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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

Civil Action No.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Plaintiff.

AUSTIN GARY COOPER, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America; MARTHA E. COOPER, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America; TAKING BACK AMERICA, an unincorporated organization.

Defendants.

## COMPLAINT FOR PERMANENT INJUNCTION . AND OTHER RELIEF

The United States of America, plaintiff, for its Complaint against the defendants, Austin Gary Cooper, Martha E. Cooper and Taking Back America ("TBA"), states as follows.

# Nature of Action

1. The United States is bringing this complaint to enjoin Austin Gary Cooper, Martha E. Cooper and TBA, individually and doing business as or through any other entity, and any other person in active concert or participation with them, from directly or indirectly:

Organizing, promoting, marketing or selling any abusive tax shelter, plan or arrangement that advises or encourages customers to attempt to violate the internal revenue laws or unlawfully evade the assessment or collection of their federal tax liabilities: GOVERNMENT

EXHIBIT

- (b) Making false statements about the securing of any tax benefit by the reason of participating in their program, including the false statement that American citizens are not required to pay federal income tax;
- (c) Encouraging, instructing, advising and assisting others to violate the tax laws, including to evade the payment of taxes;
- (e) Engaging in conduct subject to penalty under I.R.C. § 6700, i.e., by making or furnishing, in connection with the organization or sale of an abusive shelter, plan, or arrangement, a statement the defendants know or have reason to know to be false or fraudulent as to any material matter;
- (f) Engaging in any conduct that interferes with the administration and enforcement of the internal revenue laws by the Internal Revenue Service.
- 2. An injunction is warranted based on the defendants' continuing conduct as promoters of an abusive tax plan. If not enjoined, the defendants' continuing actions will result in the Internal Revenue Service having to devote countless hours to attempt to locate and investigate the defendants' customers, who by participation in the defendants' scheme have stopped filing federal income tax returns and ceased paying their federal income taxes. The defendants' actions may result in the Internal Revenue Service imposing penalties and other civil and criminal sanctions on those customers:

# Jurisdiction and Venue

- 3. Jurisdiction is conferred on this Court by 28 U.S.C. §§ 1340 and 1345, and §§ 7402(a) and 7408 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C.; "LR.C.").
  - 4. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391.

#### Authorization

5. This action has been requested by the Chief Counsel of the Internal Revenue Service, a

delegate of the Secretary of Treasury, and commenced at the direction of a delegate of the Attorney General of the United States, pursuant to LR.C. §§ 7402 and 7408.

#### Defendants

- Austin Gary Cooper resides at 861 West County Road 66E, Fort Collins, Colorado
   80524. Mr. Cooper is a creator and founder of defendant TBA, and is the husband of Martha E.
   Cooper.
- 7. Martha E. Cooper resides at 861 West County Road 66E, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524.

  Mrs. Cooper is a creator and founder of defendant TBA, and is the wife of Austin Gary Cooper. On TBA's website, Mrs. Cooper is listed as "Trustee/Financial Officer and Seminar Coordinator" and has purportedly spent 20 years running successful businesses.
- 8. TBA is an unincorporated organization with its main office located at 295 East 29th Street, Loveland, Colorado.

### Defendants' Activities

- 9. The defendants promote and sell an abusive tax shelter, referred to herein as the expatriation/repatriation program, that purports to exempt participants from the nation's tax laws.
- 10. Customers who complete an "Expatriation/Repatriation Application and Services

  Agreement" and return it to TBA receive an expatriation/repatriation document package that includes
  numerous forms that purport to remove the purchaser from the federal income tax system and the social
  security system. Paperwork sent to customers includes various declarations that are meant to be signed
  and forwarded to the IRS, the Supreme Court, the Social Security Administration and other

government departments and agencies, notifying those entities that the signer is no longer a United

States citizen and no longer subject to their jurisdiction or laws. The forms specifically request a return

of all funds previously paid for federal taxes and social security.

- 11. In the expatriation/repatriation package, the defendants incite and assist their customers to file false IRS W-4 Forms (Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate) and W-8 Forms (Certificate of Foreign Status) so that the employer will stop withholding taxes from the customer's paychecks.
- 12. According to the defendants, through use of the expatriation/repatriation program, a person can give up his "United States citizenship", but retain or reclaim his "American citizenship." According to the defendants, United States citizens, but not American citizens, are obligated to pay federal income tax. Thus, by use of the expatriation/repatriation device, a person purportedly becomes exempt from federal taxation.
- The price charged by the defendants for the expatriation/repatriation program starts at \$1,595.
- 14. As part of their promotion, the defendants also market and offer the use of Unincorporated Business Trust Organizations (UBTOs), which defendants claim gives a person the privileges of ownership without the liabilities. UBTOs are nothing more than sham trusts designed by the defendants for the sole purpose of sheltering or hiding income and assets from creditors. Customers are also advised to use fictional names on their trusts, to make them further judgment proof. The cost of the trust package is \$1,595, plus notary services of \$100 and an annual trustee fee of \$295.
  - 15. Defendants also sell to TBA members a product called the Barrister Course. This course,

which was designed and implemented by the Coopers, purports to educate the purchaser on the Coopers' and TBA's philosophy and interpretation of the law. According to the defendants, a Law Barrister degree is bestowed upon successful completion of the course. The course costs \$2,400.

- 16. The defendants use a distributorship system to promote and sell their abusive tax program. Distributors are participants in the expatriation/repatriation program who have executed distributor agreements with TBA. Potential customers are referred to their nearest distributor, who makes a commission from the program sales.
- 17. The defendants market their abusive tax program nationwide through seminars, regularly scheduled telephone conference calls, and the Internet, including live Internet shows. The most comprehensive version of their promotional materials and a description of the abusive program is at the defendants' website, <a href="https://www.tbafoundation.com">www.tbafoundation.com</a>.
- 18. As stated in TBA's website, "TBA takes a revolutionary, non-confrontational approach by delivering a proven method of eliminating income tax permanently and removing yourself completely from the system without sacrificing the use of your social security number."
- 19. In promoting and explaining their scheme, defendants have made the following false or: fraudulent statements:
  - If you are not a U.S. citizen, you are not obligated to pay income taxes.
  - The expatriated/repatriated individual is no longer under the jurisdiction of the IRS.
  - By expatriation/repatriation you are only giving up your U.S. citizenship, not your American Citizenship.
  - The United States boundary is solely within the confines of Washington, D.C., and the

United States government has power to legislate only within those confines.

- The expatriation/repatriation program allows persons to terminate all so-called contracts with the Federal Government, thereby relieving them of their income tax obligations.
- The IRS has no authority to examine a person's tax liabilities if the person has entered the expatriation/repatriation program.
- Cooper has the only documented case where the government admitted the contracts
  that bind us to a voluntary income tax system. TBA has successfully proven these
  contracts to be fraudulent with the concurrence of the President of the U.S., Chief
  Justice Rehnquist of the U.S. Supreme Court, many of the State Chief Justices, many of
  the Governors of each States and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.
- 20. The defendants' promotional materials provide "testimonials" in order to induce customers to purchase the defendants' tax evasion schemes. Statements in the testimonials include:
  - By renouncing the inferior US citizenship and reclaiming American Citizenship, we set
    ourselves free again. A side benefit is that we are removed from the jurisdiction of the
    fraudulent IRS. -- Janis G, Missouri
  - In 2001 I learned of TBA, joined right away, filed my paper work and served this to
    the IRS. The tax lien was removed and the last letter from the IRS was, "Sorry for any
    inconvenience this office may have caused you." Dale R, Florida
  - After 25 years of pursuing Tax Freedom, I finally found the solution. Ken H, North Carolina
  - Taking Back America is a wonderful opportunity to free yourself from a "voluntary" tax system known as Income Tax. By getting involved you can help others do the same and help your country as the same time. I am so thankful to TBA for the positive impact they have made in my life, thanks TBA. Michael N, Virginia
  - I have briefly studied the Federal Reserve and the fraudulent collection of federal and state income tax on and off for the past five years. Quite frankly, I was too afraid to exercise my rights to withdraw from the system with the methods available too confrontational. With TBA, we can educate ourselves and by working together, eradicate that fear. TBA has an easy-to-understand, proven method of

Expatriation/Repatriation that does work. Many thanks to Gary Cooper for making this program available to us. - Dick L, Georgia

- 21. Participation in the defendants' abusive program results in customers' failing to file federal income tax returns, failing to have the proper amount of federal income taxes withheld from wages, and failing to pay their federal tax liabilities.
- 22. On TBA's website, <a href="www.tbafoundation.com">www.tbafoundation.com</a>, Mr. Cooper is described as a "self-taught, non-union Barrister at Law" who "give[s] legal advice and advice in the law," and who has distinguished himself as a "Law Barrister and Lawyer." According to the website; Cooper's "title 'Barrister' comes from years of deciphering and decoding the web of statutes and the law."
- 23. Mr. Cooper was convicted in 1990 under I.R.C. § 7201 for willfully attempting to evade or defeat the payment of federal income taxes by failing to file income tax returns, failing to pay income tax and by filing false employee's withholding allowance certificates. (United States v. Cooper, Case No. 89-109-CR-WMH, S.D. Fla.) Cooper's position in the criminal case was similar to the one the defendants espouse in their abusive tax program-chiefly, that an individual can renounce his citizenship and become exempt from federal taxes.

# Count I Injunction under I.R.C. § 7408 for violations of I.R.C. § 6700

- 24. The United States incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 23.
- 25. LR.C. § 7408 authorizes a court to enjoin persons who have engaged in conduct subject to penalty under LR.C. § 6700 from engaging in further such conduct.

- 26. I.R.C. § 6700 imposes a penalty on any person who organizes or sells a plan or arrangement and in so doing makes a statement with respect to the allowability of any deduction or credit, the excludability of any income, or the securing of any tax benefit by participating in the plan or arrangement that the person knows or has reason to know is false or fraudulent as to any material matter:
- 27. Defendants organize and sell abusive tax schemes. In organizing and selling their abusive tax schemes, defendants make statements regarding the tax benefits associated with participation in the scheme that they know are false or fraudulent as to material matters within the meaning of LR.C. § 6700.
- 28. Defendants have persisted in promoting their fraudulent tax scheme after being advised that their conduct was subject to penalty under LR.C. § 6700, and subject to injunction under LR.C. § 7408.
- 29. Unless enjoined by this Court, the defendants are likely to continue to organize and sell their abusive tax schemes.

# Count II Injunction under LR.C. § 7402

- 30. The United States incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 29.
- 31. I.R.C. § 7402 authorizes Courts to issue injunctions as may be necessary or appropriate for the enforcement of the internal revenue laws.
  - 32. Defendants, through the actions described above, have engaged in conduct that interferes

substantially with the administration and enforcement of the internal revenue laws.

- 33. Defendants' conduct results in irreparable harm to the United States and the United States has no adequate remedy at law. Defendants' conduct is causing and will continue to cause substantial revenue losses to the United States Treasury, much of which may be unrecoverable.
- 34. Unless defendants are enjoined, the IRS will have to devote substantial time and resources to identify and locate their customers, and then construct and examine those persons' tax returns and liabilities. The burden of pursuing Individual customers may be an insurmountable obstacle, given the IRS's limited resources.
- 35. If defendants are not enjoined, they likely will continue to engage in conduct that obstructs and interferes with the enforcement of the internal revenue laws.

#### Relief Sought

WHEREFORE, the United States prays for the following relief:

- A. That the Court find that each of the defendants has engaged in conduct subject to penalty under I.R.C. § 6700, and that injunctive relief is appropriate under I.R.C. § 7408 to prevent the defendants, and any business or entity through which they operate, and anyone acting in concert with them, from engaging in further such conduct;
- B. That the Court find that each of the defendants has engaged in conduct that interferes with the enforcement of the internal revenue laws, and that injunctive relief against the defendants, and any husiness or entity through which they operate, and anyone acting in concert with them, is appropriate to prevent the recurrence of that conduct pursuant to the Court's powers under I.R.C. § 7402(a);

- C. That the Court, pursuant to I.R.C. §§ 7402 and 7408, enter a permanent injunction prohibiting the defendants, individually and doing business through their web site <a href="https://www.tbafoundation.com">www.tbafoundation.com</a>, or any other entity, and their representatives, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with them, including their distributors, from directly or indirectly:
  - Organizing, promoting, marketing, or selling any abusive tax shelter, plan or arrangement that advises or encourages taxpayers to attempt to violate the internal revenue laws or unlawfully evade the assessment or collection of their federal tax is liabilities;
  - (2) Making false statements about the securing of any tax benefit by the reason of participating in their program, including the false statement that American citizens are not required to pay federal income tax;
  - (3) Encouraging, instructing, advising and assisting others to violate the tax laws, including to evade the payment of taxes;
  - (4) Engaging in conduct subject to penalty under I.R.C. § 6700, i.e., by making or furnishing, in connection with the organization or sale of an abusive shelter, plan, or arrangement, a statement the defendants know or have reason to know to be false or fraudulent as to any material matter;
  - (5) Engaging in any conduct that interferes with the administration and enforcement of the internal revenue laws by the Internal Revenue Service.
- D. That this Court, pursuant to I.R.C. § 7402, enter an injunction requiring defendants to produce to the United States any records in their possession or control, or to which they have access, identifying the persons who have purchased their abusive tax plans, arrangements or programs

  (purchased directly from them or from their associates, distributors or related entities);
  - E. That this Court, pursuant to I.R.C. § 7402, enter an injunction requiring defendants to

their abusive tax shelters, plans, arrangements or programs, including the expatriation/repatriation program, UBTOs, the Barrister Course, or any other tax shelter, plan or program in which defendants have been involved either individually or through Taking Back America, and inform those individuals of the Court's findings concerning the falsity of the defendants' prior representations and attach a copy of the permanent injunction against the defendants and their associates and related entities, and to file with the Court, within 30 days of the date the permanent injunction is entered, a certification that they have done so;

- F. That this Court, pursuant to LR.C. § 7402, enter an injunction requiring defendants and their representative, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with them, including their distributors, to remove from their websites, including <a href="https://www.tbafoundation.com">www.tbafoundation.com</a>, all abusive tax scheme promotional materials, false commercial speech, and materials designed to incite others imminently to violate the law (including the tax laws), to display prominently on the first page of those websites a complete copy of the Court's permanent injunction, and to maintain the web sites for one year with a complete copy of the Court's permanent injunction so displayed throughout that time;
- G. That this Court order that the United States is permitted to engage in post-judgment discovery to ensure compliance with the permanent injunction;
- H. That this Court retain jurisdiction over this action for purposes of implementing and enforcing the final judgment and any additional orders necessary and appropriate to the public interest;

and

I. For such other and further relief as this Court may deem proper and just.

Respectfully submitted,

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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO LEWIS T. BABCOCK, CHIEF JUDGE

FILED UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DENVER, COLORADO

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Civil Case No. 03-B-1127 (PAC)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

AUSTIN GARY COOPER, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America; MARTHA E. COOPER, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America; and TAKING BACK AMERICA, an unincorporated organization.

Defendants.

#### **ORDER**

Upon the United States' motion for entry of preliminary injunction or, alternatively, request for hearing,

IT IS ORDERED that a hearing on the motion for entry of preliminary injunction is set on Thursday, October 30, 2003 at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom 1, 901 19th Street, Denver, Colorado.

BY THE COURT:

ewis T. Babcock, Chief Judge

Dated: September 12, 2003



# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing

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Taking Back America 295 East 29th Street, #240 Loveland, CO 80538



## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

# CHIEF JUDGE LEWIS T. BABCOCK

Courtroom Deputy: Court Reporter:

Deborah Hansen Gwen Daniel

Date: October 30, 2003

Case No. 03-B-1127 (PAC)

Counsel:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Martin Shoemaker

Plaintiff,

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AUSTIN GARY COOPER, et al.,

no appearances

Defendant.

# **COURTROOM MINUTES**

# HEARING ON MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

01:44 p.m. Court in Session

Court's comments

The matter is before the Court for hearing upon the plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction. The matter was scheduled by order entered on September 12, 2003, served upon defendants by mail at their respective addresses, setting a hearing for today at 1:30 p.m. The time is 1:45. The defendants do not appear in person and have filed no viable response to the plaintiff's motion.

The government submits the motion on the papers filed.

The Court enters upon the record findings and conclusions

Mr. Montgomery's comments

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Mr. Montgomery's further comments that the Defendant Taking Back America has changed its name within the last month or so.

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Court's further comments

Based upon the findings and conclusions, the Court will issue the preliminary injunction.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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Defendants.

# PERMANENT INJUNCTION ORDER

This action comes before the Court upon the entry of default by the clerk on November 3, 2003, and the Plaintiff's motion for entry of judgment against each of the Defendants under Fed. R. Civ. P. 55(b)(2), supported by a memorandum of law and a declaration demonstrating that none of Defendants is an infant or incompetent person or in the military. Accordingly, judgment is hereby entered in favor of the Plaintiff, United States of America, and against Defendants Austin Gary Cooper, Martha E. Cooper and Taking Back America (now known as The Ten Foundation).

The Court finds that Defendants engaged in conduct subject to penalty under 26 U.S.C. § 6700, and that injunctive relief is appropriate under 26 U.S.C. § 7408 to prevent the Defendants and anyone acting in concert with them from engaging in further such conduct. The Court further finds that



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the Defendants engaged in conduct that interferes with the enforcement of the internal revenue laws, and that injunctive relief is appropriate pursuant to the Court's inherent equity powers and 26 U.S.C. § 7402(a) to prevent the recurrence of that conduct.

Based on the foregoing and the record in this case, including the Plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction and supporting documents, the evidence presented at the hearing on that motion, and the Court's Preliminary Injunction Order, and for good cause shown, IT IS HERBY ORDERED that Defendants Austin Gary Cooper, Martha E. Cooper, Taking Back America, now known as The Ten Foundation, individually and doing business though their websites, www.thafoundation.com, www.tenfoundation.com, www.guardingthoten.com, and www.paral.org, or any other entity, and their representatives, agenta, servants, employees, attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with them, including their distributors, who receive actual notice of this Order, are enjoined from:

- (1) Organizing, promoting, marketing, or selling any abusive tax shelter, plan or arrangement that advises or encourages taxpayers to attempt to violate the internal revenue laws or unlawfully evade the aissessment or collection of their federal tax liabilities, including the expetriation/repatriation program;
- (2) Making false statements about the securing of any tax benefit by the reason of participating in their program, including the false statement that American citizens are not required to pay federal income tax;
- (3) Encouraging, instructing, advising and assisting others to violate the tax laws, including to evade the payment of taxes;
- (4) Engaging in conduct subject to penalty under I.R.C. § 6700, i.e., by making or furnishing, in connection with the organization of sale of an abusive shelter, plan, or arrangement, a statement the defendants know or have reason to know to be false or flaudulent as to any

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material matter;

(5) Engaging in any conduct that interferes with the administration and enforcement of the internal revenue laws by the Internal Revenue Service.

Further, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Desendants provide to the United States their complete customer list identifying the persons who have purchased (either directly from them or from their associates, distributors or related entities) their abusive tax plans, arrangements or programs. The Coopers must each file a sworn certificate of compliance, each swearing that be/she has complied with this portion of the Order, within 10 days of the date of this Order.

Further, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendants provide a copy of this Permanent Injunction Order by First Class Mail (or by e-mail, if an address is unknown) to all individuals who have previously purchased their abusive tax shelters, plans, arrangements or programs, including the expatriation/repatriation program. Defendants will bear the costs of providing the copy of the Permanent Injunction Order to their customers. The Coopers must each file a sworm certificate of compliance, each swearing that he/she has complied with this portion of the Order, within 10 days of the date of this Order.

Further, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendants and their representative, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with them, including their distributors: (1) to remove from their websites, including <a href="https://www.tbafoundation.com">www.tbafoundation.com</a>.

www.tenfoundation.com, <a href="https://www.guardingtheten.com">www.guardingtheten.com</a>, and <a href="https://www.parel.org">www.parel.org</a>, all abusive tax acheme promotional materials, false commercial speech, and materials designed to incite others imminently to

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violate the law (including the tax laws); (2) to display prominently on the first page of those websites a complete copy of this Permanent Injunction Order within 10 days of the date of this Order; and (3) to maintain the purged websites, with the Permanent Injunction Order prominently displayed, until such time as this Court orders otherwise. Defendants shall bear the costs associated with posting the Court's order and maintaining the websites during this period. The Coopers must each file a sworn certificate of compliance, each swearing that he/she has complied with this portion of the Order, within 10 days of the date of this Order.

Further, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the United States is permitted to engage in postjudgment discovery to ensure compliance with the Permanent Injunction Order.

Finally, IT IS HERRBY ORDER that this Court shall retain jurisdiction over this action for purposes of implementing and enforcing the Permanent Injunction Order and any additional orders necessary and appropriate to the public interest.

Dated: 1/00 19 2003

BY THE COURT:

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

Civil Action No. 03-cv-1127-LTB-PAC

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

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AUSTIN GARY COOPER, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America, MARTHA E. COOPER, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America, and TAKING BACK AMERICA, an unincorporated organization.

Defendants.

## REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT Contempt Hearing

Proceedings before the HONORABLE LEWIS T. BABCOCK,

Judge, United States District Court for the District of

Colorado, commencing at 2 p.m., on the 7th day of May, 2004, in

Courtroom A201, United States Courthouse, Denver, Colorado.

#### APPEARANCES :

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AUSTIN GARY COOPER, 861 West County Road 66E, Fort Collins, CO 80524, pro se.

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GOVERNMENT

PROCEEDINGS (In open court at 2 p.m.) THE COURT: Please be seated. This is 03-B-1127, United States of America, plaintiff, vs. Austin Gary Cooper, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America; Martha E. Cooper, individually and d/b/a Taking Back America; and Taking Back America, an unincorporated organization. Appearances, please. MR. SHOEMAKER: Martin Shoemaker for the United 11 States. THE COURT: And you are Austin Gary Cooper, sir? 12 MR. COOPER: Yes. Upper lower case, not in all caps. 13 THE COURT: Okay. I note that Martha E. Cooper is not 14 1.5 present. Now, let me set the record for the purposes of this 16 hearing. 17 MR. COOPER: May I say something first, please, sir? 18 19 THE COURT: Pardon me? MR. COOPER: May I say something first? 20 21 THE COURT: 22 MR. COOPER: Okay. 23 THE COURT: ( I will set the record, and then I will give you an opportunity to address the Court. 24

On November the 19<sup>th</sup>, 2003, I entered a permanent

injunction order. It is the order at issue, which was filed on November 20, 2003. That permanent injunction order ordered that the defendants provide to the United States their complete customer list identifying the persons who have purchased either directly from them or from their associates, distributors, or related entities their abusive tax claims arrangements or programs. Defendants Austin Gary and Martha E. Cooper must each file a sworn certificate of compliance, each swearing that he/she has complied with this portion of the order within ten days from the date of the permanent injunction order; defendants provide a copy of the permanent injunction order by first class mail or an e-mail, if an address is unknown, to all individuals who have previously purchased their abusive tax-shelter plans, program, or arrangements, including the expatriation repatriation program; that defendants will bear the costs of providing the copy of the permanent injunction order to their customers; defendants must file a sworn certificate of compliance, each swearing that he/she has complied with this portion of the order within ten days from the date of the permanent injunction order; that defendants and their representatives, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and those persons in active concert and participation with them, including their distributors, remove from their web sites, and then I identify the web sites, all abusive tax schemes, professional materials, false commercial speech, and

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materials designed to incite others imminently to violate the law, including the tax laws; to display prominently on the first page of those web sites a complete copy of the permanent injunction order within ten days from the date of the order; and to maintain the purged web sites with the permanent injunction order prominently displayed until such time as this Court orders otherwise; that defendants shall bear the costs associated with posting the Court's order and maintaining the web sites during this period.

Defendants must each file a sworn certificate of compliance, each swearing that he/she has complied with this portion of the order within ten days from the date of the permanent injunction order.

On December 11, 2003, plaintiff filed its motion to hold defendants in contempt of the permanent injunction order. On February 4, 2004, this Court set a hearing on the motion for entry of contempt for Friday, March 12, 2004, at 3 p.m., courtroom 1, 901 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Denver, Colorado. The order setting this hearing was served by the clerk of this court by depositing the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid to Austin Gary Cooper and Martha E. Cooper at 861 West County Road 66E, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524, and Taking Back America, 295 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street, No. 240, Loveland, Colorado 80538. The permanent injunction order was likewise served on November 20, 2003. The evidence that I have previously

received established receipt of the permanent injunction order by the defendants. The show-cause order was accomplished on motion of the plaintiff on December 15, 2003, ordering defendants to respond as to why they should not be held in contempt for violating the November 20, 2003 permanent injunction order. Show-cause order was likewise served upon the defendants by depositing in the mail as I have previously outlined at those addresses. On December 15, 2003, I determined that defendants had the ability to comply with the permanent injunction order based on evidence previously received. 12 MR. COOPER: I object. 13 THE COURT: Well, hang on. Now, I also noted in my order of March 16, 2004 --14 MR. COOPER: You forgot to bring out the fact that we 15 filed documentation in this tribunal attacking, challenging 16 jurisdiction. You conveniently left that out. And that we 17 also charge you with criminal actions, merchant Babcock. If 18 that's you, sir, I don't know who that is. 19 THE COURT: You did file such a document which was 20 nonresponsive and prolix, irrelevant, and I struck it. 21 MR. COOPER: I formally charge you with 31 counts of 22 treason and 31 counts of conspiracy to commit treason for the 23

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record, merchant Babcock.

THE COURT: So noted.

Now, when I entered my order of March 16, 2004, I noted that the plaintiff had requested not only the monetary sanctions on an escalating basis but that upon a failure to comply with the permanent injunction order and the maximum monetary coercive sanctions of \$50,000 were made known to me, the government requested that the defendants be civilly incarcerated. Acknowledging the law of contempt, that there are Sixth Amendment rights to counsel and Fifth Amendment rights to due process, I declined to do so.

> MR. COOPER: I'm sorry, sir, what did you say? THE COURT: I'm going to get to that again.

. In the March 16 order, I warned the defendants that failure to comply with the permanent injunction order and after monetary sanctions reached \$50,000, there would result the issuance of a citation and the further warning that upon being 16 found in continued contempt of the Court for failure to comply with the permanent injunction order, defendants may be civilly incarcerated until such time as they comply with the provisions of the permanent injunction order.

Now, Mr. Cooper, here's what I want you to understand. The reason why you're here today is because it has been made known to me by filing from the plaintiff --

MR. COOPER: I beg your pardon --

THE COURT: -- that you have failed --

MR. COOPER: I have a --

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THE COURT: You have a hearing problem? MR. COOPER: I have certain tone problems. If you can move that post, it sometimes helps if I can see your mouth, also. THE COURT: Sure, be happy to. MR. COOPER: That container. THE COURT: Is that better? MR. COOPER: Yes, thank you. THE COURT: Sure. The reason why you're here is it has been made known 10 to me by the plaintiff that you have continued, even after the 11 monetary coercive civil sanctions have been imposed up to \$50,000, that you continue to fail to comply in any particular 13 with the permanent injunction order. So what the plaintiff 14 would be asking at this hearing is that you be found to be in 15 continued contempt for failing to comply with the order of this 16 17 Court. Now, I will tell you, even though you disagree, that 18 this Court has jurisdiction; I have already determined 19 20 jurisdiction. I know --MR. COOPER: You may usurp it, but you don't have it. 21 22 There's a big difference here. 23 THE COURT: Well, that would be, I guess, for a higher court to, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals on an appropriate 24 25 appeal, to determine.

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The difference is this. If I enter an order of civil

understand it, the county court of Larimer County.

commitment here, you take the keys with you. And the keys are these: As soon as you comply with my permanent injunction order and you show this Court that you have done so, you turn the lock on the jail door and you are released. Do you understand the difference? MR. COOPER: Yes, I do. THE COURT: Okay. MR. COOPER: May I make some statements? 10 THE COURT: Not yet. 11 MR. COOPER: Okay. Thank you. 12 THE COURT: Not yet. Because I'm not quite 13 finished --14 MR. COOPER: Thank you. THE COURT: -- telling you what you need to know. 15 I mentioned the Sixth Amendment. I will tell you that 16 you have a right under the Sixth Amendment to have an attorney 17 represent you in this proceeding. 18 19 MR. COOPER: Where does it say "attorney" in there? It says "counsel." That's not attorney. Attorney comes from 20 the word "torn," which means a feudal system by which they take 21 what you have and give it to the landlord. It's actually a 22 treasonous position. It's a title. It also, you have esquire 23 behind your name which is a title just of nobility. So where 24 does "attorney" come?

ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation, to be confronted with the witnesses against him, to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

MR. COOPER: Fantastic, sir, because I have a list of compulsory-process people I would like to subpoena, as many subpoenas from you; and since you did read that in fact for the record, I have a list of them here. Including you, including this man, and many other people in the government.

THE COURT: Do you want this Court to appoint counsel for you?

MR. COOPER: Appoint it, no, sir. What counsel would you get?

THE COURT: I would get somebody from the Criminal Justice Act panel.

MR. COOPER: If I can say something to you. The Department of Justice, there's a Latin phrase underneath it, it says, He who follows the god of justice, which means they are pagan worshippers. Now that's an interesting statement to have at the Department of Justice symbol. So, no, I don't believe in paganism or brought into paganism.

THE COURT: Okay.

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MR. COOPER: And for --

THE COURT: You know why you're here today.

MR. COOPER: I'm sorry?

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THE COURT: Do you know why you're here today?

MR. COOPER: I'm curious to know the nature and cause.

I've challenged jurisdiction and you arbitrarily just kick it out because we've got bar association, bar association, we've got the organization here. Okay. So since jurisdiction has been challenged and that's as a matter of law, consequence

subject matter, personam jurisdiction has been challenged, it has been to be proved. Shoemaker never proved it.

THE COURT: He did; he proved it to me.

MR. COOPER: Wait a minute now; you're in the same team. You both get a payoff from the commissioner. So there's a little tricky area here where how did he prove it to you and not file jurisdiction to prove it to me.

THE COURT: I don't have to prove it to you.

MR. COOPER: So you're on the same team.

THE COURT: Oh, no.

MR. COOPER: Isn't that conspiracy?

THE COURT: Well, sir, let me tell you something --

MR. COOPER: Isn't that conspiracy?

THE COURT: Let me tell you what I learned --

MR. COOPER: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: -- very early on. It is this. When counsel or a party to a case calls the judge a son of a bitch --

MR. COOPER: Who did that --

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THE COURT: -- the last thing the judge wants to do is say, no, I'm not because then the issue in the case is just that. So I'm not playing that game with you today.

MR. COOPER: I'm not calling you that. When did I say that. I said treasonous. There's a big difference.

THE COURT: Whatever.

MR. COOPER: Treasonous means that you've committed treason against the people. Son of a bitch has to do with a mother that somebody that's not married --

THE COURT: You have a right, if you want for me to appoint counsel for you. Yes or no.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MR}}\xspace$  . Cooper: We back up. What's the nature and cause of the accusation, sir.

THE COURT: I'll tell you. I just spent about 15 minutes telling you. It is your failure to comply with the order of permanent injunction order entered in this court.

MR. COOPER: Could you please quote the statutes involved, sir, so I can have something to work with here.

THE COURT: You received these papers?

MR. COOPER: Could you quote the statutes involved, sir.

THE COURT: The only statute I need today, the only statute I need today is this and it's not a statute. It's my permanent-injunction order. It's an order of this Court to you.

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MR. COOPER: What gives you the jurisdiction to just override whatever we filed and decide with your own corporation, sir. What statute does that. May I ask.

Urin vs. Tompkins said there is no federal common law, so you dropped yourself out of the common-law issue altogether. You say I have compulsory process, and yet you don't offer me subpoenas to have compulsory process. I would be happy to do that.

Let's make the records clear. You have a copy of every single person that's ever done any documentation with our organization. They were served on the president, Chief Justice Rehnquist, the commissioner of internal revenue, the state. chief justice, and the governor. Registered mail. So they have exactly the list of every single person that's filed:a single thing and these documents were filed well before they began any process. They had to study the documents, they sent them in. Asking these chief officers if they were in error. Same as I did. Now, these documents are based on one of you, merchant Hoeveler in Florida, who specified that the payment of Social Security and use of the postal services to the Department of Justice were the contracts that made us United . States citizens, which doesn't even exist in English grammar. And then when I proved those contracts to be fraudulent, that's been going on for over eleven years now, no one has denied or objected to that. Which means failure to object timely, you

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Therefore, you're simply moving forward with usurpation of jurisdiction. Not to mention the fact that since merchant Hoeveler already declared that as part of the record, been part of the record for 15 years now, then those are the contracts. Unless you have other contracts that you're hiding that don't inform us about what jurisdiction you presume.

We have uncovered other areas and that's the treason charge, same with the 31, which is the signature card in the bank which it was interesting that the Internal Revenue Service went to the bank with a signature card. Well, we're already unconcerned that the signature card grants jurisdiction through a case in the 1850s or the 1800s from the supreme tribunal; but there again, that's a fraudulent situation because the judiciary, the Congress were created by we the people. Which means they are our creations. And since the supreme tribunal declared that the banding system was a creation of the Congress and therefore Congress had jurisdiction, well, Congress is a creation of the people. So anything Congress creates, we still own, as we the people.

The same thing with eminent domain because how this takes is eminent domain where you decide that you own everything we have in the country, you made us a feudal system. That's what you're declaring, You have a admiralty flag, title 4, United States services, lawyers' edition, not in the

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other form, only the lawyers' edition. Section 1, interpretive notes of the decision, president, commander in chief of the Army and Navy, can choose a board of three-quarters black. So we're a court martial. There is also many other areas that show that fringe makes that a military flag. I was in the military, that was our colors.

This particular tribunal, as we're proceeding here, we know it's a usurpation, we know it's fraud. It's political hype. You have a list of every single person, you've had it from the person. Every person has it. They sent it in registered mail. It's never ended. There's nothing ever been hidden. You've already taken the documentation from the banks, the IRS did, so they have everybody, they have a list of everything. It's never been hidden. Never has.

So, then, what list do you want, the same one you have, and then at what degree. Most of it we don't have anymore. People simply continue with us because sending in their first page of the expatriation shows the date on it. Did they in fact do it. You've never disproven the expatriation, it was stated by one of you, so therefore it's there. Taken to the supreme tribunal and never denied. Not a single word has ever been denied. Justice Rehnquist, all we, the first time I served in 1992, then in 1995, I change it. Rehnquist could have come back and said you're in error, let's sit down, let's sit down and talk and let me show you the error of your ways.

But that's not what you people do. You commit crimes by going against people and taking what they have. You don't sit back and say let me show you, say no, because this affects me, it's taking from my theft and therefore I'm going to put you in our concentration camp. Same thing as Nazi Germany. This is a neo-Nazi system we're operating under. I have marks still on my wrists from the handcuffs this morning that's pressed on so hard that I could hardly get over here with the pain. That's what we're operating under. I am in contempt. When you have a military tribunal, when I can't issue, when I can't present evidence and like a proper court of law, I'm in contempt and will be for the rest of my life.

You make this a court of law, and I'll respect you and put it on every web site we have of what you are. Make it a court of law, let's go according to law. Compulsory process. The president has been served many times. Let's subpoena the president. Dispute it. Let's subpoena Rehnquist, let's dispute it. You show me that my error and I'll change. Don't tell me I'm going to change by not showing it to me because I'm not going to do it. It's the truth, you've admitted it by not denying it. By simply dismissing it does not deny it.

We could have sat down as men, as proper people under the heavenly father. You could have explained this to me and said this is where your error lies. But, no, you don't take the time to do that. That's how you straighten people out, if

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we are in fact in error. Not by bringing us into your little tribunal here and putting us in your concentration camps.

Right now, we have one out of 30 Americans on prison, probation, or parole and growing rapidly. What are you trying to do to us; you're destroying our country.

So because I tell the truth, you say you're going to punish me. You punish me already. You've got me in your concentration camp already. You've already separated me from my family, you did that before. You destroyed everything I had. Do you think I'm going to give in to you; tell me the truth, show me my error, and I'll be more than happy to change. I will go out on broadcasts throughout the country and say I was in error. If you can't show it to me, your threats don't mean anything to me. Do you hate me because I tell you the truth, so be it, it's the truth. Deny it. Show me. How come you can't do that.

You have well over 60 million statutes in the country that nobody knows. You prosecute people, put them in prison for time and time again beyond imagination. What in the world are we doing, where are you taking us, you under one world government. Do I think it's going to change when you've succeeded in your one world government. Do I think that my family is going to be safe because I've bow down to your concentration tactics here. I'm not going to do that.

You tell me the truth. Let's sit down like men and

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discuss it, you show me the facts of the case and I'll do whatever it takes. If I'm in error, I'm in error. But don't sit back and tell me that you're going to deny it, you're going to dismiss it, and you're going to proceed forward and tell me to go out there and tell people that I'm, I've misled them, no, I have not. So if you're saying that, if you're threatening me that, you know, witness tampering, I think that's called witness tampering, that you're going to put me in your cell which I'm already in one of your concentration camps, if you're going to put me in there unless I go out and lie, it's never going to happen.

I serve only one master, the heavenly father Yahuah, definitely not the master of this state, Satan, and that will never happen. So you show me, you sit down like a man. You have these people right here sit down like men or women, whatever the case may be, and you discuss this with me or discuss it with the people. It's easy to do. You have control of all the, all the media. Just go out there and show us where our error is. How come people come in here and ask you where the jurisdiction lies and you ignore it, why do you do that. If you're in law, if you're honest and true who you are, then why don't you just point out to them where the law is. When they ask the nature and cause, why don't you tell them where it is.

When we have compulsory process, Sturman down there

dismissed all nine of my subpoenas, just arbitrarily knocked them out. I have no witnesses to present. Is that a conspiracy. He said there is no constitutional law in Colorado. Gee, that's a fact. But then he can't be a judge if there's no constitutional law. Absolutely. That's his declaration. Said three times. He never denied it. He said it the first time. Do we have it with you.

The United States district court, English grammar says you don't even exist for the district of. You've made Colorado a district of the United States. You're supposed to be the district in. The Constitution, article I, section 8, clause 17, does that not exist anymore. You're the — you're the district in Colorado. So you change it. You create false language. And then you expect us to be able to understand this.

old. I've been in the military, I've served all I can for this country, and you people started this war with me 15 years ago. I had a wife then that divorced me since. She went down, a state trooper harassed her, I filed a suit in the U.S. district court, I thought this was the greatest place there ever was, the top of the top. I thought you people, you attorneys were here for the people. You kept us free. I discovered wrong—
I discovered my error. Because as that process, as we started figuring out what went on where these people were protected

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over whatever, whatever they could do to the people, then all of the sudden, I'm arrested for tax evasion. I'm walking through a train station, I have your neo-Nazis come up with a gun, and this is what they said, and I quote after they tackled and pushed me to the wall holding a gun to my head, while he was hitting me in the groin three times, he said, move and we'll blow your fucking brains out. Have these people ever been punished for that, not a chance. I went through the same magistrate as the judge we filed against, isn't that remarkable.

I went through that whole year, down with Hoeveler, the Department of Justice, he who follows the God he is justice or justicia. In that particular hearing down there, they filed it, they went past the speedy trial. Hoeveler said you will go to trial no matter what, no matter what the circumstances, you're going to trial. He stated in the hearing, you're right, right in front of my parents, that's the most remarkable thing, you're right, but if you win, the system will collapse, so you will not win. That's what he stated, and that's the same thing here.

You're trying to buffalo your way over me, this Department of Justice, where is your justice. What kind of 23 motives do you have, to bring us into one world government. you not know when a cancer finishes metastasizing throughout the host, when it kills the host, it kills itself. Let's

me death, think you're going to cheat me under your order, so 15 years, it's not going to happen. Kill me if you want, I don't care. I will stand for what I believe in. You show me I'm wrong, I'll admit. You don't show me I'm wrong, try to buffalo me, it's not going to happen.

So if you feel the power, the urge to put me again in your concentration camp that I'm already in, so what. So I'm going to be there anyway. Do you really think that I don't think you're going to do it anyway. Do you really think that. You already have the list. You have the exact list that we have. Five of your chief officers has the list and you're telling me you want a list from me.

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What's wrong with this picture: If that's not political hype or whatever it is, what is it. You have every fact that they've taken, every account from both banks we have. They know everything that went in there. The IRS does. So, then, what are you asking for. The same thing you have. Or has Shoemaker told you that. Let's say that you don't know it. Let's say that you didn't give permission to do that. Then why hasn't Shoemaker filed that they have done that already. Why hasn't he filed that they have the list. Matter of fact, you have several of them because they filed charges also. And then the gall to say that the American people cannot file any charges. Once again, it's not that this is what we've done

wrong or you've done wrong, let's discuss it so we'll understand each other, so that we can stay within the realm of justice, so that we can memorialize your 60 million statutes in this country. Let's place us in a situation where we have no power whatsoever, where we have a judiciary that's taken over, even the sheriff of our county says you people have gone awry.

You've made the law in this country. What law.
You've made statutes. By definition, Uniform Commercial Code, section 1-103:6, it states, and I quote, A statute should be construed in harmony with the common law unless there is a clear legislative intent to abrogate the common law.

from us. You brought in the Fourteenth Amendment that's under suspect anyway after the Civil War and then you took our rights away from us. You made us substatus citizens here. United States citizen. The very documentation that Shoemaker files that we're United States citizen. What in the world is that. States becomes an adjective when placed in front of citizen. Now you've got a nonexistent citizen. And that's the jurisdiction you claim. You make us something that our own language says does not exist. And then you take advantage of us. You use our name in all caps. There is nothing in English that says that's proper language. And yet you do this. You make us creatures or whatever. And assume jurisdiction.

Where, at what point do you become the kind of people

that share with the American people to give us a fighting chance. At what point. Do you give us the opportunity so that we can understand the statutes that you can't understand. They're written, you judge, you change them all the time, you make new decisions on them all the time so nobody knows what's going on, nobody have an inkling of an idea of how to function in this society.

We all know every time we turn around, we're going to be placed in one of your concentration camps. How kind of fairness is that. You tell me to take the truth that you don't even deny, that nobody denies, and take it off.

Like I said, fair enough. You tell me, you explain it to me. And then I'll go out there and tell everybody I was in error. I'll put it on a web site, I was in error. One of our web sites is simply for health, and you want that off, too? It's for health. It's peril.org.

It's a fact that cops get more cancer from the radar guns plus with fluoride that you put in water. It's a nerve poison. Fluoride passes the blood brain barrier, takes the aluminum in the can right to your brain. Why do we have the highest cancer rate in the world in this country. Because of the stuff you're putting on us. Let's change it a little bit. Let's take the fluoride out. Let's stop the radar.

If people commit a crime, put their back side in prison. But we're the injured party. This is a civil case

that you've never proven jurisdiction, you've taken subpoenas up, you've created all kinds of garbage that mean nothing and say this is what we presume is done. But they didn't say, by the way, we have a copy of every one. Gee, why wasn't that in the original one. Here, we're filing, but we have a copy of every person. Why wasn't that in there. Facts of law. It's right there. Right there in the documents. I mean, right there, he has a copy of every single person. Everything that's been done, he already has a copy. So, then, what is it that you ask of me. What is the nature and cause of this accusation.

THE COURT: I will tell you. Since you asked the question.

MR. COOPER: Yes.

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THE COURT: What is not requested of you, but which is ordered from you, is compliance with my permanent-injunction order.

MR. COOPER: Well, how is it not complied since you already have it? What are you trying to take from me? What are you trying to ask?

THE COURT: All right. Here's where we are.

MR. COOPER: Yes.

THE COURT: You've been addressing the Court, as I told you you could, now for probably 20 minutes. I'm going to give you five more minutes. If you want to go on.

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MR. COOPER: Absolutely. I want to tell you something. I've been as honest as I can with you. I've been as honest as I can with your entire evil corporation. I filed the documentation, for years. First thing I did was go to the chief officer, and I asked them before I went on from there, your own merchant judge and the one that stated this document, that said this is true, so therefore I stand on it. If it's not true, then by golly, you tell me it's not true, then you pay me the money, you put me in that concentration camp. Fair enough. If it isn't true. But when he stipulated to contracts and he stipulated to contracts. And it's there. These are facts.

So my fairness to you, that's the best I can do. The fact is, we all know what you're going to do. We all know what's going to happen here. This is just a ruse. It's the same thing. It never changes. Every person in this country, like I said, the prison rates are filled when you keep doing that. You want to take every American and make them a felon or whatever, put them in the concentration camps so we have no rights, and you're doing a good job of it right now.

So again, I say, you're going to put me in your concentration camp for telling the truth, okay. If you're not going to deny it, show me where it's wrong, you haven't done that, you haven't done anything. All you said was, no, I'm dismissing it. Under what grounds. You know, you're supposed

to tell the person. That's supposed to be law. You're supposed to be able to share with the person why and what it is. But since you haven't done that, then you accept it. That's how I look at it. So I'm already in your concentration camp. I know you're going to continue this. I know it's not going to change.

But I'm going to tell you something. Here's the facts. You can call those people up and you can change these web sites in a heartbeat, we both know that. Shoemaker can do that. He'll do what you say, they're scared to death of you. They have to act in that tough, the treason is all over, I don't care if you take them all off. The treason charges have been out over the country. My wife sent it to 300 newspaper reporters and to 200 churches, and the people around the country are sending to somebody else. It's growing, whatever happens happens; it makes no difference to me. It's been exposed, it will grow or it won't. So, yes, if you threaten me with your concentration camp, all that, hey, order it, put it on there, I don't care. It's been done. It's been shown.

THE COURT: Is what you have just told me your cause for not complying with my permanent-injunction order?

MR. COOPER: My cause for not complying with your permanent injunction order is 'cause you never showed me the jurisdiction. I asked you, I filed documentation, you never showed me, so since you don't show me, then I must assume that

you usurp it. Show me the jurisdiction. I will be, you know, I'm a law-abiding citizen. That's the your biggest problem, that you can't find anything against me. I know Shoemaker has been looking for that all his life and he can't find a thing against me. I do as I'm told, I always tell people this is the way you're supposed to do it.

If you're going to tell me that I've exposed the lawlessness, as I'm commanded by my heavenly father, I know you're going to do, it makes no difference to me, I've done my service. You, I'm going to tell you the funniest part: We would have closed down if Shoemaker hadn't begun. He was the one that helped us to grow. By his filing this idiotic documentation that has no merit whatsoever, never has, he made people look; by the DOJ putting it on their web site, he sent them to our web site. So thank you for that. Appreciate it very much.

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THE COURT: By my clock, your five minutes is up.

Mr. Shoemaker. How -- are you going to present

evidence at this time concerning the status of this

permanent-injunction order?

MR. SHOEMAKER: Your Honor, I could present evidence by Mr. Montgomery that the contempt is ongoing, that the promotion is still being promoted. But I think, I don't think Mr. Cooper disputes that.

THE COURT: I don't think he has, either.

MR. SHOEMAKER: And I just note for the record that this is an order to show cause or it's a show-cause hearing.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Cooper were directed to be here. We served a subpoena on Mrs. Cooper. She's disregarding that.

MR. COOPER: I object. No, you didn't, you gave her a copy of something with no seal on it whatsoever. So it's fraud. It's a bogus subpoena.

THE COURT: Well, Mr. Cooper, I understand your objection and basis for lack of cause to civilly commit you as a civil commitment in contempt order to be that this Court does not have jurisdiction. This Court does have jurisdiction.

MR. COOPER: I disagree.

THE COURT: I know you do, and I respect your disagreement; but this Court does have jurisdiction and you remain in civil contempt of this Court's permanent-injunction order.

MR. COOPER: Again, I say, show me where I'm wrong, and I'll change. If you're not going to do it, then all you are is just bullying me and so be it.

THE COURT: All you have to do, and remember, you're going to take the keys with you.

MR. COOPER: I know you were going to do this. Isn't this amazing. Son of a gun. Now you see why we didn't come down here, because there's no justice here. This is a fraud. The whole thing is a fraud. Once again, I charge you once

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again with witness tampering.

I'm going to be in your concentration down there allegedly for nine more months. Do you think you're changing my life? Do you think that history is replete with people, the founding fathers, the messiah himself, the apostles, Mahatma Ghandi, Nelson Mandela, with people who have been harassed by people like you.

THE COURT: How much longer do you have to serve there in Larimer County?

MR. COOPER: Nine -- you know that.

THE COURT: No, I don't know. I have no idea.

MR. COOPER: Nine more months.

THE COURT: All I know is that's where we had to go to get you to bring you here today.

MR. COOPER: I'm sure you all know. I'm sure you all have been talking back and forth.

THE COURT: I have no idea. Here's the question. The marshal is here. You are serving, as I understand it, a term on a conviction for some offense in Larimer County?

MR. COOPER: Yes.

THE COURT: Now, I am finding you, and I will enter a formal written findings of fact and conclusion of law, that you are in continued civil contempt --

MR. COOPER: You do that.

THE COURT: -- of this Court.

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MR. COOPER: Let the record reflect that you refused to tell me what the nature and cause, and I said I want compulsory process and you denied that. Let the record reflect that you denied every aspects of the Sixth and Fifth Amendment. I am not facing my accuser because these are simply agents. Let the record reflect that you denied me every semblance of justice in this criminal conspiracy here, so you already read the Sixth Amendment, yet you deny the whole thing. All you said was assistance of counsel.

THE COURT: You said you didn't want counsel.

MR. COOPER: I said I'd like to have compulsory process.

THE COURT: If you wanted that, you had the opportunity to do it before today. And I will tell -- I'm going to tell you, Mr. Cooper, the things that you have filed with this court are slanderous ---

MR. COOPER: Tribunal; go ahead.

THE COURT: It is a court. It is not a tribunal. There is only one judge sitting here. They are slanderous.

MR. COOPER: You, the clerk, and you've got the other. That's the tribunal. And you're making me one, too. You're making me a merchant. You are a merchant under the Uniform Commercial Code. You're not even a judge; so is Shoemaker. All are merchants.

THE COURT: All of these things that you have said

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today have been said to courts throughout this land to no avail whatsoever. They are complete nonsense.

MR. COOPER: Doesn't that show a conspiracy?

THE COURT: They are frivolous nonsense.

MR. COOPER: You're frivolous, sir.

THE COURT: Well, that's what my wife says from time to time.

MR. COOPER: She's correct.

THE COURT: Now, what I think we have to do is periodically review this contempt proceeding and this commitment because Mr. Cooper takes the keys with him.

MR. COOPER: That's the biggest con game I've ever heard in my life, merchant Babcock, is it, I'm sorry, you never said who it is you were. Babcock.

THE COURT: You betcha.

MR. COOPER: Merchant Babcock, that's the biggest con game I've ever heard.

THE COURT: Whatever.

MR. COOPER: Yeah, whatever. I demand --

THE COURT: All this rolls off my back like water off a duck's back.

MR. COOPER: Of course it does. I'd like to have compulsory process. You gave me the opportunity for counsel. So you brought in the Sixth Amendment and you did in fact read the Sixth Amendment. You didn't say there was no stipulation

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this court, and I'm not going to have that.

MR. COOPER: Not a mockery. Treason is treason.

THE COURT: If you file something with me indicating who it is and what their testimony will be, I will look at it.

MR. COOPER: Dwight Surthan did the same thing. He denied them all. Like I said, this is a game. Why don't you just go ahead and do your thing. Why are you even bringing me in here. Why don't you do your thing, do your little --

THE COURT: I'm in the process of doing that now.

MR. COOPER: Why do you bring me in here when you know you're going to do it anyway. What is this a game to make you people think that you're actually honest.

THE COURT: Here's the way we're going to go at that. I'm not going to have you running up and down the road. So at such point in time as you file proof that you have complied with my injunctive order, you'll be released from this injunctive civil commitment.

MR. COOPER: Right. I believe you on that one.

THE COURT: You know what I'm talking about.

MR. COOPER: Yes, I do. I know that you're treasonous. And I know that it will never stop. We'll put it in every paper in this country. It's already begun. Not just us. What you do with the two of us, it's already begun. It's around the country. You're being shown for who you are, the men of lawlessness, and it's going to go throughout this

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country. Whatever you do, it makes no difference now. It's already spreading, and it will spread. And you can be looking at a long time in prison, yourself. You and all the other judges, all the other bar attorneys, British accredited registry attorneys.

THE COURT: Mr. Shoemaker.

MR. COOPER: You are the one that kept pushing this, you started a war with me 15 years ago, and you never stopped, 15 years you've been harassing me and you think I'm going to give in to more harassing, you're going to continue on anyway, I have nothing to lose. You think I'm going to kiss your feet, grovel at you, forgive me for telling the truth. It's not going to happen.

So three hots and a cot, whatever it takes, I've already been in your concentration camp. You've already done your worst to me; you think you can bother me anymore.

THE COURT: I think we better review this order of commitment. We'll do it on . . . .

MR. COOPER: I don't contract with you. That's a fact.

You people are going to destroy our country. British accredited register bar association, you're going to destroy our country and you have these people are going to help you do it. And that's the sad part.

THE COURT: We'll review this at, on Friday,

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MR. COOPER: Oh, gee, you surprised me with that one.

THE COURT: -- at two o'clock.

MR. COOPER: I feel sorry for you; your judgment day will come someday. It will be an interesting time, I'm sure. You and your cohort over here.

MR. SHOEMAKER: Your Honor, could I request that Mrs. Cooper be taken into custody?

THE COURT: Yeah, I'm going to order a warrant issued forthwith for her arrest.

MR. SHOEMAKER: Thank you.

THE COURT: All right.

This is the order of the Court that the defendant,

Gary -- Austin Gary Cooper is to be immediately incarcerated

until either he or the other defendants purge themselves of

contempt by fully complying with all of the provisions of my

November 20, 2003 permanent-injunction order. Upon compliance

of that order, defendant Austin Gary Cooper will be released

from federal incarceration; and it will be ordered that a

warrant issue forthwith for the arrest of the defendant Martha

E. Cooper to be brought before the Court within 72 hours of her

arrest for further proceedings.

And the Court will be in recess.

MR. COOPER: May I say one thing before you begin?
THE COURT: You've said plenty.

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THE DEFENDANT: Nazi bastard. (Recess at 2:52 p.m.) REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE I certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript from the record of proceedings in the above-entitled matter. Dated at Denver, Colorado, this 26th day of October, 2005,