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RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION

From:

To _____,

In that I am a follower of Jesus Christ and a member of His church, I am exercising my right to receive a religious exemption for vaccination. First and foremost, the vaccines I oppose include the current COVID-19 mRNA vaccines and the Jansen vaccine which are produced with aborted fetal cell lines.

The Johnson & Johnson vaccine, the Jansen vaccine, uses retinal cells from a fetus that was aborted in 1985 and treated in a lab since; the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines test the mRNAs on fetal cell lines from an aborted fetus cell from 1973.¹

Therefore as a faithful Christian, I cannot according to the Church tenets on conscience which are outlined below, use any product that takes its origin in abortion. "For you created my inmost being You knit me together in my mother's womb." Psalm 139:13. The inmost being is sacrosanct.

Defiling of the body, many Christians, including me, believe as 2 Corinthians 7 teaches, that we should "cleanse ourselves from every impurity of flesh and spirit." The way I practice my religion includes aligning myself with scriptures on issues that oppose the wisdom of the world. What the world considers a type of remedy, a privilege, and something to covet in 2021 but is something I consider an impurity, I do not believe that using fetal cells from an aborted fetus for the benefit of the greater good or my personal benefit can be reconciled. I will not knowingly participate in the process to use such a product that violates the right to life and dishonors the lives of the unborn.

The scriptures are very specific about how those who practice Christianity should navigate life. Ephesians 6:10-18 directs us to "put on the armor of God," so that we can be equipped with truth, righteousness, peace and faith.

According to the Section 564 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, a lawful application of the terms of a lawful emergency use authorization ("EUA") pursuant includes the right of informed consent and the option to refuse². The FDA's guidance on the right to informed consent and the option to refuse is highlights the right of informed consent and the option to refuse governing the administration of Emergency authorized

¹ *Fetal Cell Lines Were Used to Make the Johnson & Johnson COVID Vaccine—Here's What That Means*
3/4/2021, MSN.com

² 21 USCS § 360bbb-3

“unapproved products.” <https://www.fda.gov/vaccines-blood-biologics/vaccines/emergency-use-authorization-vaccines-explained>

Therefore as a faithful Christian, opposed to abortion, I cannot according to the Church tenets on conscience which I outlined use any product that takes its origin in abortion. I have the right to an objection of conscience regarding what is put into my body.

In that the use of these vaccines would be both a violation of my faith that opposes abortion on the duty to adhere to moral conscience, therefore, under the teachings I follow, am religiously and morally bound, I submit this exemption for vaccination.

Sincerely,