

AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL A. SAKELL

This Affidavit is based on my personal knowledge, except where otherwise stated, and, if called upon to do so, I could and would competently testify to the matters herein stated.

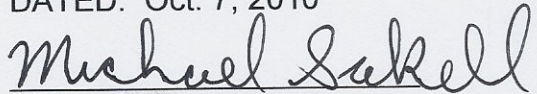
I am MICHAEL A. SAKELL, of 15-2662 Pahoa Village Road, (8712), Pahoa, HI 96778.

- 1) On May 23, 2009 to May 26, 2009, I was a visitor to the Hamakua Santo Daime Church run by Paul J. Sulla, Jr.
- 2) The location of this compound-like property is on the Hamakua Coast, approximately 30 miles north of Hilo, up a mountain, through two locked gates, giving the impression that the property was considered a secured place.
- 3) At this time and place I participated in the making of over 700 quarts of Daime, which is a liquid tea that is made from the Ayahuasca plant.
- 4) This manufacturing facility was a very well organized and outfitted to manufacture, package, and distribute cases of the Daime.
- 5) I, and the approximately twenty (20) other men and women, participated in said production process whereby men prepared the vines, and women collected the leaves. The men then cooked and prepared the Daime that was then bottled in 1 quart Mason jars, and boxed for shipping.
- 6) I was informed that the estimated cost of a one (1) quart Mason Jar was approximately \$900, totaling for the three (3) day manufacturing process approximately \$63,000.00.
- 7) This was an ongoing "service" that occurred approximately once per month.
- 8) Herein, from my understanding, regular participants earned higher-levels of recognition for their participation, as signified by awards of gold stars of David for leaders.
- 9) Following manufacturing and packaging the valuable Daime, I participated in the loading of the cases of 1 quart mason jars containing the brown tea fluid (that was the Daime), into vehicles. I helped load at least four vehicles that were then driven off site to some other distribution facility.
- 10) I had the understanding that Paul Sulla did not want to have this product sit around the church, so that it was quickly moved to another safe location.
- 11) It was general knowledge, that I was privy to as a member of this group, that the Daime was to be shipped to the East Coast of the United States to churches for further distribution.

- 12) Then, the Santo Daime was used as a sacrament in the Church, along with marijuana, which was called by the group, "Santo Maria," as referenced by Carlos Santana.
- 13) During this service, the Daime was served to adults and children as young as eight (8) years old.
- 14) All the participants, to my knowledge, drank the Daime from shot glasses as the liquid sacrament was being manufactured.
- 15) As I watched, approximately a half dozen children, appearing to be ages 8 to 14, participated in the ceremony with the Daime, among a congregation of about fifty people.
- 16) I was concerned about the children's health because I knew I was getting pretty high from the affects of this psychedelic drug.
- 17) During this entire event, Paul J. Sulla, Jr. was the overseer, like the Grand Poobah--a high spiritual leader who directed the service.
- 18) It occurred to me during this time, feeling fear, that this might be a Jim Jones-type of cult. For this reason, I did not get a warm feeling about the event, or my participation in the service.
- 19) The suggested donation for each Ayahuasca service at this church was \$40 to \$80 on a sliding scale payment system.
- 20) For the reasons stated above, and my personal spiritual reasons, I feel compelled to investigate this matter further, to discern the greater truth for the good of the general community.

I declare under penalty of law that the foregoing is true and accurate, and provided in the Spirit of Aloha.

DATED: Oct. 7, 2010



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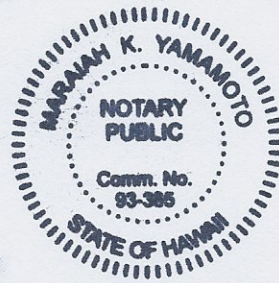
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Subscribed and sworn to before me, this Seventh [day of month] day of October [month], 2010.
[Notary Seal:]

Maraiah K. Yamamoto
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