

STATE OF NEW YORK  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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In the Matter of the Proceeding  
Pursuant to Section 44, subdivision 4,  
of the Judiciary Law in Relation to

**ROBERT L. LINK,**

**STIPULATION**

a Justice of the Oppenheim Town Court,  
Fulton County.

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IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between Robert H. Tembeckjian, Esq., Administrator and Counsel to the Commission, and the Honorable Robert L. Link ("respondent"), who is represented in these proceedings by James E. Girvin, Esq., as follows:

1. Respondent has been a Justice of the Oppenheim Town Court, Fulton County, since January 1, 2004. His current term expires December 31, 2014.

Respondent is not an attorney.

2. Respondent was served with a Formal Written Complaint dated April 17, 2012, containing three charges alleging that he engaged in judicial misconduct in his handling of cases between in or about May 2009 to September 2010. The allegations of the Formal Written Complaint included, *inter alia*, that: (1) in one case respondent failed to advise a defendant of the right to counsel or the right to a hearing, improperly elicited admissions from the defendant, considered and/or relied upon *ex parte* communications, found the defendant guilty without a plea or trial and imposed sentence without giving the defendant an opportunity to contest the charges, (2) in two cases respondent failed to

disclose his own and his family's personal involvement in a defendant's business operation, engaged in and/or considered improper *ex parte* communications and failed to disqualify himself or seek remittal of disqualification and, (3) in two cases respondent failed to mechanically record court proceedings.

3. The Formal Written Complaint is appended hereto as Exhibit A. The Complaint has not been adjudicated. Respondent enters into this Stipulation in lieu of filing an Answer to the Formal Written Complaint, without admitting the allegations of the charges.

4. Respondent tendered his resignation, dated June 6, 2012, a copy of which is annexed as Exhibit B. Respondent affirms that he vacated his judicial office as of June 30, 2012.

5. Pursuant to Section 47 of the Judiciary Law, the Commission has 120 days from the date of a judge's resignation to complete proceedings, and if the Commission determines that the judge should be removed from office, file a determination with the Court of Appeals.

6. Respondent affirms that, having vacated his judicial office, he will neither seek nor accept judicial office at any time in the future.

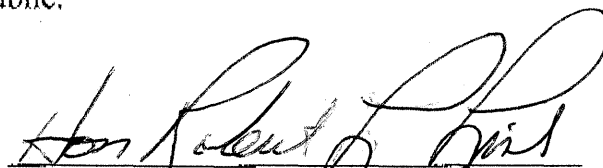
7. Respondent understands that, should he abrogate the terms of this Stipulation and hold any judicial position at any time, the present proceedings before the Commission will be revived and the matter will proceed to a hearing before a referee.

8. Upon execution of this Stipulation by the three signatories below, this Stipulation will be presented to the Commission with the joint recommendation that the matter be concluded, by the terms of this Stipulation, without further proceedings.

9. Respondent waives confidentiality as provided by Section 45 of the Judiciary Law, to the extent that (1) this Stipulation will become public upon being signed by the three signatories below, and (2) the Commission's Decision and Order regarding this Stipulation will become public.

Dated:

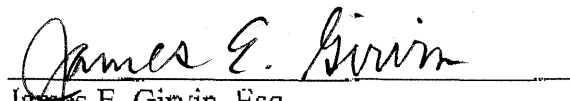
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Honorable Robert L. Link  
Respondent

Dated:

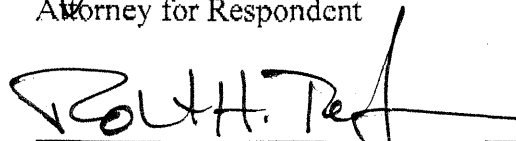
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James E. Girvin, Esq.  
Attorney for Respondent

Dated:

AUGUST 17, 2012



Robert H. Tembeckjian, Esq.  
Administrator and Counsel to the Commission  
(Jill S. Polk, Of Counsel)

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**NOTICE OF FORMAL  
WRITTEN COMPLAINT**

NOTICE is hereby given to respondent, Robert L. Link, a Justice of the Oppenheim Town Court, Fulton County, pursuant to Section 44, subdivision 4, of the Judiciary Law, that the State Commission on Judicial Conduct has determined that cause exists to serve upon respondent the annexed Formal Written Complaint; and that, in accordance with said statute, respondent is requested within twenty (20) days of the service of the annexed Formal Written Complaint upon him to serve the Commission at its Albany office, Corning Tower, Suite 2301, Albany, New York 12223, with his verified Answer to the specific paragraphs of the Complaint.

Dated: April 17, 2012  
New York, New York

**ROBERT H. TEMBECKJIAN**  
Administrator and Counsel  
State Commission on Judicial Conduct  
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Suite 1200  
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To: Hon. Robert L. Link  
Oppenheim Town Court  
110 State Highway 331  
St. Johnsville, NY 13452

**EXHIBIT**

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**FORMAL  
WRITTEN COMPLAINT**

1. Article 6, Section 22, of the Constitution of the State of New York establishes a Commission on Judicial Conduct ("Commission"), and Section 44, subdivision 4, of the Judiciary Law empowers the Commission to direct that a Formal Written Complaint be drawn and served upon a judge.

2. The Commission has directed that a Formal Written Complaint be drawn and served upon Robert L. Link ("respondent"), a Justice of the Oppenheim Town Court, Fulton County.

3. The factual allegations set forth in Charges I through III state acts of judicial misconduct by respondent in violation of the Rules of the Chief Administrator of the Courts Governing Judicial Conduct ("Rules").

4. Respondent has been a Justice of the Oppenheim Town Court, Fulton County, since January 1, 2004. His current term expires December 31, 2014. Respondent is not an attorney.

5. From in and about August 2009, through all times pertinent to this Formal Written Complaint, Veronica Thompson has been the owner of a nonprofit corporation named Help A Hound, a dog rescue operation.

6. In or about January 2010, Ms. Thompson purchased property in the Town of Oppenheim at 717 Lotville Road, Dolgeville, New York, and in or about February 2010, she re-located Help A Hound to that property. Ms. Thompson's son, Glyn Thompson, ran the rescue operation with his girlfriend Kim Hatfield, a/k/a Kim Thompson,<sup>1</sup> during the time it was located in the Town of Oppenheim.

7. Respondent's home is located on Lotville Road, approximately one mile from of Help A Hound.

#### **CHARGE I**

8. In or about May 2010, while presiding over *People v Veronica Thompson*, in which the defendant was charged by the Town of Oppenheim with No License on Dog and Nuisance, respondent failed to perform his judicial duties impartially and diligently, in that he:

A. failed to advise the defendant of the right to counsel or the right to a hearing;

B. elicited admissions from the defendant, found the defendant guilty without a plea or trial and imposed sentence without giving the defendant an opportunity to contest the charges;

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<sup>1</sup> Ms. Hatfield alternatively used the surname Thompson, but has never been married to Glyn Thompson.

C. engaged in multiple improper *ex parte* communications concerning the case;

D. failed to disqualify himself or seek remittal of disqualification; and

E. allowed and relied upon unsworn statements, and considered information obtained in improper *ex parte* communications, in making his determination that the defendant was guilty.

**Specifications to Charge I**

9. On or about April 21, 2010, Kenneth Decker, the Oppenheim Animal Control Officer (“ACO”), issued an Information and appearance ticket number 4737 to Veronica Thompson for [No] License on Dog in violation of Section 119<sup>2</sup> of Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, and an Information and appearance ticket number 4732, naming Veronica Thompson as defendant for Nuisance in violation of Section 119 of Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law. The tickets; copies of which are annexed as Exhibit A, were returnable before respondent in the Oppenheim Town Court on May 19, 2010.

10. Thereafter, on or about May 6, 2010, ACO Decker issued 19 additional appearance tickets, numbered 1127, 4725-4731, 4738-4740, 4743, 4755-4756, 4765-4769, naming Veronica Thompson as defendant for No License on Dogs in violation of Section 119 of Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law. The tickets, copies of which are annexed as Exhibit B, were also returnable before respondent in the

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<sup>2</sup> Section 119 of the Agriculture and Markets Law has been renumbered Section 118.

Oppenheim Town Court on May 19, 2010. Mr. Decker served the defendant's son, Glyn Thompson, with all 21 appearance tickets at the Help A Hound property and filed copies of the appearance tickets and the Informations in respondent's court.

11. On or about May 19, 2010, Veronica Thompson and Glyn Thompson appeared in court before respondent. Neither ACO Decker nor a prosecutor appeared in court on the return date. The transcript of the May 19, 2010, proceeding is annexed as Exhibit C.

12. Respondent failed to advise Ms. Thompson of her right to enter a plea of guilty or not guilty, her right to an attorney and her right to a hearing. Ms. Thompson neither pled guilty nor waived her rights.

13. Respondent proceeded to ask Ms. Thompson questions regarding the merits of the charges. He elicited admissions from Ms. Thompson that a dog had been running loose and that 20 of her dogs were unlicensed. Respondent then permitted Gloria Brys, the Town Clerk, who issued the town's dog licenses, to engage the defendant and her son in a long exchange about what was necessary for obtaining proper licenses, during which additional admissions were made. At no time during this colloquy did respondent administer an oath to anyone.

14. During the proceeding on May 19, 2010, respondent advised Ms. Thompson that he had received "numerous complaints" about her dogs, and acknowledged that he had spoken *ex parte* with the dog warden, some sheriff's deputies, a state trooper and one of the complaining witnesses, Larry Watkins. Respondent did not disqualify himself or seek remittal of disqualification.



15. Without eliciting a plea from Ms. Thompson, advising her of her rights, taking sworn testimony or educating other evidence, respondent summarily found Ms. Thompson guilty and imposed a fine of \$515.00, which Ms. Thompson paid within a month.

16. By reason of the foregoing, respondent should be disciplined for cause, pursuant to Article 6, Section 22, subdivision (a), of the Constitution and Section 44, subdivision 1, of the Judiciary Law, in that respondent failed to uphold the integrity and independence of the judiciary by failing to maintain high standards of conduct so that the integrity and independence of the judiciary would be preserved, in violation of Section 100.1 of the Rules; failed to avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety, in that he failed to respect and comply with the law and failed to act in a manner that promotes public confidence in the integrity and impartiality of the judiciary, in violation of Section 100.2(A) of the Rules; and failed to perform the duties of judicial office impartially and diligently, in that he failed to be faithful to the law and maintain professional competence in it, in violation of Section 100.3(B)(1) of the Rules, failed to perform his judicial duties without bias or prejudice against or in favor of any person, in violation of Section 100.3(B)(4) of the Rules, failed to accord the defendant the right to be heard according to law and permitted and considered *ex parte* communications or other communications made to him outside the presence of the parties or their lawyers concerning a pending or impending proceeding, in violation of Section 100.3(B)(6) of the Rules, and failed to disqualify himself in a proceeding in which his impartiality might be questioned, in violation of Section 100.3(E)(1) of the Rules.

## **CHARGE II**

17. In or about August and September 2010, in presiding over *People v Veronica Thompson*, in which the defendant was charged by the Town of Oppenheim with Dangerous Dog, respondent failed to perform his judicial duties impartially and diligently, in that he:

- A. initiated, engaged in and considered improper *ex parte* communications concerning the case;
- B. allowed and relied upon information obtained in improper *ex parte* communications in dismissing the charge;
- C. failed to disclose his own and his family's personal involvement in the defendant's business operation; and
- D. failed to disqualify himself or seek remittal of disqualification.

### **Specifications to Charge II**

#### *Respondent's Association with Help A Hound*

18. Sometime after May 2010 and during the summer of 2010, Kim Hatfield and respondent's wife, Jeanne Link, became friendly and communicated with each other on a regular basis. Ms. Link began doing work at Help A Hound.

19. Prior to August 4, 2010, respondent knew that his wife was friendly with Kim Hatfield and actively involved with assisting Help A Hound. He knew that his wife cleaned dog cages, fed the dogs, bathed the dogs and took them for walks several times a week. His wife also did "some kind of secretarial work and designing, maybe a poster or something" to "put on the Internet" for the dog rescue operation. Respondent

often drove his wife to and from the dog rescue operation during the time she assisted there.

20. On or about August 9, 2010, respondent's wife signed three agreements with Help A Hound, copies of which are annexed as Exhibit D, to foster three dogs at her and respondent's home. On or about September 1, 2010, respondent and his wife adopted one of the dogs they were fostering. A copy of the adoption contract is annexed as Exhibit E.

21. In or about August 2010, respondent's wife contacted the local newspaper to tell them about the dog rescue operation.

22. In or about July or August 2010, respondent asked Glyn Thompson whether his grandson, Robert ("Robbie") Link, who was living with respondent and on probation imposed by another court, could perform his court-required community service at the dog rescue operation.

23. Robbie Link began performing his community service at Help A Hound in early August 2010. Respondent regularly provided transportation for his grandson to Help A Hound. One day, respondent assisted his grandson in cutting down brush and trees on the Help A Hound property. By letter dated August 28, 2010, a copy of which is annexed as Exhibit F, Ms. Thompson wrote to Robbie Link's probation officer, advising that Robbie had successfully completed his community service.

24. Respondent's grandson continued to assist at Help A Hound as a volunteer up until October 2010.

25. During the summer of 2010, Veronica Thompson, Glyn Thompson and Kim Hatfield visited respondent's home several times.

*The Information Issued on July 30, 2010*

26. On or about July 30, 2010, Oppenheim ACO Kenneth Decker issued an Information naming Veronica Thompson as defendant for Dangerous Dog in violation of Section 121 of Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law. The Information, a copy of which is annexed as Exhibit G, was returnable before respondent in the Oppenheim Town Court on August 4, 2010. Mr. Decker served Glyn Thompson with the Information at the Help A Hound property, and filed the Information in respondent's court.

27. While this case was pending, respondent went to the Help A Hound property, where he observed the allegedly Dangerous Dog, named "Kujo," and advised Glyn Thompson and Kim Hatfield that he did not find the dog to be vicious. Respondent, Glyn Thompson and Kim Hatfield were the only individuals present when respondent observed "Kujo."

28. During this visit, Kim Hatfield took a photograph of respondent with the dog. A copy of the picture is annexed as Exhibit H.

29. Respondent believed that it was appropriate for him to see for himself, without notice to the parties, whether the dog was dangerous.

30. Prior to taking judicial action on the matter, respondent did not disclose to the parties his or his family's involvement with Help A Hound or that he had

observed the dog and had concluded that it was not dangerous. Nor did respondent disqualify himself or seek remittal of disqualification.

31. On or about the return date of August 4, 2010, Glyn Thompson, Kim Hatfield and Larry Watkins, the complainant in the matter, appeared in court. ACO Decker did not appear, and respondent dismissed the ticket. There is no case history report for or a recording of this proceeding.

32. Respondent's notes on the court file inaccurately state that the matter was adjourned to August 15, 2010, which was a Sunday, and that on that date, respondent dismissed the charge for failure to prosecute because the ACO failed to appear. Respondent did not provide the ACO with notice of the August 15, 2010, date. There is no case history report for or a recording of a proceeding on August 15, 2010.

*The Town Board Meeting of August 17, 2010*

33. In or about July or August 2010, respondent suggested that Veronica and Glyn Thompson make a presentation about the Help A Hound dog rescue operation at the Oppenheim town board meeting of August 17, 2010, to educate the town on the work the rescue operation was doing.

34. Veronica Thompson gave the presentation on behalf of Help A Hound and used the picture of respondent and "Kujo" as part of a display. During her presentation, Ms. Thompson specifically referenced the picture of respondent and "Kujo," stating that if the dog were vicious, he would have bitten respondent.

35. Respondent was aware that the picture was going to be used as part of Help A Hound's presentation at the town board meeting. Respondent did not object to

its being used in the presentation and testified before the Commission that "if it happened again, [he] would do the same thing."

36. Respondent and his wife were present at the meeting and respondent's wife spoke out in support of the dog rescue operation.

37. At the meeting, Ryan Tennant, a local resident who had previously asked respondent about filing a small claims matter against the dog rescue operation for damage allegedly caused by one of the shelter dogs, expressed his concern that respondent was biased and, because of respondent's connection to Help A Hound, could not impartially hear his case.

38. Respondent told Mr. Tennant to file a complaint with the "judicial ethics committee," but warned Mr. Tennant that if he could not prove it, respondent would sue him for "everything [he] own[ed]."

39. At the meeting, respondent stated that ACO Decker had not filed an appearance ticket in connection with Larry Watkins' complaint about a dangerous dog. Respondent explained that he went out to the dog rescue operation nonetheless and "checked out [Watkins'] complaint, because it's [respondent's] job to say whether that dog that he saw is vicious or not." Referring to the display photograph of him with the dog "Kujo," respondent advised Larry Watkins that the dog licked his face and did not growl.

*The Appearance Ticket of August 24, 2010*

40. Sometime after the town board meeting of August 17, 2010, ACO Decker asked respondent about the status of the August 4, 2010, charge against Ms.

Thompson. Respondent replied that he had not submitted an appearance ticket which was required to be filed with the Information.

41. ACO Decker completed an appearance ticket dated August 24, 2010, charging Veronica Thompson with Dangerous Dog. It was made returnable before respondent in the Oppenheim Town Court on September 15, 2010. Mr. Decker served the appearance ticket of August 24, 2010, on the Thompsons and filed the court's copy by leaving it at respondent's home. A copy is annexed as Exhibit I.

42. On the September 15, 2010, return date, Ms. Thompson appeared in court. Respondent did not disqualify himself from the case or seek remittal of disqualification, notwithstanding his and his family's involvement with Help A Hound, his own observation of the allegedly dangerous dog and his conclusion that the dog was not dangerous. Respondent waited 35 minutes, and when neither Mr. Watkins nor the ACO appeared, he dismissed the ticket, in the absence of and without notice to the prosecution. Respondent wrote "dismissed" on the lower right hand portion of the ticket. There is no case history report for this matter and the proceeding of September 15, 2010, was not recorded. A copy of the ticket with the notation is annexed as Exhibit J.

43. By reason of the foregoing, respondent should be disciplined for cause, pursuant to Article 6, Section 22, subdivision (a), of the Constitution and Section 44, subdivision 1, of the Judiciary Law, in that respondent failed to uphold the integrity and independence of the judiciary by failing to maintain high standards of conduct so that the integrity and independence of the judiciary would be preserved, in violation of Section 100.1 of the Rules; failed to avoid impropriety and the appearance of

impropriety, in that he failed to respect and comply with the law and failed to act in a manner that promotes public confidence in the integrity and impartiality of the judiciary, in violation of Section 100.2(A) of the Rules, and lent the prestige of judicial office to advance the private interests of others, in violation of Section 100.2(C) of the Rules; and failed to perform the duties of judicial office impartially and diligently, in that he failed to be faithful to the law and maintain professional competence in it, in violation of Section 100.3(B)(1) of the Rules, failed to perform his judicial duties without bias or prejudice against or in favor of any person, in violation of Section 100.3(B)(4) of the Rules, considered *ex parte* communications or other communications made to him outside the presence of the parties or their lawyers concerning a pending or impending proceeding, in violation of Section 100.3(B)(6) of the Rules, and failed to disqualify himself in a proceeding in which his impartiality might reasonably be questioned, in violation of Section 100.3(E)(1) of the Rules.

### **CHARGE III**

44. Respondent failed to mechanically record the proceedings in *People v Thompson* during the appearances of August 4, 2010 and September 15, 2010, and the alleged appearance of August 15, 2010, notwithstanding the requirements of Section 30.1 of the Rules of the Chief Judge and Administrative Order of the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts, effective June 16, 2008.

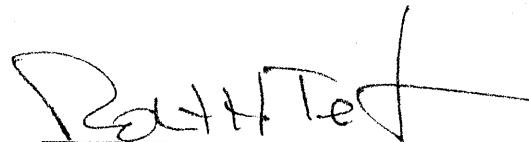
45. Respondent controls the mechanical/audio recording equipment in his courtroom and is solely responsible for activating the equipment during court proceedings.



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**WHEREFORE**, by reason of the foregoing, the Commission should take whatever further action it deems appropriate in accordance with its powers under the Constitution and the Judiciary Law of the State of New York.

Dated: April 17, 2012  
New York, New York



**ROBERT H. TEMBECKJIAN**  
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VERIFICATION

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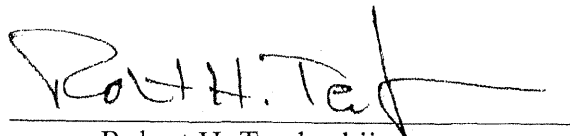
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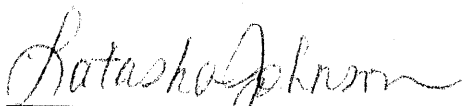
STATE OF NEW YORK            )  
  : ss.:  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK        )

ROBERT H. TEMBECKJIAN, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am the Administrator of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct.
2. I have read the foregoing Formal Written Complaint and, upon information and belief, all matters stated therein are true.
3. The basis for said information and belief is the files and records of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

  
Robert H. Tembeckjian

Sworn to before me this  
17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2012

  
Notary Public

**LATASHA Y. JOHNSON**  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 01JO6235579  
Qualified in New York County  
Commission Expires February 14, 2015

Exhibit A

# APPEARANCE TICKET

4737 17

Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <i>Robert J. Furman</i>		Phone No. <i>713-241-1111</i>		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <i>713 1st St</i>	City <i>Albany</i>	State <i>N.Y.</i>	Zip Code <i>12202</i>	Dog I.D. No.	Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice *Robert J. Furman* at *1st St* Court, *Albany*, N.Y., on *17 May* at *2:00* M.

Defendant accused of the offense of *Violation of Section 119 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on 17 May at 713 1st St in the Albany County, N.Y.*

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <i>P. C. 1111</i>	Date <i>4-21-10</i>	Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
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CODE:	
WHITE	- Defendant Copy
CANARY	- Officer's Copy
PINK	- Court Copy

(more follows)

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STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

COURT: \_\_\_\_\_

OF \_\_\_\_\_

The People of the State of New York

*Veronica* <sup>against</sup> *Tompson*

Defendant

Information

\_\_\_\_\_, residing at

717 Lotville Rd Oppenheim, by this information makes  
written accusation as follows:

That Veronica Tompson, on the 21  
day of April, 2010, at 717 Lotville Rd -  
(Location)  
in the Town of Oppenheim,  
County of Putnam, New York, did  
commit the offense of No license

\_\_\_\_\_, a (misdemeanor) (violation) in violation of Section 119-A  
of the Agriculture Markets Law of the State of New York, in that (s)he did, at the aforesaid time and place\*

Count 20 no license on Dogs and she has 25 more to license

The facts upon which this information is based are as follows:

no set apart of now but had been

and of the instrument to law

fact upon which this information is based

sources of contributory information and other persons

all the information and facts upon which this information is based

The foregoing factual allegations are based upon personal knowledge of the complainant (and upon information and belief, the sources of complainants information and belief being,

Wherefore, Complainant prays that \_\_\_\_\_  
be dealt with pursuant to law.

\*\*Subscribed and Sworn to before me on

\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

Kenneth Dacher Name

Title or Office

Complainant

D.C.O.

\*set forth statutory language constituting the offense

\*\*use only one

\*\*Verification By Subscription and Notice Pursuant to CPL Section 100.30, subd. 1, par. d.

False statements made in the foregoing instrument are punishable as a Class A misdemeanor pursuant to section 210.45 of the Penal Law. Accordingly and with notice of the foregoing, I hereby affirm that the foregoing statements of facts are true, under penalty of perjury, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

Complainant

Appearance Ticket issued to Defendant(s) Yes ☐ No ☐ For Court Appearance on \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ N. Y.

Bail Posted. Yes ☐ No ☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ With \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF NEW YORK

Fulton County

Town Court

of Oppenheim

The People of the State of New York

against

Veronica Thompson

Defendant

Information

Filed this \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

Judge - Justice

File 119 2a 250

Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

*\$15.00*  
APPEARANCE TICKET

4732

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <i>K. H. ...</i>	Phone No. <i>...</i>	Dog Breed and Color <i>...</i>	
Address <i>717 ...</i>	City <i>...</i>	State <i>...</i>	Zip Code <i>...</i>
Dog I.D. No. <i>...</i>		Dog Sex <i>...</i>	

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice *...* at  
*...* Court, *...* N.Y., *...* on  
*...* at *7:00* M.

Defendant accused of the offense of *...*  
a violation of  
Section *1* Sub. *...* of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at *...* M. at *7:00* in the *...*  
of *...* County, N.Y.

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OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <i>...</i>	Date <i>4-21-12</i>	Officer's Signature <i>...</i>
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STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF Fulton  
Oppenheim COURT: Town OF Oppenheim

The People of the State of New York

against

Veronica Thompson

Defendant

Information

\_\_\_\_\_ , residing at  
717 Lotville Rd Oppenheim , by this information makes  
written accusation as follows:

That Veronica Thompson , on the 21  
day of April , ~~date~~ , at 717 Lotville Rd Oppenheim  
in the Town of Oppenheim (Location)  
County of Fulton , New York, did  
commit the offense of Nuisance

\_\_\_\_\_ , a (misdemeanor) (violation) in violation of Section 1a  
of the LL 1 OF 1994 Law of the State of New York, in that (s)he did, at the aforesaid time and place\*

Count One: The Dogs were chasing the cats and four stray down on the trailer

The facts upon which this information is based are as follows:

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The foregoing factual allegations are based upon personal knowledge of the complainant (and upon information and belief, the sources of complainants information and belief being,

Wherefore, Complainant prays that \_\_\_\_\_  
be dealt with pursuant to law.

\*\*Subscribed and Sworn to before me on

\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Title or Office \_\_\_\_\_ Complainant

\*set forth statutory language constituting the offense  
\*\*use only one

\*\*Verification By Subscription and Notice Pursuant to CPL Section 100.30, subd. 1, par d.

False statements made in the foregoing instrument are punishable as a Class A misdemeanor pursuant to section 210.45 of the Penal Law. Accordingly and with notice of the foregoing, I hereby affirm that the foregoing statements of facts are true, under penalty of perjury, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

Complainant

Appearance Ticket issued to Defendant(s) Yes ☐ No ☐ For Court Appearance on \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ N. Y.

Bail Posted. Yes ☐ No ☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ With \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF NEW YORK

Fulton County  
Town Court  
of Appenhein

The People of the State of New York

against

Veronica Tompson

Defendant

Information

Filed this \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

Judge - Justice

Wickham Law Book Co. Rochester, N. Y. 14609

**Exhibit B**

# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>William Thompson</u>		Phone No.		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <u>711 Lettville Rd Copanheim</u>	City <u>N.Y.</u>	State <u>N.Y.</u>	Zip Code <u>11214</u>	Dog I.D. No.	Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Paul J. Smith at Court of Copanheim Court, Copanheim, N.Y., April on May 18 at 10 P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of Animal Cruelty a violation of

Section 117 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on May 18 at 1127 Lettville Rd in the County of Copanheim of Buttfield County, N.Y.

NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D. C. C.</u>	Date <u>5-6-14</u>	Officer's Signature <u>[Signature]</u>
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <i>Veronica Thompson</i>		Phone No.		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <i>111 Latrobe Rd. Cyprien</i>		City <i>Apalachicola</i>	State <i>Fla.</i>	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.
					Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice *Robert Smith* at  
*Town of Cyprien* Court, *Apalachicola*, N.Y., *Wed* on  
*May 19* at *2:00* P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of *Alc. License Viol. Dog* a violation of

Section *119* Sub. *A* of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at *Cyprien* M. at *111 Latrobe Rd* in the *Town of Cyprien*  
of *Apalachicola* *Fla.* County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <i>D.C.O.</i>	Date <i>5-6-10</i>	Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
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Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Vincent Thompson</u>		Phone No. <u>114</u>		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <u>713 Latrobe Rd. Apalachin</u>	City <u>Apalachin</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.	Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice RLT. C. H. at Town of Apalachin Court, Apalachin, N.Y., on May 19 at 2:00 P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of no license on dog a violation of

Section 119 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on May 19 at 2:00 P.M. at 713 Latrobe Rd. Apalachin in the Town of Apalachin of Apalachin Fulton County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D.C.O.</u>	Date <u>5-6-14</u>	Officer's Signature <u>[Signature]</u>
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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <i>Romano, Thomas</i>		Phone No. <i>345-1234</i>		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <i>211 Labadie St.</i>	City <i>Appleton</i>	State <i>NY</i>	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.	Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice *Robert J. Smith* at *Town of Appleton* Court, *Appleton*, N.Y., on *March 14* at *7:00* P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of *with a license on dog* a violation of Section *119* Sub. *1* of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on at *the* M. at *7:00* in the *Town of Appleton* of *Appleton* County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <i>D.C.O.</i>	Date <i>3-14-19</i>	Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
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Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Vernon Thompson</u>		Phone No. <u></u>	Dog Breed and Color <u></u>	
Address <u>217 Lathrop St</u>	City <u>Appalachian</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code <u></u>	Dog I.D. No. <u></u>
			Dog Sex <u></u>	

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Al E. Smith at  
Town of Appalachian Court, Appalachian, N.Y., Wed on  
19 May at 2:00 P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of No license on Dog  
a violation of  
Section 117 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at 2:00 M. at 217 Lathrop St in the Town of Appalachian  
of Appalachian Butler County, N.Y.

NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D.C.C.</u>	Date <u>5-6-10</u>	Officer's Signature <u>Lennell D. Smith</u>
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M.I.) <u>Vernon Thompson</u>		Phone No.	Dog Breed and Color	
Address <u>717 Littleton Rd</u>	City <u>Appenheim</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.
			Dog Sex	

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Robert Cook at  
Town of Appenheim Court, Appenheim, N.Y., Wed on  
May 19 at 7:00 P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of Accused on Dogs  
a violation of  
Section 119 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at 6:00 M. at 717 Littleton Rd in the Town of Appenheim  
of Appenheim, Rutten County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D.C.O.</u>	Date <u>5-6-10</u>	Officer's Signature <u>Rene Parker</u>
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

Agriculture and Markets  
Dog ID and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.)  
John J. J. J.

Address	City	State	Zip Code	Dog Breed and Color	Dog ID No.	Dog Sex
<u>117 1st Avenue</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>NY</u>	<u>11201</u>	<u>Boxer</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>M</u>

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Robert J. J. at 117 1st Avenue Court, NY, N.Y. on 10/1/81

Defendant accused of the offense of No license for dog a violation of Section 111 Sub. 1 of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on 9/28/81 at Brooklyn M. at 117 1st Avenue in the Brooklyn County, N.Y.

NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & ID NO. 111-111-111 Date 10-1-81 Officer's Signature [Signature]

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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M.I.) <u>Vincent Thompson</u>		Phone No. <u></u>		Dog Breed and Color <u></u>	
Address <u>117 Columbia St</u>	City <u>Putnam</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code <u></u>	Dog I.D. No. <u></u>	Dog Sex <u></u>

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice W. J. H. at  
Town of Putnam Court, Putnam, N.Y., on  
May 14 at 10 M.

Defendant accused of the offense of At Large SA A  
a violation of

Section 117 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at 500 M. at Putnam in the Town of Putnam  
of Putnam County, N.Y.

NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D.C.C.</u>	Date <u>5-6-14</u>	Officer's Signature <u>[Signature]</u>
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Vicente Thompson</u>		Phone No.		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <u>717 Litchfield Rd. Cypreus, N.Y.</u>		City <u>Cypreus</u>	State <u>N.Y.</u>	Zip Code <u>14564</u>	Dog Sex <u>Male</u>

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Robert L. C. at  
Town of Cypreus Court, Cypreus, N.Y., on  
May 19 at 7:00 P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of Running at Large  
a violation of  
Section 117 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at 5:00 P.M. at 717 Litchfield Rd. in the Town of Cypreus  
of Cypreus Rock County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>1180</u>	Date <u>5-6-10</u>	Officer's Signature <u>[Signature]</u>
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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Veronica J. [unclear]</u>		Phone No. <u>[unclear]</u>		Dog Breed and Color <u>[unclear]</u>	
Address <u>117 Appleton</u>	City <u>NY</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code <u>[unclear]</u>	Dog I.D. No. <u>[unclear]</u>	Dog Sex <u>[unclear]</u>

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Robert Link at  
Supreme Court Court, Appleton N.Y., and on  
May 19 at 7:00 M.

Defendant accused of the offense of No License on Dog a violation of

Section 119 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at 5:00 M. at 7:00 in the County of Appleton  
of Appleton Fulton County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>DCA</u>	Date <u>5-6-10</u>	Officer's Signature <u>[Signature]</u>
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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <i>James J. Ryan</i>		Phone No. <i>8-6-12</i>		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <i>717 E. Main St.</i>		City <i>Albany</i>	State <i>N.Y.</i>	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.
					Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice *James J. Ryan* at *Albany* Court, *Albany*, N.Y., on *May 19* at *2:00* P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of *Violation of Dog Law* a violation of Section *118* Sub *A* of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on *May 18* at *Albany* M. at *717 E. Main St.* in the *Albany* County, N.Y.

NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <i>D. C. Ryan</i>	Date <i>5-18-74</i>	Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
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Dog I.D. and Control

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DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <i>Wesley T. Johnson</i>		Phone No.		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <i>213 Liberty St. C. Johnson</i>		City <i>Albany</i>	State <i>N.Y.</i>	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.
					Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice *Robert J. ...* at *Law Court* Court, *Albany*, N.Y., on *July 12* at *2:00* M.

Defendant accused of the offense of *1st. ...* a violation of Section *119* Sub. *A* of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on *July 11* at *2:00* M. at *213 Liberty St.* in the *Albany* County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <i>DCC</i>	Date <i>7/11/82</i>	Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
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Dog I.D. and Control

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DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <i>Vincent</i>		Phone No.		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <i>117 Litchfield Rd. Larchmont, N.Y.</i>	City <i>Larchmont</i>	State <i>N.Y.</i>	Zip Code <i>10538</i>	Dog I.D. No.	Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice *Robert Smith* at *Magistrate's Court*, *Larchmont*, N.Y., on *May 17* at *7:00* M.

Defendant accused of the offense of *N.Y. Domestic Violence Law* a violation of Section *119* Sub. *A* of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on at *Larchmont* M. at *7:00* in the *County of Westchester* of *Larchmont*, *Westchester* County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <i>D.C.O.</i>	Date <i>5/17/82</i>	Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Vranic, Ivan</u>		Phone No. <u></u>		Dog Breed and Color <u></u>	
Address <u>211 W. 10th St. S. Grand Forks, N.D.</u>		City <u>Grand Forks</u>	State <u>N.D.</u>	Zip Code <u>58201</u>	Dog I.D. No. <u></u>
				Dog Sex <u></u>	

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Robert L. Smith at Grand Forks Court, Grand Forks, N.Y., on May 19 at 2:00 P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of McKenzie v. Dog a violation of

Section 119 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on May 18 at 7:17 M. at 717 W. 10th St. in the County of Grand Forks of apprehension Fulton County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D.C. Co.</u>	Date <u>5-6-1</u>	Officer's Signature <u>Robert L. Smith</u>
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Thompson</u>		Phone No. <u>712-440-1111</u>		Dog Breed and Color <u>Labrador</u>	
Address <u>712 4th Ave</u>		City <u>Albany</u>	State <u>N.Y.</u>	Zip Code <u>12207</u>	Dog I.D. No. <u>12345</u>
					Dog Sex <u>M</u>

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice James J. Sullivan at Albany County Court, Albany, N.Y., on 11-15-88 at 10:00 A.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of Failure to appear a violation of Section 11 Sub. 1 of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on 11-10-88 at Albany M. at 10:00 in the Albany County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>W.C.S.</u>	Date <u>11-15-88</u>	Officer's Signature <u>[Signature]</u>
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Agriculture and Markets  
Dog ID and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M.I.)		Phone No.	Dog Breed and Color	
Address		City	State	Zip Code
				Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ Court, \_\_\_\_\_ N.Y., \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant accused of the offense of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ M. \_\_\_\_\_ a violation of \_\_\_\_\_

Section \_\_\_\_\_ Sub \_\_\_\_\_ of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ M. at \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ County, N.Y.

NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
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OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & ID NO.	Date	Officer's Signature
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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M.I.)		Phone No.		Dog Breed and Color	
Address	City	State	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.	Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice \_\_\_\_\_ at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Court, \_\_\_\_\_ N.Y. \_\_\_\_\_ on  
\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ M.

Defendant accused of the offense of \_\_\_\_\_ a violation of  
Section \_\_\_\_\_ Sub. \_\_\_\_\_ of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at \_\_\_\_\_ M. at \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
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OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO.	Date	Officer's Signature
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Kenneth J. Miller</u>		Phone No. <u></u>		Dog Breed and Color <u></u>	
Address <u>212 1st St.</u>	City <u>Applbaum</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code <u></u>	Dog I.D. No. <u></u>	Dog Sex <u></u>

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice John J. Conboy at Applbaum Court, Applbaum, N.Y., on May 19 at 2:00 P.M.

Defendant accused of the offense of No license on Dog a violation of

Section 119 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on May 19 M. at 212 1st St. in the County of Applbaum of Applbaum, Fulton County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
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OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D.C.G.</u>	Date <u>5-6-10</u>	Officer's Signature <u>Kenneth J. Miller</u>
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# APPEARANCE TICKET

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Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M.I.) <u>Vernon Thompson</u>		Phone No. <u>566-1000</u>		Dog Breed and Color	
Address <u>213 E. 6th St. S. Springfield</u>	City <u>Springfield</u>	State <u>Mo.</u>	Zip Code <u>65801</u>	Dog I.D. No.	Dog Sex

You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice Robert Link at  
Town of Springfield Court, Springfield, N.Y., June on  
May 17 at 10 M.

Defendant accused of the offense of Mr. Thompson on Dogs a violation of

Section 119 Sub. A of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on  
at Springfield Mo. at 213 E. 6th St. S. in the Town of Springfield  
of Springfield Putnam County, N.Y.

- NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>P. C. Lee</u>	Date <u>5-6-61</u>	Officer's Signature <u>P. C. Lee</u>
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Exhibit C

Transcript of Proceedings in Matter of *People v. Veronica Thompson* held  
May 19, 2010

Matter of Hon. Robert Link, a Justice of the  
Oppenheim Town Court, Fulton County

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1 Judge Link: Okay. You are Veronica Thompson?  
2 Ms. Thompson: I am. Are you--  
3 Judge Link: Judge Link.  
4 Ms. Thompson: Judge Link. Okay.  
5 Judge Link: I have before the court 20 counts of failing to have dogs  
6 licensed.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Mmhmm.  
8 Mr. Thompson: It's that--  
9 Judge Link: -- Excuse me.  
10 Ms. Thompson: This is the complaint--  
11 Mr. Thompson: He said, "Twenty counts." I'm just correcting that it's 19  
12 counts. Sorry.  
13 Ms. Thompson: Well, there's single that says 19 and then 19 separates.  
14 I'm not sure how that--  
15 Mr. Thompson: For dog licenses, sir.  
16 Ms. Thompson: It appears to be--  
17 Mr. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
18 Ms. Thompson: -- the same.  
19 Mr. Thompson: This is the complaint, this is the 19, that's the 19  
20 separate ones.  
21 Ms. Thompson: It appears to be the same, but individual ones here and  
22 then one of--  
23 Mr. Thompson: -- Count of 19.  
24 Ms. Thompson: Yeah.  
25 Mr. Thompson: It's not--

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1 Ms. Thompson: --Nineteen here and then 19 separate.  
2 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
3 Ms. Thompson: I think it's the same, but I'm not certain.  
4 Judge Link: Nineteen here and 19 separate?  
5 Ms. Thompson: See, on this what it says, 19 dogs.  
6 Mr. Thompson: She wasn't here when I got cited.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Right.  
8 Mr. Thompson: Let me clarify this, please. I know-- I got cited with that  
9 one for 19 dogs that are unlicensed, sir, okay? One time,  
10 the dog officer came and then he came about two weeks  
11 later and cited me 19 separate tickets.  
12 Ms. Thompson: Individual.  
13 Mr. Thompson: Individual.  
14 Judge Link: This says the 19<sup>th</sup> of May.  
15 Mr. Thompson: No, it says 19 dogs on it, sir.  
16 Judge Link: Sit down.  
17 Mr. Thompson: I was just showing you.  
18 Judge Link: Sit down.  
19 Mr. Thompson: I'm just showing you. It says right up in the right-hand  
20 corner mark. I was just going to show you.  
21 Judge Link: This is what you just showed me that said 19 dogs. That  
22 says the 19<sup>th</sup> of May.  
23 Ms. Thompson: Oh. Okay. I'm sorry. I thought it said, "Dog." Okay.  
24 Judge Link: That's the date you're supposed to be here--  
25 Mr. Thompson: That's--Okay, but that-- I misread it, too, then.

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1 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
2 Mr. Thompson: But that's the 19 dogs that were supposed to be-- and  
3 this was the complaint from Larry Watkins, which  
4 wasn't in the complaint, and 19 separate citations.  
5 Ms. Thompson: Okay, well, I don't know anyway.  
6 Mr. Thompson: I don't know, either.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Anyone. Okay.  
8 Mr. Thompson: But, anyway--  
9 Ms. Thompson: But, yes, there were 20.  
10 Judge Link: I have 20 of them for not having the dogs licensed, and I  
11 have one for a dog causing a nuisance.  
12 Ms. Thompson: Mmhmm.  
13 Judge Link: And that's a local law.  
14 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
15 Judge Link: Evidently, the dog was loose and chased some cats or  
16 something, tore up some skirting on a trailer. Is that  
17 correct?  
18 Ms. Thompson: The dog was loose, but we did speak with the neighbor,  
19 we looked at the skirt, and, in our opinion, my husband  
20 has been in construction for about 35 years, that damage  
21 is old. It's little circles that look like they may have  
22 come from a lawn mower, (unintelligible) or something  
23 like that.  
24 Judge Link: But the dog was loose?  
25 Ms. Thompson: There was a dog loose, yes.

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1 Judge Link: And it was chasing a cat, somebody else's, is that--  
2 Mr. Thompson: I--  
3 Ms. Thompson: That's what I was told.  
4 Mr. Thompson: Yeah. That's what we were told.  
5 Ms. Thompson: I was in Massachusetts. I'm not sure. I don't know.  
6 Mr. Thompson: And the supervisor-- her supervisor said that that  
7 skirting was destroyed for a long period of time, so--  
8 Ms. Thompson: Well, it's not actually destroyed, though. That's the  
9 point.  
10 Mr. Thompson: Right, but the dogs-- my dogs couldn't have done that,  
11 sir.  
12 Ms. Thompson: Okay, just--  
13 Judge Link: Well, it doesn't matter if the dog did any damage if the  
14 dog was loose and caused a nuisance to somebody else.  
15 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
16 Judge Link: Anybody.  
17 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
18 Judge Link: Okay?  
19 Mr. Thompson: That's-- All right.  
20 Judge Link: So, even if the dog was loose--  
21 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
22 Ms. Thompson: There was a dog loose. Yes.  
23 Mr. Thompson: The dog, yes. The dog was loose.  
24 Judge Link: And you have 20 dogs that are unlicensed?  
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1 Ms. Thompson: We do. We tried to get that taken care of Thursday-- Are  
2 you Gloria?  
3 Ms. Brys: Yes, I am.  
4 Ms. Thompson: Okay. Gloria didn't have time. For some reason we were  
5 under the impression we were supposed to be here at  
6 7:00 to do that. I think we might have gotten that  
7 confused with 7:00 tonight, I'm not certain, but she  
8 didn't have time to do them or was reluctant to do so or  
9 something, I don't know. There was some reluctance to  
10 do it for some reason.  
11 Ms. Brys: He came, like, 20 minutes to 8:00.  
12 Mr. Thompson: No, I was here at 7:00.  
13 Ms. Thompson: Okay. Well, anyway--  
14 Mr. Thompson: --I was here at 7:00.  
15 Ms. Thompson: Anyway, there wasn't enough time so we were mistaken  
16 in the time that he was supposed to be here. For some  
17 reason, we thought that it was at 7:00, but I think we  
18 were confused with tonight at 7:00. So, plus there was--  
19 Originally, I had talked to Mr. Decker, the animal  
20 control officer, about a kennel license. Before we ever  
21 bought the property I had spoken with him several  
22 times, and he wasn't sure how everything worked, and  
23 we were going to get together, sit down, go through the  
24 rules and regulations and find out what needed to be  
25 done. I wasn't able to make it from Massachusetts up

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1                               here to do that. I had to cancel and in the inter-- it's been  
2                               very difficult. I've been down in Mass. trying to get  
3                               ready to move up here and, so--  
4   Ms. Brys:               A kennel license you cannot get--  
5   Ms. Thompson:        I understand.  
6   Ms. Brys:               --unless they're all purebreds.  
7   Ms. Thompson:        Yeah, I finally found the law, and I guess that's in 1922,  
8                               they didn't allow kennel licenses and then that was  
9                               amended to delete that in the law, and there's the  
10                              purebred license. I did finally find that. And--  
11   Ms. Brys:               Now, tomorrow night you're supposed to come and get  
12                              licensed, right?  
13   Mr. Thompson:        Yes.  
14   Ms. Thompson:        Okay.  
15   Mr. Thompson:        She will be.  
16   Ms. Thompson:        Oh. Okay. I can come do that.  
17   Ms. Brys:               Okay.  
18   Ms. Thompson:        Sure. What time would you like me here?  
19   Ms. Brys:               You have all rabies, all everything?  
20   Ms. Thompson:        Yes.  
21   Ms. Brys:               Because the first seven dogs that you licensed, they were  
22                              not--  
23   Ms. Thompson:        They were here, Gloria. They were in this state, residing  
24                              in that property.  
25   Ms. Brys:               I have documentation that they were not here.

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1 Ms. Thompson: They were in Massachusetts for vetting. Prior to that,  
2 they resided at 717 Lotville Road.  
3 Mr. Thompson: I've been trying to tell you that.  
4 Ms. Thompson: They're--  
5 Mr. Thompson: And that's why they got licensed, so they can go to the  
6 new home if they got taken.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Their health certificates were even issued from the place  
8 of origin to 717 Lotville Road, and I don't care what  
9 that woman down there says.  
10 Ms. Brys: This is not a woman. This is the Department of  
11 Agriculture.  
12 Ms. Thompson: And I don't care what Mr. Cahill says.  
13 Mr. Thompson: How would they know? How would they know?  
14 Ms. Thompson: Would you shut up?  
15 Mr. Thompson: They wouldn't know.  
16 Ms. Brys: They know, I have 23 pages here of documentation and-  
17 -  
18 Ms. Thompson: Okay. May I-- May I just say one thing? That is an  
19 ongoing court case down there, and I really would rather  
20 not speak to it because they have it in for rescues,  
21 number one, and they have it in for me.  
22 Ms. Brys: But--  
23 Ms. Thompson: --And it's an ongoing thing.  
24 Ms. Brys: --my concern is when they-- when I issued the ticket, the  
25 dogs were not in New York State.

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1 Mr. Thompson: Yes, they were.  
2 Ms. Thompson: But they were residents of New York State.  
3 Mr. Thompson: I'll take a lie detector's test on that one and I'll pass it.  
4 Ms. Thompson: Would you just please--  
5 Ms. Brys: No--  
6 Mr. Thompson: --They were up here.  
7 Ms. Thompson: She is concerned about her--  
8 Ms. Brys: --I'm just. Listen.  
9 Ms. Thompson: --from her perspective--  
10 Mr. Thompson: --And I told her this already.  
11 Ms. Thompson: --legal.  
12 Ms. Brys: I know you did--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --Yeah.  
14 Ms. Brys: --but I have had a problem with them first seven licenses  
15 so I-- in order to license any more dogs, I had to make  
16 sure they're legitimate.  
17 Mr. Thompson: And I--  
18 Ms. Brys: It is my job--  
19 Ms. Thompson: --Absolutely.  
20 Ms. Brys: --to make sure the paperwork is right--  
21 Ms. Thompson: --Absolutely.  
22 Ms. Brys: --there's no alterations.  
23 Mr. Thompson: And I even told you that the dog officer is more than  
24 welcome to see what dogs I had so we could get the dog  
25 licenses.

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1 Ms. Thompson: Yeah.  
2 Mr. Thompson: And I told you that yesterday.  
3 Ms. Thompson: And Mr. Decker has been on the property and he has  
4 seen the dogs.  
5 Ms. Brys: All right. I'm going back to these seven dogs because it  
6 started with these seven dogs.  
7 Ms. Thompson: I understand that.  
8 Ms. Brys: And I have a thing here from Mr. Cahill, which says, "I  
9 can assure you that all the dogs in question were in  
10 Massachusetts from the date of the original inspection,  
11 March 15<sup>th</sup> until well into April."  
12 Ms. Thompson: They were there from March--  
13 Mr. Thompson: I don't know to which day it was.  
14 Ms. Thompson: I don't remember what-- No, March 12<sup>th</sup>. It was March  
15 12<sup>th</sup> until I surrendered them to the animal rescue legal  
16 officer.  
17 Ms. Brys: So then they were there?  
18 Ms. Thompson: But from January 27<sup>th</sup> until March 12<sup>th</sup>, they were in  
19 board.  
20 Ms. Brys: But you did not get the dog license until March 23<sup>rd</sup>.  
21 Mr. Thompson: That is correct.  
22 Ms. Thompson: He was supposed to get done with February first.  
23 Mr. Thompson: Yeah, and I had too much going on.  
24 Ms. Brys: But, like I'm telling you, you said they were in  
25 Massachusetts March 12<sup>th</sup>--

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1 Ms. Thompson: --On March 12<sup>th</sup>, for vetting.  
2 Ms. Brys: You came March 25<sup>th</sup>.  
3 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
4 Ms. Brys: Them dogs were not in New York State.  
5 Ms. Thompson: But they hadn't-- We had intended to bring them back.  
6 Mr. Thompson: Until they got taken.  
7 Ms. Thompson: See, they-- Technically-- Well, technically, they were  
8 residents of the state and would have come back to the  
9 state after the vetting, had not everything down there.  
10 Ms. Brys: See, I did not know that.  
11 Ms. Thompson: Right.  
12 Ms. Brys: When I issue a license--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --I understand.  
14 Ms. Brys: --those animals have to be in our community.  
15 Mr. Thompson: Well--  
16 Ms. Thompson: --Okay.  
17 Mr. Thompson: --every damn dog we have now-- Every dog I have  
18 now, that I told you--  
19 Ms. Brys: All right. Now I'm getting back to the seven again, bear  
20 with me.  
21 Ms. Thompson: Now, those seven had severe health issues. We had  
22 spoken with Dr. Spalding at Little Falls Vet Clinic. I  
23 didn't-- I mean, not to say that he's not a good vet, but I  
24 didn't get real warm fuzzies about taking them there,  
25 and I've had a vet in Massachusetts for about 13 years,

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1                               so I wanted them to go down there and see him for  
2                               blood work and stuff. I had one that was having, you  
3                               know, grand mal seizures and just tumors and things like  
4                               that, so that's why they went down there for vetting.  
5   Mr. Thompson:       And plus this guy won't take more than three or two  
6                               dogs or whatnot at a time and--  
7   Ms. Thompson:       --And that's kind of hard--  
8   Ms. Brys:            I understand these dogs was in quarantine.  
9   Ms. Thompson:       Yes, they were.  
10   Ms. Brys:           And when you came to get the license on March 25<sup>th</sup>--  
11   Mr. Thompson:       --Yup.  
12   Ms. Brys:           --you did ask me if I could--  
13   Ms. Thompson:       --Put them--  
14   Mr. Thompson:       --Yes.  
15   Ms. Thompson:       --for the February 1<sup>st</sup>, for when they were here--  
16   Ms. Brys:           For Feburary.  
17   Mr. Thompson:       Yes.  
18   Ms. Brys:           Okay.  
19   Mr. Thompson:       Yes.  
20   Ms. Brys:           And I had told you I couldn't do that because it was past  
21                               that time.  
22   Ms. Thompson:       Right.  
23   Ms. Brys:           So--  
24   Ms. Thompson:       --That wasn't communicated to me. I got a fax copy.  
25   Ms. Brys:           Yes.

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2 Ms. Thompson: I couldn't read it, couldn't get a hold of him. I dated it  
3 for 2/1. When he brought me the originals, I addressed  
4 that--  
5 Ms. Brys: --What did--  
6 Ms. Thompson: --right away with them.  
7 Ms. Brys: What did you do with the originals?  
8 Ms. Thompson: I have the originals in my file. I didn't bring them with  
9 me tonight.  
10 Ms. Brys: Did you give them to--  
11 Ms. Thompson: --Yes. I did.  
12 Ms. Brys: Well--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --And I called them right away and I told them that I had  
14 mistaken--  
15 Ms. Brys: --So, they have-- They saw a copy of the original?  
16 Ms. Thompson: Yes, ma'am. And the original has the original date  
17 because he--  
18 Ms. Brys: --Did they take copies of the originals?  
19 Ms. Thompson: Yes. Because he brought them--  
20 Ms. Brys: --Well, this says here that they sent me enclosed copies  
21 of the licenses that you gave them the first time.  
22 Ms. Thompson: Those were faxed copies because I faxed those to Mr.  
23 Cahill.  
24 Ms. Brys: These copies were altered.  
25 Ms. Thompson: The date.

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3 Ms. Brys: Not just the date. I can tell by looking at them, my  
4 writing and the writing on here that they were more or  
5 less (unintelligible).  
6 Ms. Thompson: Oh, I wrote over.  
7 Ms. Brys: We--  
8 Ms. Thompson: --I wrote over-- I traced over because they were  
9 ineligible when I got them.  
10 Ms. Brys: Okay. Look at this one. Merial, "M-e-capital R-i-a-l."  
11 This is a small "r." It looks like the whole license was  
12 written over.  
13 Ms. Thompson: No, I traced over it. The original--  
14 Ms. Brys: --And there are no signatures on the bottom.  
15 Ms. Thompson: Well, I wasn't going to sign your signature, that's  
16 forgery.  
17 Ms. Brys: Well-- All of them you couldn't read?  
18 Mr. Thompson: Nope.  
19 Ms. Thompson: I could not read them. I could read them enough to make  
20 out, you know, the address. Of course, I know where we  
21 live. And on some of the dates and stuff, I couldn't read  
22 them and I couldn't get a hold of him so I did my best to  
23 fill in. I could make out the 1708 and, you know, like,  
24 on part of the names.  
25 Ms. Brys: So, you couldn't read any of the writing on--

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1 Mr. Thompson: --Not when I faxed them, no.  
2 Ms. Thompson: Not on the faxed copy. It was not clear enough to be  
3 able to read it.  
4 Ms. Brys: Okay. Now--  
5 Ms. Thompson: --So then he started--  
6 Ms. Brys: --He brought the original--  
7 Ms. Thompson: --About a week later he came--  
8 Ms. Brys: --Okay.  
9 Ms. Thompson: --down to Massachusetts.  
10 Ms. Brys: Now, I have a thing that says here he enclosed the  
11 copies of the ones that you gave him the first time--  
12 Ms. Thompson: --By fax, yes.  
13 Ms. Brys: --And--  
14 Ms. Thompson: --And that was the date--  
15 Ms. Brys: --they were supplied to him, and these were the only  
16 copies I ever received from Thompson.  
17 Ms. Thompson: No, because I gave my attorney copies of all of the ones  
18 that were originals from him, and my attorney forwarded  
19 everything.  
20 Ms. Brys: You see my point?  
21 Ms. Thompson: Yes.  
22 Ms. Brys: I have to make sure that--  
23 Ms. Thompson: --Absolutely.  
24 Ms. Brys: --these licenses are correct. When we go--  
25 Ms. Thompson: --I absolutely understand.

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1 Ms. Brys: Because I have talked to the Department of Agriculture,  
2 I have talked to the dog control officer--  
3 Ms. Thompson: --Mmhmm.  
4 Ms. Brys: --and I even talked to Angels vet.  
5 Ms. Thompson: Good.  
6 Mr. Thompson: What do I need to--  
7 Ms. Brys: --You were supposed to call me with the name and the  
8 address and telephone number.  
9 Mr. Thompson: Yeah, well I have a lot of things prior to--  
10 Ms. Thompson: --Well, you should have told me and I would  
11 (unintelligible).  
12 Mr. Thompson: I thought I did.  
13 Ms. Thompson: But they should have clarified that, yes, the dogs were  
14 there. They vet all of our dogs. They vetted--  
15 Ms. Brys: --Well, they did, but--  
16 Ms. Thompson: --probably about 70 of our dogs.  
17 Ms. Brys: But, I hope when you come with the dog license that you  
18 do not give me a copy like--  
19 Mr. Thompson: --That's the only things we got, but--  
20 Ms. Thompson: --We had the little white ones. The little white squares--  
21 Ms. Brys: --That's--  
22 Ms. Thompson: --with the tag.  
23 Ms. Brys: --what I need.  
24 Ms. Thompson: Yeah, that's what we have.  
25 Mr. Thompson: No.

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1 Ms. Thompson: That's not what you brought her last time?  
2 Mr. Thompson: --That's not (unintelligible). Show her what we're  
3 talking about--  
4 Ms. Thompson: --What did he give you--  
5 Mr. Thompson: --they're all the same as that one. Whatever we gave you  
6 is what we got in our folders.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Because we have the little white certificate with the gold  
8 tags for rabies.  
9 Mr. Thompson: I didn't even know that this-- There was a tag  
10 (unintelligible).  
11 Ms. Brys: This is--  
12 Ms. Thompson: --No, you're supposed to bring me the little certificates,  
13 the rabies certificates.  
14 Ms. Brys: This is-- Well, I have-- This is kind of what you brought  
15 me.  
16 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
17 Ms. Thompson: No. We have the little white certificates, too.  
18 Mr. Thompson: All right, then I'm--  
19 Ms. Brys: --This--  
20 Ms. Thompson: --This just says that they're altered or not.  
21 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
22 Ms. Brys: That they're neutered?  
23 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
24 Ms. Thompson: Yes.  
25 Ms. Brys: I have to know that, too.

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1 Ms. Thompson: Right.  
2 Ms. Brys: So, I have to--  
3 Ms. Thompson: --So this is what we get from Angels to say that they've  
4 been either spayed or neutered--  
5 Mr. Thompson: --Yep.  
6 Ms. Thompson: --and then they give us a little white certificate--  
7 Ms. Brys: --But--  
8 Ms. Thompson: --with a tag.  
9 Ms. Brys: --some of these seven dogs, they said they did not give a  
10 rabies certificate to.  
11 Ms. Thompson: Let's see-- They wouldn't have to Gretchen--  
12 Ms. Brys: (Unintelligible)  
13 Ms. Thompson: --or Fur.  
14 Mr. Thompson: I don't know what they were (unintelligible).  
15 Ms. Thompson: Now, see--  
16 Mr. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
17 Ms. Brys: Fur they didn't, but, I have her down-- We have one of  
18 these papers for Fur with it marked "rabies."  
19 Ms. Thompson: You had one from a different vet. That one would have  
20 been from--  
21 Ms. Brys: --Yes. Just one.  
22 Ms. Thompson: -- from Mississippi.  
23 Ms. Brys: Just one.  
24 Ms. Thompson: Well, now, Fur and Gretchen came from Mississippi, so,  
25 you have--

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1 Ms. Brys: --All the rest--  
2 Ms. Thompson: --two different ones.  
3 Ms. Brys: All the rest have Angels vet on them.  
4 Ms. Thompson: Except for Bongo. Bongo should have had a  
5 Massachusetts vet.  
6 Ms. Brys: Bongo had--  
7 Mr. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
8 Ms. Brys: Now that one was--  
9 Ms. Thompson: --Yes.  
10 Ms. Brys: --rabies.  
11 Ms. Thompson: Bongo got his rabies shot in Massachusetts because he  
12 was too sick with the seizures before that to get it. So  
13 they had given it to him--  
14 Ms. Brys: --Oh, this must be Bongo. Yes.  
15 Ms. Thompson: His should be Massachusetts.  
16 Ms. Brys: His is a different one?  
17 Ms. Thompson: Yeah.  
18 Ms. Brys: Okay.  
19 Ms. Thompson: His is Massachusetts. And then Fur and Gretchen were  
20 Mississippi.  
21 Mr. Thompson: And we did this so fast, I (unintelligible).  
22 Ms. Brys: How about Pup?  
23 Ms. Thompson: Pup was Angel vet. Pup should have been Angels--  
24 Ms. Brys: --They told me no rabies for Pup.  
25 Ms. Thompson: Pup is too young. She had her third set of puppies. The

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1 DAPv2, or whatever it is. So, Pup had the third set of  
2 puppy shots because she's only 8 months old.  
3 Ms. Brys: But they had to have rabies shot before that.  
4 Mr. Thompson: No. Not when they're puppies.  
5 Ms. Thompson: They--  
6 Ms. Brys: --Well, then you can't register one. I must have had  
7 something marked on that Angels vet in order to--  
8 Mr. Thompson: --No.  
9 Ms. Brys: You'll have to bring me that paper back.  
10 Mr. Thompson: I will. I will-- I'll (unintelligible).  
11 Ms. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
12 Ms. Brys: You bring me all seven of these back.  
13 Ms. Thompson: Okay. I'll have to get copies of all of those again  
14 because I gave all those files to them for the dogs.  
15 Mr. Thompson: They took them dogs.  
16 Ms. Thompson: So, I don't--  
17 Mr. Thompson: --We don't have them dogs no more.  
18 Ms. Thompson: So, I can--  
19 Ms. Brys: --I know.  
20 Ms. Thompson: --get copies.  
21 Ms. Brys: But my point is--  
22 Ms. Thompson: --I can get copies--  
23 Ms. Brys: --My point is--  
24 Ms. Thompson: --from the vet.  
25 Ms. Brys: --I issued these.

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1 Ms. Thompson: Right.  
2 Ms. Brys: That's why these next 19 dogs-- I have to make sure all  
3 the--  
4 Ms. Thompson: --I'll come with the papers.  
5 Ms. Brys: I need a picture of the dog--  
6 Mr. Thompson: --Yep.  
7 Ms. Brys: --we did tell you that.  
8 Mr. Thompson: I told you that. They want a picture. Said they're doing  
9 things different now.  
10 Ms. Thompson: How are we going to do that?  
11 Ms. Brys: I need a picture of the dog--  
12 Ms. Thompson: --We don't even have a printer.  
13 Ms. Brys: --a rabies certificate and if they're spayed or neutered.  
14 Ms. Thompson: Yeah, well we've got those.  
15 Ms. Brys: And I will make copies of all that.  
16 Mr. Thompson: We can do that. We can do-- Well, we--  
17 Ms. Thompson: --Well, how can we get pictures?  
18 Mr. Thompson: I don't know.  
19 Ms. Brys: But this is why I'm in question because--  
20 Ms. Thompson: --Can you--  
21 Ms. Brys: --so many things--  
22 Ms. Thompson: --put the rules--  
23 Ms. Brys: --were said different than what I had paperwork for.  
24 Ms. Thompson: Okay. I can give you that. My telephone number to--  
25 Ms. Brys: --And--

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1 Ms. Thompson: --our attorney, too, you can call--  
2 Ms. Brys: --And when I get this from Mr. Cahill, I don't know  
3 from a bag of beans--  
4 Mr. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
5 Ms. Brys: --but he is in the Department of Agriculture and  
6 Resources so I have to trust his--  
7 Mr. Thompson: --Cahill doesn't--  
8 Ms. Brys: --I have to trust him.  
9 Mr. Thompson: Cahill is--  
10 Ms. Thompson: --Well, I can give you this number for our attorney, too,  
11 if you need it.  
12 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
13 Ms. Brys: So, if you come tomorrow night--  
14 Ms. Thompson: --Do you have the ability, if I put them on a little disc, to  
15 put them in your computer? How are we going to do  
16 that?  
17 Mr. Thompson: I don't know.  
18 Ms. Thompson: I don't know how we're going to print them out. I have  
19 my camera with me, but I don't know how they're going  
20 to--  
21 Mr. Thompson: --Our dogs. They want pictures of them.  
22 Ms. Brys: Well, that's what the supervisor suggested and--  
23 Mr. Thompson: --That's fine. It's--  
24 Ms. Brys: --we decided-- That way--  
25 Mr. Thompson: --But we have to--

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1 Ms. Brys: --I know that they're in New York State and--  
2 Mr. Thompson: --And I told you--  
3 Ms. Brys: --if we have to, the dog warden, the supervisor and I will  
4 come up and--  
5 Mr. Thompson: --And I told you, you guys are more than welcome to  
6 come up to see the dogs.  
7 Ms. Brys: So now--  
8 Mr. Thompson: --I told you guys that.  
9 Ms. Brys: You told me you have 25 more, right?  
10 Mr. Thompson: Dumped on us. No, not-- Less than that now because--  
11 Ms. Thompson: --We're trying--  
12 Mr. Thompson: --issues.  
13 Ms. Thompson: --to get a hold of the people who dumped them, but we  
14 are making arrangements to get them out of there.  
15 Ms. Brys: So, this is my case because I wanted to let you know--  
16 Ms. Thompson: --Mmhmm.  
17 Ms. Brys: --the facts that I have--  
18 Ms. Thompson: --Mmhmm.  
19 Mr. Thompson: That (unintelligible)  
20 Ms. Brys: --and why I am being so cautious--  
21 Ms. Thompson: --No, I--  
22 Ms. Brys: --about this.  
23 Ms. Thompson: --completely understand, Gloria.  
24 Ms. Brys: Okay.  
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1 Ms. Thompson: I completely understand. I don't have any issues with  
2 that. My issues are with those people. It's-- It's just--  
3 It's been the biggest nightmare you could ever imagine.  
4 Ms. Brys: I mean, that's why if those issues were there, whatever  
5 happened there, I don't want those issues to be--  
6 Ms. Thompson: --I don't want them here. That's why we're here.  
7 Ms. Brys: I'm not--  
8 Mr. Thompson: --That's why we're here.  
9 Ms. Brys: I don't want those issues to be in Oppenheim.  
10 Mr. Thompson: That's our (unintelligible).  
11 Ms. Brys: I'm the one that has to--  
12 Ms. Thompson: --We don't want them here, either, and that's why we  
13 came here because they absolutely will not work with  
14 us. We are a 501(c) registered rescue. We registered in  
15 New York and--  
16 Ms. Brys: --You registered in New York?  
17 Mr. Thompson: The whole thing--  
18 Ms. Thompson: --Yes.  
19 Mr. Thompson: --right there.  
20 Ms. Thompson: Yes.  
21 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
22 Ms. Brys: Let's see what paperwork you have because--  
23 Ms. Thompson: --Here's the tax--  
24 Ms. Brys: --I didn't know if you--  
25 Ms. Thompson: --registration. Here's the Attorney General one.

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1 Ms. Brys: But-- Now, this you do-- They did tell you, you can't  
2 have a pen open, right?  
3 Ms. Thompson: Well, I'm going to have to take a look because they  
4 don't offer that.  
5 Ms. Brys: Well this is, like--  
6 Ms. Thompson: --That's the sale tax.  
7 Ms. Brys: --the taxes.  
8 Mr. Thompson: Yep.  
9 Ms. Thompson: We have--  
10 Mr. Thompson: --We don't pay taxes.  
11 Ms. Thompson: --the-- Where's our final one?  
12 Mr. Thompson: Because I have one of these. Wait a second, Mom.  
13 Ms. Thompson: (Unintelligible) I'm sorry.  
14 Ms. Brys: Is that--  
15 Judge Link: --I'm just here to listen.  
16 Ms. Thompson: And then these-- I got-- I sent this in to the state, and  
17 they sent it back and they said they wanted me to put it  
18 in the language of the New York law, rather than the  
19 nonprofit law. So, I sent that in, and they sent it back,  
20 and they said that they needed more information, so,  
21 there's the second one.  
22 Mr. Thompson: I can't find the 501(c) perks one.  
23 Ms. Thompson: And then there's--  
24 Mr. Thompson: --It's right there.  
25 Ms. Thompson: --three more from the trainer.

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1 Ms. Brys: I don't know. Do you know--  
2 Ms. Thompson: --Here's where I filed--  
3 Ms. Brys: --anything about those--  
4 Ms. Thompson: --the warrants.  
5 Ms. Brys: --things?  
6 Mr. Thompson: That's my (unintelligible)  
7 Ms. Thompson: That's the Attorney General one because we're  
8 registered for fundraising, also. (Unintelligible)  
9 Mr. Thompson: Here-- There's taxes.  
10 Ms. Thompson: She doesn't need that.  
11 Mr. Thompson: I'm looking at the papers, too, Mom.  
12 Ms. Thompson: Not that one. I must have forgotten that one. I gave you  
13 a copy of it.  
14 Mr. Thompson: Of what?  
15 Ms. Thompson: The fundraiser one. No, not that one.  
16 Mr. Thompson: It's at the house.  
17 Ms. Thompson: Why don't we fax that to them? Can we fax you the  
18 Attorney General ones, like, for the fundraising?  
19 Because I think I left that at the house, but do you need  
20 that one too?  
21 Ms. Brys: Well, when you come to do your dog license--  
22 Ms. Thompson: --I'll bring it to you. Good idea.  
23 Mr. Thompson: That's the one you got--  
24 Ms. Thompson: --Put that down.

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1 Mr. Thompson: --you gave me. I don't have a pen, Mom. That's the one  
2 you gave me. That's that copy I have at the house.  
3 Ms. Thompson: Right, but she needs a copy.  
4 Mr. Thompson: I understand that.  
5 Ms. Thompson: That's our nonprofit.  
6 Mr. Thompson: That's the one I have.  
7 Ms. Thompson: That's for a nonprofit.  
8 Ms. Brys: Now, this is--  
9 Ms. Thompson: That's--  
10 Mr. Thompson: --That's--  
11 Ms. Thompson: --the federal.  
12 Mr. Thompson: That's federal nonprofit. I don't have to pay taxes.  
13 Ms. Thompson: And then I owe you the Attorney General one?  
14 Mr. Thompson: I don't know. I don't really think you gave me that one,  
15 Mom.  
16 Ms. Thompson: This is it but--  
17 Judge Link: This is all --  
18 Ms. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
19 Judge Link: --for the nonprofit?  
20 Ms. Brys: Huh?  
21 Judge Link: This is all applications for that--  
22 Ms. Thompson: --Yeah--  
23 Judge Link: --nonprofit. That's not--  
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1 Ms. Thompson: --I haven't managed to get that to go through yet. We  
2 need another-- They want the--  
3 Judge Link: --Something's needed.  
4 Ms. Thompson: --Certificate in Good Standing from Massachusetts. So,  
5 we've been doing the mail-tag.  
6 Mr. Thompson: I don't know where the Attorney General one is, Mom.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Okay. Well, I can have Dad fax it up and I'll bring it.  
8 But, on than that, they-- When I originally sent that in, I  
9 had written it-- Because, in Massachusetts, they want it  
10 done in the laws of the nonprofit--  
11 Mr. Thompson: --Nonprofit.  
12 Ms. Thompson: --Here, they want it written in the laws of New York  
13 State.  
14 Judge Link: Mmhmm.  
15 Ms. Thompson: So, I redid it in the laws of the New York State,  
16 according to the statutes and things, and sent it in and  
17 then they sent it back saying they needed--  
18 Judge Link: --This is just the (unintelligible) your application--  
19 Ms. Thompson: --Yeah.  
20 Judge Link: --for a nonprofit. But things are wrong with the  
21 application that they need to redo.  
22 Ms. Thompson: Just-- Yeah, I just wanted to--  
23 Judge Link: --I'm saying, I can--  
24  
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1 Ms. Thompson: --show you that we have applied. To let you know that  
2 we're not, you know-- I mean we're-- We are doing all  
3 the appropriate--  
4 Judge Link: --Mmhmm.  
5 Ms Thompson: --measures.  
6 Ms. Brys: Okay.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Okay. And I'll bring you the other one tomorrow night.  
8 I-- Somehow, I don't know why it's not in here.  
9 Ms. Brys: Well, I am open at 5:30.  
10 Ms. Thompson: 5:30.  
11 Ms. Brys: Because it takes a long time to--  
12 Ms. Thompson: --Yes, ma'am.  
13 Ms. Brys: --do--  
14 Ms. Thompson: --I will be here at 5:30.  
15 Ms. Brys: Okay, Judge--  
16 Ms. Thompson: --Okay, your Honor.  
17 Ms. Brys: --I think that's all.  
18 Judge Link: Are you satisfied?  
19 Ms. Brys: When I see their paperwork, I have the-- I just was not  
20 happy with it--  
21 Judge Link: --That has--  
22 Ms. Brys: --at all.  
23 Judge Link: --nothing to do with this.  
24 Ms. Thompson: Correct.  
25 Ms. Brys: No.

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1 Judge Link: Okay. Okay, so, you do have 20 dogs unlicensed?  
2 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
3 Judge Link: Or you did when--  
4 Mr. Thompson: --Yes.  
5 Judge Link: And you agreed to the Nuisance?  
6 Ms. Thompson: Well, I don't--  
7 Judge Link: --The dog was loose?  
8 Ms. Thompson: There was a dog loose.  
9 Judge Link: Okay.  
10 Ms. Thompson: I don't know-- I can't speak to whether it-- it was  
11 chasing a cat, because I didn't see that.  
12 Mr. Thompson: And I didn't, either.  
13 Ms. Thompson: We did address with the neighbor who said there was  
14 damage to the trailer skirt--  
15 Mr. Thompson: --And underneath.  
16 Ms. Thompson: --I don't believe that because, in my opinion and in my  
17 mind, if a dog is chasing something, it would have gone  
18 through the skirt because they're just on those flimsy  
19 little tracks. Everything is still in the tracks and it's just  
20 little bitty holes.  
21 Judge Link: Well, understand if anybody calls and complains about  
22 your dog, it's a Nuisance complaint.  
23 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
24 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
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1 Judge Link: Okay. So, somebody must have called the dog warden  
2 and complained about the dog--  
3 Mr. Thompson: --Okay. That's--  
4 Judge Link: --for him to go up.  
5 Mr. Thompson: --That's understandable, yes.  
6 Judge Link: Okay, so--  
7 Ms. Thompson: --But this-- This was way after the fact. This was several  
8 weeks after the dog had been loose. It was--  
9 Judge Link: --When was--  
10 Ms. Thompson: --how many weeks?  
11 Judge Link: --the dog loose?  
12 Ms. Thompson: The dog-- The dog got loose--  
13 Mr. Thompson: --Last time I was in Mass., Mom. In--  
14 Ms. Thompson: --February.  
15 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
16 Ms. Thompson: Because that was the last time you were in  
17 Massachusetts was--  
18 Mr. Thompson: Uh huh.  
19 Ms. Thompson: No, April.  
20 Mr. Thompson: Yep.  
21 Ms. Thompson: April--  
22 Ms. Brys: --It was after--  
23 Ms. Thompson: 18<sup>th</sup>.  
24 Ms. Brys: --I issued the--  
25 Ms. Thompson: --Yes--

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1 Mr. Thompson: --Yes. He (unintelligible)  
2 Ms. Thompson: --It was April 18<sup>th</sup>.  
3 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
4 Judge Link: This is dated April 21<sup>st</sup>.  
5 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
6 Mr. Thompson: Okay. All right. And that-- Which--  
7 Ms. Thompson: --Oh, this doesn't have one.  
8 Mr. Thompson: Let me see this.  
9 Judge Link: And this one's from--  
10 Ms. Thompson: --Got 4/21. Okay.  
11 Mr. Thompson: The Nuisance--  
12 Ms. Thompson: --They're both 4/21. Okay.  
13 Mr. Thompson: All right. So--  
14 Ms. Thompson: So Tennant must have called.  
15 Mr. Thompson: Yeah, on one of them. But then what about the other  
16 complaint from Watkins?  
17 Ms. Thompson: I guess that's not what this is.  
18 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
19 Ms. Thompson: He just came after he talked to--  
20 Mr. Thompson: Oh, all right. All right.  
21 Ms. Thompson: Apparently.  
22 Mr. Thompson: All right. So, then what do we do?  
23 Ms. Thompson: I don't know.  
24 Mr. Thompson: And the Nuisance-- the dog-- yes, the dog was out.  
25 Ms. Thompson: The dog was loose.

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1 Mr. Thompson: I wasn't home, I was in Mass.  
2 Judge Link: I need to tell you that the dog warden told me that  
3 there's been numerous complaints up there about your  
4 dogs.  
5 Mr. Thompson: That's what he says.  
6 Judge Link: Wait, wait, wait, wait, wait, let me finish. I also spoke to  
7 several sheriff's deputies that say they were up there  
8 with the dogs running loose.  
9 Mr. Thompson: Yep. I wasn't home.  
10 Judge Link: And one trooper mentioned to me that he was up there.  
11 Understand where the sheriffs go, sometimes the  
12 troopers go. Just-- Even if they're not called, but they  
13 hear the sheriff's deputies going to a call in a very rural  
14 section of town, they will go just to be going.  
15 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
16 Ms. Thompson: That was--  
17 Judge Link: --So, there was a trooper--  
18 Ms. Thompson: --the time that they were out.  
19 Judge Link: --there.  
20 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
21 Judge Link: Okay? So, I do have numerous complaints about Dog  
22 Nuisance. He only wrote you one citation for the Dog  
23 Nuisance.  
24 Ms. Thompson: That was--  
25 Mr. Thompson: --That was--

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1 Ms. Thompson: --the one time they were out.  
2 Mr. Thompson: --when I-- Yeah. They broke out of the kennel, and I  
3 wasn't even here.  
4 Ms. Thompson: He wasn't there.  
5 Mr. Thompson: I was in Mass.  
6 Judge Link: Okay.  
7 Mr. Thompson: So, that's when I came back. I was on my way back  
8 here.  
9 Judge Link: I understand that he could have cited you for every dog  
10 that was loose.  
11 Mr. Thompson: Yes.  
12 Ms. Thompson: Mmhmm.  
13 Judge Link: And he did tell me there was quite few of them.  
14 Mr. Thompson: Yes--  
15 Ms. Thompson: --Yeah.  
16 Mr. Thompson: --there were. There's pretty much--  
17 Judge Link: --So--  
18 Mr. Thompson: --half of them.  
19 Judge Link: --in essence--  
20 Ms. Thompson: --And I received-- I received a call in Massachusetts and  
21 I was going, "Oh my gosh," at 4:00 in the morning and--  
22 Judge Link: In essence, he gave you a break.  
23 Mr. Thompson: All right.  
24 Judge Link: He only wrote you one ticket.  
25 Mr. Thompson: All right.



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1 Ms. Thompson: Uh huh. Now, we have reinforced the doors and  
2 windows and everything since that time. So we have--  
3 We did address it.  
4 Mr. Thompson: Yes, we did.  
5 Judge Link: Okay. So, we have 20 Unlicensed Dogs.  
6 Mr. Thompson: Yep.  
7 Judge Link: And we have one Nuisance ticket.  
8 Mr. Thompson: Yep.  
9 Judge Link: The Nuisance ticket has a \$15 fine.  
10 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
11 Judge Link: The Unlicensed Dog carries a \$25 fine per dog.  
12 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
13 Judge Link: Okay? So, you'll have a \$500 fine for all the dogs being  
14 unlicensed and \$15 for the Nuisance, for a total of \$515.  
15 And you understand that Mr. Decker can go up there  
16 tomorrow and cite you for the same 20 dogs. Each time  
17 he cites you for a dog that he has cited you for before,  
18 the fine doubles. You need to be aware of that.  
19 Mr. Thompson: What about-- Since I was here Thursday of last week  
20 trying to license my dogs and wasn't able to license  
21 them, and I'm coming tomorrow to license them--  
22 Judge Link: --I understand that, but the dogs were not licensed when  
23 he was there, and the law states that you must produce a  
24 license when asked for it by the dog officer.  
25 Mr. Thompson: Okay.

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1 Judge Link: Okay? I'm not trying to make it hard on you by any  
2 means, but there's been a lot of complaints about these  
3 dogs.  
4 Mr. Thompson: That's kind of hard to believe when nothing comes back  
5 to us when, you know, Larry doesn't hear them.  
6 Ms. Thompson: Well, Larry did say he heard them.  
7 Mr. Thompson: Heard.  
8 Ms. Thompson: But they were not--  
9 Judge Link: --Larry who?  
10 Ms. Thompson: --annoying him. Watkins.  
11 Mr. Thompson: Watkins.  
12 Judge Link: I heard from Larry Watkins myself.  
13 Ms. Thompson: Oh, he did put-- complain?  
14 Judge Link: Yes. He did.  
15 Ms. Thompson: Because we-- we addressed it  
16 Mr. Thompson: --I thought you said he didn't--  
17 Ms. Thompson: --with him.  
18 Mr. Thompson: Yeah, I addressed it to Larry and asked him what was  
19 going on because I heard, you know, that he  
20 supposedly--  
21 Ms. Thompson: --And he--  
22 Mr. Thompson: --complained--  
23 Ms. Thompson: --continued to complain.  
24 Mr. Thompson: --and he said he didn't complain. He said the dog--  
25 Ms. Thompson: --But you see? You can't trust him.

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1 Mr. Thompson: It's all good. It's all good. It's all good.  
2 Judge Link: He tried to wake me up Sunday morning at 8:00 in the  
3 morning to complain about the dogs.  
4 Mr. Thompson: It's all good. It's a small town.  
5 Judge Link: I don't know what to tell you.  
6 Mr. Thompson: It's all right. It's a small town.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Do you hear them at 8:00 in the morning?  
8 Mr. Thompson: No, I do not. The only time I hear them was when I go  
9 up to the cabin and feed them and water them, and after  
10 that they shut up.  
11 Ms. Thompson: But what--  
12 Mr. Thompson: --Unless someone comes on my property or people  
13 screw down my street doing 100 miles an hour and, you  
14 know, carries on. Or someone pulls in my driveway then  
15 they'd go off because it wasn't us.  
16 Ms. Thompson: What are the hours? The noise hours? You know, the--  
17 It's, like, okay for kids to be outside playing.  
18 Mr. Thompson: It's all right, Mom.  
19 Judge Link: There is no-- in the town. There is no noise ordinance,  
20 per se.  
21 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
22 Judge Link: Okay? The dog barking is under the Nuisance law.  
23 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
24 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
25 Judge Link: Under the Dog Nuisance law.

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1  
2 Ms. Thompson: And is that something, like, if one of them was barking  
3 for 10 minutes straight or something like that, that it  
4 becomes a Nuisance? That's the way it is in  
5 Massachusetts. If a dog is--  
6 Judge Link: --A dog is doing it for a certain amount--  
7 Ms. Thompson: --Yes.  
8 Judge Link: --of time--  
9 Ms. Thompson: --Yes.  
10 Judge Link: --continuously.  
11 Ms. Thompson: Correct.  
12 Judge Link: Not bark once here--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --Right.  
14 Judge Link: --or once there. It's got to be a continuous thing so that  
15 it annoys somebody.  
16 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
17 Judge Link: Okay?  
18 Mr. Thompson: How many miles from-- miles from everybody. How can  
19 people complain?  
20 Judge Link: Well--  
21 Ms. Thompson: --Well (unintelligible)  
22 Judge Link: --you've got to understand that--  
23 Ms. Thompson: --it doesn't--  
24 Judge Link: --where you guys are, noise travels.  
25 Ms. Thompson: Mmhmm.

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1 Mr. Thompson: It could be anybody's dog. I hear other people's dogs--  
2 Judge Link: --It could be.  
3 Mr. Thompson: --but do I complain? No.  
4 Ms. Thompson: Glyn.  
5 Judge Link: But when they complain to the dog officer, he has to go  
6 and physically hear it.  
7 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
8 Judge Link: Okay? So, if, let's say, Larry Watkins calls and  
9 complains to Decker--  
10 Ms. Thompson: --Mmhmm.  
11 Mr. Thompson: --Okay.  
12 Judge Link: --that the dogs are barking--  
13 Mr. Thompson: --All right.  
14 Judge Link: --Decker should get in his truck, drive up there by  
15 Larry's house--  
16 Ms. Thompson: --Oh.  
17 Judge Link: --to see if he can hear the dogs. If he can hear the dogs,  
18 then he has to go find out whose dog it is. He has to go  
19 drive and physically hear that dog barking. Okay?  
20 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
21 Judge Link: And then he has to be able to tell me that the dog he  
22 heard barking was at your house.  
23 Ms. Thompson: All right.  
24 Judge Link: Okay?  
25

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1 Ms. Thompson: Mmhmm. Do we know that he's really doing that,  
2 though? Or-- I mean, I don't-- I'm not trying to discredit  
3 the man because--  
4 Judge Link: --If he comes--  
5 Ms. Thompson: --I don't know him.  
6 Judge Link: If he comes into my court and says he did it, and he  
7 parked in front of your house, and you come in and  
8 testify that he didn't, you didn't see him-- Well, not that  
9 you didn't see him--  
10 Mr. Thompson: --Right.  
11 Judge Link: --Actually, if he didn't-- You were standing out in front  
12 of your house and there was no body on the road--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --Mmhmm.  
14 Judge Link: --then he'd have a problem with me.  
15 Mr. Thompson: Okay.  
16 Judge Link: Then he would be liable.  
17 Mr. Thompson: Uh huh.  
18 Judge Link: Okay?  
19 Mr. Thompson: I'll make sure I fix the problem, sir. I will make sure to  
20 fix the problem.  
21 Ms. Thompson: How?  
22 Mr. Thompson: I'm going to take care of the dogs. I'm going to make  
23 sure they shut up. I'm going to surveillance the house,  
24 and we're good. So, let's take it as a--  
25 Ms. Thompson: --So, what do we do from here now?

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1 Judge Link: Right now, there's \$515 in fines.  
2 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
3 Ms. Thompson: Do I have to pay that right this minute? Or do I have,  
4 like--  
5 Mr. Thompson: --A time frame? Like--  
6 Ms. Thompson: --two weeks--  
7 Mr. Thompson: --normal?  
8 Ms. Thompson: --perhaps?  
9 Judge Link: How long?  
10 Ms. Thompson: Two weeks.  
11 Mr. Thompson: You know, usually a judge grants--  
12 Ms. Thompson: --Is that--  
13 Mr. Thompson: --a little bit of time.  
14 Ms. Thompson: --workable?  
15 Judge Link: Tell me when.  
16 Ms. Thompson: Well, what is today, the 19<sup>th</sup>?  
17 Mr. Thompson: Would it be down low?  
18 Judge Link: The calendar is there.  
19 Ms. Thompson: Oh. June 10<sup>th</sup>? That's more than two weeks, though.  
20 Let's see-- There's the 17<sup>th</sup>-- How about June 4<sup>th</sup>? Do  
21 you not work?  
22 Judge Link: But, if I'm not here--  
23 Ms. Thompson: Okay. What date are you--  
24 Judge Link: --I'm here any Wednesday.  
25

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1 Ms. Thompson: The 2<sup>nd</sup>-- June 2<sup>nd</sup>? Okay. Just come here and bring it to  
2 you?  
3 Judge Link: Come here and I'll be here. Okay?  
4 Ms. Thompson: All right.  
5 Judge Link: All right.  
6 Ms. Thompson: Do I need to sign anything, or--  
7 Judge Link: --Not at all.  
8 Ms. Brys: So, then I will see--  
9 Ms. Thompson: --See you tomorrow--  
10 Mr. Thompson: --Yeah--  
11 Ms. Thompson: --at 5:30.  
12 Mr. Thompson: --we'll see you tomorrow.  
13 Ms. Brys: Where?  
14 Ms. Thompson: Right here?  
15 Mr. Thompson: Yep, here.  
16 Ms. Brys: Yeah.  
17 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
18 Ms. Brys: 5:30--  
19 Judge Link: --Can I give you a little word of advice?  
20 Mr. Thompson: Yes, sir.  
21 Judge Link: It's easier to make friends and work with people than it  
22 is to come in angry--  
23 Mr. Thompson: --Oh no, no-- It's just the dog officer, okay-- The dog  
24 officer comes on my property before he could have done  
25 anything and starts handing citations.

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1 Ms. Thompson: He did do that.  
2 Mr. Thompson: I was like, "Hey, dude--  
3 Ms. Thompson: --There were two.  
4 Mr. Thompson: --"first of all, take down, get off my property because  
5 my dogs ain't loose."  
6 Ms. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
7 Judge Link: Okay.  
8 Mr. Thompson: No, if they--  
9 Ms. Thompson: --There--  
10 Judge Link: --You have--  
11 Ms. Thompson: --There weren't--  
12 Judge Link: --to understand that he has the right--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --Mmhmm.  
14 Judge Link: --to go on anybody's property--  
15 Mr. Thompson: --To a certain degree--  
16 Ms. Thompson: --That wasn't-- That wasn't the problem.  
17 Judge Link: --to check the dogs.  
18 Mr. Thompson: To a certain degree, he does have the rights--  
19 Ms. Thompson: --Just-- Just leave it alone.  
20 Judge Link: Yeah, you need to calm. Chill.  
21 Mr. Thompson: No, what it--  
22 Ms. Thompson: --What the-- What they-- What had happened, there  
23 were two dogs that were at large. A pitbull and  
24 something else.  
25 Mr. Thompson: I don't really know what they were.

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1 Ms. Thompson: But he just showed up at the house and knocked on the  
2 door with the citation already written--  
3 Mr. Thompson: --Two of them.  
4 Ms. Thompson: --saying that--  
5 Mr. Thompson: --Two.  
6 Ms. Thompson: --the dogs are loose, but they weren't our dogs.  
7 Mr. Thompson: Do your research--  
8 Ms. Thompson: --So he's out-- He's assuming already that they're our  
9 dogs. Without-- You know-- In my opinion, he should  
10 have just come to the house and said, you know, "Glyn,  
11 if these are your dogs and they're running loose, I'm  
12 going to have to cite you."  
13 Mr. Thompson: Yeah.  
14 Judge Link: Okay.  
15 Ms. Thompson: Instead of--  
16 Judge Link: --That's where I think the photographs of the dogs is  
17 going to help.  
18 Ms. Thompson: Right.  
19 Mr. Thompson: I think that's what the supervisor said, and I agree on  
20 that.  
21 Judge Link: That's going to help--  
22 Mr. Thompson: --And I agree with that.  
23 Judge Link: --not 100 percent--  
24 Ms. Brys: --And--  
25 Judge Link: --because then we can say--

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1 Ms. Brys: --And he explained that sometimes you get rid of the  
2 dogs--  
3 Mr. Thompson: --Okay.  
4 Ms. Brys: --adoption papers. So, if that happens--  
5 Ms. Thompson: --Just bring you a copy?  
6 Ms. Brys: Right. You keep--  
7 Mr. Thompson: --But, no-- I just--  
8 Ms. Brys: --Yeah. I'm going to have to call again--  
9 Mr. Thompson: --You know, with him, you know, coming in--  
10 Ms. Brys: --because it's a rescue.  
11 Mr. Thompson: --our property, automatically assuming--  
12 Ms. Brys: --When you go that document--  
13 Mr. Thompson: --they're my dogs--  
14 Ms. Brys: --bring me a copy of the adoption paper--  
15 Ms. Thompson: --Okay.  
16 Mr. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
17 Judge Link: I understand--  
18 Ms. Brys: --so I can put them with the files--  
19 Ms. Thompson: --Okay.  
20 Ms. Brys: --so we know that that dog--  
21 Ms. Thompson: --that that dog is gone.  
22 Ms. Brys: --is gone.  
23 Judge Link: He's almost like a cop.  
24 Ms. Brys: We can name them--  
25 Judge Link: --If you get stopped by a cop--

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1 Ms. Brys: --dog number 1, 2, 3 right up the line, if you want--  
2 Judge Link: --and a cop will say to you, "Don't do this,"--  
3 Ms. Thompson: --Okay.  
4 Judge Link: --(unintelligible) I didn't do that--  
5 Ms. Brys: --you know? In our files so we know--  
6 Ms. Thompson: --Sure.  
7 Ms. Brys: --which one's which--  
8 Judge Link: --Same thing with the dogs--  
9 Ms. Thompson: --Whatever's easier for you.  
10 Judge Link: --and it's anybody--  
11 Ms. Brys: --We never had this many--  
12 Judge Link: --it's not just you--  
13 Ms. Brys: --It starts with--  
14 Judge Link: --it's anybody--  
15 Ms. Brys: (unintelligible) in (unintelligible)  
16 Judge Link: --It's not my dog.  
17 (Unintelligible multiple conversations)  
18 Ms. Brys: How many of the 25 were there?  
19 Ms. Thompson: They're going.  
20 Mr. Thompson: They're less. There's less now because--  
21 Ms. Thompson: --They're going.  
22 Mr. Thompson: --there's, like, five less--  
23 Ms. Thompson: --Because--  
24 Mr. Thompson: --now.  
25 Ms. Thompson: Yeah, because--

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1 Ms. Brys: You either have to get rid of them--  
2 Ms. Thompson: --They are going.  
3 Mr. Thompson: They're-- They're going.  
4 Ms. Thompson: We found other rescues to take them.  
5 Ms. Brys: Okay.  
6 Ms. Thompson: They're going.  
7 Ms. Brys: Or they have to have paperwork.  
8 Ms. Thompson: Right. So-- Because we--  
9 Mr. Thompson: --I already apologized for that.  
10 Ms. Brys: When do you expect to have them to be done?  
11 Ms. Thompson: I'm hoping--  
12 Mr. Thompson: --He gave me--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --by Monday--  
14 Mr. Thompson: --two different citations for the 19 dogs--  
15 Ms. Thompson: --we'll have them out there and--  
16 (Unintelligible multiple conversations)  
17 Mr. Thompson: --19 separate tickets--  
18 Ms. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
19 Mr. Thompson: --for the same thing. How can you--  
20 Ms. Thompson: (Unintelligible)  
21 Ms. Brys: If that happens--  
22 Mr. Thompson: --How can you automatically cite--  
23 Ms. Brys: --then we'll know you own--  
24 Mr. Thompson: --then you (unintelligible)  
25 Ms. Brys: (Unintelligible)

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1 Judge Link: He can--  
2 Ms. Brys: --There were--  
3 Judge Link: --and he can cite--  
4 Ms. Brys: --18 dogs.  
5 Judge Link: --every dog.  
6 Ms. Thompson: Yeah.  
7 (Unintelligible multiple conversations)  
8 Ms. Brys: So, them 19 dogs-- Do you have any other dogs in the  
9 house?  
10 Judge Link: Maybe next time--  
11 Ms. Thompson: --Well, yes there's four--  
12 Judge Link: --when you guys come back--  
13 Ms. Thompson: --others that just arrived there that--  
14 Judge Link: --we can sit down with the book--  
15 Ms. Thompson: --are my personal dogs.  
16 Judge Link: --I can make you some--  
17 Ms. Brys: But they have to--  
18 Judge Link: --copies of it.  
19 Ms. Thompson: --go bring them--  
20 Ms. Brys: --They have to be licensed--  
21 Mr. Thompson: --Oh, that'd be nice.  
22 Judge Link: Ag and Markets is a--  
23 Ms. Brys: --Okay?  
24 Judge Link: --is a very lengthy (unintelligible)--  
25 Ms. Thompson: --So, I'll let you know--

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1 Judge Link: --I'm sure you can get that--  
2 Ms. Thompson: --I'm hoping that--  
3 Judge Link: --from the state.  
4 Ms. Thompson: --by Monday--  
5 Mr. Thompson: --Okay.  
6 (Unintelligible multiple conversations)  
7 Ms. Brys: If they're not--  
8 Judge Link: --The local laws  
9 Ms. Brys: --the dog warden is going to come--  
10 Judge Link: --for the dogs are--  
11 Ms. Brys: --and they're going to give more tickets. And if it's a  
12 second offense, like the judge--  
13 Judge Link: No problem. I'll make you a copy.  
14 Ms. Brys: --told you.  
15 Mr. Thompson: Yeah, sweet, thanks.  
16 Judge Link: Okay?  
17 Mr. Thompson: I appreciate it.  
18 Ms. Brys: I mean, that's a state law. There's nothing you can do  
19 about that.  
20 Ms. Thompson: Right. Well, it's, you know, it's a learning time for us,  
21 too, learning how things--  
22 Mr. Thompson: --Yeah.  
23 Ms. Thompson: --are done.  
24 Mr. Thompson: --Yeah, different state. You know?  
25 Ms. Thompson: So-- But, thank you.

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1 Ms. Brys: That's it. All states are different.  
2 Ms. Thompson: They're all different, yeah.  
3 Mr. Thompson: I even got a driver's manual for New York because, you  
4 know, Mass. is totally different from here, you know?  
5 Ms. Brys: So, I will see you tomorrow night.  
6 Mr. Thompson: Yep.  
7 Ms. Thompson: Okay.  
8 Mr. Thompson: I apologize for that, sir.  
9 Judge Link: Okay.  
10 Mr. Thompson: Thank you.  
11 Ms. Thompson: Thank you. Goodnight.  
12 Ms. Brys: I'm going to have to have a whole separate folder just  
13 on them.  
14 Judge Link: You better keep an eye on them--  
15 Ms. Brys: --Always.  
16 Judge Link: --real close. That's it.

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18 (And the proceeding concluded at 7:32 PM on this date.)  
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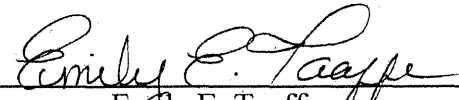


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CERTIFICATION

I, Emily E. Taaffe, a Secretary II of the State Commission on  
Judicial Conduct, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate  
transcript of the tape recording of the proceeding transcribed by me to the  
best of my knowledge and belief, in the matter held on May 19, 2010.

Dated: March 22, 2012

  
Emily E. Taaffe

STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT  
Corning Tower, Suite 2301  
Empire State Plaza  
Albany, New York 12223



Cookie



# HELP A HOUND, INC. Canine Rescue

717 Lotville Road, Oppenheim, NY 13329  
978-345-2686-MA  
518-568-7918-NY

I, Jeannette Luk, residing at 323 Lotville Rd, Dolgeville  
NY 13329 ☒, agree to foster Cookie, a Tri Color, Female dog, whose  
breed is known as Shih Tzu Mix, and is approximately 1-2 years old, whose owner/rescuer is Help  
A Hound, Inc, for the period beginning August 8, 2010 to To be determined.

1. I further agree to the following foster care conditions:
2. To accept and consider the dog as a household companion, not as an outside pet, and to provide him/her with humane care and treatment, including proper food, water, shelter and exercise, and to give him/her a reasonable amount of time to adjust to new surroundings.
  - a. To obtain prior permission where possible to provide preventive or emergency medical/veterinary care, for which I will be fully reimbursed upon proof of payment.
  - b. To safeguard the dog from loss or mishap. This means not allowing the dog to run at large unsupervised.
  - c. To immediately notify **Help A Hound, Inc.** at (978) 345-2686 or (518) 568-7918, Local Animal Care and Control if the dog is lost, and to make every reasonable effort to recover the dog.
  - d. **NOT** to give or sell the dog to another person, relative, rescue group, humane association, shelter or pound, or any medical or experimental laboratory or similar organization.
  - e. **NOT** to give care of the dog over to an unapproved person for purpose of vacation etc. I agree to notify Help A Hound, Inc. for assistance with temporary placement approved by Help A Hound, Inc.
  - f. **NOT** to change or alter the dog's appearance in any way, shape or form (e.g., cropping, docking).
  - g. To keep a collar on the dog with Vaccination Tag, License Tag, ID tag at all times.
  - h. To follow all local laws to prevent the dog from being a nuisance of any kind.
  - i. To immediately notify Help A Hound, Inc. in the event of death during the foster care period.
  - j. To allow Help A Hound, Inc. to make periodic visits to your home as often as it deems it necessary for the benefit of Help A Hound, Inc. dog(s).
  - k. To agree to make reasonable appointment arrangement for meeting with potential adopters at your home or a place of your choosing.
  - l. To immediately notify Help A Hound, Inc. of any change of address or telephone

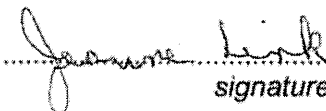
number or of any plans to move out of the State of Massachusetts during the foster care period.

- m. To immediately notify the Help A Hound, Inc. of any change in circumstance which may prevent me from completing the time period agreed upon under this foster care agreement.

Should I decide to permanently adopt the dog, I will notify Help A Hound, Inc. and, upon approval, will follow established adoption procedures.

2. I agree to provide updated pictures or video and a weekly e-mail update on the dog in my care to include any behaviors good or bad observed, issues, concerns, etc. to Help A Hound, Inc. at [fosters@helpahound.com](mailto:fosters@helpahound.com) on Sundays each and every week.
3. I understand that the dog has been checked, spayed and vaccinated by a licensed veterinarian and that his/her state of health is accurately represented to the best knowledge of Help A Hound, Inc., however no representations are made as to the temperamental or mental disposition of the dog.
4. I agree to foster the dog at my own risk, and to be solely responsible for any damages to people or property caused by the dog(s). I further promise and agree to indemnify and release Help A Hound, Inc., its Officers and Directors, of any and all liability arising from any known, unknown, or any unanticipated damages to people or property caused by the dog(s). I am fully aware of, understand, and agree to all the terms and conditions of this RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION PROVISION, and that it is BINDING AND ENFORCEABLE BY THE LAWS OF NEW YORK and MASSACHUSETTS.
5. I have read and fully understand the terms and conditions of this agreement, and agree that it is not arbitrary and that the provisions herein are common in pet foster care agreements. I further understand that if I fail to comply with any of the terms specified herein, Help A Hound, Inc. has the right to reclaim the dog and to pursue all remedies to the fullest extent allowed by the laws of the New York State and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and to do so at my expense.

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 signature

08-09-10  
date

Phone: 315-429-8928

Approved 8/8/10 Veronica Thompson



# HELP A HOUND, INC. Canine Rescue

717 Lotville Road, Oppenheim, NY 13329  
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518-568-7918-NY

Molly

I, Jeanne Link, residing at 323 Lotville Rd Dolgeville NY  
NY 13329 ☒, agree to foster Molly, a Tri Color, Female dog, whose  
breed is known as Shih Tzu, and is approximately 1-2 years old, whose owner/rescuer is Help A  
Hound, Inc, for the period beginning August 8, 2010 to To be determined.

1. I further agree to the following foster care conditions:
2. To accept and consider the dog as a household companion, not as an outside pet, and to provide him/her with humane care and treatment, including proper food, water, shelter and exercise, and to give him/her a reasonable amount of time to adjust to new surroundings.
  - a. To obtain prior permission where possible to provide preventive or emergency medical/veterinary care, for which I will be fully reimbursed upon proof of payment.
  - b. To safeguard the dog from loss or mishap. This means not allowing the dog to run at large unsupervised.
  - c. To immediately notify **Help A Hound, Inc.** at (978) 345-2686 or (518) 568-7918, Local Animal Care and Control if the dog is lost, and to make every reasonable effort to recover the dog.
  - d. **NOT** to give or sell the dog to another person, relative, rescue group, humane association, shelter or pound, or any medical or experimental laboratory or similar organization.
  - e. **NOT** to give care of the dog over to an unapproved person for purpose of vacation etc. I agree to notify Help A Hound, Inc. for assistance with temporary placement approved by Help A Hound, Inc.
  - f. **NOT** to change or alter the dog's appearance in any way, shape or form (e.g., cropping, docking).
  - g. To keep a collar on the dog with Vaccination Tag, License Tag, ID tag at all times.
  - h. To follow all local laws to prevent the dog from being a nuisance of any kind.
  - i. To immediately notify Help A Hound, Inc. in the event of death during the foster care period.
  - j. To allow Help A Hound, Inc. to make periodic visits to your home as often as it deems it necessary for the benefit of Help A Hound, Inc. dog(s).
  - k. To agree to make reasonable appointment arrangement for meeting with potential adopters at your home or a place of your choosing.
  - l. To immediately notify Help A Hound, Inc. of any change of address or telephone

number or of any plans to move out of the State of Massachusetts during the foster care period.

- m. To immediately notify the Help A Hound, Inc. of any change in circumstance which may prevent me from completing the time period agreed upon under this foster care agreement.

Should I decide to permanently adopt the dog, I will notify Help A Hound, Inc. and, upon approval, will follow established adoption procedures.

2. I agree to provide updated pictures or video and a weekly e-mail update on the dog in my care to include any behaviors good or bad observed, issues, concerns, etc. to Help A Hound, Inc. at [fosters@helpahound.com](mailto:fosters@helpahound.com) on Sundays each and every week.
3. I understand that the dog has been checked, spayed and vaccinated by a licensed veterinarian and that his/her state of health is accurately represented to the best knowledge of Help A Hound, Inc., however no representations are made as to the temperamental or mental disposition of the dog.
4. I agree to foster the dog at my own risk, and to be solely responsible for any damages to people or property caused by the dog(s). I further promise and agree to indemnify and release Help A Hound, Inc., its Officers and Directors, of any and all liability arising from any known, unknown, or any unanticipated damages to people or property caused by the dog(s). I am fully aware of, understand, and agree to all the terms and conditions of this RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION PROVISION, and that it is BINDING AND ENFORCEABLE BY THE LAWS OF NEW YORK and MASSACHUSETTS.
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Jeanne Link  
signature

8-09-10  
date

Phone: 315-429-8928

Approved 8/8/10 Veronica Thompson



# HELP A HOUND, INC.

## Canine Rescue

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*Naisy*

I, Jeanne Link, residing at 323 Lotville Rd, Dolgeville  
NY 13329, agree to foster Daisy, a Tri Color, Female dog, whose  
breed is known as Beagle, and is approximately 12 months old, whose owner/rescuer is Help A  
Hound, Inc, for the period beginning August 8, 2010 to To be determined.

1. I further agree to the following foster care conditions:
2. To accept and consider the dog as a household companion, not as an outside pet, and to provide him/her with humane care and treatment, including proper food, water, shelter and exercise, and to give him/her a reasonable amount of time to adjust to new surroundings.
  - a. To obtain prior permission where possible to provide preventive or emergency medical/veterinary care, for which I will be fully reimbursed upon proof of payment.
  - b. To safeguard the dog from loss or mishap. This means not allowing the dog to run at large unsupervised.
  - c. To immediately notify **Help A Hound, Inc.** at (978) 345-2686 or (518) 568-7918, Local Animal Care and Control if the dog is lost, and to make every reasonable effort to recover the dog.
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  - f. **NOT** to change or alter the dog's appearance in any way, shape or form (e.g., cropping, docking).
  - g. To keep a collar on the dog with Vaccination Tag, License Tag, ID tag at all times.
  - h. To follow all local laws to prevent the dog from being a nuisance of any kind.
  - i. To immediately notify Help A Hound, Inc. in the event of death during the foster care period.
  - j. To allow Help A Hound, Inc. to make periodic visits to your home as often as it deems it necessary for the benefit of Help A Hound, Inc. dog(s).
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number or of any plans to move out of the State of Massachusetts during the foster care period.

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Jeanne Hink  
signature

08-09-10  
date

Phone: 315-429-8928

Approved 8/8/10 Veronica Thompson



Exhibit E



# HELP A HOUND, INC. Canine Rescue

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( ) This Agreement is a legally binding Contract and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Any legal action, motions, or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall only be instituted in the County of Worcester, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

( ) All information contained in this questionnaire is subject to and will be verified. It is the policy of Help A Hound, Inc. that all pet adoptions are based solely on the mutual best interest of both the pet and the prospective owner. Any intentional misrepresentation by you on this form will disqualify you from the adoption program.

( ) I agree to allow Help A Hound, Inc. to reasonably and periodically check up on the pet for a 6 month period after the adoption to ensure the smoothest transition possible.

( ) I hereby understand and agree that if Help A Hound, Inc. discovers that I have not complied with the terms of this Agreement at any time, that it may permanently confiscate my adopted pet from my care without refund of my adoption donation.

*If any provision of this Contract is held unenforceable, then such provision will be modified to reflect the parties' intention. All remaining provisions of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect.*

Adopter #1 Signature: Jeane Link Date: 9-01-10

Printed Name: Jeane Link Phone Number 315-429-8928

DL#: \_\_\_\_\_ State: NY DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Adopter #2 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DL#: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted by: [Signature] HAH, Inc. Representative

Date 11/16/10



# HELP A HOUND, INC.

## Canine Rescue

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### RETURN/REFUND POLICY

### Addendum to Adoption Contract

Help A Hound, Inc understands that not all adoptions are successful no matter how perfect they may have initially seemed. Therefore our policy for returning an animal is as follows:

Help A Hound, Inc. will refund \$75.00 of the \$75.00 adoption fee. \$.00 is non-refundable from the time of deposit. This animal could not be shown to other prospective homes because they were adopted by you/your family. We will refund the \$75.00 for a period of 7 days from the date of the adoption. After the 7 days if you do not want the animal we require the animal is returned to Help A Hound, Inc. as stated in the signed contract; but we do not refund any monies after the 7 days.

Pets Name: Cookie

Jeanne Link  
Adopter 1

9-01-10  
Date

Adopter 2

[Signature]  
Help A Hound, Inc, Representative

11/6/10  
Date



# HELP A HOUND, INC. Canine Rescue

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## Pre-adoption Release Form

Date: 9-1-10

Animal Name: Cookie

This pet is available for adoption and is apparently healthy.

I realize that the animal I am adopting is un-altered. I accept responsibility for the Spay and continued veterinary care of the animal. I understand that the Help A Hound, Inc. will not be able to provide further assistance with diagnosis and management of this animal, but will take the animal back with no questions asked at any time.

Adopter's signature: Jeanne Link

Date: 9-01-10

Witnessed by: [Signature] VP 11/6/10

Veronica Thompson  
Help A Hound, Inc.  
EIN# /Non Profit 27-0655186



## HELP A HOUND, INC. Canine Rescue

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### SPAY/ NEUTER POLICY

Help A Hound, Inc appreciates your compliance with our Spay/Neuter Policy. We require your new family member to be altered within 6 months from the date of adoption. We require a copy of the Vet Spay/Neuter Certificate to be mailed to us at the above address by February 28, 2011. We would be glad to have Cookie spayed by the ASPCA at no charge to you. Just let us know and we can schedule her surgery.

Your pet will live a longer healthier life because you took the appropriate steps to ensure this when you Neuter/Spay your new family member.

Thank you again for adopting from us and giving this fur baby a forever loving home. Please keep us in mind for future adoptions. The next adoption will be much simpler as you are already approved.

Spay/Neuter for: Cookie

  
Help A Hound, Inc. Representative

11/6/10  
Date



8/28/2010



## **HELP A HOUND, INC. Canine Rescue**

717 Lotville Road, Oppenheim, NY 13329  
978-345-2686-MA  
518-568-7918-NY

Mr. William Luppino  
Probation Officer  
109 Mary Street Suite #1202  
Herkimer, NY 13350-2921

RE: Robert Link

Dear Mr. Luppino:

Mr. Link has been doing his community service with our Non-Profit Animal Rescue, Help A Hound, Inc located at 717 Lotville Road in Oppenheim.

He has gone above and beyond to help out around our kennels and with our animals; so much so, that we have actually offered him an ongoing Lead Volunteer position.

He is a polite, respectful, hard working young man and a pleasure to have around.

If you have any questions regarding the services that he has provided please don't hesitate to contact us at any time.

Sincerely,

*Veronica Thompson*  
Veronica Thompson, President  
Help A Hound, Inc.





State of New York : County of Fulton  
Oppenheim Town Court

Information

The People of the State of New York  
against

Veronica Thompson

Save a  
Hound

I, Kenneth Decker, Dog Control Officer for the Town of Oppenheim,  
110 St. Hwy 331, St. Johnsville, NY, 13452, by this information make written  
accusation as follows:

On July 20, 20 10 I received notification of a

- ☐ Loose Dog
- ☐ Noisy Dog
- ☐ Unlicensed Dog
- ☒ Dangerous Dog
- ☐ Abused Dog

This notification was received from Larry Watkins who  
resides at 7036 St Hwy 29, Town of Oppenheim  
and whose phone number is 518-568-2280 that they

observed/heard the dog/dogs

at 716 Lottville Rd while unloading gravel,  
the dog rushed me in aggressive manner + I had  
to jump into truck to avoid the dog. Female resident  
attempted to call dog back but dog did not respond.

The dog is question was a red nose pit bull (breed) of large (size) and  
Brown/white (color).

Larry C. Watkins

Note: Dog's name "Koko"

After notification I went to 717 Lottville Road  
Address of accused/location of dog

and I

Not Issued  
RR

<input type="checkbox"/>	Issued a warning
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Issued an appearance ticket for <u>Aug 4, 2010 - 6 pm</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Removed dog and brought it to _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contacted sheriff
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other _____

I hereby state that Veronica Thompson <sup>Save a Hand</sup> (defendant)  
did commit the offense of Dangerous Dog a  
(misdemeanor) (violation) in violation of Section 7 121 of the Local  
Law Ag & Market Laws of the State of New York.

Kenneth Decker  
Dog Control Officer

Kenneth Decker  
Signature  
7-30-10  
Date







# APPEARANCE TICKET

4789

Agriculture and Markets  
Dog I.D. and Control

DEFENDANT (Last Name, First, M. I.) <u>Rebecca Thompson</u>		Phone No.		Dog Breed and Color <u>B</u>	
Address <u>717 Latrobe Rd</u>		City <u>Oppenheim</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code	Dog I.D. No.
You are hereby directed to appear before Presiding Judge or Justice <u>Robert Link</u> at <u>Town of Oppenheim</u> Court, <u>Oppenheim</u> , N.Y., <u>wed</u> on <u>9-15-10</u> at <u>7:00 P.M.</u>					
Defendant accused of the offense of <u>Dangerous Dog</u> a violation of					
Section <u>121</u> Sub. <u>1</u> of Article 7, Agriculture and Markets Law committed on					
at <u>3:00</u> P.M. at <u>717 Latrobe</u> in the <u>Town of Oppenheim</u>					
of <u>Oppenheim</u> , <u>Fulton</u> County, N.Y.					

NOTE: 1. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.  
2. A PLEA OF GUILTY TO THIS CHARGE IS EQUIVALENT TO A CONVICTION AFTER TRIAL.

OFFICER'S NAME, TITLE & I.D. NO. <u>D.C.O.</u>	Date <u>8-24-10</u>	Officer's Signature <u>Robert Link</u>
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CODE:  
WHITE - Defendant Copy  
CANARY - Officer's Copy  
PINK - Court Copy

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Dismissed

(more follows)

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**TO PLEAD GUILTY:**

**PLEA BY MAIL**

Re: Section 119 - Subdivision 3  
Agriculture and Markets

1. Complete Form Below.

2. Mail this Appearance Ticket to: \_\_\_\_\_ Court \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ within 5 days of the alleged violation Registered Mail, Return Receipt requested

3. The Court will advise you by mail of the fine or penalty.

To: \_\_\_\_\_ Court \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, residing at \_\_\_\_\_

have been charged with the Offense specified on the attached Appearance Ticket. I waive Arraignment in Open Court and the aid of Counsel. I Plead Guilty to the Offense as charged and elect and request that this Charge be disposed of and that the Fine or Penalty be fixed by the Court.

I make the Following Explanation concerning the offense charged: (Optional)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
All Statements are Made Under Penalty of Perjury:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

COPY

June 6, 2012

George Capek, Supervisor

Town of Oppenheim

110 State Highway 331

St. Johnsville, NY 13452

RE: Resignation

Mr. Capek, approximately two years ago I tried to resign my position as Town Justice of Oppenheim. At that time you asked me to stay and the Town Council approved it.

I am now ready to retire and am giving you my notice as of June 30, 2012 I will resign

My position as Town Justice of Oppenheim.

Sincerely



Honorable Robert L. Link

EXHIBIT