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elcome to the premier issue of REAL FREEDOM, The Lisa McPherson Trust (LMT) Newsletter. Each month's issue will highlight the events and activities of LMT's office and staff. In addition, we will feature an article from the archives. This month's archive article is from a 1951 New Jersey daily, which reports The Hubbard Dianetics Research Foundation Inc., being accused of operating as school for treatment of disease without a license in a complaint by the State Board of Medical Examiners.

The Lisa McPherson Trust Staff

Although most of you already know us, we would like to reintroduce ourselves.

Stacy Brooks, President

Stacy spent nearly fifteen years working in the upper levels of Scientology management in Los Angeles. Since leaving the organization in 1989, Stacy has exposed the abuse and deception of Scientology on such television programs as 60 Minutes and Dateline, and has spoken on the subject at a number of conferences. She has also been an expert consultant on many court cases involving Scientology. In the eleven years since she left, Stacy has helped hundreds of people recover from the abuses and deception of Scientology.

Jesse Prince, Executive Vice President

Former Scientologist and Sea Org* member of 16 years, Jesse was a senior executive in the Religious Technology Center, Scientology's top management and trademark organization. In 1992, Jesse left the Sea Org and for six years remained silent about his experiences in Scientology under the threat of a lawsuit by the organization. He now actively assists former and current Scientologists recover from their experiences in Scientology.

Karin Case, Public Relations Director

Growing up in Clearwater, Fla., Karin watched as the Scientology organization intimidated anyone who questioned it, and increased its control of the city. As more information came to light, Karin shared her knowledge of Scientology's deceit with others. After she earned a B.A. in public relations from The University of Florida, she returned to Clearwater and worked in public and investor relations for seven years. Hearing of LMT's arrival in Clearwater, Karin had an immediate aspiration to become their public relations person and continue her efforts to educate others about Scientology's harmful practices.

Mark Bunker, Multi-Media Coordinator

After reading about Scientology, Mark desired to inform others about its management's harmful practices. He brings years of Los Angeles entertainment industry experience to LMT media's video productions. Beginning in 1997, Mark anonymously produced RealVideo of network broadcasts for various websites. After meeting Bob Minton and Stacy Brooks in January 1999, he created his own website, xenutv.com. Armed with the patented MintonCam*, Mark covers the world of Scientology, showing firsthand experiences with its tactics and personal interviews of those who are affected by it. From revenge pickets to bull baiting and beyond, he documents the behavior of Scientology's Office of Special Affairs.

Jeff Jacobsen, Librarian

Jeff joined LMT in May after moving from Scottsdale, Ariz., where he managed a family business. Jeff earned a B. A. in religious studies. In addition, he has completed extensive research on cults in general and focused on Scientology specifically. His interest in cults derives from his six-year experience in a small Pentecostal church in South Dakota during the 1970's. Jeff plans to establish a valuable and comprehensive library about Scientology for LMT.

DEFENDANT'S EXHIBIT

FROM THE ARCHIVES:

New Jersey Starts Action Against Dianetics

From the Elizabeth Daily Journal, January 15, 1951

The Hubbard Dianetics Research Foundation, Inc. was accused of operating a school for treatment of disease without a license in a complaint by the State Board of Medical Examiners docketed today in Part I of District Court. The complaint was served on C. Parker Morgan, 275 Morris Avenue, registered agent.

The board, acting through Attorney General Theodore D. Parsons, specifically charged that the foundation violated R.S. 18:20-18. The foundation is required to file an answer by Thursday. Otherwise the state may move for a judgment. The act provides for a penalty of \$500.

The foundation propounds a theory its supporters claim to be a simple, scientific cure to mental illnesses. In a 450-page book outlining the theory of L. Ron Hubbard, an Elizabeth resident claims unqualifiedly that the "hidden sources of all psychosomatic ills and human aberration have been discovered and skills have been developed for their invariable cure."

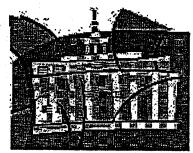
Opposition to the movement has been strong among certain psychiatric and psychological groups, who claim it does harm to the mentally ill by its oversimplification and its promises.

The act cited in the District Court case differs somewhat from the section under which most prosecutions for practicing medicine unlawfully are instituted. It says:

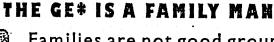
"No school or college shall be conducted within this State for the purpose of training or qualifying students to practice medicine or surgery or any branch thereof or any method of treatment of disease without first securing from the State Board of Medical Examiners a license authorizing them to do so."

Judge Milton A. Feller directed that, conforming to practice giving the State preference in complaints in this category, an early date be assigned for hearing.

"I don't think there is any question that Scientology brought pressure to bear on Medical Examiner Joan Wood to change the autopsy report concerning the cause of Lisa McPherson's death. It is a travesty.of justice that the criminal case has been dismissed. But it doesn't change the fact that Lisa McPherson died a horrible, gruesome death while being held at the Fort Harrison Hotel.



If Scientology had taken her to a hospital where she could get proper medical care, Lisa would be alive today. The Lisa McPherson Trust continues to get calls every single day from people who have been victimized by Scientology, and we will go on helping these people in every way we possibly can." -Stacy Brooks, June 14, 2000



Families are not good groups; they're bad groups.

-L.Ron Hubbard Flows: Patterns of Interaction 10 December 1952

* See glossary on page 6

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FROM THE LIBRARY

I've put up the Lisa McPherson police investigation CD.

Some TIF's will not be going up because a) they are not important, b) they are copyrighted, c) they were handwritten.

But all the interviews will beup, and this will be searchable now as well.

The library had been indexed but that is basically an inventory.

The next projects will be to remodel the room, put in shelving, and re-index the items using the final indexing system.

As for living here, it definitely is an Alice in Wonderland atmosphere. I'm followed often. When we leave the trust the Scientology security guygets on his phone instantly, no doubt to report our movements. So it's certainly not a "normal" life-style, but I believe the work is important and I'm grateful for the opportunity to help.

Jeff

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See the Boston picket footage at http://www.lisatrust.net/Media/magool.htm

Mary DeMoss, following Scientology orders, joins in with other Scientologists as they attempt to discourage critics picketing in front of the Fort Harrison Hotel. During the last few pickets, Scientologists have been ordered to harrass and insult critics.



See Clearwater picket footage at http://www.lisatrust.net/Media/picket081900.htm



See the award ceremony footage at http://www.lisatrust.net/Media/leipzig.htm

Bob Minton visited
Leipzig, Germany
this May to receive
the Alternate
Charlemagne Award
presented by Ursula
Caberta on behalf of
the EuropeanAmerican Citizens
Committee for
Human Rights and
Religious Freedom for
his effort on behalf of
victims of
Scientology.

Tory Bezazian recently separated

years in the

friendly

from the Church of

Scientology after 30

organization. Early

August, Tory visited

the Boston Org. and

attempted peaceful,

conversation with

Bob & Stacy while they picketed.

the camera man who was filming

LMT Website News

We have redesigned our website, and will continue working to make it a useful resource for information about Scientology. Look for new features including out-of-the-ordinary archives, more articles on the relationship between the City of Clearwater and Scientology, LMT Frequently Asked Questions and LMT MEDIA, the soon-to-be new home of the website formerly know as xenuty.

Some highlights of LMT MEDIA are:

A series of videos documenting Ursula Caberta's visit to Clearwater, Fla., including the hostile greeting she received by Scientologists at Tampa International Airport, Cabert a picketing at FLAG, Scientologists picketing LMT, Caberta's press conference at LMT and the local media coverage of the events.

The latest Bob Minton videos include the Alternate Charlemagne Award ceremony, during which Caberta presented Minton an award on behalf of the European-American Citizens Committee for HUman Rights and Religious Freedom; the public forum at Howard University, at which Minton discussed how he assisted the Nigerian government in reducing the country's national debt, and "the mad picket" in which Mary DeMoss and other Scientologists make several suggestions to Minton including that he "get a job."

You can watch Jesse Prince's appearance on a Denmark news show in which he discusses his personal experiences in Scientology.

Many of you have already watched Tory "MaGoo" Bezazian at the Boston Org. Since that time, Bezazian helped initiate ascries of videos in which former Scientologists who were at the OT VII level discuss various issues pertaining to the Scientology organization, management and technology.

Greg and Debra Barnes, both OT 7's, were recently subjected to an extremely abusive Committee of Evidence (Scientology's version of a trial) and subsequently declared Suppressive Persons. See the whole story on LMT Media.

As always, if you have any comments or suggestions for our website, or a video you would like considered for LMT MEDIA, formerly xenuty.com, please contact us at 727-467-9335.

A Mother's Betrayal By The New CAN

From Trancenet.org

www.trancenet.org is a website for former cult members.

[Trancenet] Editor's Note: Since Scientology has taken over the old Cult Awareness Network, parents have contacted us with allegations and horror stories like the one below.

Age group. Everyone else in the family thinks that she is just exploring a new dimension in her life and that she will come out of it... I used to think this too, until she broke from me and her mail and phone calls were blocked. I am reading a lot about cults, particularly Steve Hassan's book, and I know she is being subjected to mind control techniques and hypnotic regression therapy.

There have been abrupt changes in her life: She quit her job, sold her old truck and got a car payment, moved into and works for the community, is planning to have a child by artificial insemination, entered into a committed but not sexual partnership with another woman in the community, is a coach for others in this process, runs workshops, may be earning money now, but I'm not sure if she gives her money to the community.

I visited this Spring. People were gracious and I saw some good things in the community. I was unable to confront her, actually found myself getting sucked in. The people have cold eyes. They think they are going to change the world and everyone in the world should do this training... After I returned, Ellen cut off talking for a month so that she would not have to continue to "take care of me" or relate emotionally.

When I looked for help, I experienced a betrayal from the Cult Awareness Network [CAN] in Chicago.

This is the way they operate: The hotline operator makes sure she gets the name of the organization the caller is worried about. Her tone of voice changed to one of urgency, but I was too emotional to notice that at the time. I was told that: the organization changed hands because of a lawsuit about a forcible deprogramming, deprogramming is illegal, there is 100 percent recidivism rate, mediation is recommended and I would receive a phone call from a mediator.

Thus, they got my name and phone number. No mediator called me. In the meantime, CAN called the organization in question and disclosed... that a complaint had been lodged. Since this is a new, small organization and I was the most recently aggrieved parent, they all knew I had made the phone call.

I was still in contact with members of the organization and they told me about the call. Obviously my position became tenuous and a complete cut-off of all family soon occurred. When I learned of the betrayal, I called the hotline and complained. (I obviously had not done my research on the Internet yet. I got the listing from Gale Research Co, Encyclopedia of Organizations. I have contacted their editor about omitting the listing.)

The executive director called me back and I, still believing this was abona-fide organization, angrily told her how their policy of calling the organization was insane and how it had damaged even further my relationship with my daughter. She seemed to be genuinely emotionally shaken. She promised that a psychologist employed by CAN would call me. Obviously no one phoned. Then I turned to the Internet and got the real story about the takeover by Scientology. I hope that is all the harm they can do.

Spread the word.

A Few Words About Dennis Clarke

Mhen Human Rights Go Wrong.

Scientology's front group, the Citizens Commission on Human Rights (CCHR), was created specifically to attack Psychiatry. With Dennis Clarke as the head of the CCHR those attacks become serious. In a period of just a few days, Clarke physically assaulted several members of the LMT.

As a Human Rights leader, Dennis Clarke is less like Ghandi and more like Rambo. Acting like Popeye's archnemisis, Bluto, Clarke tries to knock his opinions into your skull. If he can't get his point across, at least he had the pleasure of beating someone up.

You can view video of Dennis Clarke in action at: http://www.lisatrust.net/Media/ots.htm Dennis Clarke can justify his treatment of members of the LMT through the writings of L.Ron Hubbard.In Science of Survival, Hubbard spoke of the 2.5 percent of the world's population who are Suppressive Persons or SP's. Since Scientology can't help the SP's, it would be best to "dispose of them quietly and without sorrow."

- Mark Bunker

Dennis "the hitman" Clarke, CCHR spokesperson, tested a few critics' commitment to human rights by testing our reaction to physical abuse. We have some excellent video of Dennis assaulting Mike, Bob, Mark and myself. Both Mark and I got DNA samples from Dennis when he put chewing gum on our video camera lenses.

At one picket the police finally pulled Dennis aside, but did not arrest him. Perhaps they were just reminding him that he was being videotaped. The police sent him on his way and as he left Scientologists patted him on the back for a job well done.

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Grady Ward, System Administrator and Security Director

When a Scientology attorney attempted to remove an Internet discussion group in 1995, Grady became interested in such totalitarian attacks. Grady joins the LMT after four years of Scientology litigation in which he represented himself. He earned a B.A. from the Evergreen State College where he taught Data Structures. An Apple Computer Inc. technical staff senior member for more than ten years, he wrote a video game for the Atari 2600. He published several products supporting computer lexicography, and has been investigated for distributing cryptography and other free-speech activities. He is married with two children and lives in Arcata, Calif.

Bob Peterson, Office Administrator

Born in Wisconsin, Bob came to Florida in 1995. He became interested in the Lisa McPherson case after reading newspaper accounts of it. Bob credits Scientology attorney Elliot Ableson for his becoming a critic.

"When I heard Ableson tell how Lisa stayed at the Fort Harrison for a simple 'rest and relaxation', I knew a scam was at hand. The autopsy photographs of the unfortunate woman tell a different and very grim story."

TWO NEW CRITICS OF SCIENTOLOGY

By Patricia Greenway

My sister and her husband came to Tampa for a weekend visit from Washington, D.C. They are both highly-placed government employees and were never too interested in the subject of Scientology, even though I'd broached the subject

on more than a few occasions.

My work schedule lately has been pretty intense, but around 7 PM on Saturday I broke away from work to take the two of them on a tour of downtown Clearwater.

Actually my brother-in-law ASKED me to take him there. His parents had lived there for many years until his Dad died and he had not been back, himself, in almost 15 years. We parked their rental car on Watterson St. and as soon as we arrived saw a few members of the LMT out on the street with picket signs in hand.

I stopped briefly to say Hi to Mark and Jeff but we were cut off by the "Swarm" of "OT's" that were bunching around us. My sister and her hubby were a little taken aback by the rude behavior so we moved quickly down the street to continue with our "tour."

I intentionally avoided turning down Fort Harrison Ave. in order to keep my sister and hubby out of the fray. We ended up walking up a quiet street that the infamous One Stop Shoppe* backs up to and since my sister asked if we could pop in to buy a coke, I explained to her that this particular store was owned by Scientologists and that we would probably be refused service. My sister's hubby was incredulous (and more than likely assumed I was exaggerating), but we proceeded on without testing that and I got us some cokes at an SP* friendly establishment.

We walked past all kinds of buildings that my brother-in-law remembered from his last visit and finally found ourselves on Ft. Harrison Ave. Just as we headed south on Ft. Harrison Ave., we were met by 2 of the "OT" committee members" that I remembered seeing during Ursula Caberta's visit. They launched in by DEMANDING to know if the coke I was carrying was purchased at the One Stop Shoppe.

Ever the joker-degrader*, I said "Yes INDEED!" The a-hole then started screaming "THAT will NEVER happen again!"

I asked him if he realized that what he was saying would likely be seen in a bad legal light---he assured me in no uncertain terms that he didn't giveadamn...andthatundernocircumstances would we be allowed to buy anything in his store again.

Hethenfollowedusscreaming obscenities while a short blonde chunky woman

kept screaming "WHAT ARE YOUR CRIMES?" Normally Iam there in downtown to picket and expect this type of disturbance, but with my sister and her hubby in tow, I was NOT welcoming this type of attack.

The stupidy utzes actually asked my brother-inlaw if he was doing drugs with Jesse and demanded to know how much HE was getting paid by Bob Minton. The irony of this idiocy would only be appreciated if I were

willing to expose the extremely highlevel position he holds in our government. Mybrother-in-law responded by whipping out his video camera to film what he thought was straight out of a film documenting the brown shirts of the Nazi regime. Worse comments were made to my sister after she told them to "Leave my sister ALONE!"

Once they realized she was my sister, they attacked her viciously and began circling us continuously so as to impede our progress. We found that we couldn't even hear ourselves talk because of theincessant RANTING and FROTHING. I told them that if they didn't back off I would call the cops. They refused to leave us alone, so I dialed 911. The police came just as the infamous Mary DeMoss and four others started circling us as well. The police officer basically told us that he wouldn't/couldn't stop them from circling us and yelling obscenities at us.

This was the last straw for my "guests" who were appalled to see what Clearwater

had become since their last visit 15 years earlier. They even told the police they were tourists and expected to be able to walk the streets of Clearwater without harassment, but the police were nonplussed and virtually useless.

We crossed the street at the point and made it to the green tarp lined walkway in hopes that we would be out of range... but to no avail. Our team of jerkoffs stayed at our backs insulting us, calling us names and screeching so loud we couldn't hear

ourselves talk.

I tried to "entheta"* the frothing, rabidjackals* AWAY by launching into an explanation of the Super Power building and what an "interesting" basement they were building. I then explained in a loud tone, in order to drown out the jackals, about RPF*'s and the cult's history of totalitarianism and brainwashing.

They stayed on us no matter which street we walked on and they were joined by more... Ian Shillington (the "herbal" doctor), Cheryl Fetzer (beauty shop owner) and a host of familiar faces. We ducked into Ottavio's

Place* to get way from them FINALLY, then slipped out and to the car.

The whole drive back to Tampa saw the complete and utter conversion of two non-interested tourists... into RABID new critics. They jumped on my computer the minute we got back to my place and spent into the wee hours watching videos on LMT MEDIA. They wrote down the website addresses for many of the critics' sites before they caught their plane back.

Talk about a FOOT bazooka!
So.....WHAT will this criminal cult
PULL IN NEXT????.....I wonder.....

Thank you OSA* and your public jackals for helping to create TWO NEW CRITICS!

Best Regards

Patricia

* See glossary on page 6

Patricia Greenway lives and worksin Tampa, Fla. Like many of us, many of her encounters in Clearwater remind her why she became a critic.



Scientology's contempt

By Stacy Brooks

Recently at the Lisa McPherson Trust, we helped a woman leave Scientology. She took her child, who at a very young age had already been recruited into the Sea Org with her. The woman's mother, who has been in the Sea Org for a long time, was extremely upset that her daughter had left, and particularly upset that the child was taken out of the Sea Org. The mother brought an L. Ron Hubbard tape excerpt with her (below). She frantically told her daughter that she was throwing away her future and urged her not to let considerations about family stand in the way of her child's and her own freedom.

The woman told her mother that she didn't want to be in Scientology any more. Then her mother pulled the child aside and in all seriousness urged the child to file for legal emancipation so that the child could go back into the Sea Org.

The child was very upset at first about being taken out of the Sea Org but is just beginning to enjoy interaction with other family members and friends. I asked the woman to fax a copy of the tape excerpt to me. When I read it, it sickened me. I have never seen this excerpt before. I have never seen a quote in which LRH so clearly urges his followers to turn a way from their families.

The title of the excerpt is "THE GE IS A FAMILY MAN." "GE" is "Genetic Entity," a term that basically refers to

Hubbard's idea that the physical body has a life of its own separate from the "thetan," meaning the person without his or her body. With that explanation, hopefully you can follow Hubbard's convoluted Scientology-

The GE is a family man; the GE is lost without a family. It's very strange, but Homo sap is a family unit. The GE is built on that basis. It's fascinating, fascinating. It's not important to know it but a lot of your urges toward families and so forth are not thetan urges at all, they're the GE. The GE can't survive at all without a family unit. He's just as dead as a mackerel if he isn't a family unit, whereas your thetan is just dead as a mackerel if he gets too mixed up in family units.

You can't talk to GEs; they're kind of psycho. And by the way, you can fall into this dreadful trap with a GE. You see, he uses the MEST universe with which to build. He's gotten very, very bad off and he has to use MEST materials all the time.

So, you get this situation here with the

GE, and your GE is busy: build, build, build, build, build. And, of course he's got to have a family to build with.

You get this terrific family thirst. And you get your GE surviving best and being loused up the most because of interfamily relationships.

And your thetan, by the way, can much more easily go into a group. Families are not good groups; they're bad groups." - LRH, from the taped lecture "Flows: Patterns of Interaction" 10 Dec. 1952

This excerpt provides a classic example of how Scientologists are indoctrinated to turn against their own families and see it

as an ethical thing to do.

This is how Scientologists are taught to think: The Genetic Entity is the part of a person that is still tied to the universe of Matter, Energy, Space and Time - known as the MEST Universe in Scientology – that we will leave behind when we are able to become stably "exterior." This is the real goal of a Scientologist - to be able to discard the body and be completely free of the limitations of MEST. When enough Scientologists reach that goal (a goal, by the way, that no one to my knowledge has yet attained) and Planet Earth has been cleared, they will be able to travel at will anywhere in the galaxy to clear other planets and, eventually, the entire MEST Universe. They will do this without the encumbrance of their bodies, of course. They will be free of their bodies. They will just pick up new bodies on whatever

planet they go to.

Obviously, for someone who believes that they are trying to leave the MEST Universe behind, the Genetic Entity and everything connected to it - is something from which one would have to distance oneself. In fact, there is an insulting slang term in Scientology for someone who is too much into their body, or too much into their family. A person like that is considered "stuck in the GE." That is a very bad thing in Scientology. It is considered psychotic, in fact.

When LRH said, "Your urges toward family are not thetan urges at all, they're the GE," he was saying that anyone who puts any importance on family is going in a direction toward MEST, not Theta. That is an out-ethics thing to do. It is putting counter-intention on the forward motion of Scientology. It is holding back

the entire group. When he said, "Homo sap is a family unit," he was denigrating Homo sapiens for caring about family. He was saying the Homo sapiens, the evolutionary phase

of the human race before Scientology came along, is a terribly primitive creature. Homo novis, the superman that Scientology has allegedly made possible, is the next evolutionary step, the superior being. Home novis is not interested in families. Home novis is at cause over Matter, Energy, Space and Time.

Who needs a family when you can exteriorize at will? Who needs to procreate? Who would want to hold onto any connection to the MEST Universe once you realized that those connections are doing nothing but holding back the forward progress of the entire human race? This is how a Scientologist is supposed to think.

It is Homo sapiens - "Homo sap" that needs a family and still has a connection to the GE. LRH explained what a "degraded being" [that is, Homo sapiens] one is to care about family. He said, "The GE is as dead as a mackerel without the family unit, but the thetan [that's Homo novis, which is only possible to attain through Scientology] is as dead as a mackerel it he gets mixed up with a family unit." He was saying that clinging to old, primitive notions such as family blocks mankind's forward progress.

The message is clear. An ethical Scientologist is not going to hold onto MEST relationships like family. He will be much more interested in relationships with fellow Scientologists, people who have risen above MEST-oriented relationships and are interested only in theta-based relationships - those that will further Scientology's aims. An ethical Scientologist only wants to associate with others who are also striving for the enlightened state of Homo novis.

Scientologists distance themselves from family and friends because they do not want to contaminate themselves by associating with unenlightened people. In Scientology this is called contagion of aberration; you don't want to be around people who are stuck in MEST because it might rul off on you. You don't want to do anything that will slow you down from becoming an enlightened Theta Clear. For those who are familiar with the terms Suppressive Person (SP) and Potential Trouble Source (PTS), it is upon this fundamental concept that these terms are based.

An SP is someone who is so stuck ir the MEST Universe (so solid) that they cannot bear to have anyone around then who is moving in the direction of theta (the opposite of solid). A PTS is someone who has allowed himself or herself to become vulnerable to an SP's influence and is therefore getting more solid and less theta

This is why Scientologists minimize their interaction with the rest of society It is why the Sea Org members in Clearwate: refuse to make eye contact with the citizen: of Clearwater when they walk down the street. It is why the Scientologist son o



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a dear friend of mine has refused to speak to his mother for thirty years. It is why a woman's husband has deserted his wife and two children to join Scientology, leaving the family \$100,000 in debt.

It is why a mother has joined the Sea Org and sent her two young children to the "Children's Ranch" north of L.A., where they are only allowed to see their mother two days a month. Atthe LMT we get hearthreaking calls nearly every day.

Today, I see the Genetic Entity, Homo novis, and the whole idea of isolating oneself from theso-called MEST Universe and concentrating on becoming Theta Clear as a delusion of grandeur that originated in the unbalanced mind of LRH. Hubbard was unable to have healthy relationships with his parents, his three wives

or any of his children. But instead of taking any responsibility for these failed relationships, he blamed his family members. Then he took it a step further. He created an entire cosmology that would justify his inability to have successful personal relationships. Families are bad; friendships are bad: any close relationships are bad – because he was incapable of having them. All he could conceive of was a world in which there is nothing but impersonal, compassionless relationships based on statistics and the "greatest good for the greatest number of dynamics." What he said sums it up: "Families are not good groups; they're bad groups.

I realize I risk incurring the wrath of dedicated Scientologists by saying that. But I think it is extremely important for Scientologists to realize that LRH did not have to be a perfect man for there to be validity to the Tech. I speak to people nearly every day that have had wins and gains from their auditing. I never tell them their wins are not valid. I never tell them the gains are not real. I am happy if someone has had wins and gains. The tech is not something I want for myself, but I do not think everyone else has to feel the same way. I have no doubt that many people have had wins and gains from the tech.

This does not mean that LRH was perfect. I discovered he was not perfect when I worked on the LRH biography research while I was still a Sea Org member in good standing. This discovery did not cause me to lose faith in the tech. It did make me realize that although LRH developed a technology that could help people, he was a human being, with blind spots and character flaws the same as everybody else. The problem

was that one of his flaws was an utter inability to accept any criticism. As a result, he considered anyone who criticized him to be an enemy. This flaw has now been institution-alized

in the organization known as the Church of Scientology.

Criticism is not a bad thing. It is a good thing. If the tech really works – and I know many people feel it does - then it can bear critical scrutiny. Just because someone criticizes something doesn't mean it isn't valid. It doesn't mean that person is an enemy. Scientologists must learn to differentiate between the parts of Scientology that are valid and those parts of it that are not. LRH's view of the family as a degraded, old-fashioned form of human relationship

is terribly destructive and must be recognized by Scientologists as a harmful part of the Scientology belief system that should be discarded. This does not mean I advocate that the entirety of the tech should be discarded. It means I don't think Scientologists shouldembraceLRH'spersonal shortcomings. I don't think they should take on his blind spots as their own.

Until Scientologists are willing to differentiate the beneficial from the harmful aspects of Scientology, the outside world will continue to view it as a chillingly amoral belief system and respond accordingly.

For the people on the outside, the question is how do we get through to the people who have bought into this amoral system? How do we help the thousands upon thousands of families who have been torn apart by Scientology? My answer is this: All we can do is continue to use every opportunity to get through to them.

Thank God for the Internet. It is our best chance to communicate to them. The most hopeful thing of all at the LMT is that we are getting calls every day from Scientologists who are making the decision to embrace their Constitutional rights of freedom of speech, freedom of thought and freedom of association.

They are going on the Internet despite orders from Scientology management not to. They are learning for themselves about all sides of Scientology. They are regaining their powers of critical thought and deciding for themselves which parts of Scientology they want to embrace. They are beginning to rebuild their own shattered lives and broken families.

Glossary

entheta-short for enturbulated theta. Theta basically means life force. To enturbulate means to cause an upset. So entheta refers to communication that is deliberately upsetting or suppressive to a person or group.

GE-genetic entity. In the early 1950s Hubbard talked about the genetic entity as the part of the person that kept the physical body going. He made a distinction between the entity that was concerned with the body — the GE — and the entity that was concerned with non-physical life — the thetan.

jackals - This refers to a famous quote describing Scientology by Congressman Leo J. Ryan who was murdered during a rescue mission in Jonestown. Ryan was one of the few politicians willing to take a stand against mind-control cults.

joker-degrader-This refers to a Scientology policy by Hubbard called Joker and Degrader. Hubbard decreed that it was a Suppressive Act to make jokes or ridicule him or Scientology. In the Sea Organization, anyone caught joking or degrading is sent to the RPF.

Mintoncam - The professional quality digital camcordr used exclusively for the production of LMT videos.

One Stop Shoppe- A Scientologist-owned "quick-mart" located in downtown Clearwater, Fla., that refuses service to critics of Scientology.

OSA - Office of Special Affairs - a sucessor to the Guardian's Office, OSA's job is to neutralize or, if necessary, destroy by whatever means necessary those who are considered enemies of Scientology. Anyone who criticizes Scientology is considered an enemy.

OT - operating thetan. An OT would be an individual who could operate totally independently of his body whether he had one or not; it would be someone who was not dependent on the physical world around him. There is no evidence that anyone has attained this state.

Ottavio's Place - A non-Scientologist-owned Italian restaurant in downtown Clearwater, Fla. Scientologists were ordered to boycot the restaurant because the owners welcomed Bob Minton and the LMT to the neighborhood.

RPF-Rehabilitation Project Force. This is a prison camp for Sea Org members who criticize Hubbard or Scientology management in any way. People sent to the RPF are held under twenty-four-hour guard and not allowed to speak to anyone, including their children or spouse. They are interrogated for many hours a day and required to perform hard labor. This goes on until the person is again willing to abide by the strict rules of the Sea Org. It is similar to the re-education camps in Communist China.

Sea Org - Sea Organization. This is the unincorporated organization which actually controls Scientology. The Sea Org has the power to go into any Scientology organization or business and take it over without notice. David Miscavige is the head of the Sea Org.

SP - suppressive person - one who actively seeks to suppress or damage Scientology or Scientologists by his/her actions.

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About Lisa McPherson



Fannie McPherson and her daughter, Lisa

The story of Lisa McPherson's death broke in 1996, a year after she died in the Church of Scientology's Fort Harrison Hotel after being held against her will for seventeen days. As the details of her tragic and senseless death began to be publicized, more and more people across the country came together through the Internet to oppose the abuses occurring in the Church of Scientology.

The Clearwater Police have released a cd of all the evidence they collected in their criminal investigation. You can view an html version of the evidence here.

Lisa's estate is suing the Church of Scientology Flag Services Organization and individuals for wrongful death.

LMT staff member Jeff Jacobsen was instrumental in bringing Lisa's story to the public.

Jeff's personal site about Lisa

Our Lisa McPherson Media Page

Photo Gallery of Lisa

Logs of Lisa's "caretakers" in her last days (24 pages, 1.2 meg.)



Summary of Lisa's "caretakers" statements (5 pages, 633k)



handwritten logs of Lisa's "caretakers" in her last days (31 pages, 3.3. meq.)



Autopsy report of Lisa McPherson (7 pages, 765k)



Press release 12/16/96 by Scientology on Lisa's death



Lisa's Scientology expense account for 1995



a similar criminal case to Lisa's (24 pages, 1.8 meg.)



State attorney drops criminal case against Scientology



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Clearwater Police Department evidence in Lisa McPherson criminal case

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The Florida State Attorney, Bernie McCabe, filed two criminal charges November 13, 1998 against the Church of Scientology Flag Services Organization in the death of Lisa McPherson; practicing medicine without a license and abuse of a disabled person.

These charges were dropped June 12, 2000 after McCabe decided that medical examiner Joan Woods' testimony could no longer be counted on due to her changing her ruling on the cause of death in Lisa's case from undetermined to accidental.

Below is the evidence gathered by the Clearwater Police department in that criminal investigation into Lisa's death. The evidence came on a cd of 6719 tif files. Several people have volunteered to translate those tif files into html. This location will have all the html versions as they are done with the following provisos:

- 1) copyrighted works may not be included
- 2) where certain people unrelated to Lisa's case are mentioned in a personal way, their names and personal information may be deleted. If you find such information on any of these please contact me.
- 3) much of the documentation is handwritten letters and reports, so these may or may not be translated.
- 4) some items might be insignificant enough to warrant only a summary in the index.
- 5) the Lisa McPherson Trust makes no claim for the accuracy of the OCR software's translation nor for the work of the volunteers who helped with the translations. This page is solely as an aid in research of the material and for those who do not have access to the tif files for whatever reason.

If you wish to see the originals you may order the Lisa McPherson evidence cd from the Clearwater Police Department records department, 645 Pierce St., Clearwater FL 33756. The cost is \$29.45 in the U.S. You may call 727-462-4242 for further information.

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1 of the money for this case, and who actually run the case, 2 have been sanctioned over \$25,000 for refusal to comply with 3 court orders. 4 We had such trouble setting these depositions of 5 Mr. Minton that had been ordered by Judge Moody that there 6 are approximately fifty letters going back and forth. those are set forth in one of those binders there. It is an 7 8 appendix. Finally, after Judge Quesada ordered that they 9 10 appear, ordered that Mr. Minton appear, and sanctioned him for his refusal to appear, he had us all in court and he 11 12 demanded, because of the problems setting the deposition, 13 that we set the deposition right then. This was in 14 December. And we set it for December 13th. Still Mr. Minton didn't show up. He was 15 sanctioned again. Mr. Minton alone has sanctions of in the 16 17 neighborhood of \$15,000. 18 THE COURT: Why wasn't he put in jail until 19 he gave a deposition? 20

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MR. MOXON: Well, because Judge Quesada gave him another opportunity for reconsideration.

THE COURT: Well, I got news for you, Judge Quesada is one of the nicest guys I know, but Judge Quesada does not run his courtroom the same way I do. I might give somebody one opportunity and somebody might get fined once.

The second time they go to jail and they sit in jail until they give a deposition. If they want to sit there for six years wouldn't make a bit of difference to me.

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I don't fool around with that and I don't fine rich people money that doesn't mean a thing to them. You don't disobey a court order of mine, and I'm going to tell you men that, and if there are any women there I'll tell you that, you disobey court orders of mine and you go to jail if I have to do that.

I have never had to put a lawyer in jail and the reason is because they all know I mean business. I run a tight courtroom and a tight ship and I don't put up with stuff.

So I don't even need to hear you today because, you know what, nobody knows how I do things. And what I'm going to do is deny your motion for sanctions. I'm not saying you are not right. But you guys don't know how I do business. Now you do. And I'm going to tell you right now.

The way we play these, we're going to do this, we're going to follow the Rules of Professional Procedure. We're going to try to coordinate. That is how you start.

If that doesn't work, you keep track of the times you tried to call and what have you and then you schedule it. And if the other side doesn't file a motion for protective order, they don't show up, you do an order to

REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS I, LYNNE J. IDE, Registered Merit Reporter, certify that I was authorized to and did stenographically report the proceedings herein, and that the transcript is a true and complete record of my stenographic notes. I further certify that I am not a relative, employee, attorney or counsel of any of the parties, nor am I a relative or employee of any of the parties' attorney or counsel connected with the action, nor am I financially interested in the action. DATED this 11th day of August, 2001. RMR

ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF AN ORIGINAL FRENCH CORRESPONDENCE

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

Geneva, June 23, 2000

Mr Bernard BERTOSSA Prosecutor General and his Office PALAIS DE JUSTICE Place du Bourg-de-Four 1 1204 GENEVA

Prosecutor General,

We have agreed regretfully to file a penal complaint against Robert MINTON, as well as co-conspirators for charges of fraud (Art. 146 Penal Code), forgery of financial documents (Art. 251 Penal Code) and the laundering of money (Art. 305 ff Penal Code).

The investigation which is in progress in NIGERIA permitted to establish that several billion dollars have been diverted by Robert MINTON to the detriment of the FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA from 1987 to 1993, which particularly reside in the accounts of DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY in Geneva of which Robert MINTON is the holder and economic beneficiary of.

Following our interventions with this bank asking them on one side to internally block the funds which Minton still has on account and on the other side that the facts be communicated to the Bureau of Communication concerning the laundering of money, Robert MINTON had a meeting with the directors of the bank on May 30, 2000.

According to our information, he asked for the immediate transfer of his funds as well as the destruction of documents.

We are herewith constituting ourselves as civil party and have elected resident Mr Philippe NEYROUD, attorney, 8-10 rue de Hesse, 1204 Geneva.

The facts, briefly, are as follows:

1.-

Robert S. MINTON, an American national, resides at 137 Fremont Road, Sandown, New Hampshire 03873, USA. Holds an American passport as well as an Irish passport, and frequently travels to Switzerland, England and Turkey.

His wife is Therese S. MINTON, residing at 39 West Cedar St., Boston, Massachusetts 02114, USA.

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In the mid 1980s the INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND and the WORLD BANK required that the continuation of their assistance to NIGERIA (restructuring of credits, new loans, etc.) depended on a reduction of the external debts of that country.

At that time the contracts between Nigeria and international creditors and debt holders had strict guidelines and clauses regarding the purchasing of NIGERIAN debt without respecting the equality of the creditors of the same rank.

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In this frame, Robert MINTON conceived and executed a secret fraudulent plan from 1987 to 1993 of buying debts by diverting considerable funds coming from the CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA and the NIGERIAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION (NNPC).

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According to this plan, Robert MINTON and his accomplices established and used several special purpose corporations for the purchasing of debts of NIGERIA (Bank debt, Government debt, promissory notes).

Having at their his disposal a confidential list identifying the principal owners of the debts, Robert MINTON and his corporations then contacted them directly with the purpose of convincing them that the NIGERIAN government would never refund them and obtained from the majority of them the transfer of the debt at a low price.

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These acquisitions were financed with funds directly from the CBN and NNPC.

The corporations of Robert MINTON then increased these debts to higher prices to the CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA and resulted in several millions of dollars more in commissions and fees.

The CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA bought the debts for several million of dollars more, being defrauded by not being provided with the actual costs to the corporations of Mr. MINTON.

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In this context, GML INTERNATIONAL Ltd (previously GROWTH MANAGEMENT Ltd) established in London by Robert MINTON (Att. 1-2),, played a central role as financial advisors.

MINTON has been separated from that corporation since 1991.

Other corporations were established and utilized by MINTON, specifically:

A. GREENLAND HOLDINGS Inc., Panama.

B. SHAMROCK FINANCIAL CORPORATION, established in Sandown / Salem, New Hampshire, USA, January 30, 1991 (Att. 3)

C. GREENCLAD Ltd established in London June 30, 1986 (Att. 4) of which the corporate name was changed on June 30, 1986 to GROMAN

FORFAITING Ltd. The corporation was dissolved in December 1989 (Att. 5).

D. TRIOLET INTERNATIONAL Inc, established in Boston, Massachusetts, September 13, 1988 and which merged on December 31, 1990 with TRIOLET INTERNATIONAL Ltd (Att. 6-7).

E. TRIOLET INTERNATIONAL Ltd. established in Manchester, New Hampshire on December 21, 1980 and dissolved in May 1998 (Att. 8).

F ARGYLE KENT Ltd London.

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The two corporations TRIOLET INTERNATIONAL and SHAMROCK FINANCIAL acquired debts owed by NIGERIA for a total of \$5 billion in nominal value between 1988 and 1993. Debts of nominal value of several hundreds of millions of dollars were specifically acquired from BCCI.

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Very likely the intermediary transfer of debts between firms permitted the raise of costs of acquisition fictionally.

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With letter of January 15, 1992 signed by Robert MINTON, SHAMROCK FINANCIAL CORPORATION confirmed to the CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA the acquisition of bank debt for an amount of \$1,200,000,000 (and that for the benefit of the Central Bank of Nigeria). (Att. 9)

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The detailed accounting of the operations for GREENLAND HOLDING INC. also indicates the purchase of debts from March 1988 to December 1991 for more than one billion dollars.

This accounting shows a list of owners of the debt from whom they were bought, the nominal value as well as the Cost to GREENLAND which

represents in each case between 25% and 45% of their nominal value. (Att. 10)

We know however that most of the debts had been obtained at a very low price and the alleged Cost to GREENLAND provided by MINTON to the CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA was false. The records of intermediary bankers or Debt Traders permit to establish the insider trading which escalated the price, And increased undisclosed fees and commissions.

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In Geneva, Robert MINTON deposited the diverted funds in different bank accounts which were opened for corporations as well as his personal accounts operated with codes.

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ROBERT MINTON and his wife opened several accounts specifically for GREENLAND HOLDINGS, at the DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, 1-3 quai de l'Ile, 1204 Geneva.

MINTON was introduced to this bank by M. Jozef BICACO, a Turkish national, residing at rue Louis-Curval 10, 1206, Geneva.

M. Albert CEZANA, sub-director, residing at 10 chemin Rieu, Geneva and M Nessim HABIB, associate director, residing at 96, chemin du Levant in Lausanne were in charge of managing the accounts.

One of the important accounts that Minton was the economic beneficiary of was opened in the name of the KAROSA Foundation. This foundation is being administered by M Nessim HABIB.

At this Geneva bank, MINTON used to identify himself under the name of Mr. B. Katy. It is by the way noted that this organization issued credit cards under the (false) name Katy used by Mr. Minton.

Several hundreds of millions of dollars were diverted to the detriment of Nigéria between 1987 and 1993 and went through the accounts at DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY in Geneva.

We know that on 19 November 1998, a transaction in the amount of \$4 million was conducted at this bank by MINTON and the KAROSA Foundation; account number: 108:10179140900.

MINTON and his wife are actually in contact with DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY Geneva where they own important funds.

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Connected with the Geneva bank, Robert MINTON and his wife are also the holders and economic beneficiaries of accounts with the DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY in London. Those accounts are being managed by M Patricia COUSINS (Account Manager).

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With letter of March 29, 2000, Prince Bola AJIBOLA, High Commissioner of NIGERIA in London informed DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY Geneva that a judicial investigation had been opened against MINTON and demanded that the bank block his funds internally. (Att. 11).

On April 3, 2000 our counsel in Geneva confirmed to the bank that they had to proceed and had the obligation to state the facts to the Bureau of Communication concerning money laundering in accordance with the law relating to the fight against money laundering n the financial sector. (Att. 12).

The bank confirmed receipt of the letter on April 4, 2000 without however stating the measures they wanted to take. (Att. 13)

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In this context, Robert MINTON traveled to Europe to meet the directors of the DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY.

MINTON was accompanied in his travels by Stacy BROOKS, an American national, born April 8, 1952 and residing at 107 17th St. Belleair Beach, Florida 33786.

In London, MINTON had a meeting on May 25, 2000 at the offices of DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, Grosvenor Square 34 with Patricia COUSINS and M Nessim HABIB who is managing the accounts for the Geneva bank.

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On 30 May 2000, ROBERT MINTON went to the offices of DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST in Geneva where he had a meeting with the directors.

According to our information, Robert MINTON demanded at that meeting the immediate transfer of his funds specifically to Germany and Great Britain as well as the destruction of documents.

Following that meeting, our law firm addressed a new circumstantial correspondence by Fax and hand couriered mentioning the presence of Robert MINTON in their house and reminding them of their vigilant obligation. (Att. 14)

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MINTON and his escort departed Geneva on May 31, 2000 for Frankfurt, Hamburg and Leipzig for meetings with German banks.

MINTON and Stacy BROOKS reserved places to return to Boston, United States for June 5, 2000.

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Other accounts were opened by MINTON in Switzerland, specifically in the name of PREDILECT, GROWTH MANAGEMENT Ltd / GML INTERNATIONAL Ltd and GREENLAND HOLDINGS, at CENTRAPRIV ZURICH AG, Stauffacherstrasse 44, 8039 Zurich and BANK CANTRADE Zurich.

Mr Kurt BYLANG of CENTRAPRIV ZURICH AG was in charge of administering the accounts at CANTRADE BANK.

Very likely in connection with CENTRAPRIV ZURICH AG, GREENLAND HOLDINGS has an address at Stauffacherstrasse 5, 8089 Zurich.

After having suspected that the funds received from NIGERIA constituted an activity of money laundering, BANK CANTRADE closed its accounts for GROWTH MANAGEMENT Ltd / GML INTERNATIONAL LTD and GREENLAND HOLDINGS.

The main conduit and flow of funds into DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST came from OSTERREICHISCHE LANDERBANK now known as BANK AUSTRIA which is also suspected of harboring assets for Mr. MINTON accumulated through his criminal enterprise.

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Robert MINTON, GML INTERNATIONAL Ltd, GREENLAND HOLDINGS, TRIOLET INTERNATIONAL and SHAMROCK FINANCIAL CORPORATION, have also been in contact with the following banks and financial institutions:

BANQUE DE DEPOTS, 94 rue du Rhone, Geneva (GORDON-AHMED Sabiha, sub director),

HERITAGE FINANCE & TRUST SA, 12 cours des Bastions, 1205 Geneva (M. Christian M WAGNER).

SIFIDA Societe Internationale Financiere pour les Investissements et le Developpement en Afrique, Luxembourg, Affiliate of Chene-Bourg, rue Francois- Perreard 22 (M. Philippe SECHAUD, Administrative delegate).

SWISS BANK CORP, especially for operations with the agency in New York 10008, 222 Broadway (M. Anton SPICIJARIC).

PARVENTA FINANZ AG, Bale Zug

The relative facts constitute violations of statutes at the beginning of the complaint, fraud, forgery of financial documents and money laundering.

We respectfully request the seizure at DISCOUNT BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, Geneva, of assets in the various accounts for which Robert MINTON and his wife are the owners, economic beneficiaries or for which they are nominees, as well as the seizure of correspondence (including the written instructions and internal notes relative to the different communications) of the various accounts for which they are or were the owners, economic beneficiaries, and this from the beginning of the opening of the accounts.

We also request the interrogations of M. Joseph ASSARAF, Director General, of M Nessim HABIB, of M Albert CEZANA and other employees of the bank who have knowledge of the accounts which Robert MINTON has / had the control of.

Very respectfully FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

[SIGNED]
Prince Bola Ajibola
High Comissioner

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER Nigeria House, 9 Northumberlan Avenue, London WC2N SBX

Telephone: 071839 1244 Fax: 071-839-8746

Ref: NHC/ECON/41/1

Discount Bank and Trust Geneva Quai de L'ile 3 Case Postale 5430 CH-1211 Geneva 11 Switzerland Fax: 41 22 310 1703

29 March 2000

Dear Sir,

RE: MATTER OF CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY, LARGE SCALE MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, CORRUPT ENRICHMENT AND STEALING INVOLVING THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED MILLION US DOLLARS (\$100,000,000) OR MORE, BELONDING TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

Please be informed that the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo has directed me to urgently notify you that investigation has just commmenced regarding a matter of criminal conspiracy, large scale misappropriation of public funds, corrupt enrichment and stealling involving a large sum of public funds belonging to the Federal Government of Nigeria, part of which is the sum of One Hunder Million Dollars (\$100,000,000) or more deposited into the associated accounts of one Robert Minto of 137, Fremont Road, Sandown, NH, USA, who account number is 108: 10179140900.

We are informed that the above account is hedl in the name of KAROSA Foundation, and is admnistered by a Mr. Nessim Habib. Further, a codename made up by Robert Minton to identify himself to the bank is "B. Katy."

Moreover, we are made to understand that some of these associated accounts are opened in the name of Robert Minton's wife, Therese Minton, and the account is administered by one Patricia Cousins (Account Manager) with your London Branch.

The President and the Federal Government of Nigeria hereby seek your co-operation that this account be frozen until the completion of the investigation on this matter.

On behalf of the Federal Government of Nigeria, I hereby thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

[SIGNED] Bola Ajibola

CC: Branch Manager
Discount Bank and Trust Geneva (London Branch)
P.O. Box 4QP
London w1A \$QP
Fax: 0171 4092877

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA GENERAL CIVIL DIVISION

ESTATE OF LISA McPHERSON, by and through the Personal Representative, DELL LIEBREICH,

Plaintiff,

VS.

CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY FLAG SERVICE ORGANIZATION, JANIS JOHNSON, ALAIN KARTUZINSKI, and DAVID HOUGHTON,

Defendants.

CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY FLAG SERVICE ORGANIZATION,

Counter-claimant,

VS.

ESTATE OF LISA MCPHERSON, by and through the Personal Representative, DELL LIEBREICH,

Counter-defendant.

CASE No.: 00-5682-CI-11

DIVISION: 11



CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY FLAG SERVICE ORGANIZATION'S ANSWER, SECOND AMENDED DEFENSES AND COUNTERCLAIM [CORRECTED] TO THE FIFTH AMENDED COMPLAINT

Defendant, Church of Scientology Flag Service Organization (the "Church"), by its undersigned attorneys, answers the Fifth Amended Complaint as follows:

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

The Church objects to the manner in which the Plaintiff uses the terms "SCIENTOLOGY, CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY," "Scientology," "scientology," and the "Enterprise of Scientology" throughout the Fifth Amended Complaint (the "Complaint"). The random and interchangeable use of these terms throughout the Complaint renders the pleading vague, ambiguous and confusing to a degree that prevents the Church from adequately responding to the pleading. Indeed, in paragraph 4 of the Complaint, the Plaintiff defines both "the corporate Defendant" and an alleged enterprise "consisting of a multitude of corporations and unincorporated organizations" as SCIENTOLOGY then proceeds to use the term SCIENTOLOGY throughout the Complaint. Despite the ambiguity caused by the Plaintiff's interchangeable use of these similar but not identical terms in the Complaint, the Church will attempt to respond to the correspondingly numbered paragraphs of the Complaint but reserves its right to seek clarification of the Complaint as may be required.

The Church also objects to the Plaintiff's use of the term "enterprise" to describe any Scientology-related organization, the combination of any Scientology-related organizations, or the entire religion of Scientology because that term in reference to, a religion, is prejudicial, derisive and offensive.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

Subject to the general objections set forth above, the Church hereby responds to the correspondingly numbered paragraphs of the Complaint as follows:

- 1. Denied.
- 2. Denied, except admitted that Lisa McPherson was a single adult and was at

TWENTY-SECOND DEFENSE

The Plaintiff's complaint should be dismissed because in its attack on the religion of Scientology and the beliefs of Scientologists it embraces a position which is contrary to the deeply held religious beliefs of Lisa McPherson.

COUNTER-CLAIM

- 1. Since Liebreich filed this action, she and several joint actors and coconspirators have willfully and intentionally misused the legal process for a wrongful and unlawful object and for a collateral purpose for which it was not by law intended.
- 2. This action was originally filed as a one-count wrongful death claim.

 Thereafter, Robert Minton provided \$100,000 to Liebreich's counsel, Kennan Dandar, to expand the action for the collateral purposes of attacking the Scientology religion, establishing a means to generate adverse media against the Church, and as a monetary investment. Dandar thereafter threatened to name other unrelated ecclesiastical organizations as parties, unless the Church put up a \$30 million bond, to which Liebreich, as the plaintiff herein, had no legal entitlement. Based upon an agreement with Minton, Dandar threatened to add these unrelated entities as parties and thereby sought to force the Church to undertake actions that Liebreich had no right to require or compel. Eventually, in order to prevent the expansion of this case far beyond any reasonable issues and in an effort to prevent the harassment and expense of ecclesiastical leaders being named as parties, FSO agreed not to encumber several valuable properties in exchange for plaintiff's and Dandar's agreement not to add as party defendants, any Scientology churches or their officers, directors, employees, or agents that had no involvement in the events at issue here.

- 3. Minton entered into an arrangement with Liebreich whereby Liebreich would permit Minton to use this case and the processes available herein for an improper collateral purpose and to harass the defendants with frivolous legal issues and false allegations of fact in exchange for Minton's complete financing of the case. Liebreich and the other beneficiaries of Lisà McPherson's Estate agreed to provide Minton the bulk of any hoped-for proceeds of this case brought about through a settlement or judgment. Minton, represented by Dandar, created and incorporated a for-profit corporation, of which Minton was the sole owner, shareholder and director, to receive the hoped-for proceeds of this case: The Lisa McPherson Trust, Inc.
- 4. In February of 1998, Minton provided Dandar an additional \$100,000 and in exchange, Liebreich, through her counsel, Dandar, sought the production of confidential, priest-penitent counseling records of Lisa McPherson that were entirely unnecessary to prosecution of her claim, for the purpose of causing great distress to the Church and its parishioners, in order to coerce a settlement out of all proportion to the issues and merits of this litigation. Minton has provided a total amount in excess of \$1,000,000 directly to Dandar for the purpose of attacking the religious beliefs and practices of the defendants in a fashion not reasonably related to any issue in this case both to force settlement and to forward Minton's independent agenda to disrupt the Church and the Scientology religion.
- 5. Liebreich and Dandar have also misused the process by purchasing testimony of fact witnesses in violation of Florida law and rules of the Florida Bar. They have done so by having Minton pay large sums of money to Dandar's purported "consultant" in this case, Stacy Young, and to alleged "experts" Jesse Prince and Vaughn Young, who are in

reality no more than "fact" witnesses who know nothing of the facts. After exposure of the improper relationship between Minton and Prince and Brooks and the payments to them, a payment system was established which was effectively money laundering, whereby Brooks, Prince and other witnesses would be paid by Minton via the Lisa McPherson Trust, Inc., utilizing funds provided by Minton for that purpose. Plaintiff has also paid or caused to be paid, sums of money and valuables to other alleged fact witnesses presently known to defendants: Teresa Summers, Karsten Lorenzen, Peter Alexander and Gerry Armstrong. Each of these persons has provided whatever testimony, affidavits and declarations Minton wishes for Liebreich and her attorney to use in this case in exchange for such funds, regardless of their relevance or lack of truth.

- 6. Minton has also tampered with witnesses by sending several of plaintiffs' paid witnesses and "expert" witnesses to an anti-religious "counseling" establishment prior to their testimony in this case. Further, Minton and persons he hired have sought to intimidate defendants' witnesses in this action by virulent demonstrations, threats and harassment at their Church, their places of work and their residences.
- 7. Through this fabrication of evidence, witness tampering and paying the expenses of others to aid in this effort, Liebreich, her attorney and Minton have engaged in activities calculated to infect the jury pool, increase the value of non-party Minton's investment in this lawsuit, and to harass and intimidate witnesses.
- 8. Plaintiff's misconduct in turning this lawsuit into a business deal with Minton, in coordination with and with the approval of the other beneficiaries of the estate of Lisa McPherson, is knowing, willful and intentional. Plaintiff has perverted the processes of this Court, and with the funds provided by Minton after this case was filed, undertaken to

force defendants to relinquish their rights so that she and Minton could obtain advantages not otherwise available to them, including using their actions to create adverse media through purchased and created testimony, forcing the Church to encumber valuable properties to provide an advantage not normally available to a plaintiff, and poisoning the jury pool, all for the dual purposes of damaging the Church and running up the value of this case to procure a large settlement out of all proportion to what the case could or should be worth. Liebreich has thus misused the court's processes for a wrongful and unlawful purpose. The Church has been substantially harmed monetarily, and harmed with respect to its rights to privacy of its members and to freely exercise its religion.

9. The Church has been harmed in an amount in excess of \$5,000,000, to be determined at trial.

WHEREFORE, defendant Church of Scientology Flag Service Organization prays for: (1) monetary relief in an amount to be determined at trial; (2) attorneys' fees in this action; (3) its costs of suit; and (4) any and all other relief which the Court believes just.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing CHURCH OF

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FIFTH AMENDED COMPLAINT has been furnished to the individuals listed on the

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