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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
IN MARICOPA COUNTY

Name of Plaintiff(s)/Party A

Case No: _____

Name of Defendant(s)/Party B

JOINT REQUEST AND
CERTIFICATION OF READINESS
FOR SETTING SETTLEMENT
CONFERENCE UNDER RULE
16(i), ARIZ. R. CIV. P.

Name of Any Third-Party Defendant(s)/Party C

The parties jointly request the scheduling of a settlement conference in accordance with Rule 16(i) of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure. In support of this request, the parties certify and avow as follows:

- a. The discovery and disclosure required for the parties to meaningfully engage in comprehensive settlement negotiations is complete (this certification relates only to preparedness for settlement conference purposes and shall not limit the pursuit of on-going discovery or further disclosure under the applicable rules/court orders) and that there are no pending discovery or disclosure disputes between the parties that would interfere with a meaningful settlement conference;
- b. The parties have engaged in good-faith settlement discussions and have been unable to reach an agreement. If the parties intend to engage in a private mediation or settlement conference, they have done so and have exhausted those efforts;
- c. There are no pending or anticipated partially or fully dispositive motions which would need to be decided prior to the parties engaging in good-faith settlement discussions in an effort to reach a complete settlement of this matter;

- d. The parties understand and agree that they are obligated to contact the judge *pro tempore* within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the ADR Notice of Appointment of Judge *Pro Tempore* to initiate a joint telephonic conference to arrange the time and location of the settlement conference, or respond as so directed by the judge *pro tempore* with dates for the settlement conference;
- e. The parties understand and agree that they shall attend the settlement conference in-person, virtually or telephonically as directed by the judge *pro tempore*. The party or party representative will have full settlement authority and be available throughout the settlement conference;
- f. The parties shall timely comply with the submission requirements set forth in Rule 16.1, Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, or as otherwise directed by the judge *pro tempore* responsible for conducting the settlement conference; and
- g. The parties are aware of Rule 16.1(g) and Rule 16(h), Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, which would allow the court to enter sanctions if the information certified here to be true is not or if the parties are not prepared to participate in a settlement conference or fail to participate in the conference in good-faith.
- h. Undersigned counsel confirm that they have discussed Rule 16 and this Certification with their clients, who have acknowledged an understanding of their individual participation obligations.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Party A's (if self-represented) or Attorney's Signature

Party B's (if self-represented) or Attorney's Signature

Party C's (if self-represented) or Attorney's Signature

I, _____, filed the ORIGINAL of this document with the Clerk of Superior Court in Maricopa County on: _____
(Month Day Year)

I, _____, mailed/delivered a COPY of the document(s) to the Judicial Officer assigned to my case, Judge/Commissioner _____ of the Superior Court in Maricopa County on: _____
(Month Day Year)