

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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ERIC E. HOYLE,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. 08-CV-347C

FREDERICK DIMOND, ROBERT DIMOND,  
and MOST HOLY FAMILY MONASTERY,

Defendants.

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**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF WISCONSIN    )  
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COUNTY OF DANE        )     ss:

**STEVEN MARGALA**, being duly sworn, deposes and says:


1. I am a resident of the State of Wisconsin and presently reside at 4940 Midway Lane, Marshall, WI 53559.

2. Prior to December 31, 2007 I visited the website for the Most Holy Family Monastery ("MHFM") at [www.mostholymonastery.com](http://www.mostholymonastery.com). Prior to that date, I also had occasion to purchase materials from MHFM and was a supporter of the monastery. In fact, for

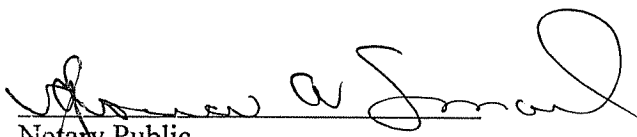
several years prior to December 31, 2007 I would occasionally donate money to MHFM. During the occasions I ordered materials from and/or donated money to MHFM, I spoke and/or dealt with an individual by the name of "Brother Edmund" who represented himself to be a monk from MHFM. Prior to my contact and communication with MHFM I did not know of Brother Edmund (Eric Hoyle) nor had I ever spoken or communicated with him outside of his affiliation with MHFM.

3. In the winter of 2008, I received a telephone call from Eric Hoyle. When Mr. Hoyle contacted me, he informed me that he had left MHFM and directed me to his personal website at [www.genesis49.com](http://www.genesis49.com). Subsequent to this, I visited Mr. Hoyle's website and observed a posting from him in which he indicated that he left MHFM because of a dispute he had with certain beliefs espoused by the organization. In particular, he noted that he left because MHFM believed that it was appropriate to attend Mass and receive the Sacraments at a certain church. Mr. Hoyle indicated on his website his beliefs that this constituted heresy and that MHFM was not a legitimate monastery.

4. While visiting Mr. Hoyle's website, I also observed a link to an account through which donations to Mr. Hoyle could be made. This was in the form of a PayPal button on his website.

  
Steven Margala

Sworn to before me this  
4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008.

  
Notary Public  
Paul C. Wisconsin  
m. commission expires  
10-26-08