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11 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
12 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
13 **SOUTHERN DIVISION**

15 JOYCE WALKER, KIM BRUCE  
16 HOWLETT, and MURIEL SPOONER  
17 on behalf of themselves and all others  
18 similarly situated,

18 Plaintiffs,

19 vs.

20 LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF  
21 THE SOUTHWEST, a Texas  
22 corporation, and DOES 1-50,

22 Defendant.

Case No.: 10-09198 JVS(RNBx)

DECLARATION OF JOEL FLEMING  
IN SUPPORT OF LSW'S EX PARTE  
APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OF  
ORDER STRIKING PLAINTIFFS'  
OBJECTIONS

Judge James Selna  
Courtroom: 10C

1 **DECLARATION OF JOEL FLEMING**

2 I, Joel Fleming, declare as follows:

3 1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of California and  
4 before this Court. I am an Associate at the law firm of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale  
5 and Dorr LLP, counsel for Defendant in the above-entitled action. I respectfully submit  
6 this Declaration in support of Defendant Life Insurance Company of the Southwest’s Ex  
7 Parte Application for Entry of an Order Striking Plaintiffs’ Objections. I have personal  
8 knowledge of the facts stated herein and, if called as a witness, I could and would testify  
9 competently thereto.

10 2. On August 28, 2012, I contacted Brian Brosnahan and Jacob Foster, lead  
11 counsel for Plaintiffs, by telephone. I advised Messrs. Brosnahan and Foster that LSW  
12 would be filing an ex parte application to strike Plaintiffs’ objections on August 28,  
13 2012 and advised them of the substance of the application. Plaintiffs’ counsel indicated  
14 that they opposed the application.

15 3. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of an email chain  
16 between Jonathan Shapiro and Brian Brosnahan dated August 23, 2012.

17 I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

18 Executed this 28th day of August, 2012, at Palo Alto, California.

19 By: /s/ Joel Fleming

20 Joel Fleming  
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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

I am a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action. My business address is Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, 950 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, CA 94304. On August 28, 2012 I served the within document(s):

**LSW'S EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER STRIKING PLAINTIFFS' OBJECTIONS**

I placed the document(s) listed above in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States mail at Palo Alto, CA addressed as set forth below.

I personally caused to be emailed the document(s) listed above to the person(s) at the address(es) set forth below.

I electronically filed the document(s) listed above via the CM/ECF system.

I personally caused to be delivered by Facsimile the document(s) listed above to the person(s) at the facsimile number(s) set forth below.

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