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BlackSDA _ 3ABN _ Lawsuit Secrecy

Posted by: sister May 3 2007, 08:13 AM

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Let me clairfy a point:

The legal documents are sealed. That means that you and I can not read them.

Both Mr. Joy and Mr. Pickle, and thier accredited legal representatives can read them. They know exactly what those documents are. However, they, and their legal representative can not share that information with anyone else. Anyone who is discovered to have shared that information is subject to legal sanction. If an

licensed attorney, that person could be subject to legal discipline in addition to judicial sanction.

As understood, this seal is thought to be extremely restrictive. I.e. Anyone who understands U.S. law knows that there is another legal hearing scheduled in this case. Yet, those principles in this case cannot acknowledge that, and they cannot tell us when it is scheduled. They simply are unable to tell us what the focus of the lawsuit is, or anything about it.

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Posted by: Grith May 3 2007, 09:22 AM

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Isaiah 8

9 Associate yourselves, O ye people, and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries: gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

10 Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the word, and it shall not stand: for God is with us.

11 For the LORD spake thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying,

12 Say ye not, A confederacy, to all them to whom this people shall say, A confederacy; neither fear ye their fear, nor be afraid.

God reads the secrets of the heart. He is well acquainted with what is going through the minds of these men, and when He sees that the time is right, He will make it known. Their secrets will not remain secret. He will break the power of these men who desire power and prestige. He has already told us that it is the meek who will inherit the earth.

I am saddened by all that is happening, but my trust is in my heavenly Father who knows the end from the beginning. He has drawn a line somewhere though we don't see it, and He will not permit Danny Shelton or Garwin McNeilus or ASI businessmen or anyone to cross that line.

I was thinking about the story of Lucifer and how God did not destroy him immediately. He had to allow him to show his true colors. I believe that God may have allowed Linda to be removed out of 3abn that Danny and others connected with him would have opportunity to show their true colors. God set up 3abn and I believe that He will cleanse and purify it. And all those who have sought to destroy those with whom they disagree will find themselves caught in the net that they laid to entrap others. As SDAs we must be prepared for anything. We have already been told "Many a star that we have admired for its brilliancy will then go out in darkness. Chaff like a cloud will be borne away on the wind, even from places where we see only floors of rich wheat. All who assume the ornaments of the sanctuary, but are not clothed with Christ's righteousness, will appear in the shame of their own nakedness. 5T 81."

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Psalms 9

15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made: in the net which they hid is their own foot taken.

16 The LORD is known by the judgment which he executeth: the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. Higgaion. Selah.

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

18 For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall not perish for ever.

19 Arise, O LORD; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy sight.

20 Put them in fear, O LORD: that the nations may know themselves to be but men. Selah.

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered May 3 2007, 11:28 AM

Sister,

Ah yes, why the litigation? Somebody must have gotten a little too close to uncovering the truth. And why the secrecy? We must remember that some people are of the opinion that image, no matter how false it may be, must be protected no matter what the cost or who must be sacrificed in the process.

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Girth,

Bless you for bringing these thoughts to this discussion! I hope all those who are targets of this litigation and whose families are being impacted by the mechanism of such proceedings will take courage and remember that God IS in control. While He clearly expects us to participate in reproofing sin, we can all have faith that His course of action will be true and His will done.

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The early days of litigation in cases such as this are typically involve with technical and procedural issues. This is a time in which if any party wants a change in venue, that request is made. In addition challenges are typically made to orders that have placed documents under seal or impoundment.

Typically, a party will request seal/impoundment. That will be granted on a temporary basis. That is to give the other side a chance to challenge before it becomes permanent. So, if this is any kind of a typical proceeding, the order to impound is not permanent. It simply provides some kind of a time-frame in which the request to impound can be challenged.

So, if this is typical, two of the priority issues for the next hearing would likely be a change in venue, if that is desired, and a challenge to the impoundment, if that is going to be made.

I could also expect some other procedural and technical issues to be raised early on.

Typically, early on in the proceedings, one or both parties will ask for a summary judgement. That is simply a request for the judge to issue a ruling in that person's favor, without going to a full trial. Typically they are denied, but not always.

Early on in the process, both parties will likely ask the court to issue decrees that compel the other party to produce evidence, or compel people to give sworn testimony.

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Re: Bob:

To answer your questions would potentially give the plaintiff an advantage, either to support their claim, or to let them know how Bob would defend against it.

Impounded documents: It must be assumed that this order is temporary. The defendants will have the opportunity to challenge. Most often when documents are impounded/sealed it is for a limited time. But, it can be forever. Yes, I suspect that the defendants will be able to mount a good case for making them available to the public. But, as I do not know why the plaintiff wanted them sealed, I can only speculate.

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I know little of the legal system but what kind of legal maneuvering would involve a lot of legal costs for Bob and Gailon since they are "defendants"? I understand that their attorneys/counsel/legal representatives must be proactive in insuring that every detail is in place for an even playing field. Are there really so many legal wranglings available to the plaintiffs that it could prove to be an insurmountable financial hardship to these men?

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It has been my experience here on BSDA that rather than wanting to know "everything", many of the folks here are most interested in finding the truth. As we all get to know one another better through out discussions we will know how to more properly respond to each other's questions. Sometimes folks get defensive simply because they don't know if the person's motive behind the question asked.

If you would like to know more first hand about any Weimar/AF relationship, I would suggest you might start with contacting them directly. Weimar College's web site can be found here:

<http://www.weimarcollge.info/>

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In that thread you asked me about my opinions. I'm not sure how my opinions will help anyone get to the truth (or facts). And what's more is my opinion is evolving as I learn more information or as I've taken more time to mull over the facts that I am aware of. So forgive me for not generously expressing my opinion.

An opinion is just what the person is thinking at the time, and not necessarily the truth of the matter. So pardon me for not expressing my opinion or not expressing it in detail.

My questions on this forum so far are about facts and about details. And I hope that if someone on this forum has the facts that they can be kind enough to share them. There are lots of opinions freely expressed

that are not helpful to me in finding out the facts - or the truth.

Opinion vs fact --- at this point this is the question for me.

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
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I know for a fact that the information that has been revealed to date concerning Danny Shelton and improprieties in the management of 3ABN on www.save3abn.org is only the tip of the iceberg in regard to what has actually taken place.

Donations have been down at 3ABN the entire first quarter. This fact was confirmed by Mollie Steenson on the Thursday night live, where the merger of 3ABN and Amazing Facts was announced. On the same program Danny also called out for the need of millions of dollars for the new merged organization. If both organizations are financially sound and will continue with their current operations at this time and merely combine their boards into one entity, why the sudden need for millions? Amazing Facts has speakers and potential programming, 3ABN already has the equipment and the studios, why the sudden need for millions of dollars pumped into the combined budget? What information is being withheld from the viewing public? Why has there been no information regarding the addition of other "self supporting" ministries to this new organization? Amazing Facts has been in negotiations with Weimar Institute and College to add them to the package. What other ministries will be brokered into the mix?

The matchmaker for the marriage of Amazing Facts and 3ABN was Garwin McNeilus. Garwin was the faceless man, in CA Murray's "dream", who did so much of the talking at the merger meeting in Colorado. He is the money man behind the scenes who pays for attorneys, provides locations for secret merger meetings, is the power and authority behind ASI and is silently building a new empire within the "self

supporting ministries" of Adventism. This empire begins with the merging of 3ABN, Amazing Facts, Weimar Institute and College, and the support of unnamed persons and entities within ASI. The consortium that backs this marriage, headed by Garwin McNeilus, is a group of very wealthy SDA business men. Men who have money and desire for greater power. They made an attempt for a takeover in the running of OCI (Outposts Centers International) a little over 2 years ago, at that time the attempt failed. Now they build their base upon a broader foundation: 3ABN/Amazing Facts/Weimar Institute and College merger. What is their plan and what is their goal? And why is it so important for them to stop the investigations of Pickle and Joy?

Why the lawsuit now and the secrecy surrounding it's particulars? Follow the money trail...

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Posted by: sonshineonme May 3 2007, 09:09 PM

QUOTE(runner4him @ May 3 2007, 07:57 PM)

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You are so right r4h!! (btw, I use to be a runner too!)
Just read up on the newest addition at save3abn, very exciting! Seems, Dan can't win either way.

Posted by: sonshineonme May 3 2007, 09:19 PM

QUOTE(PrincessDrRe @ May 3 2007, 06:48 PM)

I agree.....

I also agree....

Although BSDA is a forum of "truth"...it is also a forum that requires **READING**.

1. Read the threads.
2. Ask questions.
3. Repeat - read the threads.
4. Ask questions.

The fact that you asked a question that is kinda "out of order" - (not asking "little things" first) states that you may be suspect. That is all....

such good points re, and as sp can see, many are pointing things out...hopefully, (shiny penny) listening and learning will take place....after all, we bsda'ers weren't born yesterday, now were we? We are pretty smart cookies, and we have seen it all here (well, we can always be more surprised I guess)....advice to SP, READ or yourself. That's what we do here. Then we discuss. I would try to follow this type of regime if I were you. Otherwise you will get more of the same you are getting now. Not much and ample suspicion....you don't want that now do you?

Posted by: LaurenceD May 3 2007, 09:34 PM

QUOTE(Shiny Penny)

LaurenceD - thanks for telling me that you had asked questions on another thread. I'm still new to **navigating** around bsda and had not seen your reply/questions. I've responded briefly on the other thread.

In that thread you asked me about my opinions. I'm not sure how my opinions will help anyone get to the truth (or facts). And what's more is my opinion is evolving as I learn more information or as I've taken more time to mull over the facts that I am aware of. So forgive me for not generously expressing my opinion.

An opinion is just what the person is thinking at the time, and not necessarily the truth of the matter. So pardon me for not expressing **my opinion** or not expressing it in detail.

My questions on this forum so far are about **facts** and about **details**. And I hope that if someone on this forum has the facts that they can be kind enough to share them. There are lots of opinions freely expressed that are not helpful to me in finding out the facts - or the truth.

Opinion vs fact --- at this point this is the question for me.

QUOTE(Shiny Penny)

Re: Barbara Kerr - this one has me wondering. I read her letter(s) some time ago. Perhaps I should go and reread again, before replying to your question, but I do have other things to do and some of the letters are so long - I'm one of those people who likes things **short and to the point**. But I had thought why not release the tapes to her. I cannot recall ever reading why 3ABN would not release the tapes to her.

About the State of Illinois case - isn't that being appealed? And **help me out** - what was 3ABN doing that was wrong? Do you know if they are still doing that stuff wrong?

addressing the bolded from the top above)

Don't worry, you're doing as good as anyone navigating around here. You came right into BSDA like a pro.

It probably wasn't obvious, but I wanted to know how you felt about those two questions so we could get to know you. From your reluctance to read, retain, react, and commit...it looks like it will take a lot longer than usual to get to know you. So, be patient with us if we don't respond to your queries for a while. It's important to know what you've learned and how you feel about things first so we can know if our time will be well spent in education.

Yes, that's what we strive for also...facts and details. The supporting evidence for such is often strangely missing, so it's nice to know you won't be joining the others in making claims, or believing claims, that are merely typed and spoken flats from the so-called authorities who are here merely to shape public perception, not to offer a balanced informed view based on demonstration. When *they* say something, it's like saying nothing at all.

Short and to the point has its place. There are times and places where this is not possible. If you take more time browsing around current discussions, and have little interest in reading the more important documents, we may not get very enthused digesting and regurgitating the real meat of the matter for you...although some of us do enjoy chewing the cud from time to time.

The letter from Barbara Kerr, that you are apparently familiar with, struck a chord deep in the heartland of many of us, and we found it to be a pivotal point in our understanding of the situation. If you have no reaction, nor opinion, about her very revealing comments, that's what we're looking for in getting to know you. It serves as a major barometric intidator of many things that go unsaid.

There's nothing I can do to help you out on the case *Jabn vs. State of Illinois* if your span of attention is waning. What's important is that you read it and offer your comments on the judges recommendation so we can get to know you, not you us, or trying to helping us in some way. We've been there and felt each other's reactions. Yours is still at large. We're here to study the *facts* and *details*, and there's no better place to find them, and no better place to point someone like yourself to than that case...so we know where you stand. It demands a polarized opnion agreeing or disagreeing...understanding or misunderstanding the rules.

Here's links for both the court case and BK's letter...

<http://www.revenue.state.il.us/legalinformation/hearings/pt/pt04-1.pdf>
<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=10489&hl=Kerr>

Reciprocity is the golden rule around here, so get back to us after giving these some thought. "Short and to the point" is not what years sorting through issues on this site is all about. You won't last long if that the expectation.

Posted by: Shiny Penny May 3 2007, 10:45 PM

QUOTE(watchbird @ May 3 2007, 05:01 PM) □

Penny, you will learn more if you read more carefully. Please read what I said again.

I was talking about finding people on the Weimar and Amazing Facts websites... not here. Weimar, being a college, no doubt has a goodly number of their staff listed. Amazing Facts has a number of choices on their response form. These are all real names of real people.

Thanks for clarifying. I did misunderstand your earlier post.

Posted by: Pickle May 4 2007, 06:18 AM

Shiny Penny,

Regarding A-Facts merging with Weimar, please see Doug Garcia's April 9, 2007, announcement at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WeimarAlumni/message/530>, a posting you can see only if you are a member of the list.

That announcement said,

QUOTE(Doug Garcia)

Hello Weimar Alumni,

This weekend was the Amazing Facts board meeting and it has been reported to me that it appears we are heading for a merger with Weimar Institute.

I'll try to pass on any official word when it is given.

Just thought you'd all be interested in the progress.

Douglas Garcia

Doug works for A-Facts, has worked at 3ABN, and is a Weimar Alumnus.

To all: Note the date of Doug Garcia's announcement.

Thus there was an A-Facts board meeting on Sunday, April 8, that apparently approved pursuing the merger with Weimar. Then came the same board's vote on Wednesday, April 18, to merge with 3ABN, followed by a staff meeting at Weimar, I'm told, in which the staff were told that the discussions about merging Weimar and A-Facts were on hold because of this development with 3ABN.

People have wondered whether the merger with 3ABN was in the works for a long time, as Danny stated on April 19, or whether this all was a sudden development, as Doug stated in a communication. The facts speak for themselves.

Posted by: dedication May 5 2007, 11:01 PM

Is there a connection between the merger and the serving of lawsuits?
It appears Danny's been threatening for some time -- but waits until the merger is announced before serving.

Posted by: runner4him May 5 2007, 11:35 PM

QUOTE(dedication @ May 5 2007, 11:01 PM)

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Not the brightest light.....but who knows what they are thinking?? Very good question.....any ideas?



Posted by: SoulEspresso May 5 2007, 11:37 PM

QUOTE(dedication @ May 5 2007, 10:01 PM)

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serving.

know job. Or whitewash.

By the way, I really like LaurenceD's post to Shiny Penny. Couldn't have said it better myself.

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