements causing personal injury and giving rise to a right to compensation. He sought damages and the publication of the judgment in the magazine at the journalist's expense.

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This is reportedly common practice with him: For many years he has sued local television on several occasions, witnesses who spoke in the local press. He sends lawyers' letters as soon as someone criticizes him, whether they are the media, citizens' groups, political opponents or journalists. He generally involves the town of Andenne and the municipal legal service in his efforts.

On 12 February 2026, the Namur Court of First Instance dismissed all claims and awarded De Groote €4,000 in procedural compensation. The court found the proceedings manifestly unreasonable and emphasized the importance of press freedom, warning of the chilling effect such lawsuits can have on public-interest journalism.

REMEDY SOUGHT :

Damages assessed according to the harm, as well as the full publication of the court's judgment in the magazine, at the journalist's expense.

STATUS :

On February 12, 2026, the Court of First Instance of Namur dismissed all of Claude Eerdeken's claims and awarded the journalist De Groote €4,000 in increased procedural compensation.

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**NOMINEES:
SLAPP JURIST
OF 2026**

SLAPP JURIST OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 1:

Judge Ivan Marković

COUNTRY:

Croatia




DETAILS

At the regional court in Zadar, judge Ivan Marković has filed 26 complaints against journalists and media. This Croatian judge sued all the media that reported critically on a case he ruled in in which he decided to release five suspects accused of rape and sexual abuse. Half of the lawsuits – 13 lawsuits – are against publications owned by Hanza Media demanding 825,000 kuna (approx €110,000) in damages for emotional distress.

Marković was eventually awarded 250,000 kuna (approx €33,200). The higher court later overturned that judgment and returned the case for a retrial. Those 13 lawsuits against the publisher Hanza Media were later consolidated by the court into a single case.

The judge also filed several lawsuits – three criminal complaints and one civil claim in which he sought 70,000 kuna (€9,290) – against journalist Ivica Neveščanin who first reported on the story. The Croatian Journalists' Association describes this as an apparent "an act of revenge".

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In addition to Hanza Media – the publisher of Jutarnji list and Slobodna Dalmacija – Judge Marković, as a serial plaintiff, has also sued the news portals Index and Telegram, as well as the daily newspaper 24sata, over articles covering the same issue.

National experts describe the phenomenon of judges acting as “serial plaintiffs” as a “sad Croatian exception”. Hanza Media alone, the largest newspaper concern in the Republic of Croatia, has 18 lawsuits with a total value of damages claims exceeding one million kuna (€133,000), from 11 judges.

REMEDY SOUGHT:

Financial compensations for damages.

STATUS:

Proceedings against Hanza media are ongoing. Journalist Ivica Neveščanin lost in the first instance and appealed the ruling; the appeal proceedings are currently ongoing. The other lawsuits against him remain active in 2026.

SLAPP JURIST OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 2:

Setu Kamal

COUNTRY:

UK




DETAILS

Setu Kamal, a tax barrister, is pursuing Dan Neidle, investigative journalist covering tax and legal issues and former tax partner at a law firm, for defamation and malicious falsehood over his reporting on a tax scheme widely promoted by Arka Wealth, which Neidle described as an “aggressive tax avoidance scheme which has no realistic prospect of success”.

Kamal did not respond substantively to a right of reply issued by Neidle prior to publication. Instead he demanded access to Neidle’s and Tax Policy Associates’ subscriber base, which was refused.

Following publication of the article, in a private attempt to settle the complaint, Kamal told Neidle he had written to Google, Bing, Cyprus Data Protection Office and the Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO) to seek to have the article delisted. He continued to call for the piece to be removed, insisting that Neidle also publish his ICO complaint and pay 80% of the income Kamal alleged he had lost from current or former clients as a result of the publication.

Nominee 2



Also included was a requirement for Neidle to publish “clear and public confirmation of your sincere belief that I am the leading barrister in the field of taxation in the country” and agree never to make any “false or misleading references” to any person ever again.

On 14 August 2025, Kamal applied for an interim injunction against Dan Neidle and Tax Policy Associates without notifying Neidle as is necessary. Dan Neidle was only made aware of the application, when he received an email from the High Court with a copy of an order dismissing the application due to failures by Kamal to comply with the relevant procedure and to meet the necessary tests for an interim injunction.

Since Kamal issued proceedings, HMRC (the UK’s tax, payments and customs authority) has added him to its tax avoidance promoter list, saying he has created contract templates that are “essential to how these arrangements operate”. This is the first time a practising lawyer has been named as a tax avoidance scheme promoter.

On 20 October 2025, Dan Neidle filed an application to have a legal action against him thrown out in a landmark test of the anti-SLAPP provisions in the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act (ECCTA).

On 11 March 2026, Mrs Justice Collins Rice published her judgment in Dan Neidle's favour, stating “[t]he Defendants are in these circumstances entitled to a declaration that Mr Kamal’s claim is a statutory SLAPP.”

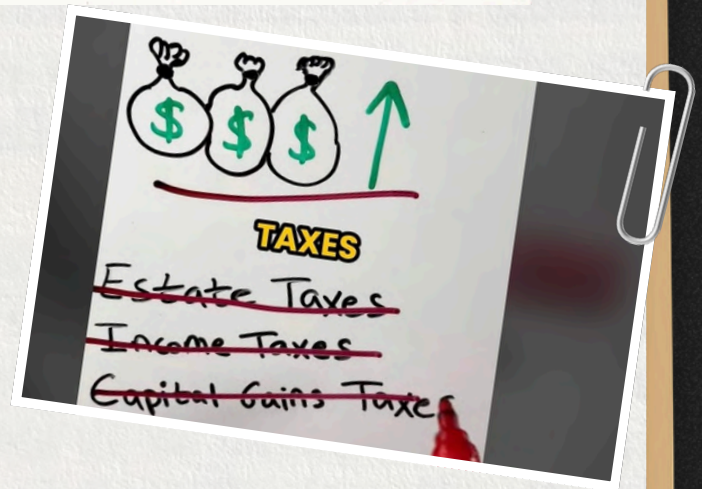
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REMEDY SOUGHT:

Kamal had valued his claim at £8 million (approx €9,200,000) due to losing a contract following Neidle's article.

STATUS:

Closed. Ruled in the defendant's favour as a statutory SLAPP.



Nominee 2

SLAPP JURIST OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 3:

*PCS Parnuch Chrusciel
Schiffner Stepien*

COUNTRY:

Poland




DETAILS

The original nomination received by CASE was for a case in which the president of a Polish mattress company worth around PLN 60 million (approx €15 million) brought civil proceedings against three employee-trade union members following their workplace communications.

In March 2025, the claimant initiated proceedings before a district court for the protection of personal rights, alleging defamation and reputational harm. The claims targeted a broad range of statements made by the employee-trade union members about working conditions, management conduct, and the company's financial situation.

Due to the fact that the parties reached an out-of-court settlement and, as a consequence, the lawsuits were withdrawn, the defendants intend to remain anonymous (see section status of the case).

Nominee 3



However, what CASE found particularly interesting about this case is the law firm PCS Paruch Chruściel Schiffter Stępień (the largest HR law firm in Poland) had already taken actions that were explicitly recognised by the court as SLAPP and a form of abuse of law – in another case against a trade union activist. In the case in question, the District Court ruled that the private prosecution brought by the company represented by PCS Paruch Chruściel Schiffter Stępień “has the characteristics of a SLAPP and constitutes a clear abuse of law on the part of the private prosecutor.”

The litigation in question forms part of a wider pattern in Poland described as “labour SLAPPs,” where legal action is used to deter or retaliate against trade union activity.

Moreover, in 2020, PCS Paruch Chruściel Schiffter, joined Littler, the world's largest employment law practice representing employers. It has been described as a union-busting firm by a number of critics and is the largest union avoidance firm in the US. It has counseled and defended companies including Starbucks, Amazon, Nissan, and Delta Air Lines against employees trying to unionise.

The CASE therefore decided to nominate the law firm for the contest rather than the mattress company.




REMEDY SOUGHT:

In the original case, the claimant sought extensive remedies, including public apologies, removal of publications, and orders prohibiting further statements about the company. Financial demands included a payment of PLN 100,000 (approx €23,266) to a charity and additional penalties for non-compliance. Parallel criminal defamation proceedings were also initiated but did not result in charges.

STATUS:

The case ultimately ended in a confidential settlement reached through mediation, with the president of the company withdrawing all claims.



Nominee 3

**NOMINEES:
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BULLY OF THE
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NOMINEE 1:

Claudio Di Giovanni

COUNTRY:

UK




DETAILS

In August 2025, London-based outlet The Londoner, part of Mill Media, published an investigation by journalist Cormac Kehoe into Italian businessman Claudio Di Giovanni, alleging his involvement in unlawful rental arbitrage schemes affecting multiple London landlords and tenants. The article drew on testimonies from alleged victims, reporting significant unpaid rent, poor living conditions, and ongoing disputes. The article is entitled 'Claudio is Scamming', the name of the WhatsApp group that several of CDG's former colleagues and business associates have created.

The investigation by The Londoner found seven upmarket landlords in London, who say they are victims of Di Giovanni's schemes. The Londoner accused CDG of failing to pay well over £100,000 (approx €114,920) in rent and prompting at least four lawsuits. His subletters' online complaints range from electrocution to "filthy" apartments and "broken beds." CDG maintains he has no involvement in property rentals. Airbnb told the Londoner that "it has decided to suspend two accounts believed to be connected to Di Giovanni's operation). Di Giovanni denies the allegations.

Nominee 1



Prior to publication of the article, Di Giovanni issued an aggressive cease-and-desist letter threatening defamation claims, criminal proceedings, and penalties including a £250,000 damages claim (though he offered to accept £5,000 as a settlement along with stringent conditions), injunctions, and even jail time.

After publication, Di Giovanni initiated legal action against Kehoe personally, later expanding claims to include Mill Media, threatening enforcement action, criminal proceedings, and financial penalties unless the article was taken down. Legal threats were also extended to The Londoner, its publisher Mill Media, and multiple sources cited in the investigation, who were warned of defamation claims, damages of up to £250,000, and potential criminal liability.

The case has involved repeated and increasingly aggressive legal communications, including messages from unverifiable “legal representatives”. The proceedings have caused significant stress to the journalist and raised fears of financial ruin.

REMEDY SOUGHT:

Removal of the article, damages, and legal costs.

STATUS:

A High Court hearing is scheduled for April 2026.

Nominee 1

CORPORATE BULLY OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 3:

*John Keegan and Keegan
Quarries Ltd.*

COUNTRY:

Ireland



DETAILS

John Keegan and Keegan Quarries Ltd. have launched several lawsuits against Kieran Cummins and his NGO Eco Advocacy.

Kieran Cummins has been engaged in a long-standing advocacy effort related to planning issues, and has been openly critical of the multi-million-euro company Keegan Quarries. Cummins believes that Keegan operates illegal quarries. He has been campaigning against them on this basis for about 30 years.

Keegan Quarries is a substantial commercial enterprise, reporting a turnover of approximately €36 million in 2023 and holding net assets of nearly €40 million as of December that year. The shares are ultimately held by Keegan and his family through an Isle of Man vehicle, Keegan Investments (IOM) Ltd.

Nominee 2

But of particular interest for this nomination is a lawsuit in which the company is suing Kieran Cummins for defamation and malicious falsehood arising from a criminal complaint made by Cummins against Keegan.

The company sought disclosure of Garda files relating to the original complaint which after a dispute was granted by the High Court in March 2026, despite an intervention from UN Special Rapporteur on Environmental Defenders under the Aarhus Convention, Michel Forst, who wrote to the Government and Chief State Solicitor's Office urging them to oppose it and who expressed concern that this would set a precedent and create a "chilling effect" for others considering submitting complaints. Forst noted that environmental defenders must be protected against so-called SLAPP orders - strategic litigation against public participation.



REMEDY SOUGHT:

No information.

STATUS:

Ongoing.

Nominee 2

CORPORATE BULLY OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE 3:

Joost Debucquoy

COUNTRY:

Belgium




DETAILS

In 2024, Joost Debucquoy, member of one of Belgium's wealthiest real estate families, brought a €1.2 million lawsuit against the volunteer-led non-profits Samen Sterk! vzw and Erfpacht vzw, as well as one of their directors, Liesbeth Beeckman. It was recognised as a SLAPP by CASE in 2025.

The case arises from a controversial leasehold model used by companies linked to the Debucquoy family. These companies market long-term leasehold investments in properties such as holiday flats and apartments, often targeting lower- and middle-income individuals seeking stable returns. According to the defendants, these investments are structurally loss-making: the companies retain multiple roles – developer, landowner, and manager – while shifting costs onto leaseholders, leaving many locked into unprofitable and effectively unsellable contracts for decades.

The lawsuit targets two actions by the non-profits: the reposting of a newspaper article on litigation involving the family's companies, and the launch of a parliamentary petition calling for a ban on the sale of leasehold rights as investment products.

Nominee 3



The case also reflects a broader pattern: prior to the lawsuit, one of the family's companies, Creadomus Invest NV, issued legal threats against one of the organisations, including the prospect of significant financial penalties.

REMEDY SOUGHT:

€1.2 million in damages as well as the removal of the article and petition.

STATUS:

Closed. In November 2025, a Belgian court ruled in favour of the defendant, Liesbeth Beeckman of Samen Sterk! vzw, explicitly identifying the lawsuit as intended to intimidate critics. The judgment noted that "the action appears intended to intimidate critical voices – the situation is manifestly unreasonable," and further referenced emerging anti-SLAPP standards, warning that legal actions aimed at financially exhausting opponents "must be approached with the utmost suspicion."

**NOMINEES:
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NOMINEE 1:

Fox Petroli S.p.A.

COUNTRY:

Italy

The logo for FOX Petroli, featuring the word "FOX" in bold black capital letters and "Petroli" in a black serif font. A stylized orange and red swoosh is positioned behind the text. A silver paperclip is attached to the top right corner of the logo.

DETAILS

In June 2025, powerful Italian energy and petroleum company Fox Petroli S.p.A. filed a €2 million defamation lawsuit against two local environmental defenders, Roberto Malini and Lisetta Sperindei, members of the grassroots group PESARO: NO LNG. The activists had described a former fuel storage site in Pesaro as "degraded" in a press release and article for ImgPress, warning of public health and environmental risks.

"PESARO: NO LNG", is a grassroots citizens' committee opposing the construction of a liquefied natural gas (LNG) plant in the Tombaccia neighbourhood of Pesaro, Italy. For more than seven months, the group has been campaigning against the project proposed by Fox Petroli S.p.A., a financially powerful petroleum and energy company.

Their concerns are serious: the company's chosen site sits in a densely populated and environmentally sensitive urban area. It has hosted hydrocarbon storage and processing activities for decades and is widely considered contaminated and in need of remediation.

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Numerous institutional and technical reports – including those produced by Fox Petroli itself – confirm the site’s condition, noting the presence of obsolete diesel tanks dating back to the 1950s and the need for a substantial clean-up operation.

In May 2025, the PESARO: NO LNG Committee filed a formal environmental complaint, warning authorities about potential risks to public health and safety at the site. They simultaneously issued a press release announcing their action, which was published on the news platform ImgPress. The statement described the site as “degraded” – language that Fox Petroli now claims damaged its reputation.

Interestingly enough, Fox Petroli did not sue ImgPress, highlighting the lawsuit’s aim to target the activists directly. The case has already created a chilling effect on local media coverage and public debate.



REMEDY SOUGHT:

5% of the company’s annual turnover of €47 million (approx €2 million).

STATUS:

Ongoing.

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GREEN GAG AWARD

NOMINEE 2:

Leo Group Limited

COUNTRY:

UK



DETAILS

"Fresh Air for Penrith" is a Facebook campaign founded by local resident and councillor Jeff Thomson to raise awareness about persistent foul odours affecting parts of Penrith, allegedly linked to the Omega Proteins rendering plant operated by Leo Group Limited which describes itself as "a large animal by product company" which is "a leading global business, with operations across the UK, Europe and South Africa". The campaign shares media coverage, regulatory updates, and encourages residents to report odours to the Environment Agency, which has confirmed ongoing monitoring of the site.

In February 2023, Thomson received a legal threat from solicitors acting for Leo Group, accusing him of defamation, harassment, and malicious communications in relation to posts on the Facebook page. The letter also sought to restrict him from sharing its contents. After a complaint to the Solicitors Regulation Authority, new lawyers continued pursuing the case, alleging that Thomson's posts and user comments were defamatory and had caused financial harm to the company.

Nominee 2

The legal action demands removal of posts, an apology, damages, and legal costs, despite limited evidence of harm. Ongoing for over three years, the case has raised serious concerns about its chilling effect on public debate, with local residents and journalists reportedly reluctant to speak out about the odour issue.



REMEDY SOUGHT:

Damages limited to £20K and an injunction.

STATUS:

Ongoing.

GREEN GAG AWARD

NOMINEE 3:

Eni

COUNTRY:

Italy




DETAILS

Another case of déjà vu? After winning "SLAPP Addict of the Year" in 2025, Eni appears to be at it again.

Eva Pastorelli and ReCommon are being sued for alleged defamation via media for statements made in ReCommon's newsletter and an interview on Italy's national public broadcasting company, Rai, concerning ReCommon's public position on Eni's relationship with the Israeli government and Israeli companies in the context of the war in Gaza.

More specifically Eni's complaint concerns ReCommon's reporting about: the new offshore gas exploration licenses awarded by the Israeli government to a consortium involving the Italian oil major in late October 2023 in Palestinian waters; Eni's business collaboration in the UK with Ithaca Energy which is partially controlled by the Israeli oil & gas major, Delek, which is blacklisted by the UN for its operations in Palestinian occupied territories; and alleged shipment of fuels from Eni's plants in Taranto, Southern Italy, to Israeli ports.

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These statements by ReCommon have been drawn from official documents and public sources.

Notably, on 24 March 2026, Eni publicly confirmed its withdrawal from the consortium that had been awarded the contested offshore gas licence. This confirms that Eni had initially been granted the licence, as previously reported by ReCommon. The legal action therefore raises serious questions as to whether the claim seeks to address genuine reputational harm or instead to challenge reporting grounded in verifiable information.

Eni has a documented history of litigation against critics, including previous actions targeting ReCommon and its director, Antonio Tricarico. These actions intensified following the acquittal of Eni and Shell managers in a major international corruption case in which ReCommon played a key investigative role.

Fun facts: Eni is Italy's largest historical and current polluter. The company is also 30 per cent controlled by the Italian government through a golden share mechanism under EU law which gives the government the right to appoint two thirds of the company's board and de facto its chair and the CEO.

REMEDY SOUGHT :

€800,000

Nominee 3

STATUS:

Ongoing. Hearing of the compulsory mediation is scheduled for April 14th, 2026. ReCommon has no intention to engage in the mediation process given the ideological and totally groundless position of Eni and will soon communicate its intention of not proceeding with the mediation. Despite previous SLAPPs having been resolved through extra-judicial settlements, ReCommon believes that it would become counterproductive to accept any negotiation in this case.

