## DECLARATION OF TORY BEZAZIAN

- I, Tory Bezazian, declare as follows:
- 1. I am over the age of 18 years.
- 2. The statements herein are of my own personal knowledge and if called upon as a witness I can testify competently thereto. The following statements are true, to the best of my ability.
- 3. I had been a member of the Church of Scientology since 1969. In July of 2000, I ended my membership in Scientology because Scientology did not deliver what it promised to me, and I also realized what they are selling is actually unattainable.
- 4. In 1967 I had a Grand Mal seizure and after numerous tests, I was told I had Epilepsy. I was put on two medications, Dilantin and Mysoline, which together totally controlled all seizures and I was seizure free from that point until after I joined Scientology in 1969.
- 5. I joined Scientology at its American St. Hill Organization located in Los Angeles California in 1969. I was recruited into Scientology's Sea Organization (Sea Org) after a short while in Scientology, and I Was required to sign a contract for 1 billion years of dedicated service to Scientology.
- 6. After about 3 months of being in the Sea Org, I needed to Re-order my medicine for Epilepsy. I was sent to see a person called the Medical Liaison Officer (MLO). The MLO is a person who is not a doctor but tends to the medical needs of people who are members of the Sea Org. The MLO showed me Scientology policy, and told me I needed to get off of all of my medication. I was instructed by the MLO to gradually decrease my medication and supplement the medication with vitamins as recommended by author Adell Davis. I was instructed to cut my pills into quarters and to gradually decrease my prescription by 1/4th (one pill at a time) until I

was no longer on the medication. I was told once I was off all of my medication, at that point I could return to the Sea Org.

Within a few days of decreasing my medication (just one pill of mysoline) by  $\frac{1}{4}$  I started having Grand Mal seizures. I had them in the morning when I woke up. I had them on the streets of Los Angeles and I had them in Scientology Organizations. This went on for at least 3 months and was terribly painful to experience. Scientology always implied Epilepsy was just something I was creating or part of what they call my "case"; something that can be audited out and "handled" once I become responsible enough. Also according to Scientology technology the cause of my Epilepsy was hidden evil intentions that I had, or being connected to what they refer to as a suppressive person or "SP" (someone trying to hold you down or suppress you). As I continued to have seizures my memory was getting worse and worse. Later a Dr. explained to me that Grand Mal seizures actually cause brain damage. My mother noticing this begged me daily to get back on my medication. It had gotten so bad that literally one night I went out on a date and the next day my mom called to ask how it went. I asked her "whom did I go out with?"

Naturally she was horrified, as I kept insisting L.Ron Hubbard's technology would help cure this. After about 2 or 3 months I had a huge seizure in the shower, and knocked out my front upper teeth. This cost a great deal of money at that time to fix, to say nothing of the pain. All during this time, and really for the entire time I was in Scientology, people would ask me if I had finally gotten rid of Epilepsy in whatever auditing I was getting. This in itself was very degrading and extremely upsetting to me.

After being off my medication for three months I decided to give up on this futile and painful program, and returned to taking all of my medication. Immediately all seizures stopped. I was told that if I insisted on taking my medication that I was not eligible to be in the Sea Organization and my contract with the Sea Organization was terminated. Not only was this a huge upset to me, as I really wanted to be part of this "elite" group, but also they then tried to fine me for leaving! I wrote this up to Ron Hubbard who wrote back that this was incorrect, I needed to pay for 2 courses I got, to "continue your auditing, and we will see you up the line".

So now I had a letter from Hubbard saying once I "handled" Epilepsy with auditing, I could come back.

For 30 years I was getting auditing to supposedly get free, however these Physical Conditions kept being addressed in each section of auditing. Scientology will promote that I was the one interested in "handling" Epilepsy, and thus it was brought up in my sessions. The truth is, I never felt I needed to "handle" or get rid of Epilepsy and it was only because of Scientology's consideration about it that I kept attempting to get rid of this condition. In their basic step of what they call "Clear" one is supposed to be free from any and all somatics (or physical conditions) with oneself. That right away kept me on the path of trying to get rid of this condition. This continued for years and years.

Despite the trauma and physical abuse associated with having the seizures, I continued to pay for Scientology services in hopes that it was just the next level that I needed that would finally fix or cure my problems. Scientology very cleverly has up their disclaimers saying they are not there to cure any physical illnesses and if you have one, you need to see a doctor. However, it was always implied by Scientology Case Supervisors, Auditors and Ethics officers that these conditions would get "handled" in my auditing.

Epilepsy was addressed in most of my auditing, starting with Dianetics in 1969, on up until when I quit OT 7 (their next to the highest level) in 1997, after being on that upper level for 7 years. In 1970 some of the early questions in Dianetics were: "What attitudes, emotions, sensations and pains are connected with Epilepsy?"

On up to one of their secret levels, which I began in 1979, where I was supposed to locate what they call "body thetans" or spirits that affects the body. I did this level and at the end felt I had gotten rid of all of these spirits. At this time I thought I had cured Epilepsy due to all of the auditing connected with it. Once again I got a program to get off of my medication, and was supposed to take large volumes of herbs and vitamins. This ended with numerous Grand Mal Seizures or me going into what is known as "status Epileptus". I had to be put in a hospital, and received huge amounts of

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medicine to calm down these seizures. That was the last time I even tried to get off of my medication.

In 1985 I did some extensive training to learn how to handle Evil purposes, and again it was implied that the reason I still have Epilepsy was because I had "Un-handled Evil Purposes". Once again I spent a few years training to learn these tools, and then spent a year and a half trying to find and handle the evil purposes connected with Epilepsy and now migraine headaches. Neither one handled either physical condition.

I was then told what I really needed was New Era Dianetics for OT's. Many people were raving about how they had cured this and that with NOTS, so my mother-in- law decided rather than give us our inheritance when she died, she gave us OT 4-8 so she could "see your wins". She herself got in Dianetics in 1950 and has been in most of her adult life. This added up to well over \$200,000 between my husband and I (over \$100,000 each).

In 1989 I got onto OT 5 (NOTs- New Era Dianetics of OT's), which again was supposed to "handle" body problems. NOTS 34 directly relates to physical illnesses. Since this didn't work, they then said the original NOTS wasn't correct, and sold us "the NEW OT 5 Rundowns" for about \$30,000-\$40,000 or so. In 1990 I began what is known as Solo NOTS, or this upper level done solo. I worked at this for 7 long years, and wrote constantly saying "there is something wrong with this level!!" I wrote them saying "I feel like a being trapped in an iceberg as big as the Grand Canyon, and I am using a toothpick to try to get out".

I kept hearing how people were curing various physical illnesses, however I was suffering from severe migraine headaches and of course still had Epilepsy. We (the people on what is known as OT 7) were ordered to come to their main base in Florida twice a year for more auditing (that we had to pay for) and what they call "cramming" or correction. This would add up to many thousands of dollars each trip. But 1997 we were \$60,000 in debt. Finally after 7 long years, the head of Scientology, David Miscavige, announced at an event "the OT 7's were only using 3 out of the 59 needed tools". I was routed to a registrar who told me for \$25,000 I could re-do this course I had done in 1990.

I wrote a letter to Miscaviage that night saying, " if I buy a car and later the company finds out they built it wrong, they would not only give me a new car, but also throw in a CD player for the hassle". I received a form letter telling me to pay up.

Of course I never did get rid of Epilepsy, and am still on my medication today. All these processes did was make me feel more and more like there was something wrong with me, as I couldn't "handle" my physical problems with my auditing

By the end, I had gained 100 pounds, and my life was a wreck. I felt so crazy, I got my final instructions: "see if you can walk down the block and not think about your case/ physical upsets, etc.". I could not get two driveways and at that point I decided enough is enough!

After 7 long years of working at handling both serious migraine Headaches and Epilepsy with this uppermost level, and still having the same problems, I gave up trying to cure myself. I was never able to "handle" or cure or get rid of either physical problem. I finally got on some hormones which totally handled my migraine headaches, and I have stayed on my medication throughout. After spending way in excess of \$100,000.00 in Scientology I was not cured and still have to take medication.

9. Over a period of 30 years of active participation with Scientology, I had been continually labeled with numerous incorrect labels, and the only solution was to buy more Scientology services to handle my condition of Epilepsy. The whole concept of Scientology and Dianetics claiming it can cure illness is fraudulent at best. Of course they have their disclaimers up now all over stating they do NOT cure illnesses. However, much of their technology states in one form or another that IF one applies themselves hard enough, and if they buy enough auditing, or if they apply the correct Scientology ethics conditions, they can handle anything. If you cannot, of course it has nothing to do with the technology, it is you who are not applying it correctly, or your ethics are out, or you are "PTS" (remember, connected to the suppressive person?)...or...The list goes on and on. The truth is, their technology cannot and will not cure or heal Epilepsy, no matter how much money I paid, or how well I applied it. That was not the only reason I was in Scientology, however it was a big reason as I wanted to get back in the Sea

Organization, and to do so I needed to get off of my medication. This set me on a path to cure or get rid of Epilepsy that continued long after I gave up getting back into the Sea Organization.

Now because I have left and am speaking out, they have declared me what is called an SP, or suppressive person. In lay terms, this means I am worse than the devil. They are already spreading false rumors about me, and tried to convict me of false criminal claims in a court in Florida. Not one of my 30-year friends will talk to me, and I am sure they are using Epilepsy as one of the reasons I left. "She was never really qualified anyway". This is common is Scientology of people with handicaps. They promise salvation, take and use your money, and then when you are out of money or leave, they announce that you weren't really qualified for help.

Another of Hubbard's discoveries was a thing called "PDH'd" which stands for Pain-Drug-Hypnosis. Here he states that when someone does really bad things, especially speaking out against Scientology, one needs to check to see if this person has been unknowingly PDH'd. (Here they will laugh, as supposedly if I were I wouldn't know it, unless they could find out with their e-meters.)

I would like to state that I have not been PDH'd, nor am I some evil person who they will try to say is only here to destroy their "church". I am speaking out about this as it was extremely abusive, and fraudulent, and I would like to alert people about this.

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

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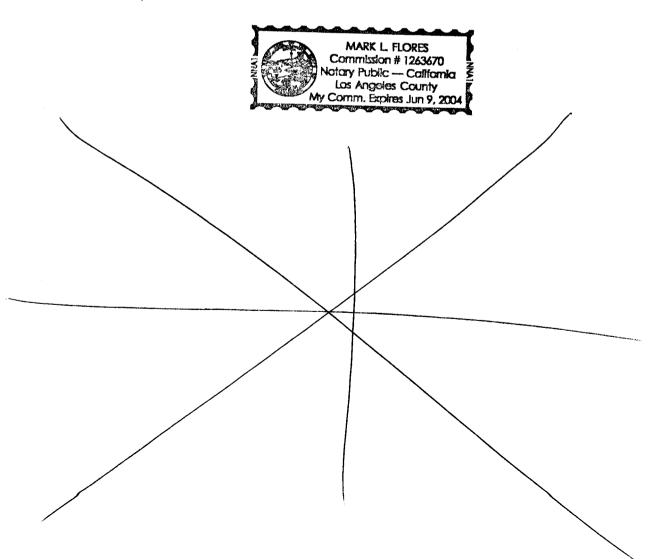
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