

We, The RECOVERY FIRST Group of Narcotics Anonymous are writing in protest of all decisions made by the World Service Conference. We consider their decisions null and void, and not binding over the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. For they have violated the spiritual principals of the Narcotics Anonymous fellowship, the twelve steps and twelve traditions.

The World Service Conference has gone along with the World Service Office, World Service Board of directors, and the board of trustees in seeking power and control of the spiritual fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous that created them. They participated in the theft by deception of stealing the copyrights of The Basic Text of Narcotics Anonymous.

Our Basic Text was written by addicts for addicts without support of the W.S.O., Inc. It was written by the addicts who participated with the Lit movement in the late 70's and early 80's. We wrote our book not for hire, instead out of labor of love. We entrusted our book to the W.S.O. to hold in trust for the fellowship with all intent that the fellowship would own its own book. Not to have W.S.O., Inc., with support from the board of directors and the board of trustees, manipulate changes in our text without seeking direction of its fellowship, using its conference as a vehicle to endorse their behavior without regard for the traditions of the fellowship. World Service (inclusive) of all its boards, committees and officers participated in persecution of its members who spoke out against them. They even prosecuted one member by taking him into Federal Court (Civil Action No. 90-7631) for copyright infringements. They hand picked this member who is dying from the AIDS virus who did not have the financial backing to defend himself.

They have not used the funds that have been generated by our book sales and fund flow to benefit the groups in carrying the message to the addicts that still suffer.

They have violated the spiritual principles by spending money instead on propaganda manipulation the fellowship in a political manner through its press and spending the funds through interference with the groups. They spend money on plane fares, hotels, car rental, and credit cards sending people around the world to set up new groups, area regional service structure that are set up in line with their political beliefs. They violated the principle of the ninth tradition. The ninth tradition goes on to define the nature of the things that we can do the help N.A. It says we may create service boards or committees to serve the needs of the fellowship. None of them has the power to rule, censor, decide, or dictate. They exist solely to serve the fellowship, but they are not part of Narcotics Anonymous. (Basic Text Second Edition)

Throughout the years we have sought and internal financial audit of W.S.O., Inc. As a corporate arm of our service body, this non-profit organization is bound not only by federal regulation 501(c)(3) of fully reporting all revenues and expenditures,

but also morally and spiritually obligated, by its own guidelines to be responsive and responsible to the N.A. fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

There was a lack of financial accountability. We know that our book has brought in millions of dollars since it has been brought to print. Also other literature has brought in a sizable amount of funding. Yet there has never been an outside audit done. This brings us to the point that we would like the attorney generals office to investigate our office in our behalf. They are a non-profit cooperation operate under California State laws, but they do a majority of the business throughout the world. We feel that they have violated their non-profit status and also use this non-profit status to benefit for their own personal use.

In conclusion we are now faced with the W.S.O., Inc. board of directors, board of trustees and the world service conference to pass a fellowship intellectual property trust at the 1992 world service conference. This trust is built totally on a defective premise. If this trust document passes, the world service office will be filing this document with your office. This is a legal binding document that would have grave consequence upon the foundation of the spiritual fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

This intellectual property trust at first like harmless to it is compared with the traditions of Narcotics Anonymous, which are a binding contractual agreement with the spiritual fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous and its service structure, which includes the world service office, inc., world service board of directors, board of trustees, and the world service conference have violated on many occasions in the past.

This intellectual property trust along with the twelve concepts of service we feel are just a way to try to cover up the violation of spiritual laws and the laws of the state governing non-profit organizations. We would hope the Attorney Generals' office would note that if these documents are filed with your office that you would take under consideration first are protest and that we, The Recovery First Group, consider these documents null, void, and not legally binding over our fellowship.

Very truly yours,

RECOVERY FIRST Group
of Narcotics Anonymous