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A statement by Mark Adams on the LA Times article from May 17, 2023:

The once august Los Angeles Times has adopted the “gotcha” journalism standards once relegated to the likes of the National Enquirer.

Many of the claims (and certainly the innuendo) of the article are false. I want to add how deeply disappointed I am that in publishing what can only be considered a hit piece, The Los Angeles Times did not disclose the ‘baggage’ its own reporter, Liam Dillon, carries.

[According to Housing Is A Human Right](#), Liam Dillon has made many appearances – and it is unknown whether they were paid and unpaid - beyond his duties at the Times. The report deems him to be a “shill for big real estate,” thus having undisclosed conflicts of interest in his reporting. Possibly, not coincidentally, it is those same big real estate interests and their bankers that Mr. Dillon publicly associates with who are the most vocal and aggressive opponents of what we’re doing at the Skid Row properties.

Shame on the Los Angeles Times for hiding that conflict of interest while at the same time criticizing my work on just 5 of the 330 properties I’ve worked on over a 23-year career.

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