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James Sauer
Clerk of Session
Immanuel Presbyterian Church

To James Sauer, Clerk of Session of Immanuel Presbyterian Church of the Presbyterian Church in America.

And now, this twenty-seventh day of July, A.D. 2004, comes Thomas C. Albrecht III and complains about the action of the session of Immanuel Presbyterian Church in connection with the removal of Simon Tack and Michael Harnish from the stated meeting of the Immanuel Presbyterian Church session on July 12, 2004, as all court meetings are open to those who are subject to the decision of that court.

In support of said complaint, the complaintant sets forth the following reasons:

- The session meetings of Immanuel Presbyterian Church (IPC) function as a court of the church, and as such, the meetings and decisions of the court are open to anyone subject to it's decisions, that is, to any member of IPC.
- BCO 43-1 states that it is the "right of any communing member of the Church in good standing to make complaint against any action of a court to whose jurisdiction he is subject". BCO 43-2 states that written notice of the complaint "shall be filed with the clerk of the court within thirty (30) days following the meeting of the court". As the clock starts on the day of the meeting, it is assumed that any actions taken by a court must be available to anyone subject to the courts decision at the time the decision is made.
- BCO 35-4 allows a court to exclude one witness from hearing the testimony of another witness in a case before the court. This permission to exclude granted by BCO to the court assumes that those subject to a decision of the court *must* be allowed entrance otherwise.

Complaintant

Thomas C Albrecht III