AFFIDAVIT OF Mary DeMoss

- I, Mary DeMoss, being duly sworn, do hereby state:
- I am over 18 years of age and I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth in this affidavit. If I were called as a witness, I would be competent, willing and able to testify to what I state herein without reservation.
- 2. In the fall of 1990, I was 25 years old and living in Colorado. I had graduated from New York University but had begun to lose sight of my high ideals. Then my mother called me and asked me to come to her Church and speak to the Chaplain there. It was the Church of Scientology. Through Scientology I was able to turn my life around and respect myself again. I have been a Scientologist ever since that first day. It has been a never-ending wonder to me how much L. Ron Hubbard learned about the spirit of man and how much more aware we can be about our own spirituality.
- I moved to Clearwater in November of 1995. I opened an acting school 3. for children because I had been a Broadway actress myself and had won several awards here in Florida such as Best Actress, State of Florida, 2 years in a row, All Star Cast for all of the Southeastern states, etc. It is an area I can offer great expertise in and am very happy to be able to offer to children. My company was legally formed and I was teaching to several of the local schools when I decided to expand my business and offer it to the bigger county schools and schools outside the immediate downtown area. I had a very large roster of children signed up when the Lisa McPherson death became a criminal investigation. I lost every single one of my students who were not Scientologists. I called the parents to ask what was going on and they said I was going to kidnap and brainwash their children during acting class! I tried to handle each one of them and they were all so scared that there was no way for me to reason with them. They had met me personally and yet now they thought I was a monster. I could not believe it. I felt like a Jew during Nazi Germany. No one would put their child in my class because I was a Scientologist and I might torture their child. I was emotionally hurt and financially ruined. All that money had to be returned. I had to close the doors of my acting school because I was being thought of as a monster, a criminal, because Lisa McPherson had a pulmonary embolism. It put my husband and I in serious financial trouble because we lost all that income. We suddenly had to live off of credit cards to support ourselves and our new baby. It was like a snowball effect.

Our financial situation became so strained that we eventually began fighting and separated. He is still working off the debt we created in the aftermath of the Lisa McPherson frenzy. The fear of being treated like this again and the uncertainty that anyone would register for my class has prevented me from trying again.

4. IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have set my hand and seal this 4th day of February 2000.

Mary DeMoss

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me 4th day of February 2000 by Mary DeMoss, who is personally known to me and who did take an oath.

Public Notary

Pamela A. Anderson
MY COMMISSION # CC831179 EXPIRES
April 28, 2003
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.