

THE UNITED SYNAGOGUE ERUV COMMITTEE



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TO	Dayan Ehrentreu Dayan Binstock, Rabbi Jackson, Rabbi Silberg, Rabbi Kimche Jonathan Lew, Elkan Levy, Jonathan Kestenbaum Committee Members
FROM	David Schreiber
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RE	High Court Challenge

We were served notice this week of a challenge by Dr Jeffrey Segall to the High Court against the Secretary of State's decision allowing the Eruv application. It is for the Treasury Solicitor to defend the action on behalf of the Government but naturally we are taking advice. The preliminary view we have been given is that it is most unlikely that the High Court would uphold the challenge. Dr Segall's humanist conviction that he wants a 'religion-free' house is not a relevant legal consideration.

We are therefore moving ahead, with confidence and without delay, with all the preparations for the construction of the eruv. The committee has been expanded to involve more representation from the local communities so that we can deal with the technical and financial tasks that face us. We will shortly be launching the fund-raising programme which is aimed at spreading the burden as equitably as possible as the eruv is for the benefit of all. I will be in touch again once we have further details on this and the other aspects of the programme.

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enc High Court action, Eruv Committee statement

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