



William Wertz



Lyndon H. LaRouche



Michael Billington



Edward Spannaus

Targets of the 'Get LaRouche' task force

Each of the individuals on this page is a political organizer who was tried or sentenced (or both) during 1989 by the illegal "Get LaRouche" task force of the U.S. secret government. All of their cases are on appeal.

Lyndon LaRouche, 67, was sentenced Jan. 27 to 15 years in prison in the Alexandria federal case. With him were sentenced his associates: William Wertz, to five years in prison, \$1,000 in fines and a \$50 assessment for each of 11 counts; Edward Spannaus, to five years in prison and \$1,000 in fines and an assessment for each of 10 counts; Michael Billington to three years a \$2,000 fine and a \$50 assessment; Dennis Small, to three years, a \$2,000 fine and a \$50 assessment; Paul Greenberg, to three years, and fined \$2,000 and a \$50 assessment on each of three counts; Joyce Rubinstein Fredman, to three years, and fined \$2,000 and a \$50 assessment on each of three counts. All seven were ordered immediately imprisoned and remain there today.

In the Virginia "LaRouche" cases, 16 individuals and five corporations face trial on charges that the political loans they raised were "securities." Rochelle Ascher, after a three-month trial in Loudoun County, was convicted by a jury which sentenced her to 86 years in prison, modified later by the judge to 20 years. She is free pending appeal. Michael Billington was convicted in a Roanoke court, sentenced to 77 years in the Virginia penitentiary by Judge Clifford R. Weckstein, and denied bail.

In the New York "LaRouche" case, four defendants underwent a four-month trial for conspiracy and scheme to defraud. In the Aug. 31 verdict, George Canning was acquitted; Marielle Kronberg and Lynne Speed were each convicted of scheme to defraud and acquitted of conspiracy; Robert Primack was convicted of scheme to defraud and conspiracy. All are free on their own recognizance and have not yet been sentenced.



Dennis Small



Joyce Rubinstein



Paul Greenberg



Rochelle Ascher



George Canning



Robert Primack



Lynne Speed



Marielle Kronberg