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From: **Walt Thompson** Date: Oct 13, 2007 9:01 PM Subject: Re: Lawsuit Questions To:

Dear ****,

Thanks for your patience. After hours on the phone waiting for help to get my computer back on line, it has finally happened. So now I will attempt to answer your questions.

The past few years have been most difficult for 3abn. I first became aware of the problem with Danny and Linda in March of 2004. For the next few months I was at 3abn almost every week trying to bring healing. Unfortunately, our efforts were not successful and it was necessary to let Linda go. That was a sad time for all of us, for she was, and is, loved by all of us and many of our viewers. Not all of our viewers and supporters understood our actions, though done with the greatest possible sensitivity and care.

Not long after Linda's departure rumors began circulating around the world by every imaginable means, all of which have had a negative effect upon the ministry. This took on a whole renewed vigor about a year ago when I was told of a man who was about to release a barrage of anti 3abn allegations to church leaders and churches B and the public all around the world. Upon learning of this intent, I called the man and spoke for about an hour with him explaining 3abn's position. At the end of the conversation, he continued to tell me that 3abn was wrong, and that he was convinced that the information he had was the truth and that he was deternimed to tell it to the world. He further told me that if the leadership of the church came to 3abn's defense, he would attack them and lay open their sins before the world. Not long after that another man joined in making serious allegations about 3abn B employees, determined that we were covering sins, and demanding that we acknowledge them. The attacks by these and others have had a very detrimental effect upon the ministry. When the leaders of the General Conference began to accept the false allegations from these, our accusers, without coming to us to find out the truth of the matters, and decided not to work with 3abn any more until we proved to them that we were in the right, we decided it was time to stand up and defend the ministry that donors like yourself have sacrificed to create, but which was now being threated with extinction. We had sought resolution with our enemies. We next went to ASI seeking their help in discovering truth about the matter. Our opposition then refused to cooperate with ASI R attempts to develop a procedure for examining the facts on both sides. The Church had already refused to get involved. Where else does one go for understanding and reconcilliation? It was about this time that we decided to B

go to the courts of the land in defense, not for our own reputation, or seeking monetary benefit, but to protect this ministry. God has told us in the Bible that He would fight for us as He promised ancient Israel. It is interesting that though He told the Israelites that He would fight for them, they still were required to arm and go into battle with Him.

It is interesting to me that though Ellen White correctly warns against taking one's brother to court, she also was a realist. When one reads the book, Acts of the Apostles, she describes the Apostle Paul's experience in Jerusalem. Because of attempts by his "brothers" to kill him, he was wisked away from Jerusalem at night to protect him. When later he was asked if he wanted to return to Jerusalem to be tried, fearing death at the hand of his fellow Brethern, he appealed to Caesar. She then mentions Elijah who when threatened by his apostate "brethern" was taken to the brook cherith and fed by ravens. Later, on Mt. Carmel, after fire came down and devoured His sacrifice, he was commanded to kill the prophets of Baal, his fellow countrymen. There are many other examples in the Bible of instances where God's servants were attacked by their fellow brethern, and found it necessary to seek help from the civil authorities. She then states that at the end of time, God's people would be attacked by their fellow believers. We are living in that time. Rather than let 3abn go down without a struggle, we believe God has led us in the dicision to take our oponents to court in an honest effort to discover truth. If at any point reconcilliation may be reached any other way, I am sure the suit would be dropped at once, but not until this ministry is assured protection.

As far as the original problem of Danny and Linda is concerned, I will say only this. We as a board did everything we could do to save Linda for her home and for the ministry. No one here wanted to see her go. We begged her to

get help and get her life straightened out, and even made tentative arrangements for her to get that help. All of our efforts were refused. She did not leave the ministry without knowing what she was doing, as many have been led to believe. I and her pastor first went to her seeking to help her. We then formed a small committee of the board to speak with her and seek resolution. Following this, our whole board looked at the evidence and considered her letter. Finally, her church board looked at the evidence and made a decision and sanctioned her. According to the Church Manual, the local church board is the final authority on such matters, which the church at large is then expected to accept and support. Unfortunately, this did not happen here, nor did the Church seek to find the truth by due process. No one wishes more than this board, and Danny, who lost both a life companion and partner in ministry when she was stolen away, that reconcilliation could have been done. Some have demanded that we share the evidence upon which we based our decisions to the whole world to see. We have chosen to ignore these demands, following the example of Jesus who often forgave sins, but never exposed the sins known to him to the public - not even those of the Pharisees who brought the woman caught in adultery to Him.

I hope this helps. If you have further specific questions, please feel free to write again.

Sincerely in Jesus' precious name,

Walter Thompson Chairman, 3abn board

Walter Thompson MD

----- Original Message -----From:. To: <u>walttmd@...</u> Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2007 9:20 AM Subject: Re: Lawsuit Questions

I have not received any reply from you. Please try again.

Thank you.

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On 10/8/07, <u>walttmd@...</u> < <u>walttmd@...</u> > wrote:
| Dear ****,
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I am working on a strange computer and am not sure if my letter went through to you. If you h ave not received a reply, please write again, and I will try again.

thanks,

Walter Thompson Chairman 3abn board

----- Original Message -----

From: Date: Saturday, October 6, 2007 2:25 pm Subject: Lawsuit Questions To: walttmd@...

> To 3ABN Leadership;

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> I hope it is permissible to be writing to you. I am writing to ask

> you about

> the current lawsuit 3ABN and Danny Shelton have filed against some

> churchmembers who just have asked a few questions. Please let me

> know why you feel

> this is a necessary action to take against fellow Christians?

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> When I heard about the Danny and Linda Shelton divorce, I was

> very disappointed. I could not and cannot still understand how two
> people in

> this blessed ministry could find themselves without hope to

> resolve their

> problems. I am not sitting in judgement but the whole thing looks

> wrong to

> me. >

> I have always watched your programs but I am discouraged with you

> in the

> past few years.

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