

Comment Request – Ankit Rambabu Ministries

Hello,

My name is Jeff Cochran, the founder and executive director of the Spiritual Abuse Institute. SAI has received a document that appears to be a silencing NDA (non-disclosure agreement) and that has been reported to have been used by Ankit Rambabu Ministries by an anonymous whistleblower.

You can find the [definition and markers of what we consider a silencing NDA here](#).

I am working on a story regarding this report and preparing to add your ministry to our NDA Disclosure Database in the interest of public transparency and spiritual abuse prevention.

Before writing the article or adding your ministry to the database, I want to provide you with an opportunity to respond before publication and allow you to add any comments or clarity that you desire for us or the public to know.

Specifically, I would like to ask:

1. Does ARB use silencing NDAs currently?
2. Has ARB used or attempted to use these documents in the past? If so, and you have ceased this practice, when did you stop and why?
3. What is the purpose of using these documents in your ministry setting?
4. Is ARB's staff and volunteers aware of the use of these documents prior to signing them and of their potential legal implications?
5. Are the congregations and church leaders that ARB serves aware of the use of these documents and their potential legal implications?

If you would like to provide a statement, you may do so in writing or via an interview. Please note that I am working on a deadline. I will need your response within 14 days of this email.

Please respond via email to spiritualabuseinstitute@protonmail.com.

If I do not receive a response by then, I will note in the article that you declined or did not respond to a request for comment.

Your ministry can be removed from this database at any time if you are willing to make a publicly available commitment to not use silencing NDAs of any kind. If you would like to make that commitment instead of providing a comment, please reply with a link to where that commitment is available to the public.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please let me know if you'd like to set up a call or interview.

Sincerely,

Jeff Cochran
Executive Director | The Spiritual Abuse Institute

