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New Committee to Tackle Rubashkin Case



A new committee has been formed to supervise efforts to secure the release of Shalom Mordechai Rubashkin, former CEO of Agriprocessors in Postville, IA • The group, which is comprised of individuals with years of experience in assisting community members with legal troubles, began assisting Rubashkin six weeks ago • 'The Committee of Concerned Anash for Pidyon Shevuyim' will focus on assisting the Rubashkin family in all matters • [Report](#)

The Committee is working with a team of top lawyers for the best defense as well as a public relations group, and will be collecting funds for the legal defense and keeping the community involved with the cause, Chabad.info was told.

Committee members include Levi Balkany, Yingy Bistrisky, Ari Chitrik, Sholom Duchman, Mendel Feller, Noson Hecht, Shea Hecht, Shmuli Hecht, Sholem B. Hecht, Sholom B. Lipskar, Benjy Stock, Zalman Vishedsky and Yaakov Weiss, Suri Ciment, Hindy Labkowski and Molly Resnick.

In a press release sent to Chabad.info, the committee made the following statement: "The committee wants the public to know they are the official group to assist and aid the Rubashkins, endorsed by the family. The committee has years of experience in dealing with pidyon shevuyim cases, and now they have turned their attention to helping Sholom Rubashkin."

Members of the committee held a meeting Sunday at the offices of The National Committee for the Furtherance of Jewish Education (NCFJE).

Following the meeting the committee held a press conference for the Lubavitch media in an effort to call on the worldwide Lubavitch community to take action, get involved, and donate to the Rubashkin legal fund. The meeting was attended by reporters representing many chabad news outlets, including Chabad.info.

Other Jewish groups are expected to speak out on behalf of Rubashkin, citing that "the case is now an attack against shechita."

Rabbi Pesach Lerner of Young Israel and Rabbi Chaim Dovid Zweibel of Agudas Yisroel are said to be planning a trip to Iowa to meet with Rubashkin in prison.

This Tuesday, lawyers from Grefe and Sidney, one of the firms defending Rubashkin will be visiting Crown Heights to meet with the committee and residents. They are scheduled to meet with Ahron Rubashkin, patriarch and founder of the Agri plant.

"Lubavitch in Crown Heights, and around the world, needs to know – from S. Padre Island, Texas to Shanghai, China, Kosher meat was available because of the Rubashkins," Rabbi Sholem Ber Hecht said. "Any traveler, as well, benefited from Rubashkin. This affects every single person that eats kosher throughout the world."



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