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No Longer Compelled?

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In October, Pastor Artur Pawlowski, who had been jailed during the pandemic for holding church services in Calgary, Alberta, was ordered as one condition of his probation to always append a statement of official government doctrine to his own public uttering of opinions about pandemic policy.



According to the October 15 ruling by Alberta Justice Adam Germain, when "exercising

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[their] right of free speech" to speak against lockdowns and vaccines, Artur Pawlowski, his brother Dawid, and Whistle Stop Café owner Chris Scott must also recite a disclaimer.

It reads, in part: "I am obliged to inform you that the majority of medical experts favour social distancing, mask wearing, and avoiding large crowds to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Most medical experts also support participation in a vaccination program."

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"This crooked judge wants to turn me into a CBC reporter or CNN reporter, that every time that I am in public, every time I'm opening my mouth, I am to pray their mantra to the government."

On November 25, Justice Jo'Anne Strekaf of Alberta's Court of Appeal lifted this order compelling specific speech, which Justice Germain pretends is compatible with *freedom* of speech. Whether this latest ruling is permanent depends on what happens at a June 14, 2022 hearing.

Until then, at least, the creepy order has been suspended.

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