# Case No. 78701

# In the Supreme Court of Nevada

MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC.,
Appellant,

VS.

KEON KHIABANI; ARIA KHIABANI, MINORS, by and through their Guardian MARIE-CLAUDE RIGAUD; SIAMAK BARIN, as Executor of the Estate of KAYVAN KHIABANI, M.D.; the Estate of KAYVAN KHIABANI; SIAMAK BARIN, as Executor of the Estate of KATAYOUN BARIN, DDS; and the Estate of KATAYOUN BARIN, DDS,

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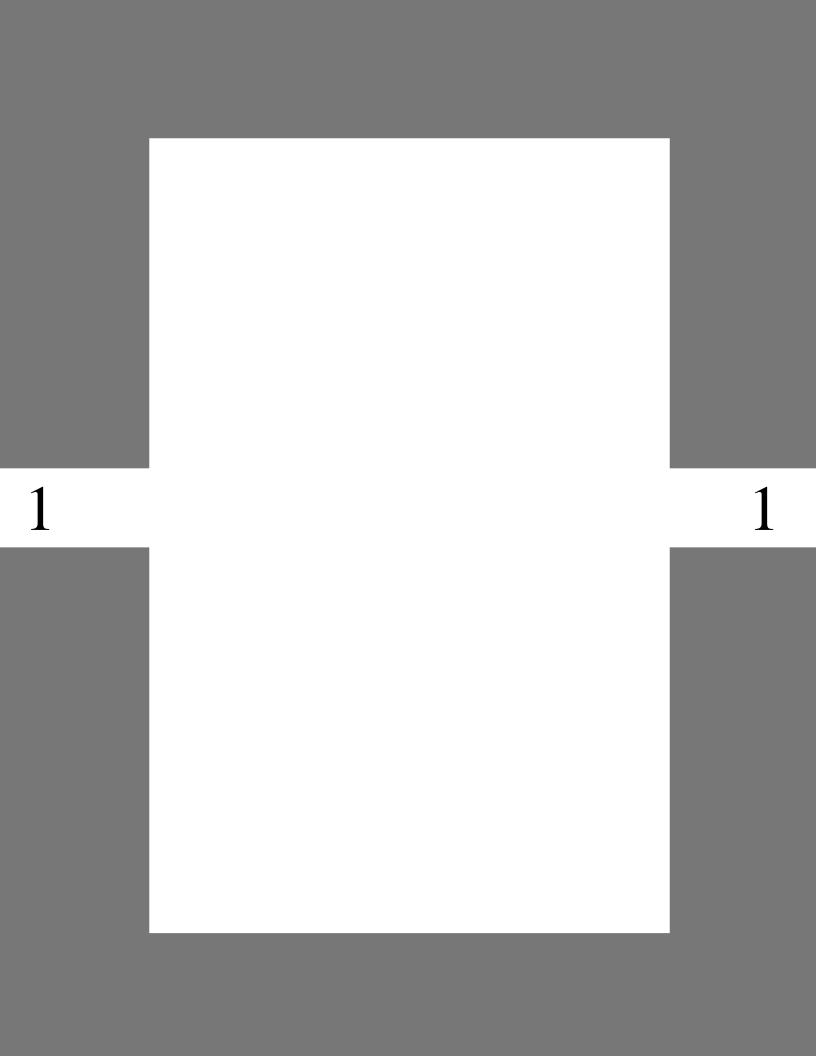
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L. Works, Esq. of CHRISTIANSEN LAW OFFICES, and for their claims against the Defendants, and each of them, complain and allege as follows:

### THE PARTIES

- 1. At all relevant times, Plaintiff minors KEON KHIABANI and ARIA KHIABANI ("Plaintiff minors") were and are residents of Clark County, Nevada. Plaintiff minors are the natural children of Dr. Kayvan Khiabani (Decedent) and Plaintiff Katy Barin.
- 2. At all relevant times, Plaintiff KATY BARIN was and is a resident of Clark County, Nevada. At the time of the incident described herein, Decedent and Plaintiff Katy Barin were husband and wife and resided with the Plaintiff minors in Clark County, Nevada.
- 3. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC. ("MCI") was and is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, including Clark County. MCI designs, manufacturers, markets, and sells commercial tour buses (aka Motor Coaches). Defendant MCI designed, manufactured, and sold the 2008, full-size Motor Coach involved in the incident described herein.
- 4. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant MICHELANGELO LEASING INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS ("Ryan's Express") was and is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Arizona and authorized to do business in the State of Nevada. Ryan's Express is a ground transportation company that provides charter bus services for group transportation. Defendant Ryan's Express owned and operated the MCI bus involved in the incident described herein.
- 5. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant EDWARD HUBBARD was and is a resident of Clark County, Nevada. Edward Hubbard is employed by Ryan's Express as a bus driver. As part of his duties and responsibilities, Hubbard operates full-size Motor Coaches and was operating the MCI bus at the time of the incident described herein.
- 6. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant VISTA OUTDOOR, INC. d/b/a GIRO SPORT DESIGN ("Giro") was and is a

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corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, including Clark County. GIRO designs, manufactures, markets, and sells protective gear and accessories for sport activities, including cycling helmets. Defendant Giro designed, manufactured, and sold the helmet that Dr. Kayvan Khiabani was wearing at the time of the incident described herein.

- 7. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, association or otherwise of the Defendants, DOES 1 through 20 and/or ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 20, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiffs, who therefore sue said Defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that each of the Defendants designated herein as DOES and/or ROE CORPORATIONS is responsible in some manner for the events and happenings herein referred to, and in some manner caused the injuries and damages to Plaintiffs alleged herein. Plaintiffs will ask leave of the court to amend this Complaint to insert the true names and capacities of said Defendants, DOES 1 through 20 and/or ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 20, inclusive when the same have been ascertained by Plaintiffs, together with the appropriate charging allegations, and to join such Defendants in this action.
- 8. Whenever it is alleged in this Complaint that a Defendant did any act or thing, it is meant that such Defendant's officers, agents, servants, employees, or representatives did such act or thing and at the time such act or thing was done, it was done with full authorization or ratification of such Defendant or was done in the normal and routine course and scope of business, or with the actual, apparent and/or implied authority of such Defendant's officers, agents, servants, employees, or representatives. Specifically, Defendants are liable for the actions of its officers, agents, servants, employees, and representatives.
- 9. All of the Defendants as named herein are jointly and severally liable to Plaintiffs for Plaintiffs' damages.
- 10. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that Defendants, and each of them, jointly and in concert undertook to perform the acts as alleged herein, that Defendants and

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each of them had full knowledge of the acts of each co-Defendant as alleged herein, and that each Defendant authorized or subsequently ratified the acts of each co-Defendant as alleged herein, making each co-Defendant an agent of the other Defendants and making each Defendant jointly responsible and liable for the acts and omissions of each co-Defendant as alleged herein.

### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 11. This is an action for damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), exclusive of costs, interest, and attorneys' fees.
- 12. Venue is proper in this Court because the incident giving rise to this lawsuit occurred in Clark County, Nevada.

### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 13. On or about April 18, 2017, Dr. Kayvan Khiabani was riding his Scott Solace 10 Disc road bicycle southbound in a designated bicycle lane on S. Pavilion Center Drive near the Red Rock Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada. At the time, Dr. Khiabani was wearing a bicycle helmet designed, manufactured, and sold by Giro.
- 14. Upon information and belief, at approximately 10:34 AM, as he approached the intersection of S. Pavilion Center Drive and Griffith Peak Drive, Dr. Khiabani was overtaken by a large tour bus on his left side.
- 15. The bus was a 2008, full-size Motor Coach that was designed, manufactured, and sold by Defendant MCI. Upon information and belief, the subject bus was designed and manufactured without proximity sensors to alert the driver of adjacent pedestrians and/or bicyclists that may be difficult to see or to alert such pedestrians and/or bicyclists.
- 16. At the time, the bus was owned and operated by Defendant Ryan's Express and being driven by Defendant Edward Hubbard, an employee of Ryan's Express.
- 17. Upon information and belief, at the time that it overtook Dr. Khiabani, the bus was traveling in excess of the posted speed limit and traversing out of the right-hand turn lane and crossing over the designated bicycle lane from the right side of Dr. Khiabani to the left side of Dr. Khiabani.

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18. As it crossed over the designated bicycle lane to overtake Dr. Khiabani on the left, the bus and Decedent's bicycle collided.

19. As a direct and proximate result of this collision, Dr. Khiabani suffered catastrophic internal and external injuries, including to his head, severe shock to his nervous system, and great pain and suffering. Dr. Khiabani was transported from the scene of the accident and ultimately died from his injuries.

# FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANT MCI)

- 20. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 21. Defendant MCI, or its predecessors and/or affiliates, were responsible for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject bus.
- 22. At the time of the above-described incident, the subject bus was being used in a manner foreseeable by Defendant MCI.
- 23. As so used, and from the time the bus left the hands of Defendant MCI, the subject bus was defective, unfit, and unreasonably dangerous for its foreseeable use.
- 24. The subject bus was further defective and unreasonably dangerous in that Defendant MCI failed to provide adequate warnings about dangers that were known or should have been known by MCI and/or failed to provide adequate instructions for the bus' safe and proper use.
- 25. The aforementioned incident was a direct and proximate result of a defect or defects in the bus and/or the failure of Defendant MCI to warn of defects that were either known or should have been known or to instruct in the safe and proper use of the bus. As a result, Defendant MCI should be held strictly liable in tort to Plaintiffs.
- 26. As a direct and proximate result of the defective nature of the subject bus, Decedent Dr. Kayvan Khiabani suffered catastrophic personal injuries and died.

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27. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, Decedent sustained past, present, and future lost wages, which would otherwise have been gained in his employment if not for his death proximately caused by this accident, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

28. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, the Plaintiff minors each have been deprived of their father's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, each has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of their father, to each for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The minor children also seek to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of their father.

29. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, Plaintiff Katy Barin has been deprived of her husband's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of her husband, for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). Plaintiff Katy Barin also seeks to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of her husband.

- 30. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 31. In carrying out its responsibilities for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject bus, Defendant MCI acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others.

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As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant MCI, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

32. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

- 33. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 34. Defendant Ryan's Express is vicariously liable for the wrongful acts or omissions of its employee, Defendant Hubbard, in connection with the subject accident because: (i) at the time of the subject accident, Defendant Hubbard was under the control of Defendant Ryan's Express, and (ii) at the time of the subject accident, Defendant Hubbard was acting within the scope of his employment with Ryan's Express.
- 35. Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard owed a duty of care to Dr. Khiabani and Plaintiffs to exercise due care in the operation of the 2008, full-size commercial tour bus.
- 36. Defendants were negligent and breached this duty of care, *inter alia*: (i) by overtaking Dr. Khiabani at an unsafe speed, which, upon information and belief, also exceeded the posted speed limit; (ii) by failing to give an audible warning with the horn before overtaking Dr. Khiabani; (iii) by failing to overtake Dr. Khiabani in a reasonably safe manner; (iv) by failing to

ensure that Dr. Khiabani's bicycle was safely clear before overtaking the bicycle; (v) by failing to leave at least 3 feet between any portion of the bus and Dr. Khiabani and/or his bicycle at the time that the bus overtook Dr. Khiabani; (vi) by failing to yield the right-of-way to Dr.

Khiabani; and (vii) by entering, crossing over, and/or driving within the designated bicycle lane while Dr. Khiabani was traveling therein.

37. As a direct and proximate result of these negligent acts and omissions, Decedent Dr. Kayvan Khiabani suffered catastrophic personal injuries and died.

38. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, Decedent sustained past, present, and future lost wages, which would otherwise have been gained in his employment if not for his death proximately caused by this accident, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

- 39. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, the Plaintiff minors each have been deprived of their father's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, each has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of their father, to each for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The minor children also seek to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of their father.
- 40. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, Plaintiff Katy Barin has been deprived of her husband's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of her husband, for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). Plaintiff Katy Barin also seeks to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of her husband.
- 41. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 42. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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# THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

#### (NEGLIGENCE PER SE AGAINST DEFENDANTS

### RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

- 43. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 44. When the subject bus overtook Dr. Khiabani at the time of the incident, Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard violated Nev. Rev. Stat. § 484B.270, inter alia: (i) by overtaking Dr. Khiabani at an unsafe speed, which, upon information and belief, also exceeded the posted speed limit; (ii) by failing to give an audible warning with the horn before overtaking Dr. Khiabani; (iii) by failing to overtake Dr. Khiabani in a reasonably safe manner; (iv) by failing to ensure that Dr. Khiabani's bicycle was safely clear before overtaking the bicycle; (v) by failing to leave at least 3 feet between any portion of the bus and Dr. Khiabani and/or his bicycle at the time that the bus overtook Dr. Khiabani; (vi) by failing to yield the right-of-way to Dr. Khiabani; and (vii) by entering, crossing over, and/or driving within the designated bicycle lane while Dr. Khiabani was traveling therein.
- 45. These violations, and each of them, were a legal cause of the incident and Plaintiffs' resulting injuries.
- 46. Plaintiffs belong to the class of persons that the safety requirements in NRS 484B.270 are intended to protect.
- 47. As a direct and proximate cause of Defendants violations of NRS 484B.270, and each of them, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), as outlined above.
- 48. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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#### FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (NEGLIGENT TRAINING AGAINST DEFENDANT RYAN'S EXPRESS)

- 49. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 50. Defendant Ryan's Express owed a duty of care to Dr. Khiabani and Plaintiffs to adequately train its drivers, including Defendant Edward Hubbard, to safely operate its commercial tour busses, including the bus involved in the subject incident.
- 51. Defendant Ryan's Express was negligent and breached this duty of care by failing to adequately train its drivers, including Edward Hubbard, to safely operate its commercial tour busses, including the bus involved in the subject incident. Defendant Ryan's Express further breached this duty of care by entrusting the subject tour bus to an inadequately trained person (i.e., Defendant Hubbard).
- 52. These negligent acts and omissions, and each of them, were a legal cause of the incident and Plaintiffs' resulting injuries.
- 53. As a direct and proximate result of these negligent acts and omissions, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), as outlined above.
- 54. In carrying out its responsibility to adequately train its drivers, Defendant Ryan's Express acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant Ryan's Express, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 55. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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#### FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

### (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR

#### FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANT GIRO)

- 56. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 57. Defendant Giro, or its predecessors and/or affiliates, were responsible for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the helmet that Dr. Khiabani was wearing at the time of the above-described accident.
- 58. At the time of the subject accident, and at all other times material hereto, the helmet was being used in a manner foreseeable by Defendant Giro.
- 59. As so used, the subject helmet was defective, unfit, and unreasonably dangerous for its foreseeable use in that there was inadequate protection of the head by the helmet, which caused or contributed to the death of Dr. Khiabani.
- 60. The subject helmet was further defective and unreasonably dangerous in that Defendant Giro failed to provide adequate warnings about dangers that were either known or should have been known by Giro and/or failed to provide adequate instructions regarding the helmet's safe and proper use.
- 61. The aforementioned death of Dr. Khiabani was a direct and proximate result of a defect or defects in the helmet and/or the failure of Defendant Giro to warn of defects that were either known or should have been known or to instruct in the safe and proper use of the helmet. As a result, Defendant Giro should be held strictly liable in tort to Plaintiffs.
- 62. As a direct and proximate result of the defective nature of the helmet and said deficiencies in warnings and/or instructions, Decedent Dr. Kayvan Khiabani suffered a catastrophic head injury and ultimately died.
- 63. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant Giro, Decedent sustained past, present, and future lost wages, which would otherwise have been gained in his employment if not for his death, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

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and disfigurement of their father.

65. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant Giro, Plaintiff Katy Barin has been deprived of her husband's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of her husband, for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). Plaintiff Katy Barin also seeks to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of her husband.

66. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant Giro, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

67. In carrying out its responsibilities for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject helmet, Defendant Giro acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant Giro, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

68. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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### SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A

### PARTICULAR PURPOSE AGAINST DEFENDANT GIRO)

- 69. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 70. Giro and Decedent, Dr. Khiabani, entered into a contract for the sale of goods (i.e., the Giro helmet).
- 71. Defendant Giro had reason to know of the particular purpose for which the helmet was required by Dr. Khiabani (i.e., to wear while riding his road bicycle).
- 72. Dr. Khiabani relied on Defendant Giro's skill or judgment to furnish suitable goods for this purpose.
- 73. The helmet sold by Defendant Giro to Dr. Khiabani was not fit for said purpose and, as a direct and proximate result, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), as outlined above.
- 74. In carrying out its responsibilities for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject helmet, Defendant Giro acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant Giro, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 75. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

### SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

### (WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS)

76. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.

77. Plaintiff minors and Plaintiff Katy Barin are the heirs of Decedent and are entitled to
maintain an action for damages against the Defendants for the wrongful death of Dr. Kayva
Khiabani.

- 78. As a result of the injuries to and death of Dr. Khiabani, Plaintiffs are entitled to damages, including, but not limited to: pecuniary damages for their grief and sorrow, loss of probable support, companionship, society, comfort and consortium, and damages for pain, suffering and disfigurement of the Decedent.
- 79. As a direct and proximate result of the wrongful death of Dr. Khiabani, Plaintiffs have been damaged in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 80. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment of this Court as follows:

- 1. Past and future general damages in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- 2. Past and future special damages in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- 3. Past and future damages for the wrongful death of Dr. Kayvan Khiabani, as set forth in NRS 41.085, in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- 4. Punitive damages in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- Prejudgment and post-judgment interest, as allowed by law;
- 6. Costs of suit and reasonable attorneys' fees, as allowed by law, in an amount to be determined; and
- 7. For such other and further relief that the Court may deem just and proper. DATED this 25 day of May, 2017.

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### **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiffs by and through their attorneys of record, KEMP, JONES & COULTHARD, LLP and CHRISTIANSEN LAW OFFICES, hereby demand a jury trial of all of the issues in the above matter.

DATED this 25 day of May, 2017.

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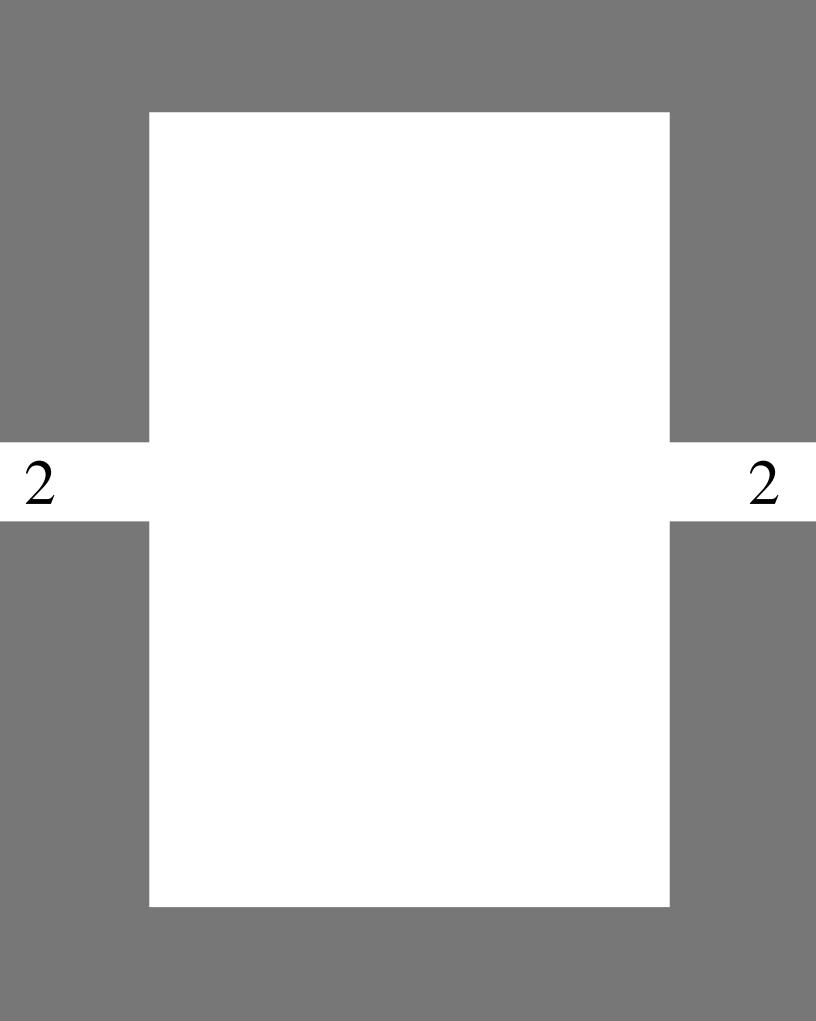
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COME NOW Plaintiffs, KEON KHIABANI and ARIA KHIABANI, minors by and through their natural mother, KATAYOUN ("KATY") BARIN, KATY BARIN, individually, KATY BARIN as Executrix of the Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent), and the Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent), by and through their attorneys, Will Kemp, Esq. and Eric Pepperman, Esq. of the law firm KEMP, JONES & COULTHARD, LLP and Peter S. Christiansen, Esq. and Kendelee L. Works, Esq. of CHRISTIANSEN LAW OFFICES, and for their claims against the Defendants, and each of them, complain and allege as follows:

### THE PARTIES

- 1. At all relevant times, Plaintiff minors KEON KHIABANI and ARIA KHIABANI ("Plaintiff minors") were and are residents of Clark County, Nevada. Plaintiff minors are the natural children of Dr. Kayvan Khiabani (Decedent) and Plaintiff Katy Barin.
- 2. At all relevant times, Plaintiff KATY BARIN was and is a resident of Clark County, Nevada. At the time of the incident described herein, Decedent and Plaintiff Katy Barin were husband and wife and resided with the Plaintiff minors in Clark County, Nevada.
- 3. Plaintiff KATY BARIN is a duly authorized Executrix of the Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent). As Executrix, Katy Barin is authorized to bring this action on behalf of Plaintiff the Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent).
- 4. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC. ("MCI") was and is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, including Clark County. MCI designs, manufacturers, markets, and sells commercial tour buses (aka Motor Coaches). Defendant MCI designed, manufactured, and sold the 2008, full-size Motor Coach involved in the incident described herein.
- 5. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant MICHELANGELO LEASING INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS ("Ryan's Express") was and is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Arizona and authorized to do business in the State of Nevada. Ryan's Express is a ground transportation

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company that provides charter bus services for group transportation. Defendant Ryan's Express owned and operated the MCI bus involved in the incident described herein.

- 6. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant EDWARD HUBBARD was and is a resident of Clark County, Nevada. Edward Hubbard is employed by Ryan's Express as a bus driver. As part of his duties and responsibilities, Hubbard operates full-size Motor Coaches and was operating the MCI bus at the time of the incident described herein.
- 7. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant BELL SPORTS, INC. d/b/a GIRO SPORT DESIGN ("Giro") was and is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California and authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, including Clark County. GIRO designs, manufactures, markets, and sells protective gear and accessories for sport activities, including cycling helmets. Defendant Giro designed, manufactured, and sold the helmet that Dr. Kayvan Khiabani was wearing at the time of the incident described herein.
- 8. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that at all relevant times, Defendant SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC. d/b/a PRO CYCLERY ("Pro Cyclery") was and is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Nevada and authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, including Clark County. Pro Cyclery is engaged in the retail sale of bicycles and cycling accessories, including cycling helmets. Upon information and belief, Defendant Pro Cyclery sold to Dr. Kayvan Khiabani the helmet that Dr. Khiabani was wearing at the time of the incident described herein.
- 9. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, association or otherwise of the Defendants, DOES 1 through 20 and/or ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 20, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiffs, who therefore sue said Defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that each of the Defendants designated herein as DOES and/or ROE CORPORATIONS is responsible in some manner for the events and happenings herein referred to, and in some manner caused the injuries and damages to Plaintiffs alleged herein. Plaintiffs will ask leave of the court to amend this Complaint to insert the true

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names and capacities of said Defendants, DOES 1 through 20 and/or ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 20, inclusive when the same have been ascertained by Plaintiffs, together with the appropriate charging allegations, and to join such Defendants in this action.

- 10. Whenever it is alleged in this Complaint that a Defendant did any act or thing, it is meant that such Defendant's officers, agents, servants, employees, or representatives did such act or thing and at the time such act or thing was done, it was done with full authorization or ratification of such Defendant or was done in the normal and routine course and scope of business, or with the actual, apparent and/or implied authority of such Defendant's officers, agents, servants, employees, or representatives. Specifically, Defendants are liable for the actions of its officers, agents, servants, employees, and representatives.
- 11. All of the Defendants as named herein are jointly and severally liable to Plaintiffs for Plaintiffs' damages.
- 12. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that Defendants, and each of them, jointly and in concert undertook to perform the acts as alleged herein, that Defendants and each of them had full knowledge of the acts of each co-Defendant as alleged herein, and that each Defendant authorized or subsequently ratified the acts of each co-Defendant as alleged herein, making each co-Defendant an agent of the other Defendants and making each Defendant jointly responsible and liable for the acts and omissions of each co-Defendant as alleged herein.

### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 13. This is an action for damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), exclusive of costs, interest, and attorneys' fees.
- 14. Venue is proper in this Court because the incident giving rise to this lawsuit occurred in Clark County, Nevada.

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### GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

15. On or about April 18, 2017, Dr. Kayvan Khiabani was riding his Scott Solace 10 Disc road bicycle southbound in a designated bicycle lane on S. Pavilion Center Drive near the Red Rock Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada. At the time, Dr. Khiabani was wearing a bicycle helmet designed, manufactured, and sold by Giro. Upon information and belief, Dr. Khiabani purchased the Giro helmet at the retail level from Defendant Pro Cyclery.

16. Upon information and belief, at approximately 10:34 AM, as he approached the intersection of S. Pavilion Center Drive and Griffith Peak Drive, Dr. Khiabani was overtaken by a large tour bus on his left side.

17. The bus was a 2008, full-size Motor Coach that was designed, manufactured, and sold by Defendant MCI and further identified by Vehicle Identification No. 2M93JMHA28W064555 and Utah License Plate No. Z044712. Upon information and belief, the subject bus was designed and manufactured without proximity sensors to alert the driver of adjacent pedestrians and/or bicyclists that may be difficult to see or to alert such pedestrians and/or bicyclists.

- 18. At the time, the bus was owned and operated by Defendant Ryan's Express and being driven by Defendant Edward Hubbard, an employee of Ryan's Express.
- 19. Upon information and belief, at the time that it overtook Dr. Khiabani, the bus was traveling in excess of the posted speed limit and traversing out of the right-hand turn lane and crossing over the designated bicycle lane from the right side of Dr. Khiabani to the left side of Dr. Khiabani.
- 20. As it crossed over the designated bicycle lane to overtake Dr. Khiabani on the left, the bus and Decedent's bicycle collided.
- 21. As a direct and proximate result of this collision, Dr. Khiabani suffered catastrophic internal and external injuries, including to his head, severe shock to his nervous system, and great pain and suffering. Dr. Khiabani was transported from the scene of the accident and ultimately died from his injuries.

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### FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANT MCI)

- 22. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 23. Defendant MCI, or its predecessors and/or affiliates, were responsible for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject bus.
- 24. At the time of the above-described incident, the subject bus was being used in a manner foreseeable by Defendant MCI.
- 25. As so used, and from the time the bus left the hands of Defendant MCI, the subject bus was defective, unfit, and unreasonably dangerous for its foreseeable use.
- 26. The subject bus was further defective and unreasonably dangerous in that Defendant MCI failed to provide adequate warnings about dangers that were known or should have been known by MCI and/or failed to provide adequate instructions for the bus' safe and proper use.
- 27. The aforementioned incident was a direct and proximate result of a defect or defects in the bus and/or the failure of Defendant MCI to warn of defects that were either known or should have been known or to instruct in the safe and proper use of the bus. As a result, Defendant MCI should be held strictly liable in tort to Plaintiffs.
- 28. As a direct and proximate result of the defective nature of the subject bus, Decedent Dr. Kayvan Khiabani suffered catastrophic personal injuries and died.
- 29. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, Decedent sustained past, present, and future lost wages, which would otherwise have been gained in his employment if not for his death proximately caused by this accident, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 30. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, the Plaintiff minors each have been deprived of their father's comfort, support, companionship,

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society, and consortium, and further, each has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of their father, to each for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The minor children also seek to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of their father.

- 31. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, Plaintiff Katy Barin has been deprived of her husband's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of her husband, for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). Plaintiff Katy Barin also seeks to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of her husband.
- 32. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, Decedent's Estate and/or Executrix Katy Barin has incurred medical, funeral and burial expenses, and other expenses relating thereto, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 33. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendant MCI, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 34. In carrying out its responsibilities for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject bus, Defendant MCI acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant MCI, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

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35. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

- 36. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 37. Defendant Ryan's Express is vicariously liable for the wrongful acts or omissions of its employee, Defendant Hubbard, in connection with the subject accident because: (i) at the time of the subject accident, Defendant Hubbard was under the control of Defendant Ryan's Express, and (ii) at the time of the subject accident, Defendant Hubbard was acting within the scope of his employment with Ryan's Express.
- 38. Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard owed a duty of care to Dr. Khiabani and Plaintiffs to exercise due care in the operation of the 2008, full-size commercial tour bus.
- 39. Defendants were negligent and breached this duty of care, inter alia: (i) by overtaking Dr. Khiabani at an unsafe speed, which, upon information and belief, also exceeded the posted speed limit; (ii) by failing to give an audible warning with the horn before overtaking Dr. Khiabani; (iii) by failing to overtake Dr. Khiabani in a reasonably safe manner; (iv) by failing to ensure that Dr. Khiabani's bicycle was safely clear before overtaking the bicycle; (v) by failing to leave at least 3 feet between any portion of the bus and Dr. Khiabani and/or his bicycle at the time that the bus overtook Dr. Khiabani; (vi) by failing to yield the right-of-way to Dr. Khiabani; and (vii) by entering, crossing over, and/or driving within the designated bicycle lane while Dr. Khiabani was traveling therein.
- 40. As a direct and proximate result of these negligent acts and omissions, Decedent Dr. Kayvan Khiabani suffered catastrophic personal injuries and died.
- 41. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, Decedent sustained past, present, and future lost wages,

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- 42. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Rvan's Express and Edward Hubbard, the Plaintiff minors each have been deprived of their father's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, each has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of their father, to each for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The minor children also seek to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of their father.
- 43. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, Plaintiff Katy Barin has been deprived of her husband's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of her husband, for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). Plaintiff Katy Barin also seeks to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of her husband.
- 44. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, Decedent's Estate and/or Executrix Katy Barin has incurred medical, funeral and burial expenses, and other expenses relating thereto, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 45. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts and omissions of Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 46. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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#### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

### (NEGLIGENCE PER SE AGAINST DEFENDANTS

### RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

- 47. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 48. When the subject bus overtook Dr. Khiabani at the time of the incident, Defendants Ryan's Express and Edward Hubbard violated Nev. Rev. Stat. § 484B.270, inter alia: (i) by overtaking Dr. Khiabani at an unsafe speed, which, upon information and belief, also exceeded the posted speed limit; (ii) by failing to give an audible warning with the horn before overtaking Dr. Khiabani; (iii) by failing to overtake Dr. Khiabani in a reasonably safe manner; (iv) by failing to ensure that Dr. Khiabani's bicycle was safely clear before overtaking the bicycle; (v) by failing to leave at least 3 feet between any portion of the bus and Dr. Khiabani and/or his bicycle at the time that the bus overtook Dr. Khiabani; (vi) by failing to yield the right-of-way to Dr. Khiabani; and (vii) by entering, crossing over, and/or driving within the designated bicycle lane while Dr. Khiabani was traveling therein.
- 49. These violations, and each of them, were a legal cause of the incident and Plaintiffs' resulting injuries.
- 50. Plaintiffs belong to the class of persons that the safety requirements in NRS 484B.270 are intended to protect.
- 51. As a direct and proximate cause of Defendants violations of NRS 484B.270, and each of them, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), as outlined above.
- 52. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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### FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

### (NEGLIGENT TRAINING AGAINST DEFENDANT RYAN'S EXPRESS)

- 53. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 54. Defendant Ryan's Express owed a duty of care to Dr. Khiabani and Plaintiffs to adequately train its drivers, including Defendant Edward Hubbard, to safely operate its commercial tour busses, including the bus involved in the subject incident.
- 55. Defendant Ryan's Express was negligent and breached this duty of care by failing to adequately train its drivers, including Edward Hubbard, to safely operate its commercial tour busses, including the bus involved in the subject incident. Defendant Ryan's Express further breached this duty of care by entrusting the subject tour bus to an inadequately trained person (i.e., Defendant Hubbard).
- 56. These negligent acts and omissions, and each of them, were a legal cause of the incident and Plaintiffs' resulting injuries.
- 57. As a direct and proximate result of these negligent acts and omissions, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), as outlined above.
- 58. In carrying out its responsibility to adequately train its drivers, Defendant Ryan's Express acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant Ryan's Express, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 59. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

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### FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- 60. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 61. Defendant Giro, or its predecessors and/or affiliates, were responsible for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the helmet that Dr. Khiabani was wearing at the time of the above-described accident.
- 62. Upon information and belief, Defendant Pro Cyclery, or its predecessors and/or affiliates, were part of the subject helmet's chain of distribution and sold to Dr. Khiabani at the retail level the helmet that Dr. Khiabani was wearing at the time of the above-described accident.
- 63. At the time of the subject accident, and at all other times material hereto, the helmet was being used in a manner foreseeable by Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery.
- 64. As so used, the subject helmet was defective, unfit, and unreasonably dangerous for its foreseeable use in that there was inadequate protection of the head by the helmet, which caused or contributed to the death of Dr. Khiabani.
- 65. The subject helmet was further defective and unreasonably dangerous in that Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery failed to provide adequate warnings about dangers that were either known or should have been known by Giro and Pro Cyclery and/or failed to provide adequate instructions regarding the helmet's safe and proper use.
- 66. The aforementioned death of Dr. Khiabani was a direct and proximate result of a defect or defects in the helmet and/or the failure of Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery to warn of defects that were either known or should have been known or to instruct in the safe and proper use of the helmet. As a result, Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery should be held strictly liable in tort to Plaintiffs.

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67. As a direct and proximate result of the defective nature of the helmet and said deficiencies in warnings and/or instructions, Decedent Dr. Kayvan Khiabani suffered a catastrophic head injury and ultimately died.

68. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery, Decedent sustained past, present, and future lost wages, which would otherwise have been gained in his employment if not for his death, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

69. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery, the Plaintiff minors each have been deprived of their father's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, each has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of their father, to each for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The minor children also seek to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of their father.

70. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery, Plaintiff Katy Barin has been deprived of her husband's comfort, support, companionship, society, and consortium, and further, has suffered great grief, sorrow, and extreme emotional distress as a result of the death of her husband, for general damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and economic damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). Plaintiff Katy Barin also seeks to recover for the pain, suffering, and disfigurement of her husband.

71. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery, Decedent's Estate and/or Executrix Katy Barin has incurred medical, funeral, and burial expenses, and other expenses relating thereto, far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

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72. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of Defendants Giro and Pro Cyclery, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

73. In carrying out its responsibilities for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject helmet, Defendant Giro acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant Giro, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

74. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

### SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

75. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.

76. Giro/Pro Cyclery and Decedent, Dr. Khiabani, entered into a contract for the sale of goods (i.e., the Giro helmet).

77. Defendants Giro/Pro Cyclery had reason to know of the particular purpose for which the helmet was required by Dr. Khiabani (i.e., to wear while riding his road bicycle).

78. Dr. Khiabani relied on the skill or judgment of Defendants Giro/Pro Cyclery to furnish suitable goods for this purpose.

79. The helmet sold by Defendants Giro/Pro Cyclery to Dr. Khiabani was not fit for said purpose and, as a direct and proximate result, Plaintiffs have suffered general and special damages far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), as outlined above.

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80. In carrying out its responsibilities for the design, manufacture, construction, assembly, testing, labeling, distribution, marketing, and sale of the subject helmet, Defendant Giro acted with fraud, malice, express or implied, oppression, and/or conscious disregard of the safety of others. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct of Defendant Giro, Plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

81. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

### SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

### (WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS)

- 82. Plaintiffs incorporate by this reference each and every allegation previously made in this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 83. Plaintiff minors and Plaintiff Katy Barin are the heirs of Decedent and are entitled to maintain an action for damages against the Defendants for the wrongful death of Dr. Kayvan Khiabani.
- 84. Pursuant to NRS 41.085, Katy Barin is the Executrix of the Estates of the Decedent and may also maintain an action for damages against the Defendants for special damages and penalties, including but not limited to exemplary or punitive damages as set forth in NRS 41.085(5).
- 85. As a result of the injuries to and death of Dr. Khiabani, Plaintiffs are entitled to damages, including, but not limited to: pecuniary damages for their grief and sorrow, loss of probable support, companionship, society, comfort and consortium, and damages for pain, suffering and disfigurement of the Decedent.
- 86. As a direct and proximate result of the wrongful death of Dr. Khiabani, Plaintiffs have been damaged in an amount far in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

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87. Plaintiffs have been required to retain legal counsel to prosecute this action, and are therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred in this action.

### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment of this Court as follows:

- 1. Past and future general damages in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- 2. Past and future special damages in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- 3. Past and future damages for the wrongful death of Dr. Kayvan Khiabani, as set forth in NRS 41.085, in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- 4. Punitive damages in an amount in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00);
- 5. Prejudgment and post-judgment interest, as allowed by law;
- 6. Costs of suit and reasonable attorneys' fees, as allowed by law, in an amount to be determined; and
- 7. For such other and further relief that the Court may deem just and proper. DATED this 6th day of June, 2017.

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### **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiffs by and through their attorneys of record, KEMP, JONES & COULTHARD, LLP and CHRISTIANSEN LAW OFFICES, hereby demand a jury trial of all of the issues in the above matter.

DATED this 6th day of June, 2017.

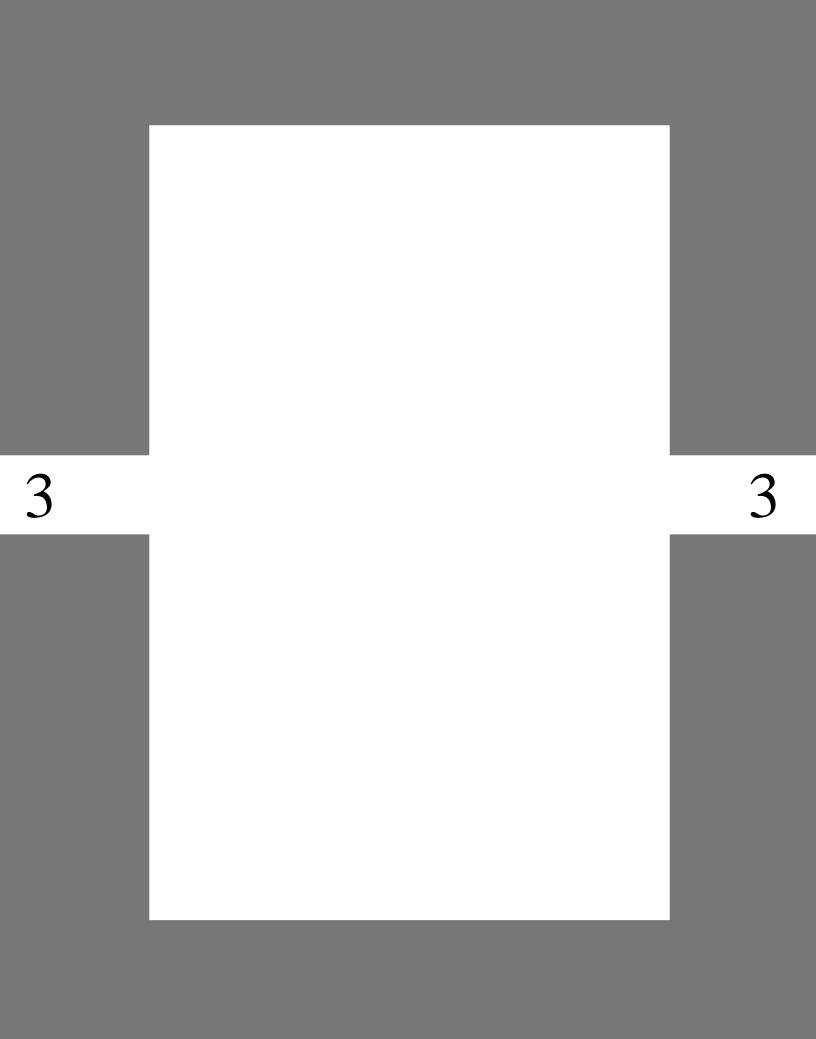
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               THE COURT: And they have notice of this
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               MR. KEMP:
                          Yes, Your Honor. With regards to
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     Mr. Hubbard and Michelangelo Leasing, counsel indicated
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     just a second ago he didn't think they'd been served, I
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     have affidavits of service where they were both served
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     two days ago.
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               THE COURT: All right. Very good.
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               MR. KEMP:
                          Maybe it hasn't filtered down to
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     him yet, but they've both been served.
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               THE COURT:
                           Okay. Very good.
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               All right. We are here pursuant to
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     plaintiff's application for TRO requiring bus -- the
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     bus company and driver to preserve and immediately turn
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     over relevant electronic monitoring information from
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     the bus driver and cell phone on an order shortening
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     time.
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               Go on, counsel.
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               MS. COURT RECORDER: Court's indulgence, Your
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     Honor.
             I don't believe I got all the appearances.
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               THE COURT: All right.
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               MR. KEMP:
                          Your Honor, Will Kemp from Kemp
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     Jones & Coulthard and Eric Pepperman and we represent
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     the first named plaintiff, Keon Khiabani, K-e-o-n,
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     Khiabani, K-h-i-a-b-a-n-i, and we represent the estate.
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               THE COURT: Okay. And before we go on --
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MR. CHRISTIANSEN: And, Your Honor, just so

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     that we're all clear, Pete Christiansen and Kendelee
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     Works. I represent the second minor child, Aria
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     Khiabani and Katayoun, who goes by Katie, Barin, the
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     mother individually.
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               THE COURT:
                          Okay. Very good.
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               Sandy, will you please make sure we have the
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     C -- I have the CD? Thank you.
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               All right. Anyone else?
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               MR. KEMP: No, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT:
                           Okay. I'd like to disclose that
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     in the past I have been supported by I believe the law
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     firm that Mr. -- that Mr. Kemp works with and many
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     other law firms, fortunately for me, but this happens
     almost daily in my motion calendar or my cases and I --
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     I am and will be fair and impartial.
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               Okay.
                     Go on.
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               MR. KEMP: Your Honor, what we're here today
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     to do is just to try to preserve some evidence.
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               THE COURT:
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                          And the evidence at issue consists
               MR. KEMP:
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     of two types of evidence. One, computer data generated
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     by the bus that was involved in the accident which
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     occurred on April 18th, and two is the cell phone of
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     the driver of the bus.
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Basically all vehicles now are moving

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     computers, and so what we think the bus data would
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     provide for us is the speed of the bus at the time of
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     the accident and immediately before the accident and
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     the direction, the exact direction of the bus, as well
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     as any information with regards to other things that
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     were going on in the bus, infotainment centers,
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     entertainment centers, anything of that sort. Metro is
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     investigating the accident but -- and you may ask,
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     well, why didn't Metro preserve this? Metro does not
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     have the capability to download bus data at the present
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     time. They can download car data, but they cannot
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     download bus data. So while it's commonplace for the
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     Metro investigating team to download all the car data
     and preserve it, they don't have the equipment to
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     download the bus data. There's two places in town, one
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     of whom our consultant operates that can download the
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     bus data. So what we would propose is that --
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               THE COURT: What is the other place, Counsel?
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               MR. KEMP:
                          I'm not sure as I sit here today,
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     Your Honor, but I do know there's two.
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               THE COURT:
                           Okay.
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               MR. KEMP:
                          Okay? And if it -- if there's a
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     dispute as to what location to use, we don't have any
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     problem using an independent location.
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Okay.

THE COURT:

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MR. KEMP: The other type of data we're asking for is the cell phone data of the driver of the bus, and specifically what we think is going to be in there is GPS data that will allow us, No. 1, to calculate speed and potentially direction to confirm the data from the bus.

So the proposed order — if I can approach, Your Honor, with the proposed order? Your Honor, this needs to be changed because, as Mr. Stoberski pointed out to me just a second ago, this is our original caption, it's not the amended caption. But I handed it to you just to show you the parameters of what we're asking for.

We're asking that the bus company immediately download all this data. Some of it they may not have per the example of proximity sensors. I don't know what kind of data, if any, they have on proximity sensors. But if they have it, we want to download it and copy it within five days of service of the order on the bus company.

And we're very flexible with regards to working with the bus company and counsel, but I think it's in the best interest of all the parties that this data be made available to everybody immediately.

Now, with regards to the cell phone data, I

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    proposed a slightly different procedure. I'm sensitive
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     to the fact that cell phone data --
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                           Counsel, just will you please
               THE COURT:
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     repeat the distinction in the bus information that you
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     need downloaded?
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               MR. KEMP:
                          Okay. We want what's called the
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     engine control module, ECM; the global positioning
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     system --
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               THE COURT:
                           Yeah, I have a list of those, but
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     I don't know what differs from your order.
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               MR. KEMP:
                          It's not different from the order,
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                  The order tracks exactly what we want.
     Your Honor.
               THE COURT: Oh, okay.
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               MR. KEMP:
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               THE COURT:
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                          We don't want anything different
               MR. KEMP:
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     than the order.
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               With regards to the cell phone, first of all,
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     as we say in our moving papers, unfortunately cell
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     phone data sometimes disappears. The Tom Brady
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     incident where he was being investigated.
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               THE COURT:
                           I read that.
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               MR. KEMP:
                          Yeah, that's the classic example.
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     People want something and then all of the sudden the
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cell phone disappears.

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But we are sensitive to the fact that cell phones include stuff that we're not entitled to, privileged communications. So what we proposed is merely that the data be copied, and then we will work with opposing counsel at a later date to determine how we access it or whether he accesses it and provides us what we want from it. I'm very sensitive to that.

So that is our proposal. As the Court comment in a minute order, the defendants have an obligation to preserve the evidence in any event, but I'm -- you know, I hate to refer back to Tom Brady again, but I'm very concerned that this data might not be maintained in its complete form and we can't get to it. And so, for that reason, we would submit that there's grounds for temporary restraining order.

With regards to the hardship, I don't see any hardship whatsoever upon the defendants because they have to preserve the data in the first place. So for those reasons we submit that the order should be granted.

THE COURT: Counsel?

MR. RUSSELL: On behalf of Motor Coach Industries, we don't have any objection to any of what Mr. Kemp has proposed. We think it would be fruitful for all the parties as well. As he mentioned, there's

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     going to be a new order submitted.
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     additions that I spoke to Mr. Pepperman about, changes
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     to that proposed order. But beyond that, nothing
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     specific.
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               THE COURT: And those -- you've seen it,
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     the --
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               MR. RUSSELL: He provided a proposed order
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     and T --
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               THE COURT:
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               MR. RUSSELL: -- suggested a couple changes
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     to it, yeah.
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               THE COURT:
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                             I just wanted to make sure that
               MR. RUSSELL:
     all parties were going to be -- as it related to the
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     cell phone review, I -- Mr. Kemp makes a good point
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     about keeping it privileged and conferring about that,
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     but I think all parties should be involved in that in
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     case there's evidence that we believe is relevant or
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    Mr. Stoberski believes is relevant and Mr. Kemp
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     doesn't. So we should all be involved in that
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     discussion.
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               THE COURT:
                           Of course.
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               MR. STOBERSKI:
                              No objection overall, Your
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            But various comments, same thing. And I'd also
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like to have my national counsel take a look at the

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    proposed order before we sign off on it.
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               THE COURT:
                           Okay. How long will that take?
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              MR. STOBERSKI: Just a day, a half day.
               THE COURT:
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                           Okay. Okay.
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               Let's see.
                           I've reviewed everything.
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     actually think that --
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              MR. FREEMAN: Your Honor? Hello?
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               THE COURT: Oh, I'm sorry. Yes, Mr. Freeman.
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              MR. FREEMAN:
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               THE COURT: Yes. Sorry about that.
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              MR. FREEMAN:
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     difficult time hearing the people speaking in the
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     courtroom there, and I quess my objection and what I
     don't understand is the need for the TRO.
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               Obligations to preserve evidence are well
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             They're outlined in all the Nevada cases that
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    have been cited. What I take exception with and object
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    to is the immediate disclosure of the information and
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           I think it's completely overbroad.
    data.
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     defendants that it affects haven't made an appearance
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     yet. I don't even believe they've been served.
    defendants should have the advice of counsel before
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turning over any type of information or data, whatever

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understanding of the specifics of what is being

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You know, NRCP 65(e) which covers TROs, you know, sets out that, you know, reasonable detail deemed to be put out about what is to be restrained. I don't see how it relates to a required disclosure. You know, preserving evidence is one thing, but the immediate turning over of this vague information and data is a whole other thing.

THE COURT: Well --

MR. FREEMAN: You know, while I will surely cooperate and give access to, you know, what is -- you know, what is reasonably requested, you know, we'll definitely do that. You know, my concern is that this is, you know, coming before the Court before the defendants that it affects have even been served and neither have made an appearance.

THE COURT: Okay. It's my understanding -you may -- you may have heard it. Counsel, will you
please --

MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I have --

THE COURT: If you don't mind taking the podium so he can hear you?

MR. KEMP: No, I don't.

THE COURT: Thank you.

MR. KEMP: Your Honor, as I indicated -- and

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I have two affidavits of service here. Both

Mr. Hubbard and Michelangelo Leasing were served two

days ago, and I'd be more than happy to make these as

part of the record.
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THE COURT: Okay.

MR. KEMP: And also, Your Honor, I do have a little bit of a concern about the preservation of the data, and I don't want to cast any aspersions on opposing counsel, but I sent a letter about a month ago with a copy of the then complaint and our first application for preservation by Federal Express to counsel for Michelangelo. I've got no response.

Since then we had a process server attempt service on an officer of Michelangelo in Arizona, and they made I think three or four attempts on service. And he was in a gated community. He wouldn't answer the door. It causes me a lot of concern with regards to the presentation of data if a major — I will call this a major bus company does not respond either to a Federal Express letter — well, for example, the helmet manufacturer, we sent them the same letter and they called us up and they asked us for pictures of the helmet and we cooperated with them.

So, in my experience, that's kind of unusual in a major case that I send a letter and they're

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And then when I have the service problem and now we have counsel saying that they weren't served and I have two affidavits of service. So I'm very concerned about the preservation of the data in this case, and there's no harm to them. Like he's already admitted, they have to turn —

MR. FREEMAN: Well, I don't know if they've been served. I understand that Edward Hubbard, I was told yesterday that he was served. And that's all I know.

I mean, I'm on vacation here and I just found out about this yesterday and made arrangements to get on Court Call just because of the concerns I mentioned regarding, you know, any type of order being issued or demand or requirement for an immediate disclosure, whatever that means, without a defendant being — making an appearance and having the advice of counsel. That's my concern.

MR. KEMP: Well, Judge, Counsel hasn't had the benefit of looking at the order. The order --

THE COURT: Please speak a little bit louder, please. Counsel, these are the worst mics that I've had since I've arrived.

MR. KEMP: Yeah. Counsel hasn't had the

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     benefit of looking at the order, Your Honor.
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     provides that they have five business days to do it.
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     And assuming for the sake of argument that we get the
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     revised order to Mr. Stoberski today and we get it to
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     you tomorrow, they'll have all next week and
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    potentially until a week from Monday to do this.
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     think that's an ample period of time here.
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               If they need more time for some reason, Your
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     Honor, he should say so now.
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                           I'm sorry. If they need?
               THE COURT:
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               MR. KEMP:
                          He should say so now. I mean, if
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    he needs a couple more days. I just think we got to
     get this started.
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                            Again, here's -- you know, by
               MR. FREEMAN:
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     all means the -- we will be willing to cooperate, but
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     without even having an opportunity to discuss this
     with, you know, my potential client -- I don't even
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     know if I'm going to be representing them both as this
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     goes further -- you know, I think there needs to be
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     some -- you know, some wiggle room there. Like I said,
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     I just found out about this yesterday and to have this
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THE COURT: Anything else?

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to immediately disclose X, Y, and Z, I think that goes

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               MR. KEMP:
                          Judge, this is not --
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               (Simultaneous crosstalk.)
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               MR. FREEMAN: -- one thing but the immediate
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     disclosure is a whole other thing.
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               MR. KEMP: Judge, this is not a complicated
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     process.
               They stick a wire into the computer and it
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     downloads. I mean, we're not talking about copying the
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     Library of Congress with, you know, 4,000 monks or
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                 It's not obtrusive to the defendant. It's
     something.
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     relatively easy to do. I'm surprised they didn't do it
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     immediately themselves as soon as I sent them that
     letter 30 days ago. Because if it turns out any data
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     has been lost between that period of time and now, they
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    have an issue. So I submit that the grounds for the
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     order have been established and you should sign.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Freeman, did you not
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     receive --
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               MR. FREEMAN:
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               THE COURT: Did you not receive the letter
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     that was discussed by counsel a few minutes ago?
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               And you said how long?
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               MR. KEMP: It was sent to their general
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     counsel, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT:
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               MR. KEMP:
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complaint, the day before we filed the initial request
that Your Honor entered the minute order on. So I
don't have that exact date in front of me.
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THE COURT: Have you not been privy or aware of that letter? It was sent to general counsel.

MR. FREEMAN: I am aware. When the original ex-parte motion was filed, I received a -- I got a copy of that, and there was a letter there. I don't know if that's the letter he's referring to. But, again, I'm in a position that, you know, I'm not aware that they -- that they had been served. And like I said, this is kind of -- I found out about this yesterday afternoon, and so I just scrambled to make attempts to get -- you know, get this Court Call set up so I could participate and let our position be known.

Like I said, you know, preserving evidence is one thing. It's the whole, you know, what does this immediate disclosure mean? And, again, I'm not -- you know, I'm not trying to hide anything or purposefully delay anything. Obviously, if it's relevant, we'll work with them to get it disclosed in the manner it needs to be done. My concern is that, you know, I didn't see the order but there was some talk about five -- within five days?

THE COURT: Yes.

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               MR. KEMP:
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               THE COURT:
                           Business days.
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               MR. FREEMAN: I mean, which -- I mean,
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     that --
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                           I don't think that's --
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               MR. FREEMAN: -- that could be very well --
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               (Simultaneous crosstalk.)
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               THE COURT:
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               MR. FREEMAN: -- defined --
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               THE COURT: -- Mr. Freeman, I don't think --
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               MR. FREEMAN: My concern is I haven't talked
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     to them to know if there's going to be any kind of
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    hiccup involved.
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               THE COURT: Well, here I've really given this
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     a lot of thought because I received several weeks
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     ago -- I can't remember the time because I've had a lot
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     of court work recently. So I didn't find that it was
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     something I wanted to come -- without the other parties
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    being informed. I thought that was very important.
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               The preservation of evidence is critical and
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     required. Okay? So I -- and I think -- well, I have
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     cameras that erase every 30 days. I know that they're
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     not the GPS on a bus, but they just automatically
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     erase. Okay? And evidence, it doesn't have to be
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deflated footballs. It can just be the nature of the

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mechanism. Okay? And preserving this evidence is critical. So I am going — I haven't read this order that you've augmented or changed, but what I am going to order is that within five business days the — well, let's see. I have a highlight here.
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Mr. Kemp, you talked about -- I'm going to read what I have, you know, the notes that I have on -- I show that EDCRs have limited storage capacity, as the cameras I'm familiar with -- it's a little bit different but -- and any data that has not been extracted and preserved could be overwritten by the passage of time. Plaintiff believes the bus may have had electronic information, including hard braking data, last stop data, fault codes, trip data, diagnostics, snapshot data, travel computing, travel and time tracking, collision warning, and video warning, video monitoring. All of that will be preserved -- we'll talk about the plan in a moment. All of that will be preserved within five business days. Okay?

And, you know, this is critical. It's a very serious case. And I'm not -- by the way, Mr. Freeman, frankly, I'm not even considering that your client would try to dispose of this, but oftentimes it happens automatically depending on the apparatus that's used.

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And I am not an expert in this area. Okay? So it's
just concerning preservation of evidence in my view, in
this Court's view.
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Now, with respect to the smartphone, the plaintiff has requested that the driver's smartphone may have electronic data which can be downloaded and preserved, including the date and time of calls, texts, GPS data, and compass data and accelerometer data.

Okay? And under Bass Davis a party has a common law duty and ethical obligation to preserve discoverable evidence. You know, so — and I understand your concerns with the privacy of the cell phone information, Mr. Freeman.

So what I -- I haven't read your order this morning, Counsel, but my thought is this should be done within five days, five business days. And,

Mr. Freeman, I'm not going -- my only concern was -- I have to be very careful. My goal is to preserve, but the immediate turn over of relevant electronic monitoring information from the bus involved in the April 18, 2017, accident and the cell phones, if any, Defendant Hubbard had in his possession at the time of the accident, I'm not going to order automatic -- immediately turning this relevant information over or any -- any of this information over to plaintiffs at

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So my -- my thought was -- and I'm open for suggestions. I really am because a little -- this is a bit of a case of first impressions for me. It's critical that we preserve both the bus, everything I've enunciated and everything that has been discussed in this hearing, that evidence within five business days, and also everything concerning the cell phone.

Now, whether some of this evidence in the

cell phone is discoverable or not, I don't know. And I'm not going to jump the step of — of the determination of whether it's discoverable or not. Whether I have to do this in camera, whether it goes through the regular process through the discovery commissioner, that's a different issue.

But -- so both -- both will be downloaded within five days. My thought -- or, actually, I had a recommendation of having this evidence preserved by the defendants but you would have a duty to -- Mr. Freeman, your clients would have a duty to preserve this, and that would be an order by this Court.

What -- what I would encourage is for the -- apparently there are only two entities in is it the State, Mr. Kemp, or in Clark --

MR. KEMP: There's the heirs, the widow, and

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     the estate, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT:
                          No, no. Entities that can
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     download this or --
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               MR. KEMP: Oh.
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     Honor.
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               THE COURT:
                           In Nevada.
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               MR. KEMP:
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               THE COURT:
                          Okay.
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     counsel for plaintiff which one it is. But they would
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     obviously be under a court order to not discuss the
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     results of the evidence with plaintiffs' counsel until
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     the appropriate time. I think that's absolutely --
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     that should -- in my mind, that should --
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               MR. KEMP: Your Honor, my only concern --
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               THE COURT: -- address your concern,
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    Mr. Freeman.
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               Yes?
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               MR. KEMP: Okay. My only concern is
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     verifying that the various types of data were
     downloaded. So let's assume that the bus has different
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     types of data.
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               THE COURT:
                           Right.
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                          I want to make sure all 10 were
               MR. KEMP:
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     downloaded, not eight out of the 10.
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                           Okay. So I would contemplate and
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THE COURT:

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     I would want, as soon as possible, a report from the --
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     and you can select, Mr. Freeman, and speak to Mr. Kemp
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     about -- any other counsel -- but, you know, which of
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     the two I'll call them experts at this moment or people
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     that are efficient or proficient in downloading this
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     information, provide a list of what was downloaded not
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     what it -- not what it reveals but what was downloaded
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     and the dates. Because I think that's very important
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     as well. And also --
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               MR. KEMP: It would be the dates of data
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     generation?
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               THE COURT:
                           I'm sorry. The dates of data
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     generation, yes. And this should be downloaded from --
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     all information from the bus and the cell phone should
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     be downloaded from the date of the accident which I
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     believe was April 18, 2017.
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               MR. KEMP: Your Honor, in my experience they
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     can't segregate by date.
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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                          They have to just download
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     whatever's on there.
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     So that needs -- that -- and obviously anything --
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     information that's not relevant to the accident on
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     going to be a part of this case.
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               MR. KEMP: We can argue about that later,
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     Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: You can argue about it later.
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               MR. KEMP:
                          If the data shows they were
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     speeding seven days in a row before the day of the
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     accident, you know --
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               MR. KEMP: -- we would contend it's relevant.
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               THE COURT: In any case, I just want a
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     declaration by the entity who is downloading or the
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     person who's downloading with respect to, you know,
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     enunciating or enumerating what they downloaded, okay,
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     from each -- from the bus and from the -- also from the
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     cell phone. They will not be shared with plaintiff
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     until the appropriate time because -- but, you know,
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     that's a concern of mine, too, Mr. Freeman. And --
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                         Your Honor, I don't mind that
               MR. KEMP:
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     they're not shared with us, but there's an ongoing
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     Metro investigation right now. As soon as they've --
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               THE COURT: I'm just saying not shared with
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could -- I mean, you're not precluding Metro from

MR. KEMP:

If Metro asks for it, Metro

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THE COURT: No. I said plaintiffs. Okay?

Because what I'm trying to do is preserve the evidence but not, you know, immediately turn information over to a party when we're at this point of the proceedings.

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But, no, if Metro needs that for their investigation, I think that that's something that's necessary. Okay?

All of this should be done within five business days and --

MR. FREEMAN: Okay. This is Eric Freeman.

I'm in agreement with that. We will cooperate with

Mr. Kemp's office. If he'd send the proposed order to

me along with the information on who he believes would

be able to download all of this and to make sure all of

this data is preserved, then, like I said, we'll

cooperate fully.

THE COURT: Okay. Very good. And I think that that also addresses your concerns and, actually, my concerns as the Court.

MR. KEMP: Your Honor, can we have some contact information from Mr. Freeman?

**THE COURT:** Mr. Freeman, how -- now we're 25 going to know where you are possibly. Okay? Do you --

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     will you please share your contact information where we
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     can -- where Mr. Kemp can reach you or other counsel
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     today.
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               MR. FREEMAN:
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     would call my office, ask for Crystal Martin, she will
 6
     be able to give him everything he needs.
 7
               THE COURT: Okay. Very good. I don't want
 8
     any glitches in this.
 9
               MR. KEMP: What phone number should we use to
10
     call?
11
                          What phone number should Mr. Kemp
               THE COURT:
     use to speak to Ms. Campbell [sic]?
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13
               MR. FREEMAN: I'm on my cell phone so I'm
14
     trying to --
15
                           That's okay.
               THE COURT:
16
               MR. FREEMAN:
                             The law offices of Selman
     Breitman, and Crystal Martin is my assistant. She'll
17
18
     be able to provide him everything.
19
               THE COURT: You can put us on hold for a
20
     moment and provide the phone number that -- and her
21
     direct line as well, please. I just don't want any --
22
     I don't want any glitches.
23
               MR. KEMP: Yeah, Your Honor, we're okay.
24
     We --
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Do you have it?

THE COURT:

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1
              MR. KEMP:
                          Yeah.
 2
               THE COURT:
                          Okay. Very good.
 3
              MR. FREEMAN:
                            And if she's -- once I get off
 4
     this, I will call her and I can actually have her call
 5
     Mr. Kemp's office.
 6
               THE COURT: Okay. Very good. And --
 7
              MR. FREEMAN: Who should I have her ask for?
 8
              MR. KEMP:
                         Ask for Mr. Pepperman.
 9
               THE COURT:
                          Mr. Pepperman. Ask for Mr. --
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              MR. PEPPERMAN: Yes. Eric Pepperman.
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               THE COURT: Okay. Very good.
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              MR. FREEMAN: I'm sorry. Eric Pepperman?
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               THE COURT:
                          Yes.
14
              MR. PEPPERMAN: Yes.
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              MR. FREEMAN: Okay. I will have her call
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     right away.
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              MR. KEMP: Your Honor, our intent is to
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     redraft this immediately with the direction the Court's
19
     given us, provide it to all counsel, and hopefully get
2.0
     it back to you in a letter either today or tomorrow.
               THE COURT: Okay. Well, it's not something
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22
     that I can delineate and, you know -- do you prefer --
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              MR. KEMP:
                          I think we're probably better
2.4
     redrafting it. What do you think, Mike?
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All right. Go ahead and redraft,

THE COURT:

from --

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     share with all counsel and --
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               MR. FREEMAN: Can you send the proposed order
 3
     over to me as well?
 4
               THE COURT: Yes. Mr. Kemp --
 5
               MR. KEMP:
                          Yes. Of course.
 6
               THE COURT:
                           Okay.
 7
               MR. FREEMAN:
                             Thank you.
 8
               THE COURT: Very good. So the order is
 9
     granted, but I'm not -- I'm not going -- so partially
10
     granted. It's denied as to immediately turning over
11
     the information or the evidence that the -- I don't
12
     even know who it is that's going to be doing this.
13
     Okay?
14
                         Your Honor, we'll get the two
               MR. KEMP:
15
     names to counsel as soon as we --
16
               THE COURT: For the record --
17
               MR. KEMP: -- get back to the office.
18
               THE COURT: -- one of two entities or people
19
     that are going to be downloading.
2.0
               MR. KEMP:
                          Right.
21
               THE COURT:
                          Okay. They should not turn that
22
     over nor speak to any counsel for plaintiffs about what
2.3
     is -- what the actual information is at this point.
2.4
     All right? I think that's about -- any objections
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               THE CLERK:
                            Your Honor, the TRO is denied; is
 2
     that correct?
 3
               MR. KEMP:
                           The TRO is granted in part --
 4
               THE COURT: No, it's granted. It's granted
 5
     in part, it's denied in part. Okay?
 6
               Very good. I think that covers everything.
 7
     Have a good day.
 8
                (Whereupon, the proceedings concluded at
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               10:22 a.m.)
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11
     ATTEST: I hereby certify that I have truly and
     correctly transcribed the audio/video proceedings in
     the above-entitled case to the best of my ability.
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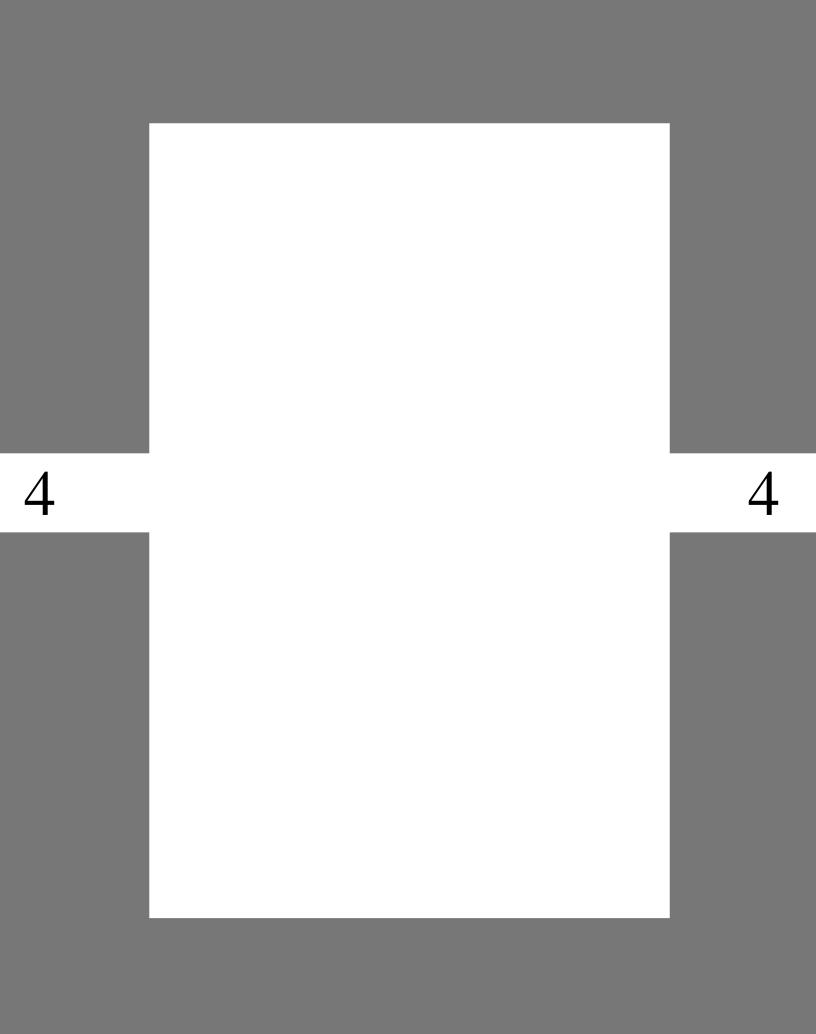
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## COUNTY OF CLARK, NEVADA

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MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC., a Delaware corporation; MICHELANGELO LEASING INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS, an Arizona corporation; EDWARD HUBBARD, a Nevada resident; BELL SPORTS, INC. d/b/a GIRO SPORT DESIGN, a California corporation; SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC. d/b/a Pro Cyclery, a Nevada corporation; DOES 1 through 20; and ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 20.

Defendants.

All parties herein; and TO:

Their respective counsel; TO:

Case No. A-17-755977-C

Dept. No. XIV

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER DENYING WITHOUT PREJUDICE PLAINTIFFS' EX PARTE MOTION FOR ORDER REQUIRING BUS COMPANY AND BUS DRIVE TO PRESERVE AND IMMEDIATELY TURN OVER RELEVANT ELECTRONIC MONITORING INFORMATION FROM BUS AND DRIVER CELL PHONE

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YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an Order Denying Without Prejudice Plaintiffs' Ex Parte Motion For Order Requiring Bus Company and Bus Drive to Preserve and Immediately Turn Over Relevant Electronic Monitoring Information from Bus and Driver Cell Phone was entered in the above entitled matter on June 20, 2017.

A copy of said Order is attached hereto. DATED this 21st day of June, 2017.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 22 day of June, 2017, the foregoing NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER DENYING WITHOUT PREJUDICE PLAINTIFFS' EX PARTE MOTION FOR ORDER REQUIRING BUS COMPANY AND BUS DRIVE TO PRESERVE AND IMMEDIATELY TURN OVER RELEVANT ELECTRONIC MONITORING INFORMATION FROM BUS AND DRIVER CELL PHONE was served on all parties currently on the electronic service list via the Court's electronic filing system only, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules, Administrative Order 14-2.

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Having reviewed Plaintiffs' ex parte motion filed on May 30, 2017, the Court notes that the motion is not the appropriate method for seeking the requested relief, as Plaintiffs are essentially

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requesting a temporary restraining order and an order compelling production of evidence. Each of these motions require notice to the other party and will not be granted on an ex parte basis.

Accordingly, because it is not clear that Defendants were served with the ex parte motion,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Plaintiffs' ex parte motion is DENIED without prejudice. If Plaintiffs refile their request to preserve evidence as an application for temporary restraining order in line with NRCP 65(b), including making efforts to serve the Defendants with notice of that application, the Court will consider the matter at that time. The Court notes, however, that both parties have a common law duty to preserve documents, tangible items, and information relevant to litigation that are reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence when litigation is reasonably foreseeable. *See Bass-Davis v. Davis*, 122 Nev. 422 (2006). Plaintiffs are directed to serve a copy of the Court's June 6, 2017, minute order on the Defendants.

DATED this 4 day of June, 2017.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Submitted by:

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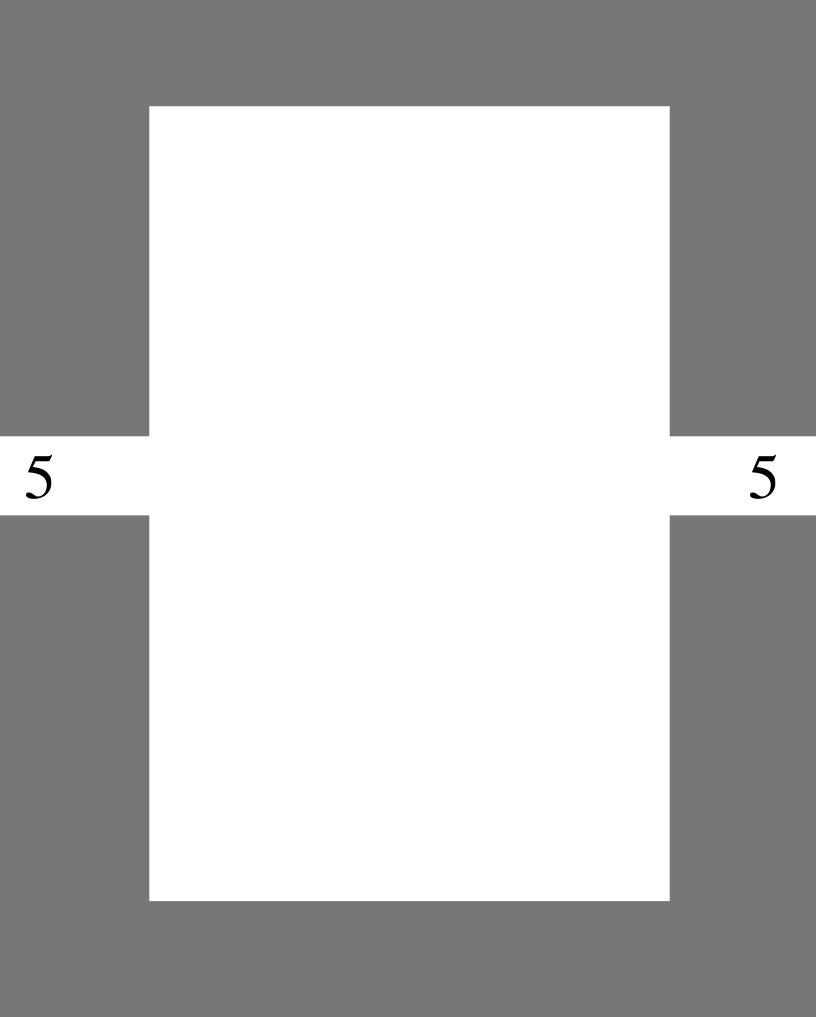
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#### THE PARTIES

- 1. Answering paragraph 1 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 1, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 2 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 2. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 2, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 3 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 3. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 3, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 4 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 4. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 4, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 5. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 5, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 6 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 6. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 6, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- 7. Answering paragraph 7 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or

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falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 7, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

- Answering paragraph 8 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 8. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 8, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 9 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 9. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 9, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 10 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 10. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 10, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- 11. Answering paragraph 11 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 11, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 12 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 12. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 12, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

Answering paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 13. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 13, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

14. Answering paragraph 14 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 14, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

#### GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 15. Answering paragraph 15 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 15, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- 16. Answering paragraph 16 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- 17. Answering paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 17, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- 18. Answering paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 18, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- 19. Answering paragraph 19 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- 20. Answering paragraph 20 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- 21. Answering paragraph 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 21, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

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#### FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST MCI)

- Answering paragraph 22 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 22. defendants repeat and reallege each and every response to paragraphs 1 through 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and incorporate them herein by this reference as if fully set forth at length.
- Answering paragraph 23 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 23. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 23, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 24. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 24, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 25. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 25, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 26 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 26. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 26, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- 27. Answering paragraph 27 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 27, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
  - Answering paragraph 28 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 28.

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defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 28, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

- Answering paragraph 29 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 29. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 29, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 30 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 30. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 30, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 31 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 31. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 31, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 32 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 32. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 32, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 33 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 33. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 33, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 34 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 34. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 34, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

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Answering paragraph 35 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 35. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 35, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD **HUBBARD**)

- Answering paragraph 36 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 36. defendants repeat and reallege each and every response to paragraphs 1 through 35 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and incorporate them herein by this reference as if fully set forth at length.
- Answering paragraph 37 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 37. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 38 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 38. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 39 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 39. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 40 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 40. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 41 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 41. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 42 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 42. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 43 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 43. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 44 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 44. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
  - Answering paragraph 45 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 45.

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defendants deny the allegations contained therein.

46. Answering paragraph 46 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants deny the allegations contained therein.

#### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (NEGLIGENCE PER SE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD **HUBBARD**)

- 47. Answering paragraph 47 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants repeat and reallege each and every response to paragraphs 1 through 46 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and incorporate them herein by this reference as if fully set forth at length.
- Answering paragraph 48 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 48. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 49 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 49. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 50 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 50. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 51 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 51. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 52 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 52. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.

#### FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (NEGLIGENCE TRAINING AGAINST DEFENDANT RYAN'S EXPRESS)

- Answering paragraph 53 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 53. defendants repeat and reallege each and every response to paragraphs 1 through 52 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and incorporate them herein by this reference as if fully set forth at length.
- Answering paragraph 54 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 54. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
  - Answering paragraph 55 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 55.

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defendants deny the allegations contained therein.

- Answering paragraph 56 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 56. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 57 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 57. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 58 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 58. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 59 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 59. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.

#### FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (STRICK LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST **DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)**

- Answering paragraph 60 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 60. defendants repeat and reallege each and every response to paragraphs 1 through 59 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and incorporate them herein by this reference as if fully set forth at length.
- Answering paragraph 61 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 61. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 61, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 62 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 62. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 62, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 63 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 63. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 63, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

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- Answering paragraph 64 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 64. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 64, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 65 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 65. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 65, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 66 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 66. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 66, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 67 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 67. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 67, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 68 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 68. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 68, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 69 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 69. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 69, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 70 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 70. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 70, and on that basis, deny the allegations

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- Answering paragraph 71 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 71. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 71, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 72 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 72, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 73 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 73. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 73, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 74 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 74. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 74, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

#### SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- Answering paragraph 75 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 75. defendants repeat and reallege each and every response to paragraphs 1 through 74 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and incorporate them herein by this reference as if fully set forth at length.
- Answering paragraph 76 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 76. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 76, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

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- Answering paragraph 78 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 78. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 78, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 79 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 79. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 79, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 80 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 80. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 80, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 81 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 81. defendants are without sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraph 81, and on that basis, deny the allegations contained therein.

#### SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

#### (WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS)

- Answering paragraph 82 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 82. defendants repeat and reallege each and every response to paragraphs 1 through 81 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and incorporate them herein by this reference as if fully set forth at length.
- Answering paragraph 83 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 83. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.

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- Answering paragraph 85 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 85. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- 86. Answering paragraph 86 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering defendants deny the allegations contained therein.
- Answering paragraph 87 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, these answering 87. defendants deny the allegations contained therein.

## PLAINTIFFS' PRAYERS FOR RELIEF

These answering defendants deny that Plaintiffs are entitled to any relief whatsoever, under and cause of action, and on that basis, deny Plaintiffs' prayers for relief numbers 1 through 7.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

#### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The negligence of the plaintiffs exceeds that of these answering defendants, if any, and the plaintiffs are thereby barred from any recovery.

## SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

These answering defendants are informed and believe, and thereon allege, the damages suffered by plaintiffs if any, were the direct and proximate result of the negligence of parties, persons, corporations and/or entities other than these answering defendants, and that the liability of these answering defendants, if any, is limited in direct proportion to the percentage of fault actually attributable to these answering defendants.

## THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The plaintiffs have failed to mitigate their damages.

## FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs failed to name a party necessary for full and adequate relief essential in this action.

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#### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The allegations contained in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint fail to state a cause of action against these answering defendants upon which relief can be granted.

#### SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The injuries, if any, suffered by the plaintiffs were caused in whole or in part by the negligence of a third party over which these answering defendants had no control.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

These answering defendants allege that the hazard or defect alleged in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint was open and obvious to the plaintiffs and the plaintiffs are thereby barred from any recovery.

#### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The injuries claimed to have been suffered by the plaintiffs were caused by pre-existing and/or unrelated medical conditions.

## NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

These answering defendants are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that the amended complaint was brought without reasonable cause and without a good faith belief that there was a justifiable controversy under the facts of the law which warranted the filing of the amended complaint against these answering defendants. Plaintiffs should therefore be responsible for all of these answering defendants' necessary and reasonable defense costs.

## TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The plaintiffs' cause of action is barred by the doctrine of laches.

## ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

There has been an insufficiency of process.

## TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

There has been an insufficiency of service of process.

## THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Amended Complaint and any purported causes of action alleged therein are uncertain,

vague and ambiguous.

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#### FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

These answering defendants acted at all times with due care in the performance of their relevant duties.

#### FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The allegations contained in plaintiffs' amended complaint fail to state facts sufficient to warrant an award of punitive or exemplary damages against these answering defendants.

#### SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

These answering defendants are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that the claim for punitive damages is unconstitutional under the United States Constitution and the Nevada Constitution, including but not limited to, the excessive fines, due process and equal protection provisions thereof.

#### SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

These answering defendants are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that plaintiffs fail to state facts sufficient to, and that no facts exist which are sufficient to, warrant any claim or claims for punitive and/or exemplary damages.

#### EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Pursuant to NRCP 11, as amended, all possible affirmative defenses may not have been alleged herein, insofar as sufficient facts were not available after reasonable inquiry upon the filing of these answering defendants' answer and, therefore, defendant reserves the right to amend this answer to allege additional affirmative defenses if subsequent investigation warrants.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, having fully answered Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and asserted affirmative defenses, these answering defendants request the following relief:

- 1. That plaintiffs take nothing by way of their amended complaint;
- For an award of attorneys' fees and costs of suit; and 2.

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For such other relief as this court deems just and proper. 3. DATED: June **3**, 2017 SELMAN BREITMAN LLP /s/ Eric O. Freeman By: ERIC O. FREEMAN NEVADA BAR NO. 6648 3993 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89169-0961 Telephone: 702.228.7717 Facsimile: 702.228.8824 Attorneys for Defendants MICHELANGELO LEASING INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS and EDWARD HUBBARD 

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a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing DEFENDANTS MICHELANGELO

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**PLAINTIFFS' AMENDED COMPLAINT**, this 26 day of June 2017, addressed as follows:

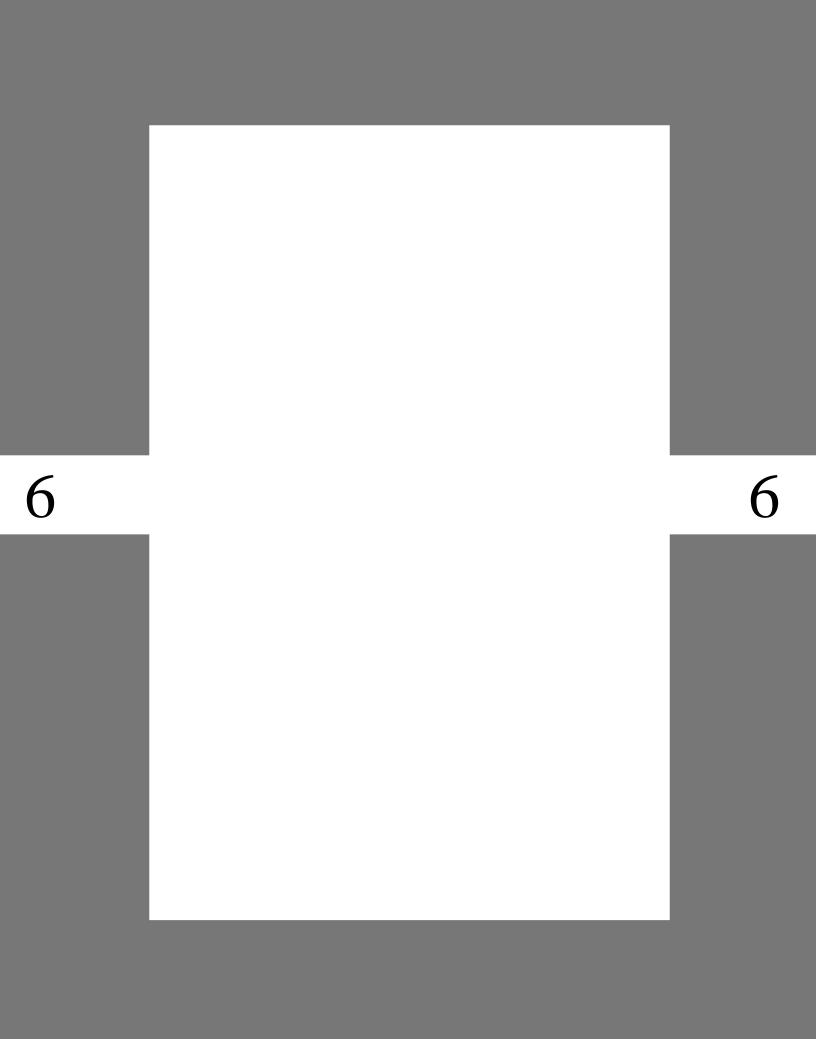
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HUBBARD hereby demand a jury trial in the above-captioned matter. DATED: June <u>38</u>, 2017 SELMAN BREITMAN LLP /s/ Eric O. Freeman By: ERIC O. FREEMAN NEVADA BAR NO. 6648 3993 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89169-0961 Telephone: 702.228.7717 Facsimile: 702.228.8824 Attorneys for Defendants MICHELANGELO LEASING INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS and EDWARD HUBBARD 

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a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**, this of June 2017, addressed as follows:

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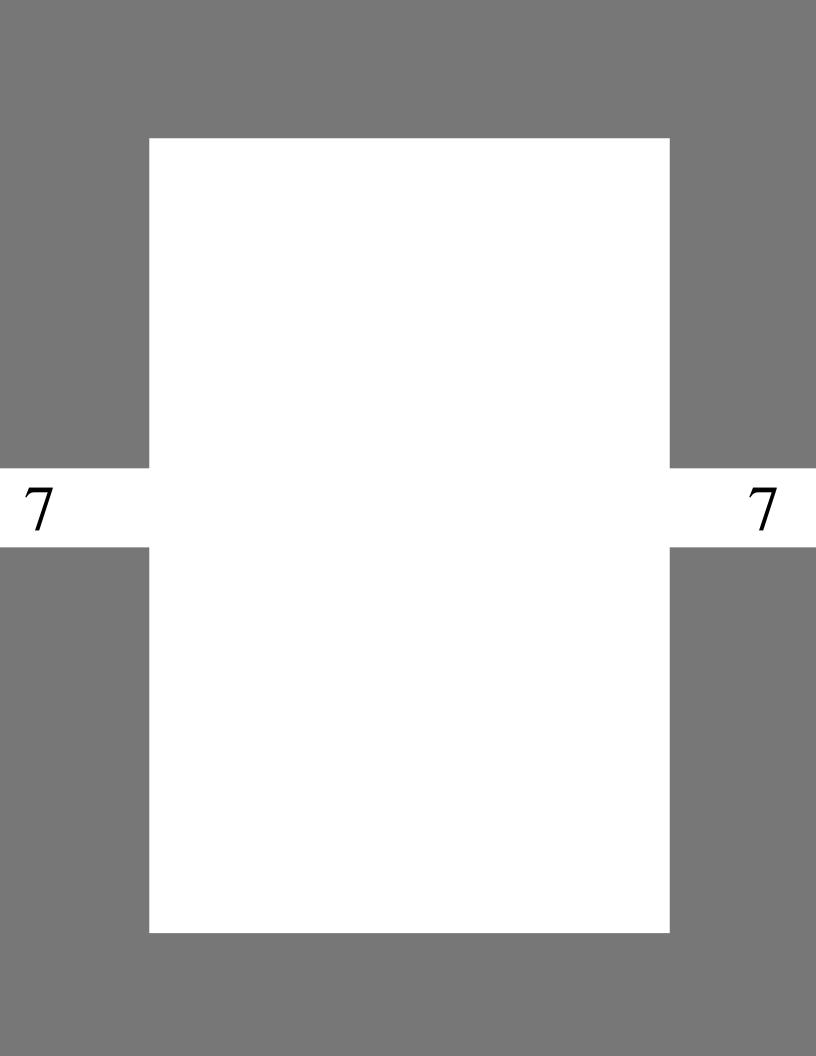
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#### **ANSWER**

Defendant denies generally the allegations of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint and further denies that it was responsible for, or liable for, any of the happenings or events mentioned in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.

#### THE PARTIES

Responding to the individual allegations of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant answers:

- 1. Answering paragraph 1 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 2. Answering paragraph 2 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 3. Answering paragraph 3 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 4. Answering paragraph 4 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant admits that it was and is a Delaware corporation, and that it sells new motor coaches in the United States. Defendant did not design or manufacture the motor coach referenced in the Amended Complaint, and denies such allegations. Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegation that Defendant sold the specific motor coach involved in the incident described in the Amended Complaint and, therefore, cannot admit or deny that allegation.
- 5. Answering paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 6. Answering paragraph 6 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

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- 7. Answering paragraph 7 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 8. Answering paragraph 8 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 9. Answering paragraph 9 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 10. Answering paragraph 10 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 11. Answering paragraph 11 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 12. Answering paragraph 12 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 13. Answering paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 14. Answering paragraph 14 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 15. Answering paragraph 15 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 16. Answering paragraph 16 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 17. Answering the first sentence of paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant admits that it sold a 2008 motor coach bearing Vehicle Identification No. 2M93JMHA28W064555. Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations regarding whether the referenced motor coach was involved in the subject incident, the nature of the motor coach in question, or the license plate number of the motor coach in question. As to the remainder of the allegations contained in the first sentence of paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant, except as expressly admitted herein, denies the remainder of such allegations. Answering the second sentence of paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of such allegations, because of the lack of clarity with regard to the "proximity sensors" referenced therein, and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 18. Answering paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 19. Answering paragraph 19 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 20. Answering paragraph 20 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

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21. Answering paragraph 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

#### FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANT MCI)

22. Defendant incorporates by reference its responses and defenses to paragraphs 1

through 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

- 23. Answering paragraph 23 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant admits that it sells new motor coaches in the United States and was responsible for the sale of a 2008 motor coach bearing Vehicle Identification No. 2M93JMHA28W064555. The motor coach bearing that Vehicle Identification No. was designed and manufactured by Motor Coach Industries Limited, a Canadian company. Except as expressly admitted herein, Defendant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 23.
- Answering paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without 24. knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 25. Answering paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 26. Answering paragraph 26 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- Answering paragraph 27 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the 27. allegations contained in this paragraph.
- Answering paragraph 28 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the 28. allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 29. Answering paragraph 29 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.

- 30. Answering paragraph 30 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 31. Answering paragraph 31 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 32. Answering paragraph 32 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 33. Answering paragraph 33 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 34. Answering paragraph 34 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 35. Answering paragraph 35 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.

#### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

- 36. Defendant incorporates by reference its responses and defenses to paragraphs 1 through 35 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 37. Answering paragraph 37 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 38. Answering paragraph 38 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 39. Answering paragraph 39 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations. To the extent "Defendants" is meant to apply to MCI, MCI denies any such allegations.

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- 40. Answering paragraph 40 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 41. Answering paragraph 41 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 42. Answering paragraph 42 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 43. Answering paragraph 43 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 44. Answering paragraph 44 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 45. Answering paragraph 45 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 46. Answering paragraph 46 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

## THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (NEGLIGENCE PER SE AGAINST DEFENDANTS

#### RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

47. Defendant incorporates by reference its responses and defenses to paragraphs 1 through 46 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

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- 48. Answering paragraph 48 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 49. Answering paragraph 49 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 50. Answering paragraph 50 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 51. Answering paragraph 51 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations. To the extent "Defendants" is meant to apply to MCI, MCI denies any such allegations.
- 52. Answering paragraph 52 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

## **FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

## (NEGLIGENT TRAINING AGAINST DEFENDANT RYAN'S EXPRESS)

- 53. Defendant incorporates by reference its responses and defenses to paragraphs 1 through 52 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 54. Answering paragraph 54 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 55. Answering paragraph 55 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

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- 56. Answering paragraph 56 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- Answering paragraph 57 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without 57. knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 58. Answering paragraph 58 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 59. Answering paragraph 59 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

### FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

## (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR

#### FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- 60. Defendant incorporates by reference its responses and defenses to paragraphs 1 through 59 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 61. Answering paragraph 61 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 62. Answering paragraph 62 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 63. Answering paragraph 63 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

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- 64. Answering paragraph 64 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 65. Answering paragraph 65 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 66. Answering paragraph 66 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 67. Answering paragraph 67 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 68. Answering paragraph 68 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 69. Answering paragraph 69 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 70. Answering paragraph 70 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 71. Answering paragraph 71 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 72. Answering paragraph 72 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

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74. Answering paragraph 74 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

#### SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

#### (BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A

#### PARTICULAR PURPOSE AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- 75. Defendant incorporates by reference its responses and defenses to paragraphs 1 through 74 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 76. Answering paragraph 76 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 77. Answering paragraph 77 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 78. Answering paragraph 78 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 79. Answering paragraph 79 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 80. Answering paragraph 80 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

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81. Answering paragraph 81 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

#### SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

#### (WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS)

- 82. Defendant incorporates by reference its responses and defenses to paragraphs 1 through 81 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 83. Answering paragraph 83 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 84. Answering paragraph 84 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 85. Answering paragraph 85 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 86. Answering paragraph 86 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.
- 87. Answering paragraph 87 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant denies the allegations contained in this paragraph as they pertain to MCI. MCI is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph regarding other parties and, therefore, cannot admit or deny these allegations.

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- 88. Responding to Plaintiffs' Prayer for Relief, including the "WHEREFORE" statement and all subparts thereto, Defendant denies that it is liable to Plaintiffs in any fashion or in any amount.
- 89. Any and all allegations set forth in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint which have not heretofore been either expressly admitted or denied, are hereby denied.

#### AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

#### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint fails to state a claim against Defendant upon which relief can be granted.

#### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Necessary and indispensable parties may not have been joined and/or parties may have been improperly joined, including Defendant.

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the doctrines of laches, waiver and estoppel.

#### FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs have failed to mitigate their damages.

#### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant owed no duty to Plaintiffs and to the extent owed, breached no duty alleged.

#### SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant, at all times relevant to the allegations contained in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, acted with reasonable care in the performance of any and all duties, if any.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' decedent failed to exercise ordinary care, caution or prudence for his own safety, thereby proximately causing or contributing to the cause of Plaintiffs' damages, if any, through Plaintiffs' decedent's own negligence.

#### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The negligence of Plaintiffs' decedent exceeded that of Defendant, if any, and therefore, Plaintiffs are barred from recovery.

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#### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' decedent knowingly and voluntarily accepted, and/or assumed all risks.

#### TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Damages sustained by Plaintiffs, if any, were caused by the acts of third persons who were not acting on the part of Defendant in any manner or form, and as such, Defendant is not liable.

#### ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The liability, if any, of Defendant must be reduced by the percentage of fault of others, including Plaintiffs' decedent.

#### TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The alleged injuries and damages complained of by Plaintiffs were caused in whole or in part by a new, independent and superseding intervening cause over which Defendant had no control.

#### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The liability, if any, of Defendant is several and not joint and several and based upon its own acts and not the acts of others.

#### FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

If Plaintiffs have settled with any other parties, Defendant is entitled to credit and set-off in the amount of such settlement.

#### FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' and their decedent's injuries are the result of material alterations or modifications of the subject product, without the consent of the manufacturer, distributor or seller, in a manner inconsistent with the product's intended use.

#### SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' injuries are the result of unforeseeable misuse of the product at issue.

#### SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claim for punitive damages cannot be sustained because an award of punitive damages that is subject to no predetermined limit, such as a maximum multiple of compensatory damages or a maximum amount of punitive damages that may be imposed, would: (1) violate

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Defendant's Due Process rights guaranteed by the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution; (2) violate Defendant's right not to be subjected to an excessive award; and (3) be improper under the Constitution, common law and public policies of Nevada.

#### EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Pursuant to NRCP 11, as amended, all possible affirmative defenses may not have been alleged herein insofar as facts were not available after reasonable inquiry upon the filing of Defendant's Answer to Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and Defendant therefore reserves the right to amend its Answer to allege additional affirmative defenses if subsequent investigation warrants.

WHEREFORE, having fully responded to the allegations of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, Defendant respectfully prays:

- 1. that it be granted a trial by jury as to all appropriate issues;
- 2. that Plaintiffs take nothing by their Amended Complaint;
- 3. that Defendant be discharged from this action without liability;
- 4. that the Court award to Defendant all costs, including attorneys' fees, of this action; and
- 5. that the Court award to Defendant such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the day of June, 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing DEFENDANT MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC.'S ANSWER PLAINTIFFS' AMENDED COMPLAINT was electronically filed and served on counsel through the Court's electronic service system pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2 and N.E.F.C.R. 9, via the electronic mail addresses noted below, unless service by another method is stated or noted:

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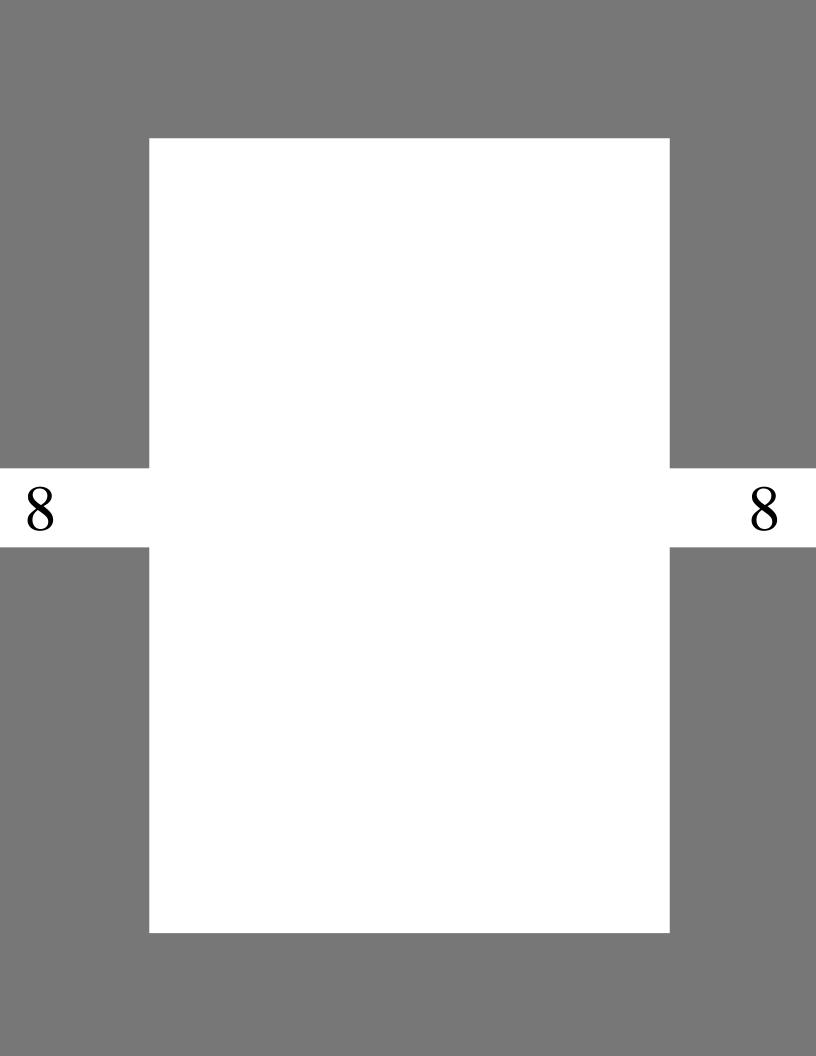
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#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 1. Answering Paragraph 1 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 2. Answering Paragraph 2 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 3. Answering Paragraph 3 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 4. Answering Paragraph 4 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same..
- 5. Answering Paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 6. Answering Paragraph 6 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 7. Answering Paragraph 7 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 8. Answering Paragraph 8 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus admits it is a Domestic Corporation authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, including Clark County, as to the remaining allegations, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

- 9. Answering Paragraph 9 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus states the allegations contained therein constitute conclusions of law and thus, no response is required. To the extent Paragraph 9 contains allegations of fact, SevenPlus is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein; and therefore, denies the same.
- 10. Answering Paragraph 10 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- Answering Paragraph 11 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 12. Answering Paragraph 12 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 13. Answering Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 14. Answering Paragraph 14 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus states the allegations contained therein constitute conclusions of law and thus, no response is required. To the extent Paragraph 14 contains allegations of fact, SevenPlus is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein; and therefore, denies the same.

# **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

15. Answering Paragraph 15 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

16. Answering Paragraph 16 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 16 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

17. Answering Paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

18. Answering Paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

19. Answering Paragraph 19 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 19 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

20. Answering Paragraph 20 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 20 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

21. Answering Paragraph 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is

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#### FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANT MCI)

- 22. Answering Paragraph 22 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus repeats and re-alleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 though 21 above as though the same were set forth at length herein.
- 23. Answering Paragraph 23 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 23 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 24. Answering Paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 25. Answering Paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 26. Answering Paragraph 26 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 26 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

27. Answering Paragraph 27 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 27 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

28. Answering Paragraph 28 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 28 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

29. Answering Paragraph 29 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 29 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

30. Answering Paragraph 30 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 30 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

31. Answering Paragraph 31 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 31 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

32. Answering Paragraph 32 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 32 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is

without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

33. Answering Paragraph 33 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 33 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

34. Answering Paragraph 34 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 34 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

35. Answering Paragraph 35 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

36. Answering Paragraph 36 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus repeats and re-alleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 though 35 above as though the same were set forth at length herein.

37. Answering Paragraph 37 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 37 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

38. Answering Paragraph 38 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 38 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is

without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

- 39. Answering Paragraph 39 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 39 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 40. Answering Paragraph 40 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 40 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 41. Answering Paragraph 41 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 41 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 42. Answering Paragraph 42 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 42 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 43. Answering Paragraph 43 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 43 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

- 44. Answering Paragraph 44 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 44 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 45. Answering Paragraph 45 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 45 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 46. Answering Paragraph 46 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

#### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (NEGLIGENCE PER SE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

- 47. Answering Paragraph 47 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 though 46 above as though the same were set forth at length herein.
- 48. Answering Paragraph 48 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 49 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 49. Answering Paragraph 49 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 49 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

- 50. Answering Paragraph 50 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 50 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 51. Answering Paragraph 51 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 51 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 52. Answering Paragraph 52 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

### **FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

# (NEGLIGENT TRAINING AGAINST DEFENDANT RYAN'S EXPRESS)

- 53. Answering Paragraph 53 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 though 52 above as though the same were set forth at length herein.
- 54. Answering Paragraph 54 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 54 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 55. Answering Paragraph 55 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 55 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

- 56. Answering Paragraph 56 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 56 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 57. Answering Paragraph 57 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 57 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 58. Answering Paragraph 58 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 58 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 59. Answering Paragraph 59 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

# FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

# (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- 60. Answering Paragraph 60 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 though 59 above as though the same were set forth at length herein.
- 61. Answering Paragraph 61 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 61 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

- 62. Answering Paragraph 62 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 63. Answering Paragraph 63 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 64. Answering Paragraph 64 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 65. Answering Paragraph 65 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 66. Answering Paragraph 66 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 67. Answering Paragraph 67 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 68. Answering Paragraph 68 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 69. Answering Paragraph 69 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 70. Answering Paragraph 70 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 71. Answering Paragraph 71 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 72. Answering Paragraph 72 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 73. Answering Paragraph 73 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 73 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is

without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.

74. Answering Paragraph 74 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

### **SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

# (BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AGAINST DEFENDANT GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- 75. Answering Paragraph 75 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 though 74 above as though the same were set forth at length herein.
- 76. Answering Paragraph 76 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 77. Answering Paragraph 77 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 78. Answering Paragraph 78 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 79. Answering Paragraph 79 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 80. Answering Paragraph 80 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint makes no allegations against SevenPlus and, as a result, no response to the allegations of Paragraph 80 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is required. To the extent that a response is required, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 81. Answering Paragraph 81 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

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#### SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

### (WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ALL DEFENDANT)

- 82. Answering Paragraph 82 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 though 81 above as though the same were set forth at length herein.
- 83. Answering Paragraph 83 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus is without sufficient knowledge or information upon which to base a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore, denies the same.
- 84. Answering Paragraph 84 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus states the allegations contained therein constitute conclusions of law and thus, no response is required. To the extent Paragraph 84 contains allegations of fact, SevenPlus is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein; and therefore, denies the same.
- 85. Answering Paragraph 85 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 86. Answering Paragraph 86 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.
- 87. Answering Paragraph 87 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, SevenPlus denies the allegations contained therein.

### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint fails to state a claim against SevenPlus upon which relief can be granted.

#### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The loss, injuries and damages, if any, which Plaintiffs allege, were directly and proximately caused by the negligence, carelessness or fault of Plaintiffs, which is greater than the alleged negligence, carelessness or fault, if any, of SevenPlus and therefore, Plaintiffs' claims against SevenPlus are barred.

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The loss, injuries and damages, if any, which Plaintiffs allege, were directly and proximately caused and/or contributed to by the negligence, carelessness or fault of Plaintiffs and therefore, SevenPlus is entitled to contribution in proportion to the percentage of negligence attributed to Plaintiffs.

#### FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

At the time and place, and under the circumstances alleged, the injuries of Plaintiffs, if any, and the damages of Plaintiffs, if any, were caused solely by the acts or omissions of some parties over whom SevenPlus had no control, and for whose acts SevenPlus is not responsible.

#### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus alleges that Plaintiffs are barred by the contribution laws of the State of Nevada.

#### SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff action against SevenPlus is moot because Plaintiffs' actions are barred by the applicable Statute of Limitations.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs are estopped by virtue of their own acts and omissions from asserting the claims for relief set forth in the Amended Complaint against SevenPlus.

#### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is barred by the Doctrine of Laches.

#### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' have failed to mitigate their alleged damages, if any, as required by law.

#### TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus's liability, the existence of which is expressly denied, must be reduced by the percentage of fault of others, including Plaintiffs.

#### **ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

SevenPlus alleges that Plaintiffs failed to name each party necessary for full and adequate relief essential in this action.

#### TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims have been waived as a result of Plaintiffs act and conduct and, therefore, Plaintiffs are estopped from asserting their claims for damages against SevenPlus.

#### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus alleges that the damages, if any, suffered by the Plaintiffs were caused, in whole or in part, by an independent intervening cause, and were not the result of negligence on the part of SevenPlus.

#### FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The products and materials provided by SevenPlus were fit and proper for their intended use.

#### FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus's product and materials were misused.

#### SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The products and materials were altered or modified in some unforeseeable manner, which subsequently caused the damages, if any.

#### SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs are estopped from asserting any claim against SevenPlus in that Plaintiffs or other parties modified, altered, redesigned, or in some fashion, materially altered SevenPlus's product. Said changes, alterations, redesign or modifications were accomplished in the absence of SevenPlus's knowledge, approval or consent; said changes, alterations, redesign or modifications proximately causing or contributing to the damages claimed by Plaintiffs.

#### **EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

It has been necessary for SevenPlus to retain counsel to defend this action, and it is, therefore, entitled to an award of reasonable attorney's fees.

#### NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus is not the real party in interest.

#### TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' punitive damages claims are barred due to the lack of clear and convincing evidence that this Defendant has been guilty of oppression, fraud or malice, express or implied, as required pursuant to NRC § 42.005.

#### TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the events referred to in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint resulted from the abnormal or improper use of the helmet referred to in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.

#### TWENTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The utility and benefit of the helmet referred to in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint outweighed any risk or harm posed by its design, and/or the helmet met the expectations or the reasonable consumer and/or performed in the manner reasonable to be expected in light of its nature and intended functions.

#### TWENTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

In the event that Plaintiffs recover damages against one or more Defendants, the liability for Defendants on one or more claims may be several and not joint and subject to apportionment.

#### TWENTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus alleges that the damages sustained by Plaintiffs, if any, were the result of an unavoidable accident, insofar as SevenPlus is concerned, and occurred without any negligence, want of care, default, or other breach of duty to Plaintiffs on the part of the SevenPlus.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus adopts and incorporates by reference any affirmative defenses of the Co-Defendant as may be applicable to SevenPlus.

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#### TWENTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by any and all releases and waivers of liability agreements signed by Plaintiffs.

#### TWENTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus hereby incorporates by reference those affirmative defenses enumerated in Rule 8 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure, as if fully set forth herein.

#### TWENTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus alleges that Plaintiffs knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily assumed the risk of loss, damage and/or injury of which Plaintiffs complain, and Plaintiffs are therefore barred from recovery for such loss, damage and/or injury.

#### TWENTY-NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

SevenPlus alleges it was not the designer, manufacturer, or distributor of the helmet, so as to this no negligence can be assigned on the part of SevenPlus.

#### THIRTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

All possible affirmative defenses may not have been alleged herein, so far as sufficient facts were not available after a reasonable inquiry upon the filing of SevenPlus's Answer.

#### THIRTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' punitive damages claims are barred based upon the provisions of NRS § 42.007, because Plaintiffs' cannot prove any of the elements necessary to impose such liability upon this Defendant.

WHEREFORE, Defendant SevenPlus prays for judgment as follows:

- 1. Plaintiffs take nothing against SevenPlus by way of their Amended Complaint;
- Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint be dismissed with prejudice and that it take nothing thereby;
- 3. Defendant SevenPlus be awarded its attorney's fees and costs incurred; and

For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper in the 4. premises.

DATED: June <u>3</u>, 2017

### **MURCHISON & CUMMING, LLP**

Ву

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#### **PROOF OF SERVICE**

#### STATE OF NEVADA, COUNTY OF CLARK

At the time of service, I was over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. I am employed in the County of Clark, State of Nevada. My business address is 6900 Westcliff Drive, Suite 605, Las Vegas, Nevada 89145.

On June 30, 2017, I served true copies of the following document(s) described as DEFENDANT SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC. D/B/A PRO CYCLERY'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' AMENDED COMPLAINT AND CROSSCLAIM on the interested parties in this action as follows:

#### SEE ATTACHED LIST

BY ELECTRONIC SERVICE: by transmitting via the Court's electronic filing and electronic service the document(s) listed above to the Counsel set forth on the service list on this date pursuant to Administrative order 14-2 NEFCR 9 (a), and EDCR Rule 7.26.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct and that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

Executed on June 30, 2017, at Las Vegas, Nevada.

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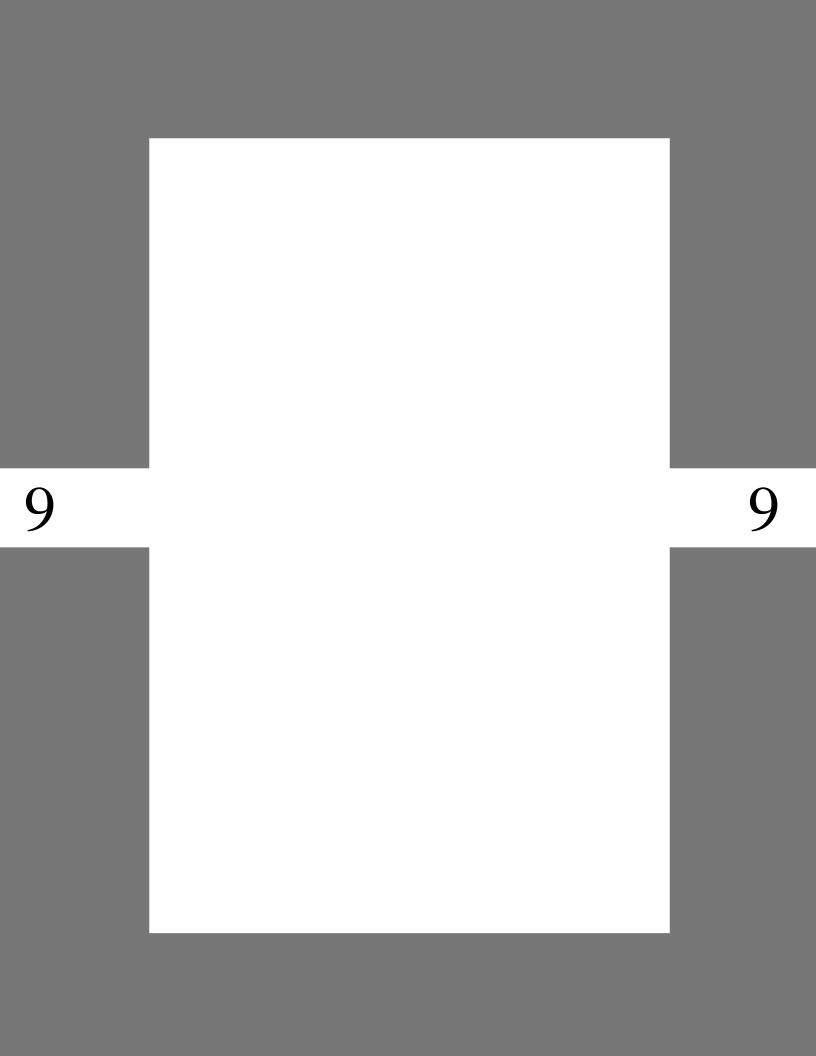
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15	of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent),	
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17	v.	
18	MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC., a Delaware corporation; MICHELANGELO	
19	LEASING INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS, an Arizona corporation; EDWARD	
20	HUBBARD, a Nevada resident; BELL SPORTS, INC. d/b/a GIRO SPORT	
21	DESIGN, a Delaware corporation; SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC. d/b/a PRO	
22	CYCLERY, a Nevada corporation, DOES 1 through 20 and ROE CORPORATIONS	
23	1 through 20,	
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## **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

COMES NOW, Defendant, SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC d/b/a PRO CYCLERY, by and through its attorneys of record, Murchison & Cumming, LLP, and hereby demands that a trial of the above-entitled action be heard before a jury.

DATED: June ろつ, 2017

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Defendant BELL SPORTS, INC. ("BSI"), by and through its attorneys, Olson, Cannon, Gormley, Angulo & Stoberski, P.C., as and for its Answer to Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint herein, respond as follows:

### THE PARTIES<sup>2</sup>

- 1. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 1 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 2. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 2 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 3. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 3 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 4. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 4 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 5. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 6. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 6 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 7. BSI admits that it is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California. BSI further admits that it is engaged in the business of designing, marketing and selling certain helmets under the "Giro" brand. BSI denies that is does business as "Giro Sports Design," and BSI further denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 7 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 8. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 8 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
  - 9. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In their Amended Complaint, Plaintiffs refer to BSI as "Giro" based on the erroneous allegation that "Giro Sports Design" is a d/b/a for Bell Sports, Inc. BSI will respond to Plaintiffs' allegations against "Giro" in their Amended Complaint as if they were properly directed at BSI.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> BSI is including the headings used in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint for ease of reference. BSI expressly denies the truth of any allegations contained in such headings.

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of the allegations in Paragraph 9 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all conclusions of law to this Honorable Court.

- 10. BSI denies the allegations in Paragraph 10 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all conclusions of law to this Honorable Court.
- 11. BSI denies the allegations in Paragraph 11 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all conclusions of law to this Honorable Court.
- 12. BSI denies the allegations in Paragraph 12 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all conclusions of law to this Honorable Court.
- 13. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 14. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 14 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 15. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 15 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 16. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 16 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 17. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 18. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 19. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 19 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 20. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 20 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 21. BSI denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.

# AS AND FOR AN ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANT MCI)

- 22. In response to Paragraph 22 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, BSI repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every response to Paragraph 1 through Paragraph 21 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as though fully set forth at length herein.
- 23. 35. Paragraphs 23 35 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint are not directed to BSI and, therefore, no response by BSI is required. To the extent any of the allegations are found to be directed against BSI, such allegations are denied, and BSI specifically denies any liability related to such paragraphs.

# AS AND FOR AN ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF (NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANTS RYAN'S EXPRESS AND EDWARD HUBBARD)

- 36. In response to Paragraph 36 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, BSI repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every response to Paragraph 1 through Paragraph 35 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as though fully set forth at length herein.
- 37. 46. Paragraphs 37 46 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint are not directed to BSI and, therefore, no response by BSI is required. To the extent any of the allegations are found to be directed against BSI, such allegations are denied, and BSI specifically denies any liability related to such paragraphs.

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- 47. In response to Paragraph 47 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, BSI repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every response to Paragraph 1 through Paragraph 46 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as though fully set forth at length herein.
- 48. 52. Paragraphs 48 52 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint are not directed to BSI and, therefore, no response by BSI is required. To the extent any of the allegations are found to be directed against BSI, such allegations are denied, and BSI specifically denies any liability related to such paragraphs.

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# AS AND FOR AN ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (NEGLIGENT TRAINING AGAINST DEFENDANT RYAN'S EXPRESS)

- 53. In response to Paragraph 53 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, BSI repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every response to Paragraph 1 through Paragraph 52 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as though fully set forth at length herein.
- 54. 59. Paragraphs 54 59 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint are not directed to BSI and, therefore, no response by BSI is required. To the extent any of the allegations are found to be directed against BSI, such allegations are denied, and BSI specifically denies any liability related to such paragraphs.

# AS AND FOR AN ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (STRICT LIABILITY: DEFECTIVE CONDITION OR FAILURE TO WARN AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- 60. In response to Paragraph 60 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, BSI repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every response to Paragraph 1 through Paragraph 59 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as though fully set forth at length herein.
- BSI admits that it is engaged in the business of designing, testing, distributing, marketing and selling certain helmets under the "Giro" brand, but BSI denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegation regarding Dr. Khiabani's helmet. BSI denies the remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 61 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 62. BSI denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 62 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 63. BSI denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 63 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 64. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 64 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 65. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 65 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
  - 66. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 66 of Plaintiffs' Amended

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- 67. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 67 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 68. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 68 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 69. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 69 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 70. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 70 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 71. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 71 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 72. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 72 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 73. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 73 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all questions of law to this Honorable Court.
- 74. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 74 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all questions of law to this Honorable Court.

# AS AND FOR AN ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AGAINST DEFENDANTS GIRO AND PRO CYCLERY)

- 75. In response to Paragraph 75 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, BSI repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every response to Paragraph 1 through Paragraph 74 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as though fully set forth at length herein.
- 76. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 76 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 77. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 77 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 78. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 78 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.

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- 80. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 80 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all questions of law to this Honorable Court.
- 81. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 81 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all questions of law to this Honorable Court.

# AS AND FOR AN ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' SEVENTH CLAIM (WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS)

- 82. In response to Paragraph 82 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, BSI repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every response to Paragraph 1 through Paragraph 81 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint as though fully set forth at length herein.
- 83. BSI denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 83 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all questions of law to this Honorable Court.
- 84. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 84 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all questions of law to this Honorable Court.
- 85. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 85 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 86. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 86 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.
- 87. BSI denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 87 of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, and BSI refers all questions of law to this Honorable Court.

## <u>AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES</u>

# FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint fails to state a claim against BSI upon which relief can be granted.

#### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The damages complained of in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint may have been the result

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of the intervening actions of others and were not proximately caused by the actions or omissions of BSI

## THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs' Decedent incurred or assumed the risks of which Plaintiffs complain in this action.

## **FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

The incident alleged in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint and the resulting damages, if any, to Plaintiffs was proximately caused or contributed to by Plaintiffs' Decedent and/or Plaintiffs' own negligence, and such negligence was greater than the negligence, if any, of BSI, which BSI denies.

# FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

BSI's product, if any, was in compliance with all federal, state and local codes, standards, regulations, specifications and statutes regarding the manufacture, sale and use of the product at all times pertinent to this action.

## SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims are barred in whole or in part by the applicable statutes of limitation.

## **SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Plaintiffs cannot recover herein against BSI because the manufacture, inspection, packaging, warning and labeling of the product described in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint was in conformity with the generally recognized state of the art at the time such product was manufactured, inspected, packaged and labeled.

#### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims may be barred because the physical harm complained of was caused by a modification or alteration of the product at issue made by a person after the delivery to the initial user or consumer which modification or alteration was the proximate cause of the physical harm complained of by Plaintiffs, and such modification or alteration was not reasonably expectable by BSI.

## NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

To the extent Plaintiffs have been compensated for the alleged damages by receiving payment from other persons or entities, the amount of any such compensation should be set off against any recovery Plaintiffs may receive in this action.

## **TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

The injuries or damages of which Plaintiffs complains were caused in whole or in part by the named parties in this action other than BSI and/or non-parties whom Plaintiffs have failed to join in this action. Any allocation of liability to any named party or any non-party should be set off against any recovery Plaintiffs may receive for any fault which may be attributed to BSI.

# **ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs' Decedent failed and neglected to exercise ordinary care for his safety and welfare, which directly and proximately caused or contributed to Plaintiffs' Decedent's alleged injuries and Plaintiffs' alleged damages.

# TWELFTY AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs and/or Plaintiffs' Decedent failed to mitigate their damages, if any.

#### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

All risks and dangers involved in the factual situation described in the Complaint were open, obvious and known to Plaintiffs and/or Plaintiffs' Decedent, who voluntarily assumed said risks and dangers.

#### FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Any physical harm alleged can be attributed to several causes and the damages for this harm, if any, should be apportioned among the various causes according to the contribution of each cause to the harm sustained.

#### FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

BSI is informed and believes and on that basis alleges that Plaintiffs' warranty claims are barred due to lack of privity of contract between Plaintiffs and/or Plaintiffs' decedent and BSI, and on the basis that there are no express or implied warranties running from BSI to Plaintiffs and/or to Plaintiffs' Decedent.

## SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The product that allegedly caused injuries or damage to the Plaintiffs was reasonably fit for the uses for which it was intended.

## SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs are not entitled to recover to the extent any alleged damages or injuries were caused by the misuse, abuse, or failure to properly maintain or care for the products at issue herein.

## **EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Discovery and investigation are incomplete and BSI does not and cannot reasonably be expected to know whether additional affirmative defenses may be applicable. BSI therefore reserves the right to add additional affirmative and other defenses as may be applicable and appropriate during the pendency of this action.

## NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEENSE

Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint does not contain any allegations, as opposed to conclusory statements of law, that would support any claim for punitive damages and, as such, Plaintiffs' claim for punitive damages against BSI should be stricken.

## TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claim for punitive damages in a product liability action is unconstitutional in that recovery of punitive damages in this case would violate BSI's constitutional rights to due process and equal protection under the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and similar protections afforded by the Constitution of the State of Nevada.

## TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claim for punitive damages is unconstitutional in that the standards established for granting and assessing punitive damages are vague and ambiguous, thereby violating BSI's constitutional rights to due process under the Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution of the United States and similar protections afforded by the Constitution of the State of Nevada.

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## TWENTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claim for punitive damages is unconstitutional to the extent that Plaintiffs seek to punish BSI without the protection of constitutional safeguards, including, but not limited to, the right to proof beyond a reasonable doubt, the prohibition against excessive fines as guaranteed by the Sixth, Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution of the United States and similar protections afforded by the State of Nevada.

## TWENTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claim for punitive damages is unconstitutional in that the standards for granting and assessing punitive damages do not prohibit other Plaintiffs from seeking such damages against BSI for the same allegations of defect in the same product and, as such, constitute multiple punishments for the same alleged offense, resulting in the deprivation of BSI's property without due process of law and will, at the same time, resulting in unjustified windfalls for Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' counsel, all in violation of the Sixth, Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution of the United States and similar protections afforded by the Constitution of the State of Nevada.

WHEREFORE, this answering Defendant prays as follows:

- 1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by reason of their Amended Complaint on file herein
- and that the same be dismissed with prejudice;
  - 2. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred to defend this suit; and

3. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper in this matter.  $DATED \ this\ 3^{rd}\ day\ of\ July,\ 2017.$ 

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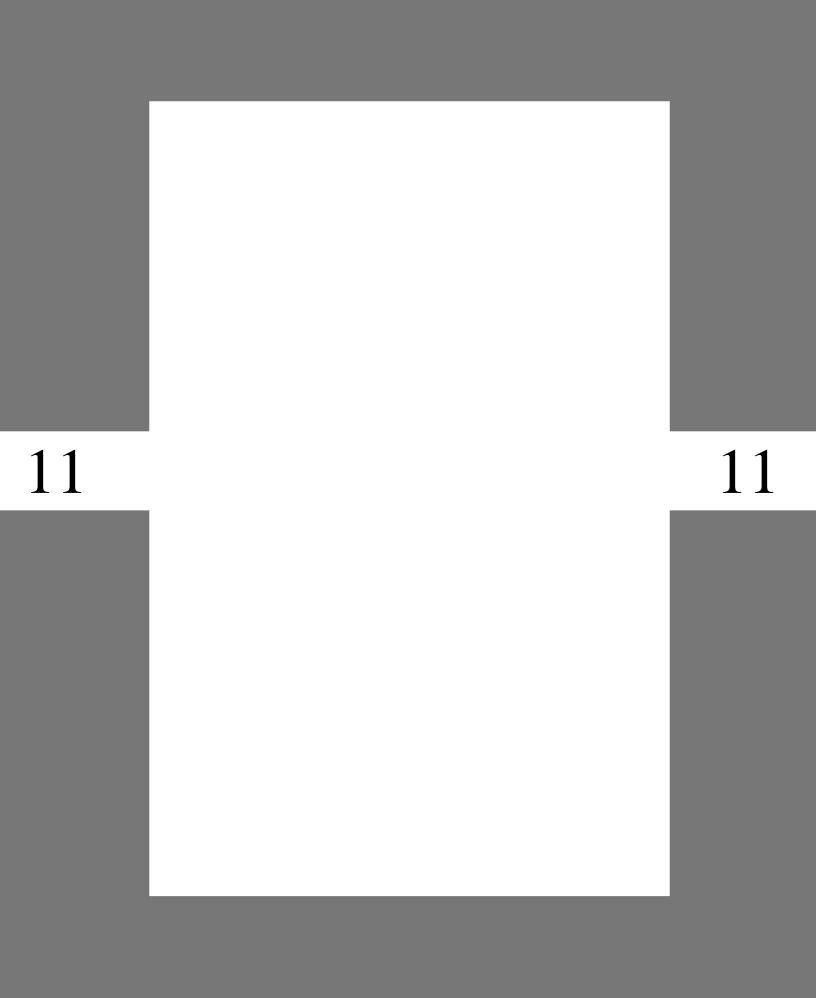
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Plaintiffs,

VS.

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Defendants.

TO: All parties herein; and

TO: Their respective counsel;

Case No. A-17-755977-C

Dept. No. XIV

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER GRANTING IN PART AND DENYING IN PART PLAINTIFFS' APPLICATION UNDER NRCP 65(b) FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER REQUIRING BUS COMPANY AND DRIVER TO PRESERVE AND IMMEDIATELY TURN OVER RELEVANT ELECTRONIC MONITORING INFORMATION FROM BUS AND DRIVER CELL PHONE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part Plaintiffs' Application Under NRCP 65(b) for Temporary Restraining Order Requiring Bus Company and Driver to Preserve and Immediately Turn Over Relevant Electronic Monitoring Information from Bus and Driver Cell Phone on Order Shortening Time was entered in the above-entitled matter on July 5, 2017. A copy of said Order is attached hereto.

DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

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I hereby certify that on the 11th day of July, 2017, the foregoing NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER was served on all parties currently on the electronic service list via the Court's electronic filing system only, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules, Administrative Order 14-2.

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This matter came before the Court on June 15, 2017, at 9:30 AM, pursuant to Plaintiffs' application under NRCP 65(b) for a Temporary Restraining Order requiring Defendant

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Michelangelo Leasing, Inc. and Defendant Hubbard to preserve and immediately turn over relevant electronic monitoring information from the bus involved in the April 18, 2017 accident and the cell phone(s), if any, that Defendant Hubbard had in his possession at the time of the accident. Plaintiffs were represented by Will Kemp, Esq. and Eric Pepperman, Esq. of the law firm KEMP, JONES & COULTHARD, LLP and Peter S. Christiansen, Esq. and Kendelee L. Works, Esq. of CHRISTIANSEN LAW OFFICES; Defendant Motor Coach Industries, Inc. was represented by Howard Russell, Esq. of the law firm WEINBERG WHEELER HUDGINS GUNN & DIAL; Defendant Bell Sports, Inc. was represented by Michael Stoberski, Esq. of the law firm OLSON CANNON GORMLEY ANGULO STOBERSKI; Defendants Michelangelo Leasing, Inc. and Edward Hubbard were represented by Eric Freeman, Esq. of the law firm SELMAN BREITMAN, who appeared via Court Call; there was no appearance by Defendant Sevenplus Bicycles, Inc. Having considered the application and arguments of counsel present at the hearing, and for good cause appearing, Plaintiffs' application for Temporary Restraining Order under NRCP 65(b) is hereby GRANTED, in part, and DENIED, in part, as follows:

- 1. Given the limited storage capacity of electronic data recording devices and the possibility that data on these devices may be overridden, the Court finds good cause to enter a Temporary Restraining Order requiring the preservation of this evidence. Thus, to the extent that Plaintiffs seek an order preserving evidence, their application is GRANTED.
- 2. Since this electronic data will be preserved, the Court sees no need for it to be immediately turned-over at this early stage of the proceedings. Thus, to the extent that Plaintiffs seek an order requiring that the electronic data be immediately turned over to Plaintiffs, their application is DENIED. The Court makes no ruling on the relevance or ultimate discoverability of this electronic data, only that it need not be immediately turned over pursuant to a Temporary Restraining Order at this time.
- 3. Defendant Michelangelo Leasing, Inc. shall make the bus available in Las Vegas for Rimkus Consulting to download any and all electronic information on the Electronic Data Recorders of the bus, if any, and to copy any and all video recordings from the bus, if any. All electronic information or video information from an available source, if any, shall be encompassed by this

order, including but not limited to the following sources: (a) Engine Control Module (ECM); (b) Global Positioning System (GPS); (c) Infotainment System; (d) Video Recording Devices; (e) Drive Cam; and (f) proximity sensors. Rimkus Consulting shall use its best efforts to preserve the electronic information and video recordings of the bus, if any, in a format that can later be accessed by all parties and the Plaintiffs' expert shall not do anything during the download and copying process that would erase any information, data or video recordings. To the extent that any of the forgoing data or data sources cannot be accessed by Rimkus Consulting, the parties are to meet and confer regarding additional avenues to ensure preservation of all electronic data and video from the bus.

- 4. Unless otherwise agreed by Plaintiffs and Defendant Michelangelo Leasing, the downloading and copying described above shall occur within 5 business days of notice of entry of this order.
- 5. Rimkus Consulting shall make seven copies of any electronic data or video downloaded or copied from the bus (one copy for each party, one copy for the Court, and one copy that Rinkus Consulting shall retain for itself). Rimkus Consulting shall provide one of these copies to counsel for Defendants Michelangelo Leasing and Edward Hubbard, but it shall not provide copies to any other party. The remaining five copies shall be submitted to the Court with a copy of the Report described in paragraph six of this order. Plaintiffs and/or Plaintiffs' experts shall not access the same unless agreed to by Defendant Michelangelo Leasing or until further order of this court. If Plaintiffs are provided access to the information, the other parties will also be provided access to the information. Nothing in this order precludes the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department or any other government agency from requesting and receiving the downloaded data.
- 6. Immediately following the download, Rimkus Consulting shall file a Verified Report with the Court. The Report should describe the download process and procedure and, to the extent possible, contain the following: (1) a description of the software used to download or copy the data, (2) a list of the materials that were downloaded, (3) the date of download, (4) the date that downloaded or copied data appeared to have been originally generated, and (5) any other pertinent information.

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- 7. In addition to the bus data, Defendant Edward Hubbard shall make the cell phone(s) that he possessed at the time of the incident available in Las Vegas for Plaintiffs' computer expert to copy and the Plaintiffs' expert shall not do anything during the copying process that would erase any information on the cell phone(s). Unless otherwise agreed by Plaintiffs and Defendant Hubbard, such copying shall occur within 5 business days of notice of entry of this order. Plaintiffs' expert shall make six copies of the cell phone(s), if any (one copy for each party and one copy for the court). Plaintiffs' expert shall provide one of these copies to counsel for Defendant Edward Hubbard, but it shall not provide copies to any other party or retain a copy for itself. The remaining five copies shall be submitted to the Court. Although Plaintiffs may copy the entire cell phone data, Plaintiffs and/or Plaintiffs' expert shall not access the same. At the appropriate time in the future, the parties shall conduct a meet and confer regarding an agreed upon access protocol that protects potential privileges and avoids the review of materials that are not relevant (e.g., personal phone numbers, messages, etc.).
- 8. This Temporary Restraining Order will expire by its own terms in 30 days from the date that it is entered. Good cause exists to extend the expiration date from 15 to 30 days because the additional time will give the parties greater flexibility in scheduling the matters contemplated by this order before it expires.
- 9. Given the benefit of this order to all parties, the Court finds good cause to waive any security requirement under NRCP 65(c).

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10. Nothing in this Temporary Restraining Order shall be construed as relieving any party from their obligation to preserve evidence. DATED this 20day of June, 2017. 3 5 6 7 Submitted by: /s/ Eric Pepperman WILL KEMP, ESO. (#1205) ERIC PEPPERMAN, ESQ. (#11679) KEMP, JONES & COULTHARD, LLP 3800 Howard Hughes Parkway, 17th Floor Las Vegas, NV 89169 -and-PETER S. CHRISTIANSEN, ESQ. (#5254) KENDELEE L. WORKS, ESQ. (#9611) CHRISTIANSEN LAW OFFICES 810 Casino Center Blvd. Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 Attorneys for Plaintiffs 15 Approved as to form and content: 16 SELMAN BREITMAN LLP 17 /s/ Eric Freeman Eric O. Freeman, Esq. 18 Bar No. 6648 3993 Howard Hughes Pkwy., #200 Las Vegas, Nevada 89169 Attorneys for Defendants, MICHELANGELO LEASING, INC. and EDWARD HUBBARD 21 22 Approved as to form and content: 23 WEINBERG, WHEELER, HUDGINS, **GUNN & DIAL, LLC** 24 25 /s/ Howard Russell Howard J. Russell, Esq. 26 Bar No. 8879 6385 So. Rainbow Blvd., #400 Las Vegas, Nevada 89118 Attorneys for Defendant, MOTOR COACH ÎNDUSTRIES, INC.

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Defendants.

TO: All parties herein; and

TO: Their respective counsel;

Case No. A-17-755977-C

Dept. No. XIV

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PREFERENTIAL TRIAL SETTING

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YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an Order Granting 2 Plaintiffs' Motion for Preferential Trial Setting was entered in the above entitled matter on July 20, 2017. A copy of said Order is attached hereto.

DATED this 20th day of July, 2017.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 20th day of July, 2017, the foregoing NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PREFERENTIAL TRIAL SETTING was served on all parties currently on the electronic service list via the Court's electronic filing system only, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules, Administrative Order 14-2.

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Defendants.

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ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PREFERENTIAL TRIAL SETTING

This matter came before the Court on July 20, 2017, at 9:30 AM, pursuant to Plaintiffs'

Motion for Preferential Trial Setting. Plaintiffs were represented by Will Kemp, Esq. of the law

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Case Number: A-17-755977-C

Works, Esq. of CHRISTIANSEN LAW OFFICES; Defendant Motor Coach Industries, Inc. was represented by D. Lee Roberts, Jr., Esq. and Howard Russell, Esq. of the law firm WEINBERG WHEELER HUDGINS GUNN & DIAL; Defendant Bell Sports, Inc. was represented by Michael Stoberski, Esq. of the law firm OLSON CANNON GORMLEY ANGULO STOBERSKI; Defendants Michelangelo Leasing, Inc. and Edward Hubbard were represented by Eric Freeman, Esq. of the law firm SELMAN BREITMAN; and Defendant Sevenplus Bicycles, Inc. was represented by Michael J. Nunez, Esq. of the law firm MURCHISON & CUMMING, LLP. Having considered the briefing, the Declarations of Plaintiff Katayoun ("Katy") Barin and Anthony Nguyen MD in support of a preferential trial setting, and the arguments of counsel in light of NRS 16.025, and for other good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Plaintiffs' Motion for Preferential Trial Setting is GRANTED. Pursuant to NRS 16.025(2), the Court finds that based upon clear and convincing medical evidence, including the Declaration of Anthony Nguyen, MD, Plaintiff Katy Barin suffers from an illness-late stage IV colon cancer and further metastasis into the liver, lungs, and other gastrointestinal nodes-that raises substantial medical doubt that she will survive for more than six months. The Court also finds that the interest of justice would be served by granting the present motion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, in compliance with NRS 16.025(3)(a), the above-entitled case is set on a firm trial date, beginning on Novince 20. 10.11 9:30 AM.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, to facilitate the 22 preferential trial setting, the parties may commence discovery immediately, even though no joint case conference report has yet been filed.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that a status check hearing on
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6	THE COURT: Katayoun Barin versus Motor Coach
7	Industries, Inc.
8	Good morning. As soon as everyone is
9	situated, if we can just have everyone's appearances
10	for the record.
11	MR. KEMP: Your Honor, Will Kemp from Kemp
12	Jones & Coulthard representing plaintiffs.
13	MR. CHRISTIANSEN: Pete Christiansen and
14	Kendelee Works also on behalf of the plaintiffs.
15	MS. WORKS: Good morning, Your Honor.
16	THE COURT: Good morning.
17	MR. ROBERTS: Good morning, Your Honor. Lee
18	Roberts representing Motor Coach Industries. Also here
19	with me is Marissa Rodriguez and Mr. Darrell Barger who
20	has been admitted pro hac vice by Judge Escobar. He's
21	here from Corpus Christi, Texas.
22	THE COURT: Okay.
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23	MR. STOBERSKI: Good morning, Your Honor.
24	Michael Stoberski for Bell Sports, Inc.

MR. FREEMAN:

Good morning. Eric Freeman on

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               MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I'll be brief.
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counsel in the MGM fire case, biggest mass disaster in

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June 1982. It took a while for the case to get going because we had an MDL judge and everything had to be consolidated.
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So we had a hearing in June 1982, and Judge Bechtle said, "Saddle up, boys. We're trying this case in January 1983."

We started taking 40 depositions a day. We got the case ready for trial. If we can get the largest mass disaster in the history of Nevada ready for trial in six months, I think we can get this case ready for trial.

At its core, this case is, against the first defendant, a motor vehicle accident. So the suggestion that we can't get a motor vehicle accident ready for trial in six months I think is inappropriate.

The second defendant is the bus manufacturer that Mr. Roberts represents. Against that defendant is just a blind spot case. That exact same case has been tried before multiple times, and we attached the verdict from Philadelphia, the *Chin* case. So that case I think is relatively easy to prepare.

I have the transcript of that case. I'm sure Mr. Roberts has the transcript of that case. I know what their witnesses are going to say. I still want to depose them, but I have a pretty good idea. So I think

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1 the blind spot case is pretty easy to prepare.

The next case is a defective helmet case. We are not unique in this is the only defect helmet case that's ever been filed. Defective helmet cases have been tried multiple times. I have transcripts of some of those cases involving this exact same helmet, by the way.

So the suggestion that we cannot get the case ready for trial I don't think is appropriate. But we're not asking the Court to decide that at this time. All we're asking the Court to do is to give us a chance to get the case ready for trial some time in November or whenever is available on the Court's calendar. And we're not asking the Court to make a final decision that we're going to go to trial at that time come hell or high water.

You know, if, for example, Mr. Roberts suggests there's 10 defendants and -- 10 expert witnesses, excuse me, and that we might have problems scheduling some of them. If that's the case, you know, and we can only do five expert depositions and five are still out there -- which I don't really see being the case -- but if that's the case, we can make that decision in October. So we're not saying let's make a final decision now that we're going to go to trial.

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     We're saying set a trial date, give us an opportunity
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     the widow, and that's what we think is appropriate,
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     know that there was mention made in the pleadings about
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MR. KEMP: No, Your Honor. But remember the police report is probably not going to be admissible in this case.

THE COURT: No, I understand that. But I understand that they just want to know --

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THE COURT: -- whether or not Metro comes to a decision as to who's the cause or whether anyone's going to be cited or anyone's going to be charged.

MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I think we're so far ahead of Metro at this this point it's -- because I

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know the witnesses Metro's identified and I know some of the other witnesses. And I have given a list of all the fact witnesses to defense counsel. I'm ready to schedule the first six fact depositions starting on August 14th. We've got the notices ready to go, the subpoenas. We've talked to a couple of the witnesses about convenient dates for them.
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So we expect that, no matter what Metro does, we're going to be --

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. KEMP: And Metro -- you know, Metro works on their own schedule.

wanted to know if anybody had spoken with them and got a general idea. Because I know, from the defense standpoint, that was one of the issues that they were talking about is no one's ever been cited or anything and the final report hasn't even been completed, the accident report.

MR. KEMP: Well, unfortunately, the bicyclist didn't get a chance to tell his side of the story, Your Honor. And what I would view as the key witness has not been interviewed by Metro.

So I would think that we are substantially ahead of Metro at this point, and, you know, perhaps

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               MR. ROBERTS: We do, Your Honor.
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120-day schedule that's been proposed by Mr. Kemp.
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In this case, because there are significant allegations with regard to product liability of the bus, product liability of the helmet, in addition to the standard of care of the bus operator, there will be a significant number of experts in this case. There'll probably be at least 10, if not significantly more than that, if the defendants each retain separate experts on some of these key issues.

Those experts have to be deposed before trial. We have to do dispositive motions before trial. We have to do motions in limine before trial. And if you count back, they're going to be expert disclosures and then you need at least 30 days to do rebuttal disclosers and then you need at least 30 days to do depositions of that many experts after rebuttal disclosures. So that's 60 days right there just from the initial disclosure of experts to the completion of expert depositions which has to happen before dispositive motions.

This is a complex case, and if you actually look at the scheduling order and you look at the standard form joint case conference report of the things that have to happen and the sequence in which

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they have to happen, 120 days for a complex case, such as this, simply is not enough time for those things to happen in such a fashion as to give the defendants a reasonable opportunity to defend themselves against these allegations.
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The suggestion that the Court can simply set a preferential trial date and then abandon it if we aren't making progress makes no sense under the statute. The Court should determine now, today, whether the interest of justice can be served with an expedited trial setting in a case such as this.

And once the Court sets a setting, under section 3(b) under the statute, the Court shall not continue the date for the trial of the action beyond 120 days after the hearing on the motion except for physical disability of a party or an attorney in the action or other good cause entered on the record. So this is the time at which the Court should determine whether or not it's likely we can get ready for a trial in 120 days, not just see what happens over the next 90 days and decide at 30 days before trial whether we're actually going to go forward.

If Mr. Kemp wants to embark upon his aggressive schedule where we're talking about deposing 60 fact witnesses and a dozen experts and doing that

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all over the summer so we can get ready for trial, the thing to do is to allow him to be as aggressive as he can in accordance with the schedule of the witnesses and the attorneys, and if he can get it done and we're making progress, then he can come in and ask for an expedited setting in 90 days. But it's unlikely he's going to be able to make the showing in 90 days, and it's certainly unlikely that the interest of justice would be served by forcing the defendants with all of these lawyers and all of these experts to try to get ready for a trial in such a short period of time.

We have proposed a schedule, as the Court knows from our submission, where we are prepared to expedite this twice as fast as normally happens in a products liability case. Products liability cases over the last five years which have gone to verdict have generally taken 48 months from filing of the complaint to verdict. We're prepared to try to get this done in a year so that Mr. Kemp can get a trial and make it more likely that the widow can participate. Of course the widow, we understand, we have sympathy, we understand why she wants to participate in this trial, but she's not a key fact witness to the merits of the case, and her testimony can be adequately preserved for trial through video.

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We don't even know, based on these affidavits -- and the Court noted the doctor's affidavit is significantly stronger than the one which was filed with the initial motion, and it's tragic how this has metastasized. But the -- even the possibility that I would think there's a substantial doubt of four months as well as six months given the prognosis. So, Your Honor --
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THE COURT: Let me ask you this question. If we were to set this trial just ordinarily how we would normally set trials, when would you guys begin the experts, deposing all these people? When would you anticipate beginning that if this trial was set as it ordinarily would be set?

MR. ROBERTS: The proposed joint case conference report, Section 5, which we've submitted --

THE COURT: Mm-hmm.

MR. ROBERTS: -- we would -- according to

Mr. Kemp, we'd begin deposing the expert -- the fact

witnesses in August. He could move forward with

deposing fact witnesses. We would start discovery

immediately. And initial expert disclosures under our

proposed schedule would be due in March, discovery

would be completed by July, and we could be ready to

try the case late summer/early fall next year.

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THE COURT: All right.

MR. ROBERTS: That would be a significantly expedited trial setting over what would normally happen in a complex product liability case such as this, and we think that's reasonable and we're prepared to do what's necessary to complete the case in that period of time. But 50 witnesses, 60 witnesses, this many lawyers, this many parties, that's a lot to accomplish in such a short period of time, Your Honor. And then we'll have to identify witnesses.

And I can't speak to the helmet manufacturer, but Mr. Kemp is a little bit confused about the prior case which he cited to the court, the Chin case. That was actually a transit bus case, not a Motor Coach case and it was a case against New Flyer. And although New Flyer recently acquired MCI earlier, within just prior to 2017, they are different companies and they are different buses and there will be different witnesses. So it's not simply a do-over of another case. And even in that case the jury found that the product manufactured by New Flyer was not defective because of the blind spot issue pointed out by Mr. Kemp. There's been an issue raised that's inconsistent with their finding of negligence, and it's currently on appeal.

This is not the same case.

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     proximity sensors so that the driver would have been
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     alerted to the bicyclist on the passenger side of the
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     from our point of view and will take significant
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     preparation to defend against these allegations.
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                           Thank you, Counsel.
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               MR. ROBERTS:
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               THE COURT:
                           Does anyone else wish to respond?
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               MR. STOBERSKI: Yes, Your Honor.
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     Stoberski for Bell Sports. The second part of the
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     statute is the important part of the statute.
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     defendants in granting this motion is so extreme it's
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    case it takes a lot of time, unfortunately, and with
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   multiple experts and schedules -- this is not the
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    experts' only case, this is not the defendants' only
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    case, it's not counsels' only case. So, you know, the
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    defendants had agreed to this 12-month schedule.
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If the Court is not familiar with how complex the discovery schedule can be, plaintiffs mentioned in their paper that they would be okay with having a special master appointed. Perhaps having a special master give input to the Court of how long we really need to conduct discovery in a complex liability case would be a fair compromise here rather than all of us just throwing things up in the air and having the Court try to decide which one's correct. These are very complex issues, and having someone like a special master who's done complex product liability cases give input on how quickly and aggressively we can get this done may be the fairest compromise.

Thank you, Your Honor.

**THE COURT:** Thank you.

MR. FREEMAN: Eric Freeman on behalf of

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     everything these gentlemen have said.
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    mid-June, end of June. This is -- we've just started.
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     And that the list of witnesses that they've given, they
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     have witnesses -- I believe it's incomplete. I believe
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     there are other fact witnesses that haven't been added
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     the other entities that responded. So they're still
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     just trying to find out who these witnesses are. They
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     don't even know. And we're just getting involved. And
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     so I think that weighs heavily on the interest of
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     justice evaluation.
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               THE COURT:
              MR. NUNEZ:
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MR. NUNEZ: Your Honor, Michael Nuñez for
Sevenplus. I think all points have been raised in
opposition to it.

There are two prongs under this statute. The second prong is what we're talking about here. There have already been delays that have manifested in this case, Your Honor. You pointed out the police report; we don't have that yet. For what it appears, there's

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    case. It was represented to us that that would be
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    turned over immediately. We still don't have it.
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    just the nature of this type of complex claim.
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    to accomplish 60 fact witnesses in 120 days is not
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There was a suggestion in the reply brief,
Your Honor, that perhaps a status check be set in 90
days. If the Court's not inclined to deny this motion
in its entirety, which it should today, I would suggest
that we continue the hearing on this matter for 90
days. We'll have a much better sense of where the
claims are and how the discovery is proceeding and as
to if and when this case can realistically be ready for
trial.

THE COURT: Thank you, Counsel.

Does anyone else wish to respond? Plaintiff, do you have any response to that?

MR. KEMP: Judge, I don't know how in depth you looked at our case conference disclosures, but we've listed all the witnesses. And with regards to counsel's last statement that we haven't give them anything yet, we had our first part of the case

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conference meeting last week. We're going to resume it as soon as we get done here over at Mr. Christiansen's office. And at that time I'm going to give them a thumb drive that has the Red Rock video on it, which they all want, the video from the Red Rock Hotel camera of the accident. It has a couple other videos on it. I'm going to give them all the documents we have.
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So I think in some of the stuff Mr. -- hasn't been subpoenaed by the defense, but I'm going to give it to them. That's my obligation. I'm going to give it to them. So they'll have everything that I have by noon today.

With regards to preparing the case for trial, this is not a complex case, Your Honor. I've done complex cases. Big pharmaceutical cases. I was on the Fen-Phen National Committee. That was a complex case because we had, you know, 5,000 plaintiffs spread nationwide. We had five different defendants. That was a very complex case. That's why we got a big MDL. This is a simple bus accident case, which I've already said is a motor vehicle accident, and it's got a blind spot theory — and, by the way, Mr. Roberts said our theory is proximity sensors. Our theory is that there was a blind spot, and in the alternative we're arguing that there should have been proximity sensors. So it

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is pretty much like the Chin case.

But in any event, Your Honor, it's a motor vehicle accident. We can take the fact witnesses. As far as I can tell, there's five fact witnesses, all of whom I'm going to take in the week of August 14th unless one of them has a significant hardship and has to go back the next week. We've identified three of the first responders; two ambulance people, one police officer. We're trying to set those up the following week, the week of August 21st. I'm hopeful that by the week of August 25th we will have the fact depositions done of the people that had knowledge of the accident scene. The reason we set it up that way or we are setting it up that way is we anticipate that they're going to want to give those fact witness depositions to their accident reconstruction experts just like we are, and that way they can't say, oh, we couldn't get the accident reconstruction guy ready. We're trying to front-load the fact witnesses for that reason.

I've already talked about their employees.

I've got their prior trial transcript. I've got their deposition. I do want to depose them. I would suggest I could probably do three a day because I know what I want out of them. You know, I don't waste a lot of time in depositions, as Mr. Roberts knows. You know, I

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get to it. I can do three a day. It's not that big of a deal. And in the MGM case we did 40 a day cross-country, Your Honor. I'm not even suggesting that. I'm suggesting a serial deposition schedule, and by that I mean one a day rather than multitrack, and I think it can get done. But all I'm asking is a chance to get it done.
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You know, with all respect to Mr. Roberts, you know, the suggestion that we wait 12 months for discovery when the widow has got six months left to live according to the doctor, all that is saying is he wants to try the case without the widow present.

That's really what their suggestion is.

And I'm not asking you to make a final decision, Your Honor. It may well be — and I pray to God this is true — that the widow makes a miraculous recovery. I may come in here a month or two from now or Mr. Roberts may take the widow's deposition and, you know, you read about these amazing cancer discoveries in the paper every day. It may be they found something for the widow and now, all of the sudden, her prognosis is she's got 5 or 10 years to live. And I pray that's the case. That would be a changed situation, Your Honor, and I'd be the first one to say let's go back to a more traditional schedule. But I don't know that

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that's going to be the case. You don't know that's going to be the case.
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What they're really asking you to do is look into a crystal ball and say, oh, can we determine what the health of the widow is? Can't do that at this point more than the cancer doctor has done, Your Honor. Oh, can Mr. Kemp get the fact depositions? We can't determine that. I think I can do it, but I'm the first one to say that some circumstances may come up. Can we get the experts deposed? I think we can do it.

That's why I suggest we set a trial date, give us an opportunity to get the case ready for trial, and then come back here like counsel said on the status conference some time in October and make a decision with more facts and more reasoning. To do it the other way just guarantees that we cannot try the case in six months. Because if we don't set a trial date, we won't work back from that. What we will do is we will do all the fact witnesses, and then we'll come in here and they'll argue, oh, we need 90 more fact witnesses or something. But that's why you got to set the trial date and work back from it.

And I'm in agreement to a special master. I think Mr. Roberts initially proposed it. Mr. Stoberski and I have talked about it. I'm in agreement to have

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     hearings five weeks later. We will get -- you know,
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     we'll write a letter to Floyd and we'll have a decision
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     the next week. So that should expedite things greatly.
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               So for that reason, Your Honor -- and
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     especially we need this statute. And the statute -- we
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     cited the legislative history. The statute was
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     intended for a situation just like this where there's a
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     key plaintiff in a case -- and no one said the widow is
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     not a key plaintiff, and I don't think they could -- a
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     key plaintiff in the case will not get her day in court
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     because she has a medical condition. And that's why we
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     would ask that the Court grant the motions, set the
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     trial date some time in six months, and we would
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               THE COURT:
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And in light of -- I've reviewed everything, and if you guys were to get this special hearing master, would you guys be able to stipulate as to who that was going to be or were you guys looking to the Court to determine who that person would be?

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1 MR. ROBERTS: I believe the defense has all
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**THE COURT:** Okay.

MR. ROBERTS: Whether he would be acceptable to all the defendants, we don't know if he's available to handle things on an expedited manner as Mr. Kemp would want. But I believe, other than his schedule, Mr. Kemp was in agreement that he'd be fine.

MR. KEMP: I have no problem. He's in our building, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay. And I know just yesterday
I signed the stipulation for him to be a special
hearing master in one of my cases. So if you guys were
to be able to get him, is that how you wanted to
proceed with that?

MR. ROBERTS: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: So I've reviewed everything, and I do believe that the victim is a substantial plaintiff in this case. And I believe that the compromise that was put forth by the plaintiffs in this case would actually expedite this case as well as would give everyone the opportunity to examine what needs to happen. So I'm going to set a trial date in 120 days with a very clear understanding there is no guarantee that that trial date is going forward. I would like

everyone to give it their best efforts to see how close

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     status check in 60 days when Judge Escobar is here to
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     whether or not that trial date will stand. Because I
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    believe, underneath the statute, Judge Escobar could
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    make a finding of good cause to continue that trial
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     calendar call is November 2nd with trial starting
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     2nd at 9:30, and the trial will be November 14th at
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                          And you guys can revisit with her
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     if there's any issues that come up, and if you can
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     agree on the hearing master, you can submit the order
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     to the Court for signature.
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               MR. ROBERTS:
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               I believe the plaintiff had asked for
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    November 20th. When we're talking about preparing, I
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Is that an available date?

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Court to accommodate November 20th?

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               THE CLERK:
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     Thanksgiving.
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               MR. KEMP: I'd say three weeks.
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               MR. ROBERTS: We were thinking four weeks
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     based on other trials with Mr. Kemp.
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               THE CLERK: Our stack is four weeks.
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     you need four weeks, we'd have to start -- and then
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     you're getting into December. There's a lot of
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     holidays. So, I mean, if you want to start the second
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     week of the stack, we can do that.
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               THE COURT: What's the second week of the
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     stack?
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                          November 20th. You can only go
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     three days, and then there's Thanksgiving.
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               THE COURT:
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               THE CLERK: And then the next stack starts
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     December 12th.
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               MR. KEMP: Yeah, the November 20th is fine
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     with us.
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               THE CLERK: Okay. Let's start over.
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     Calendar call, November 2nd. Is that all right?
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               MR. KEMP:
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               THE COURT: And then the trial will be
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November 20th at 9:30.

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               MR. ROBERTS:
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     dates for motion in limine, dispositive motions so that
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     we can plan --
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               MR. KEMP: Your Honor, can we work that out
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     with defense?
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               THE COURT:
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     guys can prepare an order and submit it to the Court if
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     you guys can agree upon it. And if not, then the Court
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     will pick the dates and give an order.
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     that has everything except the date of the trial and
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     the status check hearing for the discovery in it.
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               MR. ROBERTS: And Your Honor?
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               And I apologize. Counsel?
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               MR. ROBERTS: I just wanted to bring the
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     Court's attention to the fact I have a special setting
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     which I believe counsel -- before Judge Denton for
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     November 17th.
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               MR. ROBERTS: And I would request that the --
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that case can be continued. Because I can't be both
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     When you have your status check in September, maybe
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     something happens in the Judge Denton case -- we can't
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     even predict what happens with trials -- so you'll
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     probably have more information on that case as well
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     when you appear on September 21st, and then we can make
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     a better decision on whether or not Judge Escobar needs
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     to talk to Judge Denton or how that works.
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               MR. ROBERTS: Okay.
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               THE COURT:
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     ATTEST: I hereby certify that I have truly and
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VS.

FLOYD A. HALE, Esq.

3800 Howard Hughes Parkway, 11th Floor

KEON KHIABANI and ARIA KHIABANI,

minors by and through their natural mother, KATAYOUN BARIN, KATAYOUN BARIN,

and the Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D.

individually; KATAYOUN BARIN as Executrix of the Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent)

Plaintiffs,

SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC. d/b/a Pro Cyclery,

Defendants.

DATED this 18th day of August, 2017.

a Nevada corporation; DOES 1 through 20; and

ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 20,

All Parties, and

Their Counsel

Nevada Bar No. 1873

Las Vegas, NV 89169

(702)-457-5267 Special Master

(Decedent),

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CASE NO. A-17-755977-C

DEPT. NO. XIV

Order was filed on August 16, 2017, a copy of which is attached hereto.

By:

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#### DISTRICT COURT

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Nevada resident; BELL SPORTS, INC. d/b/a
GIRO SPORT DESIGN, a California corporation;
SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC. d/b/a Pro Cyclery,
a Nevada corporation; DOES 1 through 20; and
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Defendants.

CASE NO. A-17-755977-C DEPT. NO. XIV

#### CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER

#### 1. GENERAL PURPOSE

1.1 Purpose. This litigation involves the Plaintiff's Complaint for damages related to a motor vehicle - bicycle accident that occurred on April 18, 2017 in Clark County, Nevada in which Dr. Kayvan Khiabani was killed. This action has been deemed complex by the District Court which included the appointment of a Special Master. This Case Management Order (the "Order") is entered to reduce the costs of litigation, to assist the parties in scheduling discovery before the trial date and to resolve their disputes if possible, and if not, to reduce the costs and difficulties of

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discovery and trial.

1.2 **Code Governs Where Silent.** On any matter as to which this Order is silent, the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Nevada Rules of Court shall be controlling.

#### 2. APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL MASTER

- 2.1 **Scope of Appointment.** Floyd Hale, Esq. is appointed as the Special Master and shall have the power and authority to:
- Review all pleadings, papers or documents filed with the court or served on counsel concerning the action, and coordinate the entry of this Order and any amendments thereto.
- Coordinate and make orders concerning the discovery of any photographs,
   records, papers, expert reports, or other documents by the parties, including the disclosure of witnesses, and the taking of the deposition of any party.
- Refer to the presiding judge of the court in which the cause of action is filed any matter requiring assistance from the court.
  - 7. Hear all discovery and/or scheduling motions.
- 2.2 Law and Motion. The Special Master will hear discovery motions under the same meet and confer and notice procedures that apply to the Discovery Commissioner. The form of discovery motions and oppositions may be made in letter form and shall be filed with the Special Master and properly served on all parties with proper notice. The parties must make an effort to resolve discovery disputes prior to submitting those issues to the Special Master by a personal conference or a telephone conference with adverse counsel. Unless a specific briefing schedule is issued by the Special Master: Opposition briefs are due 10 days after receipt of a Motion; Reply briefs are due 7 days after receipt of the Opposition.

## 2.3 Objections to Special Master Order or Special Master Recommendations.

The parties may submit objections to Special Master Orders or to Special Master Recommendations under the same procedures that apply to the Discovery Commissioner Recommendations, as specified at EDCR 2.34 (f) except that the objections may be served 10 days after the service of the Special Master Order. The inclusion of an executed District Court Order with

the Special Master Recommendations when initially served shall be considered an interlocutory Order for 10 days and does not effect the time for submitting objections and does not affect the standard for judicial review.

2.4 Compensation. The compensation of the Special Master shall be paid by the following parties: 20% by Plaintiffs; 20% by Motor Coach Industries, Inc.; 20% by Michelangelo Leasing Inc. and Edward Hubbard; 20% by Bell Sports, Inc.; and 20% by Sevenplus Bicycles,, Inc.. The Special Master shall have the power to recommend a different allocation, depending upon the actual participation of a party, ability to pay or the nature and purpose of the particular proceedings before the Special Master. Payment shall be made within 45 days of receipt of an invoice for services. A party will be responsible for compensating the Special Master until serving him with a written order removing that party from the litigation. As to discovery disputes, each party shall contribute to the compensation of the Special Master, subject to a recommendation for reallocation of such expense.

#### 3. <u>NEW PARTIES</u>

When a party subsequently makes an appearance in the case, the party who sued the subsequently appearing party is responsible for serving a copy of this Order within 10 days after the subsequently appearing party files its first responsive pleading or answer. The compensation of the Special Master may be adjusted to consider new parties.

#### 4. EXPERT REPORTS

The Special Master will schedule the designation of experts and the service of expert reports. Expert reports shall be provided as required by NRCP 16.1(a)(2). All expert reports must be provided as required under the Case Agenda. An expert failing to deposit a timely report meeting the requirements of N.R.C.P. 16.1(a)(2) is subject to being stricken as a designated expert. Unless the Case Agenda provides a specific date for an expert designation, the production of an expert report shall constitute a designation of an expert identified as the author of the report. The additional disclosures regarding that expert required pursuant to N.R.C.P. 16.1(a)(2) must also be provided.

Unless another date is provided in the Case Agenda, an expert's job file, including any summaries or compilations to be used a trial, must be deposited seven days after the deadline for that expert's report. The job file must contain all the information required to be produced pursuant to

N.R.C.P. 16.1(a)(2) unless already deposited with that expert's report.

#### 5. **NON-PARTY DISCOVERY**

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Any party shall be allowed to conduct non-party document discovery upon proper notice to all parties, and are required to serve any documents obtained from such discovery within fourteen (14) days of obtaining such discovery or, alternatively, provide a detailed list of the discovery.

#### 6. **DEPOSITION PROCEDURES**

Expert depositions shall be scheduled to commence in accordance with the dates set forth in the Case Agenda. Custodial depositions, percipient witness depositions and persons most knowledgeable depositions may be conducted at anytime, unless the Special Master is requested to schedule those depositions in the Case Agenda. The initial Case Agenda is attached as Exhibit "A".

Expert deponents may charge a reasonable fee for the time expended in the deposition but may not charge for: preparation time; travel time; or for "minimum billing periods." Each party is responsible to pay the expert for the time that party's counsel questioned the expert. Payment of the expert's fee is due 30 days after a party's counsel receives a billing statement for those expert services.

If a witness that has previously been deposed is scheduled for a continuation of a deposition or an additional deposition, counsel questioning that witness are required to have reviewed the prior deposition transcripts.

#### EFFECT OF THIS ORDER ON SUBSEQUENTLY APPEARING PARTIES

This Order shall be applicable to all subsequently appearing parties.

#### **ELECTRONIC FILING AND SERVICE**

The parties to this matter stipulate to allow this case to be part of the Clark County District Court Electronic Filing Program. Parties appearing subsequent to entry of this Order shall have two (2) weeks (after making their initial appearance) to object to said stipulation and to request a District Court Hearing, with notice of said objection circulated to all parties.

#### **CASE AGENDA**

The initial discovery schedule or Case Agenda was discussed with counsel during a July 24, 2017, Special Master Hearing. Another Special Master Hearing was conducted on August 7, 2017,

1	at which time changes were made to the previous draft of the Case Agenda. The current Case
2	Agenda, as drafted following the August 7, 2017, Special Master Hearing is attached hereto as
3	Exhibit "A." It is being Recommended that the Court adopt and approve the Case Agenda attached
4	hereto as Exhibit "A."
5	IT IS SO RECOMMENDED
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### KHIABANI v. MOTOR COACH CASE AGENDA

# Case No. A-17-755977-C (Pursuant to August 7, 2017, Hearing)

7/24/17 11:00 a.m.	Telephonic Special Master Hearing
August 2017	Commencement of percipient witness depositions
8/7/17 11:00 a.m.	Special Master Hearing, 3800 Howard Hughes Parkway, 11 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada
8/22/17 2:00 p.m.	Special Master Hearing, 3800 Howard Hughes Parkway, 11th Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada
9/21/17 9:30 a.m.	Court Status Check
9/29/17	Plaintiff to provide expert reports regarding damages providing information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to NRCP 16.1(a)(2), expert designation, expert resumes and expert job files
10/2/17	Defending parties may commence depositions of Plaintiffs' damages experts
10/6/17	Plaintiff to provide remaining expert reports providing information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to NRCP 16.1(a)(2), expert designation, expert resumes and expert job files
10/9/17	Defending parties may commence depositions of Plaintiffs' non-damages experts
10/13/17	Defending parties to provide expert reports providing information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to NRCP 16.1(a)(2), expert designation, expert resumes and expert job files
10/20/17	Plaintiff to provide rebuttal expert reports providing information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to NRCP 16.1(a)(2), expert designation, expert resumes and expert job files
11/2/17 9:30 a.m.	Calendar call

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Discovery cut-off date

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Trial

9:30 a.m.

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I hereby certify that I am an employee of Selman Breitman LLP and, pursuant to:

BY E-MAIL/ELECTRONIC SERVICE: N.R.C.P. 5(b), I caused the foregoing document to be served upon the persons designated by the parties in the E-Service master List for the above-referenced matter in the Eighth Judicial District Court eFiling System in accordance with the mandatory electronic service requirements of Administrative Order 14-2 and the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules.

a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing **NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER**, this day of August 2017.

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Defendants.

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Paul E. Stephan, Esq., Jerry C. Popovich, Esq. and William J. Mall, Esq. having filed a Motion to Associate Counsel under Nevada Supreme Court Rule 42, together with a Verified

Applications for Association of Counsel, Certificates of Good Standing, and the State Bar of

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Nevada Statements, said application having been noticed, the Court having considered this matter, and the Court being fully apprised in the premises, and good cause appearing;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that said application is granted and Paul E. Stephan, Jerry C. Popovich, and William J. Mall are hereby admitted to practice in the above-entitled matter only.

DATED this 21 day of July, 2017.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Submitted by:

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Whereas PLAINTIFFS, Defendant MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC., Defendant MICHELANGELO LEASING INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS, Defendant EDWARD HUBBARD, Defendant BELL SPORTS, INC. d/b/a GIRO SPORT DESIGN, and Defendant SEVENPLUS BICYCLES, INC. d/b/a PRO CYCLERY (hereinafter the "Parties), will be required to exchange, and will exchange, certain documents pursuant to NRCP 16.1 and NRCP 34, as well as serve interrogatories, notices of depositions and similar discovery requests, the responses to which counsel will submit may include the disclosure of trade secrets, proprietary data and/or confidential business information or confidential information of employees or third parties ("Confidential Information" as defined in paragraph 1 herein); and

Whereas the Parties, by and through their counsel, have agreed to produce such information for inspection, copying and use in the present action, subject to the terms and conditions of this Stipulated Protective Order ("Protective Order");

Subject to the approval of this Court, the Parties hereby stipulate to the following Protective Order:

1. In connection with this action, the Parties may designate any document, thing, material, testimony or other information derived there from as "Confidential Information" under the terms of this Protective Order. Confidential Information means:

Trade secrets, proprietary data, and/or confidential business information including a formula, pattern, compilation, program, device, method, technique, or process that:

- (a) Derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to the public or to other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use; and
- (b) Is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy.

By designating a document, thing, material, testimony or other information derived there from as "Confidential" under the terms of this Protective Order, the Party making the designation is certifying to the Court that there is a good faith basis both in law and in fact for the designation.

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- Confidential documents shall be so designated by stamping copies of the document 2. produced to a Party with the legend "CONFIDENTIAL." Stamping the legend "CONFIDENTIAL" on the cover of any multipage document shall designate all pages of the document as confidential, unless otherwise indicated by the producing Party.
- 3. Testimony taken at a deposition, conference, hearing or trial may be designated as confidential by making a statement to that effect on the record at the deposition or other proceeding. Arrangements shall be made with the court reporter taking and transcribing such proceeding to separately bind such portions of the transcript containing information designated as confidential, and to label such portions appropriately.
- Material designated as CONFIDENTIAL under this Protective Order, the 4. information contained therein, and any summaries, copies, abstracts, or other documents derived in whole or in part from material designated as confidential (hereinafter "Confidential Material") shall be used only for the purpose of the prosecution, defense, or settlement of this action, and for no other purpose.
- 5. Confidential Material produced pursuant to this Protective Order may be discussed or made available only to the Court, to counsel for a Party (including the paralegal, clerical, and secretarial staff employed by such counsel), and to the "qualified persons" designated below:
  - a Party, or an officer, director, member of the Board of Governors, shareholder, or (a) employee, or independent contractor of a Party reasonably deemed necessary by counsel for that Party to aid in the prosecution, defense, or settlement of this action;
  - (b) a Party's liability insurer and its directors, officers, and employees;
  - experts or consultants (together with their staff) retained by such counsel to assist (c) in the prosecution, defense, or settlement of this action;
  - (d) certified shorthand court reporter(s) engaged in this action;
  - a witness at any deposition or other proceeding in this action reasonably deemed (e) necessary by counsel for that Party to aid in the prosecution, defense, or settlement of this action; and
  - any other person as to whom the Parties in writing agree. (f)

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- Depositions likely to contain Confidential Information shall be taken only in the 6. presence of qualified persons.
- The Parties may further designate certain discovery material or testimony of a 7. highly confidential and/or proprietary nature as "CONFIDENTIAL—ATTORNEY'S EYES ONLY" (hereinafter "Attorney's Eyes Only Material"), in the manner described in paragraphs 2 and 3 above. Attorney's Eyes Only Material, and the information contained therein, shall be disclosed only to the Court, to counsel for the Parties (including in-house counsel, paralegal, clerical and secretarial staff employed by such counsel), but shall not be disclosed to a Party, or to an officer, director, member of the Board of Governors, or employee, or independent contractor of a Party, unless otherwise agreed or ordered. If disclosure of Attorney's Eyes Only Material is made pursuant to this paragraph, all other provisions in this Protective Order with respect to confidentiality shall also apply.
- A Party that files or intends to file Confidential Information with the Court for the 8. purposes of adjudication or to use at trial will follow the procedures set forth by the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure and the Eighth Judicial District Court Rules for obtaining Court approval for filing such records under seal. All Confidential Information submitted in connection with discovery motions will be submitted under seal.
- Nothing herein shall impose any restrictions on a Party from disclosing its own 9. Confidential Material as it deems appropriate, nor from using or disclosing material that is in the public domain.
- This Protective Order shall be without prejudice to the right of the Parties (i) to 10. bring before the Court at any time the question of whether any particular document or information is confidential or whether its use should be restricted or (ii) to present a motion to the Court for a separate protective order as to any particular document or information, including restrictions differing from those as specified herein. This Protective Order shall not be deemed to prejudice the Parties in any way in any future application for modification of this Protective Order.

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This Protective Order is entered solely for the purpose of facilitating the exchange 11. of documents and information between the Parties to this action without involving the Court unnecessarily in the process. Nothing in this Protective Order nor the production of any information or document under the terms of this Protective Order nor any proceedings pursuant to this Protective Order shall be deemed to have the effect of an admission or waiver by any Party or of altering the confidentiality or non-confidentiality of any such document or information or altering any existing obligation of any Party or the absence thereof.

This Protective Order shall survive the final termination of this action, to the extent 12. that the information contained in Confidential Material is not or does not become known to the public, and the Court shall retain jurisdiction to resolve any dispute concerning the use of information disclosed hereunder. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties in writing, upon the "Return/Destruction Deadline" for a given party, that party shall either assemble and return to each originating party all documents, material and deposition transcripts designated as confidential and all copies of same in their custody or in the custody of any "qualified persons" in their control, or shall certify the destruction thereof. For Plaintiffs, the Return/Destruction Deadline will be within 90 days of (i) a given Plaintiff's dismissal of their action or (ii) final judgment as to that Plaintiff, following appellate matters if any. For defendants, the Return/Destruction Deadline will be within 90 days of (i) the dismissal of all actions and cross-actions against a given Defendant or (ii) final judgment as to that Defendant, following appellate matters if any.

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#### **ORDER**

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the above noted STIPULATION AND PROTECTIVE ORDER is hereby approved and adopted.

IT IS SO ORDERED

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Motor Coach Industries, Inc.

1 TRAN 2 DISTRICT COURT 3 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 4 KEON KHIABANI and ARIA KHIABANI, minors by and 5 through their natural mother, KATAYOUN BARIN; KATAYOUN 6 BARIN, individually; KATAYOUN BARIN as Executrix of the 7 Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent) and the Estate) 8 of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. (Decedent), 9 Plaintiffs, CASE NO.: A-17-755977-C 10 DEPT. NO.: XIV VS. 11 MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC., 12 a Delaware corporation; MICHELANGELO LEASING, INC. d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS, an 13 Arizona corporation; EDWARD 14 HUBBARD, a Nevada resident, et) al., 15 Defendants. 16 17 18 REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPTION OF MOTION OF STATUS CHECK AND 19 MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION WITH JOINDER 20 BEFORE THE HONORABLE ADRIANA ESCOBAR DEPARTMENT XIV 21 DATED THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017 22 23 24 RECORDED BY: SANDY ANDERSON, COURT RECORDER 25 TRANSCRIBED BY: AMBER M. McCLANE, NV CCR No. 914

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               THE MARSHAL: A755977.
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               MR. CHRISTIANSEN: Good morning, Your Honor.
     Pete Christiansen and Kendelee Works for plaintiff.
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               THE COURT:
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               MR. CHRISTIANSEN: Pete Christiansen and
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     Kendelee Works for plaintiffs.
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               THE COURT:
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               MR. KEMP: Your Honor, Will Kemp for
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     plaintiffs.
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                          Good morning.
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               MR. PEPPERMAN: Good morning, Your Honor.
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     Eric Pepperman for plaintiffs as well.
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               MR. STOBERSKI: Good morning, Your Honor.
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     Michael Stoberski for Bell Sports, Inc. Also here with
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    me is Mr. Scott Toomey. Your Honor has admitted him
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               THE COURT: Good morning.
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               MR. STEPHAN: Good morning, Your Honor.
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     Stephan, pro hac vice. I'm here on behalf of
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    Michelangelo and Edward Hubbard.
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              MR. FREEMAN:
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    Michelangelo Leasing and Edward Hubbard.
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               THE COURT: Good morning.
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              MR. ROBERTS: Good morning, Your Honor.
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    Roberts for Motor Coach Industries. And also with me
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     is Michael Terry admitted pro hac vice on behalf of the
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               THE COURT: Very good.
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               I have today on calendar defendants' motion
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    we're in trial right now so -- okay. I have a -- go
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              MR. STOBERSKI:
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     for Bell Sports, Inc., and this also bleeds over into
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    the status check of where discovery is today.
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               THE COURT: Actually, today is really a
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     status check day. Right?
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              MR. STOBERSKI:
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               THE COURT:
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focus my comments on, the status of discovery.

**THE COURT:** Okay.

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MR. STOBERSKI: Your Honor, it's Bell Sports' position that it is impossible to complete discovery in a reasonable manner in this case and to properly prepare for trial. The right to a fair trial also includes the right to fair pretrial proceedings. The manner of discovery in this case has prejudiced Bell and will continue to prejudice Bell as we get into the expert discovery of this case.

The claims in this case are significant. The plaintiffs are seeking a billion dollars in punitive damages from the defendants and tens of millions of dollars in compensatory damages. There will be significant heightened appellate review in this case. There is no reason or justification to rush this case towards an early trial date.

This is — against Bell Sports is a product liability action, as well as against MCI. Product liability actions typically, when there's one product and one defendant, will take 12 months of discovery. If there's multiple products and multiple defendants, they take even longer. It is unheard of to have a product liability case prepared for trial in such a short time.

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that there are currently six depositions scheduled and
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    that there are 10 more fact witnesses. One of the
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    depositions scheduled is Dr. Barin, and it's not really
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    a deposition. They're preserving her trial testimony
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    regarding damages. We've asked to take a discovery
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    deposition of Dr. Barin, but with her medical condition
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   we've not been able to work that out with the
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   plaintiffs. So it's going to be more than just those 6
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    and the 10 additional fact witnesses.
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The first week in October the expert disclosures will be held. The plaintiffs, we anticipate, will disclose at least three experts, perhaps more. Bell Sports does not know currently what theory of liability that the plaintiffs will be seeking. Is it a design case? Is it a manufacturing case? Is it a warranties case? And so once we get these theories of liability, Bell will only have one week to turn around with its own expert report. And if there's any testing that's required, it's going to be impossible to schedule testing, coordinate the experts, and then crank out a report in one week's time.

So if you count those six scheduled depositions and the 10 more fact witnesses, the three or four plaintiffs' experts, now we're up to 19 depositions. Bell will disclose three or four experts.

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     We're up to 23. MCI will disclose three or four.
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     We're up to 27. Michelangelo will disclose perhaps
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     three. We're up to 30. We anticipate approximately 40
     depositions will be -- still have to be taken before
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     trial. Guess what, Your Honor? Starting tomorrow
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     there's 39 court days before trial. We're going to try
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     to do 40 depositions with 39 court days.
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     be a mountain of paperwork coming Your Honor's way.
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     a typical product liability/wrongful death case, 30,
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     50, 70 motions in limine? Most courts set aside
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     several days just to argue motions in limine.
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               Motions for summary judgment are going to be
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     filed. When are we going to do those? We're going to
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    motions for summary judgment.
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The prejudice to Bell has been extreme, and it's going to get even worse. Again, we don't even know what theories are being alleged against Bell yet.

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When Judge Jones granted the conditional preferential trial setting, she was concerned about the fact that Metro — this is back in July — Metro had not yet released all of its records. We still don't have all of the Metro's records because they haven't completed their investigation. The lead investigator was on paternity leave. Maybe he still is. When he gets back, he'll complete his investigation, then release the report.
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THE COURT: He was due back in September.

MR. STOBERSKI: Right. So, you know, that's a starting point for accident reconstruction. They were out on the scene. They have physical marks. Forcing experts to recreate this accident before they have the Metro records is only going to lead to supplementation once those reports from Metro are received.

We just learned that the Coroner's office, there's records that we didn't get from the Coroner's office; that the Coroner responded to everybody's subpoenas but the investigator said, oh, no, there should be other additional records that are available.

The cause of death is still at issue. A full autopsy wasn't performed on the decedent so -- yet, he

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had cracked ribs.	So if the cause of death was his
heart failure from	being crushed by the bus, that has
nothing to do with	the helmet. So, again, we need more
time to develop the	e discovery and prepare this case for
trial.	

So we need to put an end to the Guinness Book of World Records attempt of preparing a product liability case for trial, and we suggest that the Court refer the matter to Special Master Hale for a recommendation of — given the amount of discovery we've done to date and what needs to be done, what is a reasonable schedule and allowing the Court to have a reasonable pretrial proceedings in this case, including the pretrial motions.

There's, you know, like 15 of us and only one of you, Your Honor. There's going to be so much work coming your way. 16.025 requires the Court to look at that interest of justice. It's not the interest of justice only in this case. What about all the other cases Your Honor has? You can't just dump your caseload and focus on this case.

So the interest of justice not only for Bell Sports and the other defendants but for the other litigants before Your Honor, and there's no justification to force this case to trial in November.

THE COURT: Thank you.

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MR. STEPHAN: Good morning, Your Honor. Paul Stephan. I represent Michelangelo Leasing we're the bus operator as opposed to MCI which is the manufacturer of the bus. I also represent Edward Hubbard who is the driver, in fact, who was deposed yesterday in this case.

I'm not going to add to counsel's statements. I just want to give the Court a little bit of an idea of our position on this. We have a traffic accident that was investigated in April, and in that investigation things such as fresh rubber marks on the side of the coach, transfer marks from the bicycle, the analysis of where the impact between the bike and the bus occurred are critical evaluation items which we do not have. We don't have the basic information from a traffic accident perspective on a death case that we would typically have several months down stream.

And I can say I understand that the detective was away. But, unfortunately, the clock is ticking. And some of those things are important. For example, we know now that a recorded statement was made of our bus driver by the detectives at the scene on the day of the accident but nobody's seen it. We also know that a critical witness on the bus had a recorded statement

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taken in a police car the day of the accident at the scene, and we haven't seen that. And while we've had depositions, we have nothing to compare it to, and that's an important factor. We'd like to be able to test the evidence before we go to trial.

The other thing is, is that there were photographs taken at the scene. I presume that Metro took photographs at the scene, but I have not seen Metro's photographs at the scene nor have I seen how they diagram the intersection nor have I seen how they measured and used electronic equipment to describe the intersection so that other people can then rely on that. As you probably know, the police sectioned off the intersection and didn't allow anybody to do anything while they conducted their investigation, and that was for several hours. We have no fruits of that investigation.

The other important factor for my client as the driver of the bus and the employer, of course, deals with an item that's in the complaint which is a Nevada statute dealing with bicycles and vehicles on the roadway. That statute, of course, is the basis of one of the causes of action against both of my clients, which is distinct and different than the products allegations. Now, that statute itself calls for an

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     really cry out for an ability to do that in light of
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     the number of days that counsel points out that we have
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And I appreciate the Court listening to me.

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THE COURT: Certainly.

MR. ROBERTS: Good morning, Your Honor.

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MR. ROBERTS: Lee Roberts for Motor Coach Industries.

We would join in and support the arguments made this morning by Bell and Michelangelo Leasing.

Also in support of our joinder, I'll try not to repeat any arguments but I do want to clarify a few issues as they relate to my client, Motor Coach Industries.

At the time of the motion hearing where the Court granted the preferential trial setting, what was not yet before the Court was an exact schedule for how everything necessary to prepare for trial could possibly be accomplished within 120 days.

Subsequent to the hearing, Special Master
Floyd Hale was given the task of not setting a
reasonable schedule but for setting a schedule which
would allow the parties to go to trial by
November 20th. He was constrained by that trial date,
and he had to set deadlines which would allow the
parties to proceed on that trial date and it was very
difficult to do.

The schedule, at least the basics of it, are set forth on page 3 of 8 of the plaintiffs' opposition. The disclosure of damages experts are due

September 29th by the plaintiff; liability experts,