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Palm Beach Media ex-president sues

WEST PALM BEACH — Margarita Abrishami, former president of the company that publishes *Palm Beach Illustrated* magazine, has sued her former boss, saying he reneged on promises to make her a part owner and fired her instead.

Abrishami said in the Palm Beach County Circuit Court lawsuit that Palm Beach Media Group owner Ronald J. Wood first promised in 1994 to give her a 30 percent stake in the company. He also agreed to pay \$12,000 a year to her retirement plan.

Woods eventually reduced her promised stake to 20 percent but never followed through, instead firing her in the parking lot of a Palm Beach Gardens restaurant in November, the suit said. Woods did not return a telephone call seeking comment. The company also publishes glossies such as *Naples Illustrated*, the *Palm Beach Charity Register* and an in-house magazine for the Mar-a-Lago club.

Abrishami is asking the court to dissolve their partnership. The suit puts a value of \$10 million to \$12 million on the company.

Abrishami, who is asking for a jury trial, is represented by West Palm Beach lawyers James Beasley and Robert Montgomery.