

To Whom it May Concern:

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As a participant in the legal community for the past 9 years (as a legal secretary, paralegal and administrator) I have been quite aware and involved in many areas of the law. I have been employed by several major Southern California law firms, namely; Fine, Perzik & Friedman (a major business & taxation firm), Fulope Hardee (a major Beverly Hills litigation & entertainment firm), Brattler & Haas (a taxation & litigation firm), Manatt, Phelps, Rothenberg & Sunny (a nationwide politically oriented firm). I have become very familiar with our nation's judicial and tax systems, and have participated in lawsuits heard before local municipalities as well as the Supreme Court.

Through the years, I had become cynical towards all the bureaucracy, injustice and loopholes which exist in the legal community. It was such that I had decided to begin a new professional endeavor although my present situation was very lucrative and comfortable. It wasn't worth, however, putting up with all the dishonesty and illegal "legalities". I had become totally disillusioned.

Sometime thereafter, I became a disciple of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, an enlightened master whose disciples are presently seeking permanent residency in the United States. As a sannyasin (disciple) I became employed at Manatt, Phelps et, al. in Century City, California. It was at that time that I began to realize exactly what I had been putting myself through for the last 9 years. I realized I had become apathetic and also had resolved myself into allowing others to be in control of the laws, judgements and decisions. However, there was no motivation to change.

Since coming to Rajneeshpuram, Oregon, however, my outlook on life has changed drastically. I'm beginning to see how effortless it is to work with people who are so positive. Being able to participate in an energy field which exists in this city is a very unique

opportunity. Through Bhagwan's books, video discourses and his presence, my life and outlook have changed.

I became a sannyasin after Bhagwan became silent. There yet to see I have missed anything. His sannyasins are living proof of what can happen when one is transformed inwardly. It is incredible to be with people you can trust will be honest with you. There are no hidden meanings — no deals to be made — just straight-forward encounters.

Whenever something is needed, there are always more people than need who will volunteer. There is a love which comes from within each of us, for ourselves, for Bhagwan, and for each other. It permeates all we do. There is no apathy here. I no longer feel affected by arbitrary decisions, judgements, etc. They will always exist but I do not need to be affected by them. I now feel capable of doing whatever is necessary to change something I disagree with.

It is overwhelming to see sannyasins all over the world gathering together supporting Bhagwan with love and care that he be treated fair by the I.N.S. We are letting it be known that we see how badly he is being treated and will let every else know as well. I no longer wish sit back and watch. A light is being shown to uncover the blatant prejudicial acts committed by the I.N.S and L.C.D.C. Our focus is not on whether we will be successful. Our focus is to try every legal avenue possible within our means which will be beneficial to ourselves Bhagwan. I am a citizen and it has become more important than e

What used to be dry and very dull to me, has become alive & exciting. I am grateful for Bhagwan's compassion and patience with me. I have changed, and each day I see more & more. I just hope our nation's leaders will recognize Bhagwan's importance to our country and the world as a loving, spiritual leader.

Sincerely,  
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