April 29, 2019

Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Canada Attn: Service Desk 13893 ON-7,
Georgetown ON L7G 4S4

Without Prejudice

Gentlemen,

On April 1 of this year, I was called to a committee hearing by the elders of the Aldershot congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. I was again called to attend an appeal hearing on April 26.

In both hearings, I was denied my basic human rights, and what should be of greater importance to you, my scriptural rights.

To begin with, I was denied a public hearing even though I requested this in writing and even though this is the accepted standard in both secular courts and in all the judicial proceedings found in Scripture both within Israel and later within the Christian Congregation. (The one notable exception being the illegal trial of our Lord, Jesus Christ.)

Further, I was denied the right to bring in witnesses for the defense, but was required to make my defense alone, without even the benefit of counsel.

I was confronted by a barricaded parking lot and an intimidating number of men standing guard. Further, I was required to leave my possessions and even my suit coat outside the meeting room. But it wasn't only my clothing that was to be stripped away. I was not even allowed to take my own notes into the meeting—we're talking about paper notes!

It seemed to me that the purpose of all this intimidation and humiliation was to create an environment so toxic to the mounting of any successful defense that anyone would be a fool to enter. Thus, with my exit, the claim could be made that I was extended "the courtesy" (their word) of a hearing, but refused to accept.

There are a number of other serious and potentially litigious issues which I'm quite sure you are aware of, so I won't go into them again here.

The purpose for this letter is to make one last attempt to resolve this issue before I'm forced to take it to higher authorities. I'm sure you have access to my demands as detailed in my lawyer's letter directed to the Aldershot congregation.

Nevertheless, despite all the foregoing, I would still be willing to meet with the elders one last time if the following conditions are met.

1) That a reasonable number of observers be allowed to attend.

From the desk of Eric Wilson

- 2) That I can bring my own witnesses and that they will hear the proceedings.
- 3) That the hearing be recorded.
- 4) That I be allowed to use my computer for my defense.
- 5) That I am allowed to cross examine all witnesses and anyone presenting evidence against me.
- 6) That my questions be answered without evasion nor prevarication.
- 7) That assurances be given to all observers and witnesses that they can attend without fear of any negative repercussions.

However, before agreeing to any of this, I must first know why this judicial process was initiated in the first place, given that I haven't associated with any congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses in the past four years, and according to your own published policies, I should be allowed to leave the organization (fade away) unmolested.

I await your response.

Sincerely,

Eric Wilson