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**Local Documentary Film Inspires Court Case Against Vermont Ski Industry and Dept. of Labor**

Corporations alleged to profit unfairly from volunteer programs; injured employee alleges systemic abuse.

WALLINGFORD: A new Vermont Documentary Film reveals the exploitation of volunteers at ski mountains costing Vermonters millions of dollars in state revenue. The film, titled 'Voluntyranny,' follows unpaid laborers including one who suffered a traumatic brain injury on the job. The lawyer of unpaid resort "Ambassador," Tom Kibbie, is now asking to re-open a case against a Vermont ski mountain, illuminating multimillion-dollar corporations alleged to be acting above the law. Attorney Thomas Bixby is filing for the case against Killington Ltd. to be reopened, asking for a special prosecutor at Rutland Superior Court on Monday, June 1, 2020.

Thomas Bixby said " No corporation is above the law".

Filmmakers Paul Burroughs and Denis O' Brien, interviewed and filmed employment practices in the commercial ski industry that circumvent Vermont's labor laws. Loss of unemployment insurance revenue to the state from the seemingly illegal ski mountain employment strategies amounts to millions of dollars. The mountains leave hundreds of unpaid workers financially vulnerable when they're injured by not providing Workers Compensation Insurance. The film reveals how Vermont's ski industry exploits state employment law to abuse unpaid laborers and avoid financial responsibilities that affect all Vermonters. This national issue is highlighted by the especially apparent abuses in Vermont.

Paul Burroughs states "Millionaires and billionaires do not need volunteers, but they have found a way to do just that on our dime".

'Voluntyranny' will premier in late 2020.

A trailer can be viewed at <http://volun-tyranny.com/>

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