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10 COUNTY OF ORANGE

11 CAROL WIMBER, STEVE BRAY, NANCY  
BRAY, STEPHANIE RUPPE, DAVID  
12 EDMONDSON, LANCE PITTLUCK, DON  
SALLADIN, JOE GILLENLINE, JAMES  
13 GILLENLINE, each individually and  
derivatively on behalf of VINEYARD  
14 CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF ANAHEIM,  
INC., dba DWELLING PLACE ANAHEIM, a  
15 California Nonprofit Religious corporation,

16 Plaintiffs,

17 v.

18 ALAN SCOTT, an individual, KATHRYN  
SCOTT, an individual, JEREMY RIDDLE, an  
19 individual, KATIE RIDDLE, an individual,  
GREGORY SCHERER, an individual,  
20 BANNING LEIBSCHER, an individual,  
JULIAN ADAMS, an individual, and DOES 1-  
21 50, inclusive,

22 Defendants.

23 VINEYARD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF  
ANAHEIM, INC., dba DWELLING PLACE  
24 ANAHEIM, a California Nonprofit Religious  
corporation,

25 Nominal Defendant.  
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Case No. 30-2022-01291272-CU-FR-WJC

**DECLARATION OF ALAN SCOTT IN  
SUPPORT OF INDIVIDUAL  
DEFENDANTS' DEMURRERS TO  
PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT;  
EXHIBIT 7**

Hon. Sheila Recio

Date: June 2, 2023

Time: 9:30 a.m.

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Action Filed: November 10, 2022

Trial Date: No Date Set

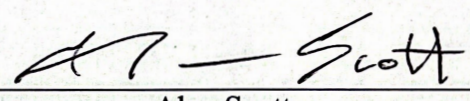
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I, Alan Scott, declare as follows:

1. I am the Senior Pastor of Dwelling Place Anaheim and am a defendant in this matter. I make this declaration in support of the Individual Defendants' Demurrers to Plaintiffs' Complaint. Except where noted to be otherwise, I state the following of my own knowledge, and if called upon to do so, could, and would, testify competently to the following.

2. On or about May 17, 2017, I sent an email to Phil Strout of Vineyard USA. A true and correct copy of that email is attached hereto as **Exhibit 7**.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on February 9, 2023, at Yorba Linda, California.



Alan Scott

# **Exhibit 7**

**From:** Alan Scott <[ccvaps@gmail.com](mailto:ccvaps@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Update from Alan & Kathryn Scott  
**Date:** May 10, 2017 at 9:07:04 AM PDT  
**To:** Phil Strout <[phil@vineyardusa.org](mailto:phil@vineyardusa.org)>

Dear Phil,

It was so good to meet you properly in Columbus and so kind of you to generously give your time. During our conversation I caught a glimpse of your heart, your evident passion for Jesus, your gentleness with others, and the kindness and courage at your core.

I wanted to update you on our current thinking with regard to our transition and in particular our connection with our Vineyard family. As you know from our conversation it has been a bit of a wrestle for us. Leaving our home church and community is difficult but not unexpectedly so. However, we hadn't really thought when we surrendered our yes that there maybe the prospect of relinquishing our connection with the Vineyard.

Yet, the more we have thought about it, the more aware we have become that while we love the Vineyard, and can easily trace God's hand on it in the US, the fractured nature of the movement in OC makes it difficult to attend church locally without causing undue upset to someone we love. As I mentioned when we were together, we love each of the leaders, we just wished they loved each other well. Since that isn't the story at the moment, it's not an environment where we would want to plant our lives or raise our girls.

And so after 29 years of connection with the tribe, we have arrived at the painful conclusion that we won't be part of a local vineyard church in the next part of our journey.

It goes without saying, that we will continue to champion the movement, and will always be grateful for the way it reflects and demonstrates the kingdom. A further sadness for us, is that we won't get the chance to work alongside you. Nonetheless, just as God has led you to pray for us, so now it is our turn to pray for you. We will be praying for wisdom, courage and kindness for you personally and that God continues to release the US Vineyard and the Vineyard globally into its unique and beautiful destiny.

Much love and blessings,  
Alan (& Kathryn)

1 *Carol Wimber, et al. v. Alan Scott, et al.*  
2 *Orange County Superior Court, Case No. 30-2022-01291272-CU-FR-WJC*

3 **PROOF OF SERVICE**

4 I am employed in the County of Orange, State of California. I am over the age  
5 of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 600 Anton Boulevard,  
Suite 1400, Costa Mesa, California 92626.


6 On February 9, 2023, I served, in the manner indicated below, the foregoing  
7 document described as **DECLARATION OF ALAN SCOTT IN SUPPORT OF**  
8 **INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS' DEMURRERS TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT;**  
9 **EXHIBIT A** on the interested parties in this action by placing true copies thereof,  
enclosed in sealed envelopes, at Costa Mesa, addressed as follows:

10 See attached Service List.

- 11  BY REGULAR MAIL: I caused such envelopes to be deposited in the United  
12 States mail at Costa Mesa, California, with postage thereon fully prepaid. I am  
13 readily familiar with the firm's practice of collection and processing  
14 correspondence for mailing. It is deposited with the United States Postal Service  
on that same day and that practice was followed in the ordinary course of  
business for the service herein attested to. (C.C.P. § 1013(a)).
- 15  BY ELECTRONIC MAIL/E-SERVICE: My office caused such document(s) to  
16 be delivered electronically to the following email addresses,  
17 nklein@tylerbursch.com; msarmiento@tylerbursch.com;  
spadilla@tylerbursch.com; John.Peiffer@brownandstreza.com;  
18 Paul.Schmitt@brownandstreza.com, Christia.Zeiter@brownandstreza.com
- 19  BY OVERNIGHT DELIVERY: I caused such envelope to be delivered by air  
20 courier, with next day service, to the offices of the addressee(s). (C.C.P. §  
21 1013(c)(d)).
- BY PERSONAL SERVICE: I caused such envelopes to be delivered by hand to  
the offices of the addressees. (C.C.P. § 1011(a)(b)).

22 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that  
23 the above is true and correct.

24 Executed on February 9, 2023, at Costa Mesa, California.

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26 Diane Williams

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***Carol Wimber, et al. v. Alan Scott, et al.***  
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