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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Case No. 6CJ06496

OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR AN ORDER THAT DEFENDANT AND HIS AGENTS MAY ENTER UPON PROPERTY TO "INSPECT, RECORD & MEASURE"

Court: D54

Date: April 13, 2016

Time: 8:30 am

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

The Churches of Scientology and their members have been the victims of criminal acts by Donald Myers for more than 8 years.

Myers has been the subject of civil restraining orders, two criminal convictions and a separate criminal diversion penalty arising out of his repeated harassment of Churches of Scientology and their members. These acts included malicious harassment, stalking, vandalism, and harassment of Scientology children at their school. In many other instances, Myers has sought to disrupt religious congregations or gatherings by going into Scientology

 churches pretending to be an interested person, and when his identity was realized, screaming at the top of his lungs inside the church buildings and exiting laughing – thereafter posting his crimes on YouTube. In other instances, he harasses church members seeking to go in and out of their churches and makes repeated sexual comments and propositions.

In the incident at issue, Myers, admittedly drunk, entered a church property on Fountain Avenue in Los Angeles, screamed loudly once inside the building and was escorted outside by several staff. Once outside, he physically assaulted and battered a church staff member and proceeded to attempt to break security cameras and repeatedly trespass on the properties. He attempted to sexually assault a security guard who evaded him. Myers was taken into custody by the LAPD following a private persons arrest by the battery victim.

There is no justification, much less any demonstration of good cause for Myers and his attorney to be given leave to enter Church properties to "inspect, photograph and measure" therein. There is nothing relevant to see, no evidence to be gained, no reason for his presence whatsoever – except more harassment of Church members to get them to drop charges to avoid this further indignity and imposition upon their associational and religious rights. Myers is incorrigible and cares nothing for the rights of others in performing his repeated acts motivated by religious hatred.

Moreover, Myers has already spent many hours standing on the street and sidewalks and trespassing on the property, filming the buildings and area. And as to the building at 4810 Sunset Blvd., there is no claim that he even entered the building that night. The only connection is that he was arrested outside the building when the police arrived.

Movants urge the Court not to permit Myers or his attorney (who often accompanies Myers in his acts of harassment) to further the burden of the crime to its victims. As addressed below, California law would prohibit an order permitting Myers from impinging upon the rights of the victims in the guise of pointless and unnecessary "inspection, photographing and measuring" church premises, which cannot possibly provide any evidence in support of a defense.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Church parties will largely decline to respond to the vituperative, inflammatory and false allegations of Myers' attorney Graham Berry, having nothing to do with the issue raised. Mr. Berry himself has been party to many acts of harassment, and was found by this Superior Court to be a "vexatious litigant" as defined in C.C.P. §391, for bring multiple frivolous lawsuits against Churches of Scientology. (Ex. A.) Mr. Berry was thereafter suspended from the practice of law for 18 months for this harassment of Scientology Churches and other misconduct. (Ex. B.) Thus, his gratuitous, inflammatory, irrelevant and inaccurate assertions regarding Scientology and speculation of fact will be ignored.

The brief history of Myers' acts and the events giving rise to the arrest and prosecution of Mr. Myers, the night of November 7, 2015, in sum, are as follows:

Since 2008, Myers, has engaged in numerous acts of harassment of Scientologists. He has appeared at Churches of Scientology in the Los Angeles area literally hundreds of times, under the assertion that he is "protesting" Scientology. Myers has never had any involvement in Scientology, and chose to attack its members for reasons which are unknown.

In October of 2008, Myers was the subject of a civil restraining order for stalking a female Scientologist, Lissa Uvizl, who worked at a church building in Hollywood. (Ex. C, Restraining Order.) Myers created a composite video from the video of a church security guard admitted into evidence in the restraining order proceedings and from his own video recording the harassment of Ms. Uvizl, which he posted on the internet. This video, bragging of his harassing exploits, is appended as Exhibit D-1, "Excerpts of Donald Myers Videos." This and other brief excerpts of videos posted by Myers on YouTube are located on the same CD, and are very demonstrative of the situation addressed herein.

In 2010, Myers was arrested and prosecuted in Riverside County for vandalism at a Scientology religious film studio. Myers was convicted pursuant to PC §594(a) and ordered not to annoy or harass, threaten or disturb Church members and to stay away from the location for two years. (Ex. E.)

Later that year, he and another man pretended to be tourists and went into the Church of Scientology in Pasadena, acting as if they sought information regarding the religion. When Myers' identity became known, he was ordered to leave. Whereupon, Myers and his companion screamed loudly inside the church to disrupt services and those associating therein, and guffawed as they were escorted out. Excerpt of Myers' own video of this incident, again posted on YouTube, is attached here within Exhibit D-2. The same day, Myers went to the Church facilities in Los Angeles where he was also recently arrested, and intentionally disrupted a gathering there outside the church – chasing parishioners and staff into buildings and generally making it impossible for anyone to congregate over Myers' yelling and taunts. Myers proudly posted this on YouTube, which is included in Exhibit D-3.

In 2011, Myers was arrested and convicted of PC §626.8 following several instances of harassment of young children at a school run by Scientologists in Santa Monica. (Ex. F.) He also proudly posted a video of this incident of harassing children. (Ex. D-4.) He was ordered to stay away from that location, and focused on other locations he had not yet been ordered to avoid.

Some months later, Myers entered the Church of Scientology, Mission of Beverly Hills pretending to be interested in Scientology. When he was identified and asked to leave, he loudly screamed into the religious course rooms and counseling rooms, "Scientology is a cult!" and disrupting services. Myers posted a video of the incident on Youtube.com, titling it, "Scientology Mission Beverly Hills Infiltration" excerpts of which are included at Exhibit D-5.

Myers was arrested again in November of 2013 for further harassment of church staff member Lissa Uvizl at her church office after the restraining order relating to her had expired. (Ex. G.) As part of a criminal diversion including extensive community service, Myers was ordered again to stay away from her and the location for a year. (*Id.*)

There are many other instances in the past 3 years of Myers coming to the church campus located between Fountain and Sunset and there harassing parishioners, breaking up meetings and assemblies, entering church buildings, trespassing onto Church property, goading security to deal with him, and screaming into doors or windows. (Declaration of Kenneth

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Long.) Often Myers makes disgusting comments to parishioners and security guards, telling them he would like to have sex with them, and bragging about his sexual encounters with other persons. He has attempted to grab at persons' genitals while taunting them. In some of these instances, he has been accompanied by attorney Graham Berry. (*Id.*) Each such instance has violated the rights of members of this religion to peacefully gather, assemble and practice their faith in peace. These are not acts of "protest" or "demonstration" as asserted, but are endeavors to disrupt persons seeking to exercise constitutional rights.

The incident giving rise to the arrest on November 7, 2015 began at the offices of IAS Administrations on the Scientology campus, located at 4751 Fountain Ave. Although Myers had been repeated warned by church security to stay off the property and out of the buildings, Myers trespassed onto the property, walked up the steps and went into the lobby of the building where several staff were meeting with parishioners. He began screaming loudly at them and was ordered out by several men. (Declaration of Kenneth Long.) Staff member Kenneth Long saw the incident and came up the steps of the building, telling Myers to leave the property. Myers took a swing at Mr. Long, which was blocked by him. (Id.) Myers then started to go past Mr. Long down the steps and grabbed Mr. Long's behind as he did so, calling him a "pretty boy." (Id.) Myers then proceeded to the lawn of the property where he violently shook a pole on which was a video surveillance camera. Myers, exclaiming that he was drunk, thereafter turned up L Ron Hubbard Way where the other church buildings are located on the campus, and performed his typical exercise of entering onto the property and harassing members trying to go into buildings – much as seen in the video excerpt of him breaking up gatherings outside Church buildings where many parishioners congregate. (*Id*; and Ex. D-3.) He was told to stay off the property, and repeatedly went onto and off of the property to taunt the security guards and staff. (Id.)

LAPD was called, and when Myers was near the top of the block near Sunset Blvd, and in front of one of the Church buildings located at 4810 W. Sunset Blvd., the police arrived and instructed Myers to come to their car. He was then arrested and taken into custody by the

police. (*Id.*) Myers had entered the lobby of 4751 Fountain as noted above, but *did not* enter into the main church building at 4810 Sunset Blvd., where he seeks to inspect. (*Id.*)

MYERS HAS NO RIGHT TO ENTER UPON AND INSPECT, PHOTOGRAPH AND MEASURE CHURCH PROPERTY

In some circumstances, discovery is permitted to a criminal defendant. The leading case on the issue is *Bullen v. Superior Court* (1988) 204 Cal.App.3d 22, 26, which states that "To generalize on the law of criminal discovery, an accused's motion for discovery must be timely, must describe the information sought with reasonable specificity, and must present a plausible justification for production of the items requested." The Court noted that disposition of the motion requires that the trial court "must balance the value to the accused of the information sought against the legitimate interests of others." (citing *Reyes v. Municipal Court* (1981) 117 Cal.App.3d 771, 775, 173 Cal.Rptr. 48.)

Hence, the Court found, "[a]n accused ... is not entitled to inspect material as a matter of right without regard to the adverse effects of disclosure and without a prior showing of good cause... Additionally, the court has discretion to deny discovery in the absence of a showing which specifies the material sought and furnishes a "plausible justification" for inspection.

Bullen at 27, (citing Hill v. Superior Court (1974) 10 Cal.3d 812, 817.)

Here, Myers has made no showing whatsoever concerning why he purportedly needs to examine, photograph or "measure" inside the church buildings. The defendant doesn't say why he wants such information, why he needs it, or how it would serve to defend against any possible claim. Indeed, the demand for this discovery is transparently intended to further intimidate the victims to cause them to drop any charges against Myers or suffer the further abuse of having him tour through the building and take pictures with the power of the Court's command.

But as stated by the *Bullen* court, the rights of the third party – and particularly of the victim of the very crimes at issue -- are paramount, finding that an order permitting a criminal defendant to inspect or photograph a premises impinges upon the victim's "right to be free from unreasonable search and seizure." Thus, to override the constitutional rights of the third party

victim, which in this case is a church and its parishioners and staff with enhanced associational 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

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and religious rights would "require that the 'plausible justification' for inspection be so substantiated as to make the seizure constitutionally reasonable." Bullen at 33, citing Pacific Lighting Leasing Co. v. Superior Court (1976). And, "[1]ikewise, petitioner's fundamental right to privacy free from judicially mandated intrusion into her home invokes a 'legitimate governmental interest,' rendering it incumbent on defendant to demonstrate sufficient 'plausible justification' and 'good cause' for the intrusion. Bullen at 33-34, citing Craig v. Municipal Court (1979) 100 Cal. App. 3d 69, 74.

Bullen failed to make such showing, and like Myers, offered only unsupportable conclusions, and even though it was murder case, the trial court's order permitting discovery was by writ of the Court of Appeals. This, of course, is only a misdemeanor case and the most recent of a long line of such cases against Myers.

It would be incongruous and constitutionally inappropriate to permit Myers, his counsel or his "agents," to abuse the victims' rights in a manner perhaps even greater than that for which he is charged – and at the command of the court.

Neither Myers nor his attorney have even pretended to provide any cogent reason for their demand. What do they need to "inspect" and why? What do they need to "photograph" and why? What do they need to "measure" and why?"

Even if it would be helpful to have photographs of the places where Myers' trespassed. he has taken hours of video at these very locations already. And there is no allegation whatsoever that he entered the Church building at 4810 Sunset Blvd. Thus, as noted, the assertion that he will need 1-2 hours to photograph and examine and "measure" the premises is most disingenuous and transparent.

Precisely as in *Bullen*, "Defendant's showing of 'good cause' or 'plausible justification' is conclusional and thus inadequate to support judicially compelled access to petitioner's [church] with the resulting deprivation of [members'] right to privacy in and freedom from unwanted intrusion." Bullen at 27.

CONCLUSION

Third parties Church of Scientology Western United States (4810 Sunset Blvd.), and International Association of Scientologists (4751 Fountain Ave.), accordingly oppose Myers' motion for leave to enter their premises for any reason. Indeed, Myers should be barred from ever coming anywhere near any of these premises as the reasonable punishment for his crimes.

Dated: April 6, 2016

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counselling rooms and religious course rooms. All of its staff are religious workers and members of the Scientology religious order.

- 3. Prior to the incident, I had personally ordered Myers off Church property during two incidents in early 2015, the first when he showed up and entered onto Church property while following me with a video camera and making derogatory statements to harass and intimidate, as he was also doing to other Church staff and parishioners. He claimed then that his multiple trespasses were "de minimus." The second incident was on Easter Sunday, when he showed up and was screaming at children and their parents who were visiting the petting zoo and water slide made available by the Church for the holiday, and where members were gathered. I had also personally observed Church security personnel warning Myers to stay off the property on numerous other occasions during the past eight years.
- 4. I had happened to be passing by the IASA lobby and I heard screaming from inside. A few seconds later, Myers came into view through the glass door and screamed again at persons inside, who I heard order him to leave. I walked halfway up the steps leading to the lobby and, as he opened the door, I told him to get off the property. He came down a step or two, standing above me, and tried to slap my head, striking my arm instead when I blocked him. He then started running down the steps and grabbed or slapped my buttock as he passed, calling me "a pretty boy."
- 5. I followed down to the sidewalk and stood there between him and the IASA entrance, observing that he was agitated and somewhat unrestrained in his conduct and appeared to be drunk or on drugs. (I later read Myers' posting on his website stating that he had just come from a bar a few blocks away.) Myers made derogatory statements about my wife, seemingly with the intent to incite me to fight him, and then started walking west on Fountain Avenue as several security guards arrived. He paused to step onto the property to violently shake the supporting pole for a security video camera before proceeding west. He turned north onto L. Ron Hubbard Way, crossing the street to the west sidewalk, and proceeded to harass parishioners and staff members as he slowly worked his way up the block, repeatedly entering onto the property to taunt parishioners and the guards and being ordered off. He stopped

outside the Church premises at the northern end of the block, with the address of 4810 Sunset Boulevard, to continue his harassment and was there when the police arrived and took him into custody. Myers did not enter into the Church of Scientology of Los Angeles building at 4810 Sunset. I have seen him many times take video footage of both the IASA building and at the 4810 Sunset Blvd. address and also post some footage of these locations on the Internet.

6. Myers has previously come to the Church campus at this location on many occasions, including during the past three years. I have personally observed him, accompanied at times by attorney Graham Berry or others but more often alone, harassing parishioners, breaking up meetings and assemblies by screaming loudly at them, trespassing onto Church property, goading security to deal with him, and screaming into doors or windows.

Executed this 6th day of April 2016 at Los Angeles, California.

I declare under penalty of perjury and the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Kenneth Long