

Former Murdoch employees worried reputations may be hurt by association

Former News of the World staff are watching with alarm as Rupert Murdoch's media empire scrambles to contain a hacking scandal that has closed their newspaper and could make finding new employment more difficult. Some reporters at the hugely popular British paper say their reputations may be harmed by association as more cases of intrusive news gathering surface, both at News of the World and other Murdoch titles. "Now that the dust has settled, we are looking to our future and I think we have all been a bit tarnished by this and we're genuinely concerned about issues going on elsewhere," said one former employee. Some have already contacted lawyers. The London legal practice Silverman Sherliker invited the sacked journalists to sign up to an action group via its website.

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