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**WHITNEY, and PRINCE ALLAH** )  
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**behalf of all others similarly situated,** )

**Plaintiffs,** )

**v.** )

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### III. INTRODUCTION.

Pursuant to Rule 23(e) of the Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiffs Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Christopher Ebersole, Luke Whitney, and Prince Allah Beautiful hereby request that this Court certify the classes described herein for settlement purposes and grant preliminary approval of the parties' settlement and the notice plan described herein. The settlement before the Court deals with litigation that includes multiple court and arbitration cases alleging that social casino apps constitute illegal gambling. These matters are pending in several states against multiple app developers. One of those developers is SciPlay (which will be used herein to refer to both defendants, SciPlay Corporation and SciPlay Games, LLC). While the actions against SciPlay were in various stages, the parties began arm's-length settlement negotiations facilitated by Dana Welch of Welch ADR. These mediation efforts, after litigation and discovery in the various matters involving SciPlay, were eventually successful, allowing current plaintiffs Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Allah Beautiful and Christopher Ebersole to reach a settlement with SciPlay.

Plaintiffs believe that their claims have merit and that they would have ultimately prevailed on the merits at trial. Nonetheless, plaintiffs and their counsel recognize that SciPlay has raised legal and factual arguments and defenses that

present a risk to Plaintiffs' ability to prevail. Plaintiffs and counsel have taken into account this uncertain outcome, as well as the expense, difficulty, delay, and risk inherent in any litigation, especially complex class litigation. This settlement thus represents the best interests of the class in the professional judgment of class counsel and in the estimation of the named plaintiffs.

The proposed settlement in this case provides benefits to all class members valued at a total of approximately \$30 million. Settlement class members will receive approximately twenty five percent (25%) (less costs of administration and awarded fees and incentive payments) of their net purchase amounts in virtual currency. In addition, settlement class members have the right to elect to receive these benefits in monetary form up to an aggregate cap as described in the settlement agreement. In the event the cap is reached on elections for monetary benefits, each class member will still receive a prorated amount of monetary benefit dependent upon the number of claims filed, and will receive the remaining value of their benefit in virtual currency. As such, each and every class member will receive the full value of the settlement.

In relation to the amount at issue, this recovery is on par with other settlements in the social casino industry which have been reached in other cases. Reed v. Scientific Games, No. 2:18-cv-00565-RSL (W.D. Wash. 2022) (Doc. 164-1, Class Action Settlement Agreement); Benson v. DoubleDown Interactive, LLC, 2023 WL

3761929 (W.D. Wash. 2023); Wilson v. Playtika, Ltd., 2021 WL 512230 (W.D. Wash. 2021); Kater v. Churchill Downs, Inc., 2021 WL 511203 (W.D. Wash. 2021); Fernando v. Zynga, Inc., 2022 WL 17741841 (W.D. Wash. 2022); Wilson v. Huuuge, Inc., 2021 WL 512229 (W.D. Wash. 2021); Kingston vs. SpinX Games Ltd., Case No. 24-CI-00062, in the Kentucky Circuit Court for Henderson County; Armstead v. VGW Malta Ltd, Case No. 2022-CI-00553, in the Henderson County Circuit Court, Commonwealth of Kentucky; Wyland v. Woopla Inc., Case No. 2023-CI-00356, in the Kentucky Circuit Court for Henderson County.

In addition to this valuable consideration going to the class, SciPlay has also agreed to implement changes to its relevant applications providing meaningful prospective relief. These changes are above and in addition to those it has made pursuant to past settlements, and include providing enough free virtual currency to allow a class member to continue with more than one additional spin if they run out of virtual coins in the applications.

The Class Action Settlement for which the parties seek this court's approval is entered into by the named plaintiffs listed above as individuals and as representatives of statewide classes in Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, and Massachusetts, along with defendants SciPlay Corp. and SciPlay Games, LLC. The parties intend this agreement to fully, finally, and forever resolve, discharge, and settle the Released Claims (as defined below), subject to the terms

and conditions of the agreement and the final approval of the court. This settlement represents a fair compromise between the parties, and meets the standard for class action settlement approval, as will be fully explained below. The court should grant this motion for preliminary approval and proceed with class notice and the scheduling of a final approval hearing.

#### **IV. SUMMARY OF THE LITIGATION**

The present litigation between the parties consists of court cases in state court in two states (Alabama and Tennessee) as well as arbitration proceedings in four additional states (Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, and Massachusetts), and a federal court proceeding in Kentucky. Each of these cases except the Kentucky case were filed in late 2022 or 2023, and the procedural history of each case will be detailed in Section B below. None of the cases has reached final decision of the merits, and each is currently stayed or closed pending the resolution of this action and approval of the class action settlement.

##### **A. Factual Background**

SciPlay produces a number of applications available for smart phones in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store among other platforms, including Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes Slots, Monopoly Slots, and Bingo Showdown. Each of these applications contains individual games designed to mimic slot machines, or in the case of Bingo

Showdown, bingo. These games operate via virtual coins that players use to play the simulated slot machines and bingo games. New players of the games are allotted a number of coins for free, and players can receive additional free coins in various ways while playing the games. They can also purchase virtual coins inside the games.

Plaintiffs allege that people who buy the virtual coins do so to gamble them on games of chance within the apps. Plaintiffs say the coins serve no purpose other than to be risked on the games in the apps, and winning more coins allows the player to achieve additional play and amusement without additional expense. Plaintiffs further allege that when a player runs out of coins, or goes below the lowest spin amount on a given slot machine, the game pops up a screen encouraging them to buy more coins. If that screen is closed, the game gives them enough coins for a single spin, and if that spin does not win additional coins, the process is repeated. In plaintiffs' view, people buy coins to continue risking them on the games of chance in SciPlay's apps without undergoing this tedious and unamusing process.

SciPlay disagrees with Plaintiffs' contentions. SciPlay has argued, among other things, that the virtual coins have no real-world value because they can only be used to play the games within the apps and cannot be cashed out or transferred. SciPlay has also emphasized that players never have to purchase coins in order to play the games. Players can play all of the games within the apps for free, without

limit. Indeed, SciPlay has pointed out that approximately 90% of players never spend any money in the apps and play exclusively for free.

None of the cases has reached the merits stage where these contentions will be tested. Each party recognizes the uncertainty surrounding whether a particular court or arbitration panel will determine that the games constitute illegal gambling. This uncertainty incentivized the parties to reach a reasonable compromise.

## **B. Legal Background**

Each of the cases has been brought pursuant to a gambling loss recovery statute that allows people who lose money at illegal gambling to sue to recover their losses. Furthermore, Plaintiffs contend that in each state, caselaw establishes that free play, or additional amusement, is a thing of value. A brief overview of the relevant states' laws follows.

### **1. Alabama**

Alabama's gambling loss recovery statute is found at Section 8-1-150 of the state's code. Subsection (a) of the statute voids all gambling contracts and allows gamblers to recover any money lost at illegal gambling:

- (a) All contracts founded in whole or in part on a gambling consideration are void. Any person who has paid any money or delivered any thing of value lost upon any game or wager may recover such money, thing, or its value by an action commenced within six months from the time of such payment or delivery.



Ala. Code § 8-1-150(a). Plaintiff Timothy Sornberger seeks to represent a class of Alabama residents, defined in Section X.XX below, who purchased virtual coins to use in SciPlay's gambling apps during the class period defined below.

Plaintiff Sornberger contends that these apps constitute illegal gambling under Alabama law because they allow the player to win additional coins, and thus additional opportunities to play the game without charge. The Alabama code defines gambling as follows:

A person engages in gambling if he stakes or risks something of value upon the outcome of a contest of chance or a future contingent event not under his control or influence, upon an agreement or understanding that he or someone else will receive something of value in the event of a certain outcome.

Ala. Code § 13A-12-20(4). The code also defines a thing of value for the purposes of state gambling laws:

Any money or property, any token, object or article exchangeable for money or property or any form of credit or promise directly or indirectly contemplating transfer of money or property or of any interest therein, or involving **extension of a service entertainment or a privilege of playing at a game or scheme without charge.**

Ala. Code § 13A-12-20(11) (emphasis added).

Plaintiff Sornberger and the Alabama class contend that they lost money at illegal gambling by spending real money for the virtual coins they risked on the games of chance in SciPlay's apps in the hopes of winning additional virtual coins and thus the extension of a service entertainment and privilege of playing the game

without charge. Thus, they seek the return of that money pursuant to Section 8-1-150(a) of the Alabama Code.

SciPlay maintains that the games in its apps are not illegal gambling, and the parties, after arms-length mediation, seek to compromise these claims.

## **2. Tennessee**

Tennessee’s gambling loss recovery statute, codified at Section 29-19-104, is very similar to Alabama’s. It allows “[a]ny person who has paid any money or delivered anything of value, lost upon any game or wager” to “recover such money, thing, or its value, by action commenced within ninety (90) days from the time of such payment or delivery.” Tenn. Code Ann. § 29-19-104. Plaintiff Luke Whitney seeks to represent a class of Tennessee residents, as defined below in Section X.XX, who purchased virtual coins to use in SciPlay’s gambling apps during the class period defined below.

Plaintiff Whitney and the Tennessee class contend that these apps constitute illegal gambling under Tennessee law because they allow the player to win additional coins, and thus additional opportunities to play the game without charge. Tennessee law bans “risking anything of value for a profit whose return is to any degree contingent on chance, or any games of chance associated with casinos, including, but not limited to, slot machines, roulette wheels and the like.” Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-501. Tennessee courts have found that free play constitutes a

thing of value in multiple cases. See, e.g., Brackner v. Estes, 698 S.W.2d 637, 641 (Tenn. Ct. App. 1985); State v. Burkhardt, 1999 WL 1096051 (Tenn. Ct. Crim. App. 1999).

Plaintiff Whitney and the Tennessee class contend that they lost money at illegal gambling by spending real money for the virtual coins they risked on the games of chance in SciPlay's apps in the hopes of winning additional virtual coins and thus the extension of a service entertainment and privilege of playing the game without charge. Thus, their claims seek the return of that money pursuant to Section 29-19-104 of the Tennessee Code.

SciPlay maintains that the games in its apps are not illegal gambling, and the parties, after arms-length mediation, seek to compromise these claims.

### **3. Kentucky**

Kentucky also has a gambling loss recovery statute, codified at K.R.S. § 372.020. In pertinent part, it states:

If any person loses to another at one (1) time, or within twenty-four (24) hours, five dollars (\$5) or more, or anything of that value, and pays, transfers or delivers it, the loser or any of his creditors may recover it, or its value, from the winner, or any transferee of the winner, having notice of the consideration, by action brought within five (5) years after the payment, transfer or delivery.

K.R.S. § 372.020. Plaintiff Donovan Roberts seeks to represent a class of Kentucky residents, as defined below in Section X.XX, who purchased virtual coins to use in SciPlay's gambling apps during the class period defined below.

Kentucky law defines “gambling” as “staking or risking something of value upon the outcome of a contest, game, gaming scheme, or gaming device which is based upon an element of chance in accord with an agreement or understanding that someone will receive something of value in the event of a certain outcome.” K.R.S. § 528.010(3)(a). Plaintiff Roberts and the Kentucky class contend that SciPlay’s apps constituted illegal gambling under Kentucky law at the time the initial claims were filed against SciPlay and throughout the statute of limitations period leading up to that filing. Though the law has since been amended, during the class period (defined below), Kentucky law made it clear that free play was something of value under the gambling laws:

"Something of value" means any money or property, any token, object, or article exchangeable for money or property, or any form of credit or promise directly or indirectly contemplating transfer of money or property or of any interest therein, or *involving extension of a service, entertainment, or a privilege of playing at a game or scheme without charge.*

K.R.S. § 528.010(11) (emphasis added).

Plaintiff Roberts and the Kentucky class contend that they lost money at illegal gambling by spending real money for the virtual coins they risked on the games of chance in SciPlay’s apps in the hopes of winning additional virtual coins and thus the extension of a service entertainment and privilege of playing the game without charge. Thus, their claims seek the return of that money pursuant to Section 372.020 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

SciPlay maintains that the games in its apps are not illegal gambling, and the parties, after arms-length mediation, seek to compromise these claims.

#### **4. Ohio**

Ohio's gambling loss recovery statute is codified at Section 3763.02 of the Ohio Revised Code. This statute states that "money lost at games may be recovered," specifying as follows:

If a person, by playing a game, or by a wager, loses to another, money or other thing of value, and pays or delivers it or a part thereof, to the winner thereof, such person losing and paying or delivering, within six months after such loss and payment or delivery, may sue for and recover such money or thing of value or part thereof, from the winner thereof, with costs of suit.

O.R.C. § 3763.02. Plaintiffs Matthew Sprinkle and Christopher Ebersole seek to represent a class of Ohio residents, as defined in Section X.XX below, who purchased virtual coins to use in SciPlay's gambling apps during the class period defined below.

Plaintiffs Sprinkle and Ebersole contend that SciPlay's apps constitute illegal gambling pursuant to Ohio law. Ohio law prohibits both "schemes of chance," which are defined to include "a slot machine unless authorized under Chapter 3772 of the Revised Code," as well as any other scheme "in which a participant gives a valuable consideration for a chance to win a prize." O.R.C. 2915.01. The Ohio Revised Code includes free play as such a prize:

Valuable consideration is deemed to be paid for a chance to win a prize in the following instances:

(7) A participant may purchase additional game entries by using points or credits won as prizes while using the electronic device.

O.R.C. § 2915.01(C)(7). The Ohio Supreme Court has also made it clear that free play must be considered a thing of value in interpreting the state's gambling laws, holding that "[a]musement is a thing of value. Were it not so, it would not be commercialized. The less amusement one receives, the less value he receives, and the more amusement, the more value he receives." Westerhaus Co. v. City of Cincinnati, 135 N.E. 2d 318, 336 (Ohio 1956).

Plaintiffs Sprinkle and Ebersole and the Ohio class contend that they lost money at illegal gambling by spending real money for the virtual coins they risked on the games of chance in SciPlay's apps in the hopes of winning additional virtual coins and thus additional amusement without additional charge. Thus, their claims seek the return of that money pursuant to Section 3763.02 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SciPlay maintains that the games in its apps are not illegal gambling, and the parties, after arms-length mediation, seek to compromise these claims.

## **5. New Jersey**

The New Jersey Statutes state that "[a]ll wagers, bets or stakes made to depend upon any race or game, or upon any gaming by lot or chance, or upon any lot, chance, casualty or unknown or contingent event, shall be unlawful." N.J.R.S. § 2A:40-1.

New Jersey also has a gambling loss recovery act that builds upon this statute. It states:

If any person shall lose any money, goods, chattels or other valuable thing, in violation of section 2A40-1 of this title, and shall pay or deliver the same or any part thereof to the winner, or to any person to his use, or to a stakeholder, such person may sue for and recover such money, or the value of such goods, chattels, or other valuable thing, from such winner, or from such depositary, or from such stakeholder, whether the same has been delivered or paid over by such stakeholder or not, in a civil action provided such action is brought within 6 calendar months after payment or delivery.

N.J.R.S. § 2A:40-5. Plaintiff Prince AllahBeautiful seeks to represent a class of New Jersey residents, as defined in Section X.XX below, who purchased virtual coins to use in SciPlay’s gambling apps during the class period defined below.

Plaintiff AllahBeautiful and the New Jersey class contend that SciPlay’s apps constitute illegal gambling pursuant to New Jersey law. As noted above, Section 2A:40-1 makes all wagering of anything of value unlawful. New Jersey courts have made it clear that free play is a thing of value. Hunter v. Mayor and Council of Teaneck Twp., 24 A. 2d 553 (N.J. 1942) (“since amusement has value, and added amusement has additional value, and since that additional amusement is obtained by chance without the payment of additional compensation therefor, there is involved in the game the three necessary elements of gambling, viz., chance, price, and prize.”) (citing Alexander v. Martin, 6 S.E.2d 20 (S.C. 1939) and Alexander v. Hunnicutt, 13 S.E.2d 630 (S.C. 1941)).

Plaintiff AllahBeautiful and the New Jersey class contend that they lost money at illegal gambling by spending real money for the virtual coins they risked on the games of chance in SciPlay's apps in the hopes of winning additional virtual coins and thus additional amusement without additional charge. Thus, their claims seek the return of that money pursuant to Section 2A:40-5 of the New Jersey Revised Statutes.

SciPlay maintains that the games in its apps are not illegal gambling, and the parties, after arms-length mediation, seek to compromise these claims.

## **6. Massachusetts**

Section 1 of Chapter 137 of the Massachusetts General Law provides the basis of Plaintiff's claims in Massachusetts. It states:

Whoever, by playing at cards, dice or other game, or by betting on the sides or hands of those gaming, except for gaming conducted in licensed gaming establishments pursuant to chapter 23K or sports wagering conducted pursuant to chapter 23N, loses to a person so playing or betting money or goods, and pays or delivers the same or any part thereof to the winner, or whoever pays or delivers money or other thing of value to another person for or in consideration of a lottery, policy or pool ticket, certificate, check or slip, or for or in consideration of a chance of drawing or obtaining any money, prize or other thing of value in a lottery or policy game, pool or combination, or other bet, may recover such money or the value of such goods in contract; and if he does not within three months after such loss, payment or delivery, without covin or collusion, prosecute such action with effect, any other person may sue for and recover in tort treble the value thereof.



M.G.L. Ch. 137 § 1. Plaintiff Hope Murnaghan seeks to represent a class of Massachusetts residents, as defined in Section X.XX below, who purchased virtual coins to use in SciPlay’s gambling apps during the class period defined below.

Plaintiff Murnaghan and the Massachusetts class contend that SciPlay’s apps constitute illegal gambling pursuant to Massachusetts law. Case law in Massachusetts defines illegal gambling as having three elements: price, chance, and prize. Commonwealth v. Rivers, 82 N.E. 2d 216, 219 (Mass. 1948). When Plaintiff Murnaghan and the members of the class purchased coins, that satisfied the price element. Because SciPlay’s apps contain games of chance, that satisfies the chance element. Finally, Massachusetts courts have made it clear that winning free play satisfies the prize element of illegal gambling. Id. at 219 (“It is the free play itself that is the ‘property of value’ however evidenced.”)

Plaintiff Murnahan and the Massachusetts class contend that they lost money at illegal gambling by spending real money for the virtual coins they risked on the games of chance in SciPlay’s apps in the hopes of winning additional virtual coins and thus additional amusement without additional charge. Thus, their claims seek the return of that money pursuant to Chapter 137, Section 1 of the Massachusetts General Law.

SciPlay maintains that the games in its apps are not illegal gambling, and the parties, after arms-length mediation, seek to compromise these claims.

### C. Procedural History

Though the complaint in this case was filed on January 9, 2025, each Plaintiff's claim against SciPlay, that the parties now seek to settle, has a longer history.

In Alabama, Plaintiff Timothy Sornberger is the husband of Andrea Sornberger, who brought claims on behalf of the family members of losing gamblers pursuant to Alabama's third-party gambling recovery statute, section 8-1-150(b), which allows "any other person" to recover the gambling losses "for the use of the wife or, if no wife, the children or, if no children, the next of kin of the loser." Ala. Code § 8-1-150(b). Ms. Sornberger initially filed these claims on March 8, 2023, in the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Alabama. SciPlay attempted to remove the case to federal court on April 12, 2023. This initial case was dismissed in August of 2023, after related cases were remanded to state court. The case was refiled in Franklin County on August 25, 2023, and SciPlay, along with defendants in similar cases, once again removed to federal court. The parties stayed the case in light of the settlement on October 8, 2024, before the court ruled on the motion to remand. The parties then entered a stipulation of dismissal without prejudice to plaintiff reopening the case if the present action does not lead to an approved settlement. See Sornberger v. SciPlay Corp., No. 3:23-cv-01284-CLS. Though the present case brings claims under Section 8-1-150(a) rather than (b), directly by the losers of the money, it is a

continuation of the same controversy as the initial Franklin County case and will settle these claims.

In Tennessee, Laura Ewing filed an action on November 13, 2023 seeking recovery on behalf of family of any and all Tennessee gambling losers. Tennessee Code § 29-19-105 (2015) authorizes “any other person” to recover a gambler’s losses for the use of his or her family. Laura Ewing, as “any other person,” sought to recover all losses on behalf of all gambler’s families. The action was initially removed by Sciplay on December 15, 2023, but was remanded on September 26, 2024. Sciplay petitioned the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals for permission to appeal the Remand Order, and subsequently moved to stay the action pending this settlement. The case has remained stayed through the present. On January 9, 2025, as a part of this settlement, Plaintiff Luke Whitney filed a class action in this Court seeking losses pursuant to TN Code §29-19-104.

In Kentucky, the case began with a demand for arbitration filed by Plaintiff Donovan Roberts with the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”) on July 25, 2023. In addition to the first-party gambling loss recovery act noted above, Kentucky law allows “any person” to recover the losses of individuals in the state to illegal gambling during the limitations period. K.R.S. § 372.040. Plaintiff Roberts initially brought his claim pursuant to this statute, and SciPlay moved to dismiss the claim for multiple reasons, including that Claimant’s claims were barred by a provision of

its terms of service forbidding class and representative claims, and that the terms of service prohibited claimant from recovering more than what he personally spent on the games. The Arbitrators issued an Order on August 12, 2024, that rejected the former argument, but agreed with the latter. The parties subsequently stayed the arbitration in light of this settlement. A separate court action was also filed in the Western District of Kentucky, and has been stayed since a court order of November 6, 2024, as the parties have worked on finalizing this settlement. The parties intend for the present settlement to resolve each of these actions.

In Massachusetts and Ohio, arbitrations were filed by Plaintiffs Hope Murnaghan (MA) and Christopher Ebersole (OH).<sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs discuss these arbitrations jointly because they were heard in a consolidated fashion by a single three-arbitrator panel. SciPlay moved to dismiss these arbitrations, seeking threshold rulings on several issues, including whether claimants' claims were barred by the choice-of-law provision in SciPlay's terms of service; whether the class waiver in the terms barred claimants from recovering the losses of other residents of their state; and whether the statutes themselves allowed for recovery of the losses of multiple unnamed individuals. The panel denied SciPlay's motion to dismiss, finding that the choice of law provision was not broad enough to bar Claimants' claims under Ohio

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<sup>1</sup> A second Ohio plaintiff, Matthew Sprinkle, also filed an arbitration against SciPlay with the AAA, and it followed a similar procedural course, being decided by the same three-arbitrator panel at a different time, and in conjunction with the New Jersey arbitration described below.

and Massachusetts law; that Claimants did not seek class recovery that would be barred by the Terms of Service; and that Claimants stated a claim under the state statutes. The parties began the process of mediation and settlement, placing the cases in abeyance with the American Arbitration Association, where they remain. The parties intend the current settlement to resolve both of these cases.

In New Jersey, Plaintiff Prince AllahBeautiful likewise filed an arbitration with the AAA, which SciPlay moved to dismiss. This was heard by the same panel that decided the motion to dismiss in Ebersole and Murnaghan, and in conjunction with a second Ohio case brought by Plaintiff Mathew Sprinkle. The panel reached the same conclusion that it had in Massachusetts and the other Ohio case, which it followed in the AllahBeautiful matter. This case was likewise stayed and placed in abeyance by the AAA when the parties began the mediation and settlement process. The parties intend for the present settlement to resolve both the AllahBeautiful and Sprinkle cases.

#### **D. Risks of Continued Litigation**

At all times, SciPlay denied the allegations from Plaintiffs, and vigorously asserted defenses in the various matters. While some issues were briefed and litigated, they were far from complete in the litigation sense. In addition to potential hurdles related to opposed class certification to potentially dispositive issues such as standing, personal or subject matter jurisdiction, defenses arising from the terms of

service, and merits fights related to whether the applications constitute gambling or the virtual coins constitute “things of value,” the Plaintiffs recognize there are risks involved in continued litigation of these matters. Given the risks involved with both sides, the parties believe that the Settlement Agreement provides a fair, adequate, and reasonable remedy to all involved.

## **V. TERMS OF THE SETTLEMENT**

### **A. Recitations and Definitions Relevant to Settlement Approval**

The settlement agreement reached by the parties is attached hereto as Exhibit A. After reciting the cases at issue and the process by which the parties reached their agreement, including multiple telephone calls and videoconferences as well as mediation before Ms. Dana Welch on September 27, 2024, the settlement notes that it began as a term sheet signed on September 30, 2024, and ultimately resulted in the signed Settlement Agreement on January 6, 2025. The settlement further recites that Plaintiffs and Class Counsel believe their claims have merit, but that SciPlay has raised legal arguments and defenses that mean Plaintiffs may not prevail, making it desirable and in the best interests of the Settlement Class to compromise and settle the Released Claims. SciPlay likewise believes that its defenses have merit and denies that any of its games are illegal gambling. Recognizing the potential risk,

time, and expense of proceeding with the litigation, SciPlay has concluded that the wiser course is to settle the claims according to the terms described below.

In defining the scope of the settlement, the parties list out the actions described above, and also define the applications involved to be Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit slots, 88 Fortunes Slots, Monopoly Slots, and Bingo Showdown. (Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement, at 4). The parties also explicitly define the class periods involved, which vary from state to state, and, in Kentucky, also vary by application. These dates will be explained in section XX.X below. *Id.* at 5. The Settlement class in each state is defined as all individuals in that state (as indicated by IP address information or other information reasonably available) who spent money to play the applications at issue, not including any Judge or Magistrate presiding over the action, Defendants or related entities, or persons who properly execute a timely request for exclusion along with their representatives, successors, or assigns. *Id.* at 10.

The claims released by the Settlement class in the settlement are defined broadly to include all claims, whether under the laws of the states at issue, federal law, or the laws of any other jurisdiction, that arise out of the relationship between any class member and the applications at issue. *Id.* at 8-9. The released claims include but are not limited to any allegations that the applications are illegal gambling or illegal lotteries, or that the virtual coins used therein have any value.

The released parties include SciPlay Corp., SciPlay Games, LLC, Light & Wonder, Inc. (SciPlay's parent corporation), and any other present or former parents, subsidiaries and affiliates. Id. at 9.

### **B. Settlement Relief to the Class**

Each member of the settlement class who does not timely and properly file an opt out request will receive the benefits outlined in the settlement and also have the option to file an Election Form, which will essentially allow him or her to choose between two forms of relief. Each settlement class member who does not file an election will receive a return of twenty-five percent of the virtual currency that they purchased during the class period in the settlement states, net of platform fees, after the deduction for costs of administration, awarded attorney's fees, and incentive awards. Id. at 13. The settlement also explains that these coins will be distributed in installments, beginning within sixty days of the settlement becoming effective, with the timing dependent on the amount of virtual coins to which the class member is entitled. Id. The coins distributed can be used to play the games for free without expenditure of any money.

Settlement class members will also have the option of filing an Election to receive monetary a benefit in the same amount. Any class member who files an Approved Election will receive a monetary payment equal to twenty-five percent of the money they spent to purchase virtual currency in the applications during the class



period in the settlement states, net for Platform fees (also reduced by the costs of administration, awarded attorney's fees, and incentive awards). *Id.* These cash payments are subject to a cumulative cap of five million dollars. *Id.* If the cap is reached, the payment to class members will be proportionately reduced, but the amount of the reduction shall be given to those class members in the form of virtual currency as described above. *Id.* at 13-14. All such Approved Elections shall be paid from the settlement fund by electronic payment or check within sixty days of the settlement taking effect. *Id.* at 14.

In addition to this direct relief to class members, SciPlay will also take additional steps within 120 days of an order granting preliminary approval. First, SciPlay will keep in place certain measures implemented as part of the class action settlement filed with the Western District of Washington in Reed v. Scientific Games Corp., No. 18-cv-0565-RSL on January 18, 2022. *Id.* at 14-15. The Reed settlement is attached as Exhibit B, and the changes referenced are found in Sections 2.2(a)-(c) thereof. (Exhibit B, Reed Settlement, at 14-15). These changes include the placement of resources relating to video game behavior disorders within the applications, a voluntary self-exclusion policy, and changes made in response to the Reed litigation that changed the game mechanics in each application when a player runs out of coins. *Id.* As noted, in the present settlement, SciPlay promises to keep these changes in place. (Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement, at 15). In addition,

SciPlay agrees to provide players who run out of virtual coins with enough free coins to enable them to take multiple spins on at least one game within the application they are playing. *Id.* These additional aspects of injunctive relief provide value to the class and allow players to play a more fully functional version of the game without purchasing virtual coins with real money.

### **C. Released Claims and Agreements on Notice**

In return for the relief provided to the class, plaintiffs and the class members relinquish their claims pursuant to the first-party gambling recovery statutes above, including all claims that the applications are illegal gambling, that they are an illegal lottery, and that the virtual chips are things of value. (Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement, at 8, 15-16). Specifically, anyone who does not opt out and becomes a valid member of the class agrees that they will not argue in future litigation that the virtual coins represent anything of value under Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, or Massachusetts law. *Id.* at 15-16. If SciPlay does as promised in the prior section and the changes regarding gameplay remain implemented, members of the settlement class are estopped from contending that the virtual objects in the applications are things of value, that the applications or anything in them constitute illegal gambling under the specified state laws, or that the games are deceptive, unfair, or illegal under the laws of those states. *Id.* at 16.

Regarding notice, the parties recognize that the first step to providing notice is to generate a class list. *Id.* at 17. To do so, Defendants have provided proposed class counsel (Davis & Norris, LLP) with the contact information reasonably available for all putative class members. *Id.* The parties also have worked with platform providers including: Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Microsoft, and Google, to obtain additional contact information in their possession. *Id.* at 18. The parties have worked diligently to obtain email addresses from the platform providers through subpoenas, which has been an intensive multi-month process. The contact information obtained from the platforms either has been or will be provided to the settlement administrator to create a confidential class list. *Id.* Where available to SciPlay, U.S. Mail addresses of the class members will also be provided. (However, U.S. Mail addresses are available for only a small fraction of the total settlement class.)

The settlement administrator will use this information to send the class notice to the emails of class members, and, if no valid email address is available, to their available U.S. Mailing address. *Id.* at 18. The electronic form of the notice is attached as Exhibit B to the Settlement, while the U.S. Mail notice is attached as Exhibit C to the Settlement. The information on these two notices is quite similar, informing the recipient that they are a class member if they played listed SciPlay games on specified dates within specified states set forth in the notice. The notice goes on to

inform the putative class members that they can elect to receive virtual currency or a cash payout and how to file an election for the latter. Once approved by the court, it will also contain important dates like the deadline to submit an election form and the date of the Final Approval Hearing.

The notice will also contain a link to the Election Form, which class members will need to submit if they elect to receive cash instead of virtual currency. (Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement, at 18). The parties also have a plan to send reminder notices concerning the election deadline, at thirty days and seven days before the deadline. *Id.* In addition, the settlement requires the administrator to supplement the direct notices described above with notice in digital publications targeted to the states at issue and running for at least a month, designed to deliver more than ten million total impressions to potential class members. *Id.* at 18-19. The notice will also inform class members of their rights to opt out of the settlement or object to it. *Id.* at 19.

This plan provides more than sufficient constitutional notice to class members, under both Alabama and federal law. Rule 23(e) of the Alabama Rules of Civil Procedures requires that the claims of a class certified for settlement purposes may be compromised only with the court's approval, and states that "notice of the proposed dismissal or compromise shall be given to all members of the class in such manner as the court directs." Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(e). Because Plaintiffs seek to

certify these classes pursuant to both Rule 23(b)(3), not solely under Rule 23(b)(2), notice in this instance is also governed by Rule 23(c)(2), which requires that “the court must direct to class members the best notice that is practicable under the circumstances, including individual notice to all members who can be identified through reasonable effort.” Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(c)(2). The rule states that such best notice can include “United States mail, electronic means, or other appropriate means.” Id. As noted above, the parties have endeavored to obtain from the platforms the email addresses of class members. The parties have further agreed that notice of the settlement will be posted on a website and in digital publications. These are appropriate ways to reach people who engage in online gaming.

Rule 23(c)(2) also prescribes the contents of the notice, stating that it “shall advise each member that (A) the court will exclude the member from the class if the member so requests by a specified date; (B) the judgment, whether favorable or not, will include all members who do not request exclusion; and (C) any member who does not request exclusion may, if the member desires, enter an appearance through counsel.” Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(c)(2). The Alabama Supreme Court has cited with approval the Northern District of Alabama’s discussion of class notice for settlement purposes in Battle v. Liberty Nat’l Life Ins., 770 F.Supp. 1499, 1522 (N.D. Ala. 1991):

A class settlement notice need only properly identify the plaintiff class and generally describe the terms of the settlement so as to alert

members “with adverse viewpoints to investigate and to come forward and be heard.” Mendoza v. Tucson School Dist. No. 1, 623 F.3d 1338, 1352 (5th Cir. 1979). See In re Southern Florida Waste Disposal Antitrust Litig., 896 F.2d 493, 495 (11th Cir. 1990) (per curiam); Burns v. Elrod, 757 F.2d 151, 155 (7th Cir. 1985). The notice is “not required to provide a complete source of settlement information.” In re Gypsum Antitrust Cases, 565 F.2d 1123, 1125 (9th Cir. 1977). See also Greenspun v. Bogan, 492 F.2d 375, 382 (1st Cir. 1974).

Perdue v. Green, 127 So.3d 343, 405 (Ala. 2012) (quote appears as in Perdue, cleaned up from Battle.) The Alabama Supreme Court went on to state that the notice in Perdue informed class members of the proposed settlement’s change to their rights and that approval thereof would constitute a final adjudication of their claims, as required by Rule 23(c). Id. at 406. The notice at issue also included sufficient information to place class members who might be adverse to the settlement on investigative notice and informed them “how to formally object to final approval.” Id. Notice of how to object serves the same purpose as notice of the right to intervene in Rule 23(c)(2).

In this case, the parties’ propose notice plan provides sufficient detail in all three aspects. The parties have put together a multi-part notice plan that taps EisnerAmper, a large and well-respected settlement firm to serve as Settlement Administrator. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff Exhibit 2, EisnerAmper Resume). The Administrator will not only send email and, if necessary, U.S. Mail notices to class members containing all requisite information, but will also create and maintain a Settlement Website. (Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement, at 19). This website will

contain extensive information about the settlement, and will also allow class members to file election forms online. *Id.* As required by Alabama law, both the notice (whether in electronic or paper form) and the website will inform class members about the upcoming approval hearing, their ability to object, and the deadline to do so. As noted above, notice will also be published in digital publications, and reminder notices will be sent both thirty days and seven days prior to the deadline for class members to elect to receive cash benefits. All of this easily meets the requirements for notice as articulated by both the Alabama and United States Supreme Courts. Perdue, 127 So.3d at 405; see also Eisen v. Carlisle & Jacquelin, 417 U.S. 156, 173 (1974).

#### **D. Attorney's Fees and Incentive Awards**

The parties agree that Class Counsel shall be entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs out of the Settlement in an amount determined by the Court as the Fee Award. Under the settlement, Class Counsel have reserved the right to petition the Court for an award of Attorneys' Fees and Expenses, to be paid from SciPlay, and has agreed to limit its petition for attorneys' fees and expenses to no more than \$9 million representing approximately thirty percent of the Settlement Fund, plus reimbursement of expenses. (Settlement Agreement, pp. 8.1).

Additionally, the parties have agreed that given the participation in lengthy litigation in both arbitration and courts across six states, that the Plaintiffs should be entitled to an incentive award for their work representing the classes subject to Court approval. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff., pp.5-7). The parties have agreed that the petition for incentive awards to each Plaintiff and purported Class Representative will be limited to no more than \$15,000 each. (Settlement Agreement, pp. 8.3).

## **VI. CLASS CERTIFICATION FOR SETTLEMENT PURPOSES IS PROPER**

As noted above, Rule 23(e) contemplates that a class may be “proposed to be certified for purposes of settlement.” Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(e). “When the court has not yet entered a formal order determining that the action may be maintained as a class action, the parties may stipulate that it be maintained as a class action for the purpose of settlement only.” Ex parte First Nat. Bank of Jasper, 717 So.2d 342, 344 (Ala. 1997) (quoting 2 Newberg on Class Actions § 7.33 (3d ed. 1992)). The Alabama Supreme Court has recognized that such settlement classes “promote the strong policy favoring settlements.” Id. Nonetheless, the trial court must conduct an analysis applying the prerequisites of Rule 23 when approving the settlement. Disch v. Hicks, 900 So. 2d 399, 408 (Ala. 2004). Here, for the reasons explained in detail below, the Court should be satisfied that the four prerequisites of Rule 23(a) as well as the requirements of Rule 23(b)(2) and 23(b)(3) are met.



## **A. The Class Definition and Time Periods**

The class settlement defines the class as follows:

all individuals who, in Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Massachusetts, and/or New Jersey (as indicated by IP address information or other information reasonably available), spent money to play the Applications during the Class Period. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (1) any Judge or Magistrate presiding over this Action and members of their families, (2) Defendants, Defendants' subsidiaries, parent companies, successors, predecessors, and any entity in which Defendants or their parents have a controlling interest and their current or former officers, directors, and employees, (3) persons who properly execute and file a timely request for exclusion from the Settlement Class, and (4) the legal representatives, successors or assigns of any such excluded persons.

Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement, at 10. This definition meets the standards articulated by the Alabama Supreme Court, which has stated that “Rule 23 requires only that the class representatives propose a class definition that that is objectively ascertainable” meaning that it allows the court “to determine who will be bound by rulings once the class is certified.” Hall v. Environmental Litig. Group, P.C., 248 So.3d 949, 963 (Ala. 2017) (citing Moore v. Walter Coke, Inc., 294 F.R.D. 620, 627 (N.D. Ala. 2013)). The definition chosen by the parties allows for the identification of people who spent money in the given states during specified time periods, and are thus part of the settlement class.

Because the statutes of limitations are different in each of the states at issue, as are the dates the Plaintiffs first brought their claims in each state, the parties also

specified the class period in each Alabama, Ohio, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Tennessee as follows:

Alabama: August 25, 2022 through the date of preliminary approval;

Ohio: December 16, 2021 through the date of preliminary approval;

New Jersey: December 19, 2021 through the date of preliminary approval;

Massachusetts: July 25, 2022 through the date of preliminary approval;

Tennessee: November 13, 2022 through the date of preliminary approval.

See Ex. A at 5. In Kentucky, considerations related to changes in the law, when applications were actually offered, and limitations on data availability for certain applications required the parties to specify class periods for each of SciPlay's applications, as follows:

Jackpot Party Casino: December 2, 2019 through June 29, 2023;

Gold Fish Casino: December 3, 2019 through June 29, 2023;

Hot Shot Casino: May 12, 2020 through June 29, 2023;

Quick Hit Slots: January 22, 2020 through June 29, 2023

88 Fortunes Slots: December 3, 2019 through June 29, 2023

Monopoly Slots: December 3, 2019 through June 29, 2023

Bingo Showdown: August 22, 2019 through June 29, 2023.

See Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement, at 5.

### **B. The Proposed Classes Meet the Requirements of Rule 23(a)**

As noted above, the trial court conducts an analysis of the proposed settlement class applying the prerequisites of Rule 23. There are four prerequisites in Rule 23(a) of the Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure:

One or more members of a class may sue or be sued as representative parties on behalf of all only if

- (1) The class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable
- (2) There are questions of law or fact common to the class
- (3) The claims or defenses of the representative parties are typical of the claims or defenses of the class, and
- (4) The representative parties will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class.

Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(a). As will be demonstrated below, the proposed settlement classes meet each of these prerequisites.

#### **1. The classes members are numerous.**

Rule 23(a)(1) requires that “the class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable.” Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(a)(1). “For purposes of Rule 23(a)(1), impracticability is not equated in impossibility, but relates to the difficulty or inconvenience in joining all class members.” Cheminova America Corp. v. Corker, 779 So. 2d 1175, 1179 (Ala. 2000) (internal citations removed). Both the

Alabama and federal courts have made it clear that “[t]he numerosity requirement imposes no absolute minimum number, but is subject to examination of the specific facts of each case.” *Id.* (citing, *inter alia*, General Tel. Co. of the Northwest, Inc. v. EEOC, 446 U.S. 318 (1980)). Though no specific minimum number of class members is required, courts have generally held that classes of more than forty members are sufficient. *See, e.g., Vega v. T-Mobile USA, Inc.*, 564 F.3d 1256 (11th Cir. 2009); Cox v. Am. Cast Iron Pipe Co., 784 F.2d 1546, 1553 (11th Cir. 1986) (“while there is no fixed numerosity rule, generally less than twenty-one is inadequate, more than forty adequate, with numbers between varying according to other factors.”).

Here, each class consists of all persons who have spent money to play the games in a given state, and during a specified class period. SciPlay’s customers in each of these states number in the thousands, far more than the forty class members courts find presumptively adequate. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff. Pp. 17). Furthermore, these class members are not confined to a specific geographic area within the state, but, in each class, may be dispersed to all corners of the state. This contributes to the impracticality of joining all members of the class as parties, and to their hardship and expense of participating in the case individually. *See Ex parte Russell Corp.*, 703 So. 2d 953, 958 (Ala. 1997) (“The Court further finds that joinder of the Class Members as parties would cause them strong litigational hardship” even where “the

Class consists of the ownership of approximately sixty residential parcels of land” in a single subdivision.”) It is clear in this case that joining all members of any of the proposed classes would be impracticable. Thus, the numerosity requirement in Rule 23(a)(1) is met.

## **2. The commonality requirement is met.**

The next prerequisite in Rule 23(a) that “there are questions of law or fact common to the class.” Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(a)(2). The United States Supreme Court has held that commonality is construed permissively, and that it is demonstrated when the claims of all class members “depend upon a common contention,” with “even a single common question” sufficing. Barnhart v. Ingalls, 275 So.3d 1112, 1128 (Ala. 2018) (quoting Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. v. Dukes, 564 U.S. 338, 350, 359 (2011) (citation omitted)). A “common question” is one that is capable of a classwide answer, such that the “determination of its truth or falsity will resolve an issue that is central to the validity of each one of the claims in one stroke.” Dukes, 564 U.S. at 350; Barnhart, 275 So.3d at 1128 (Ala. 2018); Williams v. Mohawk Indus., Inc., 568 F.3d 1350, 1355 (11th Cir. 2009).

Courts have noted that the requirement of commonality is often “analytically similar” to that of typicality and to the Rule 23(b)(3) requirement of predominance. National Sec. Fire & Cas. Co. v. DeWitt, 85 So.3d 355, 368 (Ala. 2011) (citing Avis Rent A Car Sys., Inc. v. Heilman, 876 So.2d 1111, 1116 (Ala. 2003)). Nonetheless,

it is clear that commonality is a less rigorous requirement than predominance, because it requires only the existence of any common question of law or fact. Commonality is generally met “[w]here the complaint alleges that the Defendants have engaged in a standardized course of conduct that affects all class members.” In re Terazosin Hydrochloride, 220 F.R.D. 672, 685 (S.D. Fla. 2004). “[I]t is not necessary that members of the proposed class share every fact in common,” (Evon v. Law Offices of Sidney Mickell, 688 F.3d 1015, 1030 (9th Cir. 2012) (internal quotations omitted)) so long as there is a “common nucleus of operative facts.” Keele v. Wexler, 149 F.3d 589, 594 (7th Cir. 1998).

Here, SciPlay treated all members of the class, who all purchased virtual coins, exactly the same, and all of the class members’ claims arise out of a common nucleus of operative facts. Thus, the present case is replete with common questions of law and fact. The gameplay of SciPlay’s games are the same for all members of the class, as are the rules under which the applications operate. This raises common questions of fact concerning the nature of the virtual currency, whether it can be used for anything other than playing the gambling games, and whether the games are games of chance that cannot be affected by the player’s skill. The legal questions raised by the claims are likewise the same within each class. The central legal questions in each state include whether the games violate state law and whether the individual class members have a statutory right to recover the money they spent on

them. Each of these factual and legal questions are capable of classwide resolution because the relationship between the games and the players is consistent across class members, as is the meaning of the statutes at issue. The commonality requirement is met.

**3. Plaintiffs' claims are typical of those of settlement class members.**

Rule 23(a)(3) requires that “the claims or defenses of the representative parties are typical of the claims or defenses of the class.” Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(a)(3). In other words, the question under this prerequisite is whether the claims of the named plaintiff representing each class are sufficiently similar to those of the absent class members. Typicality is determined by examining “whether other members have the same or similar injury, whether the action is based on conduct which is not unique to the named class plaintiffs, and whether other class members have been injured by the same course of conduct.” In re Checking Account Overdraft Litig., 307 F.R.D. 630, 641 (S.D. Fla. 2015) (quoting Hanon v. Dataprods. Corp., 976 F.2d 497, 508 (9th Cir. 1992)). Furthermore, claims are typical when a class representative “possess[es] the same interest and suffer[s] the same injury” as the class members. Banker v. Circuit City Stores, Inc., 7 So. 3d 992, 997 (Ala. 2008) (citing General Tel. Co. of the Southwest v. Falcon, 475 U.S. 147, 156 (1982)). Finally, the Court can also test typicality by determining that the claims of the class representatives and other class members “arise from the same events, practice, or conduct and are based

on the same legal theories.” Navelski v. Int’l Paper Co., 244 F. Supp. 3d 1275, 1306 (N.D. Fla. 2017) (citing Kornberg v. Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc., 741 F.2d 1332, 1337 (11th Cir. 1984)).

Here, the individual plaintiffs all have claims that are typical of the class, because the claims of all plaintiffs and class members arise out of the same conduct by SciPlay. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff., pp. 6). Each class member, including the named plaintiffs, suffered injury because they spent money on alleged illegal gambling. All of the claims of the named plaintiffs and the members of the classes represented by them rest on exactly the same legal theories, and named plaintiffs have no interests that are antithetical to those of the absent class members. The only difference between individual class members lies in how much money they spent on Defendant’s gambling games. Courts have held that “[d]ifferences in the amount of damages between the class representative and other class members do not affect typicality.” Cordova v. R & A Oysters, Inc., 2016 WL 5311889 at \*2 (S.D. Ala. 2016) (citing Kornberg v. Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc., 741 F.2d 1332, 1337 (11th Cir. 1984)).

#### **4. Plaintiffs and Class Counsel will adequately represent the classes.**

Subsection 4 of Rule 23(a) requires that “the representative parties will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class.” Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(a)(4). “The adequacy-of-representation requirement encompasses two separate inquiries: (1)



whether any substantial conflicts of interest exist between the representatives and the class; and (2) whether the representatives will adequately prosecute the action.” Busby v. JRHBW Realty, Inc., 513 F.3d 1323 (11th Cir. 2008) (internal citations omitted). On the first of these questions, Alabama has “typically construed” the adequacy-of-representation requirement “to foreclose the class action where there is a conflict of interest between the named plaintiffs and the members of the putative class. Cutler v. Orkin Exterminating Co., Inc., 770 So.2d 67, 71 (Ala. 2000) (citing General Tel. Co. of the Northwest, Inc. v. EEOC, 446 US 318, 331 (1980). Evaluation of the second question, whether the representatives “will adequately prosecute the action,” turns in large part on the adequacy of the attorneys they have chosen. Cutler, 770 So. 2d at 71 (noting that this inquiry “involves questions regarding whether the attorneys representing the class are ‘qualified, experienced, and generally able to conduct the proposed litigation.’” (quoting Griffin v. Carlin, 755 F.2d 1516, 1533 (11th Cir. 1985). Putting the two inquiries together, “Adequacy of representation requires that the class representative ‘have common interests with unnamed members of the class’ and that the representative ‘will vigorously prosecute the interests of the class through qualified counsel.” Id. (quoting In re American Med. Sys., Inc., 75 F. 3d 1069, 1083 (6th Cir. 1996) (quoting in turn Senter v. General Motors Corp., 532 F.2d 511, 525 (6th Cir. 1976).

Here, both aspects of the adequacy-of-representation requirement are met, because none of the plaintiffs have interests that are adverse to the class (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff., pp. 6), and because they have hired experienced and competent class actions attorneys. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff., pp. 3). The U.S. Supreme Court has noted that when a plaintiff's claims are typical of the class, appointing that plaintiff as the class representative will also ensure that the interests of the class remain adequately protected. See Dukes, 564 U.S. at 349 n.5 (discussing how the fulfillment of the typicality requirement usually also supports a finding of adequacy because an adequate representative will have claims that are typical of the class.) Because each of the named plaintiffs has the same claims, and thus the same interests, as every other member of the class, the representatives will adequately protect those interests. Furthermore, each of the plaintiffs has been a willing and diligent participant in pursuing these claims vigorously. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff., pp. 5-6). Each of the plaintiffs has thus demonstrated that he or she will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class he or she represents. City of St. Petersburg v. Total Containment, Inc., 256 F.R.D. 630, 651-52 (S.D. Fla. 2010) (finding lead plaintiffs to be adequate where, as here, they “do not have any apparent substantial conflicts of interest with potential class members” and “they are actively participating in th[e] litigation”).

Similarly, proposed Class Counsel has and will continue to adequately protect the interests of the proposed classes. Alabama courts have looked to the experience, qualifications, and expertise of the attorneys chosen by the class, and have relied on affidavits from counsel. Gladwin Corp. v. Patterson, 2001 WL 1772714 at \*8 (Montgomery Co. Cir. Ct. 2001) (noting that firms representing plaintiff class “have extensive experience in class action litigation... and they are capable of representing the class more than adequately.”) (citing “affidavits regarding qualifications of class counsel and curricula vitae.”). As noted above, Alabama courts also look to federal courts in evaluating whether the prerequisites of Rule 23 are met, and federal courts have identified four factors regarding the adequacy of Class Counsel:

(i) the work class counsel has done in identifying or investigating potential claims in this action; (ii) class counsel's experience in handling class actions, other complex litigation, and claims of the type asserted in this action; (iii) class counsel's knowledge of the applicable law; and (iv) the time and resources class counsel have committed to representing the class.

Chambers v. Groome Transp. of Alabama, Inc., 2015 WL 5124952 at \*2 (M.D. Ala. Sept. 1, 2015).

Here, along with counsel Rogers, Bowling, & McReynolds, P.C. and other associated and local counsel, plaintiffs have chosen Davis & Norris, LLP, an experienced and qualified class action firm. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff., pp. 3). Proposed Class Counsel are well-financed, well-qualified and experienced members of the plaintiffs’ bar who have extensive experience in class actions of similar size,

scope, and complexity to the present case. *Id.* Class Counsel have frequently been appointed lead class counsel by courts throughout the country and have the resources necessary to conduct litigation of this nature. See, e.g., McWhorter v. Ocwen Loan Servicing, 2019 WL 9171207 at \*9 (N.D. Ala. Aug. 1, 2019) (noting that “[t]he class representative and class counsel have adequately represented the plaintiff class.”); Faught v. Am. Home Shield Corp., 2009 WL 10263452 at \*3 (N.D. Ala. Oct. 30 2009) (appointing Davis & Norris, LLP as class counsel) (aff’d 688 F.3d 1233 (11th Cir. 2011)). Furthermore, Class Counsel have already diligently investigated, prosecuted, and dedicated substantial resources to the claims in this action, and will continue to do so through its pendency. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff., pp. 3-5), See City of St. Petersburg, 265 F.R.D. at 651 (finding class counsel to be adequate where, as here, they were “well-qualified to prosecute th[e] action ... and have demonstrated skill in pursuing th[e] litigation.”) Rule 23(a)(4)’s adequacy of representation requirement is clearly met.

**C. The Proposed Classes Meet the requirements of Rule 23(b)(2) and 23(b)(3).**

In addition to meeting all four of Rule 23(a)’s prerequisites for certification, a proposed class must also satisfy the additional requirements laid out in at least one of the subsections of Rule 23(b). Here, the proposed classes meet the requirements of Rules 23(b)(2) and 23(b)(3), which state:

(2) the party opposing the class has acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the class, thereby making appropriate final injunctive relief or corresponding declaratory relief with respect to the class as a whole: or

(3) the court finds that the questions of law or fact common to the members of the class predominate over any questions affecting only individual members, and that a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy. The matters pertinent to the findings include: (A) the interest of members of the class in individually controlling the prosecution or defense of separate actions; (B) the extent and nature of any litigation concerning the controversy already commenced by or against members of the class; (C) the desirability or undesirability of concentrating the litigation of the claims in the particular forum; (D) the difficulties likely to be encountered in the management of a class action.

Ala. R. Civ. Proc. 23(b)(2)-(3).

Rule 23(b)(2) applies because SciPlay offered the same games, which Plaintiffs contend to be illegal gambling games, to all members of the class, and applied the same Terms of Service to these offers. Thus, injunctive relief applicable to the class as a whole is appropriate. Rule 23(b)(3) is met because the questions of law or fact common to the class predominate over the individual questions, and a class action is the superior means of resolving this controversy.

**1. SciPlay has acted on grounds generally applicable to the classes, making injunctive relief appropriate.**

The Alabama Supreme Court has held that Rule 23(b)(2) has two separate parts:

By its terms, ... Rule 23(b)(2) imposes two independent but related requirements. In the first place, the defendants' actions or inactions

must be ... generally applicable to all class members. ... The latter half of Rule 23(b)(2) requires that final injunctive relief be appropriate for the class as a whole.”

Ryan v. Patterson, 23 So. 3d 12, 19 (Ala. 2009) (quoting Shook v. Board of County Comm’rs of County of El Paso, 543 F.3d 597, 604 (10th Cir. 2008)). In answering these inquiries, the court has stated that “the interests of the different members of a (b)(2) class are by no means identical” but that “the substantial cohesion of those interests makes it likely that representative members can adequately represent the interests of absent members.” Id. (quoting Holmes v. Continental Can Co., 706 F.2d 1144, 1155 (11th Cir. 1983)).

## **2. Questions of law and fact common to the members of the classes predominate over individual questions.**

While Rule 23(a)(2) asks whether there are issues common to the class, Rule 23(b)(3) asks whether “common questions of fact or law predominate over individual questions.” Cheminova America Corp. v. Corker, 779 So.2d 1175, 1181 (Ala. 2000). Rule 23(b)(3)’s predominance requirement tests “whether [the] proposed class[] [is] sufficiently cohesive to warrant adjudication by representation.” Carriulo v. Gen. Motors Co., 823 F.3d 977, 985 (11th Cir. 2016) (citing Anchem Prods., Inc. v. Windsor, 521 U.S. 591, 623–24 (1997)). Whether common issues predominate depends on “the elements of the underlying cause of action.” Erica P. John Fund, Inc. v. Halliburton Co., 563 U.S. 804, 809 (2011).

Here, as detailed above, the elements of the Settlement Class Members' claims present common factual and legal questions, including (a) whether the applications involve chance as alleged, (b) whether virtual currency is a thing of value as alleged, and thus (c) whether the apps constitute illegal gambling under relevant states' laws. Plaintiffs contend that each of these common questions can be resolved in a single stroke for all members of the proposed Settlement Class. As a result, common issues of law and fact predominate over any individualized issues. See, e.g., Cheminova, 779 So.2d at 1181.

**3. A class action is the superior means of resolving this controversy.**

Finally, certification of this suit as a class action is superior to other methods available to fairly, adequately, and efficiently resolve the claims of the Settlement Class. To meet the superiority requirement, a plaintiff must show that a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the [controversy]." Busby v. JRHBW Realty, Inc., 513 F.3d 1314, 1326 (11th Cir. 2008). Efficiency is the primary focus in determining whether the class action is the superior method for resolving the controversy presented. "[T]he class action procedure allows for the efficient and economical litigation of a question potentially affecting every class member." Kelly v. Sabretech Inc., 195 F.R.D. 48, 51 (S.D. Fla. 1999). Because Plaintiffs seek class certification for settlement purposes, the Court need not inquire into whether this action, if tried, would present intractable management

problems. Amchem, 521 U.S. at 620; Carriuolo, 823 F.3d at 988; In re Am. Int'l Grp., Inc. Sec. Litig., 689 F.3d 229, 242 (2d Cir. 2012) (“[M]anageability concerns do not stand in the way of certifying a settlement class.”).

Additionally, in determining superiority, the Court should consider the “inability of the poor or uninformed to enforce their rights, and the improbability that large numbers of class members would possess the initiative to litigate individually.” Haynes v. Logan Furniture Mart, Inc., 503 F.2d 1161, 1165 (7th Cir. 1974).

Here, a large majority of claims of class members are small, and as such, “[i]ndividual class members do not have a great interest in controlling the prosecution of separate actions.” Dibb v. AllianceOne Receivables Mgmt., Inc., No. C14-5835-RJB, 2015 WL 8970778, at \*13 (W.D. Wash. Dec. 16, 2015) (finding superiority met); see also Roundtree v. Bush Ross, P.A., 304 F.R.D. 644, 663 (M.D. Fla. 2015) (certifying class “given the large number of claims, the relatively small amount of damages available, the desirability of consistently adjudicating the claims, the high probability that individual members of the proposed classes would not possess a great interest in controlling the prosecution of the claims, and the fact that it would be uneconomical to litigate the issues individually”).

Instead of repeating identical trials with the same evidence and arguments for each one of the thousands of members of the proposed Settlement Class, and



accruing the costs and judicial inefficiencies that would come with them, all of the Settlement Class Members' claims can and should be resolved in a single action.

Accordingly, a class action is the superior method for adjudicating the controversy between the Parties, and as all requirements of class certification under Rule 23 are met, the proposed class should be certified.

## **VII. THIS SETTLEMENT SHOULD BE APPROVED BY THE COURT**

### **A. Standards for Settlement Approval in Alabama**

A class action may be settled, voluntarily dismissed, or compromised only with court approval. Ala. R. Civ. P. 23(e). Judicial policy favors voluntary settlement as a means of resolving class action cases; however, the court has an independent duty to ensure that the settlement is fair, adequate, and reasonable.

Austin v. Hopper, 28 F. Supp.2d 1231 (M.D. Ala. 1998). Courts review a proposed class action settlement for fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy. Ala. R. Civ. P. 23; Perdue v. Green, 127 So. 3d 343, 356 (Ala. 2012). Factors for courts to consider in deciding whether a class action settlement is fair, reasonable and adequate include (1) likelihood of success at trial; (2) range of possible recovery; (3) range of possible recovery at which settlement is fair, adequate and reasonable; (4) the anticipated complexity, expense, and duration of litigation; (5) opposition to settlement; and (6) stage of proceedings at which settlement was achieved. See Faught v. American Home Shield Corp., 668 F.3d 1233 (11<sup>th</sup> Cir. 12011). Othni

Lathram and Anil A. Mujumdar, Alabama Civil Procedure § 5.83, pp. 5-160 (2015 ed.), points out that these and similar factors were adopted by the Alabama Supreme Court in Adams v. Robertson, 676 So. 2d 1265, 1273 (Ala. 1995).

At the preliminary approval stage, however, the “fair, reasonable, and adequate” standard is lowered, with emphasis only on whether the settlement is within the range of possible approval due to an absence of any glaring substantive or procedural deficiencies. See, e.g., White v. Nat’l Football League, 836 F. Supp. 1458, 1466 (D. Minn. 1993); Schwartz v. Dallas Cowboys Football Club, Ltd., 157 F.Supp.2d 561, 570 (E.D. Pa. 2001). In making this preliminary determination, courts should consider issues such as whether the settlement carries the hallmarks of collusive negotiation or uninformed decision-making, and whether the settlement is unduly favorable to class representatives or certain class members. See, e.g., Dillard v. City of Foley, 926 F.Supp. 1053 (M.D. Ala. 2000), cited at Perdue v. Green, 127 So. 3d 343,360 (Ala. 2012). The Court should give weight to the views of Class Representatives and Class Counsel. See Austin v. Hopper, 28 F.Supp.2d 1231 (M.D. Ala. 1998).

These important considerations notwithstanding, a proposed settlement is presumptively reasonable at the preliminary approval stage, and there is an accordingly heavy burden of demonstrating otherwise. See Brotherton v. Cleveland, 141 F.Supp.2d 894, 904 (S. D. Ohio 2001), and Schoenbaum v. E.I

Dupont De Nemours & Co., 2009 WL 4782082, \*3 (E.D. Mo. Dec. 8, 2009). See 4

William B. Rubenstein, *Newberg on Class Actions* § 13:10, pp. 301-02 (5<sup>th</sup> ed.

2014):

The general rule is that a court will grant preliminary approval where the proposed settlement “is neither illegal nor collusive and is within the range of possible approval.” This approach contains both procedural and substantive elements. The procedural element focuses on the nature of the settlement negotiations and the possibility of collusion, while the substantive element focuses on the terms of the agreement itself. As discussed more fully in succeeding sections, courts in most circuits use some variation of this dual test relying in particular on a phrase that appeared in an early version of the Manual for Complex Litigation calling for approval if “the proposed settlement appears to be the product of serious, informed, non-collusive negotiations, has no obvious deficiencies, does not improperly grant preferential treatment to class representatives or segments of the class, and falls within the range of possible [judicial] approval.” Thus, if a court’s preliminary evaluation of the proposed settlement shows that it meets this test, the court will direct that notice of the settlement be given to the class members, launching the second stage of settlement review.

Newberg, *id.*, at § 13:13, pp. 310-11, explains further that:

[T]he goal of preliminary approval is for a court to determine whether notice of the proposed settlement should be sent to the class, not to make a final determination of the settlement’s fairness. Accordingly, the standard that governs the preliminary approval inquiry is less demanding than the standard that applies at the final approval phase. Some courts go so far as to state that a proposed settlement is “presumptively reasonable at the preliminary approval stage, and there is an accordingly heavy burden of demonstrating otherwise.”

### **B. The Settlement was Negotiated at Arms Length**

The history of this case, with which the Court is no doubt familiar, is set forth herein. Prior to agreeing to the settlement, Plaintiffs' counsel devoted substantial time, energy, and financial investment in litigating countless issues both in courts and arbitrations across the six states at issue here as described above. (Barnett Aff.). The Plaintiffs too have aided and assisted in filing and litigating the myriad of issues that have been raised through the wide-ranging history of the litigation. *Id.* The litigation was hard-fought over the past several years, with the parties briefing issues related to standing, compelling arbitration, term waivers, limitations on claims, and choice of law, among other legal issues. Eventually, the parties agreed to enlist an unbiased neutral, Dana Welch of Welch ADR, to assist with the arms-length negotiations through mediation. (Exhibit C, Barnett Aff.; Exhibit D, Welch Aff.). After exchanged mediation statements, numerous calls, and after a full-day mediation session, the parties ultimately were able to reach this settlement. There is no evidence of collusion whatsoever. (Exhibit D, Welch Aff.).

### **C. The Relief Provided by the Settlement is More than Adequate**

There have been a long list of similar cases involving social casino games that have settled across the country, as stated before. Reed v. Scientific Games, No. 2:18-cv-00565-RSL (W.D. Wash. 2022) (Doc. 164-1, Class Action Settlement Agreement); Benson v. DoubleDown Interactive, LLC, 2023 WL 3761929 (W.D.

Wash. 2023); Wilson v. Playtika, Ltd., 2021 WL 512230 (W.D. Wash. 2021); Kater v. Churchill Downs, Inc., 2021 WL 511203 (W.D. Wash. 2021); Fernando v. Zynga, Inc., 2022 WL 17741841 (W.D. Wash. 2022); Wilson v. Huuuge, Inc., 2021 WL 512229 (W.D. Wash. 2021); Kingston vs. SpinX Games Ltd., Case No. 24-CI-00062, in the Kentucky Circuit Court for Henderson County; Armstead v. VGW Malta Ltd, Case No. 2022-CI-00553, in the Henderson County Circuit Court, Commonwealth of Kentucky; Wyland v. Woopla Inc., Case No. 2023-CI-00356, in the Kentucky Circuit Court for Henderson County.

The relief in this settlement of twenty five percent of the net purchases (less the proportional, Court approved costs of administration, awarded attorney's fees, and incentive awards) back in virtual coins or, at any class member's election, in dollars, is on par with the prior settlements benefits which have generally been in the twenty five percent range. Courts in each of those cases have approved those settlements as fair, reasonable, and adequate. Here too, this Settlement, including the relief provided, is fair, reasonable, and adequate.

#### **D. The Settlement Treats Class Members Equitably Relative to Each Other.**

The relief provided in this settlement, including the prospective measures, treats every class member equally across the board. (Exhibit A, Settlement Agreement). Each class member will receive relief in the settlement even if they do nothing at all. Id. Of course, all class members have the option to opt out or object

as the notice explains, and all class members also have the option to elect monetary relief subject to an aggregate cap as explained above. Id.

## VIII. CONCLUSION

After years of litigating, the parties have through arms-length negotiations been able to reach a fair, reasonable, and adequate resolution of this matter. The Settlement meets and exceeds all minimum standards or requirements for approval under Ala. R. Civ. P. 23 and Alabama Law.

Class Counsel and Class Representatives firmly believe based on the foregoing that this settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate, and in the best interest of the Plaintiffs and the Class. Accordingly, Plaintiffs submit that the Settlement should be Preliminarily Approved, and the Court should order notice to the Settlement Class as per the plan set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

Respectfully submitted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, ALABAMA**

Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, )  
Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke )  
Whitney, Prince Imanifest Allah Beautiful, and )  
Christopher Ebersole, individually and on )  
behalf of all others similarly situated, ) Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

*Plaintiffs,*

v.

Sciplay Corporation and Sciplay Games, LLC.

*Defendants.*

**CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

This Class Action Settlement Agreement (the “Agreement”, “Settlement”, or “Settlement Agreement”) is entered into by and among the Class Representatives (as defined below, including Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Imanifest Allah Beautiful, and Christopher Ebersole, (collectively “Plaintiffs”)), for themselves individually and on behalf of the Settlement Class (as defined below), Defendants SciPlay Corp. (“SciPlay Corp.”), and SciPlay Games, LLC (“SciPlay Games,” and together with SciPlay Corp., “Defendants” or “SciPlay”) (altogether, the “Parties”). This Agreement is intended by the Parties to fully, finally, and forever resolve, discharge, and settle the Released Claims (as defined below), upon and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and subject to the final approval of the Court.

### **RECITALS**

A. Beginning in 2022, Class Counsel filed arbitrations and lawsuits against Defendants alleging that Defendants’ Applications (as defined below) are illegal gambling and that players can recover their losses under Alabama, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, and Tennessee law based on Plaintiffs’ use of and purchases of virtual items in Defendants’ Applications. These matters (hereafter referred to as the “Pending Actions”) include:

- a. *Sornberger v. SciPlay Corp.*, No. 3:23-cv-01284-CLS (N.D. Ala.)
- b. *Roberts v. SciPlay Corp.*, AAA Case No. 01-23-0003-3236
- c. *Fuqua v. SciPlay Corp.*, No. 4:24-cv-89-DJH (W.D. Ky.)
- d. *Murnaghan v. SciPlay Corp.*, AAA Case No. 01-23-0003-3235
- e. *Allah Beautiful v. SciPlay Corp.*, AAA Case No. 01-22-0005-2886
- f. *Sprinkle v. SciPlay Corp.*, AAA Case No. 01-22-0005-2145
- g. *Ebersole v. SciPlay Corp.*, AAA Case No. 01-23-0003-3234
- h. *Ewing v. SciPlay Corp.*, 4:23-cv-00060 (CLC) (SKL) (E.D. Tenn.)

B. The Parties have since litigated numerous issues relating to defenses Defendants raised such as motions to dismiss on choice of law, statutory standing, contractual bars, and the merits of whether SciPlay’s games are illegal gambling, and motions to compel arbitration. The Parties have also conducted discovery, including written discovery, document and data productions, and expert reports and depositions.

C. While litigation was ongoing, counsel for the Parties had numerous telephone calls and videoconferences to discuss the possibility of reaching a negotiated resolution.

D. Those discussions eventually led to an agreement between the Parties to engage in mediation, which the Parties agreed would take place before Ms. Dana Welch, a neutral affiliated with Welch ADR and the American Arbitration Association.

E. In the days leading up to the mediation, the Parties were in frequent communication with the mediator and each other in order to start narrowing the potential frameworks for resolution. The Parties submitted briefs to the mediator on the core facts, legal issues, litigation risks, and potential settlement structures, and the Parties supplemented that briefing with telephonic correspondence with each other and with the mediator, clarifying each other's positions in advance of the mediation.

F. The Parties conducted a videoconference mediation session on September 27, 2024, with Mediator Welch.

G. The parties were unable to reach a resolution during the mediation.

H. Following the end of the mediation session, the parties continued to discuss open issues and details of a potential settlement. Negotiation continued over the weekend and culminated in the signing of a term sheet on September 30, 2024.

I. Plaintiffs and Class Counsel have conducted a comprehensive examination of the law and facts regarding the claims against Defendants, and the potential defenses available.

J. Plaintiffs believe that their claims have merit and that they would have ultimately prevailed on the merits at trial. Nonetheless, Plaintiffs and Class Counsel recognize that SciPlay has raised factual and legal arguments and defenses that present a risk Plaintiffs may not prevail on their claims. Plaintiffs and Class Counsel have also taken into account the uncertain outcome, expense, and risks of any litigation, especially in complex actions, as well as the difficulty and delay inherent in such litigation. Therefore, Plaintiffs and Class Counsel believe that it is desirable, and in the best interest of the Settlement Class, that the Released Claims be fully and

finally compromised, settled, resolved with prejudice, and barred pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

K. Based on their comprehensive examination and evaluation of the law and facts relating to the matters at issue, Class Counsel has concluded that the terms and conditions of this Agreement are fair, reasonable, and adequate to resolve the alleged claims of the Settlement Class and that it is in the best interests of the Settlement Class Members to settle the Released Claims pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

L. Defendants have at all times denied—and continue to deny—all allegations of wrongdoing and liability, and deny all material allegations in the Pending Actions. Specifically, Defendants deny that the Applications constitute or constituted illegal gambling under the law of any State, deny that money spent to purchase virtual currency in any of the Applications can be recovered, deny that any aspect of the Applications’ operation constituted unfair business practices or resulted in unjust enrichment, and oppose class certification of a litigation class. Defendants are prepared to continue their vigorous defense. Even so, taking into account the uncertainty and risks inherent in litigation, Defendants have concluded that continuing to defend the Pending Actions would be burdensome and expensive. Defendants have further concluded that it is desirable to settle the Released Claims pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement to avoid the time, risk, and expense of defending protracted litigation and to resolve finally and completely the pending and potential claims of Plaintiffs and the Settlement Class.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and among the Class Representatives, the Settlement Class, and Defendants that, subject to the Court’s final approval after a hearing as provided for in this Agreement, and in consideration of the benefits flowing to the Parties from the Settlement set forth herein, the Released Claims shall be fully and finally compromised, settled, and released, and the Action shall be dismissed with prejudice, upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

## **AGREEMENT**

### **1. DEFINITIONS**

As used herein, in addition to any definitions set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

**1.1. “Action”** means this case captioned *Sornberger v. Sciplay, et al.* filed in the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Alabama.

**1.2. “Agreement” or “Settlement” or “Settlement Agreement”** means this Class Action Settlement Agreement.

**1.3. “Applications”** means Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes Slots, Monopoly Slots, and Bingo Showdown.

**1.4. “App ID”** means the unique identifier assigned by a Platform Provider to a person who has a Platform Provider account and/or login. For the avoidance of doubt, App IDs are not assigned/generated by or known to SciPlay or SciPlay Games.

**1.5. “Approved Election”** means an Election Form submitted by a Settlement Class Member that is timely and submitted in accordance with the directions on the Election Form and the terms of this Agreement, or is otherwise accepted by the Court or Settlement Administrator and satisfies the conditions of eligibility for a Settlement Payment as set forth in this Agreement.

**1.6. “Election Form”** means the document substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, as approved by the Court. The Election Form, to be completed by Settlement Class Members who wish to file an election for a Settlement Payment, shall be available in electronic and paper format. The Election Form shall request that the Settlement Class Member provide the following information: (i) full legal name; (ii) List of any and all Application(s) played; (iii) Player ID(s) associated with any and all Application(s) account(s); (iv) email address(es) associated with any and all Application(s) account(s); (v) email addresses associated with Facebook, Apple, Google, Microsoft, and/or Amazon accounts from which in-Application purchases of virtual chips were made, and (vi) current telephone number, U.S. Mail address, and

email address. The Election Form will provide Class Members with the option of having their Settlement Payment transmitted to them electronically or via check.

**1.7. “Election Deadline”** means the date by which all Election Forms must be postmarked or submitted on the Settlement Website to be considered timely and shall be 56 days after the Notice Date. The Election Deadline shall be clearly set forth in the order preliminarily approving the Settlement, as well as in the Notice and the Election Form.

**1.8. “Class Counsel”** means D. Frank Davis and Wesley W. Barnett of Davis & Norris, LLP, and Jeffrey L. Bowling of Bedford, Rogers & Bowling, P.C.

**1.9. “Class Period”** means the following date ranges for each of the following States:

- 1.9.1. Alabama: August 25, 2022, through the date of preliminary approval;
- 1.9.2. Ohio: December 16, 2021, through the date of preliminary approval;
- 1.9.3. New Jersey: December 19, 2021, through the date of preliminary approval;
- 1.9.4. Massachusetts: July 25, 2022, through the date of preliminary approval;
- 1.9.5. Tennessee: November 13, 2022, through the date of preliminary approval; and
- 1.9.6. Kentucky: the following dates for each Application:
  - 1.9.6.1. Jackpot Party Casino: December 2, 2019, through June 29, 2023;
  - 1.9.6.2. Gold Fish Casino: December 3, 2019, through June 29, 2023;
  - 1.9.6.3. Hot Shot Casino: May 12, 2020, through June 29, 2023;
  - 1.9.6.4. Quick Hit Slots: January 22, 2020, through June 29, 2023;
  - 1.9.6.5. 88 Fortunes Slots: December 3, 2019, through June 29, 2023;
  - 1.9.6.6. Monopoly Slots: December 3, 2019, through June 29, 2023; and
  - 1.9.6.7. Bingo Showdown: August 22, 2019, through June 29, 2023.

**1.10. “Class Representative(s)”** means Plaintiffs Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Imanifest Allah Beautiful, and Christopher Ebersole.

**1.11. “Court”** means the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Alabama.

**1.12. “Defendants”** means Sciplay Corp. and SciPlay Games, LLC.

**1.13. “Defendants’ Counsel”** means Bartlit Beck LLP.

**1.14. “Effective Date”** means the date upon which the last (in time) of the following events occurs: (i) the date upon which the time expires for filing or noticing any appeal of the Final Judgment; (ii) if there is an appeal or appeals, other than an appeal or appeals solely with respect to the Fee Award or incentive award(s), the date of completion, in a manner that finally affirms and leaves in place the Final Judgment without any material modification, of all proceedings arising out of the appeal(s) (including, but not limited to, the expiration of all deadlines for motions for reconsideration or petitions for review and/or certiorari, all proceedings ordered on remand, and all proceedings arising out of any subsequent appeal(s) following decisions on remand); or (iii) the date of final dismissal of any appeal or the final dismissal or resolution of any proceeding on certiorari with respect to the Final Judgment. The Effective Date is further subject to the conditions set forth in Section 9.1.

**1.15. “Escrow Account”** means the separate, interest-bearing escrow account to be established by the Settlement Administrator under terms acceptable to all Parties. The Escrow Account will be at a depository institution(s) of the Settlement Administrator’s choice (subject to either Party’s reasonable veto) that is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Settlement Fund shall be deposited by Defendants into the Escrow Account consistent with the provisions in Section 2.1 below, and the money in the Escrow Account shall be invested in the following types of accounts and/or instruments and no other: (i) demand deposit accounts and/or (ii) time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit, in either case with maturities of forty-five (45) days or less. The costs of establishing and maintaining the Escrow Account shall be paid from the Settlement Fund.

**1.16. “Fee Award”** means the amount of attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of expenses awarded by the Court to Class Counsel, which will be paid out of the Settlement Fund.

**1.17. “Final Approval Hearing”** means the hearing before the Court where the Plaintiffs will request that the Final Judgment be entered by the Court finally approving the

Settlement as fair, reasonable and adequate, and approving the Fee Award and any incentive award(s) to the Class Representative(s).

**1.18. “Final Judgment”** means the final judgment and order to be entered by the Court approving the Agreement after the Final Approval Hearing.

**1.19. “Notice”** means the notice of this Settlement and Final Approval Hearing, which is to be sent to the Settlement Class substantially in the manner set forth in this Agreement and approved by the Court, is consistent with the requirements of Due Process and Rule 23, and which is substantially in the form of Exhibits B, C, and D attached hereto.

**1.20. “Net Settlement Fund”** means the Settlement Fund; plus any interest or investment income earned on the Settlement Fund; less any Fee Award, incentive award(s) to the Class Representatives, taxes, and Settlement Administration Expenses.

**1.21. “Notice Date”** means the date upon which the Notice set forth in Section 4.1 is complete, which shall be a date no later than 35 days after entry of Preliminary Approval.

**1.22. “Objection/Exclusion Deadline”** means the date by which a written objection to this Settlement Agreement or a request for exclusion submitted by a member of the Settlement Class must be postmarked and/or filed with the Court, which shall be designated as a date no later than 56 days following the Notice Date and no sooner than 14 days after papers supporting the Fee Award are filed with the Court and made available to the Settlement Class on the Settlement Website, or such other date as ordered by the Court.

**1.23. “Plaintiffs”** means Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Allah Beautiful, and Christopher Ebersole, the plaintiffs in the Action.

**1.24. “Platform Litigations”** means the following cases: In Re: Apple Inc. App Store Simulated Casino-Styled Games Litigation, Case Number 5:21-md-02985-EJD (N.D. CA); In Re: Google Play Store Simulated Casino-Style Games Litigation, Case Number 5:21-md-03001-EJD (N.D. CA); In re: Facebook Simulated Casino-Style Games Litigation, Case Number 5:21-



cv-02777-EJD (N.D. CA); and Horn v. Amazon.com, Inc., Case No. 2:23-cv-01727 (W.D. Wash.).

**1.25. “Platform Provider(s)”** means Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Microsoft, and/or Google.

**1.26. “Player ID”** means the unique identifier, assigned by the Application, to a person who has registered an account with an Application.

**1.27. “Preliminary Approval”** means the order preliminarily approving the Settlement, preliminarily certifying the Settlement Class for settlement purposes, preliminarily appointing Class Counsel and the Class Representative(s), and approving the form and manner of the Notice.

**1.28. “Released Claims”** means any and all actual, potential, filed, unfiled, known or unknown, fixed or contingent, claimed or unclaimed, suspected or unsuspected claims, demands, liabilities, rights, causes of action, contracts or agreements, extra-contractual claims, damages, punitive damages, expenses, costs, attorneys’ fees and/or obligations (including “Unknown Claims” as defined below), whether in law or in equity; accrued or unaccrued; direct, individual or representative; of every nature and description whatsoever; whether based on violations of Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Massachusetts, or New Jersey law, or other federal, state, local, statutory or common law or any other law, including the law of any jurisdiction outside the United States, that are or have been alleged or otherwise raised in the Action or the Pending Actions or that arise out of or relate to facts, transactions, events, matters, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, representations, omissions, or failures to act relating to the Applications, operation of the Applications, and/or the sale of virtual chips, coins, or other currency or items in the Applications, against the Released Parties or any of them. The Released Claims include, but are not limited to, claims that the Applications are illegal gambling; that the Applications are an illegal lottery; that virtual chips in the Applications are “thing(s) of value,” “valuable thing(s),” “anything of value,” “something of value,” “representative of value,” “prize(s),” or “goods”; that any Settlement Class Member or any Application user is a loser or any Released

Party a winner; that money spent to purchase virtual chips in the Applications can be recovered by a player or any third party; or that aspects of the Applications are deceptive or unfair. For Clarity, this release will have no effect on the claims in any of the Platform Litigations. The entities and persons released under this agreement are not parties to the Platform Litigations.

**1.29. “Released Parties”** means SciPlay Corp., SciPlay Games, LLC, and any of their present or former parents (including but not limited to Light & Wonder, Inc.), subsidiaries, divisions, corporate affiliates, divisions, holding companies, predecessors, and successors, and any of their respective present or former administrators, affiliates, assigns, investors, employees, agents, representatives, consultants, independent contractors, directors, owners, service providers, vendors, directors, managing directors, officers, partners, principals, members, attorneys, accountants, fiduciaries, financial and other advisors, investment bankers, insurers, reinsurers, employee benefit plans, underwriters, shareholders, lenders, auditors, and investment advisors. For Clarity, the release will have no effect on the claims in any of the Platform Litigations. The entities and persons released under this agreement are not parties to the Platform Litigations.

**1.30. “Releasing Parties”** means Plaintiffs, Class Representatives, and other Settlement Class Members and their respective past, present, and future heirs; children; spouses; beneficiaries; conservators, executors; estates; administrators; assigns; agents; consultants; independent contractors; insurers; attorneys; accountants; financial and other advisors; investment bankers; underwriters; lenders; and any other representatives of any of these persons and entities.

**1.31. “Settlement Administration Expenses”** means (i) the expenses incurred by the Settlement Administrator in providing Notice, hosting the Settlement Website, processing elections, responding to inquiries from members of the Settlement Class, distributing funds for Approved Elections, related tax expenses, fees of the escrow agent, and related services, and (ii) the fees and expenses of any Settlement Special Master the Court may appoint, if applicable, with all such expenses to be paid from the Settlement Fund.

**1.32. “Settlement Administrator”** means EisnerAmper, subject to approval of the Court, which will administer the Notice and Settlement Website, process Approved Elections, distribute Settlement Payments to Settlement Class Members, be responsible for tax reporting, and perform other such settlement administration matters as set forth in or contemplated by this Agreement.

**1.33. “Settlement Class”** means all individuals who, in Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Massachusetts, and/or New Jersey (as indicated by IP address information or other information reasonably available), spent money to play the Applications during the Class Period. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (1) any Judge or Magistrate presiding over this Action and members of their families, (2) Defendants, Defendants’ subsidiaries, parent companies, successors, predecessors, and any entity in which Defendants or their parents have a controlling interest and their current or former officers, directors, and employees, (3) persons who properly execute and file a timely request for exclusion from the Settlement Class, and (4) the legal representatives, successors or assigns of any such excluded persons.

**1.34. “Settlement Class Member”** means any person who falls within the definition of the Settlement Class and who does not submit a valid request for exclusion from the Settlement Class.

**1.35. “Settlement Amount”** means the value of benefit to all Settlement Class Members whether it be in virtual currency awarded pursuant to Section 2.1(a)(i), Settlement Payment for an Approved Election pursuant to Section 2.1(a)(ii), or both. The Settlement Amount is equal to twenty five percent (25%) of the amounts paid by Settlement Class Members in the Settlement States during the Class Period net of platform fees. The final amount will be determined on the date of preliminary approval, but the present amount is estimated to be approximately \$30,000,000.

**1.36. “Settlement Fund”** means the cash fund that shall be established by Defendants, the final amount of which will be determined based upon the number and valuation of Approved Elections accepted by the Court or the Settlement Administrator. Within 14 days of the

Preliminary Approval Order in favor of the settlement, Defendants shall first deposit \$200,000 into the Escrow Account to cover potential Settlement Administration Expenses. Additional deposits will become due upon determination of Approved Elections for the amount required to pay Approved Elections subject to the cap, for additional Settlement Administration Expenses, and for potential incentive awards and a potential Fee Award. The initial deposit, and any additional deposits required for Settlement Administration Expenses, for potential incentive awards or a potential Fee Award, or for the Approved Elections subject to a maximum of five million dollars (\$5 million), together with all interest earned on any balances shall constitute the Settlement Fund. From the Settlement Fund, the Settlement Administrator shall pay all Approved Elections made by Settlement Class Members, Settlement Administration Expenses, any incentive award(s), taxes, and any Fee Award to Class Counsel. The Settlement Fund shall be kept in the Escrow Account with permissions granted to the Settlement Administrator to access said funds until such time as the above-listed payments are made. In the event there are funds left after the payment of all required payments under this agreement (Including Settlement Payment, Administration Expenses, Incentive Awards, and Attorneys' Fees and Expenses), the remaining funds shall be donated to a charity chosen by Claimants' Counsel after consultation with Defendants' Counsel and approved by the Court. The Settlement Administrator shall be responsible for all tax filings with respect to any earnings on the amounts in the Settlement Fund and the payment of all taxes that may be due on such earnings. Funding the Settlement Fund, consisting of (1) a maximum of \$5 million for Approved Elections, (2) a maximum of \$9 million for a potential Fee Award to Class Counsel, (3) incentive awards approved by the Court, and (4) Settlement Administration Expenses, represents the total extent of Defendants' monetary obligation under this Agreement.

**1.37. "Settlement Payment(s)"** means the payment(s) from the Net Settlement Fund to be made to Settlement Class Members with Approved Elections according to this settlement.

**1.38. "Settlement States"** means Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Massachusetts, and New Jersey.

**1.39. “Settlement Website”** means the website to be created, launched, and maintained by the Settlement Administrator which shall allow for the electronic submission of Election Forms and shall provide class members access to relevant case documents including the Notice, information about the submission of Election Forms, and other relevant documents. The Settlement Website shall remain accessible by Settlement Class Members until at least 30 days after the Effective Date.

**1.40. “Spending Amount”** means the total amount of money a Settlement Class Member spent within the Applications during the Class Period in the Settlement States.

**1.41. “Unknown Claims”** means claims that could have been raised in the Action and that any or all of the Releasing Parties do not know or suspect to exist, which, if known by him or her, might affect his or her agreement to release the Released Parties or the Released Claims or might affect his or her decision to agree, object, or not object to the Settlement, or to seek exclusion from the Settlement Class. Upon the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties shall be deemed to have, and shall have, expressly waived and relinquished, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the provisions, rights and benefits of § 1542 of the California Civil Code (if applicable), which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

Upon the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties also shall be deemed to have, and shall have, waived any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law, or the law of any jurisdiction outside of the United States, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code. The Releasing Parties acknowledge that they may discover facts in addition to or different from those that they now know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of this release, but that

it is their intention to finally and forever settle and release the Released Claims, notwithstanding any Unknown Claims they may have, as that term is defined in this Paragraph.

## **2. SETTLEMENT RELIEF**

### **2.1. Consideration**

- (a) The consideration for this Settlement shall consist of the following:
  - i. For all Settlement Class Members who do not file an Approved Election or file an opt-out request, the return of 25% of the virtual currency purchased by the Settlement Class Member in the Applications during the Class Period in the Settlement States, net of Platform Fees, and less the Settlement Administration Expenses and Attorney Fees and Expenses. The virtual currency pursuant to this paragraph can be distributed by Defendant in installments over a two-year period following the Effective Date for amounts less than \$500, and over a five-year period following the Effective Date for amounts greater than \$500, except that Defendant may in its discretion choose to accelerate this deposit schedule for some or all players in the Settlement Class. The first distribution of virtual currency will occur within 60 days of the Effective Date.
  - ii. For any Settlement Class Member who files an Approved Election, a monetary payment equal to 25% of the money they spent to purchase virtual currency in the Applications during the Class Period in the Settlement States, net of Platform Fees, and less the Settlement Administration Expenses and Attorney Fees and Expenses. All Approved Elections are subject to a cumulative maximum cap of five million dollars (\$5 million). If the cumulative maximum cap is reached, each Settlement Payment will be proportionately reduced, and

each such proportional reduction shall be given in virtual currency provided for in Section 2.1(a)(i).

and

iii. Defendant will make the changes set forth in Section 2.2 below.

(b) Settlement Class Members shall have until the Election Deadline to submit an Election Form.

(c) Within 60 days after the Effective Date, or such other date as the Court may set, the Settlement Administrator shall pay from the Settlement Fund all Approved Elections by check or electronic payment.

(d) Each payment issued to a Settlement Class Member via check will state on the face of the check that it will become null and void unless cashed within 90 calendar days after the date of issuance.

(e) In the event that an electronic deposit to a Settlement Class Member is unable to be processed, the Settlement Administrator shall attempt to contact the Settlement Class Member within 30 calendar days to correct the problem.

(f) To the extent that a check issued to a Settlement Class Member is not cashed within 90 calendar days after the date of issuance or an electronic deposit is unable to be processed within 90 calendar days after the first attempt, such funds shall be returned to Defendants and such Settlement Class Member shall be provided virtual currency pursuant to Section 2.1(a)(i).

(g) In no event shall any amount be paid to Class Counsel except for the amount of an approved Fee Award.

**2.2. Prospective Measures.** Defendants shall take the following steps in connection with this Settlement within 120 days of an order granting Preliminary Approval:

2.2.1. The parties acknowledge that SciPlay implemented certain Prospective Measures to the Games as detailed in Sections 2.2(a)–(c) of the Class Action Settlement Agreement in *Reed v. Scientific Games Corp.*, No. 18-cv-00565-RSL (W.D. Wash.),

dated January 18, 2022, and filed at Dkt. 164-1. SciPlay will keep such measures in place.

2.2.2. In addition, SciPlay will further enhance the continuous free play functionality within the Applications by providing players who run out of virtual coins with an award of free virtual coins that will enable the player to have multiple spins or plays on at least one game within the Application they are playing.

### **3. RELEASES**

**3.1.** The obligations incurred pursuant to this Settlement Agreement shall be a full and final disposition of the Action, the Pending Actions, and any and all Released Claims, as against all Released Parties.

**3.2.** Upon the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties, and each of them, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Claims against the Released Parties, and each of them.

**3.3.** Upon the Effective Date, the Released Parties, and each of them, further shall by operation of the Final Judgment have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all claims against Plaintiffs, the Settlement Class, and Class Counsel that arise out of or relate in any way to the commencement, prosecution, settlement, or resolution of the Action, except for claims to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

**3.4.** Plaintiffs and all Settlement Class Members stipulate that, with the changes delineated in Section 2.2 above, and because of the benefits conferred in this settlement, they will agree in any future litigation that virtual coins or other virtual currencies or virtual objects in the Applications are gameplay enhancements, not:

3.4.1. A “thing” or “anything of value” under Ala. Code § 8-1-150, or  
“something of value” under Ala. Code § 13A-12-20(11);

3.4.2. An “other thing” under Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 372.010, “anything of that value” under Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 372.020, a “thing lost” under Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 372.040, or “something of value” under Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann.



§ 528.010 both before and after the amendment to that statute that became effective on June 29, 2023;

- 3.4.3. An “other thing of value,” “prize,” or “goods” under Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 137, § 1, “prize” under Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 271, § 5B, “goods” under Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 271, § 1, or “representative of value” or “other representative value” or “thing of value” under Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 23K, § 2;
- 3.4.4. An “other valuable thing” under N.J. Stat. Ann. § 2A:40-5, “thing” or “things” under N.J. Stat. Ann. § 2A:40-6, or “something of value” under N.J. Stat. Ann. § 2C:37-1;
- 3.4.5. An “other thing of value” or “thing of value” under Ohio Rev. Code §§ 3763.02, 3763.04, or “valuable consideration,” “anything of value,” “thing of value,” or “prize” under Ohio Rev. Code § 2915.01;
- 3.4.6. An “anything of value” under Tenn. Code Ann. § 29-19-104, a “thing” under Tenn. Code Ann. § 29-19-105, or “anything of value” under Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-501 (West).

**3.5.** Plaintiffs and all Settlement Class Members further stipulate that, as long as those measures delineated in Section 2.2 above remain implemented in the Applications, all Plaintiffs and Settlement Class members are estopped from contending that (1) virtual coins or other virtual currencies or virtual objects in the Applications fall under any of the definitions in sections 3.4.1 to 3.4.6; (2) virtual coins or other virtual currencies or virtual objects in the Applications, or the Applications themselves, fall under any definition of gambling or lottery under any law of the Covered States; or (3) any aspects of the Games are deceptive, unfair, or otherwise illegal under the laws of the Covered States.

#### **4. NOTICE**

**4.1. Class List.** To effectuate the Notice Plan:

(a) Defendants shall provide the Class Counsel and the Settlement Administrator all Settlement Class Member contact information reasonably available to Defendants, including Player ID, names, emails addresses, and mailing addresses. To the extent reasonably available to Defendants, for each Player ID with a Spending Amount greater than zero, Defendants shall further provide the Player ID's Spending Amount.

(b) Defendants and Class Counsel shall each provide the Settlement Administrator the information reflected in any opt-out letters received by either of them before the date of the execution of this Settlement Agreement.

(c) Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall cooperate to work with the Platform Providers to obtain all contact information in the Platform Providers' possession, including all names, PlayerIDs, phone numbers, email addresses, and mailing addresses, of all persons in the Settlement Class.

(d) The Settlement Administrator will use the information obtained through this section to create the "Class List." The Settlement Administrator shall keep the Class List and all personal information obtained therefrom, including the identity, mailing, and e-mail addresses of all persons, strictly confidential. To prepare the Class List for potential Settlement Payments, the Settlement Administrator will (1) *first*, attach to each unique and identifiable person all of his/her associated Applications accounts (*e.g.*, by Player IDs and/or UserIDs); (2) *second*, use Election Forms to supplement, amend, verify, adjust, and audit the foregoing data, as necessary; and (3) *third*, calculate the total Spending Amount for each unique and identifiable person. The Class List may not be used by the Settlement Administrator for any purpose other than advising specific individual Settlement Class Members of their rights, distributing Settlement Payments, and otherwise effectuating the terms of the Settlement Agreement or the duties arising thereunder, including the provision of Notice of the Settlement.

**4.2. Notice Plan.** The Notice Plan shall consist of the following:

(a) *Direct Notice via Email and/or U.S. Mail.* No later than the Notice Date, the Settlement Administrator shall send Notice via email substantially in the form attached as

Exhibit B, along with an electronic link to the Election Form, to all Settlement Class Members for whom a valid email address is available in the Class List. In the event transmission of email notice results in any “bounce-backs,” the Settlement Administrator shall, where reasonable: (i) correct any issues that may have caused the “bounce-back” to occur and make a second attempt to re-send the email notice, and (ii) if no valid email address is in the class list, but a valid U.S. Mailing address is provided in the Class List, send Notice substantially in the form attached as Exhibit C via First Class U.S. Mail.

(b) *Update Addresses.* Prior to mailing any Notice, the Settlement Administrator will update the U.S. mail addresses of persons on the Class List using the National Change of Address database and other available resources deemed suitable by the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator shall take all reasonable steps to obtain the correct address of any Settlement Class members for whom Notice is returned by the U.S. Postal Service as undeliverable and shall attempt re-mailings.

(c) *Election Notice.* Both 30 days before the Election Deadline and 7 days before the Election Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall again send Notice via email along with an electronic link to the Election Form, to all Settlement Class Members for whom a valid email address is available in the Class List. The reminder emails shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit B, with minor, non-material modifications to indicate that it is an Election Notice email rather than an initial notice.

(d) *Settlement Website.* Within seven (7) days after Preliminary Approval, Notice shall be provided on a website accessible by Settlement Class Members which shall be administered and maintained by the Settlement Administrator and shall include the ability to file Election Forms online. The Notice provided on the Settlement Website shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto.

(e) *Digital Publication Notice.* The Settlement Administrator will supplement the direct notice program with a digital publication notice program that will deliver more than ten million (10,000,000) impressions to likely Settlement Class Members. The digital publication

notice campaign will be targeted, to the extent reasonable possible, to the Settlement States, will run for at least one month, and will contain active hyperlinks to the Settlement Website. The final digital notice advertisements, and the overall digital publication notice program to be used, shall be subject to the final approval of Defendants, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(f) *Notice.* To the extent Notice of this Settlement Agreement is required to be provided to any governmental entity, the Settlement Administrator shall provide such notice.

(g) *Contact from Class Counsel.* Class Counsel, in their capacity as counsel to Settlement Class Members, may from time to time contact Settlement Class Members to provide information about the Settlement Agreement and to answer any questions Settlement Class Members may have about the Settlement Agreement.

**4.3.** The Notice shall advise the Settlement Class of their rights under the Settlement, including the right to be excluded from or object to the Settlement or its terms. The Notice shall specify that any objection to the Settlement Agreement, and any papers submitted in support of said objection, shall be considered by the Court at the Final Approval Hearing only if, on or before the Objection/Exclusion Deadline approved by the Court and specified in the Notice, the Class Member making the objection files notice of an intention to do so and at the same time files copies of such papers he or she proposes to be submitted at the Final Approval Hearing. An unrepresented Class Member may submit such papers to the Clerk of the Court or through the Court's electronic filing system. A Class Member represented by counsel *must* timely file any objection through the Court's electronic filing system.

**4.4. Right to Object or Comment.** Any Settlement Class Member who intends to object to this Settlement must present the objection in writing, which must be personally signed by the objector and must include: (i) any Player IDs or User IDs; (ii) any email address(es) associated with the use of the Applications, (iii) current contact telephone number, U.S. Mail address, and email address, (iv) the specific grounds for the objection, (v) all documents or writings that the Settlement Class Member desires the Court to consider, (vi) the name and

contact information of any and all attorneys representing, advising, or in any way assisting the objector in connection with the preparation or submission of the objection or who may profit from the pursuit of the objection, and (vii) a statement indicating whether the objector intends to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either personally or through counsel, who must file an appearance or seek *pro hac vice* admission). All written objections must be filed with or otherwise received by the Court, and e-mailed or delivered to Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel, no later than the Objection/Exclusion Deadline. Any Settlement Class Member who fails to timely file or submit a written objection with the Court and notice of his or her intent to appear at the Final Approval Hearing in accordance with the terms of this Section and as detailed in the Notice, and at the same time provide copies to designated counsel for the Parties, shall not be permitted to object to this Settlement Agreement or appear at the Final Approval Hearing, and shall be foreclosed from seeking any review of this Settlement by appeal or other means and shall be deemed to have waived his or her objections and be forever barred from making any such objections in the Action or any other action or proceeding.

**4.5. Right to Request Exclusion.** Any Settlement Class Member may request to be excluded from the Settlement Class by sending a written request that is received on or before the Objection/Exclusion Deadline approved by the Court and specified in the Notice. To exercise the right to be excluded, a person in the Settlement Class must timely send a written request for exclusion to the Settlement Administrator that (i) provides his/her name, (ii) identifies the case name, "*Sornberger v. SciPlay Corporation, et al.*" or in some substantially similar, reasonably identifiable fashion, (iii) states the individual's Player ID or User ID, and email addresses associated with the Applications, (iv) states the individual's current contact telephone number, U.S. Mail address, and email address, (v) is physically signed by the individual seeking exclusion (a signature solely by an attorney purporting to represent the individual is insufficient), and (vi) contains a statement to the effect that "I/We hereby request to be excluded from the proposed Settlement Class." The Settlement Administrator shall create a dedicated e-mail address to receive exclusion requests electronically. A request for exclusion that does not include

all of the foregoing information, that is sent to an address other than that designated in the Notice, or that is not received within the time specified shall be invalid, and the individual serving such a request shall be deemed to remain a Settlement Class Member and shall be bound as a Settlement Class Member by this Settlement Agreement, if approved by the Court. Any person who timely and properly elects to request exclusion from the Settlement Class shall not (i) be bound by any orders or Final Judgment entered in the Action, (ii) be entitled to relief under this Agreement, (iii) gain any rights by virtue of this Agreement, or (iv) be entitled to object to any aspect of this Agreement. No person may request to be excluded from the Settlement Class through “mass” or “class” opt-outs.

## **5. ELECTION PROCESS AND SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION**

**5.1.** The Settlement Administrator shall, under the supervision of the Court, administer the relief provided by this Settlement Agreement by processing Election Forms in a rational, responsive, cost effective, and timely manner. The Settlement Administrator shall maintain reasonably detailed records of its activities under this Agreement. The Settlement Administrator shall maintain all such records as are required by applicable law in accordance with its normal business practices and such records will be made available to Class Counsel and Defendants’ Counsel upon request. The Settlement Administrator shall also provide reports and other information to the Court as the Court may require. The Settlement Administrator shall provide Class Counsel and Defendants’ Counsel with information concerning Notice, administration, and implementation of the Settlement Agreement. Should the Court request, the Parties shall submit a timely report to the Court summarizing the work performed by the Settlement Administrator, including a post-distribution accounting of all amounts from the Settlement Fund paid to Settlement Class Members, the number and value of checks not cashed, and the number and value of electronic payments unprocessed. Without limiting the foregoing, the Settlement Administrator shall:

(a) Receive requests to be excluded from the Settlement Class and promptly provide Class Counsel and Defendants’ Counsel copies thereof. If the Settlement Administrator

receives any exclusion forms after the Objection/Exclusion Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall promptly provide copies thereof to Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel;

(b) Provide weekly reports to Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel regarding the number of Election Forms received, the amount of the Settlement Payments associated with those Election Forms, and the categorization and description of Election Forms rejected, in whole or in part, by the Settlement Administrator; and

(c) Make available for inspection by Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel the Election Forms received by the Settlement Administrator at any time upon reasonable notice.

**5.2.** The Settlement Administrator shall distribute Settlement Payments according to the provisions enumerated in Section 2.1.

**5.3.** The Settlement Administrator shall be obliged to employ reasonable procedures to screen elections for abuse or fraud and deny Election Forms where there is evidence of abuse or fraud, including by cross-referencing Approved Elections with the Class List. The Settlement Administrator shall determine whether an Election Form submitted by a Settlement Class Member is an Approved Election and shall reject Election Forms that fail to (a) comply with the instructions on the Election Form or the terms of this Agreement, or (b) provide full and complete information as requested on the Election Form. In the event a person submits a timely Election Form by the Election Deadline but the Election Form is not otherwise complete, then the Settlement Administrator shall give such person reasonable opportunity to provide any requested missing information, which information must be received by the Settlement Administrator no later than 28 calendar days after the Election Deadline. In the event the Settlement Administrator receives such information more than 28 calendar days after the Election Deadline, then any such election shall be denied. The Settlement Administrator may contact any person who has submitted an Election Form to obtain additional information necessary to verify the Election Form.

**5.4.** Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall both have the right to challenge the Settlement Administrator's acceptance or rejection of any particular Election Form *or* the

amount proposed to be paid on account of any particular Settlement Class Member's claim. The Settlement Administrator shall follow any joint decisions of Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel as to the validity of any disputed claim. Where Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel disagree, the dispute shall be submitted to Dana Welch with Welch ADR who shall have the authority to resolve said dispute. Ms. Welch shall be paid for her reasonable time at her ordinary and reasonable hourly rate from the Settlement Fund, which shall be considered an Administrative Expense. For the avoidance of doubt, Ms. Welch shall have no authority to increase the size of the Settlement Fund, to seek or order additional discovery from Defendants, or to otherwise impact Defendants' liability or other obligations under the Settlement Agreement.

## **6. PRELIMINARY APPROVAL ORDER AND FINAL APPROVAL ORDER**

**6.1.** Promptly after execution of this Agreement, Class Counsel shall move the Court to enter an order preliminarily approving the Settlement, and attach this Agreement as an exhibit to the motion. The proposed preliminary approval order shall include, among other provisions, a request that the Court:

- (a) Appoint Plaintiffs, Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Imanifest Allah Beautiful, and Christopher Ebersole as Class Representatives of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only;
- (b) Appoint Class Counsel to represent the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only;
- (c) Preliminarily certify the Settlement Class under Ala. R. Civ. P. 23 for settlement purposes only;
- (d) Preliminarily approve this Agreement for purposes of disseminating Notice to the Settlement Class;
- (e) Approve the form and contents of the Notice and the method of its dissemination to the Settlement Class; and



(f) Schedule a Final Approval Hearing to review comments and/or objections regarding the Settlement; to consider its fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy; to consider the application for any Fee Award and incentive award(s) to the Class Representative(s); and to consider whether the Court shall issue a Final Judgment approving this Agreement and dismissing the Action with prejudice.

**6.2. Final Approval Order.** After Notice is given, and no earlier than fourteen (14) days following the Election Deadline, Class Counsel shall move the Court for final approval and entry of a Final Judgment, which shall include, among other a provisions, a request that the Court:

- 6.2.1. Find that the Court has personal jurisdiction over all Settlement Class Members and Defendants for settlement purposes only and that the Court has subject matter jurisdiction to approve the Settlement Agreement, including all exhibits thereto;
- 6.2.2. Approve the Settlement Agreement and the proposed settlement as fair, reasonable, and adequate as to, and in the best interests of, the Settlement Class Members;
- 6.2.3. Direct the Parties and their counsel to implement and consummate the Settlement Agreement according to its terms and provisions;
- 6.2.4. Declare the Settlement Agreement to be binding on, and have res judicata and preclusive effect in all pending and future lawsuits or other proceedings maintained by or on behalf of, Plaintiffs, members of the Settlement Class, and the Releasing Parties with respect to the Released Claims;
- 6.2.5. Find that the Notice implemented pursuant to the Agreement (i) constitutes the best practicable notice under the circumstances; (ii) constitutes notice that is reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, their right to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class, and to appear at the Final Approval Hearing; (iii) is reasonable and constitutes due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all

persons entitled to receive notice; and (iv) meets all applicable requirements of the Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure, the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution, and the rules of the Court;

6.2.6. Find that the Class Representative(s) and Class Counsel adequately represent the Settlement Class for purposes of entering into and implementing the Settlement Agreement;

6.2.7. Dismiss the Action (including all individual claims and class claims presented thereby) on the merits and with prejudice, without fees or costs to any party except as provided in the Settlement Agreement;

6.2.8. Incorporate the Releases and Stipulations set forth in Section 3 above, make the Releases and Stipulations effective as of the Effective Date, and forever discharge the Released Parties from the Released Claims as set forth herein;

6.2.9. Permanently bar and enjoin all Settlement Class Members who have not properly sought exclusion from the Settlement Class from filing, commencing, prosecuting, intervening in, or participating (as class members or otherwise) in, any lawsuit or other action in any jurisdiction based on the Released Claims; and

6.2.10. Without affecting the finality of the Final Judgment for purposes of appeal, retain jurisdiction as to all matters relating to administration, consummation, enforcement, and interpretation of the Settlement Agreement and the Final Judgment, and for any other necessary purpose.

**6.3.** The Parties shall, in good faith, cooperate, assist and undertake all reasonable actions and steps in order to accomplish these required events on the schedule set by the Court, subject to the terms of this Settlement Agreement.

## **7. TERMINATION**

**7.1.** Defendants shall each have the right, but not the obligation, to terminate the settlement agreement if more than 4% of the members of the Settlement Class or more than 6% of the Spending Amount associated with the Settlement Class exclude themselves from the

settlement. Notification of intent to terminate the Settlement Agreement must be provided within ten (10) calendar days of the *earlier* of: (1) the date the Parties receive a final tabulation from the Settlement Administrator of the elections, objections, and requests for exclusion timely received by the Election Deadline and the Objection/Exclusion Deadline, or (2) the date the Parties agree in good faith they have received sufficient evidence from the Settlement Administrator to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that no thresholds for a Section 7.1 Termination Notice have been or will be met. For example, if the Settlement Administrator—after the Election Deadline— notifies the Parties that there were no objections and just a single opt-out associated with \$1 of Spending Amount, that evidence would be sufficient to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that no thresholds for a Section 7.1 Termination Notice have been or will be met. If this Settlement Agreement is terminated, it will be deemed null and void ab initio.

**7.2.** Subject to Sections 9.1–9.3 below, the Parties to this Settlement Agreement shall additionally have the right to terminate this Agreement by providing a Termination Notice to all other Parties hereto within 21 calendar days of any of the following events: (i) the Court’s refusal to grant Preliminary Approval or Final Approval of this Agreement; (ii) the Court’s refusal to enter the Final Judgment in the Action; (iii) the date upon which the Final Judgment is modified or reversed in any material respect by the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court; or (iv) the date upon which an Alternative Judgment, as defined in Section 9.1(d) of this Agreement, is modified or reversed in any material respect by the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court.

## **8. INCENTIVE AWARD(S) AND CLASS COUNSEL’S ATTORNEYS’ FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES**

**8.1. The Fee Award.** Pursuant to Ala. R. Civ. P. 23(h), Defendants agree that Class Counsel shall be entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs out of the Settlement in an amount determined by the Court as the Fee Award. Class Counsel will limit its petition for attorneys’ fees and expenses to no more than \$9 million representing approximately 30% of the Settlement Fund, plus reimbursement of expenses. Defendants have agreed that they

will not object to the foregoing request for fees and expenses. Payment of any Fee Award shall be made from the Settlement.

**8.2.** At Davis & Norris, LLP's election, up to 25% of the Fee Award shall be payable from the Settlement Fund within 14 business days after entry of the Court's Final Judgment, subject to Davis & Norris, LLP's executing the Undertaking Regarding this portion of the Attorneys' Fees and Costs (the "Undertaking"), attached hereto as Exhibit E. The remaining amounts of the Attorneys' Fees and Costs will be paid within 14 business days after the Effective Date. Payment of the Fee Award shall be made by wire transfer(s) to Class Counsel in accordance with wire instructions to be provided to the Escrow Account agent, after completion of necessary forms, including but not limited to W-9 forms. Additionally, should any party to the Undertaking dissolve, merge, declare bankruptcy, become insolvent, or cease to exist prior to the final payment to Settlement Class Members, that party shall execute a new undertaking guaranteeing repayment of funds within 14 days of such an occurrence.

**8.3. Incentive Awards.** Class Counsel intend to file a motion for Court approval of incentive awards to the Class Representatives, to be paid from the Settlement Fund, in addition to any funds the Class Representatives stand to otherwise receive from the Settlement. With no consideration having been given or received for these limitations, Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Imanifest Allah Beautiful, and Christopher Ebersole, will each seek no more than \$15,000 as an incentive award. Defendants have agreed that they will not oppose the foregoing request for incentive awards. Any award shall be paid by the Settlement Administrator from the Escrow Account (in the form of a check to the Class Representative that is sent care of Class Counsel) within 5 business days after entry of the Final Judgment if there have been no objections to the Settlement Agreement and, if there have been such objections, within 5 business days after the Effective Date.

## **9. CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT, EFFECT OF DISAPPROVAL, CANCELLATION, OR TERMINATION**

**9.1.** Consistent with Section 1.13, the Effective Date shall not occur unless and until

each of the following events occurs and shall be the date upon which the last (in time) of the following events occurs:

- 9.1.1. The Parties have executed this Agreement;
- 9.1.2. The Court has granted Preliminary Approval;
- 9.1.3. The Court has entered an order finally approving the Agreement, following Notice to the Settlement Class and a Final Approval Hearing, as provided in the Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure, and has entered the Final Judgment, or a judgment consistent with this Agreement in all material respects, and such Final Judgment or other judgment consistent with this Agreement in all material respects has become final and non-appealable;
- 9.1.4. Defendants have funded the Settlement Fund; and
- 9.1.5. The Final Judgment has become final and unappealable, or in the event that the Court enters an order and final judgment in a form other than that provided above (“Alternative Judgment”), and that has the approval of the Parties, such Alternative Judgment becomes final and unappealable.

**9.2.** If some or all of the conditions specified in Section 9.1 are not met, or in the event that this Agreement is not approved by the Court, or the settlement set forth in this Agreement is terminated or fails to become effective in accordance with its terms, then this Settlement Agreement shall be canceled and terminated subject to Sections 7.1 through 7.2 unless Class Counsel and Defendants’ Counsel mutually agree in writing to proceed with this Agreement. If any Party is in material breach of the terms hereof, any other Party, provided that it is in substantial compliance with the terms of this Agreement, may terminate this Agreement on notice to all of the Parties. Notwithstanding anything herein, the Parties agree that the Court’s failure to approve, in whole or in part, the attorneys’ fees payment to Class Counsel and/or incentive awards to the Class Representatives set forth in Section 8 above shall not prevent the Agreement from becoming effective, nor shall it be grounds for termination.

**9.3.** If this Settlement Agreement is terminated or fails to become effective for the reasons set forth above, the Parties shall be restored to their respective positions as of the date of the signing of this Agreement. In such event, any Final Judgment or other order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be treated as vacated, nunc pro tunc, and the Parties shall be returned to the status quo ante as if this Settlement Agreement had never been entered into. Additionally, Plaintiffs shall voluntarily dismiss the Action, without prejudice.

**9.4.** In the event the Settlement is terminated or fails to become effective for any reason, the Settlement Fund, together with any earnings thereon at the same rate as earned by the Settlement Fund, less any taxes paid or due, less Settlement Administrative Expenses actually incurred and paid or payable from the Settlement Fund, shall be returned to Defendants within thirty (30) calendar days after written notification of such event in accordance with instructions provided by Defendants' Counsel to Class Counsel and the Settlement Administrator. At the request of Defendants' Counsel, the Settlement Administrator or their designees shall apply for any tax refund owed on the amounts in the Settlement Fund and pay the proceeds, after any deduction of any fees or expenses incurred in connection with such application(s), of such refund to Defendants or as otherwise directed.

## **10. CONFIDENTIALITY AND PUBLIC STATEMENTS**

**10.1.** Except as otherwise agreed by Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel in writing and/or as required by legal disclosure obligations, all terms of this Agreement will remain confidential and subject to Rule 408 of the Federal Rules of Evidence, and all state equivalents, until presented to the Court along with Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary approval.

## **11. OTHER IMPORTANT PROVISIONS**

**11.1.** The Parties (a) acknowledge that it is their intent to consummate this Settlement Agreement; and (b) agree, subject to their fiduciary and other legal obligations, to cooperate to the extent reasonably necessary to effectuate and implement all terms and conditions of this Agreement, to exercise their reasonable best efforts to accomplish the foregoing terms and conditions of this Agreement, to secure final approval, and to defend the Final Judgment through

any and all appeals. Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel agree to cooperate with one another in seeking Preliminary Approval, and entry of the Final Judgment, and promptly to agree upon and execute all such other documentation as may be reasonably required to obtain final approval of the Agreement.

**11.2.** To the extent they have not already done so, the Parties shall file a joint request, contemporaneous with the filing of the motion for preliminary approval, for a stay of all of the Pending Actions described in paragraph A of the "Recitals" above. The Parties shall work together to ensure that the Pending Actions remain stayed while the terms of this Settlement Agreement are being effectuated. In the event the Court does not give Final Approval to this Agreement, the Effective Date does not occur, or this Agreement is otherwise terminated, all stayed proceedings shall resume in a reasonable manner approved by the relevant courts or tribunals.

**11.3.** The Parties intend this Settlement Agreement to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes between them with respect to the Released Claims by the Class Representatives, the Settlement Class Members, and each or any of them, on the one hand, against the Released Parties, and each or any of the Released Parties, on the other hand. Accordingly, the Parties agree not to assert in any forum that the Action was brought by Plaintiffs or defended by Defendants in bad faith or without a reasonable basis.

**11.4.** Each signatory to this Agreement warrants (a) that he, she, or it has all requisite power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Settlement Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated herein, (b) that the execution, delivery and performance of this Settlement Agreement and the consummation by it of the actions contemplated herein have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of each signatory, and (c) that this Settlement Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by each signatory and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation.

**11.5.** The Parties have relied upon the advice and representation of counsel, selected by them, concerning the claims hereby released. The Parties have read and understand fully this

Settlement Agreement and have been fully advised as to the legal effect hereof by counsel of their own selection and intend to be legally bound by the same.

**11.6.** Whether or not the Effective Date occurs or the Settlement Agreement is terminated, neither this Agreement nor the settlement contained herein, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of this Agreement or the settlement:

(a) is, may be deemed, or shall be used, offered or received against the Released Parties, or each or any of them, as an admission, concession or evidence of, the validity of any Released Claims, the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiff, the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in the Action, the violation of any law or statute, the reasonableness of the settlement amount or the Fee Award, or of any alleged wrongdoing, liability, negligence, or fault of the Released Parties, or any of them;

(b) is, may be deemed, or shall be used, offered or received against Defendants as an admission, concession or evidence of any fault, misrepresentation or omission with respect to any statement or written document approved or made by the Released Parties, or any of them;

(c) is, may be deemed, or shall be used, offered or received against the Released Parties, or each or any of them, as an admission or concession with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing as against any Released Parties, in any civil, criminal or administrative proceeding in any court, administrative agency or other tribunal. However, the settlement, this Agreement, and any acts performed and/or documents executed in furtherance of or pursuant to this Agreement and/or Settlement may be used in any proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Agreement. Further, if this Settlement Agreement is approved by the Court, any Party or any of the Released Parties may file this Agreement and/or the Final Judgment in any action that may be brought against such Party or Parties in order to support a defense or counterclaim based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, good faith settlement, judgment bar or reduction, or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion or similar defense or counterclaim;



(d) is, may be deemed, or shall be construed against Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, the Releasing Parties, or each or any of them, or against the Released Parties, or each or any of them, as an admission or concession that the consideration to be given hereunder represents an amount equal to, less than or greater than that amount that could have or would have been recovered after trial; and

(e) is, may be deemed, or shall be construed as or received in evidence as an admission or concession against Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, the Releasing Parties, or each and any of them, or against the Released Parties, or each or any of them, that any of Plaintiffs' claims are with or without merit or that damages recoverable in the Action would have exceeded or would have been less than any particular amount.

**11.7.** The Parties acknowledge and agree that any Party may request that the Court appoint a Settlement Special Master. Each Party explicitly reserves the right to oppose any such request. Any fees earned or costs incurred by any such Settlement Special Master shall be paid exclusively from the Settlement Fund and shall be treated in the same manner as Settlement Administration Expenses.

**11.8.** The Parties acknowledge and agree that no opinion concerning the tax consequences of the proposed Settlement to Settlement Class Members is given or will be given by the Parties, nor are any representations or warranties in this regard made by virtue of this Settlement Agreement. Each Settlement Class Member's tax obligations, and the determination thereof, are the sole responsibility of the Settlement Class Member, and it is understood that the tax consequences may vary depending on the particular circumstances of each individual Settlement Class Member.

**11.9.** The headings used herein are used for the purpose of convenience only and are not meant to have legal effect.

**11.10.** The waiver of any rights conferred by this Agreement shall be effective only if made in writing by the waiving Party. The waiver by one Party of any breach of this Settlement

Agreement by any other Party shall not be deemed as a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breaches of this Settlement Agreement.

**11.11.** All of the exhibits to this Settlement Agreement are material and integral parts hereof and are fully incorporated herein by reference.

**11.12.** This Settlement Agreement and its exhibits set forth the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the matters set forth herein, and supersede all prior negotiations, agreements, arrangements and undertakings with respect to the matters set forth herein. No representations, warranties or inducements have been made to any party concerning this Settlement Agreement or its exhibits other than the representations, warranties and covenants contained and memorialized in such documents. This Settlement Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by or on behalf of all Parties or their respective successors-in-interest.

**11.13.** Except as otherwise provided herein, each Party shall bear its own attorneys' fees and costs incurred in any way related to the Action.

**11.14.** Plaintiffs represent and warrant that they have not assigned any claim or right or interest relating to any of the Released Claims against the Released Parties to any other person or party and that they are fully entitled to release the same.

**11.15.** Each person executing this Settlement Agreement, any of its Exhibits, or any related settlement documents on behalf of any Party hereto, hereby warrants and represents that such person has the full authority to do so and has the authority to take appropriate action required or permitted to be taken pursuant to the Settlement Agreement to effectuate its terms.

**11.16.** This Settlement Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts. All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument. Signature by digital, facsimile, or in PDF format will constitute sufficient execution of this Settlement Agreement. A complete set of original executed counterparts shall be filed with the Court if the Court so requests.

**11.17.** The Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to implementation and enforcement of the terms of this Settlement Agreement, and all Parties hereto submit to the jurisdiction of the Court for purposes of implementing and enforcing the settlement embodied in this Settlement Agreement.

**11.18.** This Settlement Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama without reference to the conflicts of laws provisions thereof.

**11.19.** This Agreement is a compromise, and the Agreement, any related documents, and any negotiations resulting in it shall not be construed as or deemed to be evidence of or any admission or concession of liability or wrongdoing on the part of Defendants, or any of the Released Parties, with respect to any claim of any fault or liability or wrongdoing or damage whatsoever or with respect to the certifiability of a litigation class.

**11.20.** This Settlement Agreement is deemed to have been prepared by counsel for all Parties, as a result of arm's-length negotiations among the Parties. Whereas all Parties have contributed substantially and materially to the preparation of this Settlement Agreement, no Party is entitled to have this Settlement Agreement construed against any other Party on the basis of such Party's capacity as drafter of any provision of this Settlement Agreement.

**11.21.** Where this Settlement Agreement requires notice to the Parties, such notice shall be sent to the following counsel. For Plaintiff: Wesley W. Barnett, Davis & Norris, LLP, The Bradshaw House, 2154 Highland Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35205. For Defendants: Daniel Taylor, Bartlit Beck LLP, 1800 Wewatta Street, Suite 1200, Denver, CO 80202.

**11.22.** All time periods and dates described in this Agreement are subject to the Court's approval. These time periods and dates may be changed by the Court or by the Parties' written agreement without notice to the Settlement Class. The Parties reserve the right, subject to the Court's approval, to make any reasonable extensions of time that might be necessary to carry out any provision of this Agreement.

**11.23.** Defendants shall be given an opportunity to review and provide comments to Plaintiffs' preliminary and final approval briefs, and Plaintiffs shall consider in good faith all such comments.

**[SIGNATURES BEGIN ON FOLLOWING PAGE]**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Settlement Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized attorneys.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: (signature) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

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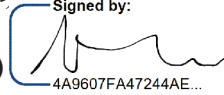
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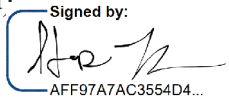
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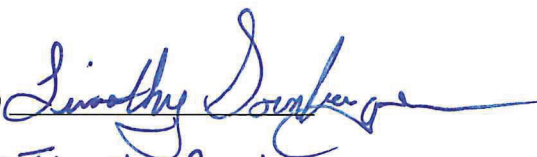
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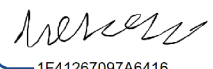
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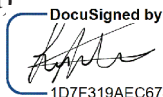
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Name: (printed) Luke Whitney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Davis & Norris, LLP**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: (signature) 

Name: (printed) Wesley W. Barnett

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**SciPlay Corporation**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: (signature) 

Its: President, Treasurer & Secretary

Name: (printed) James Sottile

Date: 6 JAN 2025

**SciPlay Games, LLC**

By: (signature)



Its: CEO

Name: (printed) Joshua J Wilson

Exhibit A – Claim Form

Exhibit B – Email Notice

Exhibit C – Mailing Notice

Exhibit D – Website

Exhibit E – Undertaking

Exhibit A

## SCIPLAY ELECTION FORM

YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMPLETE THIS FORM IF YOU WANT TO RECEIVE VIRTUAL COINS. IF YOU WANT TO RECEIVE MONEY RATHER THAN VIRTUAL COINS YOU MUST SUBMIT THIS ELECTION FORM ONLINE OR BY MAIL POSTMARKED BY [CLAIMS DEADLINE]. THE ELECTION FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND MEET ALL CONDITIONS OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.

The Settlement Administrator will review your Election Form. If accepted, you will receive the portion of the Settlement Fund you are entitled to under the Settlement in money. This process takes time, please be patient. If you have any questions, visit the Settlement Website \_\_\_\_\_.

**Instructions.** Fill out each section of this form and sign where indicated. To find your Player ID(s), select the **Settings** button in the game (it's the gear icon).

<u><b>First Name</b></u>		<u><b>Last Name</b></u>	
<u><b>Street Address</b></u>			
<u><b>City</b></u>		<u><b>State</b></u>	<u><b>Zip Code</b></u>
<u><b>Email Address</b></u>			<u><b>Phone Number</b></u>
<u><b>(only complete the following boxes for the games you have played and made purchases)</b></u>			
<u><b>Jackpot Party Casino Player ID(s)</b></u>	<u><b>Gold Fish Casino Player ID(s)</b></u>	<u><b>Hot Shot Casino Player ID(s)</b></u>	<u><b>Quick Hit Slots Player ID(s)</b></u>
<u><b>88 Fortunes Player ID(s)</b></u>	<u><b>Monopoly Slots Player ID(s)</b></u>	<u><b>Bingo Showdown Player ID(s)</b></u>	
<u><b>All email addresses associated with any of the foregoing game accounts.</b></u>			
<u><b>All email addresses associated with Facebook (App Center), Apple (App Store), Google (Play Store), Amazon, and Microsoft accounts from which you played any of the foregoing games.</b></u>			

**Settlement Class Member Affirmation:** By submitting this Election Form you affirm under penalty of perjury that, to the best of your knowledge, the Player ID(s) and email address(es) listed above are yours.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Select Payment Method.** Select **ONE** box for how you would like to receive payment and provide the requested information.

<input type="checkbox"/> Check  <b>Mailing Address:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zelle®  <b>Email Address <u>OR</u> Phone Number:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> PayPal®  <b>Email Address:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACH Direct Deposit  <b>Name of Bank or Credit Union:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings  <b>Routing Number:</b>  <b>Account Number:</b>
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Exhibit B

From: [Email]  
 To: [Email]  
 Re: LEGAL NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION

**If you played Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes, Monopoly Slots, or Bingo Showdown while in the States of Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, or Massachusetts, you may be part of a class action settlement**

***A court authorized this notice. You are not being sued. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.***

A settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit against SciPlay Corporation and SciPlay games, LLC (collectively, “SciPlay”), alleging claims under Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, and Massachusetts State laws based on the sale of virtual chips in the following social casino-style games: Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes, Monopoly Slots, and Bingo Showdown (the “Applications”). SciPlay denies all claims and denies that it violated any law, but has agreed to the settlement to avoid the uncertainties and expenses associated with continuing the case.

### **Am I a Settlement Class Member?**

Our records indicate that you may be a Settlement Class Member. Settlement Class Members are persons who spent money to play the Applications in the following time periods in the following States:

**Alabama:** any Application from August 25, 2022, through [preliminary approval date].

**Ohio:** any Application from December 16, 2021, through [preliminary approval date].

**New Jersey:** any Application from December 19, 2021, through [preliminary approval date].

**Massachusetts:** any Application from July 25, 2022, through [preliminary approval date].

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More information is available at \_\_\_\_\_.

### **What can I get?**

If approved by the Court, Defendants will provide twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount you have spent in the Applications in the foregoing States during the foregoing time periods less platform fees, Administrative Expenses, Attorneys’ Fee Award, and Incentive Payments in virtual currency of the game. Settlement Class Members also have the option, but not the obligation, to file an Election Form to elect to receive twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount you have spent in the Applications in the foregoing States during the foregoing time periods less platform fees, Administrative Expenses, Attorneys’ Fee Award, and Incentive Payments in money rather than virtual currency. The amount paid for a valid and Approved Claim may be affected by the number of claims made as the total amount of claims for money payment are subject to an aggregate cap of \$5 million. In the event a claim for money

payment is reduced as a result of the cap, the claimant will receive virtual currency in place of the reduced money.

### **Do I have to file an Election?**

No, in order to get the virtual currency benefit, you do not have to file an Election.

### **How do I file an Election?**

You must submit a timely and properly completed Election Form no later than [claims deadline]. You may request an election form by emailing \_\_\_\_\_ or submit one online at \_\_\_\_\_.

### **What are my other options?**

You may choose to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class by sending a letter to the settlement administrator no later than [objection/exclusion deadline] saying that you want be excluded. If you exclude yourself, you will not receive any settlement benefits, but you keep any rights you may have to sue SciPlay over the claims in the lawsuit. You and/or your lawyer also have the right to object to the proposed settlement. Your written objection must be filed no later than [objection/exclusion deadline]. Specific instructions about how to object to or exclude yourself from the settlement are available at \_\_\_\_\_. If you file an election or do nothing, and the Court approves the Settlement, you will be bound by all of the Court's orders and judgments in this case. In addition, your claims relating to the allegations in this case against SciPlay and other Released Parties will be released.

### **Who represents me?**

The Court has appointed lawyers from Davis & Norris, LLP and Bedford, Rogers, & Bowling, P.C. These attorneys are called "Class Counsel." You will not be charged for the lawyers, but they will be compensated from the settlement as set out in the Agreement. If you want to be represented by your own lawyer in this case, you may hire one at your expense. The Plaintiffs in the case who are Settlement Class Members from each of the States have asked the Court to appoint them as "Class Representatives."

### **When will the court consider the proposed settlement?**

The Court will hold the Final Approval Hearing at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ [date] in Franklin County, Alabama. At that hearing, the Court will: hear any objections to the fairness of the settlement; determine the fairness of the settlement; consider Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees and costs; and decide whether to approve incentive awards to the Class Representatives of up to \$15,000 each from the Settlement. Class Counsel will be paid from the Settlement Fund in an amount to be determined and awarded by the Court. Class Counsel will seek no more than a third of the Settlement; the Court may award less than these amounts.

### **How do I get more information?**

For more information, including the full Notice, Election Form and Settlement Agreement, go to \_\_\_\_\_, or contact the Settlement Administrator at 1 \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_.

PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE COURT OR THE COURT CLERK'S OFFICE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THIS SETTLEMENT OR THE CLAIM PROCESS. All questions regarding the Settlement or claims process should be directed to the Settlement Administrator or to Class Counsel.

Exhibit C

COURT AUTHORIZED NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION  
AND PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

**If you have played Jackpot  
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Casino, Hot Shot Casino,  
Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes,  
Monopoly Slots, or Bingo  
Showdown while in the States  
of Alabama, Tennessee,  
Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey,  
or Massachusetts, you may be  
part of a class action  
settlement.**

SciPlay Games  
Settlement  
Administrator  
P.O. Box 0000  
City, ST 00000-0000

First-Class Mail  
US Postage  
Paid rmit #



Postal Service: Please do not mark  
barcode

XXX—«ClaimID» «MailRec»

«First1» «Last1»

«C/O»

«Addr1» «Addr2»

«City», «St» «Zip» «Country»

By Order of the Court Dated:  
[date]

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Exhibit D

**CIRCUIT COURT OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, ALABAMA**

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- You are a Settlement Class Member if you spent money to play the Applications in the following time periods in the following States:
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- All Class Members will receive benefits from the settlement. Those who do not file an election will receive twenty five percent (25%) of the amount you have spent in the Applications in the foregoing States during the foregoing time periods less platform fees, Administrative Expenses, Attorneys’ Fee Award, and Incentive Payments in virtual currency of the game. Class Members who choose to file a timely and properly completed Election will be eligible to receive twenty five percent (25%) of the amount you have spent in the Applications in the foregoing States during the foregoing time periods less platform fees Administrative Expenses, Attorneys’ Fee Award, and Incentive Payments in money transfer rather than virtual currency, subject to a cumulative cap of five million dollars. In the event a claim for money payment is reduced as a result of the cap, such reduction will be provided in virtual currency.
- Please read this notice carefully. Your legal rights are affected regardless of whether you act or do not act.

<b>YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THIS SETTLEMENT</b>
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QUESTIONS? CALL \_\_\_\_\_ TOLL FREE, OR VISIT HTTP:// \_\_\_\_\_



DO NOTHING	You will receive the benefits in virtual currency and will give up your rights to sue SciPlay about the claims in this case.
SUBMIT AN ELECTION	You must submit a valid election form either online or by mail. You may receive the benefits in a payment, virtual currency, or both.
EXCLUDE YOURSELF	To exclude yourself, you must affirmatively submit a request to be excluded in accordance with the settlement. You will receive no benefits, but you will retain any rights you currently have to sue SciPlay about the claims in this case.
OBJECT OR COMMENT	Write to the Court explaining your opinion of the Settlement.
GO TO THE HEARING	Ask to speak in Court about your opinion of the Settlement.

These rights and options – **and the deadlines to exercise them** – are explained in this Notice.

## BASIC INFORMATION

### 1. Why was this notice issued?

A Court authorized this notice because you have a right to know about a proposed Settlement of this class action lawsuit, and about all of your options, before the Court decides whether to give final approval to the Settlement. This Notice explains the lawsuit, the Settlement, and your legal rights.

Judge Brian P. Hamilton of the Circuit Court in Franklin County, Alabama is overseeing this class action. The lawsuit is known as \_\_\_\_\_. The people who sued, \_\_\_\_\_, are the “Class Representatives.” The companies that got sued is SciPlay Corporation and SciPlay Games LLC, and both agreed to settle the lawsuit.

### 2. What is a class action?

In a class action, one or more people called class representatives sue on behalf of a group or a “class” of people who have similar claims. In a class action, the court resolves the issues for all class members, except for those who choose to exclude themselves from the class.

### 3. What is this lawsuit about?

The lawsuit claims that SciPlay violated Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, and Massachusetts state gambling laws through the sale of virtual chips in the following social casino-style games: Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes, Monopoly Slots, or Bingo Showdown (collectively “Applications”). SciPlay denies all claims and that it violated any law.

### 4. Why is there a settlement?

The Court has not decided whether the Plaintiffs or the Defendants should win this case. Instead, both sides agreed to a Settlement. That way, they avoid the uncertainties and expenses associated with ongoing litigation, and Settlement Class Members will get compensation now rather than years from now, if at all.

More information about the Settlement and the lawsuit are available to Class Members on the settlement website, or by accessing the Court docket in this case, through the Court’s electronic filing system at

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<https://alacourt.com>, or by visiting the office of the Clerk of the Court for the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Alabama, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Court holidays.

## **WHO IS INCLUDED IN THE SETTLEMENT**

### **5. How do I know if I am in the Settlement Class?**

The Court decided that everyone who fits this description and chooses not to request to be excluded is a member of the Settlement Class: All persons who spent money to play the Applications in the following States in the following time periods:

Alabama: any Application from August 25, 2022, through [preliminary approval date].

Ohio: any Application from December 16, 2021, through [preliminary approval date].

New Jersey: any Application from December 19, 2021, through [preliminary approval date].

Massachusetts: any Application from July 25, 2022, through [preliminary approval date].

Tennessee: any Application from November 13, 2022, through [preliminary approval date].

Kentucky: Jackpot Party Casino from December 2, 2019, through July 29, 2023; Gold Fish Casino from December 3, 2019, through June 29, 2023; Hot Shot Casino from May 12, 2020, through June 29, 2023; Quick Hit Slots from January 22, 2020, through June 29, 2023; 88 Fortunes Slots from December 3, 2019, through June 29, 2023; Monopoly Slots from December 3, 2019, through June 29, 2023; Bingo Showdown from August 22, 2019, through June 29, 2023.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are (1) any Judge or Magistrate presiding over this action and members of their families, (2) the Defendants, Defendants' subsidiaries, parent companies, successors, predecessors, and any entity in which the defendants or their parents have a controlling interest and their current or former officers, directors, and employees, (3) persons who properly execute and file a timely request for exclusion from the settlement class, and (4) the legal representatives, successors or assigns of any such excluded persons.

If you are not sure whether you are included, you can call the Settlement Administrator at [ENTER NUMBER]. Or you can get free help by calling the lawyers appointed to represent class members in this case at 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX.

## **THE SETTLEMENT BENEFITS**

### **6. What does the settlement provide?**

If approved by the Court, SciPlay will provide twenty five percent (25%) of the amount you have spent in the Applications in the foregoing States during the foregoing time periods less platform fees, Administrative Expenses, Attorneys' Fee Award, and Incentive Payments in virtual currency of the game. Settlement Class Members also have the option, but not the obligation, to file an Election Form to elect to receive twenty five percent (25%) of the amount spent in the Applications in the foregoing States during the foregoing time periods less platform fees, Administrative Expenses, Attorneys' Fee Award, and Incentive Payments in money transfer rather than virtual currency. The amount paid for a valid and Approved Election may be affected by the number of claims made as the total amount of claims for money payment are subject to an aggregate cap of \$5 million. In the event a claim for money payment is reduced as a result of the cap, such reduction will be provided for in virtual currency.

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## **7. When will I get my benefits?**

If you file an Election Form, you should receive a check or electronic payment from the Settlement Administrator within 60 days after the Settlement has been finally approved and/or after any appeals process is complete. The hearing to consider the final approval of the Settlement is scheduled for [Fairness Hearing Date.] If you select to receive your payment via check, please keep in mind that checks will expire and become void 90 days after they are issued. If you do not file an Election Form, you will receive virtual coins in installments over either two years or five years, depending on the amount of virtual coins to which you are entitled.

## **HOW TO FILE A CLAIM**

### **8. Do I have to file an Election?**

No, in order to get the virtual currency benefit, you do not have to file an Election.

### **9. How do I file an Election?**

If you are a Settlement Class Member and you want to receive a payment instead of virtual currency, you must submit a valid and timely Election Form no later than [claims deadline]. You may request an election form or submit one online at \_\_\_\_\_.

## **REMAINING IN THE SETTLEMENT**

### **10. What am I giving up if I stay in the Settlement Class?**

If the Settlement becomes final, you will give up your right to sue SciPlay for the claims being resolved by this Settlement. The specific claims you are giving up are described in the Settlement Agreement. You will be “releasing” SciPlay and certain related parties (collectively, the “Released Parties”), described in the Settlement Agreement. Unless you exclude yourself (see Question 14), you are releasing the claims, regardless of whether you submit a claim or not. The Settlement Agreement is available to Class Members through the website.

The Settlement Agreement describes the released claims with specific descriptions, so read it carefully. If you have any questions you can talk to the lawyers listed in Question 12 for free by calling 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX, or you can, of course, talk to your own lawyer if you have questions about what this means.

### **11. What happens if I do nothing at all?**

If you do nothing, you will receive your benefits of virtual coins under the settlement, and you will release SciPlay for the claims being resolved by this Settlement.

## **THE LAWYERS REPRESENTING YOU**

### **12. Do I have a lawyer in the case?**

The Court has appointed lawyers from Davis & Norris, LLP and Bedford, Rogers, & Bowling, P.C. These attorneys are called “Class Counsel.” You will not be charged for the lawyers. If you want to be represented by your own lawyer in this case, you may hire one at your expense. The Plaintiffs in the case who are Settlement Class Members from each of the States have asked the Court to appoint them as “Class Representatives.”

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### **13. How will the lawyers be paid?**

Class Counsel attorneys' fees and costs will be paid from the Settlement Fund in an amount to be determined and awarded by the Court. The Class Counsel have agreed to limit the amount of fees that they will seek in this action to more than 30% of the settlement. The Court may award less than this amount.

Subject to approval by the Court, each Class Representative may be paid an "Incentive Award" from the Settlement Fund for helping to bring and settle this case. No Class Representative will ask for more than \$15,000 as an incentive award.

## **EXCLUDING YOURSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT**

### **14. How do I get out of the settlement?**

You may choose to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class by sending a letter to the settlement administrator no later than [objection/exclusion deadline]. If you exclude yourself, you will not receive any settlement benefits, but you keep any rights you may have to sue Defendants over the claims in the lawsuit. Specific instructions about how to object to or exclude yourself from the settlement are available at \_\_\_\_\_. To exclude yourself from the settlement, you must email, mail, or otherwise deliver a letter (or request for exclusion) stating that you want to be excluded from the "\_\_\_\_\_" case. Your letter or request for exclusion must include your (a) name (b) telephone number (c) U.S. Mail address, (d) email address, (e) Player IDs and/or email addresses associated with Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes, Monopoly Slots or Bingo Showdown, and (f) your individual ink-signed signature. You must email or mail your exclusion request no later than [DATE], to:

SciPlay Settlement Administrator

[EMAIL ADDRESS]

[ADDRESS]

### **15. If I don't exclude myself, can I sue the Defendants for the same thing later?**

No. Unless you exclude yourself, you give up any right to sue the Defendants for the claims being resolved by this Settlement.

### **16. If I exclude myself, can I get anything from this settlement?**

No. If you exclude yourself, you should not submit a Claim Form to ask for benefits because you won't receive any.

## **OBJECTING TO THE SETTLEMENT**

### **17. How do I object to the settlement?**

You can ask the Court to deny approval by filing an objection. You can't ask the Court to order a different settlement; the Court can only approve or reject the settlement being proposed. If the Court denies approval, no settlement benefits will be sent out and the lawsuit will continue. If that is what you want to happen, and you want to do something to advocate that, you must object.

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Any objection to the proposed settlement must be in writing. If you file a timely written objection, you may, but are not required to, appear at the Final Approval Hearing, either in person or through your own attorney. If you appear through your own attorney, you are responsible for hiring and paying that attorney. If you want to appear and speak at the Final Approval Hearing to object to the Settlement, with or without a lawyer (explained below in answer to Question Number 21), you must say so in your letter or brief. All written objections and supporting papers must include: (i) all Player ID(s) associated with Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes, Monopoly Slots, or Bingo Showdown, (ii) all email address(es) associated with Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes, Monopoly Slots, or Bingo Showdown, (iii) current telephone number, U.S. Mail address, and email address, (iv) the specific grounds for the objection, (v) all documents or writings that the Settlement Class Member desires the Court to consider, (vi) the name and contact information of any and all attorneys representing, advising, or in any way assisting the objector in connection with the preparation or submission of the objection or who may profit from the pursuit of the objection, and (vii) a statement indicating whether the objector intends to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either personally or through counsel, who must file an appearance or seek pro hac vice admission). All written objections must be emailed or otherwise delivered to Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel, and filed with the Court before [DATE].

Class Counsel will file with the Court and post on the website available to Class Members its request for attorneys' fees by [two weeks prior to objection deadline].

### **18. What's the difference between objecting and excluding myself from the settlement?**

Objecting simply means telling the Court that you don't like something about the Settlement. You can object only if you stay in the Settlement Class. Excluding yourself from the Settlement Class is telling the Court that you don't want to be part of the Settlement Class. If you exclude yourself, you have no basis to object because the case no longer affects you.

## **THE COURT'S FINAL APPROVAL HEARING**

### **19. When and where will the court decide whether to approve the settlement?**

The Court will hold the Final Approval Hearing at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ [date] in Franklin County, Alabama. At that hearing, the Court will: hear any objections to the fairness of the settlement; determine the fairness of the settlement; consider Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees and costs; and decide whether to approve incentive awards to the Class Representatives of up to \$15,000 each from the Settlement. The Court may award less than these amounts. Class Counsel will be paid from the Settlement Fund in an amount to be determined and awarded by the Court.

### **20. Do I have to come to the hearing?**

No. Class Counsel will answer any questions the Court may have. But, you are welcome to come at your own expense. If you send an objection or comment, you don't have to come to Court to talk about it. As long as you filed and mailed your written objection on time, the Court will consider it. You may also pay another lawyer to attend as described elsewhere herein, but it's not required.

### **21. May I speak at the hearing?**

Yes. You may ask the Court for permission to speak at the Fairness Hearing. To do so, you must include in your letter or brief objecting to the settlement a statement saying that it is your "Notice of Intent to

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Appear in \_\_\_\_\_.” As described in Question 17 more fully, it must include your name, address, telephone number and signature as well as the name and address of your lawyer, if one is appearing for you. Your objection and notice of intent to appear must be filed with the Court and sent no later than [objection deadline].

## **GETTING MORE INFORMATION**

### **22. Where do I get more information?**

This Notice summarizes the Settlement. More details are in the Settlement Agreement. You can get a copy of the Settlement Agreement at \_\_\_\_\_, or by contacting the Settlement Administrator at 1 \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_. More information about the Settlement and the lawsuit are available by accessing the Court docket in this case, through the Court’s electronic filing system at <https://alacourt.com>, or by visiting the office of the Clerk of the Court for the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Alabama, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Court holidays.

**PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE COURT OR THE COURT CLERK’S OFFICE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THIS SETTLEMENT OR THE CLAIM PROCESS.** All questions regarding the Settlement or claims process should be directed to the Settlement Administrator or to Class Counsel.

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Exhibit E



**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, ALABAMA**

Timothy Scornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew )  
Sprinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Allah )  
Beautiful, and Christopher Ebersole, individually and on )  
behalf of all others similarly situated, )

*Plaintiffs,*

v.

Sciplay Corporation and Sciplay Games, LLC.

*Defendant.*

No. \_\_\_\_\_

**STIPULATED UNDERTAKING RE: UP TO 25% OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS**

Defendant SciPlay Corp. and Sciplay Games, LLC (“Defendant”); and D. Frank Davis and Wesley W. Barnett (“Class Counsel”) and their law firm Davis & Norris, LLP (together with Class Counsel, “Plaintiffs’ Counsel”) (collectively, “the Parties”), stipulate and agree as follows:

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs’ Counsel desires to give an undertaking (the “Undertaking”) for repayment of up to 25% of any award of attorneys’ fees and costs approved by the Court (the “Fee Award”);

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that this Undertaking is in the interests of all parties and in service of judicial economy and efficiency;

NOW, THEREFORE, Class Counsel, on behalf of themselves and as agents of Davis & Norris, LLP, by making this Undertaking, hereby submit themselves and their law firm, Davis & Norris, LLP, to the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Alabama (“the Court”) for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Undertaking and any and all disputes relating to or arising out of the reimbursement obligation set forth herein and in the Settlement Agreement. Capitalized terms used herein without definition have the meanings given to them in the Settlement Agreement. In the event that the Final Judgment is vacated, overturned, reversed, or rendered void as a result of an appeal, or the Settlement Agreement is voided, rescinded, or otherwise terminated for any other reason, in whole or in part, Plaintiffs’ Counsel shall, within sixty (60) days of that event, repay to Defendant the full amount of the up to 25% of the Fee Award taken pursuant to this Undertaking.

In the event the Fee Award is vacated, modified, reversed, or rendered void as a result of an appeal, Plaintiffs’ Counsel shall within sixty (60) days of that event repay to Defendant the up to 25% of the Fee Award taken pursuant to this Undertaking in the amount vacated or modified.

This Undertaking for up to the 25% amount and all obligations set forth herein shall expire upon finality of all appeals of the Final Judgment.



In the event Plaintiffs' Counsel fails to repay to Defendant any of the Fee Award owed to them pursuant to this Undertaking, the Court shall, upon application of Defendant, and notice to Plaintiffs' Counsel, summarily issue orders, including but not limited to judgments and attachment orders against Plaintiffs' Counsel for the full amount of the owed Fee Award, attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Defendant in connection with enforcement of this Undertaking, and any other appropriate remedies.

The undersigned stipulate, warrant, and represent that they have both actual and apparent authority to enter into this stipulation, agreement, and undertaking on behalf of Davis & Norris, LLP.

This Undertaking may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Signatures by facsimile or electronic signatures shall be deemed the same as original signatures.

The undersigned declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that they have read and understand the foregoing and that it is true and correct.

IT IS SO STIPULATED THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: /s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
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33-CV-2025-900003.00

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The Honorable Robert S. Lasnik

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE**

DONNA REED, individually and on behalf of  
all others similarly situated,

*Plaintiff,*

v.

SCIENTIFIC GAMES CORP., a Nevada  
corporation.

*Defendant.*

No. 18-cv-00565-RSL

**CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT  
AGREEMENT**

1 This Class Action Settlement Agreement (the “Agreement”, “Settlement”, or “Settlement  
2 Agreement”) is entered into by and among the Class Representative(s) (as defined below,  
3 including Plaintiff Donna Reed [“Reed” or “Plaintiff”]), for themselves individually and on  
4 behalf of the Settlement Class (as defined below), Defendant Scientific Games Corp. (“Scientific  
5 Games”), and SciPlay Corp. (“SciPlay,” and together with Scientific Games, “Defendants”)  
6 (altogether, the “Parties”). This Agreement is intended by the Parties to fully, finally, and forever  
7 resolve, discharge, and settle the Released Claims (as defined below), upon and subject to the  
8 terms and conditions of this Agreement and subject to the final approval of the Court.

9 **RECITALS**

10 A. On April 17, 2018, Sheryl Fife filed a putative class action complaint against  
11 Scientific Games in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington,  
12 Case No. 18-cv-00565. The complaint was later amended to substitute Plaintiff Donna Reed as  
13 the Class Representative.

14 B. Plaintiff Reed alleges that Defendants’ Applications (as defined below) fall within  
15 the definition of an illegal gambling game and that players can recover their losses under  
16 Washington law, setting forth claims for violations of RCW 4.24.070 (the “Recovery of Money  
17 Lost at Gambling Act” or “RMLGA”), violations of RCW 19.86.010 *et seq.* (the “Washington  
18 Consumer Protection Act” or “CPA”) and unjust enrichment, based on Plaintiff’s use of and  
19 purchases of virtual items in Defendants’ Applications.

20 C. On July 2, 2018, the Court entered a stipulation and order staying pleading and  
21 discovery dates pending determination of Defendants’ motion to dismiss.

22 D. That same day, Scientific Games moved to dismiss for failure to state a claim.  
23 After full briefing, the district court, with the Honorable Ronald B. Leighton presiding, denied  
24 the motion to dismiss on December 18, 2018.

25 E. Scientific Games answered Plaintiff’s complaint on January 18, 2019.

26 F. On May 12, 2020, Plaintiff moved for leave to amend and to substitute Donna  
27 Reed for Ms. Fife as the Class Representative. Ms. Reed moved to intervene in the case on June

1 25, 2020.

2 G. On June 22, 2020, Scientific Games filed a second motion to dismiss, for lack of  
3 subject matter jurisdiction.

4 H. After full briefing on both Plaintiff's motion for leave to amend and the  
5 Defendants' motion to dismiss, the district court, with the Honorable Ronald B. Leighton  
6 presiding, denied Defendants' motion on August 24, 2020 and granted Plaintiff leave to amend  
7 her complaint and substitute Donna Reed as Class Representative. Ms. Reed's motion to  
8 intervene was denied as moot.

9 I. On September 8, 2020, Scientific Games moved to compel arbitration, arguing  
10 that Donna Reed had agreed to arbitrate any claims related to Jackpot Party Casino when she  
11 clicked "Accept" on a pop-up window within the game notifying her that the terms of service for  
12 the game had changed.

13 J. After briefing on the motion to compel arbitration was complete, on February 4,  
14 2021, Scientific Games also moved to stay discovery and class certification briefing pending the  
15 Court's ruling on the arbitration motion.

16 K. Plaintiff opposed the stay and filed a motion for class certification and  
17 preliminary injunction on April 9, 2021. Scientific Games filed a motion for relief from the  
18 deadline to respond, which Plaintiff also opposed.

19 L. On April 26, 2021, the district court, with the Honorable Robert S. Lasnik now  
20 presiding after Judge Leighton's retirement, granted Defendants' motions to stay and for relief  
21 from a deadline, stayed discovery pending the Court's ruling on the motion to compel arbitration,  
22 and scheduled oral argument on the arbitration motion.

23 M. Following oral argument on June 15, 2021, the Court denied Defendants' motion  
24 to compel arbitration on June 17, 2021.

25 N. On June 23, 2021, Scientific Games filed a notice of appeal to the United States  
26 Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from the district court's order denying its arbitration  
27 motion. The same day, Scientific Games also moved in the district court to stay proceedings

1 pending appeal. Plaintiff opposed the motion to stay, and Scientific Games filed a reply. The  
2 motion remained pending when the Parties agreed to this Settlement.

3 O. On October 14, 2021, Plaintiff filed a motion to compel Scientific Games to  
4 complete production of documents responsive to one of her document requests. Scientific Games  
5 opposed the motion, and Plaintiff filed a reply; this motion also remained pending when the  
6 Parties agreed to this Settlement.

7 P. The Parties agreed to schedule a videoconference mediation session on November  
8 18, 2021, with Niki Mendoza at Phillips ADR to attempt to reach a negotiated resolution of the  
9 Action.

10 Q. In the days leading up to the mediation, the Parties were in frequent  
11 communication with the Phillips ADR team and each other in order to start narrowing the  
12 potential frameworks for resolution. The Parties submitted opening and response briefs to the  
13 mediator on the core facts, legal issues, litigation risks, and potential settlement structures, and  
14 the Parties supplemented that briefing with telephonic correspondence with each other and with  
15 the Phillips ADR team, clarifying each other's position in advance of the mediation.

16 R. Prior to the scheduled mediation, on November 17, 2021, the Parties reached an  
17 agreement in principle on the material terms of a class action settlement. Over the next several  
18 days, the parties continued negotiating the details of the settlement, and that process culminated  
19 in the signing of a term sheet on November 23, 2021.

20 S. Plaintiff and Class Counsel have conducted a comprehensive examination of the  
21 law and facts regarding the claims against Defendant, and the potential defenses available.

22 T. Plaintiff believes that her claims have merit, that she would have succeeded in  
23 obtaining adversarial certification of the proposed Settlement Class, and that she would have  
24 ultimately prevailed on the merits at summary judgment or at trial. Nonetheless, Plaintiff and  
25 Class Counsel recognize that Scientific Games has raised factual and legal claims and defenses  
26 that present a risk that Plaintiff may not prevail on her claims. Plaintiff and Class Counsel have  
27 also taken into account the uncertain outcome and risks of any litigation, especially in complex

1 actions, as well as the difficulty and delay inherent in such litigation. Therefore, Plaintiff and  
2 Class Counsel believe that it is desirable that the Released Claims be fully and finally  
3 compromised, settled, resolved with prejudice, and barred pursuant to the terms and conditions  
4 set forth in this Agreement.

5 U. Based on their comprehensive examination and evaluation of the law and facts  
6 relating to the matters at issue, Class Counsel have concluded that the terms and conditions of  
7 this Agreement are fair, reasonable, and adequate to resolve the alleged claims of the Settlement  
8 Class and that it is in the best interests of the Settlement Class Members to settle the Released  
9 Claims pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

10 V. Scientific Games has at all times denied—and continues to deny—all allegations  
11 of wrongdoing and liability and denies all material allegations in the Action. Specifically,  
12 Scientific Games denies that the Applications constitute or constituted illegal gambling, and that  
13 any aspect of the Applications' operation constituted unfair business practices or resulted in  
14 unjust enrichment. Scientific Games is prepared to continue its vigorous defense. Even so, taking  
15 into account the uncertainty and risks inherent in litigation, Defendants have concluded that  
16 continuing to defend the Action would be burdensome and expensive. Defendants have further  
17 concluded that it is desirable to settle the Released Claims pursuant to the terms and conditions  
18 set forth in this Agreement to avoid the time, risk, and expense of defending protracted litigation  
19 and to resolve finally and completely the pending and potential claims of Plaintiff and the  
20 Settlement Class.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and among the  
22 Class Representative(s), the Settlement Class, and Defendants that, subject to the Court's final  
23 approval after a hearing as provided for in this Agreement, and in consideration of the benefits  
24 flowing to the Parties from the Settlement set forth herein, the Released Claims shall be fully and  
25 finally compromised, settled, and released, and the Action shall be dismissed with prejudice,  
26 upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

## **AGREEMENT**

### **1. DEFINITIONS**

As used herein, in addition to any definitions set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

**1.1. “Action”** means the case captioned *Donna Reed v. Scientific Games Corp.*, Case No. 18-cv-00565, pending in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington.

**1.2. “Agreement” or “Settlement” or “Settlement Agreement”** means this Class Action Settlement Agreement.

**1.3. “Applications”** means Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes Slots, and Monopoly Slots.

**1.4. “App ID”** means the unique identifier assigned by a Platform Provider to a person who has a Platform Provider account and/or login. For avoidance of doubt, App IDs are not assigned/generated by or known to Scientific Games or SciPlay.

**1.5. “Approved Claim”** means a Claim Form submitted by a Settlement Class Member that is timely and submitted in accordance with the directions on the Claim Form and the terms of this Agreement, or is otherwise accepted by the Court or Settlement Administrator and satisfies the conditions of eligibility for a Settlement Payment as set forth in this Agreement.

**1.6. “Claim Form”** means the document substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, as approved by the Court. The Claim Form, to be completed by Settlement Class Members who wish to file a claim for a Settlement Payment, shall be available in electronic and paper format. The Claim Form shall request that the Settlement Class Member provide the following information: (i) full legal name; (ii) List of any and all Application(s) played; (iii) App ID(s) and Player ID(s) associated with any and all Application(s) account(s); (iv) email address(es) associated with any and all Application(s) account(s); (v) email addresses associated with Facebook, Apple, Google, and/or Amazon accounts from which in-Application purchases of virtual chips were made; and (vi) current telephone number, U.S. Mail address, and email



1 address. The Claim Form will provide Class Members with the option of having their Settlement  
2 Payment transmitted to them electronically or via check.

3 **1.7. “Claims Deadline”** means the date by which all Claim Forms must be  
4 postmarked or submitted on the Settlement Website to be considered timely and shall be fifty-six  
5 (56) days after the Notice Date. The Claims Deadline shall be clearly set forth in the order  
6 preliminarily approving the Settlement, as well as in the Notice and the Claim Form.

7 **1.8. “Class Counsel”** means Jay Edelson, Rafey Balabanian, Todd Logan, Alexander  
8 Tievsky, Brandt Silver-Korn, and Amy Hausmann of Edelson PC.

9 **1.9. “Class Representative(s)”** means Plaintiff Donna Reed together with Laura  
10 Perkinson.

11 **1.10. “Court”** means the United States District Court for the Western District of  
12 Washington, the Honorable Robert S. Lasnik presiding, or any Judge who shall succeed him as  
13 the Judge assigned to the Action.

14 **1.11. “Defendants”** means Scientific Games Corp. and SciPlay Corp.

15 **1.12. “Defendants’ Counsel”** means Bartlit Beck LLP and Perkins Coie LLP.

16 **1.13. “Effective Date”** means the date upon which the last (in time) of the following  
17 events occurs: (i) the date upon which the time expires for filing or noticing any appeal of the  
18 Final Judgment; (ii) if there is an appeal or appeals, other than an appeal or appeals solely with  
19 respect to the Fee Award or incentive award(s), the date of completion, in a manner that finally  
20 affirms and leaves in place the Final Judgment without any material modification, of all  
21 proceedings arising out of the appeal(s) (including, but not limited to, the expiration of all  
22 deadlines for motions for reconsideration or petitions for review and/or certiorari, all proceedings  
23 ordered on remand, and all proceedings arising out of any subsequent appeal(s) following  
24 decisions on remand); or (iii) the date of final dismissal of any appeal or the final dismissal or  
25 resolution of any proceeding on certiorari with respect to the Final Judgment. The Effective Date  
26 is further subject to the conditions set forth in Section 9.1.

1           **1.14. “Escrow Account”** means the separate, interest-bearing escrow account to be  
2 established by the Settlement Administrator under terms acceptable to all Parties. The Escrow  
3 Account will be at a depository institution of the Settlement Administrator’s choice (subject to  
4 either Party’s reasonable veto) that is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The  
5 Settlement Fund shall be deposited by Defendants into the Escrow Account consistent with the  
6 provisions in Section 2.1 below, and the money in the Escrow Account shall be invested in the  
7 following types of accounts and/or instruments and no other: (i) demand deposit accounts and/or  
8 (ii) time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit, in either case with maturities of forty-five  
9 (45) days or less. The costs of establishing and maintaining the Escrow Account shall be paid  
10 from the Settlement Fund.

11           **1.15. “Fee Award”** means the amount of attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of  
12 expenses awarded by the Court to Class Counsel, which will be paid out of the Settlement Fund.

13           **1.16. “Final Approval Hearing”** means the hearing before the Court where the  
14 Plaintiff will request that the Final Judgment be entered by the Court finally approving the  
15 Settlement as fair, reasonable and adequate, and approving the Fee Award and any incentive  
16 award(s) to the Class Representative(s).

17           **1.17. “Final Judgment”** means the final judgment and order to be entered by the Court  
18 approving the Agreement after the Final Approval Hearing.

19           **1.18. “Lifetime Spending Amount”** means the total amount of money a Settlement  
20 Class Member spent within the Applications through and including the date of Preliminary  
21 Approval.

22           **1.19. “Notice”** means the notice of this Settlement and Final Approval Hearing, which  
23 is to be sent to the Settlement Class substantially in the manner set forth in this Agreement and  
24 approved by the Court, is consistent with the requirements of Due Process and Rule 23, and  
25 which is substantially in the form of Exhibits B, C, and D attached hereto.

1           **1.20. “Net Settlement Fund”** means the Settlement Fund; plus any interest or  
2 investment income earned on the Settlement Fund; less any Fee Award, incentive award(s) to the  
3 Class Representative(s), taxes, and Settlement Administration Expenses.

4           **1.21. “Notice Date”** means the date upon which the Notice set forth in Section 4.1 is  
5 complete, which shall be a date no later than thirty-five (35) days after entry of Preliminary  
6 Approval.

7           **1.22. “Objection/Exclusion Deadline”** means the date by which a written objection to  
8 this Settlement Agreement or a request for exclusion submitted by a member of the Settlement  
9 Class must be postmarked and/or filed with the Court, which shall be designated as a date no  
10 later than fifty-six (56) days following the Notice Date and no sooner than fourteen (14) days  
11 after papers supporting the Fee Award are filed with the Court and posted to the Settlement  
12 Website, or such other date as ordered by the Court.

13           **1.23. “Plaintiff”** means Donna Reed, the plaintiff in the Action.

14           **1.24. “Plan of Allocation”** means the Plan of Allocation attached as Exhibit E to this  
15 Settlement Agreement.

16           **1.25. “Platform Provider(s)”** means Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Microsoft, Samsung,  
17 and/or Google.

18           **1.26. “Player ID”** means the unique identifier, assigned by the Application, to a person  
19 who has registered an account with an Application.

20           **1.27. “Preliminary Approval”** means the order preliminarily approving the  
21 Settlement, preliminarily certifying the Settlement Class for settlement purposes, preliminarily  
22 appointing Class Counsel and the Class Representative(s), and approving the form and manner of  
23 the Notice.

24           **1.28. “Released Claims”** means any and all actual, potential, filed, unfiled, known or  
25 unknown, fixed or contingent, claimed or unclaimed, suspected or unsuspected claims, demands,  
26 liabilities, rights, causes of action, contracts or agreements, extra-contractual claims, damages,  
27 punitive damages, expenses, costs, attorneys’ fees and/or obligations (including “Unknown

Claims” as defined below), whether in law or in equity; accrued or unaccrued; direct, individual or representative; of every nature and description whatsoever; whether based on violations of Washington or other federal, state, local, statutory or common law or any other law, including the law of any jurisdiction outside the United States, that are or have been alleged or otherwise raised in the Action or that arise out of or relate to facts, transactions, events, matters, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, representations, omissions, or failures to act relating to the operation of the Applications and/or the sale of virtual chips in the Applications, such as claims that the Applications are illegal gambling, that virtual chips in the Applications are “things of value,” or that aspects of the Applications are deceptive or unfair, against the Released Parties or any one of them. For the avoidance of doubt, this release includes but is not limited to (1) claims potentially subject to arbitration agreements; and (2) claims for amounts spent on in-Application purchases that are attributable to Platform Provider fees.

**1.29. “Released Parties”** means Scientific Games, SciPlay, Platform Providers, and their present or former administrators, predecessors, successors, assigns, parents, subsidiaries, holding companies, investors, divisions, employees, agents, representatives, consultants, independent contractors, directors, service providers, vendors, directors, managing directors, officers, partners, principals, members, attorneys, accountants, fiduciaries, financial and other advisors, investment bankers, insurers, reinsurers, employee benefit plans, underwriters, shareholders, lenders, auditors, and investment advisors.

**1.30. “Releasing Parties”** means Plaintiff, Class Representative(s), and other Settlement Class Members and their respective past, present, and future heirs; children; spouses; beneficiaries; conservators, executors; estates; administrators; assigns; agents; consultants; independent contractors; insurers; attorneys; accountants; financial and other advisors; investment bankers; underwriters; lenders; and any other representatives of any of these persons and entities.

**1.31. “Settlement Administration Expenses”** means (i) the expenses incurred by the Settlement Administrator in providing Notice, hosting the Settlement Website, processing

1 claims, responding to inquiries from members of the Settlement Class, distributing funds for  
2 Approved Claims, related tax expenses, fees of the escrow agent, and related services, and (ii)  
3 the fees and expenses of any Settlement Special Master the Court may appoint, if applicable,  
4 with all such expenses to be paid from the Settlement Fund.

5 **1.32. “Settlement Administrator”** means JND Legal Administration, subject to  
6 approval of the Court, which will administer the Notice and Settlement Website, process  
7 Approved Claims, distribute Settlement Payments to Settlement Class Members, be responsible  
8 for tax reporting, and perform other such settlement administration matters as set forth in or  
9 contemplated by this Agreement.

10 **1.33. “Settlement Class”** means all individuals who, in Washington (as reasonably  
11 determined by IP address information or other information furnished by Platform Providers),  
12 played the Applications on or before preliminary approval of the settlement. Excluded from the  
13 Settlement Class are (1) any Judge or Magistrate presiding over this Action and members of their  
14 families, (2) Defendants, Defendants’ subsidiaries, parent companies, successors, predecessors, and  
15 any entity in which Defendants or their parents have a controlling interest and their current or former  
16 officers, directors, and employees, (3) persons who properly execute and file a timely request for  
17 exclusion from the Settlement Class, and (4) the legal representatives, successors or assigns of any  
18 such excluded persons.

19 **1.34. “Settlement Class Member”** means any person who falls within the definition of  
20 the Settlement Class and who does not submit a valid request for exclusion from the Settlement  
21 Class.

22 **1.35. “Settlement Fund”** means the non-reversionary cash fund that shall be  
23 established by Defendants in the total amount of twenty-four million five hundred thousand  
24 dollars (\$24,500,000), to be deposited by Defendants into the Escrow Account, plus all interest  
25 earned thereon. From the Settlement Fund, the Settlement Administrator shall pay all Approved  
26 Claims made by Settlement Class Members, Settlement Administration Expenses, any incentive  
27 award(s) to the Class Representative(s), taxes, and any Fee Award to Class Counsel. The

1 Settlement Fund shall be kept in the Escrow Account with permissions granted to the Settlement  
2 Administrator to access said funds until such time as the above-listed payments are made. The  
3 Settlement Administrator shall be responsible for all tax filings with respect to any earnings on  
4 the amounts in the Settlement Fund and the payment of all taxes that may be due on such  
5 earnings. The Settlement Fund represents the total extent of Defendants' monetary obligation  
6 under this Agreement.

7 **1.36. "Settlement Payment(s)"** means the payment(s) from the Net Settlement Fund to  
8 be made to Settlement Class Members with Approved Claims according to the Plan of  
9 Allocation.

10 **1.37. "Settlement Website"** means the website to be created, launched, and maintained  
11 by the Settlement Administrator which shall allow for the electronic submission of Claim Forms  
12 and shall provide access to relevant case documents including the Notice, information about the  
13 submission of Claim Forms, and other relevant documents. The Settlement Website shall also  
14 advise the Settlement Class of the total value of the Settlement Fund and give Settlement Class  
15 Members the ability to estimate their Settlement Payment. The Settlement Website shall remain  
16 accessible until at least thirty (30) days after the Effective Date.

17 **1.38. "Unknown Claims"** means claims that could have been raised in the Action and  
18 that any or all of the Releasing Parties do not know or suspect to exist, which, if known by him  
19 or her, might affect his or her agreement to release the Released Parties or the Released Claims  
20 or might affect his or her decision to agree, object, or not object to the Settlement, or to seek  
21 exclusion from the Settlement Class. Upon the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties shall be  
22 deemed to have, and shall have, expressly waived and relinquished, to the fullest extent  
23 permitted by law, the provisions, rights and benefits of § 1542 of the California Civil Code (if  
24 applicable), which provides as follows:

25  
26 A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE  
27 CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO  
EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE  
RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE

1 MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE  
2 DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

3 Upon the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties also shall be deemed to have, and shall have, waived  
4 any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the  
5 United States, or principle of common law, or the law of any jurisdiction outside of the United  
6 States, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code. The  
7 Releasing Parties acknowledge that they may discover facts in addition to or different from those  
8 that they now know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of this release, but that  
9 it is their intention to finally and forever settle and release the Released Claims, notwithstanding  
10 any Unknown Claims they may have, as that term is defined in this Paragraph.

11 **1.39. "User ID"** means the unique identifier selected by and attached to a person who  
12 has a Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Hot Shot Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes  
13 Slots, and/or Monopoly Slots account and/or login.

14 **2. SETTLEMENT RELIEF**

15 **2.1. Monetary Compensation.**

16 (a) Defendants shall pay or cause to be paid into the Escrow Account the full  
17 Settlement Fund (\$24,500,000), within fourteen (14) calendar days after the entry of Final  
18 Approval.

19 (b) Settlement Class Members shall have until the Claims Deadline to submit  
20 a Claim Form. Each Settlement Class Member with an Approved Claim shall be entitled to a  
21 Settlement Payment from the Net Settlement Fund.

22 (c) The Settlement Payment will be determined according to the Plan of  
23 Allocation attached as Exhibit E.

24 (d) If the total Approved Claims do not exhaust the Net Settlement Fund  
25 under the baseline marginal recovery percentages in the Plan of Allocation, the marginal  
26 recovery percentages will be increased pro rata so that the Settlement Payments will exhaust or  
27 leave only *de minimis* funds in the Net Settlement Fund.



1 (e) Within sixty (60) days after the Effective Date, or such other date as the  
2 Court may set, the Settlement Administrator shall pay from the Settlement Fund all Approved  
3 Claims by check or electronic payment.

4 (f) Each payment issued to a Settlement Class Member via check will state on  
5 the face of the check that it will become null and void unless cashed within ninety (90) calendar  
6 days after the date of issuance.

7 (g) In the event that an electronic deposit to a Settlement Class Member is  
8 unable to be processed, the Settlement Administrator shall attempt to contact the Settlement  
9 Class Member within thirty (30) calendar days to correct the problem.

10 (h) To the extent that a check issued to a Settlement Class Member is not  
11 cashed within ninety (90) calendar days after the date of issuance or an electronic deposit is  
12 unable to be processed within ninety (90) calendar days after the first attempt, such funds shall  
13 remain in the Net Settlement Fund and shall be apportioned pro rata to participating Settlement  
14 Class Members in a second distribution, if practicable, subject to the provisions set forth in  
15 paragraph (f) above. To the extent that any second distribution is impracticable or would violate  
16 the provisions set forth in paragraph (f) above, or that any second-distribution funds remain in  
17 the Net Settlement Fund after an additional ninety (90) calendar days, such funds shall revert to  
18 the Legal Foundation of Washington, as approved by the Court.

19 (i) No amount paid by Defendants into the Escrow Account shall revert to  
20 Defendants unless the Settlement is terminated in accordance with Sections 7.1 through 7.3.

21 (j) In no event shall any amount be paid to Class Counsel except for the  
22 amount of an approved Fee Award.

23 **2.2. Prospective Measures.** Defendants shall take the following steps in connection  
24 with this Settlement within one-hundred twenty (120) days of an order granting Preliminary  
25 Approval:

26 (a) SciPlay will place resources relating to video game behavior disorders  
27 within the Applications. Within the self-service resources available to players, SciPlay shall add



1 an additional button or link with labeling referring to video game behavior disorder resources.  
2 This link or button shall be similarly prominent to other links or buttons within the self-service  
3 resources. When clicked, the link or button will take players to a webpage that (1) encourages  
4 responsible gameplay; (2) describes what video game behavior disorders are; (3) provides or  
5 links to resources relating to video game behavior disorders; and (4) includes a link to SciPlay's  
6 self-exclusion policy. SciPlay will implement a policy and will make commercially reasonable  
7 efforts to enforce that policy, such that customer service representatives will provide the same  
8 information to any player that contacts them and references or exhibits video game behavior  
9 disorders, and will face no adverse employment consequences for providing players with this  
10 information.

11 (b) SciPlay shall publish on its website a voluntary self-exclusion policy. That  
12 policy shall provide that, when a player self-excludes by specifying the Player ID that the player  
13 wishes to ban, SciPlay shall use commercially reasonable efforts to immediately ban the  
14 account(s) associated with those Player ID(s). SciPlay shall retain discretion as to the particular  
15 method by which players may self-exclude; for example, SciPlay may permit players to self-  
16 exclude by contacting SciPlay customer support, completing a form on SciPlay's website, or any  
17 other reasonably accessible means. SciPlay shall use commercially reasonable efforts to prevent  
18 any use of the Application specified by the player, including by creation of a new Application  
19 account, from any device ID determined by SciPlay, using commercially reasonable efforts, to be  
20 associated with the excluded account. After a self-exclusion request is responded to in full by  
21 SciPlay, SciPlay shall not remove these restrictions for the period identified in the self-exclusion  
22 policy at the time the self-exclusion is requested.

23 (c) The Parties acknowledge that SciPlay, in response to this litigation, made  
24 changes to the game mechanics for the Applications to ensure that players who run out of  
25 sufficient virtual chips to continue to play the Applications they are playing will be able to  
26 continue to play games within the app without needing to purchase additional virtual chips or  
27 wait until they would have otherwise received free additional virtual chips in the ordinary course.

Specifically, players who run out of chips will be able to continue to play at least one game within the Application they are playing.

### **3. RELEASES**

**3.1.** The obligations incurred pursuant to this Settlement Agreement shall be a full and final disposition of the Action and any and all Released Claims, as against all Released Parties.

**3.2.** Upon the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties, and each of them, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Claims against the Released Parties, and each of them.

**3.3.** Upon the Effective Date, the Released Parties, and each of them, further shall by operation of the Final Judgment have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all claims against Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, and Class Counsel that arise out of or relate in any way to the commencement, prosecution, settlement, or resolution of the Action, except for claims to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

**3.4.** Plaintiff and all other Settlement Class Members further stipulate that, with the changes delineated in Sections 2.2(a)-2.2(c), virtual chips in the Applications are gameplay enhancements, not “things of value” as defined by RCW 9.46.0285. As long as those prospective measures remain implemented in the Applications as described, Settlement Class Members are estopped from contending that virtual chips in the Applications are “things of value” under current Washington law or that aspects of the Applications at issue in these cases render the Applications deceptive or unfair under Washington law.

### **4. NOTICE**

**4.1. Class List.** To effectuate the Notice Plan, within thirty (30) calendar days of the execution of this Settlement Agreement:

(a) Defendants shall provide the Class Counsel and the Settlement Administrator all Settlement Class Member contact information reasonably available to Defendants, including names, emails addresses, and mailing addresses. To the extent reasonably

1 available to Defendants, for each Player ID with a Lifetime Spending Amount greater than zero,  
2 Defendants shall further provide the Player ID's Lifetime Spending Amount.

3 (b) Defendants and Class Counsel shall each provide the Settlement  
4 Administrator the information reflected in any opt-out letters received by either of them before  
5 the date of the execution of this Settlement Agreement.

6 (c) Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall cooperate to work with the  
7 Platform Providers to obtain all contact information in the Platform Providers' possession,  
8 including all names, AppIDs/UserIDs/PlayerIDs, phone numbers, email addresses, and mailing  
9 addresses, of all persons in the Settlement Class with a Lifetime Spending Amount greater than  
10 zero.

11 (d) Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall cooperate to work with the  
12 Platform Providers to obtain all Lifetime Spending Amounts greater than zero for each  
13 AppId/UserId/PlayerId associated with a Settlement Class Member whose contact information is  
14 obtained pursuant to Section 4.1(c).

15 (e) Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall provide all information  
16 obtained through Sections 4.1(c)-(d) to the Settlement Administrator.

17 (f) The Settlement Administrator will use the information obtained through  
18 Sections 4.1(a)-(e) to create the "Class List." The Settlement Administrator shall keep the Class  
19 List and all personal information obtained therefrom, including the identity, mailing, and e-mail  
20 addresses of all persons, strictly confidential. To prepare the Class List for potential Settlement  
21 Payments, the Settlement Administrator will (1) *first*, attach to each unique and identifiable  
22 person all of his/her associated Applications accounts (*e.g.*, by Player IDs, UserIDs, and/or  
23 AppIDs); (2) *second*, use Claim Forms to supplement, amend, verify, adjust, and audit the  
24 foregoing data, as necessary; (3) *third*, calculate the total Lifetime Spending Amount for each  
25 unique and identifiable person; and (4) *fourth*, categorize each unique and identifiable person  
26 according to the appropriate Lifetime Spending Amount levels identified in the Plan of  
27 Allocation. The Class List may not be used by the Settlement Administrator for any purpose

1 other than advising specific individual Settlement Class Members of their rights, distributing  
2 Settlement Payments, and otherwise effectuating the terms of the Settlement Agreement or the  
3 duties arising thereunder, including the provision of Notice of the Settlement.

4 **4.2. Notice Plan.** The Notice Plan shall consist of the following:

5 (a) *Direct Notice via Email and/or U.S. Mail.* No later than the Notice Date,  
6 the Settlement Administrator shall send Notice via email substantially in the form attached as  
7 Exhibit B, along with an electronic link to the Claim Form, to all Settlement Class Members for  
8 whom a valid email address is available in the Class List. In the event transmission of email  
9 notice results in any “bounce-backs,” the Settlement Administrator shall, where reasonable: (i)  
10 correct any issues that may have caused the “bounce-back” to occur and make a second attempt  
11 to re-send the email notice, and (ii) send Notice substantially in the form attached as Exhibit C  
12 via First Class U.S. Mail provided an associated U.S. Mail address is contained in the Class List.  
13 The Settlement Administrator shall also send Notice substantially in the form attached as Exhibit  
14 C via First Class U.S. Mail to all Settlement Class Members with a Lifetime Spending Amount  
15 greater than \$100.00 provided an associated U.S. Mail address is contained in the Class List.

16 (b) *Update Addresses.* Prior to mailing any Notice, the Settlement  
17 Administrator will update the U.S. mail addresses of persons on the Class List using the National  
18 Change of Address database and other available resources deemed suitable by the Settlement  
19 Administrator. The Settlement Administrator shall take all reasonable steps to obtain the correct  
20 address of any Settlement Class members for whom Notice is returned by the U.S. Postal Service  
21 as undeliverable and shall attempt re-mailings.

22 (c) *Reminder Notice.* Thirty (30) days prior to the Claims Deadline and seven  
23 (7) days prior to the Claims Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall again send Notice via  
24 email along with an electronic link to the Claim Form, to all Settlement Class Members for  
25 whom a valid email address is available in the Class List. The reminder emails shall be  
26 substantially in the form of Exhibit B, with minor, non-material modifications to indicate that it  
27 is a reminder email rather than an initial notice.

1 (d) *Settlement Website*. Within seven (7) days after Preliminary Approval,  
2 Notice shall be provided on a website at [www.scientificgamesettlement.com](http://www.scientificgamesettlement.com), which shall be  
3 administered and maintained by the Settlement Administrator and shall include the ability to file  
4 Claim Forms online. The Notice provided on the Settlement Website shall be substantially in the  
5 form of Exhibit D hereto. The Settlement Website shall also advise the Settlement Class of the  
6 total value of the Settlement Fund and provide Settlement Class Members the ability to  
7 approximate their Settlement Payment.

8 (e) *Digital Publication Notice*. The Settlement Administrator will supplement  
9 the direct notice program with a digital publication notice program that will deliver more than  
10 ten million (10,000,000) impressions to likely Settlement Class Members. The digital publication  
11 notice campaign will be targeted, to the extent reasonably possible, to the state of Washington,  
12 will run for at least one month, and will contain active hyperlinks to the Settlement Website. The  
13 final digital notice advertisements, and the overall digital publication notice program to be used,  
14 shall be subject to the final approval of Defendants, which approval shall not be unreasonably  
15 withheld.

16 (f) *CAFA Notice*. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1715, not later than ten (10) days  
17 after the Agreement is filed with the Court, Defendants shall cause the Settlement Administrator  
18 to cause to be served upon the Attorney General of the United States and all appropriate State  
19 officials notice of the proposed settlement as required by law.

20 (g) *Contact from Class Counsel*. Class Counsel, in their capacity as counsel to  
21 Settlement Class Members, may from time to time contact Settlement Class Members to provide  
22 information about the Settlement Agreement and to answer any questions Settlement Class  
23 Members may have about the Settlement Agreement.

24 **4.3.** The Notice shall advise the Settlement Class of their rights under the Settlement,  
25 including the right to be excluded from or object to the Settlement or its terms. The Notice shall  
26 specify that any objection to the Settlement Agreement, and any papers submitted in support of  
27 said objection, shall be considered by the Court at the Final Approval Hearing only if, on or

1 before the Objection/Exclusion Deadline approved by the Court and specified in the Notice, the  
2 Class Member making the objection files notice of an intention to do so and at the same time  
3 files copies of such papers he or she proposes to be submitted at the Final Approval Hearing. An  
4 unrepresented Class Member may submit such papers to the Clerk of the Court or, if the Clerk of  
5 the Court will not permit manual filings due to COVID-19 related restrictions, through the  
6 Court's CM/ECF system. A Class Member represented by counsel *must* timely file any objection  
7 through the Court's CM/ECF system.

8       **4.4. Right to Object or Comment.** Any Settlement Class Member who intends to  
9 object to this Settlement must present the objection in writing, which must be personally signed  
10 by the objector and must include: (i) any App ID(s), Player IDs, or User IDs; (ii) any email  
11 address(es) associated with the use of the Applications, (iii) current contact telephone number,  
12 U.S. Mail address, and email address, (iv) the specific grounds for the objection, (v) all  
13 documents or writings that the Settlement Class Member desires the Court to consider, (vi) the  
14 name and contact information of any and all attorneys representing, advising, or in any way  
15 assisting the objector in connection with the preparation or submission of the objection or who  
16 may profit from the pursuit of the objection, and (vii) a statement indicating whether the objector  
17 intends to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either personally or through counsel, who must  
18 file an appearance or seek *pro hac vice* admission). All written objections must be filed with or  
19 otherwise received by the Court, and e-mailed or delivered to Class Counsel and Defendants'  
20 Counsel, no later than the Objection/Exclusion Deadline. Any Settlement Class Member who  
21 fails to timely file or submit a written objection with the Court and notice of his or her intent to  
22 appear at the Final Approval Hearing in accordance with the terms of this Section and as detailed  
23 in the Notice, and at the same time provide copies to designated counsel for the Parties, shall not  
24 be permitted to object to this Settlement Agreement or appear at the Final Approval Hearing, and  
25 shall be foreclosed from seeking any review of this Settlement by appeal or other means and  
26 shall be deemed to have waived his or her objections and be forever barred from making any  
27 such objections in the Action or any other action or proceeding.

1           **4.5. Right to Request Exclusion.** Any Settlement Class Member may request to be  
2 excluded from the Settlement Class by sending a written request that is received on or before the  
3 Objection/Exclusion Deadline approved by the Court and specified in the Notice. To exercise the  
4 right to be excluded, a person in the Settlement Class must timely send a written request for  
5 exclusion to the Settlement Administrator that (i) provides his/her name, (ii) identifies the case  
6 name, “*Donna Reed v. Scientific Games Corp.*, No. 18-cv-00565 (W.D. Wash),” or in some  
7 substantially similar, reasonably identifiable fashion, (iii) states the individual’s App ID, Player  
8 ID, or User ID, and email addresses associated with the Applications, (iv) states the individual’s  
9 current contact telephone number, U.S. Mail address, and email address, (v) is physically signed  
10 by the individual seeking exclusion, and (vi) contains a statement to the effect that “I/We hereby  
11 request to be excluded from the proposed Settlement Class.” The Settlement Administrator shall  
12 create a dedicated e-mail address to receive exclusion requests electronically. A request for  
13 exclusion that does not include all of the foregoing information, that is sent to an address other  
14 than that designated in the Notice, or that is not received within the time specified shall be  
15 invalid, and the individual serving such a request shall be deemed to remain a Settlement Class  
16 Member and shall be bound as a Settlement Class Member by this Settlement Agreement, if  
17 approved by the Court. Any person who timely and properly elects to request exclusion from the  
18 Settlement Class shall not (i) be bound by any orders or Final Judgment entered in the Action,  
19 (ii) be entitled to relief under this Agreement, (iii) gain any rights by virtue of this Agreement, or  
20 (iv) be entitled to object to any aspect of this Agreement. No person may request to be excluded  
21 from the Settlement Class through “mass” or “class” opt-outs.

22           **5. CLAIMS PROCESS AND SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION**

23           **5.1.** The Settlement Administrator shall, under the supervision of the Court, administer  
24 the relief provided by this Settlement Agreement by processing Claim Forms in a rational,  
25 responsive, cost effective, and timely manner. The Settlement Administrator shall maintain  
26 reasonably detailed records of its activities under this Agreement. The Settlement Administrator  
27 shall maintain all such records as are required by applicable law in accordance with its normal



business practices and such records will be made available to Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel upon request. The Settlement Administrator shall also provide reports and other information to the Court as the Court may require. The Settlement Administrator shall provide Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel with information concerning Notice, administration, and implementation of the Settlement Agreement. Should the Court request, the Parties shall submit a timely report to the Court summarizing the work performed by the Settlement Administrator, including a post-distribution accounting of all amounts from the Settlement Fund paid to Settlement Class Members, the number and value of checks not cashed, the number and value of electronic payments unprocessed, and the amount distributed to any *cy pres* recipient. Without limiting the foregoing, the Settlement Administrator shall:

(a) Receive requests to be excluded from the Settlement Class and promptly provide Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel copies thereof. If the Settlement Administrator receives any exclusion forms after the Objection/Exclusion Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall promptly provide copies thereof to Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel;

(b) Provide weekly reports to Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel regarding the number of Claim Forms received, the amount of the Settlement Payments associated with those Claim Forms, and the categorization and description of Claim Forms rejected, in whole or in part, by the Settlement Administrator; and

(c) Make available for inspection by Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel the Claim Forms received by the Settlement Administrator at any time upon reasonable notice.

**5.2.** The Settlement Administrator shall distribute Settlement Payments according to the provisions enumerated in Section 2.1.

**5.3.** The Settlement Administrator shall be obliged to employ reasonable procedures to screen claims for abuse or fraud and deny Claim Forms where there is evidence of abuse or fraud, including by cross-referencing Approved Claims with the Class List. The Settlement Administrator shall determine whether a Claim Form submitted by a Settlement Class Member is an Approved Claim and shall reject Claim Forms that fail to (a) comply with the instructions on



1 the Claim Form or the terms of this Agreement, or (b) provide full and complete information as  
2 requested on the Claim Form. In the event a person submits a timely Claim Form by the Claims  
3 Deadline but the Claim Form is not otherwise complete, then the Settlement Administrator shall  
4 give such person reasonable opportunity to provide any requested missing information, which  
5 information must be received by the Settlement Administrator no later than twenty-eight (28)  
6 calendar days after the Claims Deadline. In the event the Settlement Administrator receives such  
7 information more than twenty-eight (28) calendar days after the Claims Deadline, then any such  
8 claim shall be denied. The Settlement Administrator may contact any person who has submitted  
9 a Claim Form to obtain additional information necessary to verify the Claim Form.

10 **5.4.** Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall both have the right to challenge the  
11 Settlement Administrator's acceptance or rejection of any particular Claim Form *or* the amount  
12 proposed to be paid on account of any particular Settlement Class Member's claim. The  
13 Settlement Administrator shall follow any joint decisions of Class Counsel and Defendants'  
14 Counsel as to the validity of any disputed claim. Where Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel  
15 disagree, the dispute shall be submitted to Niki Mendoza of Phillips ADR. In addition, Ms.  
16 Mendoza shall be responsible for all Final Claims Determinations, meaning she shall:

17 **5.4.1.** Determine and work with the Settlement Administrators to implement a process  
18 by which each claimant shall be informed of the Settlement Administrators' initial  
19 determination as to claimant's claim validity and Lifetime Spending Amount, and  
20 that the claimant has the right within twenty-one (21) calendar days of receipt of  
21 that notice to challenge that initial determination;

22 **5.4.2.** Determine and work with the Settlement Administrators, Class Counsel, and  
23 Defendants' Counsel to implement a process by which any claimant shall be able to  
24 challenge the Settlement Administrators' initial determination as to claim validity  
25 (including any late claims) and Lifetime Spending Amount,

26 **5.4.3.** Allow, as to any challenges to the Settlement Administrators' initial  
27 determination as to claim validity or amount, the Settlement Administrators to first

1 confer with the claimant to explain the determination in an effort to resolve the  
2 challenge;

3 **5.4.4.** With respect to any unresolved challenges, finally resolve any challenges to the  
4 Settlement Administrators' initial determinations as to claim validity or Lifetime  
5 Spending Amount,

6 **5.4.5.** To the extent deemed appropriate and necessary by Ms. Mendoza, retain one or  
7 more claims administration consultants to review the Settlement Administrators'  
8 models and programming for accuracy and to suggest any necessary corrections  
9 which will, in the first instance be reviewed by Class Counsel, and then if any issues  
10 as to the models and programming remains, be recommended to Ms. Mendoza, who  
11 has the non-appealable final binding decision-making authority;

12 **5.4.6.** Finally determine the amount of each valid claim, consistent with the Plan of  
13 Allocation; and

14 **5.4.7.** Determine whether any portion of the Settlement Fund should be held back as  
15 reserve funds to address any unforeseen circumstances within the claims processes,  
16 and if so, work with the Settlement Administrators to implement the distribution of  
17 the reserve funds to Class Members with Approved Claims;

18 **5.4.8.** For the avoidance of doubt, Ms. Mendoza shall have no authority to increase the  
19 size of the Settlement Fund, to seek or order additional discovery from Defendants,  
20 or to otherwise impact and Defendants' liability or other obligations under the  
21 Settlement Agreement.

22 **5.4.9.** Ms. Mendoza's regular hourly rates, as well as the regular hourly rates of any  
23 Phillips ADR staff Ms. Mendoza may choose to assist with the Final Claims  
24 Determinations, along with any authorized consultants retained as deemed  
25 appropriate in Ms. Mendoza's discretion, shall be paid from the Settlement Funds.  
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1     **6.     PRELIMINARY APPROVAL ORDER AND FINAL APPROVAL ORDER**

2             **6.1.**     Promptly after execution of this Agreement, Class Counsel shall move the Court  
3 to enter an order preliminarily approving the Settlement, and attach this Agreement as an exhibit  
4 to the motion. The proposed preliminary approval order shall include, among other provisions, a  
5 request that the Court:

6                     (a)     Appoint Plaintiff Donna Reed and Laura Perkinson as Class  
7 Representatives of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only;

8                     (b)     Appoint Class Counsel to represent the Settlement Class for settlement  
9 purposes only;

10                    (c)     Preliminarily certify the Settlement Class under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 for  
11 settlement purposes only;

12                    (d)     Preliminarily approve this Agreement for purposes of disseminating  
13 Notice to the Settlement Class;

14                    (e)     approve the form and contents of the Notice and the method of its  
15 dissemination to the Settlement Class; and

16                    (f)     schedule a Final Approval Hearing to review comments and/or objections  
17 regarding the Settlement; to consider its fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy; to consider the  
18 application for any Fee Award and incentive award(s) to the Class Representative(s); and to  
19 consider whether the Court shall issue a Final Judgment approving this Agreement and  
20 dismissing the Action with prejudice.

21             **6.2.     Final Approval Order.** After Notice is given, and no earlier than twenty-one (21)  
22 days following the Claims Deadline, Class Counsel shall move the Court for final approval and  
23 entry of a Final Judgment, which shall include, among other a provisions, a request that the  
24 Court:

25                    (a)     find that the Court has personal jurisdiction over all Settlement Class  
26 Members and Defendants for settlement purposes only and that the Court has subject matter  
27 jurisdiction to approve the Settlement Agreement, including all exhibits thereto;

1 (b) approve the Settlement Agreement and the proposed settlement as fair,  
2 reasonable, and adequate as to, and in the best interests of, the Settlement Class Members; direct  
3 the Parties and their counsel to implement and consummate the Settlement Agreement according  
4 to its terms and provisions; and declare the Settlement Agreement to be binding on, and have res  
5 judicata and preclusive effect in all pending and future lawsuits or other proceedings maintained  
6 by or on behalf of, Plaintiff and the Releasing Parties with respect to the Released Claims;

7 (c) find that the Notice implemented pursuant to the Agreement (i) constitutes  
8 the best practicable notice under the circumstances; (ii) constitutes notice that is reasonably  
9 calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the  
10 Action, their right to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class,  
11 and to appear at the Final Approval Hearing; (iii) is reasonable and constitutes due, adequate,  
12 and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice; and (iv) meets all applicable  
13 requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Due Process Clause of the United  
14 States Constitution, and the rules of the Court;

15 (d) find that the Class Representative(s) and Class Counsel adequately  
16 represent the Settlement Class for purposes of entering into and implementing the Settlement  
17 Agreement;

18 (e) dismiss the Action (including all individual claims and class claims  
19 presented thereby) on the merits and with prejudice, without fees or costs to any party except as  
20 provided in the Settlement Agreement;

21 (f) incorporate the Releases set forth above, make the Releases effective as of  
22 the Effective Date, and forever discharge the Released Parties from the Released Claims as set  
23 forth herein;

24 (g) permanently bar and enjoin all Settlement Class Members who have not  
25 properly sought exclusion from the Settlement Class from filing, commencing, prosecuting,  
26 intervening in, or participating (as class members or otherwise) in, any lawsuit or other action in  
27 any jurisdiction based on the Released Claims; and

1 (h) without affecting the finality of the Final Judgment for purposes of appeal,  
2 retain jurisdiction as to all matters relating to administration, consummation, enforcement, and  
3 interpretation of the Settlement Agreement and the Final Judgment, and for any other necessary  
4 purpose.

5 **6.3.** The Parties shall, in good faith, cooperate, assist and undertake all reasonable  
6 actions and steps in order to accomplish these required events on the schedule set by the Court,  
7 subject to the terms of this Settlement Agreement.

8 **7. TERMINATION AND CONFIRMATORY DISCOVERY**

9 **7.1.** If the amount of the Base Payment Amounts, as defined in the Plan of Allocation,  
10 of persons in the Settlement Class who request exclusion exceeds 5% of the Settlement Fund,  
11 then Defendants may notify the other parties in writing that they have elected to terminate this  
12 Settlement Agreement (“Termination Notice”). Such Termination Notice must be provided  
13 within ten (10) calendar days of the *earlier* of: (1) the date the Parties receive a final tabulation  
14 from the Settlement Administrator of the claims, objections, and requests for exclusion timely  
15 received by the Claims Deadline and the Objection/Exclusion Deadline, or (2) the date the  
16 Parties agree in good faith that they have received sufficient evidence from the Settlement  
17 Administrator to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that no thresholds for a Section 7.1 or  
18 Section 7.2 Termination Notice have been or will be met. For example, if the Settlement  
19 Administrator—after the Claims Deadline—notifies the Parties that there were no objections and  
20 just a single opt-out associated with \$1 of Total Lifetime Spending, that evidence would be  
21 sufficient to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that no thresholds for a Section 7.1 or Section  
22 7.2 Termination Notice have been or will be met. If this Settlement Agreement is terminated, it  
23 will be deemed null and void ab initio.

24 **7.2.** Defendants additionally shall each have the right, but not the obligation, to  
25 terminate the settlement agreement if more than 2% of the members of the Settlement Class or  
26 more than 3% of the revenue associated with the Settlement Class exclude themselves from the  
27 settlement. Notification of intent to terminate the Settlement Agreement must be provided within

ten (10) calendar days of the *earlier* of: (1) the date the Parties receive a final tabulation from the Settlement Administrator of the claims, objections, and requests for exclusion timely received by the Claims Deadline and the Objection/Exclusion Deadline, or (2) the date the Parties agree in good faith they have received sufficient evidence from the Settlement Administrator to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that no thresholds for a Section 7.1 or Section 7.2 Termination Notice have been or will be met. For example, if the Settlement Administrator—after the Claims Deadline—notifies the Parties that there were no objections and just a single opt-out associated with \$1 of Total Lifetime Spending, that evidence would be sufficient to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that no thresholds for a Section 7.1 or Section 7.2 Termination Notice have been or will be met. If this Settlement Agreement is terminated, it will be deemed null and void ab initio.

**7.3.** Subject to Sections 9.1-9.3 below, the Parties to this Settlement Agreement shall additionally have the right to terminate this Agreement by providing a Termination Notice to all other Parties hereto within twenty-one (21) calendar days of any of the following events: (i) the Court's refusal to grant Preliminary Approval of this Agreement; (ii) the Court's refusal to enter the Final Judgment in the Action; (iii) the date upon which the Final Judgment is modified or reversed in any material respect by the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court; or (iv) the date upon which an Alternative Judgment, as defined in Section 9.1(d) of this Agreement, is modified or reversed in any material respect by the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court.

**7.4. Confirmatory Discovery.** Defendants have represented that the Washington-based in-Application (i.e., Jackpot Party Casino, Gold Fish Casino, Quick Hit Slots, 88 Fortunes Slots, Hot Shot Casino, and Monopoly Slots) revenues for the time period from April 17, 2014, through and including September 30, 2021 are less than or equal to \$94,652,512. Simultaneous with the execution of this Agreement, Defendants have provided a declaration, from a person with sufficient knowledge, of Defendants' best estimate of the amount of revenue for that period. In the event that the declaration shows that revenues for this period exceed \$94,652,512 by more than one percent (1%), the Parties further agree that they shall execute an amended settlement

1 agreement that adjusts the amount of the Settlement Fund proportionately to the increase in  
2 revenue to account for the error.

3 **8. INCENTIVE AWARD(S) AND CLASS COUNSEL'S ATTORNEYS' FEES AND**  
4 **REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES**

5 **8.1. The Fee Award.** Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(h), Defendants agree that Class  
6 Counsel shall be entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs out of the  
7 Settlement Fund in an amount determined by the Court as the Fee Award. Without the Parties  
8 having discussed the issue of the amount of attorneys' fees at any point in their negotiations, and  
9 with no consideration given or received, Class Counsel will limit its petition for attorneys' fees  
10 to no more than thirty percent (30%) of the Settlement Fund, plus reimbursement of expenses.  
11 Defendants may challenge the amount requested. Payment of any Fee Award shall be made from  
12 the Settlement Fund, and should Class Counsel seek or be awarded less than this amount, the  
13 difference in the amount sought and/or the amount ultimately awarded pursuant to this paragraph  
14 shall remain in the Settlement Fund for distribution to eligible Settlement Class Members.

15 **8.2.** The Fee Award shall be payable from the Settlement Fund within fourteen (14)  
16 business days after entry of the Court's Final Judgment, subject to Class Counsel executing the  
17 Undertaking Regarding Attorneys' Fees and Costs (the "Undertaking"), attached hereto as  
18 Exhibit F. Payment of the Fee Award shall be made by wire transfer to Class Counsel in  
19 accordance with wire instructions to be provided to the Escrow Account agent, after completion  
20 of necessary forms, including but not limited to W-9 forms. Additionally, should any party to the  
21 Undertaking dissolve, merge, declare bankruptcy, become insolvent, or cease to exist prior to the  
22 final payment to Settlement Class Members, that party shall execute a new undertaking  
23 guaranteeing repayment of funds within fourteen (14) days of such an occurrence. All  
24 obligations set forth in this paragraph shall expire upon the Effective Date.

25 **8.3. Incentive Award(s).** Class Counsel intend to file a motion for Court approval of  
26 incentive award(s) to the Class Representative(s), to be paid from the Settlement Fund, in  
27 addition to any funds the Class Representative(s) stand(s) to otherwise receive from the



1 Settlement. With no consideration having been given or received for these limitations, Donna  
2 Reed will seek no more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) as an incentive award, and no other  
3 Class Representative will seek more than two-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$2,500) as an  
4 incentive award. Any award shall be paid by the Settlement Administrator from the Escrow  
5 Account (in the form of a check to the Class Representative that is sent care of Class Counsel)  
6 within five (5) business days after entry of the Final Judgment if there have been no objections to  
7 the Settlement Agreement and, if there have been such objections, within five (5) business days  
8 after the Effective Date. Defendants reserve their right to challenge any incentive award petition.

9 **9. CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT, EFFECT OF DISAPPROVAL,**  
10 **CANCELLATION, OR TERMINATION**

11 **9.1.** Consistent with Section 1.13, the Effective Date shall not occur unless and until  
12 each of the following events occurs and shall be the date upon which the last (in time) of the  
13 following events occurs:

14 (a) The Parties have executed this Agreement;  
15 (b) The Court has granted Preliminary Approval;  
16 (c) The Court has entered an order finally approving the Agreement,  
17 following Notice to the Settlement Class and a Final Approval Hearing, as provided in the  
18 Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and has entered the Final Judgment, or a judgment consistent  
19 with this Agreement in all material respects, and such Final Judgment or other judgment  
20 consistent with this Agreement in all material respects has become final and non-appealable;  
21 (d) Defendants have funded the Settlement Fund; and  
22 (e) The Final Judgment has become final and unappealable, or in the event  
23 that the Court enters an order and final judgment in a form other than that provided above  
24 (“Alternative Judgment”), and that has the approval of the Parties, such Alternative Judgment  
25 becomes final and unappealable.

26 **9.2.** If some or all of the conditions specified in Section 9.1 are not met, or in the event  
27 that this Agreement is not approved by the Court, or the settlement set forth in this Agreement is



1 terminated or fails to become effective in accordance with its terms, then this Settlement  
2 Agreement shall be canceled and terminated subject to Sections 7.1 through 7.3 unless Class  
3 Counsel and Defendants' Counsel mutually agree in writing to proceed with this Agreement. If  
4 any Party is in material breach of the terms hereof, any other Party, provided that it is in  
5 substantial compliance with the terms of this Agreement, may terminate this Agreement on  
6 notice to all of the Parties. Notwithstanding anything herein, the Parties agree that the Court's  
7 failure to approve, in whole or in part, the attorneys' fees payment to Class Counsel and/or  
8 incentive awards to the Class Representative(s) set forth in Section 8 above shall not prevent the  
9 Agreement from becoming effective, nor shall it be grounds for termination.

10 **9.3.** If this Settlement Agreement is terminated or fails to become effective for the  
11 reasons set forth above, the Parties shall be restored to their respective positions as of the date of  
12 the signing of this Agreement. In such event, any Final Judgment or other order entered by the  
13 Court in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be treated as vacated, nunc pro tunc,  
14 and the Parties shall be returned to the status quo ante as if this Settlement Agreement had never  
15 been entered into.

16 **9.4.** In the event the Settlement is terminated or fails to become effective for any  
17 reason, the Settlement Fund, together with any earnings thereon at the same rate as earned by the  
18 Settlement Fund, less any taxes paid or due, less Settlement Administrative Expenses actually  
19 incurred and paid or payable from the Settlement Fund, shall be returned to Defendants within  
20 thirty (30) calendar days after written notification of such event in accordance with instructions  
21 provided by Defendants' Counsel to Class Counsel and the Settlement Administrator. At the  
22 request of Defendants' Counsel, the Settlement Administrator or their designees shall apply for  
23 any tax refund owed on the amounts in the Settlement Fund and pay the proceeds, after any  
24 deduction of any fees or expenses incurred in connection with such application(s), of such refund  
25 to Defendants or as otherwise directed.

26 **10. CONFIDENTIALITY AND PUBLIC STATEMENTS**  
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1           **10.1.** Except as otherwise agreed by Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel in writing  
2 and/or as required by legal disclosure obligations, all terms of this Agreement will remain  
3 confidential and subject to Rule 408 of the Federal Rules of Evidence until presented to the  
4 Court along with Plaintiff's motion for preliminary approval.

5           **11. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

6           **11.1.** The Parties (a) acknowledge that it is their intent to consummate this Settlement  
7 Agreement; and (b) agree, subject to their fiduciary and other legal obligations, to cooperate to  
8 the extent reasonably necessary to effectuate and implement all terms and conditions of this  
9 Agreement, to exercise their reasonable best efforts to accomplish the foregoing terms and  
10 conditions of this Agreement, to secure final approval, and to defend the Final Judgment through  
11 any and all appeals. Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel agree to cooperate with one another  
12 in seeking Preliminary Approval, and entry of the Final Judgment, and promptly to agree upon  
13 and execute all such other documentation as may be reasonably required to obtain final approval  
14 of the Agreement.

15           **11.2.** The Parties intend this Settlement Agreement to be a final and complete  
16 resolution of all disputes between them with respect to the Released Claims by the Class  
17 Representatives, the Settlement Class Members, and each or any of them, on the one hand,  
18 against the Released Parties, and each or any of the Released Parties, on the other hand.  
19 Accordingly, the Parties agree not to assert in any forum that the Action was brought by Plaintiff  
20 or defended by Defendants in bad faith or without a reasonable basis.

21           **11.3.** Each signatory to this Agreement and warrants (a) that he, she, or it has all  
22 requisite power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Settlement Agreement and to  
23 consummate the transactions contemplated herein, (b) that the execution, delivery and  
24 performance of this Settlement Agreement and the consummation by it of the actions  
25 contemplated herein have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of  
26 each signatory, and (c) that this Settlement Agreement has been duly and validly executed and  
27 delivered by each signatory and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation.

1           **11.4.** The Parties have relied upon the advice and representation of counsel, selected by  
2 them, concerning the claims hereby released. The Parties have read and understand fully this  
3 Settlement Agreement and have been fully advised as to the legal effect hereof by counsel of  
4 their own selection and intend to be legally bound by the same.

5           **11.5.** Whether or not the Effective Date occurs or the Settlement Agreement is  
6 terminated, neither this Agreement nor the settlement contained herein, nor any act performed or  
7 document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of this Agreement or the settlement:

8                   (a) is, may be deemed, or shall be used, offered or received against the  
9 Released Parties, or each or any of them, as an admission, concession or evidence of, the validity  
10 of any Released Claims, the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiff, the deficiency of any defense  
11 that has been or could have been asserted in the Action, the violation of any law or statute, the  
12 reasonableness of the settlement amount or the Fee Award, or of any alleged wrongdoing,  
13 liability, negligence, or fault of the Released Parties, or any of them;

14                   (b) is, may be deemed, or shall be used, offered or received against  
15 Defendants as an admission, concession or evidence of any fault, misrepresentation or omission  
16 with respect to any statement or written document approved or made by the Released Parties, or  
17 any of them;

18                   (c) is, may be deemed, or shall be used, offered or received against the  
19 Released Parties, or each or any of them, as an admission or concession with respect to any  
20 liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing as against any Released Parties, in any civil, criminal  
21 or administrative proceeding in any court, administrative agency or other tribunal. However, the  
22 settlement, this Agreement, and any acts performed and/or documents executed in furtherance of  
23 or pursuant to this Agreement and/or Settlement may be used in any proceedings as may be  
24 necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Agreement. Further, if this Settlement Agreement is  
25 approved by the Court, any Party or any of the Released Parties may file this Agreement and/or  
26 the Final Judgment in any action that may be brought against such Party or Parties in order to  
27 support a defense or counterclaim based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release,

1 good faith settlement, judgment bar or reduction, or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue  
2 preclusion or similar defense or counterclaim;

3 (d) is, may be deemed, or shall be construed against Plaintiff, the Settlement  
4 Class, the Releasing Parties, or each or any of them, or against the Released Parties, or each or  
5 any of them, as an admission or concession that the consideration to be given hereunder  
6 represents an amount equal to, less than or greater than that amount that could have or would  
7 have been recovered after trial; and

8 (e) is, may be deemed, or shall be construed as or received in evidence as an  
9 admission or concession against Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, the Releasing Parties, or each  
10 and any of them, or against the Released Parties, or each or any of them, that any of Plaintiff's  
11 claims are with or without merit or that damages recoverable in the Action would have exceeded  
12 or would have been less than any particular amount.

13 **11.6.** The Parties acknowledge and agree that any Party may request that the Court  
14 appoint a Settlement Special Master. Each Party explicitly reserves the right to oppose any such  
15 request. Any fees earned or costs incurred by any such Settlement Special Master shall be paid  
16 exclusively from the Settlement Fund.

17 **11.7.** The Parties acknowledge and agree that no opinion concerning the tax  
18 consequences of the proposed Settlement to Settlement Class Members is given or will be given  
19 by the Parties, nor are any representations or warranties in this regard made by virtue of this  
20 Settlement Agreement. Each Settlement Class Member's tax obligations, and the determination  
21 thereof, are the sole responsibility of the Settlement Class Member, and it is understood that the  
22 tax consequences may vary depending on the particular circumstances of each individual  
23 Settlement Class Member.

24 **11.8.** The headings used herein are used for the purpose of convenience only and are  
25 not meant to have legal effect.

1           **11.9.** The waiver by one Party of any breach of this Settlement Agreement by any other  
2 Party shall not be deemed as a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breaches of this  
3 Settlement Agreement.

4           **11.10.** All of the exhibits to this Settlement Agreement are material and integral parts  
5 hereof and are fully incorporated herein by reference.

6           **11.11.** This Settlement Agreement and its exhibits set forth the entire agreement and  
7 understanding of the Parties with respect to the matters set forth herein, and supersede all prior  
8 negotiations, agreements, arrangements and undertakings with respect to the matters set forth  
9 herein. No representations, warranties or inducements have been made to any party concerning  
10 this Settlement Agreement or its exhibits other than the representations, warranties and  
11 covenants contained and memorialized in such documents. This Settlement Agreement may be  
12 amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by or on behalf of all Parties or their  
13 respective successors-in-interest.

14           **11.12.** Except as otherwise provided herein, each Party shall bear its own attorneys' fees  
15 and costs incurred in any way related to the Action.

16           **11.13.** Plaintiff represents and warrants that she has not assigned any claim or right or  
17 interest relating to any of the Released Claims against the Released Parties to any other person or  
18 party and that she is fully entitled to release the same.

19           **11.14.** Each person executing this Settlement Agreement, any of its Exhibits, or any  
20 related settlement documents on behalf of any Party hereto, hereby warrants and represents that  
21 such person has the full authority to do so and has the authority to take appropriate action  
22 required or permitted to be taken pursuant to the Settlement Agreement to effectuate its terms.

23           **11.15.** This Settlement Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts. All  
24 executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument.  
25 Signature by digital, facsimile, or in PDF format will constitute sufficient execution of this  
26 Settlement Agreement. A complete set of original executed counterparts shall be filed with the  
27 Court if the Court so requests.

1           **11.16.** The Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to implementation and  
2 enforcement of the terms of this Settlement Agreement, and all Parties hereto submit to the  
3 jurisdiction of the Court for purposes of implementing and enforcing the settlement embodied in  
4 this Settlement Agreement.

5           **11.17.** This Settlement Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance  
6 with the laws of the State of Washington without reference to the conflicts of laws provisions  
7 thereof.

8           **11.18.** This Settlement Agreement is deemed to have been prepared by counsel for all  
9 Parties, as a result of arm's-length negotiations among the Parties. Whereas all Parties have  
10 contributed substantially and materially to the preparation of this Settlement Agreement, no  
11 Party is entitled to have this Settlement Agreement construed against any other Party on the basis  
12 of such Party's capacity as drafter of any provision of this Settlement Agreement.

13           **11.19.** Where this Settlement Agreement requires notice to the Parties, such notice shall  
14 be sent to the following counsel. For Plaintiff: Todd Logan, Edelson PC, 150 California Street,  
15 18th Floor, San Francisco, California 94111. For Defendant: Adam Hoeflich, Bartlit Beck LLP,  
16 54 West Hubbard Street, Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60654.

17           **11.20.** All time periods and dates described in this Agreement are subject to the Court's  
18 approval. These time periods and dates may be changed by the Court or by the Parties' written  
19 agreement without notice to the Settlement Class. The Parties reserve the right, subject to the  
20 Court's approval, to make any reasonable extensions of time that might be necessary to carry out  
21 any provision of this Agreement.

22           **11.21.** Defendants shall be given an opportunity to review and provide comments to  
23 Plaintiff's preliminary and final approval briefs, and Plaintiff shall consider in good faith all such  
24 comments.

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26                           **[SIGNATURES BEGIN ON FOLLOWING PAGE]**  
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**CHRISTOPHER EBERSOLE, LUKE**  
**WHITNEY, and PRINCE ALLAH**  
**BEAUTIFUL, individually and on**  
**behalf of all others similarly situated,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**v.**

**SCIPLAY CORPORATION and**  
**SCIPLAY GAMES, LLC,**

**Defendants.**

**Case No. 33-CV-2025-900003.00**

**AFFIDAVIT OF WESLEY W. BARNETT**

1. My name is Wesley W. Barnett. I am over the age of nineteen and competent to state the testimony below.

2. I am a partner with Davis & Norris, LLP. I have approximately twenty one years of experience practicing law. I have personally handled a wide range of large and complex cases including environmental, personal injury, consumer protection, mass actions, mass arbitrations, and class actions.

3. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a firm resume for Davis & Norris, LLP outlining the qualifications and experience of the firm and attorneys. The firm resume is an accurate depiction of relevant experiences.



4. I have personally been involved in investigating, researching, drafting, planning, briefing, negotiating, mediating, and communicating with clients in relation to the broad litigation involving Sciplay.

5. Through my contact with Class Representatives, Timothy Sornberger, Donovan Roberts, Matthew Spinkle, Hope Murnaghan, Luke Whitney, Prince Imanifest Allah Beautiful, and Christopher Ebersole, I have personal knowledge of their involvement in the matter. Each has participated extensively in helping to investigate the applications and how they work as well as determining what locations the applications were involved in. Each has remained in communication and up-to-date about the matters in which they were involved.

6. I personally made the Class Representatives aware of their duties and responsibilities in representing the class, and they readily and willingly agreed to be Class Representatives. Class Representatives all have the same claims as all other class members in this case, and have no interest adverse to the class.

7. Class Representatives were all made aware of the terms of the Settlement, agreed to the Settlement, and believe that the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate, and that it is in the best interest of the entire class.

8. The litigation involving Sciplay began as far back as 2022 when Class Counsel began filing arbitrations and lawsuits against the Defendants alleging that Defendants' applications are illegal gambling and that players can recover losses

under Alabama, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, and Tennessee law.

Those matters included:

- a. Sornberger v. SciPlay Corp., No. 3:23-cv-01284-CLS (N.D. Ala.)
- b. Roberts v. SciPlay Corp., AAA Case No. 01-23-0003-3236
- c. Fuqua v. SciPlay Corp., No. 4:24-cv-89-DJH (W.D. Ky.)
- d. Murnaghan v. SciPlay Corp., AAA Case No. 01-23-0003-3235
- e. Allah Beautiful v. SciPlay Corp., AAA Case No. 01-22-0005-2886
- f. Sprinkle v. SciPlay Corp., AAA Case No. 01-22-0005-2145
- g. Ebersole v. SciPlay Corp., AAA Case No. 01-23-0003-3234
- h. Ewing v. SciPlay Corp., 4:23-cv-00060 (CLC) (SKL) (E.D. Tenn.)

9. The arbitrations and lawsuits have been through extensive litigation involving motions to dismiss, motions to compel arbitration, removals, motions to remand, petitions for permission to appeal, arbitration hearings, and similar legal fights.

10. Beginning in mid to late 2024, the parties began to discuss the potential for a global resolution of the matters. We eventually decided to elicit the assistance of the mediator, Dana Welch of Welch ADR and the American Arbitration Association.

11. Dana Welch is a well-respected arbitrator and mediator throughout California where she resides and throughout the country. Ms. Welch was able to use her extensive experience, knowledge, and training to assist the parties in ultimately, after the mediation session had ended, reaching a resolution.

12. The mediation with Ms. Welch occurred on September 27, 2024 via video conference. All counsel participated. In addition to the mediation session

itself, Counsel for both parties had numerous phone conversations with the mediator and with opposing counsel, including before and after the September 27 mediation.

13. The parties reached agreement on the broad terms of a settlement and signed a term sheet on September 30, 2024. The parties ultimately signed a fulsome settlement agreement was on January 6, 2025.

14. Once settled, Plaintiffs filed the present case on January 9, 2025, in order to effectuate the settlement.

15. The parties filed a notice of settlement and moved to stay all responsive deadlines in the matter on January 17, 2025. On the same day, the Court ordered expedited subpoenas to be issued, stayed all deadlines, and entered a protective order.

16. Since January, I have been issuing subpoenas, domesticating subpoenas, and negotiating with counsel for each subpoenaed party to obtain information necessary to provide notice of the settlement to class members. The subpoenaed parties include platform entities such as Google, Apple, Amazon, Facebook, and Microsoft. The process was highly complicated, dealt with numerous hurdles that were different for each entity, extremely time consuming for the entities and their IT departments, and in some cases required reissuance and re-domestication of subpoenas. A majority of the information was finally obtained or produced by July 20, 2025. The lone exception was Microsoft which, despite

extensive time and effort, was unable to locate contact information for a small percentage of class members (approximately one tenth of one percent of class members). The parties have agreed to have the Settlement Administrator publish notice for Class Members who used Microsoft's platform and do not have an email address or mailing address in the Class List.

17. Based upon data reviewed during the course of this matter, I believe the class will consist of hundreds of thousands of members.

18. After interviewing several potential administrators, the parties have chosen to use EisnerAmper, a nationally recognized accounting, audit, and tax firm. See EisnerAmper resume attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

8/5/2025

Date

Kashy W. Burnett

Affiant

STATE OF ALABAMA )  
COUNTY OF Jefferson )

Before me, Janet Denise Haynes, a Notary Public in and for said county in said State, personally appeared Affiant, who being first duly sworn, makes oath that they have read the foregoing Affidavit and knows the contents thereof, and that the facts alleged therein are true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025.

Janet Denise Haynes  
Notary Public  
(SEAL)

JANET DENISE HAYNES  
Notary Public, Alabama State at Large  
My Commission Expires April 5, 2028

## EXHIBIT 1

Davis & Norris, LLP was formed in 2003 when its two founding partners, D. Frank Davis and John E. Norris, left their long-time employment with a large defense law firm setting out to even the playing field for the average American. Wesley W. Barnett who joined the firm in 2008 became a partner in 2020. Dargan M. Ware, a senior associate with the firm joined in 2014. Davis & Norris, LLP has helped tens of thousands seek justice in a variety of complex legal matters.

Founding partner, D. Frank Davis, has been practicing for over forty years. During that time, he has devoted a substantial portion of his practice to class action and mass tort litigation. He has represented both plaintiffs and defendants in countless class actions. He has both settled and tried class actions. Mr. Davis is a member of the Alabama and Tennessee bars and is currently admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court, the Fifth and Eleventh Circuit Courts of Appeals, and each federal district court in Alabama. He has been admitted, at one time or another, on a pro hac vice basis, in federal and state courts in most of the states in the Country.

Prior to forming Davis & Norris, LLP, Mr. Davis participated in numerous class action and mass tort cases where he was either lead counsel or co-lead counsel including:

- a) Williams v. America Online, Inc.: Lead counsel for the defendant in a national consumer class action over purported false statements about a service.
- b) Leonard v. National Rent-A-Car: Lead counsel for the defendant in a national consumer class action involving purported false statements about a service.
- c) Hammack v. Quaker State Corporation: Lead counsel for the plaintiffs in a case of purported false statements about a product. The case of consumers was certified as a national class action and concluded with a multi-million dollar settlement.
- d) Singleton v. Splitfire, Inc.: Lead counsel for the Plaintiffs. The case involved purported false statements about a product. It was certified as a national consumer class action and concluded with a multi-million dollar settlement.
- e) Wilson v. Dahberg: Lead counsel for the Plaintiffs. The case concerned alleged false statements about a product. It was certified as a national consumer class action and concluded with a multi-million dollar settlement.
- f) Dyer v. Monsanto, et al.: Lead counsel for plaintiff property owners in a class action for damages arising from the pollution of a lake by PCBs. The case settled for \$43 million.
- g) Tolbert v. Monsanto, et al.: Co-lead counsel for approximately 18,000 plaintiffs for damages to persons and property from PCBs manufactured by Defendant. The case combined cases settled for more than \$600 million.
- h) Aaron v. Chicago Housing Authority, et al.: Mr. Norris and Mr. Davis handled this plaintiff class action until they left their prior firm in January of 2003. The case settled shortly thereafter for a multi-million dollar number.

In addition to these actions Mr. Davis has been counsel in dozens and dozens of other class actions. Some of them were of historic importance such as Swint v. Pullman Standard, and Hayes v. Republic Steel.



Founding partner, John E. Norris, has been practicing law for over 29 years. He has devoted a substantial portion of his practice to class actions. Mr. Norris has represented parties in a significant number of class action cases resulting in important decisions on class action law, including *Pettway v. American Cast Iron Pipe Co.*, *Cox v. USX*, and *Beavers v. American Cast Iron Pipe Co.* Mr. Norris is a member of the bars of the State of Alabama, the State of Tennessee, the United States Supreme Court, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, and all of the United States District Courts in Alabama. Mr. Norris has additionally been admitted on a pro hac vice basis in numerous state and federal courts throughout the Country. Johnny Norris is a veteran trial and appellate lawyer and a founding partner of Davis & Norris. He was one of the co-lead counsel in *Tolbert v Monsanto*, an environmental case involving thousands of personal injury and property damage claims. The 2004 settlement in that case was the largest toxic tort settlement in history. Mr. Norris has handled numerous class and other complex cases throughout the country. His experience as a partner in a large regional defense law firm gives him valuable insight into the perspective of large companies.

An Alabama native, Mr. Norris graduated magna cum laude from Birmingham-Southern College in 1988, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He was on the Managing Board of the Alabama Law Review at the University of Alabama School of Law, from which he graduated in 1991. Before practicing law he clerked for the late Judge William M. Acker, Jr. of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama.

Wesley W. Barnett is a partner in the firm. Mr. Barnett joined the firm in 2008 from a firm that handled numerous complex legal matters such as mass torts, toxic torts, products liability, and Multi-District Litigation throughout the Country. At his former firm, Mr. Barnett worked on the *In re: Ephedra Products Liability Litigation*, MDL-2071 in the Southern District of New York. Mr. Barnett also worked on large toxic tort matters such as the infamous PCB litigation in Anniston, Alabama in *Tolbert v. Monsanto*, and chemical spill litigation against Chevron in Lake Charles, Louisiana. Mr. Barnett has handled all aspects of complex litigation from inception through trial, and even appeal in his 21 years of practice. While with Davis & Norris, LLP, Mr. Barnett was principally responsible for the firm's involvement as non-settling plaintiff's counsel in the confirmatory discovery for *In re: In re: Hyundai and Kia Fuel Economy Litigation*, MDL-2424. Mr. Barnett has participated in the trial of multiple-million-dollar federal jury cases to more than two hundred individual consumer arbitration cases, and everything in between. Mr. Barnett is licensed in or has practiced in Alabama, all federal courts within Alabama, Washington DC, Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, Connecticut District Court, District Court for the Northern District of New York, and numerous other courts on a pro hac vice basis. Mr. Barnett is also in the process of being admitted to practice in Tennessee. Mr. Barnett is recognized as a Top 100 attorney by The National Trial Lawyers Association.

Dargan Ware is the principle researcher and brief writer for Davis & Norris. He graduated in the top 5% of his class at the University of Alabama School of Law and then

clerked for the Honorable L. Scott Coogler in the Northern District of Alabama. He has worked for Davis and Norris since 2014. Mr. Ware has been principally responsible for drafting motions and briefs filed in state and federal courts throughout the nation, including the Northern District of California. He has successfully handled numerous appeals in both state and federal appellate courts, including the Ninth Circuit. Mr. Ware is licensed to practice in Alabama and California as well as numerous other courts and jurisdictions throughout the United States either by admission or on a pro hac vice basis.

Since Davis & Norris, LLP was formed, counsel with the firm has handled numerous complex litigation such as class actions and mass cases including:

- a) The Vietnam Assoc. for Victims of Agent Orange/Dioxin, et al. v. Dow Chemical Co., et al.: Co-lead as counsel for a purported plaintiff class of between 2-4 million Vietnamese nationals and residents of Vietnam who suffered damages as a result of Dioxin exposure during the Vietnam War.
- b) Faught v. American Home Shield: Lead counsel in a nationwide consumer class action over claims handling. The case involved approximately 4.3 million consumers. The creative nationwide settlement in this case was affirmed by the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.
- c) Abney v. American Home Shield: Lead counsel in a nationwide consumer class action involving RESPA. This case settled on a nationwide basis.
- d) Barker v. Old Republic Home Protection Company: Lead counsel in a nationwide consumer class action.
- e) Green v. Bissell Homecare, and Boyd v. TTI Floorcare: Lead counsel with in a nationwide consumer class action involving misleading advertising in the sale of steam-vac carpet cleaners that in no way uses steam in its operation.
- f) Robinson, et al. v. T-Mobile USA: Lead counsel in an action related to T-Mobile's practice of reactivating own stolen or lost cell phones for use on its network.
- g) Veal v. Citrus World, Inc.: Lead counsel in a nationwide class action related to the marketing and sales practices of orange juice manufactured and sold by Citrus World, Inc. The case was transferred to an MDL and later resolved. Davis & Norris, LLP was appointed to the leadership structure of the Plaintiffs.
- h) Maturani v. Hyundai: A purported class action filed against Hyundai related to inflated miles per gallon claims. The case was transferred to an MDL where Davis & Norris, LLP participated with non-settling plaintiffs' counsel from across the Country in performing confirmatory discovery which lead to an eventual settlement. Davis & Norris, LLP was awarded a fee in the matter for its efforts in the case.
- i) Numerous cases alleging misleading or false "Made in the USA" claims against pet food manufacturers and vitamin manufactures. The cases settled on confidential bases.
- j) McWhorter v. Ocwen – Lead counsel on a class action case involving illegal fees charged to make payments on loans. The case settled for approximately \$9.7 million.
- k) Morandi v. Mr. Cooper - Potential class action now on interlocutory appeal to the 9<sup>th</sup> circuit, involving illegal fees to make payments on loans.

- l) Lemp v. Seterus - Potential class action currently awaiting class certification decision by the Eastern District of California, involving illegal fees to make payments on loans.
- m) Garcia v. Nationstar – Davis & Norris, LLP was co-lead counsel in a consumer class action related to fees charged while making payments on a mortgage. The case resulted in an approved class-wide settlement.
- n) Consumer TCPA and FDCPA – Davis & Norris, LLP represented approximately 4,000 consumers in litigation against a sub-prime auto lender for violations of the TCPA and FDCPA in federal court and in arbitrations. The complex legal matter extended over several years, and ultimately resulted in confidential settlements.
- o) McWhorter v. Ocwen: Mr. Davis, Mr. Norris, and Mr. Barnett were appointed as class counsel in a multi-million dollar nationwide settlement completed in 2017.
- p) Consumer Deceptive Trade Claims Against Windstream – Davis & Norris represented several thousand customers of Windstream bringing claims over substandard internet speeds in individual arbitrations. The cases resulted in numerous claimant verdicts until Respondent Windstream declared bankruptcy.
- q) Consumer Deceptive Trade Claims Against An Internet Service Provider – Davis & Norris, LLP represented several hundred claimants against an internet service provider for substandard internet speeds that resulted in a confidential settlements.
- r) Discrimination Claims Against An App Service Provider – Davis & Norris, LLP represented several hundred claimants in individual arbitrations under California’s Unruh Act related to discrimination in charges for the service. The matters resulted in confidential settlements.
- s) Consumer Deceptive Trade Claims Against Samsung Electronics America – Davis & Norris, LLP currently represents numerous claimants with claims against Samsung for misleading advertisements in individual arbitrations.
- t) Consumer Deceptive Trade Claims Against Intuit – Davis & Norris, LLP represents numerous claimants regarding Intuit’s conduct of misleadingly charging for tax return services that should have been provided for free. These matters are proceeding as individual consumer arbitrations.
- u) Consumer Magnuson Moss Claims Against a Home Service Warranty Provider – Davis & Norris, LLP represented numerous individuals with claims against a Home Service company that wrongly denied claims for repair. The matters resulted in confidential settlements.
- v) Mel Comes et al v. Harbor Freight Tools USA, Inc. – Davis & Norris is co-lead counsel in consolidated nationwide class actions in the United States District Court for the Central District of California related to recalled and defective automobile jack stands.
- w) Consumer Deceptive Trade Claims against Apple – Davis & Norris represents numerous claimants with deceptive trade claims related to Apple’s throttling update.
- x) In re: Vioxx Products Liability Litigation, MDL 1657 – Davis & Norris, LLP represented approximately 700 claimants in the MDL proceedings that resulted in a large dollar settlement.

Davis & Norris, LLP has been recognized by federal courts by appointment to leadership roles including as a member of the executive committee in an MDL in the United States District



Court for the Western District of Missouri against The Coca-Cola Company in In re: Simply Orange Orange Juice Marketing and Sales Practices Litigation, MDL-2361. Davis & Norris, LLP has also been involved as non-settling plaintiffs during confirmatory discovery in In re: Hyundai and Kia Fuel Economy Litigation, MDL-2424.

We are prepared to commit the necessary substantial resources in time, financing, and personnel to this case. We have repeatedly done so in similar cases.

# Class & Mass Action Settlement Administration

## Our Approach

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## Sample Case Experience\*



### Environmental/Toxic Torts

- In re: Oil Spill by the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" in the Gulf of Mexico (MDL 2179)
- Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFFF) Product Liability Litigation (MDL 2873) - Public Water System Settlement
- In re: FEMA Trailer Formaldehyde Products Liability Litigation (MDL 1873)
- Sanchez et al v. Texas Brine, LLC et al.
- Burmaster et al. v. Plaquemines Parish Government, et al.
- Cajuns for Clean Water, LLC et al. v. Cecilia Water Corporation, et al.
- Cooper, et al. v. Louisiana Department of Public Works
- Maturin v. Bayou Teche Water Works
- Chevron Richmond Refinery Fire Settlement
- Chapman et al. v. voestalpine Texas LLC, et al.



### Consumer

- Jones et al. v. Monsanto Co.
- Hadley, et al. v. Kellogg Sales Co.
- McMorrow, et al. v. Mondelez International, Inc
- Krommenhock, et al. v. Post Foods, LLC
- Hanson v. Welch Foods Inc.
- Siddle et al. v. The Duracell Co. et al.
- Copley, et al. v. Bactolac Pharmaceutical, Inc.
- Hughes et al. v. AutoZone Parts Inc. et al.
- Winters v. Two Towns Ciderhouse, Inc.
- Burford et al. v. Cargill, Incorporated
- Fabricant v. AmeriSave Mortgage Corp. (TCPA)
- Makaron v. Enagic USA, Inc. (TCPA)
- Prescod et al. v. Celsius Holdings, Inc.
- Gilmore v. Monsanto Co.



### Antitrust

- In re: Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) Antitrust Litigation (MDL 1917)<sup>4</sup>
- In re: Interior Molded Doors Antitrust Litigation (Indirect)



### Mass Torts

- In re: E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company C8 Personal Injury Litigation (MDL 2433)<sup>1</sup>
- In re: Testosterone Replacement Therapy Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2545)<sup>1</sup>
- In re: Paraquat Products Liability Litigation (MDL 3004)<sup>1</sup>
- In re: Paragard Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2974)
- In re: Roundup Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2741)<sup>2</sup>
- Essure Product Liability Settlement<sup>3</sup>
- Porter Ranch (JCCP 4861)



### Data Breach/Privacy

- Miracle-Pond, et al. v. Shutterfly
- Baldwin et al. v. National Western Life Insurance Co.
- Jackson-Battle, et al. v. Navicent Health, Inc.
- Bailey, et al. v. Grays Harbor County Public Hospital No. 2
- In re: Forefront Data Breach Litigation
- Easter et al. v. Sound Generations
- Rivera, et al. v. Google LLC
- Acaley v. Vimeo, Inc.



### Mass Arbitration

- T-Mobile
- Uber
- Postmates
- Instacart
- Intuit



### Other Notable Cases

- Brown, et al. v. State of New Jersey DOC (Civil Rights)
- Slade v. Progressive (Insurance)

*\*Work performed as Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC (P&N)*

*<sup>1</sup>Services provided in cooperation with the Court-Appointed Special Master*

*<sup>2</sup>Appointed As Common Benefit Trustee*

*<sup>3</sup>Inventory Settlement*

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# EAG Claims Administration Experience

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## SAMPLE JUDICIAL COMMENTS

- **Hezi v. Celsius Holdings, Inc.**, No. 1:21-CV-09892-VM (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Jennifer H. Rearden on April 5, 2023:

*The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure carried out by Claims Administrator Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") afforded adequate protections to Class Members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Class Members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process .*

- **Scott Gilmore et al. v. Monsanto Company, et al.**, No. 3:21-CV-8159 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Vince Chhabria on March 31, 2023:

*The Court finds that Class Notice has been disseminated to the Class in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order and the Notice Plan. The Court further finds that this provided the best notice to the Class practicable under the circumstances, fully satisfied due process, met the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and complied with all other applicable law.*

- **John Doe et al. v. Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital and KSB Medical Group, Inc.**, No. 2021L00026 (Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Illinois, Lee County), on March 28, 2023:

*The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.*

- **Sanders et al. v. Ibex Global Solutions, Inc. et al.**, No. 1:22-CV-00591 (D.D.C.), Judge Trevor N. McFadden on March 10, 2023:

*An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*

- **Vaccaro v. Super Care, Inc.,** No. 20STCV03833 (Cal. Superior Court), Judge David S. Cunningham on March 10, 2023:

*The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process.*

- **Gonshorowski v. Spencer Gifts, LLC,** No. ATL-L-000311-22 (N.J. Super. Ct.), Judge Danielle Walcoff on March 3, 2023:

*The Court finds that the Notice issued to the Settlement Class, as ordered in the Amended Preliminary Approval Order, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with New Jersey Court Rules 4:32-2(b)(2) and (e)(1)(B) and due process.*

- **Vaccaro v. Delta Drugs II, Inc.,** No. 20STCV28871 (Cal. Superior Court), Judge Elihu M. Berle on March 2, 2023:

*The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process.*

- **Pagan, et al. v. Faneuil, Inc.,** No. 3:22-CV-297 (E.D. Va), Judge Robert E. Payne on February 16, 2023:

*The Court finds that the Notice Program, set forth in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, was reasonably calculated to provide and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class of the pendency of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and their right to object and to appear at the final approval hearing or to exclude themselves from the Settlement Agreement, and satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and other applicable law.*



- **LaPrairie v. Presidio, Inc., et al.**, No. 1:21-CV-08795-JFK (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Andrew L. Carter, Jr. on December 12, 2022:

*The Court hereby fully, finally and unconditionally approves the Settlement embodied in the Settlement Agreement as being a fair, reasonable and adequate settlement and compromise of the claims asserted in the Action. The Class Members have been given proper and adequate notice of the Settlement, fairness hearing, Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees, and the service award to the Settlement Class Representative. An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*

- **Nelson v. Bansley & Kiener, LLP**, No. 2021-CH-06274 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Sophia H. Hall on November 30, 2022:

*The court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-801, et seq.*

- **Buck, et al. v. Northwest Commercial Real Estate Investments, LLC, et al.**, No. 21-2-03929-1-SEA (Superior Court King County, WA), Judge Douglass A. North on September 30, 2022:

*Pursuant to the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, Postcard Notice was distributed to the Class by First Class mail and Email Notice was distributed to all Class Members for whom the Settlement Administrator had a valid email address. The Court hereby finds and concludes that Postcard and Email Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement and in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. The Court further finds and concludes that the Postcard and Email Notice, and the distribution procedures set forth in the Settlement fully satisfy CR 23(c)(2) and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, provided an opportunity for the Class Members to object or exclude themselves from the Settlement, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class Members as contemplated in the Settlement and this Final Approval Order.*





- **Rivera, et al. v. Google LLC**, No. 2019-CH-00990 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Anna M. Loftus on September 28, 2022:

*Pursuant to this Court's Order granting preliminary approval of the Settlement, Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") served as Settlement Administrator. This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.*

*The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.*

- **Davonna James, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated v. CohnReznick LLP**, No. 1:21-cv-06544 (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Lewis J. Liman on September 21, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*

- **Patricia Davidson, et al. v. Healthgrades Operating Company, Inc.**, No. 21-cv-01250-RBJ (D. Colo), Judge R. Brooke Jackson on August 22, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*

- **Hosch et al. v. Drybar Holdings LLC**, No. 2021-CH-01976 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Pamela M. Meyerson on June 27, 2022:

*The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed*



*Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.*

- **Baldwin et al. v. National Western Life Insurance Company**, No. 2:21-cv-04066-WJE (W.D. MO), Judge Willie J. Epps, Jr. on June 16, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constituted the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Rule 23(c)(2).*

- **Chapman et al. v. voestalpine Texas Holding LLC**, No. 2:17-cv-174 (S.D. Tex.), Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos on June 15, 2022:

*The Class and Collective Notice provided pursuant to the Agreement and the Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement:*

- (a) *Constituted the best practicable notice, under the circumstances;*
- (b) *Constituted notice that was reasonably calculated to apprise the Class Members of the pendency of this lawsuit, their right to object or exclude themselves from the proposed settlement, and to appear at the Fairness Hearing;*
- (c) *Was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice; and*
- (d) *Met all applicable requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution because it stated in plain, easily understood language the nature of the action; the definition of the class certified; the class claims, issues, or defenses; that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires; that the court will exclude from the class any member who requests exclusion; the time and manner for requesting exclusion; and the binding effect of a class judgment on members under Rule 23(c)(3).*

- **Clopp et al. v. Pacific Market Research LLC**, No. 21-2-08738-4 (Superior Court King County, WA), Judge Kristin Richardson on May 27, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Washington Civil Rule 23(c)(2).*





- **Whitlock v. Christian Homes, Inc., et al**, No. 2020L6 (Circuit Court of Logan County, IL), Judge Jonathan Wright on May 6, 2022:

*The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.*

- **Hanson v. Welch Foods Inc.**, No. 3:20-cv-02011-JCS (N.D. Cal.), Judge Joseph C. Spero on April 15, 2022:

*The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 5 and 9 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan detailed in the Declaration of Brandon Schwartz filed on October 1, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).*

- **Dein v. Seattle City Light**, No. 19-2-21999-8 SEA (Superior Court King County, WA), Judge Kristin Richardson on April 15, 2022:

*The Court hereby finds and concludes that the notice was disseminated to Settlement Class Members in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement and in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. The Court further finds and concludes that the notice fully satisfies CR 23(c)(2) and the requirements of due process, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, and provided an opportunity for the Class Members to object to or exclude themselves from the Settlement.*

- **Frank v. Cannabis & Glass, LLC, et al**, No. 19-cv-00250 (E.D. Wash.), Judge Stanley A. Bastian on April 11, 2022:

*Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC, ("P&N"), the Settlement Administrator approved by the Court, completed the delivery of Class Notice according to the terms of the Agreement. The Class Text Message Notice given by the Settlement Administrator to the Settlement Class, which set forth the principal terms of the Agreement and other matters, was the best practicable notice under the circumstances, including*



*individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort.*

- **McMorrow, et al. v. Mondelez International, Inc.**, No. 17-cv-02327 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on April 8, 2022:

*Notice was administered nationwide and achieved an overwhelmingly positive outcome, surpassing estimates from the Claims Administrator both in the predicted reach of the notice (72.94% as compared to 70%) as well as in participation from the class (80% more claims submitted than expected). (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 14, ECF No. 206-1; Final App. Mot. 3.) Only 46 potential Class Members submitted exclusions (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 21), and only one submitted an objection—however the objection opposes the distribution of fees and costs rather than the settlement itself. (Obj. 3.) The Court agrees with Plaintiffs that the strong claims rate, single fee-related objection, and low opt-out rate weigh in favor of final approval.*

- **Daley, et al. v. Greystar Management Services LP, et al.**, No. 2:18-cv-00381 (E.D. Wash.), Judge Salvador Mendoz, Jr. on February 1, 2022:

*The Settlement Administrator completed the delivery of Class Notice according to the terms of the Agreement. The Class Notice given by the Settlement Administrator to the Settlement Class....was the best practicable notice under the circumstances. The Class Notice program....was reasonable and provided due and adequate notice of these proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the terms of the Agreement, to all parties entitled to such notice. The Class Notice given to the Settlement Class Members satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of constitutional due process. The Class Notice was reasonably calculated under the circumstances to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of this Action....*

- **Mansour, et al. v. Bumble Trading, Inc.**, No. RIC1810011 (Cal. Super.), Judge Sunshine Sykes on January 27, 2022:

*The Court finds that the Class Notice and the manner of its dissemination constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances and was reasonably calculated, under all the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Litigation, the terms of the Agreement, and their right to object to or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class. The Court finds that the notice was reasonable, that it constituted due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice, and that it met the requirements of due process, Rules of Court 3.766 and 3.769(f), and any other applicable laws.*



- ***Hadley, et al. v. Kellogg Sales Company***, No. 16-cv-04955 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Lucy H. Koh on November 23, 2021:

*The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan filed on March 10, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).*

- ***Miracle-Pond, et al. v. Shutterfly, Inc.***, No. 2019-CH-07050 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Raymond W. Mitchell on September 9, 2021:

*This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement. The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.*

- ***Jackson-Battle, et al. v. Navicent Health, Inc.***, No. 2020-CV-072287 (Ga Super.), Judge Jeffery O. Monroe on August 4, 2021:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A. §§ 9-11-23(c)(2).*

- ***In re: Interior Molded Doors Indirect Purchasers Antitrust Litigation***, No. 3:18-cv-00850 (E.D. Va.), Judge John A. Gibney on July 27, 2021:

*The notice given to the Settlement Class of the settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement and the other matters set forth herein was the best notice practicable*



*under the circumstances. Said notice provided due and adequate notice of the proceedings an of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement, to all persons and entities entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rules 23(c)(2) and 23(e) and the requirements of due process.*

- **Krommenhock, et al. v. Post Foods, LLC**, No. 16-cv-04958 (N.D. Cal.), Judge William H. Orrick on June 25, 2021:

*The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement and the Notice Plan filed on January 18, 2021 fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).*

- **Winters, et al. v. Two Towns Ciderhouse, Inc.**, No. 20-cv-00468 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on May 11, 2021:

*The settlement administrator, Postlethwaite and Netterville, APAC ("P&N") completed notice as directed by the Court in its Order Granting Preliminary Approval of the Class Action Settlement. (Decl. of Brandon Schwartz Re: Notice Plan Implementation and Settlement Administration ("Schwartz Decl.") ¶¶ 4–14, ECF No. 24-5.)...Thus, the Court finds the Notice complies with due process....With respect to the reaction of the class, it appears the class members' response has been overwhelmingly positive.*

- **Siddle, et al. v. The Duracell Company, et al.**, No. 4:19-cv-00568 (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato on April 19, 2021:

*The Court finds that the Class Notice and Claims Administration procedures set forth in the Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided due and sufficient individual notice to all persons in the Settlement Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Agreement and this Final Approval Order.*



- ***Fabricant v. Amerisave Mortgage Corporation***, No. 19-cv-04659-AB-AS (C.D. Cal.), Judge Andre Birotte, Jr. on November 25, 2020:

*The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of Fed. Rule Civ. Proc. 23, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Settlement Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process. No Settlement Class Members have objected to the terms of the Settlement.*

- ***Snyder, et al. v. U.S. Bank, N.A., et al.***, No. 1:16-CV-11675 (N.D. Ill), Judge Matthew F. Kennelly on June 18, 2020:

*The Court makes the following findings and conclusions regarding notice to the Settlement Class:*

*a. The Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order;*  
*b. The Class Notice: (i) constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances to potential Settlement Class Members, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Consolidated Litigation, their right to object or to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient individual notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) complied fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the United States Constitution, the Rules of this Court, and any other applicable law.*

- ***Edward Makaron et al. v. Enagic USA, Inc.***, No. 2:15-cv-05145 (C.D. Cal.), Judge Dean D. Pregerson on January 16, 2020:

*The Court makes the following findings and conclusions regarding notice to the Class:*

*a. The Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order;*  
*b. The Class Notice: (i) constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances to potential Class Members, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably*



*calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of the pendency of the Action, their right to object or to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient individual notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) complied fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the United States Constitution, the Rules of this Court, and any other applicable law.*

- **Kimberly Miller et al. v. P.S.C, Inc., d/b/a Puget Sound Collections**, No. 3:17-cv-05864 (W. D. Wash.), Judge Ronald B. Leighton on January 10, 2020:

*The Court finds that the notice given to Class Members pursuant to the terms of the Agreement fully and accurately informed Class Members of all material elements of the settlement and constituted valid, sufficient, and due notice to all Class Members. The notice fully complied with due process, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and all other applicable law.*

- **John Karpilovsky and Jimmie Criollo, Jr. et al. v. All Web Leads, Inc.**, No. 1:17-cv-01307 (N.D. Ill), Judge Harry D. Leinenweber on August 8, 2019:

*The Court hereby finds and concludes that Class Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement Agreement and that Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with this Court's Preliminary Approval Order.*

*The Court further finds and concludes that the Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement and this Order.*

- **Paul Story v. Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, LLC**, No. 2:14-cv-02422 (E.D. Cal.), Judge John A. Mendez on March 13, 2018:

*The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator delivered the Class Notice to the Class following the procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement; that the Class Notice and the procedures followed by the Settlement Administrator constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; and that the Class Notice and the procedures contemplated by the Settlement Agreement were in full compliance with the laws of the United States and the requirements of due process. These findings support final approval of the Settlement Agreement.*





- ***John Burford, et al. v. Cargill, Incorporated***, No. 05-0283 (W.D. La.), Judge S. Maurice Hicks, Jr. on November 8, 2012:

*Considering the aforementioned Declarations of Carpenter and Mire as well as the additional arguments made in the Joint Motion and during the Fairness Hearing, the Court finds that the notice procedures employed in this case satisfied all of the Rule 23 requirements and due process.*

- ***In RE: FEMA Trailer Formaldehyde Product Liability Litigation***, MDL No. 1873, (E.D La.), Judge Kurt D. Engelhardt on September 27, 2012:

*After completing the necessary rigorous analysis, including careful consideration of Mr. Henderson's Declaration and Mr. Balhoff's Declaration, along with the Declaration of Justin I. Woods, the Court finds that the first-class mail notice to the List of Potential Class Members (or to their attorneys, if known by the PSC), Publication Notice and distribution of the notice in accordance with the Settlement Notice Plan, the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and this Court's Preliminary Approval Order:*

- (a) constituted the best practicable notice to Class Members under the circumstances;*
- (b) provided Class Members with adequate instructions and a variety of means to obtain information pertaining to their rights and obligations under the settlement so that a full opportunity has been afforded to Class Members and all other persons wishing to be heard;*
- (c) was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of: (i) the pendency of this proposed class action settlement, (ii) their right to exclude themselves from the Class and the proposed settlement, (iii) their right to object to any aspect of the proposed settlement (including final certification of the settlement class, the fairness, reasonableness or adequacy of the proposed settlement, the adequacy of representation by Plaintiffs or the PSC, and/or the award of attorneys' fees), (iv) their right to appear at the Fairness Hearing - either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense - if they did not exclude themselves from the Class, and (v) the binding effect of the Preliminary Approval Order and Final Order and Judgment in this action, whether favorable or unfavorable, on all persons who do not timely request exclusion from the Class;*
- (d) was calculated to reach a large number of Class Members, and the prepared notice documents adequately informed Class Members of the class action, properly described their rights, and clearly conformed to the high standards for modern notice programs;*
- (e) focused on the effective communication of information about the class action. The notices prepared were couched in plain and easily understood language and were written and designed to the highest communication standards;*



- (f) afforded sufficient notice and time to Class Members to receive notice and decide whether to request exclusion or to object to the settlement.;*
- (g) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, effective, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice; and*
- (h) fully satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, including the Due Process Clause, and any other applicable law.*







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### SAMPLE JUDICIAL COMMENTS

- ***Brim v. Prestige Care Inc Data Breach***, Case No. 3:24-cv-05133-BHS (W.D. WA), Judge Benjamin H. Settle ruled on April 21, 2025:

*The Court finds that the dissemination of the Notice: (a) was implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of (i) the nature of the Action, (ii) the definition of the class certified, (iii) the class claims, issues, or defenses; (iv) that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires; (v) that the court will exclude from the class any member who timely requests exclusion; (vi) the time and manner for requesting exclusion; the binding effect of a class judgment on members under Rule 23(c)(3); (vii) Class Counsel's motion for a Fee Award and Expenses, (viii) Class Representatives' motion for Service Awards, (ix) their right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, Class Counsel's motion for a Fee Award and Expenses, and/or Class Representatives' motion for Service Awards; (d) constituted due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) was carried out as ordered by this Court's Preliminary Approval Order and satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 and the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and all other applicable law and rules.*

- ***Ictech-Bendeck, et al. v. Progressive Waste Solutions of LA, Inc., et al.***, Case No. 2:18-cv-7889 (E.D. La.), Judge Susie Morgan ruled on March 26, 2025:

*Notices given to Class Members and all other interested parties throughout this proceeding with respect to the certification of the Class, the proposed Settlement, and all related procedures and hearings, including, without limitation, the notices to putative Class Members and others, were reasonably calculated under all the circumstances and have been sufficient, as to form, content, and manner of dissemination, to apprise interested parties of the pendency of the action, the certification of the Class, the Settlement Agreement and its contents, the proof of claim process, Class Members' right to be represented by private counsel, at their own costs, and Class Members' right to appear in Court to have their objections heard, and to afford Class Members an opportunity to exclude themselves from the Class and to object to the Settlement Agreement. Such notices complied with all requirements of the federal and state constitutions, including the due process clauses, and Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constituted due and sufficient notice to all potential members of the Class as Defined[.]*

- **Milan, et al. v. Clif Bar and Company**, Case No. 1:18-cv-02354 (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato ruled on March 21, 2025:

*The distribution of the Class Notice pursuant to the Class Notice Program constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfies the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process.*

- **In Re: Hapy Bear Surgery Center Data Security Incident Litigation**, Case No. VCU307987 (Cal. Super. Ct.), Judge Gary Johnson ruled on March 3, 2025:

*The Court finds that Notice has been given to the Settlement Class in the manner directed by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order. The Court finds that such Notice: (i) was reasonable and constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, the terms of the Settlement including its Releases, their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class or object to all or any part of the Settlement, their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense), and the binding effect of final approval of the Settlement on all persons who do not exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; (iii) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons or entities entitled to receive notice; and (iv) fully satisfied the requirements of the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and any other applicable law.*

- **Tecku v. Yieldstreet, Inc.**, Case No. 1:20-cv-07327-VM-SDA (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Victor Marrero ruled on February 21, 2025:

*In accordance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, the Court hereby finds that the forms and methods of notifying the Settlement Class of the Settlement and its terms and conditions met the requirements of due process, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Section 21D(a)(7) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4(a)(7), as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995; constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; and constituted due and sufficient notice of these proceedings and the matters set forth herein, including the Settlement and Plan of Allocation, to all persons and entities entitled to such notice....The notice of the pendency and proposed Settlement of the Action given to the Settlement Class was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including the individual and direct notice by both U.S. mail and email to all Members of the Settlement Class based on contact information supplied by each member of the Settlement Class to Yieldstreet. Said notice provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances of those proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed Settlement set forth in the Stipulation, to all Persons entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process.*



- ***In re Kannact, Inc. Data Security Incident***, Case No. 6:23-cv-1132-AA (D. Or.), Judge Ann Aiken ruled on January 22, 2025:

*The Court finds that the distribution of the Notices has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and that the Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process. The fact that the Notices reached 86.59% of the Settlement Class indicates that the Notice program was successful and consistent with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.*

- ***Webb, et al. v. Injured Workers Pharmacy, LLC***, Case No. 1:22-cv-10797-RGS (D. Mass.), Judge Richard G. Stearns ruled on January 16, 2025:

*The Court finds that Notice has been given to the Settlement Class in the manner directed by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order. The Court finds that such Notice: (i) was reasonable and constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, the terms of the Settlement including its Releases, their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class or object to all or any part of the Settlement, their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense), and the binding effect of final approval of the Settlement on all persons who do not exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; (iii) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons or entities entitled to receive notice; and (iv) fully satisfied the requirements of the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and any other applicable law.*

- ***Tracey, et al. v. Elekta, Inc., et al.***, Case No. 1:21-cv-02851 (N.D. Ga.), Judge Steven D. Grimberg ruled on January 7, 2025:

*The distribution, form, and content of the Notice has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.*

- ***Meholic, et al. v. Seattle Arena Company***, Case No. 24-2-06283-1 (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Lindsey M. Teppner ruled on January 3, 2025:

*The Court finds that the Notice Program provided for in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order: (i) was the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated to provide, and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class regarding the existence and nature of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the rights of Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves from the settlement, to object and appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, and to receive benefits under the Settlement Agreement; and (iii) satisfied the requirements of the Washington Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and all other applicable law.*



- **Kandel, et al. v. Dr. Dennis Gross Skincare, LLC**, Case No. 1:23-cv-01967 (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Edgardo Ramos ruled on October 31, 2024:

*The Court finds that distribution of the Notice constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted valid, due, and sufficient notice to all members of the Settlement Class. The Court finds that such notice complies fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the Constitution of the United States, and any other applicable laws...The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure carried out by EAG Gulf Coast LLC afforded adequate protections to Settlement Class members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Settlement Class members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process.*

- **Ayala v. Commonwealth Health Physician Network, et al.**, Case No. 2023-cv-3008 (Lackawanna Cnty. Ct. Com. Pl.), Judge James A Gibbons ruled on October 29, 2024:

*The Court finds that the form, content, and method of giving notice to the Settlement Class, as described in the Settlement Agreement (including the exhibits thereto): (a) was the best practicable notice to the Settlement Class; (b) was reasonably calculated to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the action, the terms of the proposed settlement, and their rights under the proposed settlement, including but not limited to their rights to object to or exclude themselves from the proposed settlement and other rights under the terms of the Settlement Agreement; (c) was reasonable and constitute due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all Class Members and other persons entitled to receive notice; and (d) met all applicable requirements of law, including, but not limited to, Pennsylvania Rule of Civil Procedure 1712 and constitutional due process requirements.*

- **M.S. and D.H. v. Med-Data, Inc.**, Case 4:22-cv-00187 (S.D. Tex.), Judge Charles Eskridge ruled on September 11, 2024:

*On December 20, 2023, the Court appointed Settlement Administrator, Postlethwaite & Netterville ("P&N"), who properly and timely notified the appropriate state and federal officials of the Settlement Agreement, pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA"), 28 U.S.C. § 1715. The Court finds that the notice satisfied the requirements of CAFA and that more than ninety (90) days have elapsed since notice was provided, as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1715(d).*

*P&N executed the Notice Plan outlined in the Settlement Agreement and approved by the Court in its Preliminary Approval Order as meeting the requirements of due process and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23. The Notice Plan reached 86.92% of Settlement Class Members. The notices apprised the Settlement Class members of the pendency of the litigation; of all material elements of the proposed Settlement; of the res judicata effect on members of the class and of their opportunity to object to, comment on, or opt out of, the Settlement; of the identity of Class Counsel and*



*Class Counsel's contact information; and of the right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing. The Notice Plan prescribed by the Settlement Agreement provided due and adequate notice of these proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the terms of the Settlement Agreement, to all parties entitled to such notice.*

*The Notice Plan satisfied Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process, provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Settlement Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, provided an opportunity for Settlement Class Members to object or exclude themselves from the Settlement, and supports the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over Settlement Class Members as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Final Approval Order.*

- **McFadden, et al. v. Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper**, Case No. 1:20-cv-00166 (D.D.C), Judge Zia M. Faruqui ruled on April 25, 2024:

*The distribution and publication of notice of the settlement as provided for in this Court's Preliminary Approval Order of November 8, 2023, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including individual notice to Class Members. This notice fully satisfied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and due process.*

- **Andrade-Heymsfield v. NextFoods, Inc.**, Case No. 3:21-cv-1446 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Barry T. Moskowitz ruled on April 8, 2024:

*The Court previously approved the parties' proposed notice procedures. (ECF No. 56). In the motion for final approval, Plaintiff represents that the approved notice plan was executed. (ECF No. 59 at 9). "Notice was provided to Class Members via newspaper, a press release, and various digital means," including "display banner advertising, keyword search online advertising, and social media advertising through Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube, delivering over 120 million targeted impressions." (Id.)...In light of these actions and the Court's prior order granting preliminary approval, the Court finds that the parties have provided sufficient notice to the class members.*

- **Hymes v. Earl Enterprises Holdings**, Case No. 6:19-cv-00644 (M.D. Fla.), Judge A. James Craner ruled on February 20, 2024:

*The Court finds that the form content, and method of giving notice to the Settlement Class as described in Article VII of the Settlement Agreement (including the exhibits thereto): (a) was the best practicable notice to the Settlement Class; (b) was reasonably calculated to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the action, the terms of the proposed Settlement, and their rights under the proposed Settlement, including but not limited to their rights to object to or exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement and other rights under the terms of the Settlement Agreement; (c) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice*





to all Class Members and other persons entitled to receive notice; and (d) met all applicable requirements of law, including the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, and met the Due Process Clause(s) of the United States Constitution. The Court further finds that the Notice was written in plain language, used simple terminology, and was designed to be readily understandable by Class Members.

- **Tucker v. Marietta Area Health Care Inc.**, Case No. 2:22-cv-00184 (S.D. Ohio), Judge Sarah D. Morrison ruled on December 7, 2023:

*The Court's Preliminary Approval Order approved the Short Form Settlement Notice, Long Form Notice, and Claim Form, and found the mailing, distribution, and publishing of the various notices as proposed met the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process, and was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, constituting due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice. The roughly 6.2% claims rate supports a finding that the Notice Program was sufficient...The Court finds that the distribution of the Notices has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and that the Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.*

- **In re: Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) Antitrust Litigation (Indirect Purchasers)**, Case No. 4:07-cv-05944 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Jon S. Tigar ruled on November 6, 2023:

*The notice given to the Class of the Settlements set forth in the Settlement Agreement and other matters set forth therein was the best notice practicable under the circumstances. Said notice provided due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the Settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement, to all persons entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the requirements of due process, and all applicable state laws.*

- **Buck v. American General Life Insurance Company**, Case No. 1:17-cv-13278-CPO-EAP (D.N.J.), Judge Christine P. O'Hearn ruled on September 29, 2023:

*[T]he Court finds that the form and manner of the Class Notice, consisting of a Short Form Class Notice mailed out via postcard, Long Form Class Notice placed on the settlement website, and Publication Notice published in a newspaper of national circulation (USA Today), was accurate, objective, informative, and sufficiently provided Class Members with all of the information necessary to make an informed decision regarding their participation in the Settlement and its fairness, and, therefore, met the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 (including Rules 23(e)(1)(B) and 23(c)(2)(B)), due process, the Constitution of the United States, and all other applicable standards.*



- **Fabricant v. Top Flite Financial, Inc.**, Case No. 20STCV13837 (Cal. Super. Ct.), Judge Lawrence Riff ruled on August 28, 2023:

*The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process*

- **Easter v. Sound Generations**, Case No. 21-2-16953-4 (Wash. Super.), Judge James E. Rogers ruled on July 14, 2023:

*The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material terms of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of Civil Rule 23, applicable law, and the due process clauses of both the U.S. and Washington Constitutions.*

- **Hezi v. Celsius Holdings, Inc.**, No. 1:21-CV-09892-VM (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Jennifer H. Rearden on April 5, 2023:

*The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure carried out by Claims Administrator Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") afforded adequate protections to Class Members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Class Members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process.*

- **Scott Gilmore et al. v. Monsanto Company, et al.**, No. 3:21-CV-8159 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Vince Chhabria on March 31, 2023:

*The Court finds that Class Notice has been disseminated to the Class in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order and the Notice Plan. The Court further finds that this provided the best notice to the Class practicable under the circumstances, fully satisfied due process, met the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and complied with all other applicable law.*

- **John Doe et al. v. Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital and KSB Medical Group, Inc.**, No. 2021L00026 (Cir. Ct. 15th Jud. Cir., Lee Cnty., Ill.), on March 28, 2023:

*The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the*



*requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.*

- ***Sanders et al. v. Ibex Global Solutions, Inc. et al.***, No. 1:22-CV-00591 (D.D.C.), Judge Trevor N. McFadden on March 10, 2023:

*An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*

- ***Vaccaro v. Super Care, Inc.***, No. 20STCV03833 (Cal. Superior Court), Judge David S. Cunningham on March 10, 2023:

*The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process.*

- ***Gonshorowski v. Spencer Gifts, LLC***, No. ATL-L-000311-22 (N.J. Super. Ct.), Judge Danielle Walcoff on March 3, 2023:

*The Court finds that the Notice issued to the Settlement Class, as ordered in the Amended Preliminary Approval Order, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with New Jersey Court Rules 4:32-2(b)(2) and (e)(1)(B) and due process.*

- ***Vaccaro v. Delta Drugs II, Inc.***, No. 20STCV28871 (Cal. Superior Court), Judge Elihu M. Berle on March 2, 2023:

*The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process.*





- **Pagan, et al. v. Faneuil, Inc.**, No. 3:22-CV-297 (E.D. Va), Judge Robert E. Payne on February 16, 2023:

*The Court finds that the Notice Program, set forth in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, was reasonably calculated to provide and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class of the pendency of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and their right to object and to appear at the final approval hearing or to exclude themselves from the Settlement Agreement, and satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and other applicable law.*

- **LaPrairie v. Presidio, Inc., et al.**, No. 1:21-CV-08795-JFK (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Andrew L. Carter, Jr. on December 12, 2022:

*The Court hereby fully, finally and unconditionally approves the Settlement embodied in the Settlement Agreement as being a fair, reasonable and adequate settlement and compromise of the claims asserted in the Action. The Class Members have been given proper and adequate notice of the Settlement, fairness hearing, Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees, and the service award to the Settlement Class Representative. An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*

- **Nelson v. Bansley & Kiener, LLP**, No. 2021-CH-06274 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Sophia H. Hall on November 30, 2022:

*The court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-801, et seq.*

- **Buck, et al. v. Northwest Commercial Real Estate Investments, LLC, et al**, No. 21-2-03929-1-SEA (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Douglass A. North on September 30, 2022:

*Pursuant to the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, Postcard Notice was distributed to the Class by First Class mail and Email Notice was distributed to all Class Members for whom the Settlement Administrator had a valid email address. The Court hereby finds and concludes that Postcard and Email Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement and in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. The Court further finds and concludes that the Postcard and Email Notice, and the distribution procedures*



*set forth in the Settlement fully satisfy CR 23(c)(2) and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, provided an opportunity for the Class Members to object or exclude themselves from the Settlement, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class Members as contemplated in the Settlement and this Final Approval Order.*

- **Rivera, et al. v. Google LLC**, No. 2019-CH-00990 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Anna M. Loftus on September 28, 2022:

*Pursuant to this Court's Order granting preliminary approval of the Settlement, Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") served as Settlement Administrator. This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.*

*The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.*

- **Davonna James, et al. v. CohnReznick LLP**, No. 1:21-cv-06544 (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Lewis J. Liman on September 21, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*

- **Patricia Davidson, et al. v. Healthgrades Operating Company, Inc.**, No. 21-cv-01250-RBJ (D. Colo), Judge R. Brooke Jackson on August 22, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).*



- **Hosch et al. v. Drybar Holdings LLC**, No. 2021-CH-01976 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Pamela M. Meyerson on June 27, 2022:

*The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.*

- **Baldwin et al. v. National Western Life Insurance Company**, No. 2:21-cv-04066-WJE (W.D. MO), Judge Willie J. Epps, Jr. on June 16, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constituted the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Rule 23(c)(2).*

- **Chapman et al. v. voestalpine Texas Holding LLC**, No. 2:17-cv-174 (S.D. Tex.), Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos on June 15, 2022:

*The Class and Collective Notice provided pursuant to the Agreement and the Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement:*

- (a) *Constituted the best practicable notice, under the circumstances;*
  - (b) *Constituted notice that was reasonably calculated to apprise the Class Members of the pendency of this lawsuit, their right to object or exclude themselves from the proposed settlement, and to appear at the Fairness Hearing;*
  - (c) *Was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice; and*
  - (d) *Met all applicable requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution because it stated in plain, easily understood language the nature of the action; the definition of the class certified; the class claims, issues, or defenses; that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires; that the court will exclude from the class any member who requests exclusion; the time and manner for requesting exclusion; and the binding effect of a class judgment on members under Rule 23(c)(3).*
- **Clopp et al. v. Pacific Market Research LLC**, No. 21-2-08738-4 (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Kristin Richardson on May 27, 2022:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient*



notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Washington Civil Rule 23(c)(2).

- **Whitlock v. Christian Homes, Inc., et al**, No. 2020L6 (Circuit Court of Logan County, IL), Judge Jonathan Wright on May 6, 2022:

*The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.*

- **Hanson v. Welch Foods Inc.**, No. 3:20-cv-02011-JCS (N.D. Cal.), Judge Joseph C. Spero on April 15, 2022:

*The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 5 and 9 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan detailed in the Declaration of Brandon Schwartz filed on October 1, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).*

- **Dein v. Seattle City Light**, No. 19-2-21999-8 SEA (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Kristin Richardson on April 15, 2022:

*The Court hereby finds and concludes that the notice was disseminated to Settlement Class Members in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement and in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. The Court further finds and concludes that the notice fully satisfies CR 23(c)(2) and the requirements of due process, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, and provided an opportunity for the Class Members to object to or exclude themselves from the Settlement.*

- **Frank v. Cannabis & Glass, LLC, et al**, No. 19-cv-00250 (E.D. Wash.), Judge Stanley A. Bastian on April 11, 2022:

*Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC, ("P&N"), the Settlement Administrator approved by the Court, completed the delivery of Class Notice according to the terms of the Agreement. The Class Text Message Notice given by the Settlement Administrator to the Settlement Class, which set forth the principal terms of the Agreement and other matters, was the best practicable notice under the circumstances, including individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort.*



- **McMorrow, et al. v. Mondelez International, Inc.**, No. 17-cv-02327 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on April 8, 2022:

*Notice was administered nationwide and achieved an overwhelmingly positive outcome, surpassing estimates from the Claims Administrator both in the predicted reach of the notice (72.94% as compared to 70%) as well as in participation from the class (80% more claims submitted than expected). (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 14, ECF No. 206-1; Final App. Mot. 3.) Only 46 potential Class Members submitted exclusions (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 21), and only one submitted an objection—however the objection opposes the distribution of fees and costs rather than the settlement itself. (Obj. 3.) The Court agrees with Plaintiffs that the strong claims rate, single fee-related objection, and low opt-out rate weigh in favor of final approval.*

- **Daley, et al. v. Greystar Management Services LP, et al.**, No. 2:18-cv-00381 (E.D. Wash.), Judge Salvador Mendoz, Jr. on February 1, 2022:

*The Settlement Administrator completed the delivery of Class Notice according to the terms of the Agreement. The Class Notice given by the Settlement Administrator to the Settlement Class.... was the best practicable notice under the circumstances. The Class Notice program.... was reasonable and provided due and adequate notice of these proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the terms of the Agreement, to all parties entitled to such notice. The Class Notice given to the Settlement Class Members satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of constitutional due process. The Class Notice was reasonably calculated under the circumstances to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of this Action....*

- **Mansour, et al. v. Bumble Trading, Inc.**, No. RIC1810011 (Cal. Super.), Judge Sunshine Sykes on January 27, 2022:

*The Court finds that the Class Notice and the manner of its dissemination constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances and was reasonably calculated, under all the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Litigation, the terms of the Agreement, and their right to object to or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class. The Court finds that the notice was reasonable, that it constituted due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice, and that it met the requirements of due process, Rules of Court 3.766 and 3.769(f), and any other applicable laws.*

- **Hadley, et al. v. Kellogg Sales Company**, No. 16-cv-04955 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Lucy H. Koh on November 23, 2021:

*The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan filed on March 10, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice*





*to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).*

- **Miracle-Pond, et al. v. Shutterfly, Inc.**, No. 2019-CH-07050 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Raymond W. Mitchell on September 9, 2021:

*This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement. The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.*

- **Jackson-Battle, et al. v. Navicent Health, Inc.**, No. 2020-CV-072287 (Ga Super.), Judge Jeffery O. Monroe on August 4, 2021:

*The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A. §§ 9-11-23(c)(2).*

- **In re: Interior Molded Doors Indirect Purchasers Antitrust Litigation**, No. 3:18-cv-00850 (E.D. Va.), Judge John A. Gibney on July 27, 2021:

*The notice given to the Settlement Class of the settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement and the other matters set forth herein was the best notice practicable under the circumstances. Said notice provided due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement, to all persons and entities entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rules 23(c)(2) and 23(e) and the requirements of due process.*

- **Krommenhock, et al. v. Post Foods, LLC**, No. 16-cv-04958 (N.D. Cal.), Judge William H. Orrick on June 25, 2021:

*The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement and the Notice Plan filed on January 18, 2021 fully satisfy*



*Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).*

- **Winters, et al. v. Two Towns Ciderhouse, Inc.**, No. 20-cv-00468 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on May 11, 2021:

*The settlement administrator, Postlethwaite and Netterville, APAC ("P&N") completed notice as directed by the Court in its Order Granting Preliminary Approval of the Class Action Settlement. (Decl. of Brandon Schwartz Re: Notice Plan Implementation and Settlement Administration ("Schwartz Decl.") ¶¶ 4–14, ECF No. 24-5.)...Thus, the Court finds the Notice complies with due process.... With respect to the reaction of the class, it appears the class members' response has been overwhelmingly positive.*

- **Siddle, et al. v. The Duracell Company, et al.**, No. 4:19-cv-00568 (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato on April 19, 2021:

*The Court finds that the Class Notice and Claims Administration procedures set forth in the Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided due and sufficient individual notice to all persons in the Settlement Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Agreement and this Final Approval Order.*

- **Fabricant v. Amerisave Mortgage Corporation**, No. 19-cv-04659-AB-AS (C.D. Cal.), Judge Andre Birotte, Jr. on November 25, 2020:

*The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of Fed. Rule Civ. Proc. 23, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Settlement Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process. No Settlement Class Members have objected to the terms of the Settlement.*

- **Snyder, et al. v. U.S. Bank, N.A., et al.**, No. 1:16-CV-11675 (N.D. Ill), Judge Matthew F. Kennelly on June 18, 2020:

*The Court makes the following findings and conclusions regarding notice to the Settlement Class:*



- a. *The Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order;*
  - b. *The Class Notice: (i) constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances to potential Settlement Class Members, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Consolidated Litigation, their right to object or to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient individual notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) complied fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the United States Constitution, the Rules of this Court, and any other applicable law.*
- ***Edward Makaron et al. v. Enagic USA, Inc.***, No. 2:15-cv-05145 (C.D. Cal.), Judge Dean D. Pregerson on January 16, 2020:

*The Court makes the following findings and conclusions regarding notice to the Class:*

- a. *The Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order;*
    - b. *The Class Notice: (i) constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances to potential Class Members, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of the pendency of the Action, their right to object or to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient individual notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) complied fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the United States Constitution, the Rules of this Court, and any other applicable law.*
  - ***Kimberly Miller et al. v. P.S.C, Inc., d/b/a Puget Sound Collections***, No. 3:17-cv-05864 (W. D. Wash.), Judge Ronald B. Leighton on January 10, 2020:
- The Court finds that the notice given to Class Members pursuant to the terms of the Agreement fully and accurately informed Class Members of all material elements of the settlement and constituted valid, sufficient, and due notice to all Class Members. The notice fully complied with due process, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and all other applicable law.*
- ***John Karpilovsky and Jimmie Criollo, Jr. et al. v. All Web Leads, Inc.***, No. 1:17-cv-01307 (N.D. Ill), Judge Harry D. Leinenweber on August 8, 2019:

*The Court hereby finds and concludes that Class Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the*





*Settlement Agreement and that Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with this Court's Preliminary Approval Order.*

*The Court further finds and concludes that the Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement and this Order.*

- **Paul Story v. Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, LLC**, No. 2:14-cv-02422 (E.D. Cal.), Judge John A. Mendez on March 13, 2018:

*The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator delivered the Class Notice to the Class following the procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement; that the Class Notice and the procedures followed by the Settlement Administrator constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; and that the Class Notice and the procedures contemplated by the Settlement Agreement were in full compliance with the laws of the United States and the requirements of due process. These findings support final approval of the Settlement Agreement.*

- **John Burford, et al. v. Cargill, Incorporated**, No. 05-0283 (W.D. La.), Judge S. Maurice Hicks, Jr. on November 8, 2012:

*Considering the aforementioned Declarations of Carpenter and Mire as well as the additional arguments made in the Joint Motion and during the Fairness Hearing, the Court finds that the notice procedures employed in this case satisfied all of the Rule 23 requirements and due process.*

- **In RE: FEMA Trailer Formaldehyde Product Liability Litigation**, MDL No. 1873, (E.D. La.), Judge Kurt D. Engelhardt on September 27, 2012:

*After completing the necessary rigorous analysis, including careful consideration of Mr. Henderson's Declaration and Mr. Balhoff's Declaration, along with the Declaration of Justin I. Woods, the Court finds that the first-class mail notice to the List of Potential Class Members (or to their attorneys, if known by the PSC), Publication Notice and distribution of the notice in accordance with the Settlement Notice Plan, the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and this Court's Preliminary Approval Order:*

- (a) constituted the best practicable notice to Class Members under the circumstances;*
- (b) provided Class Members with adequate instructions and a variety of means to obtain information pertaining to their rights and obligations under the settlement so that a full opportunity has been afforded to Class Members and all other persons wishing to be heard;*



- (c) was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of: (i) the pendency of this proposed class action settlement, (ii) their right to exclude themselves from the Class and the proposed settlement, (iii) their right to object to any aspect of the proposed settlement (including final certification of the settlement class, the fairness, reasonableness or adequacy of the proposed settlement, the adequacy of representation by Plaintiffs or the PSC, and/or the award of attorneys' fees), (iv) their right to appear at the Fairness Hearing - either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense - if they did not exclude themselves from the Class, and (v) the binding effect of the Preliminary Approval Order and Final Order and Judgment in this action, whether favorable or unfavorable, on all persons who do not timely request exclusion from the Class;*
- (d) was calculated to reach a large number of Class Members, and the prepared notice documents adequately informed Class Members of the class action, properly described their rights, and clearly conformed to the high standards for modern notice programs;*
- (e) focused on the effective communication of information about the class action. The notices prepared were couched in plain and easily understood language and were written and designed to the highest communication standards;*
- (f) afforded sufficient notice and time to Class Members to receive notice and decide whether to request exclusion or to object to the settlement.;*
- (g) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, effective, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice; and*
- (h) fully satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, including the Due Process Clause, and any other applicable law.*





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**CHRISTOPHER EBERSOLE, LUKE**  
**WHITNEY, and PRINCE ALLAH**  
**BEAUTIFUL, individually and on**  
**behalf of all others similarly situated,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**v.**

**SCIPLAY CORPORATION and**  
**SCIPLAY GAMES, LLC,**

**Defendants.**

**Case No. 33-CV-2025-900003.00**

### AFFIDAVIT OF DANA WELCH, MEDIATOR

1. My name is Dana Welch. I am over the age of nineteen and competent to state the testimony below.

2. I am a full time arbitrator and mediator with Welch ADR. I have nearly forty years of experience both as a practicing attorney and later as a mediator and arbitrator. I have handled a wide variety of mediation matters including large and complex cases such as this matter.

3. I was hired as the mediator in this matter back in 2024. I received mediation statements on September 20, 2024, and held a full day mediation session

on September 27, 2024. In addition to the full day mediation, I held phone calls with both parties' counsel.

4. During my time as mediator in this matter I saw that this matter had a long multiyear contentious litigation history in multiple forums. The information provided to me evidenced a complete knowledge of the claims and defenses as well as all of the risks of continued litigation to both sides.

5. It is my opinion that the settlement in this matter was a product of bona fide arms-length negotiations, and clearly not a product of collusion in any way.

6. Based upon my knowledge and experience, it is my opinion that the settlement in this matter is fair, reasonable, and adequate.

Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Affiant

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

Before me, \_\_\_\_\_, a Notary Public in and for said county in said State, personally appeared Affiant, who being first duly sworn, makes oath that they have read the foregoing Affidavit and knows the contents thereof, and that the facts alleged therein are true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

SEE ATTACHED NOTARY

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Notary Public  
(SEAL) \_\_\_\_\_



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State of California )

County of Contra Costa )

On 07/29/2025 before me, Daniel Ka'koa Hiraga, Notary Public

Personally appeared. Dana Welch

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Signature [Signature]  
Signature of Notary Public

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