IN THE UNTED STATES DISTRICT OF COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Alexandria Division

UNITED SUPREME COUNCIL, 33 DEGREE	:
OF THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED	:
SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY,	:
PRINCE HALL AFFILIATION, SOUTHERN	:
JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED	:
STATES OF AMERICA, UNITED SUPREME	:
COUNCIL 33 (THIRTY-THREE) OF THE	:
ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH	:
RITE OF FREEMASONY (PRINCE HALL	:
AFFILIATION) SOUTHERN	:
JURISDICTION U.S., GRAND ORIENT AT	:
WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,	:
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Plaintiffs,	:
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V.	: Case No. 1:16-cv-1103
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UNITED SUPREME COUNCIL OF THE	:
ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE	:
FOR THE 33 DEGREE OF	:
FREEMASONRY, SOUTHERN	:
JURISDICTION, PRINCE HALL	:
AFFILIATED, RALPH SLAUGHTER,	:
JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, MOST	:
WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND	:
LODGE OF VIRGINIA FREE AND	:
ACCEPTED MASONS, INCORPORATED,	:
ROGER C. BROWN AND MICHAEL A.	:
PARRIS,	:
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DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

COME NOW Defendants the United Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the 33 Degree of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliated, Ralph Slaughter, Joseph A. Williams, and Michael A. Parris ("the Defendants"), by counsel, pursuant to Rule 56 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and move the Court for summary judgment in their favor. There is no genuine issue of material fact that would prevent summary judgment from being entered in favor of the Defendants. The Defendants hereby incorporate their Brief in Support of Summary Judgment as though fully set forth herein.

WHEREFORE, the Defendants respectfully request that this Court grant the Motion for Summary Judgment, dismiss the Plaintiff's Amended Complaint against them in its entirety and with prejudice, and award costs and attorney's fees in defending this matter.

Date: January 26, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on January 26, 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

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