

Celebrity News: Madonna Sticks Up for Ex-Husband Sean Penn



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Though they're no longer a [celebrity couple](#), Madonna is standing up for her ex-husband Sean Penn, in latest [celebrity news](#). According to [UsMagazine.com](#), Penn is currently suing *Empire* creator Lee Daniels for defamation after he alleged that Penn is abusive toward women while defending Terrence Howard during an interview with the *Hollywood Reporter*. In a new declaration submitted via Penn's amended lawsuit, Madonna denies all reports of abuse, calling them "outrageous, reckless, and false."

This celebrity news show that past love dies hard. What are some reasons to stay in contact with an ex partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Just because you break it off with someone, celebrity couple or not, that doesn't mean it makes sense to cut all ties with them. Cupid has some relationship advice:

1. Networking: If your partner has been a big part of your career, then it may not make sense to cut ties with them. You can keep things professional civil without being emotionally invested.

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2. You're close friends first: Sometimes it may not be possible to get past the hurt of a break-up, but other times it's possible to remain friends. There's no reason to throw away a good friendship if it doesn't hurt you emotionally, so make sure you know what you're throwing away before you make a concrete decision.

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3. You still care: Sure, you may not be a couple anymore, but you can't just stop caring about someone the second you're no longer in a relationship. It doesn't hurt to initiate some small talk to make sure your partner is okay every once in a while.

What are some other reasons to stay in contact with your ex?

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