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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., Ascend Distribution LLC, and JEREMY KENNETH LEUNG, individually and as officer and/or owner of Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend Ecommerce Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., and Ascend Distribution LLC, Defendants.	
9	On September 9, 2024, Plaintiff Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") filed its	
10	Complaint for Permanent Injunction, Monetary Judgment, and Other Equitable	
11	Relief pursuant to Sections 13(b) and 19 of the Federal Trade Commission Act ("FTC	
12	Act") and 15 U.S.C. §§ 53(b), 57b. (ECF No. 1). Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 65(b),	
13	the FTC also filed an ex parte application for a temporary restraining order, asset	
14	freeze, other equitable relief, and an order to show cause why a preliminary	
15	injunction should not issue against Defendants Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend	
16	Ecommerce Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend	
17	Distribution LLC, William Michael Basta, and Jeremy Kenneth Leung (collectively,	
18	"Defendants"). (ECF No. 4 ("Application")).	
19	The Court granted the application, issuing a temporary restraining order	
20	("TRO") on September 13, 2024, including an asset freeze, appointment of a receiver,	

("TRO") on September 13, 2024, including an asset freeze, appointment of a receiver, 20 21 immediate access to Defendants' business premises, and other temporary relief with 22 an expiration date of September 27, 2024. (ECF No. 30). The TRO also ordered 23 Defendants to appear before the Court on September 25, 2024, to show cause why a 24 preliminary injunction should not issue against them (hereinafter, "preliminary 25 injunction hearing"). Upon the parties' several stipulations, the Court, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(b)(2), continued the TRO until January 8, 2025, 26 or until the Court's entry of the preliminary injunction, whichever is earliest. (ECF 27 Nos. 42, 55, 70, 75, and 81). 28

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Before the Court is the parties' instant Stipulation requesting the Court to grant and enter the stipulated preliminary injunction. (ECF No. 62 ("Stipulation")). The Court, having considered Plaintiff's Application and the parties' Stipulation, and 3 finding good cause thereof, hereby GRANTS the Stipulation and ORDERS as 4 follows: 5

#### FINDINGS

The Court, having considered the Complaint, the application for a TRO and 7 order to show cause, declarations, exhibits, and the memorandum of points and 8 9 authorities filed in support thereof, and the parties' stipulation, and being otherwise advised, finds that: 10

A. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this case, and there 11 is good cause to believe that it will have jurisdiction over all parties hereto and that 12 venue in this district is proper. 13

B. Defendants consent to the entry of this Stipulated Preliminary Injunction 14 but reserve all rights to contest or challenge the authority of the FTC to seek and this 15 Court to award any further relief sought by the FTC. 16

C. The FTC alleges that there is good cause to believe that, in numerous 17 instances, Defendants, in the marketing and selling of business opportunities 18 (hereinafter, "Defendants' products or services"), have violated the FTC Act and 19 20 rules governing their conduct. Specifically, Defendants have (1) made false or unsubstantiated earnings claims, (2) violated multiple trade regulation rule provisions 21 in the selling of Defendants' products or services, and (3) used threats and non-22 disparagement clauses to discourage purchasers from publishing truthful reviews 23 about Defendants and their products or services. 24

The FTC alleges that there is good cause to believe that Defendants have 25 D. 26 engaged in and are likely to engage in acts or practices that violate Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45(a); the FTC's Trade Regulation Rule entitled 27 "Disclosure Requirements and Prohibitions Concerning Business Opportunities" 28

("Business Opportunity Rule" or "Rule"), 16 C.F.R. Part 437, as amended; and the 1 Consumer Review Fairness Act ("CRFA"), 15 U.S.C. § 45b, and that Plaintiff is 2 therefore likely to prevail on the merits of this action. As demonstrated by the 3 4 declarations of consumers who purchased Defendants' products or services, investigator declarations, and the additional evidence contained in the FTC's 5 6 volumes of exhibits, the FTC has established a likelihood of success in showing that, in numerous instances, Defendants have made false or unsubstantiated statements 7 and engaged in other unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the marketing of 8 Defendants' products or services. 9

E. The FTC alleges that there is good cause to believe that Defendants have
taken at least \$25 million from consumers in connection with their unlawful practices.

F. The FTC alleges that there is good cause to believe that immediate and
irreparable harm will result from Defendants' ongoing violations of the FTC Act, the
Business Opportunity Rule, and the CRFA unless Defendants are restrained and
enjoined by order of this Court.

G. The FTC alleges that good cause exists for the Court to order: (1) the
continued appointment of a Receiver over the Receivership Entities; (2) maintaining
the freeze over Defendants' assets; and (3) the ancillary relief ordered below. The
FTC has demonstrated a likelihood that the Individual Defendants are individually
liable and properly subject to the asset freeze. An asset freeze is appropriate equitable
relief permitted by Section 19 of the FTC Act and the inherent equitable powers of
the Court.

H. Weighing the equities and considering Plaintiff's likelihood of ultimate
success on the merits, a preliminary injunction with an asset freeze, the appointment
of a receiver, and other equitable relief is in the public interest.

I. This Court has authority to issue this Order pursuant to Sections 13(b)
and 19 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 53(b) and 57b; Fed. R. Civ. P. 65; and the All
Writs Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1651.

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J. The FTC is an independent agency of the United States and no security
 is required of any agency of the United States for issuance of a preliminary injunction
 order. Fed. R. Civ. P. 65(c).

#### DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Order, the following definitions apply:

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A. "Asset" means any legal or equitable interest in, right to, or claim to,
any property, wherever located and by whomever held.

8 B. "Corporate Defendants" means Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend
9 Ecommerce Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., Ascend Ecom LLC, and Ascend
10 Distribution LLC, and each of their subsidiaries, affiliates, successors, and assigns.

C. "Defendants" means the Corporate Defendants and the Individual
Defendants, individually, collectively, or in any combination.

"Document" is synonymous in meaning and equal in scope to the usage D. 13 of "document" and "electronically stored information" in Fed. R. Civ. P. 34(a) and 14 includes writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, sound and video recordings, 15 images, Internet sites, web pages, websites, electronic correspondence, including e-16 mail and instant messages, contracts, accounting data, advertisements, FTP Logs, 17 Server Access Logs, books, written or printed records, handwritten notes, telephone 18 logs, telephone scripts, receipt books, ledgers, personal and business canceled checks 19 20 and check registers, bank statements, appointment books, computer records, customer or sales databases and any other electronically stored information, 21 including Documents located on remote servers or cloud computing systems, and 22 other data or data compilations from which information can be obtained directly or, 23 if necessary, after translation into a reasonably usable form. A draft or non-identical 24 copy is a separate document within the meaning of the term. 25

E. "**Earnings Claim(s)**" means any oral, written, or visual representation to a prospective purchaser that conveys, expressly or by implication, a specific level or range of actual or potential sales, or gross or net income or profits. Earnings Claims

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include, but are not limited to: (1) any chart, table, or mathematical calculation that
demonstrates possible results based upon a combination of variables; and (2) any
statements from which a prospective purchaser can reasonably infer that he or she
will earn a minimum level of income.

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F. "Electronic Data Host" means any person or entity in the business of storing, hosting, or otherwise maintaining electronically stored information. This includes, but is not limited to, any entity hosting a website or server, and any entity providing "cloud based" electronic storage.

G. "General Media" means any instrumentality through which a person
may communicate with the public, including, but not limited to, television, radio,
print, Internet, billboard, website, commercial bulk email, and mobile
communications.

H. "Individual Defendants" means William Basta and Jeremy Leung,
individually or collectively.

I. "Receiver" means the receiver appointed in Section XI of this Order
and any deputy receivers that shall be named by the temporary receiver.

J. "Receivership Entities" means Corporate Defendants as well as any
other entity that has conducted any business related to the marketing and sale of
Defendants' products or services, including receipt of Assets derived from any
activity that is the subject of the Complaint in this matter, and that the Receiver
determines is controlled or owned by any Defendant.

#### ORDER

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## I. PROHIBITED BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Defendants, Defendants' officers,
agents, employees, and all other persons in active concert or participation with them,
who receive actual notice of this Order by personal service or otherwise, whether
acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the advertising, marketing, promoting,

or offering for sale of any goods or services, are preliminarily restrained and enjoined
 from:

A. Making any Earnings Claims to a prospective purchaser, unless the Earnings Claim is non-misleading and, at the time the Earnings Claim is made, Defendants (1) have a reasonable basis for the claim; (2) have in their possession written materials that substantiate the claimed earnings; and (3) make the written substantiation for Earnings Claims available upon request to the consumer, the potential purchaser or investor, the Receiver, and the FTC;

Making any Earnings Claims in the General Media, unless the Earnings 9 B. Claim is non-misleading and, at the time the Earnings Claims is made, Defendants 10 (1) have a reasonable basis for the claim; (2) have in their possession written 11 materials that substantiate the claimed earnings; and (3) state in immediate 12 conjunction with the claim (a) the beginning and ending dates when the represented 13 earnings were achieved and (b) the number and percentage of all persons who 14 purchased Defendants' products or services prior to the ending date in Section I.B.3.a 15 who achieved at least the stated level of earnings; 16

C. Disseminating any industry financial, earnings, or performance
information, unless Defendants have written substantiation demonstrating that the
information reflects, or does not exceed, the typical or ordinary financial, earnings,
or performance experience of purchasers of Defendants' products or services;

D. Failing to provide any consumer, potential purchaser, or investor with disclosure documents in the form and manner required by 16 C.F.R. §§ 437.2, 437.3(a)(1)-(5), and 437.4;

E. Misrepresenting or assisting others in misrepresenting, expressly or by
implication, that Defendants' products or services:

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or potential sales, or gross or net income or profits, revenues, financial gains, percentage gains, or return on investment with little to no effort on their part; and

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2. Will use artificial intelligence to maximize revenues;

F. Misrepresenting or assisting others in misrepresenting, expressly or by implication, any other fact material to consumers concerning any good or service, such as: the total costs; any material restrictions, limitations, or conditions; or any material aspect of its performance, efficacy, nature, or central characteristics; and

G. Prohibiting or restricting any consumer, potential purchaser, or investor
from communicating reviews, performance assessments, and similar analyses about
Defendants' products or services, or the conduct of Defendants; or threatening or
imposing a penalty or fee against any consumer, potential purchaser, or investor who
engages in such communications.

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# II. PROHIBITION ON RELEASE OF CUSTOMER INFORMATION

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants, Defendants' officers, agents,
employees, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of them,
who receive actual notice of this Order, whether acting directly or indirectly, are
hereby preliminarily restrained and enjoined from:

A. Selling, renting, leasing, transferring, or otherwise disclosing, the name, address, birth date, telephone number, email address, credit card number, bank account number, Social Security number, or other financial or identifying information of any person that any Defendant obtained in connection with any activity that pertains to the subject matter of this Order; and

B. Benefitting from or using the name, address, birth date, telephone
number, email address, credit card number, bank account number, Social Security
number, or other financial or identifying information of any person that any

Defendant obtained in connection with any activity that pertains to the subject matter
 of this Order.

Provided, however, that Defendants may disclose such identifying information
to a law enforcement agency, including the Plaintiff; to their attorneys as required for
their defense; as required by any law, regulation, or court order; or in any filings,
pleadings, or discovery in this action in the manner required by the Federal Rules of
Civil Procedure and by any protective order in the case.

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#### III. ASSET FREEZE

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants and their officers, agents,
10 employees, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of them,
11 who receive actual notice of this Order, whether acting directly or indirectly, are
12 hereby preliminarily restrained and enjoined from:

A. Transferring, liquidating, converting, encumbering, pledging, loaning,
selling, concealing, dissipating, disbursing, assigning, relinquishing, spending,
withdrawing, granting a lien or security interest or other interest in, or otherwise
disposing of any Assets that are:

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- 1. owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any Defendant;
- 2. held, in part or in whole, for the benefit of any Defendant;
- 3. in the actual or constructive possession of any Defendant; or
- 4. owned or controlled by, in the actual or constructive possession of, or otherwise held for the benefit of, any corporation, partnership, asset protection trust, or other entity that is directly or indirectly owned, managed, or controlled by any Defendant.

B. Opening or causing to be opened any safe deposit boxes, commercial
mailboxes, or storage facilities titled in the name of any Defendant, or subject to
access by any Defendant, except as necessary to comply with written requests from
the Receiver acting pursuant to its authority under this Order;

C. Incurring charges or cash advances on any credit, debit, or ATM card issued in the name, individually or jointly, of any Corporate Defendant or any corporation, partnership, or other entity directly or indirectly owned, managed, or controlled by any Defendant or of which any Defendant is an officer, director, member, or manager. This includes any corporate bankcard or corporate credit card account for which any Defendant is, or was on the date that this Order was signed, an authorized signor; or

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D. Cashing any checks or depositing any money orders or cash received from consumers, clients, or customers of any Defendant.

10 The Assets affected by this Section shall only include: (1) Assets of 11 Defendants as of the time the initial TRO was entered (ECF No. 30); and (2) Assets 12 obtained by Defendants after the initial TRO was entered if those Assets are derived 13 from any activity that is the subject of the Complaint in this matter or that is 14 prohibited by this Order. This Section does not prohibit any transfers to the Receiver 15 or repatriation of foreign Assets specifically required by this order.

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#### IV. DUTIES OF ASSET HOLDERS AND OTHER THIRD PARTIES

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any financial or brokerage institution,
Electronic Data Host, credit card processor, payment processor, merchant bank,
acquiring bank, independent sales organization, third party processor, payment
gateway, insurance company, business entity, or person who receives actual notice
of this Order (by service or otherwise) that:

(a) has held, controlled, or maintained custody, through an account or
otherwise, of any Document on behalf of any Defendant or any Asset that has been
owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any Defendant; held, in part or in whole,
for the benefit of any Defendant; in the actual or constructive possession of any
Defendant; or owned or controlled by, in the actual or constructive possession of, or
otherwise held for the benefit of, any corporation, partnership, asset protection trust,

or other entity that is directly or indirectly owned, managed or controlled by any
 Defendant;

(b) has held, controlled, or maintained custody, through an account or
otherwise, of any Document or Asset associated with credits, debits, or charges made
on behalf of any Defendant, including reserve funds held by payment processors,
credit card processors, merchant banks, acquiring banks, independent sales
organizations, third party processors, payment gateways, insurance companies, or
other entities; or

9 (c) has extended credit to any Defendant, including through a credit card
10 account, shall:

Hold, preserve, and retain within its control and prohibit the Α. 11 withdrawal, removal, alteration, assignment, transfer, pledge, encumbrance, 12 disbursement, dissipation, relinquishment, conversion, sale, or other disposal 13 of any such Document or Asset, as well as all Documents or other property 14 related to such Assets, except by further order of this Court; provided, however, 15 that this provision does not prohibit Individual Defendant from incurring 16 charges on a personal credit card established prior to entry of this Order, up to 17 the pre-existing credit limit; 18

B. Deny any person, except the Receiver, access to any safe deposit
box, commercial mailbox, or storage facility that is titled in the name of any
Defendant, either individually or jointly, or otherwise subject to access by any
Defendant;

C. If they have not done so already in compliance with the TRO previously issued and extended in this matter (ECF Nos. 30, 42, 55, 70, 75, and 81), provide Plaintiff's counsel and the Receiver, within two (2) days of the issuance of this Order, a sworn statement setting forth, for each Asset or account covered by this Section:

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1. The identification number of each such account or Asset;

2. The balance of each such account, or a description of the nature and value of each such Asset as of the close of business on the day on which this Order is served, and, if the account or other Asset has been closed or removed, the date closed or removed, the total funds removed in order to close the account, and the name of the person or entity to whom such account or other Asset was remitted; and

3. The identification of any safe deposit box, commercial mailbox, or storage facility that is either titled in the name, individually or jointly, of any Defendant, or is otherwise subject to access by any; and

D. If they have not done so already in compliance with the TRO 14 previously issued and extended in this matter (ECF Nos. 30, 42, 55, 70, 75, 15 and 81), upon the request of Plaintiff's counsel or the Receiver, promptly 16 provide Plaintiff's counsel and the Receiver with copies of all records or other 17 Documents pertaining to any account or Asset covered by this Section, 18 including originals or copies of account applications, account statements, 19 signature cards, checks, drafts, deposit tickets, transfers to and from the 20 accounts, including wire transfers and wire transfer instructions, all other debit 21 and credit instruments or slips, currency transaction reports, 1099 forms, and 22 all logs and records pertaining to safe deposit boxes, commercial mailboxes, 23 and storage facilities. 24

25 Provided, however, that this Section does not prohibit any transfers to the
26 Receiver or repatriation of foreign Assets specifically required by this order.

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- V. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if they have not done so already in 1 2 compliance with the TRO previously issued and extended in this matter (ECF Nos. 30, 42, 55, 70, 75, and 81), each Defendant, within five (5) days of the issuance of 3 4 this Order, shall prepare and deliver to Plaintiff's counsel and the Receiver:

completed financial statements on the forms attached to this Order as 5 A. 6 Attachment A (Financial Statement of Individual Defendant) for both Individual 7 Defendants, and Attachment B (Financial Statement of Corporate Defendant) for each Corporate Defendant; and 8

9 Β. completed Attachment C (IRS Form 4506, Request for Copy of a Tax Return) for each Individual Defendant and Corporate Defendant. 10

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#### FOREIGN ASSET REPATRIATION VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if they have not done so already in compliance with the TRO previously issued and extended in this matter (ECF Nos. 13 30, 42, 55, 70, 75, and 81), within five (5) days following the issuance of this Order, 14 each Defendant shall: 15

Provide Plaintiff's counsel and the Receiver with a full accounting, 16 A. verified under oath and accurate as of the date of this Order, of all Assets, Documents, 17 and financial accounts outside of the United States which are: (1) titled in the name, 18 individually or jointly, of any Defendant; (2) held by any person or entity for the 19 benefit of any Defendant, or for the benefit of any corporation, partnership, asset 20 protection trust, or other entity that is directly or indirectly owned, managed or 21 controlled by any Defendant; or (3) under the direct or indirect control, whether 22 23 jointly or singly, of any Defendant;

Take all steps necessary to provide Plaintiff's counsel and Receiver B. 24 access to all Documents and records that may be held by third parties located outside 25 of the territorial United States of America, including signing the Consent to Release 26 of Financial Records appended to this Order as Attachment D. 27

С. 1 Transfer to the territory of the United States all Documents and Assets 2 located in foreign countries which are: (1) titled in the name, individually or jointly, of any Defendant; (2) held by any person or entity for the benefit of any Defendant, 3 or for the benefit of any corporation, partnership, asset protection trust, or other entity 4 that is directly or indirectly owned, managed or controlled by any Defendant; or (3) 5 6 under the direct or indirect control, whether jointly or singly, of any Defendant; and

The same business day as any repatriation, (1) notify the Receiver and 7 D. counsel for Plaintiff of the name and location of the financial institution or other 8 9 entity that is the recipient of such Documents or Assets; and (2) serve this Order on any such financial institution or other entity. 10

The Assets and financial accounts affected by this Section shall only include: 11 (1) Assets and financial accounts of Defendants existing as of the time the initial 12 TRO was entered (ECF No. 30); and (2) Assets and financial accounts obtained or 13 created by Defendants after the initial TRO was entered if those Assets and financial 14 accounts are derived from any activity that is the subject of the Complaint in this 15 matter or that is prohibited by this Order. 16

The Documents affected by this Section shall only include: (1) Documents of 17 Defendants existing as of the time the initial TRO was entered (ECF No. 30); and (2) 18 Documents obtained or created by Defendants after the initial TRO was entered if 19 20 those Documents are related to any activity that is the subject of the Complaint in this matter or that is prohibited by this Order. 21

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## **VII. NON-INTERFERENCE WITH REPATRIATION**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants, Defendants' officers, agents, employees, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any 24 of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether acting directly or indirectly, 25 are hereby preliminarily restrained and enjoined from taking any action, directly or 26 indirectly, which may result in the encumbrance or dissipation of foreign Assets, or 27

in the hindrance of the repatriation required by this Order, including, but not limited
 to:

A. Sending any communication or engaging in any other act, directly or indirectly, that results in a determination by a foreign trustee or other entity that a "duress" event has occurred under the terms of a foreign trust agreement until such time that all Defendants' Assets have been fully repatriated pursuant to this Order; or

B. Notifying any trustee, protector, or other agent of any foreign trust or
other related entities of either the existence of this Order, or of the fact that
repatriation is required pursuant to a court order, until such time that all Defendants'
Assets have been fully repatriated pursuant to this Order.

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#### VIII. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff may obtain credit reports
concerning any Defendants pursuant to Section 604(a)(1) of the Fair Credit Reporting
Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1681b(a)(1), and that, upon written request, any credit reporting
agency from which such reports are requested shall provide them to Plaintiff.

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#### IX. PRESERVATION OF RECORDS

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants, Defendants' officers, agents,
employees, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of them,
who receive actual notice of this Order, whether acting directly or indirectly, are
hereby preliminarily restrained and enjoined from:

A. Destroying, erasing, falsifying, writing over, mutilating, concealing, altering, transferring, or otherwise disposing of, in any manner, directly or indirectly, Documents that relate to: (1) the business, business practices, Assets, or business or personal finances of any Defendant; (2) the business practices or finances of entities directly or indirectly under the control of any Defendant; or (3) the business practices or finances of entities directly or indirectly under common control with any other Defendant; and

Failing to create and maintain Documents that, in reasonable detail, B. 2 accurately, fairly, and completely reflect Defendants' incomes, disbursements, transactions, and use of Defendants' Assets. 3

X. REPORT OF NEW BUSINESS ACTIVITY

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants, Defendants' officers, agents, 5 6 employees, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of them, 7 who receive actual notice of this Order, whether acting directly or indirectly, are hereby preliminarily restrained and enjoined from creating, operating, or exercising 8 any control over any business entity, whether newly formed or previously inactive, 9 including any partnership, limited partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, or 10 corporation, without first providing Plaintiff's counsel and the Receiver with a 11 written statement disclosing: (1) the name of the business entity; (2) the address and 12 telephone number of the business entity; (3) the names of the business entity's 13 officers, directors, principals, managers, and employees; and (4) a detailed 14 description of the business entity's intended activities. 15

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#### **XI. APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVER**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Stephen Donell is appointed Receiver of 17 the Receivership Entities with full powers of an equity receiver. The Receiver shall 18 19 be solely the agent of this Court in acting as Receiver under this Order.

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## XII. DUTIES AND AUTHORITY OF RECEIVER

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Receiver is directed and authorized to 21 accomplish the following: 22

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Assume full control of Receivership Entities by removing, as the A. 24 Receiver deems necessary or advisable, any director, officer, independent contractor, employee, or agent of any Receivership Entity from control of, management of, or 25 participation in, the affairs of the Receivership Entity; 26

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B. Take exclusive custody, control, and possession of all Assets and Documents of, or in the possession, custody, or under the control of, any Receivership Entity, wherever situated;

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C. Take exclusive custody, control, and possession of all Documents or Assets associated with credits, debits, or charges made on behalf of any Receivership Entity, wherever situated, including reserve funds held by payment processors, credit card processors, merchant banks, acquiring banks, independent sales organizations, third party processors, payment gateways, insurance companies, or other entities;

9 D. Conserve, hold, manage, and prevent the loss of all Assets of the Receivership Entities, and perform all acts necessary or advisable to preserve the 10 11 value of those Assets. The Receiver shall assume control over the income and profits therefrom and all sums of money now or hereafter due or owing to the Receivership 12 Entities. The Receiver shall have full power to sue for, collect, and receive, all Assets 13 of the Receivership Entities and of other persons or entities whose interests are now 14 under the direction, possession, custody, or control of the Receivership Entities. 15 16 Provided, however, that the Receiver shall not attempt to collect any amount from a consumer if the Receiver believes the consumer's debt to the Receivership Entities 17 has resulted from the deceptive acts or practices or other violations of law alleged in 18 the Complaint in this matter, without prior Court approval; 19

E. 20 Obtain, conserve, hold, manage, and prevent the loss of all Documents of the Receivership Entities, and perform all acts necessary or advisable to preserve 21 such Documents. The Receiver shall: divert mail; preserve all Documents of the 22 Receivership Entities that are accessible via electronic means (such as online access 23 to financial accounts and access to electronic documents held onsite or by Electronic 24 Data Hosts), by changing usernames, passwords, or other log-in credentials; take 25 possession of all electronic Documents of the Receivership Entities stored onsite or 26 27 remotely; take whatever steps necessary to preserve all such Documents; and obtain

the assistance of the FTC's Digital Forensic Unit for the purpose of obtaining
 electronic documents stored onsite or remotely.

F. Choose, engage, and employ attorneys, accountants, appraisers, and other independent contractors and technical specialists, as the Receiver deems advisable or necessary in the performance of duties and responsibilities under the authority granted by this Order;

G. Make payments and disbursements from the receivership estate that are 7 necessary or advisable for carrying out the directions of, or exercising the authority 8 9 granted by, this Order, and to incur, or authorize the making of, such agreements as may be necessary and advisable in discharging his or her duties as Receiver. The 10 Receiver shall apply to the Court for prior approval of any payment of any debt or 11 obligation incurred by the Receivership Entities prior to the date of entry of this Order, 12 except payments that the Receiver deems necessary or advisable to secure Assets of 13 the Receivership Entities, such as rental payments; 14

Take all steps necessary to secure and take exclusive custody of each H. 15 16 location from which the Receivership Entities operate their businesses. Such steps may include, but are not limited to, any of the following, as the Receiver deems 17 necessary or advisable: (1) securing the location by changing the locks and alarm 18 codes and disconnecting any internet access or other means of access to the 19 20 computers, servers, internal networks, or other records maintained at that location; and (2) requiring any persons present at the location to leave the premises, to provide 21 the Receiver with proof of identification, and/or to demonstrate to the satisfaction of 22 23 the Receiver that such persons are not removing from the premises Documents or Assets of the Receivership Entities. Law enforcement personnel, including, but not 24 limited to, police or sheriffs, may assist the Receiver in implementing these 25 26 provisions in order to keep the peace and maintain security. If requested by the 27 Receiver, the United States Marshal will provide appropriate and necessary

assistance to the Receiver to implement this Order and is authorized to use any
 necessary and reasonable force to do so;

I. Take all steps necessary to prevent the modification, destruction, or erasure of any web page or website registered to and operated, in whole or in part, by any Defendants, and to provide access to all such web pages or websites to Plaintiff's representatives, agents, and assistants, as well as Defendants and their representatives;

J. Enter into and cancel contracts and purchase insurance as advisable or
necessary;

9 K. Prevent the inequitable distribution of Assets and determine, adjust, and
10 protect the interests of consumers who have transacted business with the
11 Receivership Entities;

L. Make an accounting, as soon as practicable, of the Assets and financial
condition of the receivership and file the accounting with the Court and deliver copies
thereof to all parties;

M. Institute, compromise, adjust, appear in, intervene in, defend, dispose of, or otherwise become party to any legal action in state, federal, or foreign courts or arbitration proceedings as the Receiver deems necessary and advisable to preserve or recover the Assets of the Receivership Entities, or to carry out the Receiver's mandate under this Order, including but not limited to, actions challenging fraudulent or voidable transfers;

N. Issue subpoenas to obtain Documents and records pertaining to the
Receivership, and conduct discovery in this action on behalf of the receivership estate,
in addition to obtaining other discovery as set forth in this Order;

O. Open one or more bank accounts at designated depositories for funds of
the Receivership Entities. The Receiver shall deposit all funds of the Receivership
Entities in such designated accounts and shall make all payments and disbursements
from the receivership estate from such accounts. The Receiver shall serve copies of
monthly account statements on all parties;

P. Maintain accurate records of all receipts and expenditures incurred as
 Receiver;

Allow Plaintiff's representatives, agents, and assistants, as well as 3 **O**. Defendants' representatives and Defendants themselves, reasonable access to the 4 premises of the Receivership Entities, or any other premises where the Receivership 5 6 Entities conduct business. The purpose of this access shall be to inspect and copy any and all books, records, Documents, accounts, and other property owned by, or in 7 the possession of, the Receivership Entities or their agents. The Receiver shall have 8 9 the discretion to determine the time, manner, and reasonable conditions of such access: 10

R. Allow Plaintiff's representatives, agents, and assistants, as well as
Defendants and their representatives, reasonable access to all Documents in the
possession, custody, or control of the Receivership Entities;

S. Cooperate with reasonable requests for information or assistance from
any state or federal civil or criminal law enforcement agency;

T. Suspend business operations of the Receivership Entities if in the
judgment of the Receiver such operations cannot be continued legally and profitably;

If the Receiver identifies a nonparty entity as a Receivership Entity, 18 U. 19 promptly notify the entity as well as the parties, and inform the entity that it can 20 challenge the Receiver's determination by filing a motion with the Court. Provided, however, that the Receiver may delay providing such notice until the Receiver has 21 22 established control of the nonparty entity and its assets and records, if the Receiver determines that notice to the entity or the parties before the Receiver establishes 23 control over the entity may result in the destruction of records, dissipation of assets, 24 or any other obstruction of the Receiver's control of the entity; and 25

V. If in the Receiver's judgment the business operations cannot be
continued legally and profitably, take all steps necessary to ensure that any of the
Receivership Entities' web pages or websites relating to the activities alleged in the

Complaint cannot be accessed by the public, or are modified for consumer education and/or informational purposes, and take all steps necessary to ensure that any telephone numbers associated with the Receivership Entities cannot be accessed by the public, or are answered solely to provide consumer education or information regarding the status of operations.

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#### XIII. TRANSFER OF RECEIVERSHIP PROPERTY TO RECEIVER

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants and any other person with 7 possession, custody, or control of property of, or records relating to, the Receivership 9 Entities shall, upon notice of this Order by personal service or otherwise, fully cooperate with and assist the Receiver in taking and maintaining possession, custody, 10 or control of the Assets and Documents of the Receivership Entities and immediately transfer or deliver to the Receiver possession, custody, and control of, the following: 12

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All Assets held by or for the benefit of the Receivership Entities;

B. All Documents or Assets associated with credits, debits, or charges 14 made on behalf of any Receivership Entity, wherever situated, including reserve 15 16 funds held by payment processors, credit card processors, merchant banks, acquiring banks, independent sales organizations, third party processors, payment gateways, 17 insurance companies, or other entities; 18

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All Documents of or pertaining to the Receivership Entities; C.

20 D. All computers, electronic devices, mobile devices, and machines used to conduct the business of the Receivership Entities; 21

E. All Assets and Documents belonging to other persons or entities whose 22 23 interests are under the direction, possession, custody, or control of the Receivership Entities; and 24

F. All keys, codes, user names, and passwords necessary to gain or to 25 secure access to any Assets or Documents of or pertaining to the Receivership 26 Entities, including access to their business premises, means of communication, 27

accounts, computer systems (onsite and remote), Electronic Data Hosts, or other
 property.

In the event that any person or entity fails to deliver or transfer any Asset or Document, or otherwise fails to comply with any provision of this Section, the Receiver may file an Affidavit of Non-Compliance regarding the failure and a motion seeking compliance or a contempt citation.

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#### XIV. PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO RECEIVER

8 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants, if they have not already done
9 so in compliance with the TRO previously issued and extended in this matter (ECF
10 Nos. 30, 42, 55, 70, 75, and 81), shall immediately provide to the Receiver:

A. A list of all Assets and accounts of the Receivership Entities that are
held in any name other than the name of a Receivership Entity, or by any person or
entity other than a Receivership Entity;

B. A list of all agents, employees, officers, attorneys, servants, and those
persons in active concert and participation with the Receivership Entities, or who
have been associated or done business with the Receivership Entities; and

17 C. A description of any documents covered by attorney-client privilege or
18 attorney work product, including files where such documents are likely to be located,
19 authors or recipients of such documents, and search terms likely to identify such
20 electronic documents.

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## XV. COOPERATION WITH THE RECEIVER

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants; Receivership Entities; Defendants' or Receivership Entities' officers, agents, employees, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of them; and any other person with possession, custody, or control of property of or records relating to the Receivership Entities who receive actual notice of this Order shall fully cooperate with and assist the Receiver. This cooperation and assistance shall include, but is not limited to, providing information to the Receiver that the Receiver deems necessary to exercise 1 the authority and discharge the responsibilities of the Receiver under this Order; providing any keys, codes, user names, and passwords required to access any 2 computers, electronic devices, mobile devices, and machines (onsite or remotely) and 3 any cloud account (including specific method to access account) or electronic file in 4 5 any medium; advising all persons who owe money to any Receivership Entity that 6 all debts should be paid directly to the Receiver; and transferring funds at the Receiver's direction and producing records related to the Assets and sales of the 7 Receivership Entities. 8

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#### XVI. NON-INTERFERENCE WITH THE RECEIVER

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants; Receivership Entities;
Defendants' or Receivership Entities' officers, agents, employees, and all other
persons in active concert or participation with any of them, who receive actual notice
of this Order, and any other person served with a copy of this Order, are hereby
restrained and enjoined from directly or indirectly:

A. Interfering with the Receiver's efforts to manage, or take custody,
control, or possession of, the Assets or Documents subject to the receivership;

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B. Transacting any of the business of the Receivership Entities;

C. Transferring, receiving, altering, selling, encumbering, pledging,
assigning, liquidating, or otherwise disposing of any Assets owned, controlled, or in
the possession or custody of, or in which an interest is held or claimed by, the
Receivership Entities; or

D. Refusing to cooperate with the Receiver or the Receiver's duly
authorized agents in the exercise of their duties or authority under any order of this
Court.

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#### **XVII. STAY OF ACTIONS**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, except by leave of this Court, during the
 pendency of the receivership ordered herein, Defendants; Defendants' officers,
 agents, employees, attorneys; and all other persons in active concert or participation

with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order; and their corporations, subsidiaries, divisions, or affiliates; and all investors, creditors, stockholders, lessors, customers, and other persons seeking to establish or enforce any claim, right, or 3 interest against or on behalf of Defendants, and all others acting for or on behalf of 4 such persons, are hereby enjoined from taking action that would interfere with the 5 exclusive jurisdiction of this Court over the Assets or Documents of the Receivership 6 Entities, including, but not limited to: 7

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Filing or assisting in the filing of a petition for relief under the A. 9 Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 101 *et seq.*, or of any similar insolvency proceeding on behalf of the Receivership Entities; 10

Commencing, prosecuting, or continuing a judicial, administrative, or B. 11 other action or proceeding against the Receivership Entities, including the issuance 12 or employment of process against the Receivership Entities, except that such actions 13 may be commenced if necessary to toll any applicable statute of limitations; or 14

C. Filing or enforcing any lien on any asset of the Receivership Entities; 15 taking or attempting to take possession, custody, or control of any Asset of the 16 Receivership Entities; or attempting to foreclose, forfeit, alter, or terminate any 17 interest in any Asset of the Receivership Entities, whether such acts are part of a 18 judicial proceeding, acts of self-help, or otherwise. 19

20 Provided, however, that this Order does not stay: (1) the commencement or continuation of a criminal action or proceeding; (2) the commencement or 21 continuation of an action or proceeding by a governmental unit to enforce such 22 23 governmental unit's police or regulatory power; or (3) the enforcement of a judgment, other than a money judgment, obtained in an action or proceeding by a governmental 24 unit to enforce such governmental unit's police or regulatory power. 25

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## **XVIII. COMPENSATION OF RECEIVER**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Receiver and all personnel hired by 27 the Receiver as herein authorized, including counsel to the Receiver and accountants, 28

are entitled to reasonable compensation for the performance of duties pursuant to this
Order and for the cost of actual out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them, from the
Assets now held by, in the possession or control of, or which may be received by, the
Receivership Entities. The Receiver shall file with the Court and serve on the parties
periodic requests for the payment of such reasonable compensation. The Receiver
shall not increase the hourly rates used as the bases for such fee applications without
prior approval of the Court.

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#### XIX. IMMEDIATE PRODUCTION OF BUSINESS RECORDS

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Corporate Defendants shall allow the
10 Receiver and FTC's employees and agents access to the Defendants' business records
11 to inspect and copy Documents and to identify and locate assets.

The Corporate Defendants shall, immediately upon issuance of this Order, if 12 they have not already done so in compliance with the TRO previously issued and 13 extended in this matter, (ECF Nos. 30, 42, 55, 70, 75, and 81), produce to the FTC 14 for inspection, inventory, and copying, at a location designated by FTC, the following 15 materials: (1) all customer information, including names, phone numbers, addresses, 16 e-mail addresses, customer complaints, and payment information for all consumers 17 who have purchased Corporate Defendants' business opportunities and coaching 18 19 services; (2) all contracts, including settlement agreements with customers; (3) any 20 correspondence, including electronic correspondence, that refers or relates to the Corporate Defendants' business opportunities and coaching services; (4) an 21 electronic copy of all advertisements for the Corporate Defendants' business 22 23 opportunities and coaching services; (5) all telephone and videoconferencing scripts used during the sales process; (6) all slide decks, sales projections, charts, and 24 spreadsheets used during the sales process; (7) all Documents pertaining to Earnings 25 Claims and other representations related to the marketing, advertising, promotion, 26 offer for sale, or sale of Defendants' business opportunities and coaching services, 27 including substantiation for any Earnings Claims; and (8) accounting information, 28

including profit and loss statements, annual reports, receipt books, ledgers, personal
and business canceled checks and check registers, bank statements, appointment
books, copies of federal, state or local business or personal income or property tax
returns, and 1099 forms. The FTC shall return any materials produced pursuant to
this Section within seven (7) days of the Corporate Defendants' production.

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#### XX. DISTRIBUTION OF ORDER BY DEFENDANTS

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants shall immediately provide a 7 copy of this Order to each affiliate, telemarketer, marketer, sales entity, successor, 8 9 assign, member, officer, director, employee, agent, independent contractor, client, attorney, spouse, subsidiary, division, and representative of any Defendant, and shall, 10 within ten (10) days from the date of entry of this Order, provide Plaintiff and the 11 Receiver with a sworn statement that this provision of the Order has been satisfied, 12 which statement shall include the names, physical addresses, phone number, and 13 email addresses of each such person or entity who received a copy of the Order. 14 Furthermore, Defendants shall not take any action that would encourage officers, 15 16 agents, members, directors, employees, salespersons, independent contractors, attorneys, subsidiaries, affiliates, successors, assigns, or other persons or entities in 17 active concert or participation with them to disregard this Order or believe that they 18 are not bound by its provisions. 19

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#### XXI. SERVICE OF THIS ORDER

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that copies of this Order, as well as all other 21 filings in this case, may be served by any reasonable means, including facsimile 22 23 transmission, email, or other electronic messaging, personal or overnight delivery, U.S. Mail or FedEx, by agents and employees of Plaintiff, by any law enforcement 24 agency, or by private process server, upon any Defendant, or any person (including 25 any financial institution) that may have possession, custody, or control of any Asset 26 27 or Document of any Defendant, or that may be subject to any provision of this Order pursuant to Rule 65(d)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. For purposes of 28

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1	this Section, service upon any branch, subsidiary, affiliate, or office of any entity								
2	shall effect service upon the entire entity.								
3	XXII. CORRESPONDENCE WITH FTC								
4	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, for the purpose of this Order, all								
5	correspondence and service of pleadings on Plaintiff shall be addressed via email to								
6	Jody Goodman (jgoodman1@ftc.gov) and Elsie Kappler (ekappler@ftc.gov).								
7	XXIII. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION								
8	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction of this								
9	matter for all purposes.								
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11	IT IS SO ORDERED.								
12	DATED: December 3, 2024								
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14	HON. SHERILYN PEACE GARNETT UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE								
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# Attachment A

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT

#### **Definitions and Instructions:**

- 1. Complete all items. Enter "None" or "N/A" ("Not Applicable") in the first field only of any item that does not apply to you. If you cannot fully answer a question, explain why.
- 2. "Dependents" include your spouse, live-in companion, dependent children, or any other person, whom you or your spouse (or your children's other parent) claimed or could have claimed as a dependent for tax purposes at any time during the past five years.
- 3. "Assets" and "Liabilities" include ALL assets and liabilities, located within the United States or any foreign country or territory, whether held individually or jointly and whether held by you, your spouse, or your dependents, or held by others for the benefit of you, your spouse, or your dependents.
- 4. Attach continuation pages as needed. On the financial statement, state next to the Item number that the Item is being continued. On the continuation page(s), identify the Item number(s) being continued.
- 5. Type or print legibly.
- 6. Initial each page in the space provided in the lower right corner.
- 7. Sign and date the completed financial statement on the last page.

#### Penalty for False Information:

Federal law provides that any person may be imprisoned for not more than five years, fined, or both, if such person:

(1) "in any matter within the jurisdiction of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of the Government of the United States, knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals or covers up by any trick, scheme, or devise a material fact; makes any materially false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or representation; or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any materially false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or fraudulent statement or entry" (18 U.S.C. § 1001);

(2) "in any . . . statement under penalty of perjury as permitted under section 1746 of title 28, United States Code, willfully subscribes as true any material matter which he does not believe to be true" (18 U.S.C. § 1621); or

(3) "in any (... statement under penalty of perjury as permitted under section 1746 of title 28, United States Code) in any proceeding before or ancillary to any court or grand jury of the United States knowingly makes any false material declaration or makes or uses any other information ... knowing the same to contain any false material declaration" (18 U.S.C. § 1623).

For a felony conviction under the provisions cited above, federal law provides that the fine may be not more than the greater of (i) \$250,000 for an individual or \$500,000 for a corporation, or (ii) if the felony results in pecuniary gain to any person or pecuniary loss to any person other than the defendant, the greater of twice the gross gain or twice the gross loss. 18 U.S.C. § 3571.

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# BACKGROUNDINFORMATION

Item 1. Information About You				
Full Name	Social Security No.			
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Internet Home Page				
Previous Addresses for past five years (if required, use additional	l pages at end of form)			
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Item 2. Information About Your Spouse or Live-In Com	panion			
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Employer's Name and Address	Job Title			
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Name and Address		Social Security No.		
		Date of Birth		
	/ / (mm/dd/yyyy)			
Item 4. Contact Information (name and address of closest living	relative other than your s			
Name and Address	,	Phone Number		
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Item 5. Information About Dependen	ts (whether or not th	ey reside wif	th you)			
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Item 7. Pending Lawsuits Filed By or Against You or Your Spouse List all pending lawsuits that have been filed by or against you or your spouse in any court or before an administrative agency in the United States or in any foreign country or territory. <b>Note:</b> At Item 12, list lawsuits that resulted in final judgments or settlements in your favor. At Item 21, list lawsuits that resulted in final judgments or settlements against you.								
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Item 8. Safe Deposit Boxes List all safe deposit boxes, located wit you, your spouse, or any of your depe	hin the United States or in any foreig indents, or held by others for the ben	n country or ter efit of you, your	ritory, wh spouse,	ether held ind or any of you	dividually ır depend	or jointly and whet ents.	her held by	
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the United States or in any for spouse, or any of your depend	FINANCIA sks for information regarding your eign country or territory, or instituti dents, or held by others for the ber m 24 with your completed Financi	ion, whether held inc nefit of you, your spo	ies" includ dividually o	or jointly,	and whethe	er held by you, your
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	Current Amo \$		\$	t Schedule	)		,		
Debtor's Telephone	Debtor's Rel	ationship to	You						
Item 13. Life Insurance Policies List all life insurance policies (including endowmen	nt policies) with	any cash si	urrender va	alue.					
Insurance Company's Name, Address, & Telepho		Beneficia				Policy No.		Face Value \$	
		Insured				Loans Aga \$	ainst Policy		
Insurance Company's Name, Address, & Telepho	ne No.	Beneficia	Beneficiary			Policy No.		Face Value \$	
		Insured			Loans Against Policy \$		Surrender Value \$		
Item 14. Deferred Income Arrangement List all deferred income arrangements, including b other retirement accounts, and college savings pla	out not limited to	o, deferred a Plans).	annuities, p	ensions pla	ans, pro	ofit-sharing pla	ans, 401(k)	plans, IRAs, Keoghs,	
Trustee or Administrator's Name, Address & Tele	( )	,	Name on	Account			Account	No.	
			Date Est		Туре	of Plan	Taxes	nder Value before and Penalties	
Trustoo or Administrator's Name Address 9 Tal-	phone No		(mm/dd/yyyy) Name on Account				\$ Account No.		
Trustee or Administrator's Name, Address & Tele			ivanie on	ACCOUNT			Account	NU.	
			Date Est	ablished	Туре	of Plan		nder Value before and Penalties	

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		payments or inheritances owed to ye						
Туре				Amount Expec		Date E>	(pected (mm/dd/yyyy)	
				\$		/		
				\$		/ /		
				\$		/ .	/	
Item 16. Vel List all cars, truc		cles, boats, airplanes, and other vel	hicles.					
Vehicle Type	Year	Registered Owner's Name	Purchase Price \$	Origi \$	Original Loan Amount \$		rrent Balance	
Make		Registration State & No.	Account/Loan No.			\$ Mo \$	onthly Payment	
Model		Address of Vehicle's Location	n Lender's Name and Addre			Ψ		
	X							
Vehicle Type	Year	Registered Owner's Name	Purchase Price \$	\$\$		\$	rrent Balance	
Make		Registration State & No.	Account/Loan No.	\$	ent Value	Мо \$	nthly Payment	
Model Address of Vehicle's Location Lender's Name and Address								
Vehicle Type	Year	Registered Owner's Name	Purchase Price \$	Original L \$	oan Amount.	Curi \$	ent Balance	
Make		Registration State & No.	Account/Loan No.	Account/Loan No. Current Valu		e Monthly Payment \$		
Model		Address of Vehicle's Location	n Lender's Name and Addre	Lender's Name and Address				
Vehicle Type	Year	Registered Owner's Name	Purchase Price \$	Original L \$	ginal Loan Amount		rent Balance	
Make		Registration State & No.	Account/Loan No.	ccount/Loan No. Current Value			Monthly Payment	
Model		Address of Vehicle's Location	n Lender's Name and Addre	Lender's Name and Address				
List all other per	sonal prope	onal Property erty not listed in Items 9-16 by catego work, gemstones, jewelry, bullion, or					ncluding but not	
Property Ca (e.g., artwork,		Name of Owner	Property Location	n	Acquisition Cos		Current Value	
					\$		\$	
					\$		\$	
					\$		\$	

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Item 18. Real Property List all real property interests (inclu	uding any land contrac	et)	#	.4205				
Property's Location	Type of Prope	erty	Name(s) on Title or Contract and Ownership Percen			ip Percentages		
Acquisition Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Purchase Price \$			 Current Value \$	Basis of Valu	lation		
			Loan or Account No.			Current Balance On First Mortgage or Contract \$ Monthly Payment \$		
Other Mortgage Loan(s) (describe)			\$	Payment Balance	Monthly Ren			
			\$	Balance	\$			
Property's Location Type of Property		erty		Name(s) on Title or 0	Contract and Ownersh	ip Percentages		
Acquisition Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Purchase Price \$			Current Value \$	Basis of Valu	Basis of Valuation		
			Loan or Account No.		Contract \$	\$ Monthly Payment		
Other Mortgage Loan(s) (describe)	)		Monthly Payment \$		Rental Ur	Rental Unit		
		(		Balance	Monthly Ren \$	Monthly Rent Received \$		
		·	LIA	BILITIES				
Item 19. Credit Cards List each credit card account held I whether issued by a United States	by you, your spouse, o or foreign financial ins	or your de stitution.	epender	nts, and any other credit c	ards that you, your sp	ouse, or your dependents use,		
Name of Credit Card (e.g., Visa, MasterCard, Department Store)	Acco	unt No.		Name(s)	on Account	Current Balance		
						\$		
						\$		
						\$		
						\$		
Item 20. Taxes Payable List all taxes, such as income taxes	s or real estate taxes,	owed by	you, yo	ur spouse, or your depend	lents.	\$		
Type of <sup>-</sup>	Тах			Amount Owed		Year Incurred		
			\$					
			\$					
			\$					

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Item 21. Other Amounts Ow List all other amounts, not listed else		is financial state	ouse, or ` ment, owed	<b>Your D</b> by you, y	our spouse, o				
Lender/Creditor's Name, Address, an	d Telephor	ne No. Nature numbe	· · ·	he result	of a court judg	ment or settle	ement, pro	ovide court name and docket	
		Lender	r/Creditor's F	Relations	hip to You				
Date Liability Was Incurred / / (mm/dd/yyyy)	Original / \$	al Amount Owed Current Amount Owed Payment Schedule					nt Schedule		
Lender/Creditor's Name, Address, an	d Telephor	ne No. Nature numbe		he result	of a court judg	ment or settle	ement, pro	ovide court name and docket	
		Lender	r/Creditor's F	Relations	hip to You				
Date Liability Was Incurred / / (mm/dd/yyyy)	Original / \$	Amount Owed		Currer \$	nt Amount Owe	ed	Paymer	nt Schedule	
		OTHER F		AL INI	ORMATIC	ON			
Item 22. Trusts and Escrow List all funds and other assets that are retainers being held on your behalf by dependents, for any person or entity.	e being hel / legal cour	d in trust or escr nsel. Also list all	row by any p I funds or otl	person or her asset	entity for you, s that are bein	your spouse, g held in trust	or your d or escro	lependents. Include any legal w by you, your spouse, or your	
Trustee or Escrow Agent's Name &	Address	Date Establisl (mm/dd/yyy			tor Beneficiaries		Pre	Present Market Value of Assets*	
							\$		
		1 1					\$		
		/ /					\$		
*If the market value of any asset is ur	nknown, de	scribe the asset	and state its	s cost, if	you know it.				
Item 23. Transfers of Asset List each person or entity to whom yo loan, gift, sale, or other transfer (exclu entity, state the total amount transfer	<b>s</b> ou have trai ude ordinar	nsferred, in the a y and necessary	aggregate, m	nore thar	\$5,000 in fund	ds or other ass I to unrelated	sets durir third part	ng the previous five years by ies). For each such person or	
Transferee's Name, Address, & Rela	itionship	Property Transferred		d Aggregate Value*		Transfer Date (mm/dd/yyyy)		Type of Transfer ( <i>e.g.</i> , Loan, Gift)	
				\$					
				\$					
				\$					
*If the market value of any asset is ur	nknown, de	scribe the asset	and state its	s cost, if	you know it.			1	

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	Item 24. Document Requests       #:4267         Provide copies of the following documents with your completed Financial Statement.       #:4267				
	Federal tax returns filed during the last three years by or on behalf of you, your spouse, or your dependents.				
	All applications for bank loans or other extensions of credit (other than credit cards) that you, your spouse, or your dependents have submitted within the last two years, including by obtaining copies from lenders if necessary.				
Item 9	For each bank account listed in Item 9, all account statements for the past 3 years.				
Item 11	For each business entity listed in Item 11, provide (including by causing to be generated from accounting records) the most recent balance sheet, tax return, annual income statement, the most recent year-to-date income statement, and all general ledger files from account records.				
Item 17	All appraisals that have been prepared for any property listed in Item 17, including appraisals done for insurance purposes. You may exclude any category of property where the total appraised value of all property in that category is less than \$2,000.				
Item 18	All appraisals that have been prepared for real property listed in Item 18.				

 Item 21
 Documentation for all debts listed in Item 21.

 Item 22
 All executed documents for any trust or escrow listed in Item 22. Also provide any appraisals, including insurance appraisals that have been done for any assets held by any such trust or in any such escrow.

#### SUMMARY FINANCIAL SCHEDULES

#### Item 25. Combined Balance Sheet for You, Your Spouse, and Your Dependents

Assets		Liabilities		
Cash on Hand (Item 9)	\$	Loans Against Publicly Traded Securities (Item 10) \$		
Funds Held in Financial Institutions (Item 9)	\$	Vehicles - Liens (Item 16)	\$	
U.S. Government Securities (Item 10)	\$	Real Property – Encumbrances (Item 18)	\$	
Publicly Traded Securities (Item 10)	\$	Credit Cards (Item 19)	\$	
Non-Public Business and Financial Interests (Item 11)	\$	Taxes Payable (Item 20)	\$	
Amounts Owed to You (Item 12)	\$	Amounts Owed by You (Item 21) \$		
Life Insurance Policies (Item 13)	\$	Other Liabilities (Itemize)		
Deferred Income Arrangements (Item 14)	\$		\$	
Vehicles (Item 16)	\$		\$	
Other Personal Property (Item 17)	\$		\$	
Real Property (Item 18)	\$		\$	
Other Assets (Itemize)	•		\$	
	\$		\$	
	\$		\$	
	\$		\$	
Total Assets	\$	Total Liabilities	\$	

#### Item 26. Combined Current Monthly Income and Expenses for You, Your Spouse, and Your Dependents

Provide the current monthly income and expenses for you, your spouse, and your dependents. Do not include credit card payments separately; rather, include credit card expenditures in the appropriate categories.

Income (State source of each item)		Expenses		
Salary - After Taxes	¢	Mortgage or Rental Payments for Residence(s)	¢	
Source:	\$		\$	
Fees, Commissions, and Royalties	¢	Property Taxes for Residence(s)	¢	
Source:	\$		\$	
Interest	¢	Rental Property Expenses, Including Mortgage Payments, Taxes,	¢	
Source:	\$	and Insurance	\$	
Dividends and Capital Gains	¢	Car or Other Vehicle Lease or Loan Payments	6	
Source:	\$		\$	
Gross Rental Income	¢	Food Expenses	¢	
Source:	\$		\$	
Profits from Sole Proprietorships	¢	Clothing Expenses	¢	
Source:	\$		\$	
Distributions from Partnerships, S-Corporations,		Utilities		
and LLCs	\$		\$	
Source:				

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Item 26. Combined Current Monthly	v Inco	ome and E	#:4268 xpenses for You, Your Spouse, and Your Depender	nts (cont.)	
Distributions from Trusts and Estates	,		Medical Expenses, Including Insurance		
Source:		\$		\$	
Distributions from Deferred Income Arrangemer	nts	6	Other Insurance Premiums	¢	
Source:		\$		\$	
Social Security Payments		\$	Other Transportation Expenses	\$	
Alimony/Child Support Received		\$	Other Expenses (Itemize)		
Gambling Income		\$		\$	
Other Income (Itemize)				\$	
		\$		\$	
		\$		\$	
		\$		\$	
Total Inco	ome	\$	Total Expenses	\$	
Item 27. Documents Attached to the	is Fin		TACHMENTS		
			ent. For any Item 24 documents that are not attached, explain why.		
Item No. Document Relates To	Description of Document				

I am submitting this financial statement with the understanding that it may affect action by the Federal Trade Commission or a federal court. I have used my best efforts to obtain the information requested in this statement. The responses I have provided to the items above are true and contain all the requested facts and information of which I have notice or knowledge. I have provided all requested documents in my custody, possession, or control. I know of the penalties for false statements under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, 18 U.S.C. § 1621, and 18 U.S.C. § 1623 (five years imprisonment and/or fines). I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on:

(Date)

Signature

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## Attachment B

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#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CORPORATE DEFENDANT

#### Instructions:

- 1. Complete all items. Enter "None" or "N/A" ("Not Applicable") where appropriate. If you cannot fully answer a question, explain why.
- 2. The font size within each field will adjust automatically as you type to accommodate longer responses.
- 3. In completing this financial statement, "the corporation" refers not only to this corporation but also to each of its predecessors that are not named defendants in this action.
- 4. When an Item asks for information about assets or liabilities "held by the corporation," include <u>ALL</u> such assets and liabilities, located within the United States or elsewhere, held by the corporation or held by others for the benefit of the corporation.
- 5. Attach continuation pages as needed. On the financial statement, state next to the Item number that the Item is being continued. On the continuation page(s), identify the Item number being continued.
- 6. Type or print legibly.
- 7. An officer of the corporation must sign and date the completed financial statement on the last page and initial each page in the space provided in the lower right corner.

#### **Penalty for False Information**:

Federal law provides that any person may be imprisoned for not more than five years, fined, or both, if such person:

(1) "in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry" (18 U.S.C. § 1001);

(2) "in any . . . statement under penalty of perjury as permitted under section 1746 of title 28, United States Code, willfully subscribes as true any material matter which he does not believe to be true" (18 U.S.C. § 1621); or

(3) "in any (... statement under penalty of perjury as permitted under section 1746 of title 28, United States Code) in any proceeding before or ancillary to any court or grand jury of the United States knowingly makes any false material declaration or makes or uses any other information ... knowing the same to contain any false material declaration." (18 U.S.C. § 1623)

For a felony conviction under the provisions cited above, federal law provides that the fine may be not more than the greater of (i) \$250,000 for an individual or \$500,000 for a corporation, or (ii) if the felony results in pecuniary gain to any person or pecuniary loss to any person other than the defendant, the greater of twice the gross gain or twice the gross loss. 18 U.S.C. § 3571.

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#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Item 1. General Information	
Corporation's Full Name	
Primary Business Address	From (Date)
Telephone No.	Fax No
E-Mail Address	Internet Home Page
All other current addresses & previous add	resses for past five years, including post office boxes and mail drops:
Address	From/Until
Address	From/Until
Address	From/Until
All predecessor companies for past five ye	ars:
Name & Address	From/Until
Name & Address	From/Until
Name & Address	From/Until
Item 2. Legal Information	
-	State & Date of Incorporation
State Tax ID No.	State Profit or Not For Profit
Corporation's Present Status: Active	Inactive Dissolved
If Dissolved: Date dissolved	By Whom
Reasons	
	Corporation's Business Activities
Item 3. Registered Agent	
Name of Registered Agent	
Address	Telephone No

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#### Item 4. Principal Stockholders

List all persons and entities that own at least 5% of the corporation's stock.

Name & Address		% Owned
Item 5. Board Members		
List all members of the corporation's Board of Directors.		
Name & Address	<u>% Owned</u>	<u>Term (From/Until)</u>

#### Item 6. Officers

List all of the corporation's officers, including *de facto* officers (individuals with significant management responsibility whose titles do not reflect the nature of their positions).

Name & Address	<u>% Owned</u>

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#### Item 7. Businesses Related to the Corporation

List all corporations, partnerships, and other business entities in which this corporation has an ownership interest.

Name & Address	<b>Business Activities</b>	<u>% Owned</u>
State which of these businesses, if any, has ever transacted business with the corpor	ation	

#### Item 8. Businesses Related to Individuals

List all corporations, partnerships, and other business entities in which the corporation's principal stockholders, board members, or officers (i.e., the individuals listed in Items 4 - 6 above) have an ownership interest.

Individual's Name	Business Name & Address	Business Activities	<u>% Owned</u>
State which of these by	usinesses, if any, have ever transacted business with the corpora	tion	

#### Item 9. Related Individuals

List all related individuals with whom the corporation has had any business transactions during the three previous fiscal years and current fiscal year-to-date. A "related individual" is a spouse, sibling, parent, or child of the principal stockholders, board members, and officers (i.e., the individuals listed in Items 4 - 6 above).

Name and Address	<u>Relationship</u>	Business Activities

#### Item 10. Outside Accountants

List all outside accountants retained by the corporation during the last three years.

Name	Firm Name	Address	<u>CPA/PA?</u>

#### Item 11. Corporation's Recordkeeping

List all individuals within the corporation with responsibility for keeping the corporation's financial books and records for the last three years.

Name, Address, & Telephone Number	Position(s) Held

#### Item 12. Attorneys

List all attorneys retained by the corporation during the last three years.

Name	Firm Name	Address

#### Item 13. Pending Lawsuits Filed by the Corporation

List all pending lawsuits that have been filed by the corporation in court or before an administrative agency. (List lawsuits that resulted in final judgments or settlements in favor of the corporation in Item 25).

Opposing Party's Nam	ne & Address	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
Opposing Party's Nam	ne & Address	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
Opposing Party's Nam	ne & Address	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit

#### Item 14. Current Lawsuits Filed Against the Corporation

List all pending lawsuits that have been filed against the corporation in court or before an administrative agency. (List lawsuits that resulted in final judgments, settlements, or orders in Items 26 - 27).

Opposing Party's Nam	e & Address	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
Opposing Party's Nam	e & Address	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
Opposing Party's Nam	e & Address	
		Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
Docket No	Relief Requested	Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
Opposing Party's Nam	e & Address	
Court's Name & Addr	ess	
Docket No	Relief Requested	Nature of Lawsuit
	Status	
		Nature of Lawsuit

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#### Item 15. Bankruptcy Information

List all state insolvency and feder	al bankruptcy proceedings involving	the corporation.
Commencement Date	Termination Date	Docket No
If State Court: Court & County _	If Federal	Court: District
Disposition		
Item 16. Safe Dep	oosit Boxes	
A	d within the United States or elsewhere the contents of the co	re, held by the corporation, or held by others for the <i>of each box</i> .

<u>Box No.</u>

#### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**REMINDER:** When an Item asks for information about assets or liabilities "held by the corporation," include <u>ALL</u> such assets and liabilities, located within the United States or elsewhere, held by the corporation or held by others for the benefit of the corporation.

#### Item 17. Tax Returns

List all federal and state corporate tax returns filed for the last three complete fiscal years. Attach copies of all returns.

<u>Federal/</u> State/Both	<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Tax Due</u> <u>Federal</u>	<u>Tax Paid</u> <u>Federal</u>	<u>Tax Due</u> <u>State</u>	<u>Tax Paid</u> <u>State</u>	Preparer's Name
		\$	\$	_ \$	\$	
		\$	\$	_ \$	\$	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	

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#### Item 18. Financial Statements

List all financial statements that were prepared for the corporation's last three complete fiscal years and for the current fiscal year-to-date. *Attach copies of all statements, providing audited statements if available.* 

Year Balan	ce Sheet Profit & Loss Stateme	ent Cash Flow Statement	Changes in Owner's Equity	Audited?

#### Item 19. Financial Summary

For each of the last three complete fiscal years and for the current fiscal year-to-date for which the corporation has not provided a profit and loss statement in accordance with Item 18 above, provide the following summary financial information.

	Current Year-to-Date	<u>1 Year Ago</u>	<u>2 Years Ago</u>	<u>3 Years Ago</u>
Gross Revenue	\$	\$	\$	\$
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net Profit After Taxes	\$	\$	\$	\$
Payables Payables	\$			
Receivables	\$			

#### Item 20. Cash, Bank, and Money Market Accounts

List cash and all bank and money market accounts, including but not limited to, checking accounts, savings accounts, and certificates of deposit, held by the corporation. The term "cash" includes currency and uncashed checks.

Cash on Hand \$	_Cash Held for the Corporation's Bene	fit \$	
Name & Address of Financial Institution	Signator(s) on Account	Account No.	<u>Current</u> Balance
			\$
			_ \$
			<u>\$</u>
			_ \$

#### Item 21. Government Obligations and Publicly Traded Securities

List all U.S. Government obligations, including but not limited to, savings bonds, treasury bills, or treasury notes, held by the corporation. Also list all publicly traded securities, including but not limited to, stocks, stock options, registered and bearer bonds, state and municipal bonds, and mutual funds, held by the corporation.

Issuer	Type of Security/Ob	bligation
No. of Units Owned	Current Fair Market Value \$	Maturity Date
Issuer	Type of Security/Ob	ligation
No. of Units Owned	Current Fair Market Value \$	Maturity Date
Item 22. Real Estate		
List all real estate, including lease	nolds in excess of five years, held	by the corporation.
Type of Property	Property's	Location
Name(s) on Title and Ownership F	Percentages	
Current Value \$	Loan or Account No.	
Lender's Name and Address		
Current Balance On First Mortgag		
Other Loan(s) (describe)		Current Balance \$
Monthly Payment \$	Rental Unit?	Monthly Rent Received \$
Type of Property	Property's	Location
Name(s) on Title and Ownership F	Percentages	
Current Value \$	Loan or Account No.	
Lender's Name and Address		
Current Balance On First Mortgag	e \$ Monthly Pa	yment \$
Other Loan(s) (describe)		Current Balance \$
Monthly Payment \$	Rental Unit?	Monthly Rent Received \$

#### Item 23. Other Assets

List all other property, by category, with an estimated value of \$2,500 or more, held by the corporation, including but not limited to, inventory, machinery, equipment, furniture, vehicles, customer lists, computer software, patents, and other intellectual property.

Property Category	Property Location	<u>Acquisition</u> <u>Cost</u>	<u>Current</u> <u>Value</u>
		_ \$	_\$
		_ \$	_\$
		\$	_ \$
		\$	_ \$
		_ \$	_ \$
		\$	_ \$
		_ \$	_ \$
		_ \$	_ \$
		_ \$	_\$

#### Item 24. Trusts and Escrows

List all persons and other entities holding funds or other assets that are in escrow or in trust for the corporation.

Trustee or Escrow Agent's <u>Name &amp; Address</u>	Description and Location of Assets	Present Market Value of Assets
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$

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#### Item 25. Monetary Judgments and Settlements Owed To the Corporation

List all monetary judgments and settlements, recorded and unrecorded, owed to the corporation.

Opposing Party's Name & Address			
Court's Name & Address		Docket No	
Nature of Lawsuit	Date of Judgment	Amount \$	
Opposing Party's Name & Address			
Court's Name & Address		Docket No	
Nature of Lawsuit	Date of Judgment	Amount \$	

#### Item 26. Monetary Judgments and Settlements Owed By the Corporation

List all monetary judgments and settlements, recorded and unrecorded, owed by the corporation.

Opposing Party's Name & Address		
Court's Name & Address		Docket No
Nature of Lawsuit	Date	Amount \$
Opposing Party's Name & Address		
Court's Name & Address		Docket No
Nature of Lawsuit	Date of Judgment	Amount \$
Opposing Party's Name & Address		
Court's Name & Address		Docket No
Nature of Lawsuit	Date of Judgment	Amount \$
Opposing Party's Name & Address		
Court's Name & Address		Docket No
Nature of Lawsuit	Date of Judgment	Amount \$
Opposing Party's Name & Address		
Court's Name & Address		Docket No
Nature of Lawsuit	Date of Judgment	Amount \$

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#### Item 27. Government Orders and Settlements

List all existing orders and settlements between the corporation and any federal or state government entities.

Name of Agency		Contact Person	
Address		Telephone No	
Agreement Date	Nature of Agreement		

#### Item 28. Credit Cards

List all of the corporation's credit cards and store charge accounts and the individuals authorized to use them.

Name of Credit Card or Store	Names of Authorized Users and Positions Held		

#### Item 29. Compensation of Employees

List all compensation and other benefits received from the corporation by the five most highly compensated employees, independent contractors, and consultants (other than those individuals listed in Items 5 and 6 above), for the two previous fiscal years and current fiscal year-to-date. "Compensation" includes, but is not limited to, salaries, commissions, consulting fees, bonuses, dividends, distributions, royalties, pensions, and profit sharing plans. "Other benefits" include, but are not limited to, loans, loan payments, rent, car payments, and insurance premiums, whether paid directly to the individuals, or paid to others on their behalf.

Name/Position	<u>Current Fiscal</u> <u>Year-to-Date</u>	<u>1 Year Ago</u>	<u>2 Years Ago</u>	Compensation or Type of Benefits
	_ \$	_ \$	_ \$	
	_\$	_\$	_\$	
	_ \$	_\$	_\$	
	_ \$	_\$	_\$	
	_\$	_ \$	_\$	

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#### Item 30. Compensation of Board Members and Officers

List all compensation and other benefits received from the corporation by each person listed in Items 5 and 6, for the current fiscal year-to-date and the two previous fiscal years. "Compensation" includes, but is not limited to, salaries, commissions, consulting fees, dividends, distributions, royalties, pensions, and profit sharing plans. "Other benefits" include, but are not limited to, loans, loan payments, rent, car payments, and insurance premiums, whether paid directly to the individuals, or paid to others on their behalf.

Name/Position	Current Fiscal Year-to-Date	<u>1 Year Ago</u>	<u>2 Years Ago</u>	<u>Compensation or</u> <u>Type of Benefits</u>
	_ \$	_ \$	<u></u> <u>\$</u>	
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	\$	_ \$	_ \$	
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	_\$	_\$	_\$	
	_ \$	_\$	<u>\$</u>	
	_ \$	_\$	<u>\$</u>	
	_\$	_\$	_\$	

#### Item 31. Transfers of Assets Including Cash and Property

List all transfers of assets over \$2,500 made by the corporation, other than in the ordinary course of business, during the previous three years, by loan, gift, sale, or other transfer.

Transferee's Name, Address, & Relationship	<u>Property</u> <u>Transferred</u>	<u>Aggregate</u> <u>Value</u>	<u>Transfer</u> <u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Transfer</u> (e.g., Loan, Gift)
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		_\$		
		_ \$		
		_\$		

#### Item 32. Documents Attached to the Financial Statement

List all documents that are being submitted with the financial statement.

<u>Item No. Document</u> <u>Description of Document</u> <u>Relates To</u>

I am submitting this financial statement with the understanding that it may affect action by the Federal Trade Commission or a federal court. I have used my best efforts to obtain the information requested in this statement. The responses I have provided to the items above are true and contain all the requested facts and information of which I have notice or knowledge. I have provided all requested documents in my custody, possession, or control. I know of the penalties for false statements under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, 18 U.S.C. § 1621, and 18 U.S.C. § 1623 (five years imprisonment and/or fines). I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on:

(Date)

Signature

**Corporate Position** 

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<b>3</b> C	Current name, add	dress (including apt., ro	om, or suit	te no.), city, state,	and ZIP code	(see instruction	s).		
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<b>5</b> If	the tax return is	to be mailed to a third	party (sucł	n as a mortgage c	ompany), ente	r the third party'	's name, address	, and tele	phone number.
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Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### **Future Developments**

For the latest information about Form 4506 and its instructions, go to www.irs.gov/form4506.

#### General Instructions

Caution: Do not sign this form unless all applicable lines, including lines 5 through 7, have been completed.

Designated Recipient Notification. Internal Revenue Code, Section 6103(c), limits disclosure and use of return information received pursuant to the taxpayer's consent and holds the recipient subject to penalties for any unauthorized access, other use, or redisclosure without the taxpayer's express permission or request.

Taxpayer Notification. Internal Revenue Code, Section 6103(c), limits disclosure and use of return information provided pursuant to your consent and holds the recipient subject to penalties, brought by private right of action, for any unauthorized access, other use, or redisclosure without your express permission or request.

Purpose of form. Use Form 4506 to request a copy of your tax return. You can also designate (on line 5) a third party to receive the tax return.

How long will it take? It may take up to 75 calendar days for us to process your request.

Where to file. Attach payment and mail Form 4506 to the address below for the state you lived in, or the state your business was in, when that return was filed. There are two address charts: one for individual returns (Form 1040 series) and one for all other returns.

If you are requesting a return for more than one year or period and the chart below shows two different addresses, send your request based on the address of your most recent return.

Internal Revenue Service

Kansas City, MO 64999

Internal Revenue Service

**RAIVS** Team

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P.O. Box 9941

Mail Stop 6734

Ogden, UT 84409

Stop 6705 S-2

#### Chart for individual returns (Form 1040 series)

individual return and lived in:	Mail to:
Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, a foreign country, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the	Internal Revenue Service RAIVS Team Stop 6716 AUSC Austin, TX 73301

Northern Mariana Islands. the U.S. Virgin Islands, or A.P.O. or F.P.O. address

If you filed on

Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin

Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, West Virginia, Wyoming

Chart for all other returns

For returns not in Form 1040 series, if the address on the return was in:
the return was in:

Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin

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Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, a foreign country, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or A.P.O. or F.P.O. address

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Ogden, UT 84409

#### Specific Instructions

Line 1b. Enter the social security number (SSN) or individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN) for the individual listed on line 1a, or enter the employer identification number (EIN) for the business listed on line 1a. For example, if you are requesting Form 1040 that includes Schedule C (Form 1040), enter your SSN.

Line 3. Enter your current address. If you use a P.O. box, please include it on this line 3.

Line 4. Enter the address shown on the last return filed if different from the address entered on line 3 Note. If the addresses on lines 3 and 4 are different

and you have not changed your address with the IRS, file Form 8822, Change of Address, or Form 8822-B, Change of Address or Responsible Party -Business, with Form 4506.

Line 7. Enter the end date of the tax year or period requested in mm/dd/yyyy format. This may be a calendar year, fiscal year or quarter. Enter each quarter requested for quarterly returns. Example: Enter 12/31/2018 for a calendar year 2018 Form 1040 return, or 03/31/2017 for a first guarter Form 941 return

Signature and date. Form 4506 must be signed and dated by the taxpayer listed on line 1a or 2a. The IRS must receive Form 4506 within 120 days of the date signed by the taxpayer or it will be rejected. Ensure that all applicable lines, including lines 5 through 7, are completed before signing.



You must check the box in the signature area to acknowledge you have the authority to sign and request the information. The form will not be

processed and returned to you if the box is unchecked.

Individuals. Copies of jointly filed tax returns may be furnished to either spouse. Only one signature is required. Sign Form 4506 exactly as your name appeared on the original return. If you changed your name, also sign your current name.

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Corporations. Generally, Form 4506 can be signed by: (1) an officer having legal authority to bind the corporation, (2) any person designated by the board of directors or other governing body, or (3) any officer or employee on written request by any principal officer and attested to by the secretary or other officer. A bona fide shareholder of record owning 1 percent or more of the outstanding stock of the corporation may submit a Form 4506 but must provide documentation to support the requester's right to receive the information.

Partnerships. Generally, Form 4506 can be signed by any person who was a member of the partnership during any part of the tax period requested on line 7.

All others. See section 6103(e) if the taxpayer has died, is insolvent, is a dissolved corporation, or if a trustee, guardian, executor, receiver, or administrator is acting for the taxpayer.

Note: If you are Heir at law, Next of kin, or Beneficiary you must be able to establish a material interest in the estate or trust.

Documentation. For entities other than individuals, you must attach the authorization document. For example, this could be the letter from the principal officer authorizing an employee of the corporation or the letters testamentary authorizing an individual to act for an estate.

Signature by a representative. A representative can sign Form 4506 for a taxpayer only if this authority has been specifically delegated to the representative on Form 2848, line 5a. Form 2848 showing the delegation must be attached to Form 4506

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to establish your right to gain access to the requested return(s) under the Internal Revenue Code. We need this information to properly identify the return(s) and respond to your request. If you request a copy of a tax return, sections 6103 and 6109 require you to provide this information, including your SSN or EIN, to process your request. If you do not provide this information, we may not be able to process your request. Providing false or fraudulent information may subject you to penalties.

Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by section 6103.

The time needed to complete and file Form 4506 will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is: Learning about the law or the form, 10 min.; Preparing the form, 16 min.; and Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS, 20 min.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making Form 4506 simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to:

Internal Revenue Service

Tax Forms and Publications Division 1111 Constitution Ave. NW, IR-6526

Washington, DC 20224.

Do not send the form to this address. Instead, see Where to file on this page

Mail to:

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## Attachment D

#### CONSENT TO RELEASE FINANCIAL RECORDS

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_of \_\_\_\_\_\_, (City,

State), do hereby direct any bank, saving and loan association, credit union, depository institution, finance company, commercial lending company, credit card processor, credit card processing entity, automated clearing house, network transaction processor, bank debit processing entity, automated clearing house, network transaction processor, bank debit processing entity, brokerage house, escrow agent, money market or mutual fund, title company, commodity trading company, trustee, or person that holds, controls, or maintains custody of assets, wherever located, that are owned or controlled by me or at which there is an account of any kind upon which I am authorized to draw, and its officers, employees, and agents, to disclose all information and deliver copies of all documents of every nature in its possession or control which relate to the said accounts to any attorney of the Federal Trade Commission, and to give evidence relevant thereto, in the matter of *Federal Trade Commission v. Ascend Capventures Inc. et al.*, now pending in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, and this shall be irrevocable authority for so doing.

This direction is intended to apply to the laws of countries other than the United States of America which restrict or prohibit disclosure of bank or other financial information without the consent of the holder of the account, and shall be construed as consent with respect hereto, and the same shall apply to any of the accounts for which I may be a relevant principal.

Dated:

Signature:			
Signature:			

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_