

July 8, 1993

***** ALERT *****

Rally to Support [REDACTED]
In front of the Federal Building
880 Front Street, Downtown
Saturday, July 24th
10:00 AM to 11:30AM

Several months ago, a minister who was active in the last school board election came to my home to discuss the plight of [REDACTED], a severely handicapped man who has been in jail for two years without bail on charges of satanically abusing three and four year old children at Faith Chapel in Spring Valley (Some of you may remember that this case was used as one justification for attempting to ban "The Witches" from the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District libraries last fall). At the urging of the minister, I've investigated the circumstances surrounding this case and what I found out is quite alarming.

First, I believe without a doubt that [REDACTED] is innocent (a brochure about the case is included). Second, the case never should have been brought to trial. The original prosecutor and investigators found no evidence to support the charges against [REDACTED]. However, at the request of Jack and Mary Goodall (Chairman of the Board of Foodmaker and grandparents of two of the alleged victims), the District Attorney, Ed Miller, replaced Sally Penso with another prosecutor, Mary Avery, who then indicted Akiki (A San Diego Union-Tribune story is included).

I urge each one of you to learn about this case and become involved. If this can happen to [REDACTED], it could happen to you. Please attend the rally on July 24th. We can send a clear message that as taxpayers we won't tolerate millions of our scarce tax dollars being squandered on a witch hunt at the behest of any citizen, whether they are prominent and wealthy or not! I hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

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System **STOP** Abuse

- ✓ The ██████ Support Organization is a group of citizens who have reviewed the ██████ ritual-abuse case. We have determined that it is baseless and without merit. We strongly believe that ██████ is innocent of all charges against him.
- ✓ This organization will work to get ██████ a fair trial.
- ✓ We will support efforts to stop false accusations of ritual abuse.
- ✓ We support scholarly research in the areas of repressed memories recovery in therapy, the credibility of child witnesses, the scientific determination of false versus true accusations of child sexual molest.

Who is ██████?

- ✓ ██████ is a young man facing 49 counts of child molestation.
- ✓ ██████ has been held two years without bail.
- ✓ ██████ was born with Noonan's disease and other congenital deformities. ██████ has faced with courage each of the extraordinary challenges brought on by his physical limitations. ██████ physical limitations alone make many of the charges impossible.

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How Could This Happen?

- ✓ The ██████ case is not unique. There have been approximately 132 cases with Satanic Ritual Abuse elements since 1983.
- ✓ The FBI has searched for evidence of these allegations for the past ten years. They have found none.
- ✓ A group of therapists, and some police officers, have become "experts" in Satanic Ritual Abuse and allege that this is a widespread phenomenon just now being uncovered by therapists skilled in retrieving repressed memories in their patients.
- ✓ Wherever there are therapists and "cult cops" cases soon follow. There were many other cases investigated in San Diego County. Fortunately, only the ██████ case has gone this far.
- ✓ Pulp media and sensationalist talk shows promoted the validity of these claims. Such stories may have sold magazines and boosted ratings but the results will ultimately be the cause of national shame not unlike the Salem Witch Trials and the McCarthy hearings.

What Happened?

- ✓ ██████ attended a large, well-known, charismatic church in East County. ██████ responded to a church-wide request for Sunday School teachers. He was assigned to help in a classroom of three and four year old children during the Sunday PM service.
- ✓ Services lasted 60-90 minutes. Parents came and went as needed; Doors were never locked. No one noticed anything unusual during the time ██████ assisted in the classroom.
- ✓ Some parents requested in April '89 that ██████ be removed from the classroom because his disabilities made him look "scary". The church suggested that ██████ stop helping in the class.
- ✓ Some parents "noticed" and were "alarmed" by behaviors in their three-year-old children. These behaviors included nightmares, toileting problems, aggressive behavior, fear of hair washing, occasional masturbation and sex play.
- ✓ These parents decided the one thing these children had in common was their past attendance in the Sunday School class where ██████ assisted.

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Who is [REDACTED]? Cont...

- ☒ [REDACTED] cooperated fully with the investigation by police and prosecutors. He offered to take any test offered by the prosecution. [REDACTED] took, and passed a polygraph and sodium brevitol interview.
- ☒ [REDACTED] has lived in San Diego for many years. At the time of his arrest he had been employed by the Navy for fourteen years. He had lived in the same condo for many years. There had never been any complaint about [REDACTED]. In fact, he was beloved by his fellow employees and neighbors.

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What Happened? Cont....

Parents began questioning their children to determine if anything had happened. The children initially denied. After repeated questioning, one child said [REDACTED] had exposed himself. Children were placed in therapy with therapists who were supposed to determine whether the children had been molested. Most children denied anything happening until after repeated questioning by both parents and therapists. Children received physical examinations at the Center for Child Protection. No child had any physical findings of molest. After months of questioning children began telling bizarre tales of blood sacrifices, torture, pornography, abduction, etc. Police investigation found no physical evidence to support any of these allegations. The Deputy D.A. assigned to the case was concerned about the lack of physical evidence and contamination by parents and therapists.* The grandmother of three of the children had previously attended workshops on Satanic Ritual Abuse.* The grandfather of these same three children is the CEO of one of America's largest corporations and president of the Advisory Board of the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation.*

District Attorney Ed Miller, who serves as Honorary Chairman of the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation Board met with these grandparents. They persuaded Ed Miller to pursue the [REDACTED] investigation and remove Deputy D.A. Sally Penso from the case. The grandparents also made a sizeable contribution to the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation.* The new Deputy D.A., Mary Avery, is coincidentally a Board member of the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation and one of its founders.* Mary Avery, in May 1991, obtained an indictment. [REDACTED] has been held without bail since that time. Mary Avery acknowledges that this is a case without physical evidence. Her prosecution is based entirely on the stories told by children who have been in investigative therapy for years. These children were two and three years old at the time the events were alleged to have happened. They have been in therapy with therapists recommended by the Administrator of the Commission on Children and Youth who also coordinated the Ritual Abuse Task Force. Avery herself has presented workshops on ritual abuse. Finally, the D.A. concedes that [REDACTED] was never alone with these children. The D.A. alleges that he was assisted by his wife, [REDACTED] and another young Sunday School teacher, Gloria Evangelista. Despite the enormity of the allegations, these other two women have never been charged. [REDACTED] is now in trial hoping for justice from a system that has treated him as though he were "guilty before proven innocent"!

*Testimony given in open hearings.

To Help



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- ☒ 1 Become informed. The more you learn, the more outraged you will be about the injustice to [REDACTED], the abuse of power, and the waste of County money and resources.
- ☒ 2 Demand greater coverage of this story from your local news agencies.
- ☒ 3 Join the [REDACTED] support organization (\$2). You will be put on a mailing list and there is a hot-line number you can call for information and trial updates. (619) 687-7644.
- ☒ 4 Write your Congressman and request a Federal investigation of this case. (Hunter, Cunningham, Shenk, or Filner). Write State Attorney General Dan Lundgren, P.O. Box 944255, Sacramento, CA 94244, and request a State investigation. Write your County Supervisor, 1600 Pacific Highway, S.D., 92101, and request a County investigation. Write the State of California Board of Behavioral Sciences Licensing, 400 "R" Street, Suite 3150, Sacramento, CA, 95814, and request an investigation of therapeutic practices.

Invasion-of-privacy suit rejected

Action filed in connection with [REDACTED] case

By ANNE KRUEGER
Staff Writer

A Superior Court judge dismissed an invasion-of-privacy lawsuit yesterday that was filed in secret by a prominent San Diego businessman after his name was used on KFMB radio in connection with the child-molestation trial of [REDACTED].

Superior Court Judge Robert O'Neill also denied a request by an attorney representing businessman [REDACTED] and his wife, [REDACTED], to keep the court file sealed so that the [REDACTED] connection with the [REDACTED] case would not become public.

[REDACTED] chairman of Foodmaker Inc., the parent company of Jack In The Box restaurants, filed a lawsuit, seeking unspecified damages, under the name of John Doe against Stacy Taylor of KFMB and Rose

Marie Royster of Poway after Taylor read a letter from Royster, which included Goodall's name, on his talk show March 18.

The letter mentioned a private meeting in February 1990 among [REDACTED] his wife and District Attorney Ed Miller and said that after that meeting Miller switched prosecutors on the case. Deputy District Attorney Sally Penso, the original prosecutor who had filed no charges against [REDACTED] was replaced with Mary Avery, who is prosecuting him on 43 counts of child abuse and two counts of kidnapping.

Two of the [REDACTED] grandchildren are among the youngsters who said they were abused by [REDACTED].

A court order prevents attorneys involved in [REDACTED] case from revealing the names of the alleged victims or their parents. However, O'Neill noted that the order preventing release of that information would apply only to the lawyers in the case, not others who obtained the information.

"To protect the [REDACTED] identi-



Defendant [REDACTED] An 8-year-old witness testifies about touching, threats.

ty and that of all other families involved in the [REDACTED] case, the *Union-Tribune* has not published their names," Editor Gerald Warren said yesterday. The decision was

changed in relation to the [REDACTED] however, after O'Neill granted the newspaper's request to make the file public.

"It's astonishing to me that the [REDACTED] would think they would have a secret legal proceeding," *Union-Tribune* corporate counsel Hal Fuson said after the hearing. "There would hardly be anything more newsworthy than the side-show that has been part of the Akiki prosecution."

O'Neill, who had temporarily sealed the court file, raised questions yesterday about whether the Goodalls were hiding their identity behind their grandchildren and whether the lawsuit they filed against KFMB was part of a "private cause" that fit in with the allegations of their influence over Miller.

O'Neill said the public would have an interest in allegations that someone could have power over the district attorney in deciding to file a case.

"That's the stuff of headlines," the judge said.

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