

Scott Hochstetter



**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA - CIVIL DIVISION**

SCOTT THOMAS HOCHSTETTER,

Plaintiff,

v.

AARON SMITH-LEVIN,

SPTV FOUNDATION, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No. :



**PLAINTIFF SCOTT THOMAS HOCHSTETTER'S DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT AARON
SMITH-LEVIN'S MOTION**

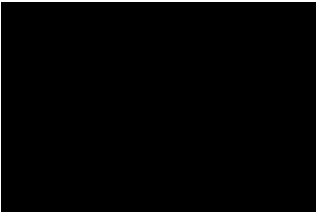
I, Scott Thomas Hochstetter, declare:

1. I am the Plaintiff in this action and make this declaration based on my personal knowledge.
2. I submit this declaration in support of my Response in Opposition to Defendant Aaron Smith-Levin's motion.
3. I personally viewed online videos, livestreams, comments, and related publications by Defendant Aaron Smith-Levin concerning me.
4. I personally observed comments and replies published through the "GrowingUpInScientology" account and related publications discussed in my response.

Declaration in Support of Plaintiff's Response in Opposition 1

5. Before filing this action, I sent Defendant written retraction and correction demands by email identifying statements I contended were false and defamatory.
6. I also attempted to send written notice by certified mail to Defendant Aaron Smith-Levin and to SPTV Foundation at addresses I believed were proper for notice.
7. From my personal knowledge, the certified mailings were returned marked refused.
8. I observed that Defendant later publicly acknowledged or discussed my written demand rather than retracting the challenged statements.
9. After I sent a written notice disputing the accusations and demanding correction or retraction, I observed Defendant continue publicly discussing and repeating the same or similar accusations and narratives about me.
10. I make this declaration to establish my personal knowledge of the publications, my written notice efforts, and Defendant's continued post-notice publications.

I declare under penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my Knowledge or belief.



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Date