

As your MDA Communications Chair, I am forwarding information that has been provided to me regarding the East Pilots lawsuit. For additional information go to: <http://eastpilotsassociation.com/>

On Feb 12, 2016 the lawsuit was filed in Federal court. You already know that. Click this link to see all that has happen since then. There is a process by which the defendants get served. The process is monitored by the court.

As of today's date, all defendants have accepted the notice of complaint and are preparing there answer. The 1st scheduled court appearance is May 20, 2016. The procedural issues are being handled by the lawyer for the East Pilot Group.

Remember, this is not an MDA lawsuit although all MDA pilots will benefit from a victory. This is an East Pilots lawsuit primarily to enforce 'Status Que, Protocol Agreement, McCaskill Bond and Letter G'

I can't answer all your questions because I am not necessarily the guy in the know. There is a committee who will respond if you write to them at johnkaras@rcn.com Normally, the first step in any lawsuit is mediation. I am told that is to be discussed next week.

I am also told that there is a Corporation set up for the East Pilots to obtain information and to donate via a PayPay account. Here is the info I have been provided:

To East Pilots:

We now have a Pay Pal pay button on the new web-site for contributions. Here is a link for the East Pilot Association's web-site....

<http://eastpilotsassociation.com/>

The link below can be pasted on updates or emails and is a link to Pay Pal for the East Pilot's Association. Spread this everywhere you possibly can

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=BKVNNCKABRYEY

We also have a post office box to send checks to and a contact phone number should anyone need to call....

checks should be made out to the East Pilots Association.
East Pilots Association

P.O. Box 122
Bethlehem, PA 18016
Phone Number: 302-219-4995

The link below provides you with all the information you may want to know regarding the lawsuit. I have personally checked this link and it works fine. I think you only have 15 days to review it once you first click on it. You may want to download the pertinent parts.

https://www.pacermonitor.com/public/case/10750664/Karas_et_al_v_Allied_Pilots_Association_et_al

Some of you have send in checks that I intentionally have not cashed because I wanted to see whether or not this lawsuit was worth our investment. I am not convinced that it is not only the money but it may very well be the only thing between MDA and the NIC. APA is not our friend. This lawsuit filed by the East Pilot Group may save our butts. Please consider funding it. The checks I do have will be sent to Ken Hanson for deposit so you'll have a few days to make sure your checkbook can candle the check.

For continued funding, the MDA guys will not see a mandated change. There are two sets of eyes that see every check. There is a spreadsheet that accounts for everything. I personally like the way MDA has done it all these years.

But, if you want a change then all you need to do is click on the link above and send in your payment via Paypal. There will still be two sets of eyes on every payment and there will still be a spreadsheet accounting. The difference is that I am not involved except that sending a check the old way will still work.

Remember to spread the word to as many East Pilots as possible. It is my understanding that a publicist is being hired as early as tomorrow to get the media involved and get the public informed.

There is a very simple way for APA and Company to put this all to bed - comply with the four demands within the lawsuit as stated above.