IMPORTANT I-I Update – Sept 5th 2016 – The obligation NOT to be complicit in crime especially when it's happening in our Courts... and our *absolute* moral, lawful (and Constitutional) duty to *refuse* to obey unlawful instructions or directions..

Tomorrow morning, Tuesday September 6th at 10.30am a fifth hearing is scheduled in Castlebar Courthouse in the (alleged) criminal case against prominent I-I members Colm Granahan and Stephen Manning. This attempted 'criminal prosecution' by agents of the State has already become such a farce and a fiasco – and a completely <u>unlawful</u> fiasco at that – that it raises the fundamental question of why 'we' (law-abiding members of the public) should even bother engaging with these criminal schemes in our Courts – especially when by doing so, we become actively complicit in the crimes being committed against us?

You see, *Section 7 of the Criminal Law Act 1997* (amongst other laws and statutes) clearly states that, *"any person who aids, abets, counsels or procures the commission of an indictable offence shall be liable to be indicted, tried and punished as a principal offender."* In ordinary language, this means if you or I assist in the commission of any crime – then we too are guilty of that crime. It matters not who has committed the 'principal' offence – just who has assisted in it. And if some 'Officer of the Court' (such as a solicitor, a registrar or a judge) IS that 'principal' – and IF we can clearly see that they are engaging in unlawful or unconstitutional conduct – then we (members of the public) are actually obliged by law – under threat of incarceration – NOT to knowingly cooperate with any such unlawful operations, directions or instructions. This is the main reason why Stephen Manning has NOT attended the last two hearings in this matter, and why he intends NOT attending tomorrow's hearing <u>as a named Defendant</u>. He *WILL* however, attend Castlebar Courthouse tomorrow as a 'Common Informer' prosecutor (*see below right*) for the purposes of lodging applications for criminal summonses against various 'agents of the State' (including certain District Court judges) for clear and obvious breaches of the law and the Constitution.

You see, judges can more-or-less do as they please in our Courts – as long as they abide by the law and the Constitution. But once they abandon that fundamental principle and start operating outside of the law and the Constitution – well, to put it plainly and bluntly – they are committing criminal offences – just like any of us who break the law or the Constitution. And if WE then go along with what they are doing, then we too become complicit in their crimes. It's a very simple concept really, and one that lies at the roots of any proper justice system. As long as 'the authorities' are operating within the law then we are (legally) obliged to respect whatever instructions or directions they give. But if-and-when they start acting unlawfully – well – it's clear that we are NOT then obliged to comply or participate. In fact, after searching the Irish Statute Book, we cannot find ANY clause or entry anywhere that exempts persons in the employ of the State from acting fully within the law. So, if these people are deliberately abusing their positions of power and authority to conspire to deny us justice for example; by blocking our entry to the Courts; by refusing to let us speak; by directing Gardaí to assault us; by rejecting legitimate paperwork; by denying us information; or by refusing to guarantee our personal safety in the Courts (for example) then it is clear that these so-called 'hearings' are not lawful assemblies at all, and that we are lawfully bound NOT to participate if, by doing so, we are made complicit in *their* crimes.



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(Prosecuting by Common Informer) In the past few weeks we have written dozens of formal letters and NOTICES advising all of the authorities concerned about what is going on – including the fact that some serious crimes are being committed on a regular basis by agents of the State – particularly in our District Courts – where a whole raft of judges and registrars (supported by certain senior Courts Service Staff and State-sponsored barristers and solicitors) behave as demagogues in their own private domains rather than as servants to the law and to the people.

"It is the people who are sovereign and guardians of the Constitution. Judicial independence exists for the benefit of the people – not the judges. It is a duty, not a privilege for a judge."

Chief Justice Susan Denham

In the face of absolute stonewalling by all of the authority figures we have approached, we put these ten specific questions to: (i) the various judges involved; (ii) to the Minister for Justice; (iii) the Attorney General; (iv) the Garda Commissioner; (v) Taoiseach Enda Kenny; (vi) and President Michael D Higgins.

- 1. Are Irish judges subject to the law and the Constitution?
- 2. Are members of the public entitled to a fair hearing in the Irish Courts?
- 3. Are Judges of the District and Circuit Court obliged to adhere to Supreme Court rulings, decisions and directions?
- 4. When a person in the pay of the State commits criminal offences, are they subject to justice in our Courts in the same way as the tax-paying public is?
- 5. When judges deliberately break the law, the Constitution, their solemn Oaths of Office or any other Act or Statute in the Courtroom does this, or does this not render that particular hearing invalid?
- 6. Are members of the public obliged to comply with unlawful, unconstitutional or criminal directions from an authority figure such as a Garda, the Courts Service or the Judiciary?
- 7. Am I, (or any other law-abiding member of the public) safe from Garda assault, injury or incarceration in the Courtroom, as long as we are NOT engaged in any unlawful activity?
- 8. What procedures or processes exist to protect the public from serious misconduct on the part variously of; (i) judges of the District Court; (ii) of the Circuit Court; (iii) of the High Court; (iv) of the Court of Appeal; and (v) of the Supreme Court.
- 9. Why did Minister for Justice Frances Fitzgerald lie in a signed letter stating, (i) there was no statutory procedure to enquire about misconduct by District Court judges, and (ii) that she had "no role" (to play) in advancing a formal application signed by thousands of members of the public and submitted via two sitting TD's demanding the impeachment of a local Judge?
- 10. Why are State-sponsored lawyers being paid €800 per hour (often for years) to defend other wrongdoers in the pay of the State in cases which are utterly indefensible and bound to fail?

Not surprisingly, not even ONE of them has answered the questions posed. So we sent formal NOTICES advising that we were now ("of necessity") applying the legal maxim, *"silence implies consent"* – and on that basis, we have arranged for our own private (qualified) security escort tomorrow – along with members of 'ACT' (the Anti-Corruption Taskforce) to ensure that we can go about our lawful business in Castlebar Court without illicit interference or hindrance by agents of the State. Colm Granahan will be absolutely insisting that he is allowed to record proceedings – on the basis of all the evidence of 'official' tampering – and Stephen is <u>only</u> going to Castlebar Courthouse (along with his private security detail) to make applications for criminal summonses against Frances Fitzgerald, and Judges John Lindsay and Seamus Hughes for various actions which, on the face of it, appear to have been deliberate criminal acts.

NOTICE

To Castlebar Court Manager Peter Mooney; to the sitting District Court Judge; to CEO of the Courts Service Brendan Ryan; to the President of the District Court Rosemary Horgan; to Chief Justice Susan Denham; to Minister for Justice Frances Fitzgerald; to Attorney General Marie Whelan; to Garda Commissioner Nóirín O'Sullivan; to Taoiseach Enda Kenny; and to President of Ireland Michael D Higgins.

I, Stephen Manning, a law abiding member of the public and a member of *Integrity Ireland*, hereby respectfully place all parties 'ON NOTICE' (and in addition to previous such NOTICES) that other than a verbal instruction by a Garda (which contradicted a sitting judge's directions) that I have NOT been served any due or written NOTICE to be in attendance at Castlebar Court on September 6th as a Defendant. I further note that this prospective criminal prosecution is so fundamentally flawed, contaminated and unconstitutional as to constitute a collaborative attempt – on the part of several of the parties involved – to commit a range of criminal acts and other offences as against the administration of justice – as we have repeatedly outlined in previous correspondence. Accordingly, I reassert my right NOT to be made knowingly complicit in unlawful, unconstitutional or criminal activity, and therefore cannot acknowledge or comply with any implied or presumed 'jurisdiction' by any such unlawful entity or unconstitutional assembly.

I further respectfully place all parties ON NOTICE that in the face of repeated refusals on the part of ANY authority figure or agent of the State to, (i) simply affirm our fundamental human rights; (ii) to answer some straightforward Constitutional questions, and (iii) thereby guarantee my personal safety (and that of my family and colleagues) in Court; and (iv) in light of various unlawful acts of intimidation, obstructionism, denials of due service and the physical injuries already sustained via unlawful assaults in the Courtroom; that I must, of necessity, reserve the right to provide my own private (qualified) security detail to ensure my personal safety on any future visits to the Court.

Accordingly, please be advised that it is my intention to attend Castlebar District Court tomorrow, September 6th 2016, for the purposes of applying for criminal summonses as against certain persons in the employ of the State under the 'Common Informer' process which was recently unambiguously and explicitly ratified by the Superior Courts – therefore any attempts by agents of the State to interfere with, obstruct, hinder or delay said applications would constitute additional criminal offences as against *S.10 of the Criminal Procedure Act 2010* – which will result in the appropriate action being taken without further recourse to you. Please be advised.

Signed:

Stephen Manning. A member of Integrity Ireland and prospective candidate for Co. Mayo. Sept 5th 2016

"One by one - together - we CAN make a difference!"