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Dear Congressperson Lowey,

1. I here set forth some of the essential facts in a matter which has received recent media attention and which mandates action by you and your office.

2a. I and my client were found guilty of non-summary criminal contempt, without a trial or opportunity for same, although constitutionally required (Nye v. U.S., 313 U.S. 33), and the substantial fines imposed were made payable "to the (federal) court", according to the Order.

b. None of the fine monies were received by the federal court or government, but instead they went into the private pockets of certain judicial cronies who had engineered the massive larceny of the judicial trust assets of Puccini Clothes, Ltd.

c. Through you and your office, I insist that the U.S. Attorney General be compelled to immediately take such action as is necessary to recover such diverted funds or else render a public explanation for his failure.

d. One of my daughters, Elena, has been in communication with your office and has the necessary supporting documentation.

3a. I, another attorney, and our client, in one document, were all convicted of non-summary criminal contempt, and each sentenced to be incarcerated for thirty (30) days.

b. These convictions were trialess and manifestly unconstitutional (Bloom v. Illinois, 391 U.S. 194).

c. Nevertheless, I and the other attorney served our full terms of incarceration while our client paid more than \$2.5 million dollars, agreed to execute general releases to federal and state judges, gave other considerations, and he was never incarcerated.

d. The written agreement provides that as long as he pays such extortion monies to the judicial cronies and does whatever else they desire he will not be incarcerated.

e. Such agreement was negotiated while I and the other attorney were incarcerated, and in the words of our client, expressed in White Plains, "they are bleeding me to death".

f. Trialless, manifestly unconstitutional, convictions, but incarceration avoided by the payment of more than \$2.5 million dollars to private persons, with general releases in favor of, inter alia, the federal judges of the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York is a national scandal of the first magnitude.

g. In any event, such more than \$2.5 million dollars belongs to the federal and state governments, and to the extent that same belongs to the federal government, the U.S. Attorney General must be compelled to recover same or else explain his inaction to you and the taxpaying public.

h. To the extent that the above was not confirmed by the Village Voice article of June 6, 1989, confirmation may be obtained from Mr. Jonathan Perziger of United Press International in Albany (518-462-4113).

4a. A few days after I learned that an Arrest Warrant had been issued against me by U.S. District Judge Nicholas H. Politan, I wrote to the United States Marshal's Offices in Maryland, White Plains, Foley Square, and Newark and advised them that I would surrender voluntarily if shown a facially valid warrant.

b. For almost three (3) months, I repeatedly made the same offer, by written letter and orally, without any response whatsoever.

c. Instead swarms of United States Marshals, over such three (3) month period searched for me in Westchester County, Manhattan, and Long Island, expending many thousands of taxpayers dollars in the process.

d. A Freedom of Information request has been acknowledged by the Department of Justice and as soon as I am informed of the cost of such Captain Ahab pursuit I will forward a copy to your office.

e. Congressperson Lowey, a member of your staff should visit 101 East Post Road, White Plains, which is a short distance from your office, and ask the United States Marshals there why they did not comply with my repeated requests rather than spending thousands of taxpayers dollars in harassing members of my family and others in an attempt to "capture" me.

f. While there I suggest that request be made to give you a copy of the Arrest Warrant of March 3, 1989 -- not the thereafter backdated warrant that was issued -- which on its face is jurisdictionally infirm and worthless.

g. I suggest very strongly that the reason that they refused to exhibit such warrant of March 3, 1989 was because they knew, as I can demonstrate, its facial invalidity.

5a. The Arrest Warrant of March 3, 1989, I was informed had a civil title, did not have a purge clause, did not an accusatory instrument, and had other legal defects.

b. As Judge Politan was advised beforehand you cannot have a criminal contempt proceeding with a civil title (Gompers v. Buck's Stove, 221 U.S. 418, 446), and you cannot have a civil contempt proceeding without a purge provision (Hicks v. Feiock, 485 U.S. , 108 S.Ct. 1423).

c. Judge Politan has no regard for the "rule of law", issued an Arrest Warrant contriving and fabricating the fact that I had defaulted.

d. In short, in addition to abusing process under color of federal law by not permitting a voluntary surrender, the process under which he was harassing me and others was wholly invalid.

e. Several week later, Judge Politan withdrew such Arrest Warrant, substituted another warrant which he backdated to March 3, 1989.

f. Is the American taxpayer supposed to pay the damage claim which has irresistible compelling merit?

6a. The charge against me is non-summary criminal contempt where the maximum term, without a jury trial, is six (6) months.

b. With my entire family in the New York-New Jersey area, would you venture a guess how much I, a born American, a battle starred veteran of World War II, had bail fixed at?

c. The VIII Amendment and statutes of Congress notwithstanding, I was refused all bail!

d. My incarceration, pending trial, is also at taxpayers' expense.

e. Judge Politan told Magistrate Nina Gershon that he intended to "teach Sassower a lesson".

f. Lessons are taught after conviction, not before, and in any event my incarceration pending trial is also at taxpayers' expense.

7a. Judge Politan also told Magistrate Gershon that he intended to enter an 18 U.S.C. 4241(a) order.

b. I had not seen Judge Politan since May of 1988, and then for only about fifteen (15) minutes.

c. Such May 1988 meeting was the first and last time I saw or spoke to Judge Politan, and during the intervening year no one ever asserted that I was incompetent to try a legal matter.

d. I have tried cases on a continuous basis for forty (40) years.

e. During such forty (40) year period I have tried more than 1,000 cases and no one has ever stated or claimed that I did not have the mental capabilities to understand the claim or charges.

f. Indeed, I have handled more than sixty (60) contempt proceedings on my own behalf and on behalf of others, and some lawyers and judges consider me an authority on the subject.

g. Without a supporting affidavit, affirmation, or a scintilla of evidence in support, Judge Politan on May 23, 1989, sua sponte, caused an 18 U.S.C. 4241(a) Order to be entered.

h. There is not even a trace of evidence to support Judge Politan's Order finding "reasonable cause" of a "mental disease or defect rendering (me) incompetent to the extent that (I am) unable to understand the nature and consequence of the proceeding against (me)".

i. Indeed, if you inspect the papers you will find that Judge Politan does not know, nor does he desire to know, anything on the law of contempt, but Congress did not enact a provision which made judges the subject of an 18 U.S.C. 4241(a) order.

j. Again it will be the American taxpayer who will pay for such 4241(a) examination.

8a. In any event, I was not taken to a local psychologist, psychiatrist, or facility, of which there are hundreds in the New York-New Jersey area, and the closest available facility is specifically mandated by 18 U.S.C. 4247(b), but instead I was sent to Rochester, Minnesota -- "The American Gulag".

b. Aeons ago I was taught that the shortest distance between two points on a round surface was the arc of the great circle..

c. It took the U.S. Marshals five (5) days -- three (3) days flying and two (2) days "in the hole" -- to go from New York to Minnesota.

d. The three (3) day trip by air was repeatedly one of going North and South, East and West. We started from New York and almost two (2) days later were back in New Jersey.

e. This entire three (3) day airplane ride was while I was in handcuffs, leg irons, and waist chain, at the expense of the American taxpayer.

9a. The statute provides that confinement for a 4241(a) study should not exceed thirty (30) days.

b. The maximum period for such study becomes the minimum period.

c. While the cost to the taxpayer is almost two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per month to maintain a federal prisoner, at this facility it is almost four thousand dollars (\$4,000).

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d. In addition to psychiatric and psychological testing, I am receiving medical treatment for which I have insurance coverage.

e. I fail to understand why claims for reimbursement for my medical treatment is not made by the Bureau of Prisons from my insurance carrier, since were I not here I would be such treatment on the outside.

10a. Since all bills for the raising of revenue must constitutionally originate in the House of Representatives (Article 1, Sec. 7), I believe it is incumbent upon you and your office to insure the taxpayer that efforts have been undertaken to have the Attorney General recover monies which have been diverted from the federal treasury to the private pockets of some judicial cronies, and inquire and stop the outrageous waste of public funds by the Department of Justice.

b. Congressman James Buchanan, thereafter the 15th President of the United States, in engineering the passage of the Act of March 1832 which drastically curtailed the power of the judiciary in the field of non-summary criminal contempt, assured the nation that Luke Lawless, Esq., would be "the last victim" of the judicial abuse of power (Nye v. U.S., supra).

c. Whatever may be the outcome of this present incarceration and sham criminal proceeding, I intend to be "the last victim".

Most Respectfully,


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