

Witness Statement

I, Lena Marie Hanover, also known as Turiya, of 24 Tristran Parade Mullumbimby Australia, do state as follows:

1) I am Lena Marie Hanover born 26.11.1948 in Laebbecke Germany and I am a disciple of the Indian Mystic Osho also known as Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh. I became a disciple in 1975 and have been working as an Osho therapist since 1977 continuously. In 1989 Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh changed his name first to Osho Rajneesh. At no time ever there was the idea or suggestion that the name Osho was in any way a Trademark or something to describe a licensed product of some company.

2) Since 1977 I have been leading many Osho therapy groups and processes. In 1984 Osho gave me the Osho Institute for Tantra and made me the director. In 1986 a group of Osho Therapists started to lead a 2 year Osho therapist training in Munich. I was leading many other Osho counselling groups and worldwide. I have been leading also big Osho events in New York, San Francisco, Berlin and Munich. After Osho left his body in 1990 I continued to use the name in many different processes, and have been leading Osho therapy groups worldwide.

3) Osho is my master and my connection to him is the source that nourishes and inspires my work as a therapist. Out of this understanding I have always used his name in a free and independent way. Never did OIF or anyother organisation ask me about how I use the name Osho in my work. I also never signed any license agreement or guidelines from anybody, nor were there any guidelines or instructions that I had to follow. The only guideline in my work as a therapist was my personal connection with Osho. According to my connection with Osho I understood that the most important value he tried to convey to us is the freedom of the individual. And I understood that according to this value he never wanted us therapists to work with fixed guidelines. He also never wanted us organised in any form of hierarchal institution.

4) Osho always emphasized that the spiritual connection is between him and each individual disciple. This point I also made very clear in my groups. I never got the impression that any of my group participants understood it differently or felt that I was using any prescribed guidelines from any institution or company in my work with them.

I feel grateful about my connection with this wonderful man and to be able to share my profound and essential experience with him.

AND I MAKE THIS WITNESS STATEMENT knowing all the facts to be true

Below is the author's signature, which is hidden for protection of personal data.

Lena Marie Hanover

2.10.2011

Date