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From: Alex B. MacDonald, Barrister, etc.

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Vice-President FFVWU
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Dear Sir:

Following your Convention at the weekend, at which a large number of delegates seceded the Teamsters, and the decision of your Convention to take necessary legal action to safe guard your certification, funds, property, name, documents, and assets, I am writing, as promised, to indicate the proposed action.

You should sue for a declaration of the Court along the above lines, and base your action upon these, amongst other grounds,--

- (a). The misrepresentation, illegalities, and undue influence of the Teamsters' campaign leading up to the convention;
- (b). The unconstitutionality of the Resolution to merger the Federation arising out of procedure, including no 2/3 majority, Resolution filed too late, filed without seal of a local Union, curtailing of discussion by the Chair; and,
- (c) Unconstitutionality of the Resolution because it was not in harmony with our Constitution, and because a Union cannot be dissolved while a minority wishes to carry on.

I would like to have your Presidents instructions by Friday morning at the latest, and at that time, to proceed, I would need the names of the present officers of the so-called Local 48, and their home addresses, and I would like the names of two or three rank and file loyal members of the Federation who were not delegates to the Convention but who should be joined to express the rank and file position.

To safeguard your funds, and to take care of the legal expenses the Local should advance such expenses to in trust by certified cheques, this money to be held by me in trust for the Locals, subject to any expenses.

Yours very truly, Alex B. MacDonald