## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH J. O'HARA,

Plaintiff,

VS.

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR SANCTIONS

12-CV-00252-GLS-RFT

KEITH A. RANIERE a/k/a VANGUARD,
NANCY SALZMAN a/k/a PREFECT,
KRISTIN KEEFFE,
CLARE W. BRONFMAN,
SARA R. BRONFMAN,
EXECUTIVE SUCCESS PROGRAMS, INC.,
a Nevada Corporation,
FIRST PRINCIPLES INCORPORATED,
a Delaware Corporation,
NXIVM CORPORATION d/b/a EXECUTIVE
SUCCESS PROGRAMS, a Delaware Corporation,
NXIVM CORPORATION, a New York Corporation,
NXIVM CORPORATION, a New York Corporation,
NXIVM LLC, a New York Limited Liability
Company,

NXIVM Properties LLC, a New York Limited Liability Company,

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ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK,

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BARTOLOMEI & ASSOCIATES PC,

JOHN P. BARTOLOMEI,

TO-BE-NAMED CORPORATIONS, LIMITED

LIABILITY COMPANIES, NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS, PARTNERSHIPS, UNINCORPORATED BUSINESS ENTITIES, FOUNDATIONS, TRUSTS AND OTHER ENTITIES, TO-BE-NAMED NXIVM SENIOR COUNSELORS, NXIVM SENIOR PROCTORS, NXIVM PROCTORS, NXIVM SENIOR COACHES AND NXIVM COACHES, TO-BE-NAMED LAW FIRMS AND INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEYS

Defendants.

MOTION BY:

Defendants BARTOLOMEI & ASSOCIATES PC,

and JOHN P. BARTOLOMEI

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF HEARING:

August 2, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. or at a time to be set by the

Court. Oral argument is requested.

**SUPPORTING PAPERS:** 

Declaration of John P. Bartolomei; Memorandum of Law.

**ANSWERING PAPERS:** 

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(c), the opposing party is required to file and serve answering papers, if any, at least eight (8) business days prior to the return date of this motion. The moving parties intend to file and serve reply

papers.

**RELIEF REQUESTED:** 

An order pursuant to Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, 28 U.S.C. § 1927, and the Court's inherent authority, imposing sanctions on Plaintiff and Plaintiff's counsel, based on the motion papers or, if necessary, following a hearing. Defendants request the opportunity to prove the legal fees expended at a later time, but seek sanctions equal to all legal fees incurred, and an additional amount to deter the conduct of Plaintiff's counsel, together with the costs of this motion and further relief as this Court

deems proper.

**GROUNDS FOR RELIEF:** 

As set out in the accompanying papers, Plaintiff's action asserts legal claims that are not warranted under existing law, or a good faith argument for the extension of existing law. Further, the Complaint contains many factual allegations for which there is no evidentiary support. Finally, the circumstances of the case lead to the conclusion that the Complaint was filed for the purpose of harassment

John P. Bartolomei & Associates Attorneys-at-Law 335 Buffalo Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York 14303 or annoyance and not for any proper purpose. Each is a proper basis for the Court to impose sanctions pursuant to Rule 11, 28 U.S.C. § 1927, or the Court's inherent authority.

Dated: Niagara Falls, New York June 21, 2012

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