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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT NO. 57

HON. PAUL G. BRECKENRIDGE, JR., JUDGE

CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY OF CALIFORNIA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

No. C 420153

GERALD ARMSTRONG,

Defendant.

MARY SUE HUBBARD,

Intervenor.

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1 THE COURT: Please take the stand and be sworn, sir.  
2 The clerk will swear you as a witness.

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4 THOMAS S. MOULTON,  
5 called as a witness in behalf of the plaintiffs in rebuttal,  
6 was sworn and testified as follows:

7 MR. FLYNN: Your Honor, I'd only note that Mr. Moulton  
8 is not named on the witness list, but in view of the witnesses  
9 that we didn't name, I have no objection.

10 MR. LITT: This is rebuttal. We don't need to name  
11 rebuttal witnesses.

12 THE CLERK: Please state your name and spell your last  
13 name.

14 THE WITNESS: May I get my breath for just a minute?

15 THE COURT: Sure.

16 MR. PETERSON: Your Honor, Captain Moulton has a  
17 little bit of a physical condition. I would request that if  
18 during either direct or cross-examination he needs to take  
19 a break to stand up, he gets sort of I guess a cramp in his  
20 leg and and he's had a long hike down the hall, with the  
21 court's permission that he could just stand. I think with  
22 a cramp --

23 THE COURT: If you'd rather stand than sit --

24 THE WITNESS: I'd rather sit, but it may cramp up on  
25 me.

26 THE COURT: Certainly.

27 THE WITNESS: Thank you, sir. Okay.

28 THE CLERK: Could you state your name, please?

1 Q Now, did you know L. Ron Hubbard as a good story-  
2 teller?

3 A As a good storyteller?

4 Q A person who told stories.

5 A What sort of stories?

6 Q Well, did you know him to have any reputation  
7 at the time you knew him during World War II as a good  
8 storyteller?

9 A Do you mean jokes and things of that sort?

10 Q No; stories about incidents that had taken place  
11 in his lifetime.

12 A No. He was very reticent, as a matter of fact.

13 Q Did you consider him to be a very honest person?

14 A Indeed.

15 Q And he told you that he had injured his eyes from  
16 a flash burn when a gun unexpectedly went off; is that  
17 correct?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Did he tell you when that took place?

20 A It would have been sometime before Pearl Harbor.  
21 I don't know. I seem to remember he told me it was -- it  
22 was on a destroyer, but I wouldn't swear to it after all of  
23 this time.

24 Q But you are clear that he injured his eyes from  
25 the flash burn of a gun?

26 A I am clear that he said he did, yes.

27 Q When you were serving with Mr. Hubbard did you  
28 ever see his medical records with regard to his eye condition