

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

WALEED HAMED, as the Executor of the Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,

Plaintiff/Counterclaim Defendant,

vs.

FATHI YUSUF and **UNITED CORPORATION**

Defendants and Counterclaimants.

vs.

WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED, MUFEEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED, and PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,

Counterclaim Defendants,

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vs.

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FATHI YUSUF, *Defendant.*

FATHI YUSUF, *Plaintiff,*

vs.

MOHAMMAD A. HAMED TRUST, *et al,*

Defendants.

KAC357 Inc., *Plaintiff,*

vs.

HAMED/YUSUF PARTNERSHIP,

Defendant.

Case No.: SX-2012-CV-370

**ACTION FOR DAMAGES,
INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND
DECLARATORY RELIEF**

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**HAMED MOTION TO COMPEL NO. 4 OF 5 WITH REGARD TO THE "B(1)" CLAIMS—
AS TO: REVISED CLAIMS H-150 AND H-160 – UNITED SHOPPING CENTER'S GROSS
RECEIPT TAXES ("GRT") AND Y-5 – REIMBURSE UNITED FOR GRTS**

I. Introduction

Pursuant to the newest Scheduling Order (October 5, 2019) from the Special Master, the parties must file any motions to compel related to the B(1) group of claims by today.

Hamed is filing the fourth of these motions to compel defendants to respond to interrogatories regarding three related claims: Hamed's H-150 and H-160 – United Shopping Center's Gross Receipt Taxes -- and Yusuf's Y-5 – Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes.

It should be noted, however, that Hamed has been attempting to procure responses to his discovery **since May 15, 2018 without success**. Hamed respectfully requests the Master to order responses to this outstanding discovery.

II. Procedural Process

The Parties exchanged discovery pursuant to the August 4, 2018 Scheduling Order. After the majority of the discovery was produced on May 15, 2018, the parties entered into a series of letters and Rule 37 conferences to resolve their differences. Some issues were resolved, but a number of issues remain outstanding. The following motion pertains to three related claims: Hamed's H-150 and H-160 – United Shopping Center's Gross Receipt Taxes and Yusuf's Y-5 – Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes.

III. Facts

A. Yusuf's Unanswered Interrogatories

1. *Hamed's Unanswered Interrogatory 16 of 50 – Claim No. H-150 – Reimburse United Shopping Center's Gross Receipt Taxes*

On February 21, 2018, Hamed propounded the following interrogatory:

Interrogatory 16 of 50:

Interrogatory 16 of 50 relates to Y-5: "Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes," H-150 (old Claim No. 3002a) and H-160 (old Claim No. Exhibit A-H): "United Shopping Center's gross receipts taxes," H-152 (old Claim No. 3008a): "United's corporate franchise taxes and annual franchise fees," and H-153 (old Claim No. 3009a): "Partnership funds used to pay United Shopping Center's property insurance."

State with specificity why, assuming that Yusuf is correct that Hamed had agreed that the Partnership would pay the separate (non-partnership-related) United Corporation costs for such things as GRT taxes, franchise taxes and fees, property insurance, etc., -- what facts, conversations, writings, communications or other information or documents leads Yusuf to believe and assert that he *continued* to have Hamed's consent as to such payments after September 17, 2012, despite a lawsuit filed by Hamed seeking to stop Yusuf's involvement in the Partnership, with a claim of outright theft by Hamed, as well as Yusuf's denial of the existence of a partnership, attempted removal of the Hameds from the stores by Yusuf and letters from Hamed and his counsel stating that various of the unilateral uses of funds, payments and actions were henceforth denied and actionable? (**Exhibit 1**)

On May 15, 2018, Yusuf's initial response did not explain "what facts, conversations, writings, communications or other information or documents leads Yusuf to believe and assert that he *continued* to have Hamed's consent as to such payments after September 17, 2012":

Yusuf Response to Interrogatory 16 of 50:

Defendants object to this interrogatory as vague, ambiguous, and compound such that the total number of interrogatories together with their sub parts and other discovery exceeds the maximum allowable number of interrogatories under the JDSP and violates both the spirit and the terms of the JDSP limiting the number of interrogatory questions.

Further responding, Yusuf submits that in his earlier declaration he explained that "[u]nder the business agreement between Hamed and me that I now describe as a partnership, profits would be divided 50-50 after deduction for rent owed to United, among other expenses" and that "[u]nder our agreement, I was the person responsible for making all decisions regarding when the reconciliation would take place" and that Yusuf had the discretion to determine when the reconciliation would take place. See August 12, 2014 Yusuf Declaration, p. 2. There is no reason for Yusuf to

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A series of letters and meet and confers happened subsequent to Yusuf's May 15, 2018 responses. For instance, Hamed's counsel sent a letter requesting a meet and confer on October 15th and 31st, 2018, outlining deficiencies with Yusuf's response. **(Exhibits 3 and 4)** The parties held Rule 37 conferences on November 9th and 12th, 2018. Those conferences were documented in letters on November 20th and 28th, 2018. **(Exhibits 5 and 6)** In Yusuf's December 18, 2018 discovery response, Yusuf dropped the following footnote: "Yusuf provides these supplemental responses relating to the claims, which remain in the Part B claim schedule. Yusuf will further supplement any other responses as to claims, which were shifted to the Part A schedule." **(Exhibit 7)** In other words, Yusuf unilaterally decided not to respond because this claim was going to be addressed after August 30, 2019. This is not what the Rule states and was not what the parties had agreed to. Yet another, third, Rule 37 conference was set for 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 20, 2018. Yusuf's counsel did not appear and did not provide any written or other notice of non-appearance. **(Exhibit 8)**

Out of an abundance of caution to ensure compliance with Rule 37, however, Hamed sent another letter requesting a meet and confer regarding this claim specifically on October 3, 2019. **(Exhibit 9)** Although the parties had a conversation about this claim, nothing was documented in writing. The parties held a formal Rule 37 conference

concerning this claim on October 11, 2019. (**Exhibit 10**) Yusuf did not supplement his discovery responses.

2. *Hamed's Unanswered Interrogatory 41 of 50 – Claim No. Y-5 – Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes*

On March 24, 2018, Hamed propounded the following interrogatory:

Interrogatory 41 of 50

Substantially the Same as Yusuf ROG 19: Identify all facts and circumstances relating to Yusuf Claims No. 2-5 and 10-12, and identify, all documents relating to each claim.

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Y-05 Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes. . . .

Exhibit 11.

As with Yusuf's prior responses, he refused to answer the interrogatory fully on May 15, 2018 and did not identify "all facts and circumstances" relating to Yusuf claim Y-5. Indeed, Y-5 is requesting repayment for gross receipt taxes from 1993-2001. Interrogatory 16, which Yusuf's response references, relates to Hamed's request that the Partnership should be reimbursed for paying the gross receipt taxes of the United Shopping Center from 2012 forward:

Yusuf's Response to Interrogatory 41 of 50:

Defendants object to this Interrogatory as vague, ambiguous, and compound such that the total number of interrogatories together with their sub parts and other discovery exceeds the maximum allowable number of interrogatories under the JDSP and violates both the spirit and the terms of the JDSP limiting the number of interrogatory questions.

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Without waiving any objections, Defendants further respond as follows:

Y-05 Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes: See Response to Interrogatory # 16 (**Exhibit 12**)

The same process for obtaining a response to Interrogatory 16 of 50 was also followed as to interrogatory 41 of 50. (**See Exhibits 3-8**)

To ensure compliance with Rule 37, Hamed sent another letter requesting a meet and confer regarding this claim specifically on October 3, 2019. (**Exhibit 9**) The parties held a Rule 37 conference concerning this claim on October 11, 2019. (**Exhibit 10**) Yusuf did not supplement his discovery.

IV. Argument

This Motion to Compel is submitted pursuant to the *Joint Discovery and Scheduling Plans* of January 29, 2018 and October 5, 2019.

A. Rule 26 Duty to Disclose; General Provisions Governing Discovery

Rule 26 of Virgin Islands Rules of Civil Procedure ("Rule 26") is the foundational rule governing discovery. It broadly allows discovery regarding "**any nonprivileged matter that is relevant to any party's claim or defense**. Information within this scope of discovery need not be admissible in evidence to be discoverable." V.I. R. CIV. P. 26(b)(1), emphasis added.

B. Yusuf simply refuses to respond to Hamed's interrogatories

Rule 33 of the Virgin Islands Rules of Civil Procedure ("Rule 33"), among other things, identifies the duties of the party responding.

(a) Answers and Objections.

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(3) Answering Each Interrogatory. Each interrogatory must, to the extent it is not objected to, be answered separately and fully in writing under oath.

(4) Objections. The grounds for objecting to an interrogatory must be stated with specificity. Any ground not stated in a timely objection is waived unless the court, for good cause, excuses the failure.

Yusuf refused to respond to interrogatories 16 and 41 and did not state with specificity his objection. Rather, he simply said the interrogatories were “vague, ambiguous and compound” in the number of requests and cross-referred his other, totally useless non-answers. (**Exhibits 2 and 12**)

These interrogatories directly relate to Hamed's defense of Yusuf's claim Y-5 and Hamed's claims H-150 and H-160 and are relevant in scope under Rule 26. For instance, regarding interrogatory no. 16, Yusuf has not explained why it was the Partnership's responsibility to pay the United Shopping Center's **totally unrelated gross receipts on the rents it collected from its tenants**. The Partnership did not receive any of the proceeds of the United Shopping Center's rent. The United Shopping Center is a wholly separate legal entity from the Partnership. It is unclear as to why the Partnership would pay for a company's gross receipt taxes that is wholly unrelated to the Partnership – other than the fact that Yusuf can get away with it.

Hamed does not have any explanation as to why the Partnership would owe this prior to September 2012 and Hamed *definitely* has no understanding as to why Yusuf thinks the Partnership should be paying this after Hamed brought suit on September 17, 2012.

Thus, Hamed requests that Yusuf:

- State with specificity *why*, assuming that Yusuf is correct that Hamed had agreed that the Partnership would pay the separate (non-partnership-related) United Corporation costs for such things as GRT taxes, franchise taxes and fees, property insurance, etc., this would continue *after* Hamed's September 2012 lawsuit.
- Identify what facts, conversations, writings, communications or other information or documents leads Yusuf to believe and assert that he *continued* to have Hamed's consent as to such payments after filing Hamed's September 2012 lawsuit.

With respect to interrogatory no. 41 concerning Yusuf claim Y-5 – gross receipt taxes paid by the United Shopping Center on the rents it collected from its Shopping Center renters, Yusuf has not explained why the Partnership pay for these taxes from 1993-2001, particularly since the Shopping Center has nothing do to with the Partnership. Hamed requests that Yusuf

- Identify all facts and circumstances relating to Yusuf claim – Y-5 – Partnership to reimburse the United Shopping Center for the Shopping Center's gross receipt taxes from 1993 through 2001.

V. Conclusion

All of Hamed's interrogatories and request for documents discussed above clearly fall within Rule 26's scope allowing discovery regarding "**any nonprivileged matter that is relevant to any party's claim or defense.**" (Emphasis added). Hamed has patiently been trying to get responses to this discovery since *May 15, 2018*, with no success. Accordingly, Hamed respectfully requests that the Master compel Yusuf to answer and produce the following:

Interrogatory 16 of 50

- State with specificity *why*, assuming that Yusuf is correct that Hamed had agreed that the Partnership would pay the separate (non-partnership-related) United Corporation costs for such things as GRT taxes, franchise taxes and fees, property insurance, etc., this would continue *after* Hamed's September 2012 lawsuit.
- Identify what facts, conversations, writings, communications or other information or documents leads Yusuf to believe and assert that he *continued* to have Hamed's consent as to such payments after filing Hamed's September 2012 lawsuit.

Interrogatory 41 of 50

- Identify all facts and circumstances relating to Yusuf claim - Y-5 – Partnership to reimburse the United Shopping Center for the Shopping Center's gross receipt taxes from 1993 through 2001.

Dated: October 15, 2019



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I hereby certify that I made the required efforts in good faith to confer with counsel for United and Yusuf in order to obtain the foregoing requested information.



Exhibit 1

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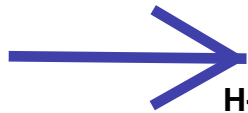
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**HAMED'S FOURTH INTERROGATORIES PER THE CLAIMS DISCOVERY
PLAN OF 1/29/2018, NOS. 16-28 OF 50 AS TO**



**Y-5: REIMBURSE UNITED FOR GROSS RECEIPT TAXES,
H-150 AND H-160: UNITED'S GROSS RECEIPTS TAXES,
H-152: UNITED'S CORPORATE FRANCHISE TAXES AND FEES
H-153: P FUNDS USED TO PAY UNITED'S PROPERTY INSURANCE,
H-7: KAC357, INC. PAYMENT OF INVOICES FROM J. DAVID JACKSON, PC
H-8: DAVID JACKSON, CPA, BILL OWED FOR TAX WORK DONE
H-15: NEJEH YUSUF'S CASH WITHDRAWALS FROM SAFE,
H-17: WALLY HAMED'S PERSONAL PAYMENT ACCOUNTING/FEES
H-22: NEJEH YUSUF REMOVED PROPERTY BELONGING TO KAC357, INC.,
H-142: HALF ACRE IN ESTATE TUTU,
H-146: IMBALANCE IN CREDIT CARD POINTS,
H-147: VENDOR REBATES,
H-154: ATTORNEY AND ACCOUNTING FEES PAID RE CRIMINAL CASE,
H-163: LOSS OF ASSETS DUE TO WRONGFUL DISSOLUTION
H-164: INVENTORY ADJUSTED DOWNWARD BY \$1,660,000
H-165: DEBTS TOTALING \$176,267.97**

Pursuant to the stipulated Joint Discovery Plan, as ordered by the Special Master on January 29, 2018, Hamed propounds the following Fourth Claims interrogatories relating to the claims listed below.


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**RESPONSES TO HAMED'S FOURTH INTERROGATORIES PER THE CLAIM
DISCOVERY PLAN OF 1/29/2018 NOS. 16-28 OF 50**

~~Defendant/Counterclaimants Fathi Yusuf ("Yusuf") and United Corporation~~
("United")(collectively, the "Defendants") through their attorneys, Dudley, Topper and Feuerzeig, LLP, hereby provide their Responses to Hamed's Fourth Set of Interrogatories per the Claims Discovery Plan of 1/29/2018, Nos. 16-28 of 50 as to Y-5: Reimburse United For Gross Receipt Taxes; H-150 And H-160: United's Gross Receipts Taxes; H-152: United's Corporate Franchise Taxes And Fees; H-153: P Funds Used to Pay United's Property Insurance; H-7: Kac357, Inc. Payment Of Invoices from J. David Jackson, PC; H-8: David Jackson, CPA, Bill Owed For Tax Work Done; H-15: NejeH Yusuf's Case Withdrawals from Safe; H-22: NejeH Yusuf Removed Property Belonging To Kac357, Inc.; H-142: Half Acre In Estate Tutu; H-146: Imbalance In Credit Card Points; H-147: Vendor Rebates; H-154: Attorney And Accounting Fees Paid Re Criminal Case; H-163: Loss Of Assets Due To Wrongful Dissolution; H-164: Inventory Adjusted Downward By \$1,660,000; H-165: Debts Totaling \$176,267.97.

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

Defendants make the following general objections to the Interrogatories. These general objections apply to all or many of the Interrogatories, thus, for convenience, they are set forth herein and are not necessarily repeated after each objectionable Request to Admit. The assertion of the same, similar, or additional objections in the individual responses to the Interrogatories, or the failure to assert any additional objections to a discovery request does not waive any of Defendants' objections as set forth below:

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It is hereby certified that on this 15th day of May, 2018, I caused the foregoing a true and exact copy of the foregoing **RESPONSE TO HAMED'S FOURTH INTERROGATORIES PER THE CLAIMS DISCOVERY PLAN OF 1/29/2018, NOS. 16-28** to be served upon the following via Case Anywhere docketing system:

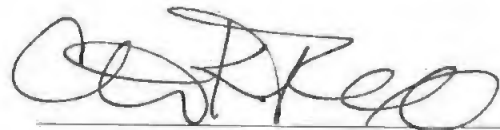
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RE: Request for Rule 37 Conference re Claims Discovery Responses, Letter 1 of 2

Dear Attorney Perrell:

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**Deficient Claims Discovery Responses re KAC357, Inc.,
John Gaffney, Motion to Strike and Supplemental Information**

1. KAC357, Inc. Claims

Interrogatory 17 of 50:

Interrogatory 17 of 50 relates to Claim H-7 (old Claim No. 248): "KAC357 Inc. payment of invoices from J. David Jackson, PC and H-8 (Old Claim No. 256): "David Jackson, CPA, bill owed for tax work done related to the Partnership's. 2013 taxes," as described in Hamed's November 16, 2017 Motion for a Hearing Before Special Master Exhibit 3 and the September 28, 2016 JVZ Engagement Report and Exhibits.

With regard to Claims H-7 and H-8, state in detail why these invoices for work done for the Partnership were not paid by the Partnership. If you assert these are not Partnership expenses, state in detail why that is, with reference to all applicable documents, communications and witnesses.

Yusuf Response:

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Defendants further object to this Interrogatory because KAC357, Inc. is not a party to this consolidated case and its "claims" are not part of the accounting claims referred to the Master for his report and recommendation.

(May 15, 2018, *Responses to Hamed's Fourth Interrogatories per the Claim Discovery Plan of 1/29/2018 Nos. 16-28 of 50*, pp. 7-8)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 17: Defendant Fathi Yusuf objected to KAC357, Inc. including its claims in *Hamed v Yusuf, et. al.*, SX-12-CV-370 because it was not a party to the consolidated 370 case and KAC357, Inc.'s claims were not part of the accounting claims referred to the Master.

On June 13, 2018, KAC357, Inc. filed a complaint against Fathi Yusuf and the Hamed-Yusuf Partnership seeking reimbursements for unpaid expenses, *KAC357, Inc. v Yusuf and the Hamed-Yusuf Partnership*, SX-18-CV-219. On July 12, 2018, KAC357, Inc. filed a First Amended Complaint.

On August 2, 2018, the parties filed a joint motion for consolidation and a stipulation requesting that

KAC357's claims previously included in Hamed's Revised Claims are deemed re-presented against the partnership to Master Ross for

resolution by him in a manner identical with all other Hamed Revised Claims.

On August 16, 2018, Judge Jomo Meade entered an Order consolidating SX-18-CV-219 with the *Hamed v Yusuf, et.al.* consolidated case, SX-12-CV-370.

Now that the KAC357, Inc. claims are a part of the claims process, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 17.

2.Requires John Gaffney's Assistance

Interrogatory 8 of 50 - New Claim Number H-037-- Old Claim #: 353 **Due to/from Fathi Yusuf**

Please provide a detailed explanation for each entry on Exhibit 353-a, including, but not limited to, the business purpose for each transaction, what each entry represents, who received what payouts from this entry and the amounts, where each entry is recorded on the general ledger (both current and historical, if applicable), and a description of the documents that support your response. Make sure your response includes the following general ledger entries:

-West, 9130115, JE30-03, GENJ, CLEAR MISC YUSUF/PSHIP DUE TO /FR
ACCOUNTS, \$120,167.33
-STT, 9/30/15, JE30-01, GENJ, CLEAR YUSUF/PSHIP MISC DUE TO /FR
ACCOUNTS ON 9130, \$186,819.33
-West, 9/30/15, JE03-30, GENJ, CLEAR MISC YUSUF/PSHIP DUE TO/FR
ACCOUNTS, \$900,000
(See Exhibits 353-a, Exhibits to JVZ Engagement Report, September 28, 2016, bates number JVZ-001543.)

Response:

* * *

Defendants further object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. . . . (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Interrogatories 2 Through 13 Of 50 - New Claim Numbers: Y-8, H-1, H-23, H-19, H-33, H-34, H-37, H-144, H-145, H-155, H-156, H-158 & H-160*, pp. 14-15)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 8: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 8.

Interrogatory 9 of 50 - New Claim Number H-144-- Old Claim #: 492
\$900,000 Estimated tax payment for United Corporation Shareholders
in April 2013

Please provide a detailed explanation for the April 2013 \$900,000 estimated tax payment for United Corporation shareholders, including, but not limited to, the business reason for the payout, the names of the individuals whose taxes were being paid and the amount paid for each individual, a description of why the Partnership should pay United Corporation shareholders' taxes, an entity wholly separate from the Partnership, and a description of all documents related to this entry. If the Hameds received an equal payout, please describe the general ledger entry substantiating that payout and describe all of the documents evidencing that payout (cancelled checks, for example). If they did not, explain why.

Response:

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Defendants further object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. . . . (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Interrogatories 2 Through 13 Of 50 - New Claim Numbers: Y-8, H-1, H-23, H-19, H-33, H-34, H-37, H-144, H-145, H-155, H-156, H-158 & H-160*, pp. 16-17)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 9: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 9.

Interrogatory 10 of 50 - New Claim Number H-145-- Old Claim #: 3003
WAPA deposits paid with Partnership funds

Explain the allocation of the returned WAPA deposit and interest, including, but not limited to, why the return of Partnership funds was allocated to the United Corporation, limited to, why the distribution to United was called a capital distribution, a description of all documents, testimony or affidavits showing that United funds were used for the initial deposit, why the WAPA deposit and interest for PE-West was allocated to Plessen, even though the funds are Partnership funds and how much of the PE-Tutu deposit and interest was allocated to expenses that occurred after May 1, 2015, a description of exactly where deposit and interest ended up for each of the three stores and a detailed description of all the documents that support your answer.

Response:

* * *

Defendants further object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Interrogatories 2 Through 13 Of 50 - New Claim Numbers: Y-8, H-1, H-23, H-19, H-33, H-34, H-37, H-144, H-145, H-155, H-156, H-158 & H-160*, pp. 18-19)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 10: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 10.

RFPDs 20 of 50:

Request for the Production of Documents, 20 of 50 relates to H-144 (old Claim No. 492):

"\$900,000 Estimated tax payment for United Corporation shareholders."

With respect to H-144, an estimated tax payment in April 2013 using Partnership funds was made for United Corporation shareholders. Please provide all documents related to this expenditure, including but not limited to: any written agreements that Partnership funds would be used in this manner, tax returns for each United shareholder documenting any such

payments, as well as any documentation showing that the Hamed's tax for the same time period were paid by the Partnership.

Response:

Defendants object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. . . . (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Fourth Request for Production of Documents Nos. 19-27 of 50 Pursuant to the Claims Discovery Plan*, pp. 5-6)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 20: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 20.

Interrogatory 22 of 50:

Interrogatory 22 of 50 relates to Claim No. H-146 (old Claim No. 3007): "imbalance in credit card points," as described in Hamed's November 16, 2017 Motion for a Hearing Before Special Master, Exhibit 3 and the September 28, 2016 JVZ Engagement Report and Exhibits.

With respect to H-146, state the approximate value of these credit card points, by describing: the approximate number of points in each of the years 2008 -the date of the splitting of the East and West stores; the present value of that many points if negotiated on the date of these answers at the point-to-dollar value now - and show all of your calculations, sources of information and support for this approximation.

Response:

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Defendants further object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. . . .

(May 15, 2018, *Responses to Hamed's Fourth Interrogatories per the Claim Discovery Plan of 1/29/2018 Nos. 16-28 of 50*, pp. 14-15)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 22: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 22.

Interrogatory 26 of 50:

Interrogatory 26 of 50 relates to Claim No. H-164: "Inventory adjusted downward by \$1,660,000 due to unrecorded inventory transfers to other stores," as described in Hamed's November 16, 2017 Motion for a Hearing Before Special Master, Exhibit 3.

With respect to Claim No. H-164, describe all transactions in detail that relate to the inventory adjusted downward by \$1,660,000 due to unrecorded inventory transfers to other stores, with references, for each such transaction, to all related and underlying documents.

Response:

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Defendants further object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. . .

(May 15, 2018, *Responses to Hamed's Fourth Interrogatories per the Claim Discovery Plan of 1/29/2018 Nos. 16-28 of 50*, pp. 20-21)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 26: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 26.

Interrogatory 27 of 50:

Interrogatory 27 of 50 relates to Claim No. H-165: "Debts totaling \$176,267.97, which must be paid prior to any distribution of the remaining Partnership Assets to the Partners," as of September 30, 2016, as described in Hamed's November 16, 2017 Motion for a Hearing Before Special Master, Exhibit 3.

With respect to H-165, described in detail, with reference to all related and underlying documents, each of the "debts totaling \$176,267.97, which must be paid prior to any distribution of the remaining Partnership Assets to the Partners,"

Response:

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Defendants further object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. . . . (May 15, 2018, *Responses to Hamed's Fourth Interrogatories per the Claim Discovery Plan of 1/29/2018 Nos. 16-28 of 50*, pp. 22-23)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 27: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 27.

3. Pending Motion to Strike

Interrogatory 7 of 50 - New Claim Number H-034-- Old Claim #: 340

Rents collected from Triumphant church

Please explain how, when and why rents from the church were collected by a Yusuf family member, and where those funds went. Describe all documents, including but not limited to, general ledger entries and cancelled checks, substantiating a credit back to the Partnership for the rents collected by NejeH Yusuf from the Triumphant church as documented in Exhibit 340, Exhibits to JVZ Engagement Report, September 28, 2016, bates numbers JVZ-001369-JVZ-001382.

Response:

Yusuf has filed a Motion to Strike Hamed's Amended Claim Nos. H-41 through H-141 and Additional "Maybe" Claims ("Motion to Strike") seeking to strike Hamed Claim 34, which is the subject of this interrogatory. Yusuf incorporates by reference his Motion to Strike as if fully set forth herein verbatim and submits that because there is a pending Motion to Strike, the

requirement for a response should be stayed pending the resolution. (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Interrogatories 2 Through 13 Of 50 - New Claim Numbers: Y-8, H-1, H-23, H-19, H-33, H-34, H-37, H-144, H-145, H-155, H-156, H-158 & H-160*, pp. 13)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 7: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to Interrogatory 7.

RFPDs 13 of 50:

Request for the Production of Documents, 13 of 50, relates to H-142 (old Claim No. 490): "Half acre in Estate Tutu."

With respect to H-142, please provide all documents which relate to this entry - particularly (but not limited to) all underlying documents relating to the source of funds for the purchase of this property if it was other than income from the stores.

Response:

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Moreover, this claim is the subject of Defendants' Motion to Strike Hamed's Amended Claim Nos. 142 and 143 ("Motion to Strike") seeking to strike Hamed Claim 142 on the grounds that the property was titled in the name of Plessen, was not an asset of the Partnership and is barred by the Limitation Order. Defendants incorporate by reference their Motion to Strike as if fully set forth herein verbatim and submit that because there is a pending Motion to Strike, the requirement for a response should be stayed pending the resolution. (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Third Request for Production of Documents Nos. 8-18 of 50 Pursuant to the Claims Discovery Plan*, pp.10-11)

Deficiency for RFPDs 13: On August 10, 2018, the Special Master denied Yusuf's motion to strike Hamed claims 41-141 and the additional 14 claims Yusuf questioned. The Judge ordered that the "Parties shall proceed forward with discovery as to Hamed Claim Nos. H-41 to H-141 as set forth in the Discovery Plan." (p. 6, footnote 10 omitted)

Now that Yusuf's motion to strike has been denied, Hamed requests that Yusuf respond to RFPDs 13.

4. Supply Additional Information or Supplement Response

**Interrogatory 2 of 50 - New Claim Number Y-08 - Old Claim #: Y's III.F
Water Revenue Owed United**

Describe in detail, by month, from Sept 17, 2006 to 2014, the amount of water sold to the Partnership, by whom it was sold, the number of gallons per month, the per gallon cost in each of those months, the total value of the gallons sold by month, year and total amount - and describe any ledgers, shipping invoices, receipts or other documents which support your claim as well as any witnesses who would have knowledge and what knowledge you believe they have.

Response:

Defendants first object that this Interrogatory is unclear as it requests information about water sold "to the Partnership." United's claim against the Partnership is that the Partnership sold United's water from the Plaza Extra-East location. After May 5, 2004, the proceeds from the sale of United's water were to be paid to United, not the Partnership. Nonetheless, in an effort to respond to what appears to be questions relating to the support and calculations for water sales due to United from the Partnership, Defendants submit that the calculations set forth Yusuf's Amended Accounting Claims Limited to Transactions Occurring On or After September 17, 2006 ("Yusuf's Claims") were based upon two years of sales in 1997 (\$52,000) and 1998 (\$75,000) for an average of \$5,291.66 per month. As Waleed Hamed was in charge of the Plaza Extra-East location where the sales took place, Yusuf will be seeking additional information from him as part of the written discovery propounded on him. The number listed in the claims was the average monthly sales multiplied by 131 months demonstrating that United is owed \$693,207.46 from the Partnership for the water sales revenue from April 1, 2004 through February 28, 2015. Yusuf submits that discovery is on-going and that he will supplement this response as and when appropriate. (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Interrogatories 2 Through 13 Of 50 - New Claim Numbers: Y-8, H-1, H-23, H-19, H-33, H-34, H-37, H-144, H-145, H-155, H-156, H-158 & H-160*, pp. 4-5)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 2 of 50: This response fails to identify by month from Sept 17, 2006 to 2014, the amount of water sold, who sold the water, the number of gallons per month, the cost per gallon per month, total value of gallons sold per month, year and overall total. Please supplement your response with this information.

Additionally, your response did not list witnesses who would have knowledge about the water sales and what knowledge you believe they have. Please list all witnesses and the knowledge you believe they have regarding the sale of water at Plaza Extra-East.

Finally, you did not describe any documents related to this claim. Please supplement your response with a description of any ledgers, shipping invoices, receipts or other documents which support your claim, including your claim that "the Partnership sold United's water from the Plaza Extra-East location." In other words, please describe any documentation that shows the water belonged to United rather than the Partnership.

Interrogatory 21 of 50:

Interrogatory 21 of 50 relates to Claim No. H-142 (old Claim No. 490): "Half acre in Estate Tutu," as described in Hamed's November 16, 2017 Motion for a Hearing Before Special Master, Exhibit 3 and the September 28, 2016 JVZ Engagement Report and Exhibits.

With respect to Claim No. H-142, state in detail how this half acre in Estate Tutu was purchased and what funds were used, the source of those funds and any discussions or agreements about the funds or the purchase, with reference to all applicable documents, communications and witnesses.

Initial Response (1/29/18):

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Moreover, this claim is the subject of Defendants' Motion to Strike Hamed's Amended Claim Nos. 142 and 143 ("Motion to Strike") seeking to strike Hamed Claim 142 on the grounds that the property was titled in the name of Plessen, was not an asset of the Partnership and is barred by the Limitation Order. Defendants incorporate by reference their Motion to Strike as if fully set forth herein verbatim and submit that because there is a pending Motion to Strike, the requirement for a response should be stayed pending the resolution.

(May 15, 2018, *Responses to Hamed's Fourth Interrogatories per the Claim Discovery Plan of 1/29/2018 Nos. 16-28 of 50*, pp. 12-13)

Supplemental Response (7/19/18):

Defendants show that all documents relating to the purchase of the half acre in Estate Tutu are those documents, which have already been provided in this case including the Warranty Deed and the First Priority Mortgage. Further responding, Defendants show that Mr. Yusuf is out of the country until August 18, 2018 and to the extent that any additional information is required of him, Defendants are unable to provide that information at this time, but will readily supplement as soon as he is available. (July 19, 2018, *Supplemental Responses to Hamed's Discovery as to Interrogatory No. 21, Request to Admit 22, and the Request for the Production of Documents No. 13*, pp. 2-3)

Deficiency for Interrogatory 21: Please supplement your response, including identifying how this half acre in Estate Tutu was purchased and what funds were used, the source of those funds and any discussions or agreements about the funds or the purchase, with reference to all applicable documents, communications and witnesses.

RFPDs 21 of 50:

**Request for the Production of Documents, 21 of 50, relates to Y-2:
"Rent for Bays 5 & 8"**

With respect to Y-2, please provide all documents demonstrating a written agreement that Hamed or the Partnership agreed to pay rent for Bays 5 & 8, including any documents establishing the amount of rent, a signed lease agreement and any prior payments of rent on Bays 5 & 8, include but do not limit this to any writings after Hamed brought suit in September of 2012, that would show any such consent or agreement continued after that suit.

Defendants.

Response:

Defendants submit that information responsive to this Request for Production is set forth in Fathi Yusuf's earlier declaration he explained that "[u]nder the business agreement between Hamed and me that I now describe as a partnership, profits would be divided 50-50 after deduction for rent owed to United, among other expenses" and that "[u]nder our agreement, I was the person responsible for making all decisions regarding when the reconciliation would take place" and that Yusuf had the discretion to determine when the reconciliation would take place. See August 12, 2014 Yusuf Declaration, p. 2.

[Need to find out from Mr. Yusuf whether any prior payments were made as to Bays 5 and 8.] (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Fourth Request for Production of Documents Nos. 19-27 Of 50 Pursuant to the Claims Discovery Plan*, pp. 11-12)

Deficiency for RFPDs 21: Please supplement your response regarding "need to find out from Mr. Yusuf whether any prior payments were made as to Bays 5 and 8."

RFPDs 27 of 50: Request for the Production of Documents, 26 of 50, relates to Y-14, "Half of Value of Six Containers."

With respect to Y-14, please provide all documents substantiating your claim, including the itemized pricing and contents of the six containers.

Response:

To the extent that information has not already been provided to Hamed pursuant to briefing relating to this claim, Defendants will supplement their response to this Request. (May 15, 2018, *Response to Hamed's Fourth Request for Production of Documents Nos. 19-27 Of 50 Pursuant to the Claims Discovery Plan*, p. 7)

Deficiency for RFPDs 27: Please supplement your response and provide all documents substantiating your claim, including the itemized pricing and contents of the six containers.

Please let me know your availability to schedule the first Rule 37 conference by Friday, October 19, 2018.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carl J. Haddad", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

cc: Joel H. Holt, Esq., Kimberly L. Japinga, Greg Hodges, Esq. & Stephan Herpel, Esq.

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RE: Request for Rule 37 Conference re Claims Discovery Responses, Letter 2 of 2

Dear Attorney Perrell:

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Request to Admit 37 of 50:

Substantially the same as Yusuf RTA. Admit that the Partners agreed when the Partnership was formed that Fathi Yusuf would provide the services and use of United by the Partnership and the Partnership operated the three Plaza Extra Stores that way.

Response:

Defendants object to this request as vague and ambiguous as to the nature and scope of "the services and use of United by the Partnership."

Deficiency for RTA 37 of 50: This is an improper objection, as the request does not seek details of such use, only the fact that United was used in some manner by the Partnership. Thus, the proper response is admit.

Please let me know your availability to schedule the first Rule 37 as required by the Rule.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carl J. Holt", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

cc: Joel H. Holt, Esq., Kimberly L. Japinga, Greg Hodges, Esq. & Stephan Herpel, Esq.

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RE: Summary of Rule 37 Conference re Claims Discovery Responses, Letter 1 of 2

Dear Attorney Perrell:

This letter summarizes our agreements regarding each of the outstanding discovery items from our Rule 37 conference on November 9, 2018.

1. KAC357, Inc. Claims

Interrogatory 17 of 50 - Relates to Claims H-7 and H-8 - KAC357, Inc. payments to David Jackson.

Withdrawn due to stipulation regarding attorneys' fees filed on November 9, 2018.

2. Requires John Gaffney's Assistance

Interrogatory 8 of 50 - Relates to Claim H-37 - \$186,819.33 due to/from Fathi Yusuf.

Withdrawn because this claim was moved to the Part A claims that John Gaffney is answering.

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Interrogatory 2 of 50 – Relates to Claim Y-8 – Water Revenue

Attorney Perrell agreed to answer this interrogatory by December 15, 2018.

Interrogatory 21 of 50 – Relates to Claim H-142 – Half Acre in Estate Tutu

Attorney Perrell agreed to answer this interrogatory by December 15, 2018.

RFPD 21 of 50 – Relates to Claim Y-2 – Unpaid rent for Plaza Extra-East Bays 5 & 8

Attorney Perrell agreed to answer this request for production of documents by December 15, 2018.

RFPD 27 of 50 – Relates to Claim Y-14 – Half the value of the six containers

Attorney Perrell agreed to answer this request for production of documents before December 15, 2018.

Sincerely,

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RE: Summary of Rule 37 Conference re Claims Discovery Responses, Letter 2 of 2

Dear Attorney Perrell:

This letter summarizes our discussion and agreements regarding each of the outstanding discovery items from our Rule 37 conference on November 12, 2018.

Quick Summary:

The following claims are ready for Hamed to file his Claim's Motion now: H-15 (interrogatory 18) and H-150 (interrogatory 41).

The following discovery items are ready for Hamed to file his Motion to Compel now: interrogatories 33, 34, 35, 41 (as it relates to Y-11) and request for the production of documents 26, 28, 31 and 32.

Hamed withdraws the following discovery items: interrogatories 25, 28, 41 (as it relates to Y-3 and Y-4 only); request for production of documents 29, 41 (as it relates to ROGs 42 and 43 only), and request to admit 18 and 29.

Once the joint stipulation regarding documents and fact positions is signed, the following discovery items will be withdrawn: interrogatories 41 (as it relates to Y-12 only), 47 and RFPDs 33, 41 (as it relates to ROG 47 only) and RFPDs 43-47.

Once the joint stipulation regarding the documents contained in the BDO report is signed, the following discovery items will be withdrawn: request for production of documents 4 and 38.

Excerpted for brevity

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Requests to Admit

RTA 18 – Relates to no credit for expired (spoiled) inventory discovered at Plaza Extra West

Hamed withdraws RTA 18.

RTA 22 – Relates to the half-acre in Estate Tutu

Attorney Perrell agreed to respond to RTA 22 by December 15, 2018.

RTA 29 – Relates to loss of assets due to wrongful dissolution - attorney's fees

Hamed withdraws RTA 29.

RTA 37 – Relates to the Partners agreement that when the Partnership was formed, Fathi Yusuf would provide the services and use of United by the Partnership and the Partnership operated the three Plaza Extra Stores that way

Attorney Perrell agreed to respond to RTA 37 by December 15, 2018.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carl J. Hartmann", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Carl J. Hartmann

cc: Greg Hodges, Joel Holt and Kim Japinga

Exhibit 7

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

WALEED HAMED, as Executor of the Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,)	
)	
Plaintiff/Counterclaim Defendant,	)	CIVIL NO. SX-12-CV-370
v.)	
	)	ACTION FOR INJUNCTIVE
FATHI YUSUF and UNITED CORPORATION,	)	RELIEF, DECLARATORY
	)	JUDGMENT, AND
Defendants/Counterclaimants,	)	PARTNERSHIP DISSOLUTION,
v.	)	WIND UP, AND ACCOUNTING
)	
WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED, MUFEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED, and PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,)	
<u>Additional Counterclaim Defendants.</u>	)	Consolidated With
WALEED HAMED, as Executor of the Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,)	
	)	CIVIL NO. SX-14-CV-287
Plaintiff,)	
v.	)	ACTION FOR DAMAGES AND
	)	DECLARATORY JUDGMENT
UNITED CORPORATION,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
WALEED HAMED, as Executor of the Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,	)	CIVIL NO. SX-14-CV-278
)	
Plaintiff,	)	ACTION FOR DEBT AND
v.	)	CONVERSION
)	
FATHI YUSUF,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
FATHI YUSUF and UNITED CORPORATION,	)	CIVIL NO. ST-17-CV-384
)	
Plaintiffs,	)	ACTION TO SET ASIDE
v.	)	FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS
)	
THE ESTATE OF MOHAMMAD HAMED, Waleed Hamed as Executor of the Estate of Mohammad Hamed, and THE MOHAMMAD A. HAMED LIVING TRUST,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES
TO HAMED'S DISCOVERY**

Defendant/Counterclaimants Fathi Yusuf ("Yusuf") and United Corporation ("United")(collectively, the "Defendants") through their attorneys, Dudley, Topper and Feuerzeig, LLP, hereby provide their Supplemental Responses¹ to Hamed's Discovery pursuant to discussion and various letters alleging deficiencies, as follows:

1. ~~Yusuf Claim Y-2 (for Rent for Bay 5&8), Hamed RTP 21, 34, Interrog. 29:~~

~~There are no additional documents responsive to this request beyond the Declaration of Fathi Yusuf dated August 12, 2014 attached as Exhibit 3 to the Defendant's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment on Counts IV, IX and XII Regarding Rent.~~

2. ~~Yusuf Claim Y-14 (Half of the value of the containers at Plaza Extra-Tutu Park), Hamed RFPD 27:~~

~~Yusuf has prepared a detailed analysis of the value of the containers attached hereto as Exhibit 1. To support the calculations as to the value of the items stored in the containers, Yusuf submits various invoices for the types of items stored therein at ~~Date Numbers FY 015045 – 015134 attached hereto.~~~~

3. ~~Hamed Claim H-1 (Reimbursement for sale of Dorthea Condo), Hamed Interrog. 3:~~

~~Yusuf supplements his earlier response and confirms that proceeds from the sale were paid and completed before 2006. Yusuf has no records of the payments. Interest was paid directly to a charity as part of the agreement to donate any interest.~~

¹ Yusuf provides these supplemental responses relating to the claims, which remain in the Part B claim schedule. Yusuf will further supplement any other responses as to claims, which were shifted to the Part A schedule.

~~Consequently, Yusuf reaffirms that this claim is barred by the Limitations Order of Judge Brady.~~

DUDLEY, TOPPER AND FEUERZEIG, LLP

DATED: December 18, 2018

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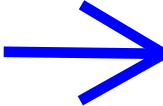
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Cc: "[Gregory Hodges](#)"; "[Joel Holt](#)"
Subject: Confirming Thursday at 11 am AST conf - Items for Thursday Discussion with Kim/Carl/Charlotte
Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2018 5:55:00 PM

Charlotte & Kim:

The issues that will be capable of deposition and briefing (Charlotte's "Red" claims) are listed below.

I would like to discuss the discovery re:

H-1 Dorothea (we would still like Fathi's narrative i.e. interrogatory response to what he recalls about when, how and how much he received – as well as what banks records would reflect that.

Also H-152 and H-153.

Also, all of Yusuf's claims. I want to be clear that no other "factual" assertions or allegations will be made in motions or at trial that have not been set forth – with bu counsel or by affidavit/declarations.

Also need to discuss stips about additional docs/evid. – drafts of which have been circulated.

Carl

New Claim Number	Item No. in Original 8/30/16 Claim Filing	Description	Total Amount of Claim
H-001	201	Reimbursement for sale of the Dorthea condo	\$802,966.00
H-002	355	\$2.7 million unilateral withdrawal from the Partnership account	\$2,784,706.25
H-014	221	Unsubstantiated checks to NejeH Yusuf	\$14,756.00
H-015	242	NejeH Yusuf's cash withdrawals from safe	\$53,384.67
H-016	253	NejeH Yusuf's use of Partnership resources for his Private Businesses on STT	0 Discovery Needed
H-032	335	No credit for expired (spoiled) inventory discovered at Plaza Extra	\$54,592.08

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H-034	340	West Rents collected from Triumphant church	\$3,900.00
H-152	3008a	United's corporate franchise taxes and annual franchise fees	\$2,300.52
H-153	3009a	Partnership funds used to pay United Shopping Center's property insurance	\$59,360.84
Y-002	Y's Claims - III.B.2	Unpaid rent for Plaza Extra-East Bays 5 & 8	\$793,984.34
Y-004	Exhibit E	9% interest on rent claims for East Bays 5 & 8	\$241,005.18
Y-012	Y's Claims - VI, Exhibits K-O	Foreign Accts and Jordanian Properties	\$434,921.37
Y-014	Y's Claims - VIII	Half of the value of the six containers	\$210,000.00

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RE: Request for Rule 37 Conference re Discovery Responses Related to the B(1) claims, *Hamed v Yusuf*, SX-12-CV-370

Dear Attorney Perrell:

With respect to the B(1) claims only, there are two interrogatories and one request for production of documents that require a Rule 37 conference. Your original May 15, 2018 and supplemental January 18, 2019 discovery responses did not adequately address these items – and it is unclear as to whether these matters were discussed at prior conferences. Out of an abundance of caution, I am providing your client with the opportunity to meet on these, although we will understand if you feel this is no longer necessary because of past conferences.

Please let me know your availability for a Rule 37 conference next week.

Generally Deficient Interrogatory Responses

~~1. Interrogatory 16 of 50~~

~~On February 21, 2018, Hamed propounded the following interrogatory:~~

~~**Interrogatory 16 of 50 relates to Claim No. Y-5:** “Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes,” H-150 (old Claim No. 3002a) and H-160 (old Claim No. Exhibit A-H): “United Shopping Center’s gross receipts taxes,” H-152 (old Claim No. 3008a): “United’s corporate franchise taxes and annual franchise fees,” and H-153 (old Claim No. 3009a): “Partnership funds used to pay United Shopping Center’s property insurance.”~~

~~State with specificity why, assuming that Yusuf is correct that Hamed had agreed that the Partnership would pay the separate (non-partnership-related) United Corporation costs for such things as GRT taxes, franchise~~

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~~**Deficiency:** Yusuf has failed to identify the following and needs to~~

- ~~• State with specificity why, assuming that Yusuf is correct that Hamed had agreed that the Partnership would pay the separate (non-partnership-related) United Corporation costs for such things as GRT taxes, franchise taxes and fees, and property insurance, would continue after Hamed's September 2012 lawsuit.~~
- ~~• Identify what facts, conversations, writings, communications or other information or documents leads Yusuf to believe and assert that he *continued* to have Hamed's consent as to such payments after filing Hamed's September 2012 lawsuit.~~

2. Interrogatory 27 of 50

On February 21, 2018, Hamed propounded the following interrogatory:



Interrogatory 27 of 50 relates to Claim No. H-165: "Debts totaling \$176,267.97, which must be paid prior to any distribution of the remaining Partnership Assets to the Partners," as of September 30, 2016, as described in Hamed's November 16, 2017 Motion for a Hearing Before Special Master, Exhibit 3.

With respect to H-165, described in detail, with reference to all related and underlying documents, each of the "debts totaling \$176,267.97, which must be paid prior to any distribution of the remaining Partnership Assets to the Partners."

On May 15, 2018, Yusuf responded to Interrogatory 27 as follows:

Yusuf Response to Interrogatory 27 of 50

Defendants object to this interrogatory as vague, ambiguous, and compound such that the total number of interrogatories together with their sub parts and other discovery exceeds the maximum allowable number of interrogatories under the JDSP and violates both the spirit and the terms of the JDSP limiting the number of interrogatory questions.

Defendants further object because all information as to the accounting performed by Mr. Gaffney during his employment as the accountant for the Partnership has been provided by John Gaffney in various forms including the submissions accompanying the numerous bi-monthly reports as well as the additional information and explanations provided by Gaffney directly to counsel and accountants for Hamed. This question relates to an accounting allocation made by the accountant to the Partnership under the supervision of the Master. Yusuf, as a partner, is without sufficient knowledge to respond to this inquiry as the information is not with in his

care, custody or control. Yusuf has made reasonable inquiry into this Interrogatory and the information he knows or can readily obtain is insufficient to enable him to respond to same.

Defendants further object on the grounds that the responsive information cannot be readily obtained by making reasonable inquiries as these inquiries require the skilled and detailed attention and focus of John Gaffney, former Partnership accountant, to revisit his accounting and work papers. Yusuf is no longer being paid to function as the Liquidating Partner to answer questions on behalf of the Partnership and the accounting that took place during the liquidation process. Likewise, John Gaffney is no longer employed by the Partnership to function in the role as Partnership accountant. To respond to these questions, the expertise and knowledge of John Gaffney is necessary, which diverts him away from his employment with United. Rather, if Hamed seeks information from John Gaffney for questions as to the accounting efforts he undertook as the Partnership accountant, Hamed should be required to compensate John Gaffney for his time in researching and preparing those responses. Furthermore, many of these inquiries as to the Partnership accounting are duplicative of questions Gaffney has previously addressed at or near the time that the transactions took place. Reorienting now as to transactions from years ago constitutes an undue burden and causes unnecessary time and expense. If Hamed seeks to revisit these issues, Hamed should bear the cost.

Without waiving any objections, Defendants state that this information was previously provided in the exhibits to Yusuf's Accounting Claims as well as the Amended Claims. The supporting documentation for same has been provided in the numerous bi-monthly reports or the accompanying financial information prepared by John Gaffney. Defendants incorporate same in lieu of a narrative response.

Yusuf's January 19, 2019 supplemental discovery responses did not address this interrogatory.

Deficiency: Yusuf appears to be referencing V.I. R. CIV. P. 33(d) to explain his lack of response to this interrogatory. Rule 33(d) provides as follows:

(d) Duty of Reasonable Diligence; Option to Produce Business Records. An answer must be given to each interrogatory as provided in subpart (b) of this Rule unless the responding party represents in good faith in its response that it cannot — in the exercise of reasonable efforts — prepare an answer from information in its possession or reasonably available to the party. In that instance, and if the answer to an interrogatory may be determined by examining, auditing, compiling, abstracting, or summarizing

a party's business records (including electronically stored information) — and if the burden of deriving or ascertaining the answer will be substantially the same for either party — the responding party may answer by:

- (1) specifying the records that must be reviewed, providing sufficient detail and explanation to enable the interrogating party to identify and understand the records as readily as the responding party could; and
- (2) producing copies of the records, compilations, abstracts, or summaries with the answer to the interrogatory, unless duplicating such materials would be unduly burdensome.

Yusuf has failed to specify **exactly** which bi-monthly reports, financial information and exhibits to Yusuf's Accounting Claims and Amended Claims pertain further to this interrogatory. Further, the burden of deriving or ascertaining the answer is not substantially the same for Hamed as it is for Yusuf. Yusuf was the Liquidating Partner and as such, would be able to detail each of the "debts totaling \$176,267.97." Also, the interrogatory requests that each debt be described in detail, which should include, at a minimum the name of the vendor, the amount of the debt, and the business purpose for the expense. Finally, "all related and underlying documents" must be described as well, which would include the vendor invoice and check number from the Partnership account that paid the expense.

Generally Deficient Request for Production of Documents Response

1. RFPDs 35 of 50



On March 25, 2018, Hamed propounded the following documents request:

RFPDs 35 of 50 relates to H-165: SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME AS YUSUF RFPD 10. For any debts Yusuf claims are owed by the Partnership in Exhibit 6, please provide any documents or supporting evidence which supports these debts of the Partnership.

[Exhibit 6 references: A. Miscellaneous Debts

There are Debts totaling \$167,114.78, which must be paid prior to any distribution of the remaining Partnership Assets to the Partners.¹¹

Footnote: ¹¹These liabilities are as of December 31, 2016 and are reflected in the Partnership financial statement provided to the Master and counsel for the Partners by Gaffney on January 31, 2017. As of August 31, 2017, Gaffney advises that these liabilities are \$69,273.51, which

includes the \$30,000 accrued for accounting fees pursuant to § II D, above.]

On May 15, 2018, Yusuf responded to RFPDs 35 as follows:

Yusuf Response to RFPDs 35 of 50

See Exhibits attached to Yusuf's original Accounting Claims and Proposed Distribution previously served upon counsel for Hamed on September 30, 2016 as well as the referenced Bi-Monthly Reports.

Yusuf's January 19, 2019 supplemental discovery responses did not address this document request.

Deficiency: Yusuf has not identified and produced documents related to this request. For instance, no invoices relating to the debts totaling \$167,114.78 have been produced. Further, ***specific*** checks, bank statements and general ledger entries identifying all the debts totaling \$167,114.78 have not been produced.

I look forward to scheduling a Rule 37 conference for next week.

Sincerely,



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Exhibit 10

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Via Email Only

**RE: Follow Up to Rule 37 Conference re Discovery Responses Related
to the B(1) claims, *Hamed v Yusuf*, SX-12-CV-370**

Dear Attorney Perrell:

This is a follow up to our October 3rd, 2019 letter requesting a Rule 37 conference. Today, during our Rule 37 conference, you agreed to try to respond to by Monday, October 14, 2019 to Hamed's interrogatories 16 and 21 of 50, propounded on February 21, 2018 and Hamed's request for the production of documents 35 of 50, propounded on March 25, 2018.

I understand that you may not be able to respond by EOD Monday. If that is the case, as we discussed, Hamed will file his motions to compel on the discovery requests on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, the date set for filing all such motions according to the most recent scheduling order.

Sincerely,



Carl J. Hartmann III

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Exhibit 11

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

WALEED HAMED, as the Executor of the
Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,

Plaintiff/Counterclaim Defendant,

vs.

FATHI YUSUF and **UNITED CORPORATION**

Defendants and Counterclaimants,

vs.

**WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED,
MUFEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED, and
PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,**

Counterclaim Defendants.

Case No.: **SX-2012-cv-370**

**ACTION FOR DAMAGES,
INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND
DECLARATORY RELIEF**

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Consolidated with

Case No.: **SX-2014-CV-287**

**ACTION FOR DECLARATORY
JUDGMENT**

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Consolidated with

Case No.: **SX-2014-CV-278**

**ACTION FOR DEBT AND
CONVERSION**

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

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Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,

Plaintiff,

vs.

UNITED CORPORATION,

Defendant.

WALEED HAMED, as the Executor of the
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Plaintiff,

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FATHI YUSUF,

Defendant.

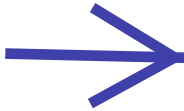
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Interrogatory 41 of 50:

Substantially the Same as Yusuf ROG 19: Identify all facts and circumstances relating to Yusuf Claims No. 2-5 and 10-12, and identify, all documents relating to each claim.

- Y-02 Unpaid rent for Plaza Extra-East Bays 5 & 8
- Y-03 9% interest on rent claims for Bay 1
- Y-04 9% interest on rent claims for Bays 5 & 8
- Y-05 Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes
* * * *
- Y-10 Past Partnership Withdrawals - Receipts
- Y-11 Lifestyle Analysis
- Y-12 Foreign Accts and Jordanian Properties



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I hereby certify that on this 24th day of March, 2018, I served a copy of the foregoing by email, as agreed by the parties, on:

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 6-1(e)

This document complies with the page or word limitation set forth in Rule 6-1(e).



Exhibit 12

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
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v.)

FATHI YUSUF and UNITED CORPORATION,)
)
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v.)

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PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,)
Additional Counterclaim Defendants.)

WALEED HAMED, as Executor of the)
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)
Plaintiff,)

v.)

UNITED CORPORATION,)
)
Defendant.)

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Plaintiff,)

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UNITED CORPORATION,)
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v.)

THE ESTATE OF MOHAMMAD HAMED,)
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Defendants.)

CIVIL NO. SX-12-CV-370

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**RESPONSES TO HAMED'S SIXTH INTERROGATORIES PER THE CLAIM
DISCOVERY PLAN OF 1/29/2018 NOS. 33-41 OF 50**

~~Defendant/Counterclaimants Fathi Yusuf ("Yusuf") and United Corporation~~
("United")(collectively, the "Defendants") through their attorneys, Dudley, Topper and Feuerzeig, LLP, hereby provide their Responses to Hamed's Sixth Set of Interrogatories per the Claims Discovery Plan of 1/29/2018, Nos. 33-41 of 50.

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

Defendants make the following general objections to the Interrogatories. These general objections apply to all or many of the Interrogatories, thus, for convenience, they are set forth herein and are not necessarily repeated after each objectionable Request to Admit. The assertion of the same, similar, or additional objections in the individual responses to the Interrogatories, or the failure to assert any additional objections to a discovery request does not waive any of Defendants' objections as set forth below:

(1) Defendants object to these Interrogatories to the extent they may impose obligations different from or in addition to those required under the Virgin Islands Rules of Civil Procedure.

(2) Defendants object to these Interrogatories to the extent that they use the words "any" and "all" as being overly broad, unduly burdensome, immaterial, irrelevant, and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

(3) Defendants object to these Interrogatories to the extent they seek information which is protected by the attorney-client privilege or work-product doctrine, including information ~~prepared in anticipation of litigation, or for trial, by or on behalf of Defendants or relating to mental~~

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Interrogatory 41 of 50:

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- Y-03** 9% interest on rent claims for Bay 1
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- Y-10** Past Partnership Withdrawals – Receipts
- Y-11** Lifestyle Analysis
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Response:

Defendants object to this Interrogatory as vague, ambiguous, and compound such that the total number of interrogatories together with their sub parts and other discovery exceeds the maximum allowable number of interrogatories under the JDSP and violates both the spirit and the terms of the JDSP limiting the number of interrogatory questions.

Without waiving any objections, Defendants further respond as follows:

~~**Y-02** Unpaid rent for Plaza Extra-East Bays 5 & 8: See Response to Interrogatory # 29.~~

Y-03 9% interest on rent claims for Bay 1: See Yusuf Claims and Exhibits reflecting interest calculations.

~~**Y-04** 9% interest on rent claims for Bays 5 & 8: See Yusuf Claims and Exhibits reflecting interest calculations.~~

Y-05 Reimburse United for Gross Receipt Taxes: See Response to Interrogatory # 16.

~~**Y-10** Past Partnership Withdrawals Receipts: See Response to Interrogatory # 37.~~

Y-11 Lifestyle Analysis: See BDO Report, Tables and Supporting Documentation

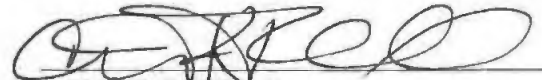
~~**Y-12** Foreign Accts and Jordanian Properties See Response to Interrogatory # 30.~~

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It is hereby certified that on this 15th day of May, 2018, I caused the foregoing a true and exact copy of the foregoing **RESPONSE TO HAMED'S SIXTH INTERROGATORIES PER THE CLAIMS DISCOVERY PLAN OF 1/29/2018, NOS. 33-41** to be served upon the following via Case Anywhere docketing system:

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