**DECLARATION OF WILLIAM TRUAX**

I, WILLIAM TRUAX, do hereby declare and state as follows:

1. I am over the age of eighteen. The following statements are made of my own personal knowledge and if called upon to do so, I could and would competently testify thereto.

2. I married Jane Truax in early 1990. At the time, both Jane and I were members of the Church of Scientology, although Jane had not been active as a member for several years.

3. Several months after we were married, Jane began saying negative things about our Church, comments that I had never heard her make before. I later learned that these comments were the results of meetings she had had with Spankey Taylor.

4. In late 1990, Jane became markedly more vociferous in her negative commentary about our church, and began to denounce it roundly. I later learned that these were the results of a meeting she had with people who claimed to be "exit counselors" or "deprogrammers", named Jerry and Hana Whitfield. Spanky Taylor had introduced Jane to these peole.

5. In April and May, 1990, Jane went to the Church of Scientology's religious retreat in clearwater, Florida, for some advanced spiritual counseling.

6. In approximately October, 1990, Jane arranged for me

to meet with two people who had told her some of the negative things about the Church which she had been repeating. These people were named Jerry and Hana. I agreed to meet with them, because I wanted to see just what it was that Jane had gotten involved in.

7. After talking with some of my friends at the Church, I realized that "Jerry and Hana" were probably Jerry and Hana Whitfield, people who are known to engage in the coercive kidnapping of adults known as "deprogramming". I decided to bring a friend of mine, Tony Falcaro, with me to the interview.

8. When Tony and I arrived at my house Jane was waiting there. She became upset, and immediately started yelling at me, saying that I had no intention of listening to what the Whitfields had to say.

9. Before Jane could call the Whitfields and tell them not to come, the the security guard from the lobby buzzed up and said that the Whitfields had arrived. Both Jane and I went running down the stairs to see the Whitfields. I went over to Jerry and shook his hand with one hand and grabbed his forearm with the other hand and said, "How much were you paid to come here and do this to me?"

10. Jerry went white. Hana started muttering, saying something like, "Have a nice day but we must be going now." Jerry and Hana then ran out the door of the apartment building.

11. Jane and I then had an argument. I was angry that

Jane would try to have me deprogrammed. At the end of the argument, Jane agreed that she would go see a minister at the Church the next day to help her sort this out.

11. Although Jane did go to see a church minister, after some time I discovered that she had also been seeing Spanky Taylor on a regular basis. Spanky had been counseling Jane and showing her anti-Scientology materials as part of that counseling.

12. Jane and I are now in the process of getting a divorce.

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

Executed this 30th day of June, 1991 at Los Angeles, California.

WILLIAM TRUAX