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White Supremacist to “Indict” Montana Human Rights Network Through a “Citizen Grand Jury”

A Kalispell-based white supremacist is threatening to “indict” members of the Montana Human Rights Network by convening his own “citizen grand jury.” Claiming the Human Rights Network is “working against the lawful citizens of the State of Montana,” Karl Gharst notified the organization by e-mail.

“Convening so-called citizen grand juries is a tactic that radical-right extremists love to employ,” says Travis McAdam of the Human Rights Network. “They think it makes their lies, threats, and intimidation more valid if they throw in some fake legalese.”

[Karl Gharst](#) has a history of white supremacist activism. This includes participation with [Aryan Nations](#) in Idaho, praising the Ku Klux Klan, and believing that people of Northern European descent (white) are God’s chosen people. Since early 2010, Gharst has shown a [number of films](#) at the Kalispell Public Library that deny the Holocaust of World War II and paint Adolph Hitler’s Third Reich in a positive light. He has occasionally worked with members of [Kalispell Pioneer Little Europe](#), which is trying to create an Aryan homeland in the Flathead Valley.

In an e-mail to the Human Rights Network (see below for the full text), Gharst claimed that the group is a “Jewish criminal organization” that commits “crimes against lawful citizens” through tactics that include “destruction of property, violence and assassination.” He also insinuated that Jewish people cannot be citizens of the State of Montana. His missive ended by stating that “citizens are being called to convene a Grand Jury” to look into the supposed crimes by the Human Rights Network and its members.

“This tactic is about intimidating activists who work for the recognition of human rights in the state. Gharst’s allegations are ludicrous, but he is potentially dangerous,” says McAdam. “He’s spent time in prison for threatening a social worker. Earlier this month, he wrote about always carrying a knife and having a firearm within reach. He’s shown he’s willing to cross the line, so we’re taking this threat seriously and have reported it to law enforcement.”

Following one of his film screenings in March 2010, Gharst commented on what he called the four pillars of “common law,” a term used frequently by the white supremacist and anti-government movements. Anti-government “patriots” frequently invoke citizen grand juries as a way to intimidate their perceived enemies. In 2010, “patriots” in Montana attempted to qualify for the ballot CI-106, which would have allowed citizens to summon grand juries. They failed to gather enough signatures to put it on the General Election ballot. Over the years, common-law proponents, including the [Montana Freeman](#), have also convened their own “courts” and issued death threats.

“Intimidation is a major tactic used by white supremacists like Gharst,” says McAdam. “It’s important that the community be aware of how he operates. This threat of phony legal action will not deter us from helping local community members both understand and organize against the racist and anti-Semitic goals of Gharst and his allies.”

Karl Gharst’s E-Mail to the Montana Human Rights Network

From: Karl Gharst [<mailto:karlgharst@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Saturday, September 17, 2011 11:04 PM

To: network@mhrn.org

Subject: Montana Human Rights Network is an Enemy of the State of Montana

We are already guaranteed our human rights by our lawful government. Therefore the Montana Human Rights Network is an illegal operation working against the lawful citizens of the State of Montana (unless you are claiming our government no longer guarantees "human rights" and the citizens must subject themselves to your organization if their rights are to be guaranteed. If this is true you may bring forth your evidence at the proper time).

The Montana Human Rights Network is a Jewish criminal organization working with other Jewish Organized Crime Networks - as the ADL, SPLC, Mossad, which primarily uses defamation to damage and discredit lawful citizens who exercise their rights. Second, the MHRN is known for entrapping lawful citizens into crimes engineered by the above mentioned criminal organizations. Third, these organizations are well know to commit crimes against lawful citizens through intimidation, destruction of property, violence and assassination. These people calling themselves "Jews" are not citizens of the State of Montana in accordance to the Constitution of the State of Montana.

As a lawful citizen I am giving you proper notice that I am now exercising my duty that I will do all in my power and the power of the State of Montana to see that all MHRN members will stand trial by the lawful citizens of the State of Montana for crimes against the State, and justice returned to lawful citizens. A list of known criminals in this organization and their crimes is being circulated and citizens are being called convene a Grand Jury for this result. Karl Gharst

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