

# THE CITY OF NEWKIRK

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Dear Sir:

Narconon, a part of the Scientology network of organizations, will be opening what is called a drug treatment facility at the Chilocco Indian School complex near Newkirk, Oklahoma.

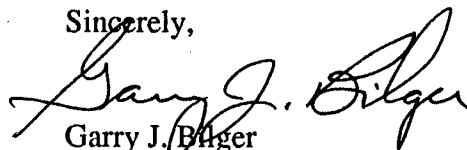
We have some doubts about the credibility and the ultimate goal of Narconon and their parent organization, Scientology. Several misrepresentations have been made by Narconon. See exhibit A.

As the result of research and national publicity, many facts have been compiled. We would like to share some of these with you. (See exhibits 1 thru 11.) Blue sheets preceding each exhibit summarize their content. We have many other documents that can be furnished upon request.

Based on this information, it appears that Narconon's primary objective is Scientology recruitment and not drug abuse treatment.

Our community is very concerned and we are requesting your help in obtaining a complete review of their operation and the licensing procedure which allows Narconon to operate in Oklahoma.

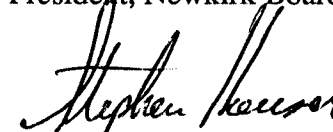
Sincerely,



Garry J. Bilger  
Mayor, City of Newkirk



Jana Shafer  
President, Newkirk Board of Education



Stephen Houser  
President, Newkirk Chamber of Commerce

enc: Exhibits A and 1 through 11

cc: Henry Bellmon, Governor, State of Oklahoma  
Mrs. Henry Bellmon  
Hanna Atkins, Secretary of the State of Oklahoma  
Joan Leavitt, Commissioner of Health  
Don Anderson, Chairman of the Board of Mental Health  
Chloe Buffington, Director of Realty, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Anadarko Area  
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Jim Holt, State Representative  
Olin Branstetter, State Senator  
Gary Harmon, Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Enid Area

# Exhibit A

Misrepresentations Made By Narconon

## Misrepresentations made by Narconon:

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### Scientology Connection Denied

1. Narconon adamantly denies any connection whatever to Scientology. When evidence to the contrary is produced, Narconon calls it all a "misunderstanding." This is not an isolated occurrence, but seems to be the method of operation wherever Scientology attempts to locate a new Narconon Unit.

REF: Oklahoman and Times AP Story by Gil Broyles 06 May 1989

REF: Daily Oklahoman news story by Michael McNutt 14 May 1989

REF: Arkansas City Traveler story 05 May 1989

REF: Arkansas City Traveler, story by Judy Welch 09 May 1989

Narconon is, in fact, owned by the Association for Better Living and Education, which is a Scientology organization listed on the Scientology Organization Chart.

REF: Scientology Org Board (Organization Chart)<sup>1</sup>

REF: Credit line on Narconon Chilocco advertising brochure

REF: "The Narconon Technical Line-up" showing the steps through Narconon to Scientology.<sup>2</sup>

REF: "The Bridge To Total Freedom" progress chart of the Church of Scientology, showing that the first steps of church processing are identical to the material in the "Narconon Technical Line-up"<sup>2</sup>

REF: The Auditor (Scientology's Official Publication) Issue 225, Feb. 1989 (Trained Scientologist to Staff Huge Oklahoma Facility)<sup>3</sup>

REF: "The Command Channels of Scientology" pages 21, 28.<sup>2</sup>

### Phony Donation Ceremony

2. At a ceremony on April 8, 1989 at Chilocco, Narconon and ABLE (the Association For Better Living and Education, another Scientology organization) attempted to deceive the public by having ABLE present a \$200,000.00 "donation" to Narconon when in fact, Narconon is owned by ABLE.. They share the same office space.

REF: Personal Observation of Mayor Garry Bilger

REF: Scientology Org Board<sup>1</sup>

REF: Credit line on Narconon Chilocco advertising brochure

REF: The Command Channels of Scientology, Page 21<sup>1</sup>

### No Oklahoma Patients

3. According to Mr. Leroy Bridges of the State Mental Health Department at a Public Meeting in Newkirk on May 8, (with 80 people present) Narconon Chilocco would be receiving only referral patients from out of state. He said flatly that there would be no Oklahoma patients, except for a few indigent local Indians on a work/study program. He also said that no state funds would be involved in any way.

REF: Tape of the meeting by Commissioner Roy Rogers.

REF: Newkirk Herald Journal story 11 May 1989

When in fact, the Narconon Action Plan for Chilocco Indian School, under the section on Marketing of the Narconon Program, lists "Local clientele covered by insurance" as the first marketing objective. Followed by, "Local clientele covered by fee for service", "Oklahoma Clientele covered by insurance", Oklahoma clientele covered by fee for service". The seventh item on the list is "State contracts that pay

for beds" The document is over the typewritten but unsigned name of John Duff, president for the Board of Directors, Narconon International.

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REF: Narconon Action Plan - Chilocco Indian School<sup>4</sup>

This deception was further brought to light when Gary Smith, a Narconon Public Relations spokesman, accidentally confirmed that Narconon would be marketing in Oklahoma, and applying for state funding, in answer to a question from Dan Meador of the Ponca City News.

REF: Ponca City News story by Dan Meador 29 June 1989

### Regulatory and Law Enforcement Jurisdiction

4. Mr. Leroy Bridges, at the public meeting in Newkirk on May 8, said that Narconon had "voluntarily" placed itself under state regulation and law enforcement. That the State Highway Patrol, and the County Sheriff would have jurisdiction at Chilocco.

REF: Tape of the meeting by Commissioner Roy Rogers

Chilocco is sovereign Indian land. The only law enforcement agencies with authority on that land are the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Police Officers. If Indian sovereignty exists because Indian land exists, then voluntarily placing ones self under another jurisdiction is only valid while it is convenient to do so. Narconon can voluntarily take itself out from under state jurisdiction whenever it finds it convenient to do so. The enclosed letter from Kay County Sheriff Glenn Gwinn should confirm his lack of authority at Chilocco.

REF: Letter from Kay County Sheriff Glenn Gwinn to Mayor Bilger

Further, Mr. Bridges has said that it was probably unnecessary for Narconon to comply with State Health Department licensing and certification because they are on sovereign Indian land, but that they had chosen to do so anyway.

We submit that the real reason Narconon wants to be state approved is listed in their Narconon - Chilocco Action Plan: "This is essential because we will be providing services to both Indian and Non-Indian people paid through a fee for service, insurance coverage, and possible state contracts. State Licensing is mandatory for us to be able to accept Non-Indian clientele."

We find it curious that Narconon wants to be licensed in order to collect on state contracts and insurance policies from people Mr. Bridges has flatly said would not be served at the facility.

REF: Narconon Action Plan - Chilocco Indian School<sup>4</sup>

### "Secular" Program

5. Narconon contends that their program is "secular", when in fact, it is almost identical to the first steps on "The Bridge To Total Freedom", which is the Church of Scientology's chart of religious progress, including "Hard TRs (0-9), Objectives, the Drug Rundown, and the Purification Program.

REF: "The Narconon Technical Line-up" showing the steps through Narconon to the nearest (Scientology) org.<sup>2</sup>

REF: "The Bridge To Total Freedom" progress chart.<sup>2</sup>

The Purification Program, (which is a major part of the Narconon system) as described by L. Ron Hubbard in a Hubbard Communications Bulletin disclaimer says: "The Purification Rundown has as its sole purpose the handling of the restimulative effects of drugs and toxic residuals *on a spiritual being. The Purification*

*Rundown is a spiritual activity based on and administered according to the doctrine and practices of the religion of Scientology...* No part of the rundown is intended as the diagnosis, prescription for, or treatment of any bodily or physical condition or ill..."

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The same document says that the Purification Rundown is to be used on Narconon patients after they have completed other "technology," presumably the Detoxification program.

REF: Hubbard Communications Bulletin of 06 Feb. 1978RA, revised 16 March 1978, Re-revised 4 December 1979.

Scientologists do not have to "push" their "religion" on anyone. By simply agreeing to undertake the Narconon program, one has already started "up the Bridge" to Scientology. It is impossible to undertake the program without undertaking Scientology.

### Cure Rates

6. Narconon has tossed about miraculous "cure rates" of up to 86%. The criteria used in determining those cure rates is unclear at best, and non-existent at worst. Drug rehabilitation industry results are between 15% and 30%, according to about anyone in the business one cares to ask.

REF: Many Newspaper Articles from across the country  
REF: Directors and Doctors of existing Drug Rehab centers

Narconon has recently changed this claim, and now is saying that it doesn't have the money to do scientific followup, but of the people it maintains contact with who have completed their course, over half remain drug free two years later.

REF: KSOK Radio (Arkansas City) Broadcast Sat. 22 July 1989  
8:30 am

### Conversions To Scientology

7. Narconon representatives have said that the conversion rate of their patients to Scientology is, variously, between 1% and 3%, and "less than 10%"

REF: Personal interviews with Patricia O'Neal, Narconon Board of Directors, and Simon Hogarth, ABLE representative.  
REF: KSOK Radio Broadcast Sat. 22 July 1989 8:30 am, interview with Narconon's Gary Smith

An Evaluation Team report to the California State Health Department said that from staff and patient interviews they had made, "it was clear that nearly all the patients hoped to become Scientologists."

REF: Evaluation Team Report To California State Health Department, Dr. Forest S. Tennant, Jr., M.D., Dr. P. H., Chairman

This report also concludes that State Money was being used for purposes other than drug rehabilitation; that even though the state was promised full access to records for inspection purposes, the team was consistently denied access to patient records because they were "confidential", and that the staff consisted almost entirely of members of Scientology. (Copy available on request)

8. A precursory examination of Mr. Hubbard's Purification Rundown program shows that it appears to be inaccurate and unscientific. He makes statements such as "There is no such thing as a fat cell", and "Niacin runs out radiation". He also reports that "in 1973 someone got a Nobel Prize for curing insanity with niacin." As near as we can determine, no such Nobel Prize was ever awarded. Copies of this document, which contains the core of Narconon's program, have been forwarded to the Biochemistry Department at Oklahoma University for evaluation. The complete report will be forwarded as soon as it is issued.

REF: Hubbard Communications Office Bulletin of 6 Feb. 1978RA,  
Revised 16 March 1978, Re-revised 4 Dec. 1979.

REF: Forthcoming report by Dr. Bruce Roe, Chemistry and Biochemistry  
Department at the University of Oklahoma.

### Spurious History

9. Examination of Scientology, its history, and the biography of its founder, L. Ron Hubbard, shows few consistencies between documented facts and the official version promulgated by Scientology. Scientology has embellished the facts to the glorification of Mr. Hubbard almost to the point of ridiculousness. Yet they claim there is a worldwide conspiracy to discredit him, and cover up the "truth". It's the "Everybody's Out Of Step But My Johnny" syndrome.

REF: Bare Faced Messiah by Russell Miller, 1987, Holt and Co.

### Assisting The Indians

10. Narconon has said the five Indian tribes will receive \$16 million in lease payments over 25 years. However, the contract actually reads that the Indians will receive 10% of the gross, and Scientologists will be most likely keeping the books.

REF: The Auditor (Scientology's Official Publication) Issue 225, Feb.  
1989 (Trained Scientologist to Staff Huge Oklahoma Facility)<sup>3</sup>

In addition, we believe documents exist from California court cases (which we do not have in hand at this time) that show how Narconon manipulated funds in order to defraud the State in the past. Similar problems are facing Narconon units today in Spain and Italy. It is simply unreasonable to presume that a zebra will change its stripes just because it is in Oklahoma.

### Existing Facilities Questioned

11. Narconon material presented to the public at Chilocco on April 8, 1989 indicated they operated nine facilities in the United States, when in fact they have only 3 facilities in the US. (one in Boston and 2 in Los Angeles) And only one of them is an inpatient facility with about 25 beds. We have since found out that many Narconon units in the US were simply telephone numbers representing referral points, and that other actual facilities have for one reason or another been closed. The real number of facilities seems to change every time the question is asked.

We find it difficult to understand why an organization as widely accepted and successful as Narconon claims to be would have closed their facilities in El Paso, Tx., St. Cloud, Minn., Michigan, Connecticut, Delaware, Colorado, and elsewhere. Unless of course, there are no addicts left to treat in those areas of the country.

Narconon units in Italy and Spain have been recently charged with fraud and tax evasion, among other things, and the president of the Church of Scientology has been jailed in connection with those Narconon facility charges.

REF: "Addresses" sheet from the packet of Narconon material  
REF: Tulsa World story by Patti Weaver 06 May 1989  
REF: St. Petersburg Times, Monday, December 28, 1981<sup>5</sup>

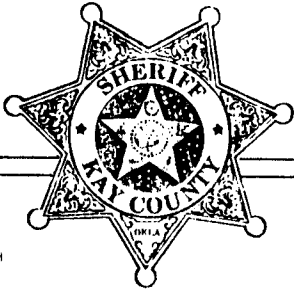
### **Conclusion:**

The above 11 items are the most obvious attempts to mislead or confuse the public made so far by Narconon and Scientology. Some of the material referenced in this section, because of its bulk, is not enclosed, but can be made available upon request. Footnoted References are included in the following Exhibits.

### **Footnotes:**

- 1 See Exhibit 1
- 2 See Exhibit 5
- 3 See Exhibit 4
- 4 See Exhibit 2
- 5 See Exhibit 7





# KAY COUNTY SHERIFF

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August 3, 1989

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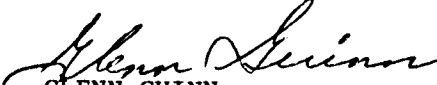
Dear Sir:

Several months ago I talked to Cynthia Stoner about the drug rehabilitation program at Chilocco. She advised at that time it would be for Indians run by Indians.

I also had a visit with a John S. Duff with NARCONON who was going to send me an outline of their security at Chilocco; however, to date, I have not received anything from Mr. Duff.

As I understand it, I have no authority on Chilocco land. Everything at Chilocco comes under the F.B.I., and we have one F.B.I. agent in this area stationed at Enid.

Sincerely,

  
GLENN GUINN,  
KAY COUNTY SHERIFF