

COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NASSAU

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
MARGALITH GEORGALIS

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-- against --

JESSE FRIEDMAN,

Indictment Nos.
67104, 67430, 69783

Defendant.

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MARGALITH GEORGALIS hereby swears, under penalties of perjury, that the following is true and correct:

1. I am 64 years old. I live in Great Neck, New York.
2. In the mid 1980s I enrolled in an introductory computer class in the adult education program in Great Neck which was taught by Arnold Friedman. I was so impressed by his teaching ability that when I heard he was giving computer classes to children I immediately enrolled my son Ron.
3. Ron attended either 2 or 3 sessions (consisting of 10 classes each) and I enrolled in another class for adults given on the same evening as Ron's class. After every class Ron would bring home a printout of a little program that was taught that day. I even saved all those printouts all these years.
4. At that time we purchased our own computer and Arnold was kind enough to lend us disks and a lot of advice. That meant that I was always walking into the house at the beginning or end of class. Never did I see anything other than children sitting in front of computers, and Arnold and Jesse walking around and answering questions.

5. I was totally shocked when the police showed up at our home with the accusation of child molestation. Ron was unable to supply them with any information. After Arnold was sent to prison the police came again. This time they told us that they had interviewed Arnold in prison and that he had told them that Ron had been his favorite. Even this did not bring back any memories to my son even though the police told us that they already knew Ron had been abused.

6. Over the years I had dozens of long heart to heart talks with my son. I had told him that if someone had done something to him that he did not want done it is not the end of the world and it would be good to remember it and then put it aside but he could never remember anything. I finally concluded that nothing had happened to him.

7. I now believe that nothing inappropriate ever happened to anybody at that house. It is inconceivable that not one child in that class ever complained or refused to go back to those classes if even a small portion of what the police said were true.

8. Some of the other children who I remember Ron was in the same classes with were D ____ F ____ and J ____ S ____.

MARGALITH GEORGALIS

Sworn before me this 30th
day of December 2003

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