

in 1964, he said, "Brother, my enemies are going to be yours." And he named them. Then he said, "I wish it were you being an example for me, rather than me being an example for you."

He knew what I didn't know, that I was going to assume the mantle that he held within the movement. He knew that the same forces that operated against him, when I assumed that position, would also operate against me. I lived to see every word that he spoke come true.

The thing that I *didn't* see, was the role of Elijah Muhammad. Because, at a certain point, I began to suspect that Elijah Muhammad was behind some of the *feeding* of the fire of envy and enmity that was in my peers. So one day, I decided I was going to Chicago and throw the gauntlet down, right at the table with the Hon. Elijah Muhammad sitting there. And when I threw it down, and challenged everybody who were national ministers and laborers at the table, and was ready to fight, Elijah Muhammad hit the table and said, "Brother, seek refuge in Allah from the envier when he envies," and he got up and walked out. I felt that my willingness to argue my case was seriously dampened.

Then he came back in the room and he said these words. He said, "Brother, when you're going to take a piece of board and put it in the corner of the building to uphold the weight of the building, you have to put a lot of stress on that board. And if that board breaks, then you know that's not the board you were looking for. You throw it away and get you another one."

I did not fully understand that parable. I understood it to the degree that I understood it at that moment. But long after Elijah Muhammad was gone, and I was attempting to rebuild his work, and I had to suffer the slings and the arrows of my own brothers, then the government, then the ADL, and then others, then I understood why I had to go through that kind of rigorous training on the *inside* of the movement.

If I had become vindictive, angry with him, angry with my brothers, and sought retributive action, then that would have shown that I was not qualified then to sit in his seat, to bring about redemption, restoration, reformation, reconciliation. And so, by weathering those storms, here I am. I have weathered 11 years of a withering attack in the media, and for nearly 40 years I have wrestled with internal dynamics, and now external in other groups and organizations and their leadership.

If Allah blesses me to draw a huge crowd, and this one is not able to do that, that envy comes up and then the arrows and the slings and the things that are said. But, watch me, you never have heard me publicly beat down on those who beat down on me. Because that's not my role. I am to take that, and that's why Paul said love is long-suffering.

And so I thank Allah for the Hon. Elijah Muhammad and for the training that he gave me, by focusing the envy of my brothers against me to see if I could take the heat within, that I might be qualified to take heat from within and without. And, so far, God has blessed me to survive.

ADL's Murray Janus and partner indicted

by EIR Staff

Anti-Defamation League National Commissioner Murray Janus was indicted on May 8 by a Richmond, Virginia grand jury on felony bribery charges. His law partner, James A. Baber III, was also indicted, on attempted sodomy charges. According to press accounts and to independent sources with knowledge of the case, the charges were brought when Janus paid a woman \$10,000, allegedly to keep her from pressing criminal sexual assault charges against Baber.

Janus had gained notoriety in 1990 for his role in the "railroad" prosecution of associates of Lyndon LaRouche in Virginia, on trumped-up charges of securities violations (see below).

The recent incident occurred on Feb. 27, 1995, when the woman tried to hire Baber to represent her in a domestic dispute, and reportedly offered to pay his fee in monthly installments. The woman later told police that as she left the office, Baber asked her to perform a sexual act as a sign of good faith in paying the fee.

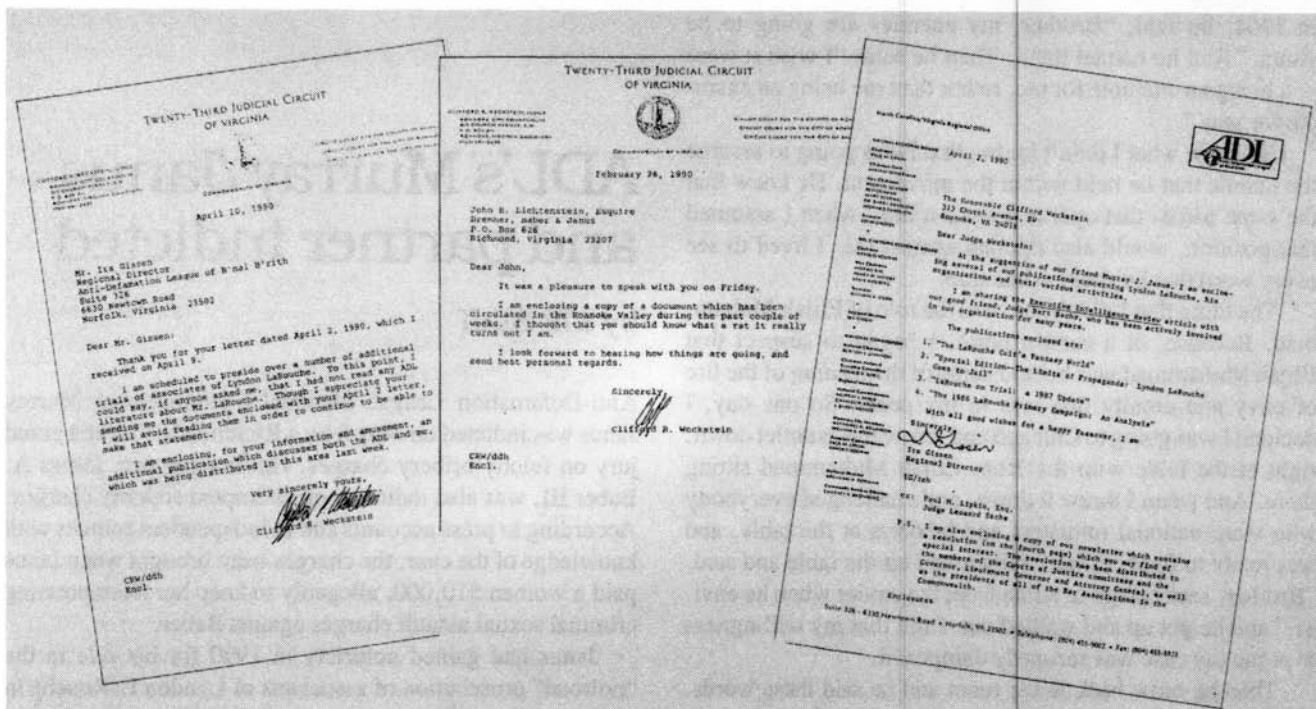
After being exposed to Baber's alleged sexual advances, the woman reported the incident to police, who in turn reported it to the office of Richmond Commonwealth Attorney David Hicks. Since Hicks had previously worked for Janus, he disqualified himself, but not after first speaking with Janus on the phone to inquire as to which prosecutors Janus thought might be out to get him.

The matter was then referred to Hanover Commonwealth Attorney Eddie Vaughn, Jr.

The woman hired another attorney to pursue a civil complaint against Baber, while still pressing criminal charges. Janus offered her \$10,000 to settle the civil complaint. When Vaughn learned of Janus's offer, he warned Janus not to cross the line between making a civil settlement and offering to pay the woman not to press the criminal charges—which is bribery.

The woman had two conversations with Janus, both of which were taped. Janus paid the woman the money in a check drawn on the law firm's trust account.

Vaughn and Hicks have disqualified themselves as prosecutors, and the case is being prosecuted by Virginia Beach Commonwealth Attorney Robert J. Humphreys. One Richmond Circuit Court judge has already recused himself, and all others in that Circuit are expected to do likewise.



Murray Janus and the railroad against LaRouche associates in Virginia: Here are some of the letters exchanged among officials of the Anti-Defamation League, Judge Clifford Weckstein, and ADL National Commissioner Janus's law partner, demonstrating the ADL's obstruction of justice.

Janus and the LaRouche cases

In May 1990, Janus was caught redhanded in the middle of a scheme to bribe Virginia Circuit Court Judge Clifford Weckstein, who was at the time presiding over state cases involving associates of LaRouche. Five of those defendants are now serving draconian prison sentences as a result of the flagrant abuse of justice carried out in Weckstein's court: Michael Billington (77 years), Anita Gallagher (39 years), Paul Gallagher (34 years), Laurence Hecht (33 years), and Donald Phau (25 years). The charges of "securities fraud" on which the defendants were convicted were brought to bear after the state of Virginia determined *retroactively* that political loans were "securities," making it a felony to solicit such loans without a broker's license. This definition of "securities" has never been applied to anyone outside the LaRouche political movement, either before or since.

On April 12, 1990, Judge Weckstein revealed during a hearing in one of the LaRouche cases, that he had received a packet of slanderous material about LaRouche and his movement from the Virginia director of the ADL, Ira Gissen, at the request of ADL National Commissioner Murray Janus. The ADL letter and accompanying documents, in thinly veiled language, offered Judge Weckstein ADL backing for a promotion to the Virginia Supreme Court, in return for his continued efforts to destroy the LaRouche political movement. "There has never been a Jewish member of the Virginia Supreme Court," was the headline of a resolution circulated

by the ADL and sent to Weckstein, who is Jewish.

When defense attorneys issued a subpoena for Janus to appear and testify under oath about his efforts to tamper with the ongoing trial, Weckstein was forced to disclose more letters between himself and John Lichtenstein, a law partner of Janus, and the son of Weckstein's mentor and former partner, Barry Lichtenstein. The letters reveal that it was Weckstein who initiated the communication with the ADL, revealing himself to be even more tainted than he had previously admitted. Weckstein sent to Lichtenstein copies of leaflets that were distributed by associates of LaRouche, exposing Weckstein's connection to the ADL. Lichtenstein, at Weckstein's request, forwarded the leaflets to Murray Janus.

Because of the extensive evidence of impropriety, Weckstein was forced to issue a subpoena to Janus, who testified that he had indeed urged Gissen to send the hate literature to Weckstein, but, incredibly, claimed that he had no knowledge that there were ongoing trials of LaRouche associates before Weckstein. Seeing the pressure his friend Janus was under, Weckstein tried to cut off the testimony by questioning its relevance. The defense attorney replied that Janus is a high-ranking official of the ADL, and that the ADL had gone so far as to illegally obstruct justice by contacting the judge. Weckstein bristled, ruled Janus's testimony irrelevant, and slapped a \$2,000 sanction on the defense attorneys (it was later revoked). The judge refused to recuse himself (withdraw from the trial) because of bias.