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On **December 18, 2017** at **9:00 a.m.**, and show cause why respondent Dale Bethel should not be compelled to comply with the Internal Revenue Service summons served on respondent Dale Bethel on July 17, 2014.

## IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

- 1. A copy of this Order to Show Cause, together with the Petition to

  Enforce Internal Revenue Summons, Declaration of Joseph Haynes in
  support thereof, and exhibits thereto, and brief in support, be served on

  Dale Bethel by any employee of the Internal Revenue Service or by the
  United States' Department of Justice, by personal delivery, or by leaving
  copes of each of the foregoing documents at Respondent's dwelling or
  usual place of abode with someone of suitable age and discretion who
  resides there, or by certified mail.
- 2. Because the file in this case reflects a *prima facie* showing that the IRS's investigation is being conducted for a legitimate purpose, that the inquiries may be relevant to that purpose, that the information sought is not already within the Internal Revenue Service's possession, and that the administrative steps required by the Internal Revenue Code have been substantially followed, the burden of coming forward has shifted to the respondent to oppose enforcement of the summons.
- 3. Within **twenty-one (21) days** of service of this Order to Show Cause, respondent Dale Bethel shall file with the Clerk of Court, and serve on

- counsel for the United States at the address on the petition, a written response to the petition with appropriate supporting affidavits or declarations as well as any argument he desires to make.
- 4. Affidavits in opposition to the petition or in support of any motion shall be made on personal knowledge, set forth such facts as would be admissible in evidence, and shall show affirmatively that the affiant is competent to testify to the matters stated therein; any affidavit failing to comply with this standard shall not be considered by the Court.
- The United States may file a reply memorandum to any opposition or motion filed by respondent, without page limitation, within fourteen (14) days of the date the response is filed.
- 6. At the show cause hearing, only those issues raised by motion or brought into controversy by the responsive pleadings, and supported by **affidavit(s)**, will be considered by the Court. Any uncontested allegations in the United States' petition will be considered admitted for purposes of this enforcement proceeding.
- 7. If respondent has no objection to compliance with the summons served on him, Respondent may notify the Court, in a writing filed with the Clerk of Court and served on counsel for the United States by either overnight mail to:

Tax Division, U.S. Department of Justice Attn: Trial Attorney Erin R. Hines 555 4th Street, Suite 8921 Washington, DC 20001

or by facsimile to (202) 514-6770 at least **ten (10) days** prior to the date of the show-cause hearing, that the respondent has no objection to compliance with the summons, then he will not be required to respond or appear as ordered above, and the Court will issue an order enforcing the summons.

SO ORDERED this 21st day of November 2017.

United States District Judge

Presented by:

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