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Via JEDS and aala.khan@njcourts.gov Honorable Paula T. Dow, P.J.Ch. Olde Courthouse, First Floor 120 High Street Mount Holly, NJ 08060

Re: Plaintiffs, Lorraine Pratt and Melanie Long individually and on behalf of all Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc. owners and others similarly situate v. Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc. et al. Docket No. BUR-C-62-23

Dear Judge Dow:

Please be advised I represent the Defendant, Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc. ("Association") in the above-captioned matter. Please accept this Certification of Michael S. Simone, Esquire in response to Plaintiff's Certification of Lorraine Pratt filed September 20, 2023.

Thank you for your attention and consideration in this matter.

Michael S. Simone

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cc: Paul Leodori, Boudwin Ross Roy Leodori PC. (via JEDS) Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc. Michael S. Simone, Esq.

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LORRAINE PRATT and MELANIE LONG, : Individually and on behalf of all Rittenhouse : Park Community Association, owners and : others similarly situate, :

Plaintiff,

VS.

RITTENHOUSE PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., and UNKNOWN PAT DOES 1-20,

Defendant.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY BURLINGTON COUNTY CHANCERY DIVISION

DOCKET NO.: C-000062-23

Civil Action

CERTIFICATION OF MICHAEL S. SIMONE, ESQ. IN OPPOSITION TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WITH TEMPORARY RESTRAINTS IN THE FORM APPOINTING AN ELECTION MASTER TO CONDUCT RITTENHOUSE PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCAITION, INC. BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION IN CONFORMANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

The following certification is made in support of Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiff's Order to Show Cause with Temporary Restraints:

- 1. I, Michael S. Simone, Esquire, on behalf of Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc., the Defendant in this matter, attest the following statements.
- 2. On Monday, September 11, 2023, I had discussions with the Property Manager and President about potential postponements of the election.
- 3. On Tuesday, September 12, 2023, I spoke with the Property Manager and President and verbally agreed to postpone the election. I further presented time lines for new notices and the new election date in November.

- 4. On Wednesday, September 13, 2023, I sent proposed language for the new election notices. On the same day, my office received Plaintiff's Order to Show Cause.
- 5. On Thursday, September 14, 2023, a sign was posted regarding the postponement of the election.
- 6. Based on the above, I did not misrepresent the timeline to any board members or the Court. Again, the decision had been made to postpone the election prior to the Plaintiff filing the Order to Show Cause.
- 7. I have no allegiance to any board member and only want the best for Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc.
- 8. I have represented Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc. since 2007. I have assisted the Association in various matters over the years including but not limited to collections, by-law changes, attending board meetings and assisting in various litigation over the years.
- 9. As a result, I have worked with various board members since that time and my goal is only to have elections open so that the community can elect the next board members free from controversy.
- 10. The presented guidelines and three (3) member election board can ensure elections are handled properly along with the proposed Memo to be sent out to all residents regarding the election process.
- 11. I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Dated: 9/20/7023

Michael S. Simone, Esq., on behalf of

Rittenhouse Park Community Association, Inc.