STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 22ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF MCHENRY

| PAUL DULBERG, |) |
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| Plaintiff, |) Case No. 12 LA 178 |
| VS. | ý |
| DAVID GAGNON, Individually, and as Agent of CAROLINE MCGUIRE and BILL MCGUIRE, and CAROLINE MCGUIRE and BILL MCGUIRE, Individually, |)))) |
| Defendants. |))· |

MOTION FOR GOOD FAITH FINDING AND FOR ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE BY DEFENDANTS BILL McGUIRE AND CAROLYN McGUIRE

Defendants, BILL McGUIRE (aka William McGuire) and CAROLYN McGUIRE (improperly named Caroline), by and through their attorneys, Cicero, France, Barch & Alexander, P.C., hereby move this Court to dismiss all claims against them with prejudice and further request this Court to find that the settlement set forth in this motion was made in good faith and within the meaning and contemplation of the Illinois Contribution Among Joint Tortfeasors Act, 740 ILCS 100/1, et seq. In support of their Motion, Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire state as follows:

- 1. On or about March 15, 2012, Plaintiff Paul Dulberg filed a multiple count complaint seeking damages for personal injuries he generally attributes to a chain saw incident that occurred on or about June 28, 2011, at and upon the premises owned by Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire, known commonly as 1016 West Elder Avenue, City of McHenry, County of McHenry, State of Illinois.
 - 2. Plaintiff generally alleges that Defendant David Gagnon injured him with a chain

saw while working under the supervision and control of Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire. Defendant David Gagnon denies any and all liability for Plaintiff Paul Dulberg's injuries. Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire also deny any and all liability for Plaintiff Paul Dulberg's injuries and further deny that Defendant David Gagnon was under their control and supervision and working or acting as their employee or agent at the time of the alleged chain saw incident.

- 3. On February 1, 2013, Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire filed a cross-claim for contribution against Defendant David Gagnon. The cross-claim for contribution seeks contribution from Defendant David Gagnon for injuries claimed by Plaintiff Paul Dulberg and is based upon the terms and provisions of the Illinois Contribution Among Joint Tortfeasors Act, 740 ILCS 100/1, et seq.
- 4. Plaintiff Paul Dulberg and Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire have negotiated a settlement of all claims which Plaintiff brought or could have brought against Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire. The settlement was negotiated at arm's length over a substantial period of time, and with the advice of counsel on the part of both parties. There is no collusion or fraud on the part of any of the parties to the negotiation.
- 5. Pursuant to Section 100/2(c) of the Contribution Act, an alleged tortfeasor that settles with a claimant in good faith shall be discharged from liability for contribution to any other tortfeasors.
- 6. Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire deny and continue to deny liability to Plaintiff Paul Dulberg and further contest the nature and scope of the injuries Plaintiff Paul Dulberg attributes to the subject chain saw incident.
 - 7. The lump-sum payment of \$5,000.00 to Plaintiff Paul Dulberg by or on behalf of

Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire constitutes adequate consideration for purposes of a good faith settlement under Section 100/2(c) of the Contribution Act.

8. Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire respectfully suggest that the settlement with Plaintiff Paul Dulberg is and was made in good faith within the meaning of the Illinois Contribution Among Joint Tortfeasors Act, 740 ILCS 100/2(c).

WHEREFORE, the Defendants, BILL McGUIRE and CAROLYN McGUIRE, respectfully pray for the Court as follows:

- (1) For an Order declaring that the settlement between Plaintiff Paul Dulberg and Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire was made and entered into in good faith within the meaning of the Illinois Contribution Among Joint Tortfeasors Act, 740 ILCS 100/1, et seq.;
- (2) For an Order dismissing all civil complaints, cross-claims, counterclaims and contribution claims currently pending against Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire, and arising out of or otherwise connected to the injuries claimed by Plaintiff Paul Dulberg, with prejudice;
- (3) For an Order declaring that any potential future claims against Defendants Bill McGuire and Carolyn McGuire, including, without limitation, claims for contribution arising out of or otherwise connected to the chain saw incident and injuries claimed by Plaintiff Paul Dulberg, are barred;
- (4) For an Order declaring for purposes of Illinois Supreme Court Rule 304(a) that there is no just reason to delay enforcement or appeal of the Dismissal Order; and
- (5) That this Court enter an order granting such further relief as this Court deems just.

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