JOHN W. BERRY, Cal. Bar. No. 295760 1 Email: berryj@sec.gov LYNN M. DEAN, Cal. Bar No. 205562 2 Email: deanl@sec.gov SARA KALIN, Cal. Bar No. 212156 3 Email: kalins@sec.gov 4 Attorneys for Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission Michele Wein Layne, Regional Director 5 John W. Berry, Associate Regional Director 444 S. Flower Street, Suite 900 6 Los Angeles, California 90071 7 Telephone: (323) 965-3998 Facsimile: (213) 443-1904 8 9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 10 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 11 12 Case No. 12 CV 2164 GPC JMA SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE 13 COMMISSION, PLAINTIFF SECURITIES AND 14 Plaintiff. **EXCHANGE COMMISSION'S** MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND 15 VS. **AUTHORITIES IN OPPOSITION TO** 16 **NON-PARTY INVESTORS' EX** LOUIS V. SCHOOLER and FIRST FINANCIAL PLANNING PARTE APPLICATION FOR AN 17 CORPORATION d/b/a WESTERN ORDER ALLOWING THEM TO FINANCIAL PLANNING WITHDRAW AND REFILE AN 18 CORPORATION, EXHIBIT UNDER SEAL AND 19 SEEKING CLARIFICATION OF THE Defendants. **COURT'S ORDER, DOCKET 1296** 20 21 Dkt. No. 1397 22 Ctrm: 23 Hon, Gonzalo P. Curiel Judge: 24 25 26 27

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The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") opposes in part the *ex parte* application by non-party investors represented by Gary Aguirre (the "Ardizzone Investors") to substitute an exhibit filed under seal for an exhibit that they improperly filed in the public docket and seeking clarification of the Court's Order dated May 18, 2016, Docket No. 1296.

To begin, the SEC has no objection to Aguirre's request to withdraw and re-file under seal Exhibit 4 to his October 25, 2016 Declaration. Dkt. No. 1396-1. That document was a letter of intent with a possible purchaser of a property held by the Receivership, and, as Aguirre well knows, it should never have been publicly filed. Investors represented by Aguirre moved in April 2016 to unseal certain filings, including letters of intent, offers, and negotiations with potential purchasers, and the court *denied* that motion, though it did direct that the investors could have access to the documents. Dkt. Nos. 1228, 1231, 1296, pp. 10-11.

However, the SEC does oppose the balance of Aguirre's *ex parte* application, both on the grounds that the Aguirre investors lack standing to make the application, and because it is unnecessary. First, Aguirre has attempted numerous times either to file motions or *ex parte* requests in this matter and has been told that such motions cannot be heard unless he moves to intervene first. *See, e.g.*, ECF Nos. 1194, 1200, 1204, 1211, 1221, 1222, 1223, and 1224. He failed to do so here, and the application should be denied on that basis alone.

Second, the Court's May 18, 2016 Order does not require clarification. The Order was explicit in prohibiting public disclosure of documents relating to sales negotiations for receivership properties. The Court specifically found that "the unsealing of the documents for public review could have a negative impact on the GPs' ability to maximize the value of the properties under receivership." Dkt. No. 1296 at p. 10. In ordering that the documents be provided to investors, the Court ordered that the "documents will remain sealed to the public." *Id.* at p. 11. There is therefore no ambiguity that would require clarification. Aguirre thus violated the Court's Order by

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publicly filing a document that the Court had ordered should remain non-public, and then filed this frivolous request for "clarification" to obfuscate his failure to abide by the Court's prior order. His request should be denied. For all the foregoing reasons, and those set forth in the Receiver's opposition to Aguirre's Request (Dkt. No. 1400), the SEC requests that the Court deny the Ardizzone Investors' application for clarification of the Court's Order dated May 18, 2016, Docket No. 1296. Dated: November 1, 2016 /s/ Lynn M. Dean John W. Berry Lynn M. Dean Sara D. Kalin

PROOF OF SERVICE I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action. My business address is: 2 3 U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, 444 S. Flower Street, Suite 900, Los Angeles, California 90071 Telephone No. (323) 965-3998; Facsimile No. (213) 443-1904. 4 5 On November 1, 2016, I caused to be served the document entitled **PLAINTIFF** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION'S MEMORANDUM OF 6 POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN OPPOSITION TO NON-PARTY INVESTORS' EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER ALLOWING 7 THEM TO WITHDRAW AND REFILE AN EXHIBIT UNDER SEAL AND SEEKING CLARIFICATION OF THE COURT'S ORDER, DOCKET 1296 on 8 all the parties to this action addressed as stated on the attached service list: 9 **OFFICE MAIL:** By placing in sealed envelope(s), which I placed for 10 collection and mailing today following ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this agency's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing; such correspondence would be deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the same day in the ordinary course of business. 11 12 PERSONAL DEPOSIT IN MAIL: By placing in sealed envelope(s), which I personally deposited with the U.S. Postal Service. Each such envelope was deposited with the U.S. Postal Service at Los Angeles, California, with first class 13 14 postage thereon fully prepaid. 15 **EXPRESS U.S. MAIL:** Each such envelope was deposited in a facility regularly maintained at the U.S. Postal Service for receipt of Express Mail at Los 16 Angeles, California, with Express Mail postage paid. 17 **HAND DELIVERY:** I caused to be hand delivered each such envelope to the office of the addressee as stated on the attached service list. 18 UNITED PARCEL SERVICE: By placing in sealed envelope(s) designated by United Parcel Service ("UPS") with delivery fees paid or provided for, which I 19 deposited in a facility regularly maintained by UPS or delivered to a UPS courier, at 20 Los Angeles, California. 21 **ELECTRONIC MAIL:** By transmitting the document by electronic mail to the electronic mail address as stated on the attached service list. 2.2. **E-FILING:** By causing the document to be electronically filed via the Court's 23 CM/ECF system, which effects electronic service on counsel who are registered with the CM/ECF system. 24 **FAX:** By transmitting the document by facsimile transmission. The 25 transmission was reported as complete and without error. 26 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. 27 Date: October 20, 2016 /s/ Lynn M. Dean 28 Lynn M. Dean

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