

Addendum I.

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THE PASSAGE AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FELLOWSHIP INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TRUST AS IT NOW READS WOULD BE HARMFUL TO THE FOUNDATION AND TO SPIRITUAL HEALTH OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS AS A WHOLE!!!

In a continuing effort to provide you with the information needed for you to participate in an informed Group Conscience. I am offering the following, as my personal analyzation of "The Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust. This analyzation is to be used in concert with the Trust document as an aid to help you make up your mind. This will not be a line by line analyzation. I will hit only those points that are germane to you as a member and/or Narcotics Anonymous as a whole.

To prepare ourselves for what lies ahead let us join together in the literature prayer from our Basic Text:

"God, grant us knowledge that we may write according to Your Divine precepts, instill in us a sense of Your purpose, make us servants of Your will and grant us a bond of selflessness that this may truly be Your work, not ours, in order that no addict, anywhere, need die from horrors of addiction."

I. The Trust is built totally on a defective premise.

This Trust was, from its creation, predicated on a foundation of no less than three major lies:

1. The opening paragraph of the introduction to this document state in part and I quote: "Most of us assume that the World Service Conference has the authority to approve new or revised NA literature, and that the World Service Office has the responsibility to copyright, print, and distribute that literature.
2. A little further along on that same page they also state that: "NA's fellowshipwide service and decision-making body, the World Service Conference has both the responsibility to create or revise NA literature and the authority to approve it."
3. Also on that same page they tell us that they have done this "in part, because of US law and International treaty regulate the way intellectual property-copyrights, trademarks, and other creations of the mind or spirit-should be administered."

As it stands at this moment, right now at least in spirit as well as writing, the World Service Conference is not (in itself) NA's fellowshipwide service and decision-making body. In keeping with that same spirit, the World Service Conference has neither the authority nor the right to create, revise, or approve any new or existing NA literature without the advice and consent of the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. The World Service Conference again is not the decision-making body of our worldwide fellowship. It is those members within all our Narcotics Anonymous groups that send their 'groups



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7. For such a proposal to be approved, two-thirds of the Conference's voting participants recorded as present in the roll call immediately prior to the vote must vote "yes" to the proposal.

C. The major right and responsibility held by The World Service Office, Inc. (The Trustee) is as follows:

1. This section describes in detail the "fiduciary" relationship between the Trustor, the Trustee, and the Beneficiary. The responsibilities, duties, and powers granted to the Trustee by this Trust are explained throughout the document.

D. Some of the powers held by The World Service Office, Inc. (The Trustee) are as follows:

1. The power to collect, hold, and retain Trust Property.
2. The power to receive additions of property to the Trust.
3. The power to participate in the operation of any business that is part of the Trust, and to change the form of the business.
4. The power to manage and control Trust Property, and to manage, control, and divide proceeds and assets generated from the manufacture or sales of products derived from Trust Property.
5. The power to encumber, mortgage, or pledge Trust Property.
6. The power to enter into a lease for any purpose.
7. The power to insure the Trust Property against damage or loss and to insure the Trustee against third-party liability.
8. The power to borrow money for any Trust purpose, to be repaid from proceeds from the sale of products generated from Trust Property.
9. The power to pay, contest, or settle claims against the Trust by compromise, arbitration or otherwise, and the additional power to release in whole or in part any claim belonging to the Trust.
10. The power to pay taxes, assessments, reasonable compensation of the Trustee and of employees and agents of the Trust, and other expenses incurred in the collection, care, administration, and protection of the Trust.
11. The power to hire people, including accountants, attorneys, auditors, investment advisors, or other agents, even if they are associated or affiliated with the Trustee, to advise or assist the Trustee in the performance of administrative duties.
12. The power to execute and deliver all instruments which are needed to accomplish or facilitate the exercise of the powers vested in the Trustee.
13. The power to prosecute or defend actions, claims, or proceedings for the protection of the Trust Property and of the Trustee in the performance of the Trustee's duties.

E. Some of the major rights and responsibilities held by The Fellowship (The Beneficiary) are as follows:

1. The Beneficiary may examine the records of the Trustee.
2. The examination is done on behalf of the Beneficiary through a regional request.
3. Any and all expenses occurred from the examination of these records will be paid for by requesting region.

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### IV. Summation.

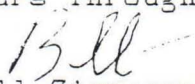
In this my, summation, I give to you a Trust. I further submit to you that this trust is not what it appears to be. This trust is not held solely and for the benefit of the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. In reviewing this document I offer you, the fellowship, the following points of information for your consideration. It is my hope that this will be of some help when the time comes to vote in your Home Group:

1. This trust was also formulated, created, established, and would if implemented in such a manner as to be of financial benefit to the trustee. Such an action, if accomplished in the administration of a trust is illegal.
2. "NA's fellowshipwide service and decision-making body is not, the World Service Conference. The Fellowship as a whole through its Groups and The Members with those through The World Service Conference has both the responsibility to create or revise NA literature and the authority to approve it.
3. I feel that for benefit of the fellowship the Trust in its present form should be not approved at this year's conference, restructured to reflect the following changes, and resubmitted in two year's for approval at the World Service Conference,
  - a. The World Service Office, Inc. shall remain as the administrator of the Trust (The Trustee) with all the rights, duties, and powers with respect thereof.
  - b. The Worldwide Fellowship shall assume the roll of (The Trustor) with all the rights, duties, and powers with respect thereof.
  - c. THE ADDICT WHO HAS YET TO FIND THE ROOMS OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS shall hereby be known as (The Beneficiary) with all the rights, duties, and powers with respect thereof.
4. A document which holds such importance to the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous as a whole should be available for review by the fellowship for more then six (6) months. A document of this nature should be out for a review and input period of no less then two (2) years.
5. This document, if passed, would effectively eliminate a members right to participate directly in the creation of NA literature.
6. This document also grants the right and authority of The World Service Office, Inc. to create, revise, approve, sell, and distribute all NA literature within the office itself.

\*\* This document available from the WSO at the single copy price of \$1.65, item #2114. Bundles of 25 cost \$22.00, item #2115. I would strongly request that each ASR familiarize themselves with this document as it will directly affect all of our literature.

PLEASE CALL IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

Yours Through Principles

  
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