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Just the Facts

In my years of exposing frauds and more currently hate mongers, I have encountered some people who, instead of addressing the issues raised about their scams or their pathological hatred, would rather try to distract people by spreading lies about the author. This is known as an "ad hominem" attack, and it's one of the logical fallacies. Logical fallacies are logical and factual errors that some people accidentally employ, others use them deliberately to make false assertions in a debate, still others use them to just lie to people or to try to distract from the subject at hand. More about logical fallacies here: <http://www.logicalfallacies.info/>

You can find these commonly used by people who have been exposed as racists and hate mongers on my main blog site; they are now desperately trying to distract people from reading the easily verifiable facts posted in the articles at [Hatewatch Hall of Shame](#).

Some of the people who post these ad hominem attacks grow so obsessive that they become cyberstalkers and must be dealt with through legal means. Some have already been turned over for proper corrective actions. Others are pending.

So here, in short, is my bio and destruction of the ad hominem attacks by my cyberstalkers and detractors. I'm not going to post my life story, because I'm an old fogey and it would bore you to tears. Instead, I'll present some basic facts, and then I will trust in your common sense.

I was born in a suburb of Cleveland, Ohio in 1955. I was an incredibly cute baby and toddler (and modest). I was born and raised in an Irish Roman Catholic family, part of a very, very large extended family, mostly of priests, doctors, lawyers and judges, although we had our share of blue collar workers too.

My brothers and I attended St. Louis Catholic school, where I had the same nun – Sr. Ernestine -year after year after year! As I'd go up a grade, she'd move up to teaching the next grade. I don't know who was more sick of the other, me or her. Not that I ever misbehaved (and if you believe that...), but let's just say my knuckles met the ruler all too often. It was almost a relief when my brothers and I were "asked to transfer to another school" after too many fights with the O'Leary brothers.

We lived in a very interesting neighborhood where we were the only Gentile family in a pretty large Jewish enclave. Our parochial school was quite a distance away, and that was another good point of being thrown out, er, "being asked to transfer," the public school was almost in our back yard, and there was no bussing back then. So we ended up at Boulevard Elementary, Roosevelt Junior High, then Warrensville High, (which, btw, had no junior ROTC program, to address someone's lie - if you don't believe it, check it yourself, the Navy has a website listing all schools nationwide that have junior or regular ROTC programs.)

As I grew up in this neighborhood, I was exposed to extraordinary tolerance, reason and logic. When I was a teenager, I finally worked up the nerve to ask one of our neighbors what the numbers were on her forearm, and she told me about the camps. I went home and asked my father about this, since he was a MSGT in the Army in Germany in WWII, and the only time he ever talked about what he saw was then, to confirm the horrors that mankind could inflict upon itself, society and the world. I suspect that these circumstances play a role in the various careers I have had and in my dedication to reducing hatred in our world.

Some years have passed since then, and now I am married, have one grown son and three

cats who think I'm their servant.

Along the way, I graduated from Warrensville Heights High School and enlisted in the US Navy. I scored pretty high on the tests they administered back then (yes, I know, John Paul Jones was my first CO), so the Navy decided to put a bit of effort and money into my education and training. In the Navy, I did various things, and developed a personal interest in (among other things) counterterrorism, because we were beginning to see the growth of extremists. At no time have I ever said or implied I was a SEAL, that is a claim incorrectly made by my cyber-stalker, and anything saying I was a SEAL is her forgery.

I have also worked for the Better Business Bureau, (exposing scams and frauds), founded a non-profit disability advocacy group that succeeded in convincing every commercial business in my hometown to comply with the accessibility standards under the Americans with Disabilities Act; volunteered for Lakewood Christian Service Center, the American Red Cross, and other facilities. I advocated extensively for equal access for people with disabilities. The only place I couldn't convince to comply with the ADA (and the Rehabilitation Act of 1974) was city hall, even though I tried informally and very politely for eight years. Finally, after too many years of frustration and retaliation (also a violation of the ADA) from the city, I became the second person in the USA to use the ADA to sue under Title II in US District Court, to force the city into compliance. The Court ordered the city to fully comply within one year, to pay my attorneys' fees and court costs to my attorneys and the court. *I did not ask for nor receive a penny in damages for this*, because my interest was in making city properties, facilities and programs accessible to people with disabilities, it was not in making money. Do not believe those who claim I made money off of this, the ADA did not at that time even allow for damages. See James M. Sutter vs. City of Lakewood, 1:94 CV 1857. Since this was one of the first cases under Title II of the ADA, it's my understanding that it is taught at CUNY, the University of Buffalo, and Syracuse University College of Law.

I received my "Calling" to ministry around 1985 or so, and since I was Catholic, I started off in my local church (St. Luke's) as a Commentator and Lector, then received training and certification as a Eucharistic Minister. At that point I volunteered in various ministries, as a lay minister at the Aristocrat Nursing Home, Lakewood Hospital and an adult day-care program at Fairview Hospital. I knew that God wanted me to do more, so I applied for the Diaconate program (sort of a junior priest). At no time was I ever any level of Catholic Priest, again, it is only my cyberstalkers who make this claim. Unfortunately, when applying for the diaconate, I found out that the Church (at least in the Cleveland diocese at that time) did not accept applicants who had physical disabilities. This, despite the Church doing great public work for people with disabilities. But, I had run into a brick wall at this point, yet God kept telling me that He wanted me to do more. I still love the Catholic Church, but it was clear God was sending me in a different direction.

I took about a year to pray over this and consider my options. Finally I enrolled in King's Word Seminary, which at that time was in Strongsville (they have since relocated and downgraded to a biblical study school). I had begun studying early in 1989, eventually received my Masters in Theology from King's Word, then spent a couple of extra years working on my Doctorate in Divinity, Doctorate in Biblical Studies and History, and a Ph.D. in Trauma Psychology. Later, I completed additional training at other facilities to receive CEs and certifications in Crisis Intervention, Domestic Violence, Suicide Prevention, Hostage Negotiation, and Prison Ministry. *Any other claims made by my cyberstalkers about my ministry work are of their own invention.*

During this same time period, I continued with volunteer work, volunteering for the Free Clinic on their Crisis Intervention Hotline and Counseling program (worked out well for my practicum); I volunteered as a prison minister in Ohio prisons, county jails and local lockups; I volunteered for the local Christian Service Center, and helped found another non-profit crisis intervention agency known as the Free Crisis Clinic (now defunct).

I finally finished with my studies in the mid-1990's and received my ordination from Doers of the Word - (which was the seminary sponsor), state license and assignment to Doers as Assistant and then Associate Pastor. A couple of years and many "spirited discussions" between the senior pastor and me led to my moving to Jesus the Way Christian Fellowship Church in Lorain, Ohio - originally as Pastor and then Senior Pastor. Jesus the Way is a nondenominational Christian church, with pastors who have backgrounds as Independent Baptist, Southern Baptist and Pentecostal, and is located in Lorain on East 28th Street. It's a small building, but a big church with a big heart and big ministry, as provides prison ministry, nursing home and hospital ministry, street ministry, aftercare ministry and an anti-hate ministry, in furtherance of Christ's commands in his Sermon on the Mount and the Great Commandment. These are the only churches in which I have ever been a pastor and with which I have ever been associated. In 2005 I went on semi-retirement status at Jesus the Way due to my worsening health, and late in 2006 I became Pastor Emeritus (fancy title meaning fully retired.)

I still maintain my license and can marry, bury, and baptize people, and the church has been kind enough to allow me to remain in charge of their Internet Ministry Program.

Current License: You can view my license at:  
<http://hometown.aol.com/revjimsutter/license.html>

Notice the name of my church on the license, it is identified by the State of Ohio as Jesus the Way Christian Fellowship. Some of my detractors claim I am ordained by some mail order church, this license proves differently and shows the lies of the detractors' claims.

You can view my main blogsite at <http://hatewatchhallofshame.blogspot.com>. Almost all of my detractors are those who have been exposed on this site as virulent hate mongers and racists. Instead of trying to prove the facts of the site wrong, they use the very old (and very lame) technique of trying to discredit the author, to distract people away from the facts proving their intense hatred and the reasons for it. Read the facts on the site, as they are all very well documented, then decide on your own.



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