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## **Anti-Tom Cruise, Anti-Scientology Litigant, Peter Letterese Proposes \$100 Million Dollar(US) Reimbursement Fund Out of Potential Litigation Damages To Be Returned to Ex-Scientists**

**Davie, Florida 2:30pm ...** Peter Letterese, who in early July of this year, filed a \$250 million Federal RICO lawsuit against Tom Cruise and Multiple Corporate Elements, Individuals and Related Law Firms in California, New York and Florida, comprising or in the employ of The International Churches of Scientology, issued a statement this morning. In that statement, Letterese announced his plan, individually, to set up a Reimbursement Fund for Ex-Scientists anywhere in the world, of up to \$100 million (US), which he will commission designated attorneys to administer to individuals directly or through appropriate government agencies, **out of the proceeds he hopes to receive from his portion of awarded damages in his lawsuit.** Letterese's statement follows below.

*"Before bringing the RICO lawsuit in July of this year, I listed out, analyzed, in addition to consulting legal and statistical professionals to help me review the numerous actions (I believe to have been committed over many years) by Tom Cruise, the Scientology Conglomerate and the dozens of other Defendants named in my suit. My suit is based solely on matters of business into which I was thrust by virtue of representing clients (who are the principal owners of the rights to a 1971 business book). After a certain point, my clients came to believe they had been wronged by the Defendants.*

*Upon completing this business litigation analysis (which took over 2 years to complete), in my opinion and in the opinion of those whom I consulted, the dozens and dozens and dozens of documented "predicate acts" (legal terminology), fall squarely under the purview of the Federal RICO statutes. I believe mine to be valid causes of action, which must be litigated if justice is to be served.*

*I have been thinking for some time about what appear to be (located within, but not limited to Internet postings) concerning thousands and thousands, perhaps millions of people who have stated that they severely regret having placed their trust in Hubbard and Scientology only to have been (as they report) both lied to as well as defrauded by Scientology across the world over many decades.*

*Some have complained about divesting their entire fortunes to pursue Scientology's promised, controversially-spiritual (but which these individuals claim were never delivered) results. Thirty-five (35) years ago I personally was recruited strenuously by Scientology in Washington, DC, within weeks of encountering it for the first time, to be trained and employed in how to pursue the dollars those very same kinds of people say they wish they had never "donated".*

*I truly believed then and (tried to) tell everyone I knew or could get to listen, that I was working in the world's greatest place, doing the world's finest possible work toward the greatest good for the greatest number of people, both right where I was and globally. Looking back, I wish I had paid better attention to both my religion and science courses, especially ... biology class. While the \$100 million fund I now propose to set up - should I emerge successful from this suit, was neither imagined nor planned as of the time this RICO action was filed, it occurs to me today that those who believe they were misled, as my own subsequent experience corroborates, are deserving of any help I can give to reimburse lost savings or college funds, to rescue overstressed mortgages or help rectify any other financial crisis which their "investment" in Scientology may have created or contributed to. Should the funds become available, I can be reached via the email address endjudicialabuse@aol.com, which my designated attorneys will monitor and support for any who may wish now or later to comment or communicate. .... Peter Letterese, Davie, Florida, September 10, 2008"*