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• ALCOR RESPONSE TO ABC NIGHTLINE

On October 6, 2009, Larry Johnson appeared on ABC's Nightline to promote the sale of his book, "Frozen: My Journey into Cryonics, Deception and Death." Mr. Johnson continues to violate legal agreements with Alcor and an Arizona Court's judgment prohibiting him from engaging in such activities. It is inexcusable and indefensible that Mr. Johnson would invade the privacy of private individuals and continue his false allegations against Alcor and its members. Mr. Johnson has had numerous opportunities to defend his actions in a court of law - both in Arizona and New York. He has failed to appear in Court in both states and has taken extreme steps to avoid service of process, and yet has no problem appearing on national television to slander innocent people and attempt to destroy a 40 year old nonprofit organization that has worked hard to gain respect among many in the scientific and medical communities. Johnson's blatant disrespect for the law is yet another example of his disregard for the interests and rights of any other than his own.

Nightline made efforts to investigate Mr. Johnson's many fallacious claims. Mr. Johnson was caught in his own web of deceit when one of his claimed errors in the Ted Williams case was exposed as false. He was also forced to admit that he tried to profit from the death of baseball great, Ted Williams by charging visitors to his website \$20 to view alleged photos of Mr. Williams' cryopreserved is easy and surprisingly affordable, if you are in good health and eligible for life insurance, which will pay for your cryopreservation. (If you are not insurable, other financial arrangements can be made. Please ask us for details.)

ALCOR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTIONS head. Such photos, some of which are part of internal case documentation files, were removed from Alcor without authorization by Mr. Johnson. Since August of 2004, Mr. Johnson has refused to abide by a settlement agreement he signed, a formal settlement agreement ordered by the mediator and a Court order to return all audiotapes, photos and the many other illegally obtained documents he removed from Alcor's patient files. Sadly, this is just one of the many instances of Mr. Johnson's shameless profiteering at the expense of the very people he was hired to protect.

While it is impossible to address all the false assertions in Mr. Johnson's book in a brief statement, Alcor would like to set the record straight on some of the specifics addressed in the Nightline segment.

To continue reading"Alcor Response to ABC Nightline"

Read "Alcor Denies Media Allegations", October 2, 2009

• ALCOR LIFE EXTENSION FOUNDATION GRANTED TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AGAINST LARRY JOHNSON

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (October 5, 2009) Earlier today, Judge James Yates of the Supreme Court of the State of New York entered a Temporary Restraining Order against Larry Johnson, forbidding disclosure of any confidential information which is not already contained in his inflammatory and misguided book entitled, Frozen: My Journey into the World of Cryonics. The book was originally scheduled for release on October 6, 2009, but Vanguard Press, the publisher of the book, was allowing sales of the book in advance of today's hearing. It was also admitted at the hearing that Vanguard Press shipped copies of the book despite knowing there was a July 7, 2009 judgment entered in Maricopa County, Arizona against Mr. Johnson, forbidding disclosure of any confidential or illegally obtained information about Alcor, its members or its operations.

Continue reading "<u>Alcor Life Extension Foundation Granted</u> <u>Temporary Restraining Order Against Larry Johnson</u>"

• PERSONNEL CHANGES

Alcor is pleased to announce the appointment of Bonnie Magee to the position of Finance Director. Bonnie comes to us with nearly a decade of experience in business audits and reviews. She will utilize her expertise and problemsolving initiative to undertake a wide variety of financial challenges. We would like to thank Sheila Kimbrell for her years of service at Alcor and wish her the best of luck in the future. :: <u>membership@alcor.org</u>

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Another staff change that has taken place is the departure of Regina Pancake. We would like to express our appreciation for her contributions as Alcor's Readiness Coordinator since 2007. We wish her well in her future endeavors.

• NEW STATISTICS (as of September 30, 2009)

Membership

Alcor has 905 members on its Emergency Responsibility List. Five memberships were approved during this month; no memberships were reinstated; three memberships were cancelled; and no members were cryopreserved. Overall, there was a net gain of two members this month.

Applicant

Alcor has 62 applicants for membership. Seven new applicants were added; five applicants were converted to members; and no applicants were cancelled resulting in net gain of 2 applicants for this month.

Info Pack

Alcor received 136 info pack requests. Eleven were handed out during facility tours or from special request. The average total of 167 info packs sent per month in 2009 is compared to 173 in 2008.

Site Access

The number of distinct computers that accessed the Alcor website in each of the past thirteen months are:

23,083 September 24,261 October 23,218 November 35,020 December 35,741 January 31,625 February 28,479 March 29,313 April 27,819 May 26,770 June 30,857 July 28,739 August 27,544 September

The website working group reported that on October 2nd, the web traffic was fifteen times more than usual.

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Member Watch

Alcor currently has 8 members on our "watch list". These individual situations range from pre-operative awareness and post-operative follow-up to monitoring the status of fragile members due to age and/or current medical

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conditions.

Team Training

The Arizona Response Team held a training session on Sunday, September 27th. Eight people attended the meeting which consisted of members that have previously participated in casework along with new team members who were becoming acquainted with our process for the very first time.

• UPCOMING BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2009, at the Alcor facility (7895 East Acoma Drive in Scottsdale, AZ) at 11:00 AM (PT). Members and the public are encouraged to attend.

• DONATIONS ACCEPTED ON ALCOR WEBSITE

Now our valued supporters can <u>make a charitable donation</u> anytime just by clicking the "Donate" button on the Alcor website.

Alcor has a long, proud tradition of innovation and technical excellence in the field of cryonics. Your gift will make a difference in our quest for better cryopreservations.

Your decision to DONATE is sincerely appreciated. Remember donations are tax deductible.

• ALCOR NEWS BLOG

Don't forget! You don't have to wait for this monthly newsletter to learn more about happenings at Alcor. Check the Alcor News Blog throughout the month for the most up-to-date information.

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