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Church of Scientology must pay woman \$2 million

PORTLAND, Ore. (UPI) — A 22vear-old woman whose attorney claimed she "lived through an Orwellian horror story" as a Church of Scientology member was awarded more than \$2 million in court Wednesday.

Julie Christopherson Titchchurch engaged in unlawful trade outrageous conduct.

practices, fraud and outrageous conduct, damaging her psychologically.

A jury of seven women and five men deliberated 18 hours before awarding her \$3,000 as compensation for the cost of Scientology courses she took and \$150,000 in bourne charged in her suit that the general damages for her claim of

The jury denied any damages for claim from Martin L. Samuels, presunlawful trade practices, but awarded punitive damages for the fraud and outrageous conduct allegations of \$150,000 for each claim from the Church of Scientology of Portland, \$500,000 for each claim from the Mission of Davis, \$300,000 for each claim from the Delphian' Foundation and \$7,000 for each

ident of the three organizations.

The Davis and Delphian organizations are facilities operated by the church.

Mrs. Titchbourne said she plans to go to college to study engineering. She planned to attend Montana State University to study engineering-architecture before she became involved with Scientology, believing the study of Dianetics, the church's education program. would help her in college.

She said Dianetics was described to her as a "science of the mind as probable as any equation in mathematics or physics and it works every time."

She left the church in 1976.