IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. CROIX 15 APR 21 P2:57

YUSUF YUSUF, derivatively on behalf of PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,

CASE # SX-13-CV-120

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION FOR DAMAGES

VS.

AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED, MUFEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED, and FIVE-H HOLDINGS, LLC.,

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO STRIKE DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT OR TO EXTEND TIME FOR FILING OF A RESPONSE

Defendants.

Plaintiff's Motion to Strike Defendants'

Motion for Summary Judgment or in the Alternate to Extend Time

PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,

-and-

for Filing of Response

Nominal Defendant.

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO STRIKE DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE TO EXTEND TIME FOR FILING OF RESPONSE

COMES NOW, Plaintiff Yusuf Yusuf ("Yusuf"), through counsel, and respectfully moves this honorable Court for an Order to Strike Defendants' April 1, 2015, Summary Judgment Motion, or in the alternative to extend time for filing a response. For the below reasons, Plaintiff Yusuf respectfully requests that this Motion be granted.

Background

1. Plaintiff Yusuf filed this derivative action in April 2013, because of Defendants Waleed and Mufeed Hamed's outright conversion of \$460,000 from Plessen Enterprises. The funds were used for Defendants' personal reasons, and without the knowledge or authorization of Plessen and/or Yusuf which iointly the family manages and owns Plessen. Yusuf v. Hamed, 13-CV-120 Motion to Strike Motion for Summary Judgment Or to Extend Time To File Response

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2. Plaintiff's suit not only seeks to make Plessen whole for the entire amount of \$460,000, but to also hold Defendant, Waleed Hamed for corporate misconduct, including removal as officer and Director of the Board. As such, this action is not only a damages action but also an action for injunctive and equitable relief.

The \$230,000 Check

- 3. Defendants desperately attempt to cast this case as a simple issue of refund, and filed their Summary Judgment motion arguing that there are no genuine issues of material fact because Defendants deposited half of the converted funds into the court's registry. It is well established that once a defendant converts funds, a refund is not a defense. At that point, a defendant is liable for not only actual damages, but also for an accounting of the funds, as well as punitive damages. Just like in a criminal case, a defendant cannot steal money and then return part of it back and then claim the return of the stolen money a defense to theft. The very fact that Defendants have deposited back only \$230,000 into the court's registry demonstrates their own admission to conversion of at least to that amount, liability for corporate misconduct, and duty to account for the use of these funds.
- 4. Defendants must be held accountable to Plaintiff for their misconduct, and the Court should permit the parties to continue discovery as ordered by this honorable court per its scheduling order on March 4th, 2014.
- 5. To date however discovery is incomplete as a result of Defendants' refusal to cooperate with Plaintiff's counsel, and Defendants' intentional failure to attend Plaintiff's duly noticed April 6th, 2015, depositions. See Exhibit A, Plaintiff's Motion to Show Cause Why Attorney Mark Eckard Should Not be Held in Contempt.
- 6. Because discovery is incomplete, and because Defendants intentionally violated this Court's scheduling order by unilaterally failing to appear for their duly noticed depositions (without court order), it is respectfully requested that Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment be stricken.

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7. In the alternative, Plaintiff requests that the court extend the time for filing of a response to Defendant's Summary Judgment Motion until after full discovery is completed.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Motion be granted. A proposed Order is attached.

Date: April 21, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

The DeWood Law Firm Attorney for Plaintiff

By:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that a true copy of the foregoing Motion (and attached Exhibit A), and Proposed Order were served upon the Defendant on this <u>21s</u>t day of April, 2015 at the below address and date via first class mail, return receipt requested.

Mark Eckard, Esquire P.O. Box 24849

Christiansted VI 00824

Email: mark@markeckard.com

Christina Joseph

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. CROIX APR -9 A8:31

YUSUF YUSUF, derivatively on behalf of PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,

CASE # SX-13-CV-120

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION FOR DAMAGES AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

VS.

PLAINTIFF'S MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF

WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED, MUFEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED, and

MOTION ORDER TO HOLD DEFENDANTS AND ATTORNEY

FIVE-H HOLDINGS, LLC.,

MARK ECKARD IN CONTEMPT

Defendants,

-and-

PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,

Nominal Defendant.

PLAINTIFF'S MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO HOLD DEFENDANTS AND THEIR COUNSEL MARK ECKARD IN CONTEMPT AND FOR SHOW CAUSE ORDER

I. INTRODUCTION

Defendants failed to appear for Plaintiff's deposition on April 6th, 2015, despite Plaintiff's duly noticed deposition, and despite this Court's March 4th, 2014, Scheduling Order (requiring completion of depositions by November 28th, 2014). Since November of 2014, Defendant's counsel Mark Eckard ("Eckard") has engaged in evasive and bad faith tactics and misrepresentations to delay and prevent Plaintiff Yusuf from deposing Defendants. Moreover, Attorney Eckard misled

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Plaintiff's counsel regarding Defendants' availability and intent to appear timely for Plaintiff's

depositions.

As will be shown here, Defendants counsel has violated this Court's Order and therefore should

be held in contempt.

II. ISSUES PRESENTED

1) Whether Attorney Mark Eckard Should Be Held In Contempt?

III. STATEMENT OF FACTS

The facts for purposes of this Motion are without dispute.

1. Plaintiff Yusuf Yusuf ("Yusuf") filed this derivative suit in April of 2013 after Defendants

Waleed Hamed and Mufeed Hamed stole \$460,000 from Plessen Enterprises, Inc., a corporation

owned and managed jointly by the Yusuf and Hamed families for the last 30 years. Defendants

then collectively used the stolen proceeds for various personal purposes to the detriment of

PLESSEN.

2. The Verified Complaint seeks not only a full accounting of the \$460,000, but to also hold

Defendant Waleed Hamed liable for violating his fiduciary duties as a director and officer of

Defendant PLESSEN. As such, this case is not merely about money, but also seeks to remove

Defendant Waleed Hamed as director and Vice-President for breach of his fiduciary duties to

PLESSEN and its shareholders.

3. The Court entered a Scheduling Order on March 4th, 2014, setting various discovery deadlines.

The Scheduling Order called for the completion of deposition fact witnesses by November 28th,

2014. Scheduling Order, Ex. A.

4. In early November of 2014, Plaintiff's counsel contacted Attorney Eckard to schedule

depositions for all Defendants before the 2014 Thanksgiving holiday. Attorney Eckard advised

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that he was unavailable, and requested that all depositions be done after January 6, 2015 in light

of the long holiday season and the fact that Attorney ECKARD would be off-island for most of

December 2014. The parties agreed to discuss a suitable deposition date in early January of 2015,

and agreed to extend the scheduling order deadline for depositions.

5. On January 8th, 2015, shortly after the long holiday season, Plaintiff's counsel contacted attorney

Eckard to schedule a deposition based on a mutually available date.

6. On January 13th, 2015, Attorney Eckard asked the undersigned "to hold off until tomorrow

morning, please." See Email, Eckard to DeWood Email (dated Jan. 13th, 2015) Ex. B. The Court

should note that at no point did Attorney Eckard ever advise Plaintiff's counsel that Defendants

had any objections to the deposition, or that there was any legal basis to justify any opposition

to Plaintiff's deposition notices.

7. On January 16th, 2015, as Plaintiff's counsel was awaiting final confirmation for a suitable

deposition date, Attorney Eckard, without warning, filed a meritless Motion for Protective Order

citing an unrelated litigation (Hamed v. Yusuf, et al. SX-12-CV-370) as basis thereof. Plaintiff

filed his Opposition. That Motion is still pending.

8. On February 4th, 2015, Plaintiff's counsel admonished attorney ECKARD for his delaying

tactics. See Email, DeWood to Eckard (Feb. 4th, 2015), Ex. C. Attorney Eckard never responded.

9. On February 6th, 2015, Plaintiff's counsel served Defendant's a notice of deposition for March

10th, 2015. See Plaintiff's Notice of Deposition, Ex. D.

10. On March 9th, 2015, the day before the deposition hearing, an unexpected power failure at the

deposition location caused Plaintiff to cancel the Mar. 10th, 2015 deposition. Timely notices were

sent to Defendants. To reschedule, Plaintiff's counsel sent an email to Attorney Eckard

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requesting suitable dates in March/April of 2015. Ex. E. See Email, DeWood to Eckard dated

April 1, 2015.

11. Attorney Eckard never provided any dates, and instead responded on April 1st, 2015 that he

would not attend the deposition in light of his motion for protective order. Ex. F

12. On March 19th, 2015, Plaintiff's counsel did not hear back from Attorney Eckard regarding

availability dates. As such, Plaintiff noticed Defendants' amended depositions for April 6th,

2015. See Notice of Amended Videotaped Deposition for Apr. 6th, 2015. Ex. G.

13. On April 3rd, 2015, Attorney ECKARD, without notice, and exploiting the court's closure during

the week-long Easter holiday, emailed Plaintiff's counsel to advise that his client will not be

appearing for Plaintiff's duly noticed April 6th, 2015 deposition. The email reveals that

Defendants' failure to appear for the deposition was due to attorney Eckard's specific instruction

as shown by the attached email. See Email, Eckard to DeWood (April 1st, 2015) Ex. H.

14. Plaintiff's counsel advised attorney Eckard that there is no protective order, and that attorney

Eckard cannot unilaterally decide not to appear for a duly noticed deposition without cause, or a

court order excusing Defendants' appearance. See Email, DeWood to Eckard (April 1st, 2015).

Ex. H.

15. Attorney ECKARD failed to answer Plaintiff's demand to reconsider Eckard's intent to not

appear.

16. Ultimately, Attorney Eckard instructed his clients not to appear for Plaintiff's April 6th, 2015

deposition in an unlawful attempt to avoid his clients from having to testify under oath

concerning their theft, breach of fiduciary duties, and corporate misconduct.

For the reasons below, the Court should grant Plaintiff's Motion, and issue the proper show cause order.

III. DISCUSSION

A. THE COURT SHOULD ISSUE A SHOW CAUSE ORDER WHY ATTORNEY

ECKARD SHOULD NOT BE HELD IN CONTEMPT OF COURT.

i. The Court's Inherent Contempt Powers

It is well established that the Superior Court has the inherent power to enforce compliance with

its orders through civil and criminal contempt. It is Plaintiff's burden to establish Defendants' and

attorney Mark Eckard's contempt. As clearly demonstrated above, Defendants and attorney Eckard

have intentionally acted to violate the court's March 4th, 2014 scheduling order and the discovery rules

to prevent Plaintiff from deposing Defendants in a timely manner, and to severely prejudice Plaintiff's

case. As such, the Court may exercise its inherent powers to enforce its order and to hold Defendants in

contempt.

ii. Sanctions for Discovery Violations pursuant to FRCP 37(b).

In addition to the court's inherent powers to enforce its orders, imposing discovery sanctions is

a matter within the court's discretion. Specifically, courts may enforce discovery orders by providing

strong and specific sanctions for not complying with the court orders, including discovery orders.

FRCP 37(b). More to the point, where a party acts in bad faith and willfully violates discovery, the

court may impose severe sanctions, including but not limited to:

1) Holding the offending party in civil or criminal contempt,

2) Imposing monetary sanctions,

3) Compel the party to produce the requested evidence and/or attend depositions, and

4) Award attorney fees and expenses.

National Hockey League v. Metropolitan Hockey Club, Inc. 427 U.S. 639, 643 (1976), Jankins

v. TDC Mgmt., 21 F.3d 436, 444 (D.C. Cir 1994). Attorney Eckard's Instruction to Defendants Not To

Appear Was Willful and Done in Bad Faith

Attorney Eckard was fully aware of the November 28th, 2014 deposition deadline. To circumvent

the deadline, Attorney Eckard first requested that any deposition be conducted after January 6th, 2015.

Shortly after the holidays, Attorney Eckard failed to cooperate with Plaintiff's counsel in providing a

simple availability date in January of 2015. When Attorney Eckard was pressed to provide a date, he

answered by stating to "please hold off." Ex. B. At no point did Attorney Eckard ever inform Plaintiff's

counsel of any objections to Plaintiff's deposition requests. More importantly, attorney Eckard failed to

request an emergency protective order, if indeed there were any valid grounds for a protective order.

The court should note that if there was any basis for a protective order, Attorney Eckard could have filed

it over 12 months ago to permit Plaintiff 1) to timely respond, and 2) to resolve any concerns by way of

a court order. Instead Attorney Eckard waited until the last minute to file frivolous motions, and to

unilaterally refuse to appear.

For example, on January 15th, 2015, attorney Eckard, after advising Plaintiff's counsel to "please"

wait," filed a Motion for Protective Order at the last minute before Plaintiff counsel was about to serve

Defendants with a deposition notice. Indeed if Attorney Eckard felt the need for a protective order he

could have filed it as far back as April of 2014. Clearly, these Motions, which are without merit, seem

to be conveniently filed at the last minute to effectively prevent Plaintiff from conducting timely

depositions of the Defendants.

Attorney Eckard decided without court permission not to appear for the April 6th, 2015 hearing,

and worse unlawfully instructed his clients not to appear. As such, the Court should forthwith issue a

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Show Cause Order to Attorney Eckard why he should not be held in contempt for instructing the Defendants not to appear for Plaintiff's duly noticed April 6th, 2015, deposition.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, it is respectfully requested that this Motion be granted and for an Order to Show Cause be issued against Attorney Eckard.

Date: April 8, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

The DeWood Law Firm Attorney for Plaintiff

Ву:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Memorandum in Support of Plaintiff's Motion for Order to Show Cause was served upon the Plaintiff on this 8th day of April, 2015 at the below address and via electronic mail and hand delivery.

Mark Eckard, Esquire

P.O. Box 24849 Christiansted VI 00824

Email: <u>mark@markeckard.com</u> Attorney for Defendants

Christina Joseph

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

DIVISION OF ST. CROIX

| YUSUF YUSUF, ON BEHALF OF PLESSEN ENT., INC. | Plaintiff | CASE NO. SX-13-CV-0000120 ACTION FOR: DAMAGES - CIVIL |
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| WALEED HAMED WAHEED HAMED MUFEED MOHAMMAD HAMED | vs | |

Defendant

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF SCHEDULING ORDER

TO: ANDREW L. CAPDEVILLE, ESQ. MARK W. ECKARD, ESQ.

Please take notice that on January 15, 2015 a(n) SCHEDULING ORDER dated January 09, 2015 was entered by the Clerk in the above-entitled matter.

Dated: January 15, 2015

Estrella H. George Acting Clerk of the Court

JANEEN MARANDA COURT CLERK II HW

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. CROIX

YUSUF YUSUF, derivatively on behalf of PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,

Plaintiff.

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WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED, MUFEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED and FIVE-H HOLDINGS, INC.,

Defendants,

and

PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,

Nominal Defendant.

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JURY TRIAL DEMANDED



REPORT OF THE PARTIES' PLANNING MEETING AND JOINT STIPULATED SCHEDULING ORDER

1. <u>Participants.</u> Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f), counsel for the parties have conferred and agreed on the matters set forth below. Participating in the preparation of and agreeing to the contents of this report are the following:

Andrew L. Capdeville, Esq. for Plaintiff;

Mark W. Eckard, Esq. for Defendants.

- 2. <u>Pre-Discovery Disclosures.</u> The Plaintiff has provided his Rule 26 Disclosures on April 1, 2014. The Defendants will provide theirs by April 15, 2014, the information required by Rule 26(a)(1) Fed.R.Civ.P.
- 3. A. <u>Discovery Plan.</u> Discovery will be needed on the following subjects:
 - factual basis for the allegations stated in the Complaint; and
 - the defenses asserted by each of the defendants.

The parties jointly propose to the Court the following discovery plan:

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B. Depositions:

Presumptive limit of ten (10) depositions per side as provided by Fed. R. Civ. P. 30 (a)(2)(A) excluding experts.

Duration of depositions as provided by Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(d)(1).

C. <u>Settlement</u>:

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Settlement can be evaluated at any time during the pendency of the action.

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LAW OFFICES OF

ANDREW L. CAPDEVILLE, P.C.

DATED: March _____, 2014

Bv:

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Dated: March 7, 2014

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Mark W. Eckard, Esq. Attorney for Defendants

P. O. Box 24849

Christiansted, VI 00824 Telephone: (340) 514-2690 Email: mark@markeckard.com YUSUF YUSUF, derivatively on behalf of PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC. vs. WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED, MUFEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED, and FIVE-H HOLDINGS, INC.

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| All Parties: Provided by the Court | All Motions in Limine (Experts) to be filed by this date. |
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| All Parties: May 31, 2015 | All dispositive motions filed and served by this date. |
| August 31, 2015 or 40 days following ruling on dispositive motions, whichever is later. | Ready for Trial (3 days) excluding jury selection |

- B. <u>Disclosure and discovery of electronically stored information</u>: The parties shall produce electronically stored information in static PDF format. The responding party shall notify the requesting party of any expenses required for conversion, and the requesting party shall bear the expense of converting such information to that format.
- C. <u>Claims of privilege or of protection as trial preparation material</u>: The parties agree that the provisions of Fed.R.Civ.P 26(b)(5) shall govern claims of privilege or trial preparation materials, and inadvertent production of such materials by any party.

4. Other Items.

A. Written Discovery:

Presumptive limit of twenty-five (25) interrogatories per party as provided by Fed. R. Civ. P. 33 (a)(1) shall apply in this case.

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| DATE | EVENT |
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| All Parties: April 1, 2014 | Rule 26(a)(1) voluntary disclosures, to the extent not already exchanged shall be made by this date. |
| All Parties: May 30, 2014 | Written discovery to be propounded under Rule 33, Rule 34, and Rule 36 by this date, and responses shall be provided within the time mandated by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. |
| All Parties: July 1, 2014 | Amendment to add new parties and amend the pleadings. |
| All Parties: November 28, 2014 | All fact witness depositions to be conducted by this date. |
| August 29, 2014 | MEDIATION |
| March 1, 2015 | The parties who have the burden of proof. |
| April 1, 2015 | Rebuttal Reports |
| All Parties: February 28, 2015 | All expert witness depositions to be conducted by this date. |

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A telephonic Status Conference shall take place on July 30, 2015 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. so ORDERED this g day of facult, 2015

ATTEST:

CLESIOF, COURT

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY
This 20 day of 20 20 5

CLERK OF THE COURT

Court Clerk #

 From:
 Nizar A, DeWood, Esq.

 To:
 "Mark Eckard"

 Cc:
 "Gregory Hodges"

Subject: RE: Yusuf Yusuf v. Waleed Hamed - Deposition of Defendants

Date: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 4:11:00 PM

Ok, talk to you tomorrow.

From: Mark Eckard [mailto:mark@markeckard.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:53 PM

To: Nizar A. DeWood, Esq. **Cc:** Gregory Hodges

Subject: RE: Yusuf Yusuf v. Waleed Hamed - Deposition of Defendants

Will do. Hold off until tomorrow morning, please.

From: Nizar A. DeWood, Esq. [mailto:nizar@dewood-law.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:42 PM

To: Mark Eckard **Cc:** Gregory Hodges

Subject: Yusuf Yusuf v. Waleed Hamed - Deposition of Defendants

Mark,

I still have not heard from you regarding your availability for depositions first week of Feb. Please advise before I send out the Notice today.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nizar A. DeWood, Esq.

Nizar A. DeWood, Esq.

To:

Mark Eckard (mark@markeckard.com)

Subject:

Depositions

Date:

Wednesday, February 04, 2015 8:05:00 PM

Mark,

I will respond to your Motion to Stay by Monday. Next time tell me you are engaging in delay tactics instead of honestly trying to workout a deposition schedule. None of this was called for.

Sincerely,

Nizar A. DeWood, Esq.

DeWood Law Firm

Mark Eckard

To:

Nizar A, DeWood, Esq.; Carl@hartmann.attorney

Cc:

Joel Holt

Subject: Date: RE: March 10th, 2015 - Depositions Monday, March 09, 2015 4:39:07 PM

We will make our clients available for depositions after Judge Willocks rules on the pending motion to stay discovery.

From: Nizar A. DeWood, Esq. [mailto:nizar@dewood-law.com]

Sent: Monday, March 9, 2015 3:51 PM **To:** Mark Eckard; Carl@hartmann.attorney **Subject:** March 10th, 2015 - Depositions

Counsels,

The deposition location for tomorrow is without any power. In light of the number of persons to be deposed (and the right of each party to be present), we will need to reschedule. I will send Notices of Cancellation. Before I reissue the depositions, please advise as to your availability.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nizar A. DeWood, Esq.

DeWood Law Firm

Mark Eckard

To:

Nizar A. DeWood, Esq.

Subject:

RE: Depositions April 6th, 2015

Date:

Wednesday, April 01, 2015 8:22:22 PM

Hi Nizar -

In light of the motion for protective order on file, depositions will not proceed next week.

Kind regards,

Mark

From: Nizar A. DeWood, Esq. [mailto:nizar@dewood-law.com]

Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2015 7:03 AM

To: Mark Eckard

Subject: Depositions April 6th, 2015

Mark,

I anticipate 4-5 hours of depo for Waleed Hamed, who will be taken first. Let me know if you have any preference regarding the depositions of the other Hamed defendants in terms time. I can also be reached at 443-799-6996.

Sincerely,

Nizar A. DeWood, Esq.

DeWood Law Firm

Mark Eckard

To: Subject: Nizar A. DeWood, Esq.

Subject Date: RE: Depositions April 6th, 2015 Wednesday, April 01, 2015 8:22:22 PM

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DeWood Law Firm

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| | <u>ORDER</u> |
| | trike Defendant's April 1, 2015 Motion for Summary ime for Filing of Response; the court duly advised in |
| | by GRANTED; ORDERED that Defendant's Motion CKEN OR ORDERED that the time for filing of scovery is complete. |
| ORDERED that copies of this Order be ser | ved on the parties of record. |
| ORDERED this day of | , 2015. |
| ATTEST: ESTRELLA H. GEORGE ACTING CLERK OF COURT | HON. HAROLD W.L. WILLOCKS SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE |
| Ву: | |
| Deputy Clerk | |