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Mark H. Gunderson, Esq. and Gunderson Law Firm ("Gunderson"), Nevada local counsel for Liner Grode Stein Yankelevitz Sunshine Regenstreif & Taylor LLP ("Liner") legal counsel for and Dennis Montgomery the Montgomery Family Trust and all of the entities for whom Gunderson is local counsel including: Brenda Montgomery, Edra Bilxseth, and Opspring, LLC ("Montgomery") seek an order from this Court permitting its withdrawal as Nevada local counsel of record for Dennis Montgomery. This motion is based upon Supreme Court Rules 46, Rule 1.16 of the Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct, and EDCR 7.40, the attached memorandum of points and authorities, and the attached affidavit of counsel.

SUPPORTING POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

Nevada Supreme Court Rule 46(2) permits the attorney in an action to be changed prior to judgment or final determination, "upon the order of the court or judge thereof on the application of the attorney or client." Rule 1.16(b) of the Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct states, in relevant part, that a lawyer may withdraw from representing a client if withdrawal can be accomplished without material adverse effect on the interests of the client, the client fails to substantially fulfill an obligation to the lawyer regarding the lawyer's services and has been given reasonable warning that the lawyer will withdraw unless the obligation is fulfilled, or the representation will result in an unreasonable financial burden on the lawyer or has been rendered unreasonably difficult by the client. See Nev. R. Prof. Conduct 1.16(b)(1), (5), & (6). In this case, an irreconcilable conflict has arisen between Montgomery and Gunderson Law Firm, that precludes counsel from continuing to represent Montgomery's interests in this case, as Montgomery has failed to substantially fulfill its obligations to its counsel. The refusal by Montgomery to fulfill its obligations to its counsel necessarily undermines counsel's ability to represent Montgomery as required by Nevada's rules governing professional conduct, will render counsel's representation unreasonably difficult, and will result in an unreasonable financial burden on counsel. See Affidavit of Mark H. Gunderson, Esq., Exhibit 1. The attorney-client privilege, however, precludes counsel from disclosing the specific nature of the conflicts which have arisen. Id.

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CONCLUSION

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Based on the foregoing, and after careful consideration, discussion, review, and research by counsel, counsel has concluded that withdrawal is required in this matter pursuant to Rule 1.16 of the Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct. Therefore, counsel requests that this Court enter its order accordingly. If this Motion is granted, the last known address at which Montgomery may be served with notice of all further proceedings is:

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Pursuant to FRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of the GUNDERSON LAW FIRM,

and that on the 22nd day of April, 2009, I caused to be served the within document described as

MOTION TO WITHDRAWL AS LOCAL COUNSEL on the interested parties in this action as

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16	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States	
17	of American that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on April 22nd, 2009 in Reno, Nevada.	
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