

NSP Forum Posting - 16 September 2005 by John Sievert

I don't understand why they think it is necessary to put the organization through this. They could stop this at ANY point by allow the members to vote in accordance with CO law.

Doesn't there come a point when it is appropriate to admit a mistake and do the right thing? How can giving members a larger voice in choosing the leadership of the organization be a bad thing? Why would you want to not do that?

Instead, and this is the part that bothers me, our leadership instead is spending our dues money on a battle with the very members who supply the money. Shortly all of us will undergo the refresher cycle and will be paying yet more dues to the NSP of which a portion will be going to an effort to fight the members (us). If there was ever a reason to sign the petition, this has got to be it.

What is wrong with that picture?

Leadership is earned and it is a privilege and an honor to be invested with that role. I question what Mr. Sachs thinks he is doing by supporting and promoting this battle. I certainly understand why Mr. Over was involved in this court action, it is his job that is on the line. His interest is purely selfish since he is not even a patroller like the rest of the members of whom he sits in judgment.

I just hope the BOD and Sachs come to their senses shortly and knock it off. They have so little on their side.

A good friend of mine, an attorney (and also a patroller, although that doesn't matter) said to me that when you are in court, if you have the facts on your side, yell about the facts. If you have the law on your side, yell about the law. If you don't have anything on your side, just yell.

Seems to me that the BOD and the National Director are really in the last case - neither the facts nor the law on their side, and certainly not the moral imperative. All they have left is to just yell. Unfortunately the cost of the yelling is paid for by the members and I can think of nothing more unjust.

J.