



The hearing on our Motion for Summary Judgment has been postponed until July 1. The judge postponed the hearing on his own motion, likely to take more time to fully consider the briefs and evidence submitted by the parties. We think any situation where the judge spends more time to consider the law and evidence on our side, and the lack thereof on the other side, is a positive development.

Additionally, McFarland dismissed his cross-claim for defamation against Martha Stefenoni and Shirley Baker. A copy of McFarland's request for dismissal is available here. [LINK](#) With this dismissal and the Court's order granting the National Grange's motion for summary judgment as to McFarland's defamation claim, all of McFarland's claims of defamation have been found to be baseless. With these claims out of the way, the Court can now turn to the issues involving the McFarland Group's continued and knowing violation of Grange rules that are at the heart of this case and that are addressed in our motion for summary judgment.

As a reminder, further information about the litigation, including these recent developments, will be available at the annual convention on Saturday June 27th at Orangevale Grange - see you there!