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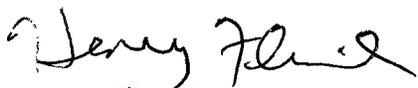
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Attention: Disability Rights Office, Room 3-B431
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Case Identifier: CGB-CC-0142

Dear Secretary:

The enclosed information is provided in response to the letter of August 8, 2012, from the Disability Rights Office, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau.

Sincerely,



Henry Flint, Overseer
Wildfire Global Church
3042 Primrose Circle
Abilene, Texas 79606

Enclosures

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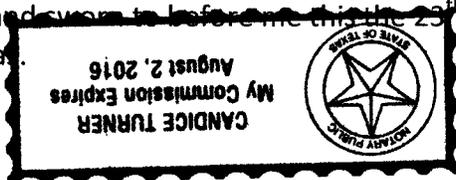
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AFFIDAVIT

I, Henry Flint, founder and Overseer of Wildfire Global Church, solemnly swear that I am the producer of the weekly video broadcasts and that the information given in this SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION is true and correct.

Henry Z Flint

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 23rd Day of August, 2012. Notary Public, Taylor County, Texas.



Candice Turner

Bruce

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From: Constance Carlson [ccarlson@vicaps.com]
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2012 10:37 AM
To: 'Bruce'
Subject: RE: Captioning Your Client's Religious Show
Attachments: image001.gif

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Hi Bruce,

Video Caption Corporation would be delighted to assist you and your client with the Closed Captioning of 2 30-minute English language shows per week. As I understand it, you would provide your periodic show to us as a digital file (likely an SD file – please confirm). Our deliverable to you would be a Caption-embedded Video File (Basic Roll-up Captions) in the same size and format as supplied.

Pricing: \$220 per show (discounted)

Price includes transcription, captioning, caption-embedding, and file output. Our standard turnaround for your project is 3 business days. Faster turnarounds are available for additional charge. Shipping and handling of hard drives or other media are additional.

I'll follow up with you early next week to discuss our quote and answer any questions you may have!

Constance

Constance Carlson
Vice President, Sales & Marketing



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From: Bruce [mailto:bcampbell@foxabilene.com]
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2012 11:25 AM
To: 'Constance Carlson'
Subject: RE: Captioning Your Client's Religious Show

Constance,

Right now he's just recording directly to a DVD, so he doesn't go to a video file on the computer. Can you just provide a rough estimate based on standard definition?

Bruce

From: Constance Carlson [<mailto:ccarlson@vicaps.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2012 8:28 AM
To: 'Bruce '
Cc: gened@hstr.com
Subject: RE: Captioning Your Client's Religious Show

Hi Bruce,

Thanks for your reply. What kind of file would you be sending us? HD or SD? Some examples:

.mov 1920 x 1080i
.mov 720 x 480p
.mov 720 x 480i
.mpeg2 (HD or SD)

Before giving you a quote, we would like to produce a short caption-embedded file for you to test. Would you be open to that?

Best regards,

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From: Bruce [<mailto:bcampbell@foxabilene.com>]
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2012 5:22 PM
To: 'Constance Carlson'
Cc: gened@hstr.com
Subject: RE: Captioning Your Client's Religious Show

Constance,

My engineer tells me that for digital programming we are accustomed to receiving 708-caption files and, subject to running a test, that would be adequate.

As I understand it we do not have to run it through any type of special coding device in order to place it on the air with captioning.

My prospective advertiser, Wildfire Global Church, is currently running two 30-minute programs weekly. I understand that they would have to be uploaded to your server or FTP site in order for you to provide the captioning service. Then

your company would send them back to the TV station via an FTP site after the captioning has been embedded into the file.

Thanks for putting together a quote for me.

Bruce Campbell
KXVA – Fox Abilene
(325) 370-8722

From: Constance Carlson [<mailto:ccarlson@vicaps.com>]

Sent: Friday, August 10, 2012 3:08 PM

To: bcampbell@foxabilene.com

Subject: Captioning Your Client's Religious Show

Hi Bruce,

Good speaking to you! We look forward to continuing the conversation about the caption-embedding of your client's weekly show.

What you'll want to ask your tech's is:

- Is there a caption-embedded file type that you have successfully aired as a 30-minute show at the station? If so, what are the spec's for that file type?
- What does your station do with the caption-embedded file once you get it? For instance, do you run it through Harmonics Carbon Coder or another encoding program?

Once I hear back from you I can advise you the best way to proceed with your client's project.

Cheers,

Constance

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SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION

WILDFIRE GLOBAL CHURCH

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Re: Case Identifier: CGB-CC-0142

The undersigned hereby provides responses to the letter of August 8, 2012, from the Disability Rights Office, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau.

1. The petitioner hereby provides (as enclosed) copies of bank statements and records from First Financial Bank, Abilene, Texas, which show monthly deposits to the account of Wildfire Global Church is less than \$1,000 during the past 6 months.
2. The petitioner is also enclosing a quote from Video Caption Corporation of New York, NY, stating that the cost of video captioning of the petitioner's two weekly programs would be \$220 per program.
3. The petitioner hereby states that he has requested closed captioning assistance from its current video programming distributor – KTAB-TV, Abilene, Texas, and that KTAB's representative, Maxanne Little, has stated that it would not be able to provide such assistance.
4. The petitioner hereby states that he has sought additional sponsorship sources to pay for closed captioning and that no other sources are available.
5. The petitioner states that he personally produces the weekly Wildfire programs in one of the bedrooms of his residence and hand-carries the completed DVD to KTAB-TV on a weekly basis. A copy of a local newspaper article from the Abilene Reporter-News is enclosed which depicts the limited resources and scope of the broadcast. There are no paid staff members. The petitioner currently pays the video programming distributor – KTAB-TV -- \$150 per week for the cost of the air time for BOTH programs. Thus, the cost for closed captioning would more than double the petitioner's weekly cost and, due to limited income, that additional cost would make the continuation of the programming impossible.

Wildfire Global Church, acting through its Overseer, Henry Flint, hereby requests a permanent exemption to the requirements for closed captioning as a result of the foregoing facts.

Based on the information found in Section 79.1(d) of the Commission's rules, the petitioner notes that it apparently qualifies for "self-implementing exemptions" for one or both of the following reasons:

1. The petitioner "provides locally produced and distributed non-news programming with no repeat value."
2. The enclosed cost quote demonstrates "captioning expense in excess of 2% of gross revenues."



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*****AUTO**5-DIGIT 79606
7450 0.7480 AV 0.350 26 1 222
Wildfire Global Church
3032 Primrose Cir
Abilene TX 79606-3325

Date 2/29/12 Page 1
Primary Account
Enclosures 2

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS table with columns: Account Number, Account Description, Current Balance, Enclosures

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Account Title: Wildfire Global Church

Checking account summary table with columns: Business First Checking, Account Number, Previous Balance, 2 Deposits/Credits, 1 Checks/Debits, Monthly Maintain Fee, Interest Pd This Stmt, Ending Balance, Enclosures, Statement Dates, Days in the statement period, Average Ledger, Average Collected

MISCELLANEOUS CREDITS

Miscellaneous credits table with columns: Date, Description, Amount

MISCELLANEOUS DEBITS

Miscellaneous debits table with columns: Date, Description, Amount

DAILY ENDING BALANCE

Daily ending balance table with columns: Date, Balance, Date, Balance

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 Wildfire Global Church Enclosures 6
 3032 Primrose Cir
 Abilene TX 79606-3325

----- S U M M A R Y O F A C C O U N T S -----
 Account Number Account Description Current Balance Enclosures
 Business First Checking 7,484.99 6

----- C H E C K I N G A C C O U N T -----

Account Title: Wildfire Global Church

Business First Checking		Enclosures	6
Account Number		Statement Dates	3/01/12 thru 4/01/12
Previous Balance	6,660.99	Days in the statement period	32
5 Deposits/Credits	1,449.00	Average Ledger	6,931.92
2 Checks/Debits	625.00	Average Collected	6,927.55
Monthly Maintain Fee	.00		
Interest Pd This Stmt	.00		
Ending Balance	7,484.99		

----- MISCELLANEOUS CREDITS -----

Date	Description	Amount
3/02	Deposit #	181.00
3/05	Deposit #	238.00
3/16	Deposit #	282.00
3/21	Deposit #	293.00
3/26	Deposit #	455.00

----- MISCELLANEOUS DEBITS -----

Date	Description	Amount
3/05	PREM DEBIT BLC Company	25.00-
	PPD	
	WILDFIRE GLOBAL	

----- C H E C K S I N S E R I A L N U M B E R O R D E R -----

Date	Check No	Amount
3/09	892	600.00

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Date 4/30/12 Page 1
 Primary Account ~~200501001~~
 Enclosures 3

----- S U M M A R Y O F A C C O U N T S -----

Account Number	Account Description	Current Balance	Enclosures
200501001	Business First Checking	7,472.99	3

----- C H E C K I N G A C C O U N T -----

Account Title: Wildfire Global Church

Business First Checking	Account Number	Enclosures
	200501001	3
Previous Balance	7,484.99	Statement Dates 4/02/12 thru 4/30/12
2 Deposits/Credits	543.00	Days in the statement period 29
2 Checks/Debits	555.00	Average Ledger 7,720.40
Monthly Maintain Fee	.00	Average Collected 7,720.40
Interest Pd This Stmt	.00	
Ending Balance	7,472.99	

----- MISCELLANEOUS CREDITS -----

Date	Description	Amount
4/02	Deposit #	353.00
4/09	Deposit #	190.00

----- MISCELLANEOUS DEBITS -----

Date	Description	Amount
4/03	PREM DEBIT BLC Company PPD WILDFIRE GLOBAL	25.00-

----- C H E C K S I N S E R I A L N U M B E R O R D E R -----

Date	Check No	Amount
4/18	841	530.00

* Missing Serial Number

----- D A I L Y E N D I N G B A L A N C E -----

Date	Balance	Date	Balance
4/02	7,837.99	4/09	8,002.99
4/03	7,812.99	4/18	7,472.99

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----- SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS -----

Account Number	Account Description	Current Balance	Enclosures
XXXXXXXXXX	Business First Checking	8,261.99	3

----- CHECKING ACCOUNT -----

Account Title: Wildfire Global Church

Business First Checking	Enclosures
Account Number XXXXXXXXXX	3
Previous Balance 7,472.99	Statement Dates 5/01/12 thru 5/31/12
3 Deposits/Credits 824.00	Days in the statement period 31
2 Checks/Debits 35.00	Average Ledger 7,902.50
Monthly Maintain Fee .00	Average Collected 7,896.60
Interest Pd This Stmt .00	
Ending Balance 8,261.99	

----- MISCELLANEOUS CREDITS -----

Date	Description	Amount
5/07	Deposit #	450.00
5/18	Deposit #	191.00
5/30	Deposit #	183.00

----- MISCELLANEOUS DEBITS -----

Date	Description	Amount
5/03	PREM DEBIT BLC Company PPD	25.00-
5/07	WILDFIRE GLOBAL Customer Transfer Request ok per customer by zar7792	10.00-

----- DAILY ENDING BALANCE -----

Date	Balance	Date	Balance	Date	Balance
5/01	7,472.99	5/07	7,887.99	5/30	8,261.99
5/03	7,447.99	5/18	8,078.99		

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 PREVIOUS STATEMENT BALANCE 8,865.99
 CHECKS AND CHARGES 1 25.00
 DEPOSITS AND CREDITS 1 215.00 **
 BALANCE THIS STATEMENT 9,055.99

DATE	CHECK#	AMOUNT	BALANCE	TC
5/03/12		25.00		183 PREM DEBIT BLC Company PPD
5/07/12		450.00		5 Deposit #
5/07/12		10.00		113 Customer Transfer Request ok per customer by zar7792
5/18/12		191.00		5 Deposit #
5/30/12		183.00		5 Deposit #
6/05/12		25.00		183 PREM DEBIT BLC Company PPD
6/06/12		150.00		5 Deposit #
6/12/12	893	455.00		66 Check #
6/18/12		151.00		5 Deposit #
6/25/12		391.00		5 Deposit #
7/03/12		25.00		183 PREM DEBIT BLC Company PPD
7/09/12		510.00		5 Deposit #
7/16/12		250.00		5 Deposit #
7/23/12	903	500.00		66 Check #
7/24/12		157.00		5 Deposit #
8/03/12		25.00	8,840.99	183 PREM DEBIT BLC Company PPD
8/07/12		215.00 CR	9,055.99	5 Deposit #

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 ACCOUNT STATEMENT

'Mascot for God'



"God specializes in taking one camera and a guy who can hardly talk and making that a success. I enjoy what I'm doing. It's common-sense preaching. God didn't make the Gospel boring. We did."

— Henry Flint, Abilene man who produces Wildfire Ministries



Abilene man broadcasts sermons from his spare bedroom

When Henry Flint assembles the makeshift television studio in his spare bedroom, he trades production values for family values.

About a year ago, Henry took over the local TV broadcast of Wildfire Ministries after his daughter Crystal Ray and her brother Joshua Ray moved to California. His sermons alternate with programs Crystal and Joshua continue sending to Abilene and air early Sunday mornings on KRBC-TV (Channel 9), right after "Saturday Night Live."

Henry, who lives in Abilene, records his program with a tiny video camera. A homemade banner draped behind him is illuminated by a pair of halogen construction lights. The scene is Spartan, but Henry has an answer for those who would disparage his broadcast and its reach.

"God says do not despise small beginnings," he said. "Wildfire is designed to give people hope. We reach people who never go to church on Sunday morning."

Henry stays up to watch the broadcast and to take any telephone calls from viewers. Sometimes kids dial his number to ask if they are the ninth caller to win a prize.

"I don't mind, it means they are watching," Henry said, laughing.

But sometimes the calls can be serious, especially if the caller is depressed. Henry also gets letters from inmates at local prisons thanking him for the sermons, and Henry is recognized occasionally in public.

One woman told him she appreciated his broadcast because of its honesty.

"My job is to preach God's word as I understand it," Henry said.

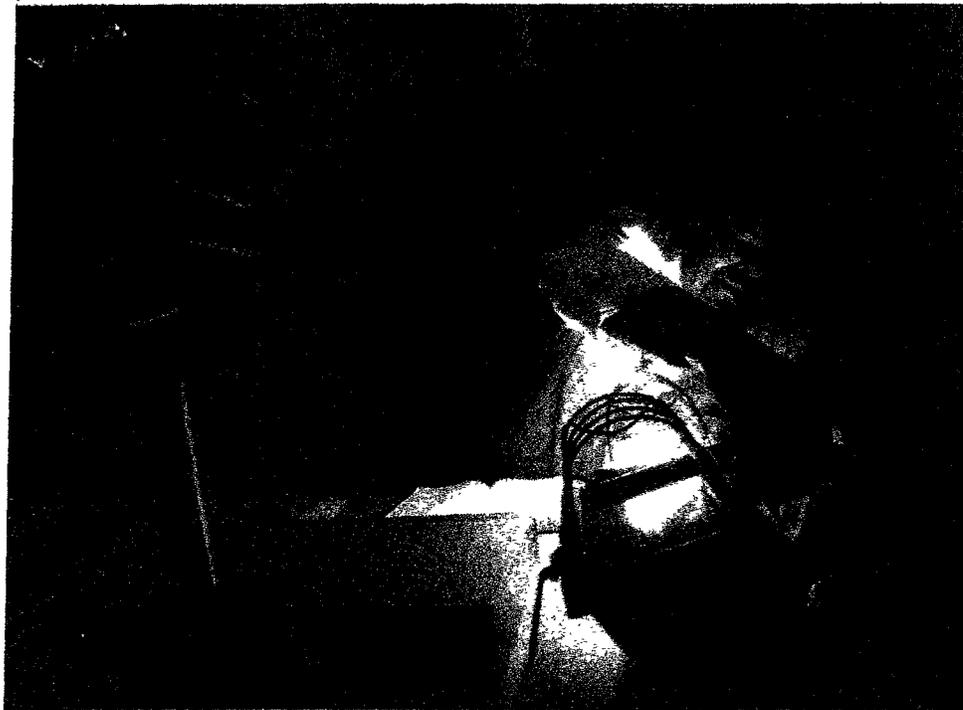
Unfortunately, sometimes he's the only one who can understand it.

The video camera microphone's technical limitations combined with his low-toned speaking style can garble part of the message.

But if the words get muddled, the power of faith fueling them is clearly seen.

Henry livens his free-associating sermons with metaphors and analogies, once calling himself a "mascot for God." Another time, he described himself as a tube of toothpaste squeezed on all sides by the Devil, but still coming out on top.

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Henry turns on the halogen worklights he uses to turn his spare bedroom into a makeshift television studio.



Henry's wife, Chong, walks to the kitchen as he tries to understand why the DVD he made of his broadcast won't play on his living room TV. Henry usually brings the entire player with him to the television station to ensure there aren't any problems with playback.

Photographs and text by
Ronald W. Erdrich