HONORABLE RONALD B. LEIGHTON

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

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| STEVEN POLITO,<br><br>Plaintiff,<br><br>v.<br><br>SKAMANIA COUNTY, et al.,<br><br>Defendants. | CASE NO. C15-5542 RBL<br><br>ORDER DENYING POLITO'S MOTIONS<br>[Dkt. #s 28, 31, 35, 36, 47, 48, 55, 56, 60, 61, 62 63, 65 and 84] |

THIS MATTER is before the Court on 14 Motions filed by Plaintiff Polito in the past two months: a Motion for Reconsideration [Dkt. #31]; of the Court's Order [Dkt. #30] dismissing The Society of Jesus; a Motion for alternative service [Dkt. #35]; a Motion for Amend the complaint [Dkt. #36]; a Motion for "Hearing" of the operative complaint [Dkt. #47]; *five* Motions for Summary Judgment [Dkt. #s 48[1], 55, 56, 60 and 61]; and a two-part Motion for a Permanent Injunction, against "The Catholic Church and all its assets and functions that are violating church and state nationwide." [Dkt. #s 62 and 63] Also pending are a similar motion for a permanent injunction against "Skamania County Criminal Justice System" [Dkt. #65]; a

[1] Defendants Skamania County, Sgt Johnson and Deputy Helton move for Summary Judgment in their response [Dkt. #68] to Politio's Motion for Summary Judgment against them [Dkt. # 48].

Motion for Sanctions against Skamania County for failing to respond to discovery [Dkt. #84]; and Polito's Motion to amend the case schedule [Dkt. #28].

The facts are described in the Court's prior Orders [Dkt. #s 30 and 46]. Polito had a dispute with his tenants, the Millers, over the Millers' growing marijuana plants on the property, and Polito's admitted belief that he had no choice but to destroy those plants. He was arrested.

Polito sued the Millers and the officers, and—this is where this case differs from "plain vanilla" excessive force cases—the Society of Jesus. He claims, vehemently, that Miller and the police acted on instructions from the Jesuits. The Court dismissed the Society of Jesus on Summary Judgment. Polito seeks Reconsideration of that determination, arguing he has proof that Miller has designed web sites for the Catholic Church. Because this is facially insufficient to impose *respondeat superior* liability on the Church for Miller's allegedly tortious conduct (and for the reasons addressed in the prior Order) Polito's Motion for Reconsideration is DENIED.

Each of Polito's lengthy Motions goes back to (literally) ancient history in an effort to paint the Catholic Church as evil and all-controlling, apparently in an effort to make plausible his theory that everything that happened to him is the result of a grand, centuries-old conspiracy now aimed at him. His filings rail against a range of entities and events, including the Illuminati, the Patriot Act, Woodrow Wilson, the Federal Reserve, George Washington and, especially, the Masons and the Catholic Church. They include links to conspiracies about 9-11 being an "inside job," and claims like the following:

**NSSM 200 – Vatican Fourth Reich genocide of 3 billion people**

"The United Nations Organization (UNO) is undertaking a covert and sinister plan for the Catholic Church. To kill as many as 3 billion people through Vatican unholy wars of terror against Muslim and Jewish states, designer diseases (AIDS, diabetes, A-H1N1, Parkinson's Disesase, Alzheimer's Disease) food poisoning (GMO), airport cancer and sterilization induced ionizing radiation scans, weather

> modification and earthquake induction (HAARP), and famine (HAARP induced flooding and drought, food pasturization, food irradiation, and genetically modified foods).

[Dkt. #48 at 16-17]. The "timeline" Polito submits in support of his theories begins in ***1534***. The sheer volume of the filings, and the depth and breadth of the conspiracy described greatly exceed anything that this Court has previously seen. But none of it has anything to do with the case, and permitting Polito to file more of it would be counterproductive—his briefs are already too long and too repetitive and far too fantastical. Polito's "theories" are not plausible, and they are not evidence in support of any of his claims. He has not met his burden on any of his Motions.

All of Polito's Motions are therefore **DENIED**. Skamania County's Motion for Summary Judgment [Dkt. #68] will be addressed in a separate Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 29th day of March, 2016.

Ronald B. Leighton
United States District Judge